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OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER
OF
NOVA SCOTIA
AND
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD IN

**THE UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
CHARLOTTETOWN, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

JULY 4, 5 and 6, 2006

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DIVINE SERVICE

The "*Garden of Memories*" ESTARL Church Service was held in the Grand Chapter Room at the University of Prince Edward Island on Tuesday, July 4, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

The service was conducted by Brother Rev. Charles E. McPherson, Chairman of the ESTARL Committee. The Grand Organist, Brother Edward MacLaren and the Grand Chaplain, Sister Jane Wooldridge assisted in the service. Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.M. sang "*The Lord's Prayer*". The sermon was entitled "*Believing is Seeing*". This service was held prior to the Informal Opening and was well attended by our members.

The offering was collected by the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. The collection from this service amounted to **\$1,230.55** and was given to the ESTARL Programme.

GRAND CHAPTER OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
“GARDEN OF MEMORIES”
DEDICATION

This Grand Chapter Session is dedicated to our families, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and all members who are in our Garden of Memories.

AIM: To Recapture the Joy of our Initiation
THEME: Fun, Friendship and Fraternity
WATCHWORDS: *Faith* - Makes our paths a little clearer
Hope - Makes our lives a little brighter
Charity - Makes our load a little lighter

EMBLEM: Bible
HONOUR STATION: Chaplain
FLOWER: Pansies
MOTTO: Serve with the heart of a child

CHARITY: *Children’s Wish Foundation*

FUN SYMBOLS: **W.G.M.:** - Teddy Bear
W.G.P.: - Rainbows, Lollipops and Everything Irish

COLOURS: Purple, Nova Scotia Tartan, Prince Edward Island Dress Tartan and accents of Silver and Gold

SPECIAL MUSIC:

W.G.M.: *When You Wish Upon a Star* *The Lord’s Prayer*
Twenty-Third Psalm *You’ll Never Walk Alone*
High Hopes *Side By Side*

W.G.P.: *We Shall Go Out With Resurrection*
Here I Am Lord *Look To the Rainbow*
Will You Come and Follow Me *Good Ship Lollipop*

SCRIPTURES:

W.G.M.: “*A friend loveth at all times.*” Proverbs 17:17

W.G.P.: *The Covenant of the Rainbow - Genesis 9:12-17:*
“And I seal this promise with this sign. I have placed my rainbow in the clouds as a sign of my promise until the end of time, to you and to all the earth. When I send clouds over the earth, the rainbow will be seen in the clouds, and I will remember my promise to you and to every being, that never again will the flood come and destroy all life. For I will see the rainbow in the cloud and remember my eternal promise to every living being on the earth.”

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
INFORMAL OPENING
TUESDAY EVENING, July 4, 2006**

6:30 p.m. The Grand Officers and their escorts were introduced by Brother William F. Clark, G.G.C.C.M.

**INTRODUCTION
2005-2006 GRAND OFFICERS AND ESCORTS**

- Grand Sentinel - Brother Whitman Giffin** from Shoreham Chapter #59, Chester, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Sister JoAnne Giffin, P.M.
- Grand Warder- Brother David "Doc" Morrison** from Fairfield Chapter #22, Windsor, Nova Scotia - accompanied by Sister Marguerite Morrison, P.M.
- Grand Electa - Sister Mary Reid** from Harmony Chapter #25, Stellarton, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Allan Reid, P.P.
- Grand Martha - Sister Beverly Caulier** from Kwebec Chapter #27, Bedford, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Tabor "Ted" Caulier, P.P. and P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.
- Grand Esther- Sister Nora Moxsom** from Elmsdale Chapter #55, Elmsdale, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother George Moxsom, P.P.
- Grand Ruth - Sister Evelyn Blair** from Cedar Chapter #3, Wallace, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Walter Blair, P.P.
- Grand Adah - Sister Fran Harding** from Regent Chapter # 52, Central Bedeque, Prince Edward Island, accompanied by Mr. John Bryanton, Sister Fran's brother.
- Grand Organist - Brother Edward MacLaren** from Montague Chapter # 69, Montague, Prince Edward Island, accompanied by his wife, Irene Renaud.
- Grand Marshal- Brother Darrell Thurber** from Halifax Chapter #7, Halifax, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Sister Lynn Thurber - Grand Representative of Maryland in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.
- Grand Chaplain - Sister Jane Wooldridge** from Crystal Chapter #1, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, accompanied by her husband, Donnie Wooldridge
- Associate Grand Conductress - Sister Edith Conrod** from Queen Esther Chapter # 61, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Owen Walton, P.P.
- Grand Conductress - Sister Annie Mae Backman** from Grace Chapter #8, Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Laurie Myra, P.P.
- Grand Treasurer - Sister Dorothy H. J. Powroz** from Amethyst Chapter # 28, Halifax, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Cecil Decker - Grand Treasurer Emeritus
- Grand Secretary - Sister Betty Ann Loughnan** from Mystic Star Chapter #40, St. Margaret's Bay, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Ray Zinck, P.P.
- Associate Grand Patron - Brother Ron Boudreau** from Crescent Chapter #70, Lockeport, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Sister Grace Boudreau, P.M.
- Associate Grand Matron - Sister Gail Cook** from Laurel Chapter #67, Berwick, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Brother Frederick W. Clarke, R.W.G.S of the General Grand Chapter and P.G. M. of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.
- Worthy Grand Patron - Brother Reverend John Patterson** from Century Chapter #10, New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, accompanied by Sister Diane Patterson, D.D.G.M.
- Worthy Grand Matron - Sister Marion Miller** from Crystal Chapter #1, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, accompanied by Brother Edgar Miller, P.P.

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6:45 p.m.

EMBLEM CEREMONY

Narrator:	Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M.	(61)
Bible:	Sister Helen MacEwen, P.M.	(52)
Sword & Veil:	Sister Thelma Low, P.M.	(45)
Sheaf:	Sister Edith Lewis, P.M.	(49)
Crown & Sceptre:	Sister LaVerne Porter, P.M.	(15)
Broken Column:	Sister Jean Profitt	(1PEI)
Cup:	Sister Edna MacVicar, P.M.	(14)

Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M.: Emblem Ceremony

In keeping with our theme of *THE GARDEN OF MEMORIES SESSION*, the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have chosen to use the Emblem Ceremony written and narrated by Sister Helen Herring, P.G.M., for the *Golden Chain of Friendship Session* of Sister Ellen Webster, P.G.M., and Brother Cyril MacIntosh, P.G.P. Sister Claretta Palmer, P.G.M., placed the Bible on the Altar for that Session. **These are our MEMORIES.**

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God".

From these verses from 1st John we are reminded that God is the source of wisdom and our teachings come to us from the pages of His Holy Book. In an ever changing world the Holy Bible continues to be our authority, our inspiration and our hope. Here are all our principles found, and here are recorded our guidelines for every day.

Just as God was at the beginning, so today as we begin our Sessions, His Word and His teachings are present to guide us.

(The Emblem Bearers, carrying the Bible and Emblems, now advance from the West to stand behind the Altar and pedestals.)

The Altar is the place where man meets God, and from the pages of this sacred volume receives the light by which he must travel life's road.

From its precious opening lines "In the beginning, God", to its closing benediction, "The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all His people", the Bible is our guide and strength. It is with deep reverence and a sense of humility that we place upon our Holy Altar this Holy Book, our guide and inspiration from which come the lessons that are taught in the five degrees of our Order.

From its very beginning, our Order has exemplified our teachings by means of Emblems. Each has its own story to tell and its own lesson to teach.

Faithful to convictions of right and duty are taught by Adah with Sword and Veil and her colour of heavenly blue.

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Steadfastness to all the duties of life, blending humility and service, are the story of Ruth with her sheaf of wheat, reflecting the golden sun.

Loyalty, a noble quality of mind and heart, is taught by Esther with her Crown and Sceptre and her colour of white which reflects purity and innocence.

The uncertainty of human life and the hope of immortality are taught to us by the Broken Column of Martha and her colour of green, reflecting nature's life and beauty.

The lessons of love and hospitality are taught by the Cup of Electa where her colour of red reminds us to love one another.

From the beginning, these Emblems have represented the principles and purpose of our Order and have led us to fields of service.

May the light of His star continue to guide each of us all the days of our lives. These Emblems we present with love.

(The Emblem bearers wore white gowns or dark suits.)

7:00 p.m.

INFORMAL OPENING

Sister Eleanor Mitchell, P.G.M. (61) and Brother Allison Mitchell, P.G.P. (61) were escorted to the East to call the meeting to order.

Sister Eleanor Mitchell, P.G.M.:

Good Evening! What a great and distinct pleasure is mine, through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to call to order this Informal Opening. A very special added pleasure is mine tonight in sharing the East with my husband, our Past Grand Patron, Brother Allison.

To each of you I extend a very sincere and loving welcome to this GARDEN OF MEMORIES Session - the 59th Annual Session of this Grand Chapter. We are so happy that each of you has joined us here in Charlottetown. It is wonderful for us to meet here again in Garden of the Gulf - the last time was for the 47th session in 1994. There is something very special about this Island and it becomes evident to so many who come here and we truly hope you will somehow find the time to visit and enjoy some its many beautiful and outstanding places of interest. I know you will wish to return again and again.

We now look ahead to each exciting day of our Session. This Informal Opening always seems very special, as we enjoy the formations, beautiful attire, lovely decorations, the presence of our Distinguished Guests - and most certainly to enjoy our opportunities to renew our friendships and to make new friends - all adding to our excitement and pleasure.

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We are honoured to have with us tonight Provincial, Civic, and fraternal leaders as well as members of our General Grand Chapter, Visitors from many other Grand Jurisdictions.

It is a distinct pleasure to welcome -The Honourable Pat Binns, Premier of Prince Edward Island, Mr. Clifford Lea, Mayor of Charlottetown, Mr. Jack Kelly, Mayor of Cornwall and Mr. Wade MacLaughlin, President of the University of Prince Edward Island, as well as Right Worthy Brother Daniel Campbell, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, Right Worthy Brother Vernon Simpson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island and Sister Carolyn Galley-Card, Queen of the Nile.

AND, a great pleasure to welcome General Grand Chapter Officers: Sister Rennie Oton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel; – and to welcome the General Grand Chapter Committee Members - including our own Sister Cheryl Denton, Registration and Brother William Clark, Visioneer, and not forgetting Sister Edna Harding, International Temple, who is unable to be with us.

To each of visiting Distinguished Guests, I extend our sincere welcome and hope your stay here on this beautiful Island will be most pleasant.

To each of our members of this Grand Jurisdiction, you are appreciated for all you do for this Order - and to you I extend a most loving welcome. Enjoy your Session.

I am now pleased to present Brother Allison, Past Grand Patron, for his message.

Brother Allison, P.G.P.:

Good Evening! Sisters, Brothers and Friends. It is a privilege for me to be in the East of our Grand Chapter once again and to welcome all our members, friends, and all Distinguished Guests, and Visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions. We hope you will enjoy the next few days here in our midst and have an opportunity to enjoy some Island scenery, which I highly recommend.

To our own members serving the General Grand Chapter - Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel; Sister Cheryl Denton, Registration, Brother Bill Clark, Visioneer - we wish you well as you prepare to attend the General Grand Chapter Assembly in Minnesota.

I extend a most sincere welcome to our Premier, Civic and Masonic leaders, and all honoured guests from near and far.

A special welcome is extended to each of our members. I hope you will enjoy the next few days here, and participate in our deliberations.

AND - - to our Visiting American Sisters and Brothers present - - we are pleased you have chosen to visit with us on this July 4th!

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Sister Eleanor ---it has been a special pleasure to assist you in opening this Informal session.

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Sister Eleanor, P.G.M.: - I now call to order this Informal Opening of the 59th Annual Session of this Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, the GARDEN OF MEMORIES Session.

It is the wish of our Worthy Grand Matron that you remain seated during the processional and formations which will be narrated by Brother Bill Clark, G.G.C.C.M.

Brother Bill Clark, G.G.C.C.M.: Processional/ formations

The Grand Officers and the District Deputy Grand Matrons formed the Celtic Cross and the Subordinate Chapter Chaplains formed the base of the Cross around the Altar. The Grand Pages formed a Heart and the Grand Guards formed an Anchor - for the words Faith, Hope and Charity. The Grand Representatives formed the Circle of Friendship around all.

Sister Eleanor, P.G.M.: - Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress - you will present our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Miller, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Reverend Brother John Patterson, at the Altar for proper introduction.

SISTER MARION - Worthy Grand Matron - does it seem possible that here you are - ready to preside at your own GARDEN OF MEMORIES Session? I have been a very interested observer as you continued on your Grand Chapter journey to this very moment. Sister Marion, since your election four years ago, we have learned that you have been a leader with fresh ideas, while still being aware of our Grand Chapter's past history and traditions. Your leadership qualities and your ability to assess difficult situations, explore solutions, while showing kindness and forbearance to all concerned. This Grand Chapter appreciates your devotion and service, and I compliment you for your efforts.

At this moment in time, I hope you have a feeling of satisfaction and are happy in your reflection of a very pleasant and successful year.

I am proud of you and your accomplishments. Welcome - to this your Grand Session.

BROTHER JOHN, Worthy Grand Patron - You now stand at the threshold of your GARDEN OF MEMORIES Session. I hope with a feeling of satisfaction and happy, pleasant thoughts, knowing you have been faithful to your duties. Your "everything Irish theme and Irish stories this year have been enjoyed by the membership - whether they were Irish or - just wanted to be... Brother John, Brother Al and I have known you for many years, and we have always enjoyed

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your friendly manner and know you will be able to recollect many special times spent with your Sisters and Brothers this past year.

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Brother Allison, P.G.P.: - Sister Marion, W.G.M. and Brother John, W.G.P. - congratulations on your year of service to our Grand Chapter and to our Order. I hope these next few days of your term are most enjoyable for you and your Grand Family.
Thank you both for this privilege to assist Sister Eleanor in opening this Informal Session.

Sister Eleanor, P.G.M.: - Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress - you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Worthy Grand Matron, behold your sisters and brothers. Sisters and brothers behold your Worthy Grand Matron and salute her with Grand Honours.

Brother Allison, P.G.P.: - Worthy Grand Patron, behold your sisters and brothers. Sisters and brothers behold your Worthy Grand Patron and salute him with Grand Honours.

Brother Ray Horton, P.P. and Sister Kay Horton, P.M. (66) sang "*You Raise Me Up*" to Sister Marion and Brother John.

Sister Eleanor, P.G.M.: - Worthy Grand Matron, I am pleased to present to you your gavel with loving best wishes from all assembled here.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Sister Eleanor and Brother Allison, thank you for opening our "*Garden of Memories*" Session in the smallest corner of our Grand Jurisdiction, "The Island".

Sister Eleanor you were the Worthy Grand Matron when I was initiated and on your official visit I was awe struck with you and knew that I had made a wise decision joining the fraternity of the Eastern Star.
We have evolved into a wonderful friendship and I cherish our memories and am thankful for your wise counsel over these years.

Brother Allison, my first lasting memory of you was when I was a Grand Page for Brother Marshall Thompson, Grand Warder at Sister Evelyn's and Brother Jim's session. I couldn't figure out whether you were coming or going, as you never sat down. You seemed to be anxious and pacing the floor. Well, before too long the announcements for the General Grand Chapter Committee Members were made and you were appointed. You became 10 feet tall and had a bigger chest than I did, thanks for the memories and friendship over these years.

As I accept Sister Tuts' and my gavel I do this in faith, hope and the charity of our membership and with the guidance of His wisdom and love.

Sister Marion presented a gift to Sister Eleanor.

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Brother John, W.G.P.: Brother Allison, it is with a real sense of joy that I welcome you here tonight. I have known you and Sister Eleanor for such a long time and I never thought that an evening like this would ever take place. But here it is, an opportunity to thank both you and Sister Eleanor for getting our Grand Session underway. Please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for your participation in this evening's programme. Thank you.

Brother John presented a gift to Brother Allison.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: The officers will take their respective stations.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar informally.

INVOCATION

The **Invocation** was given by **Sister Jane Wooldridge**, P.M. (1PEI), **Grand Chaplain:**

Gracious Heavenly Father, as we gather to begin our "Garden of Memories Session", we give grateful thanks for your watchful care over us and the many blessings you have bestowed upon us. We ask your special attention to those faithful members who are unable to be with us because of illness. May your healing hand be upon them.

Thank you for the loyalty and dedication of our General Grand Chapter Officers and Grand Chapter Officers, for service given and work accomplished. We ask your blessing on them now as they guide us through the decisions we make during these sessions.

Bless and keep all our members and friends gathered here, and may we live each day in FAITH, HOPE and CHARITY through knowing and loving You. In Your Name we ask this. AMEN

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Grand Marshal you will proclaim this Informal Opening of the 59th annual Grand Chapter Session., "*Garden of Memories*", called to order.

PRESENTATION OF FLAGS

under the direction of Brother Fred Lipskey, P.P. (15)

The **Canadian Flag** was presented by Brother William M. Thompson, P.G.P. (10).

The tribute was given by Sister Marianne MacMillan, P.M. (3) followed by the singing of "*O Canada*".

Sister Marianne: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron;
Thank you so much for the honour and privilege of paying tribute to the National

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Flag of Canada.

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As we salute the Flag of our country, with its vibrant red and white colours, may we realize it is the heart, soul and spirit of our great nation - Canada.

The Maple Leaf, in the centre of our flag, according to many historians, began to serve as a Canadian symbol as early as 1700. There are many examples of how the Maple Leaf grew in our public consciousness, as a symbol of our country, as an integral component of the national flag of Canada.

In 1836, *Le Canadien*, a newspaper published in Lower Canada, referred to it as a suitable emblem for Canada.

In August 1860, at a public meeting held in Toronto, the Maple Leaf was adopted as the national emblem of Canada for use in the decorations for the Prince of Wales's visit.

In 1867, Alexander Muir, a Toronto schoolmaster and poet composed the song, "The Maple Leaf Forever".

In 1914, many Canadian soldiers wore the maple leaf on their military badges and it was the dominant symbol used by many Canadian regiments serving in the Great War (World War I).

In 1939, at the beginning of World War II, numerous Canadian troops, once again, used the maple leaf as a distinctive emblem, displaying it on regiment badges and Canadian army and naval equipment.

That practice still continues today.

The National Flag of Canada, may you, our beautiful banner, forever wave as a symbol of our highest hopes and be a constant reminder of those who have worked and died, to give us the heritage we enjoy.

As you were created as a symbol of freedom, we must strive to live so that freedom will endure.

As you were created to wave over a land that offered refuge from tyranny and oppression, so must we act, so this refuge will endure. As we know, you are a symbol of love and service to all people, we must cultivate these qualities so they will endure.

And as you symbolize the blessings that can come to free people, so shall we live - that blessings will continue and become the right of all people throughout the world.

The National flag of Canada - the symbol of the nation's unity, for it beyond any doubt, represents all the citizens of Canada without distinction of race, language,

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belief or opinion. We salute you!

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The **Union Jack** was presented by Brother Tabor Caulier, P.P. (27) followed by the singing of "*God Save The Queen*".

The flag of the **United States of America** was presented by Brother Ronald "Pete" Forrest, P.G.P., Maine.

The tribute was given by Sister Norma Crabtree, P.G.M., Maine, followed by the singing of "*The Star Spangled Banner*".

Sister Norma Crabtree, P.G.M.:

I Am Old Glory

I Am Old Glory: For more than ten score years I have been the banner of hope and freedom for generation after generation of Americans.

Born amid the first flames of America's fight for freedom, I am the symbol of a country that has grown from a little group of thirteen colonies to a united nation of fifty sovereign states. Planted firmly on the high pinnacle of American Faith my gently fluttering folds have proved an inspiration to untold millions.

Men have followed me into battle with unwavering courage.
They have looked upon me as a symbol of national unity.

They have prayed that they and their fellow citizens might continue to enjoy the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, which have been granted to every American as the heritage of free men.

So long as men love liberty more than life itself; so long as they treasure the priceless privileges bought with the blood of our forefathers; so long as the principles of truth, justice and charity for all remain deeply rooted in human hearts, I shall continue to be the enduring banner of the United States of America.

Originally written by Master Sergeant Percy Webb, USMC.

The **Nova Scotia** flag was presented by Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P. (35) and the **Prince Edward Island** flag was presented by Brother Zeke Eaton, P.P. (1PEI).

The **Christian** flag was presented by Brother George Moxsom, P.P. (55).
The **Eastern Star** flag was presented by Sister Yvonne Stephenson, P.M. (14).

Brother John, W.G.P.: My sincere thanks to the flag bearers, and for the tributes given by our members and so beautifully presented. Thank you.

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WELCOME BY W.G.M. and W.G.P.

Sister Marion, W.G.M. welcomed everyone present and thanked the members for their support during the past year.

Brother John, W.G.P. welcomed all members and visitors to this session and expressed his thanks to the members for their hard work and support on the special project during the year.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

ELECTED GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

Two Elected General Grand Chapter Officers were presented at the Altar: **Sister Rennie Ofton**, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and Past Grand Matron of Texas and **Brother Frederick W. Clarke**, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel and Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: General Grand Chapter Officers - Welcome to our "*Garden of Memories*" Session.

My wish for you

Strength for the tasks you have at hand,
Time for the lovely things you've planned
Hope to sustain you day to day
Laughter and sunshine all the way.
Wisdom to guide and light to lead,
Courage and faith in your time of need.
Health never failing, friends to bless
And love to complete your happiness.

Brother John, W.G.P.:

May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks.
May your hearts be as light as a song.
May each day bring you bright, happy hours
that stay with you all year long.
For each petal on the shamrock
this brings a wish your way
good health, good luck and happiness
for today and every day.

They were escorted to the East where they were accorded Grand Honours.

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GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

(Including our own Sister Cheryl A. Denton, Registration and Brother William F. Clark, Visioneer for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island)

Eight General Grand Chapter Committee Members and **one Ambassador** were presented, introduced and welcomed at the Altar:

CREDENTIALS: Sister Susan Thomas, Past Grand Matron of New Hampshire;

MEMBERSHIP: Sister Margaret Dyer, Past Grand Matron of Maine;

REGISTRATION: Sister Cheryl Denton, Past Grand Matron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island;

VISIONEERS:

MAINE: Brother Ronald "Pete" Forrest, Past Grand Patron of Maine;

MASSACHUSETTS: Sister Pamela Blood, Past Grand Matron of Massachusetts;

NEW BRUNSWICK: Sister Audrey Sypher, Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick;

NORTH CAROLINA: Brother Lloyd Phillips, Past Grand Patron of North Carolina;

NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND: Brother William Clark, Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island;

AMBASSADOR TO BOLIVIA: Sister Judith Fenner, Past Grand Matron of Massachusetts;

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: General Grand Chapter Committee Members -

On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island we welcome you.

To serve on your committees is indeed a great honour and responsibility. We hope you can stop and smell the flowers as you near the end of this triennium, and trust you too will have a beautiful garden of memories of your own.

A very special welcome to those we claim as our own - Sister Cheryl and Brother Bill - our Most Worthy Grand Matron honoured our Grand Jurisdiction with your appointments, and chose wisely and well. Sister Cheryl, your work has just begun with Registration for General Grand Chapter, and Brother Bill, you as Visioneer is wonderful and has kept us all on our toes trying to keep up with you - to each of you - a job well done. You have all worked hard for our fraternity, making new friendships and best of all having some fun.

Brother John, W.G.P.: General Grand Chapter Committee Members including our own Sister Cheryl Denton, Registration; and Brother Bill Clark, Visioneer for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island:

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It is with a real sense of celebration that I take this opportunity to welcome you to our "*Garden of Memories*" Grand Chapter meetings. We hope that while you are here you will have an opportunity to embrace the Island culture as we extend to each of you a very warm and friendly welcome.

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Response: Sister Audrey Sypher, GGCCM - Visioneer; PGM New Brunswick: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, all Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

Sister Marion and Brother John, I wish to thank you for your kind words of welcome so graciously given to all the Distinguished Guests previously presented, and express our pleasure in being present at this Informal Opening of the "*Garden of Memories*" Grand Chapter Session.

I feel greatly honoured by courtesy of the Worthy Grand Matron, of responding on behalf of the Elected General Grand Chapter Officers, Sister Rennie J. Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress, and Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel. It is an added pleasure to respond on behalf of your own General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Sister Cheryl A. Denton, Registration, and Brother William "Bill" F. Clark, Visioneer and those of us who are visiting from other Grand Jurisdictions.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we are delighted to be here and Thank You for all courtesies extended to us and for your warm and cordial welcome, we also extend our sincere best wishes to you for a productive and harmonious Grand Chapter Session.

Thank you, Sister Marion, for the opportunity of responding to the welcomes to your Distinguished Guests.

The General Grand Chapter Committee Members were escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honours.

PROVINCIAL GREETINGS

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: I am honoured to introduce the Premier of Prince Edward Island, the Honourable Pat Binns, who probably wishes he was Minister of Tourism also of our unique island.

Premier Pat Binns brought Provincial greetings to the members and visitors. In his address he recognized the tremendous work being done by the Order of the Eastern Star for charities and for students by awarding bursaries for religious leadership. He hoped that this work will continue. As this is the 4th of July he welcomed all the visitors from the United States as well as the visitors from other Canadian provinces. He noted that in 1864 the Charlottetown Conference was started and in 1867 Confederation took place. Prince Edward Island did not join Confederation until 1873. He also recognized the "Year of the War Bride" and their service to the country. In closing he wished Grand Chapter every success for this Session.

CIVIC WELCOME

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: It is also my pleasure to introduce the Mayors of two of our most active metropolis' and their towns are host to most of our delegates.

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Mayor Clifford Lea, Charlottetown and Mayor Jack Kelly, Cornwall.

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Mayor Clifford Lea: Good Evening to you all on behalf of Charlottetown City Council and especially the citizens of Charlottetown. I want to welcome you to our City. We are very rich in history and I urge each and everyone of you to take the time to enjoy our City. Our citizens have always been noted for their friendship and hospitality and I encourage you to allow them to share it with you. We are the Capital City of the smallest Province in Canada in both size and population but what we lack in size and numbers we gain in quality citizens and it is the spirit and vision of our citizens that has shaped this City into a City that we are so proud to call home.

I want to thank you first of all for inviting me here today; this is the first time I've had the opportunity to speak before your group and I am pleased and honoured to do it today on this occasion.

I congratulate all members of the Eastern Star not only in our community but in all communities across the world for your tremendous work you do for us all. Working together in the community makes the future much brighter for each and every one of us as we prepare for a better tomorrow.

We live in a hectic, turbulent often frustrating and discouraging world. We also live in a world that makes daily progress against disease, makes daily progress against social injustice, and yes also makes daily progress against the darkness of ignorance. We also live in a world that vibrates with promise - the promise of an exciting and fulfilling world of tomorrow for all of us.

I want you to know that the efforts from each and every one of you here today makes a difference and our community as a whole is the beneficiary of your tremendous work. I do know and understand that a great deal of your work is done with charities in our communities and I also understand that this year your Worthy Grand Matron has chosen "The Children's Wish Foundation" as your "Special Project". Without the great efforts from the many organizations such as the Eastern Star in our communities the Children's Wish Foundation would not be able to grant the wishes for the many children who are waiting for the wish of their lifetime.

I wish the Grand Chapter every success in the hosting of your conference here in our City. You are the people who are making a difference in our communities supporting our many charities.

I want to tonight congratulate the Grand Chapter for bringing this Conference to Charlottetown, "The Birthplace of Confederation".

We do know the work you do and we appreciate it. May you continue with your work and supporting the many charitable organizations in our communities!

In our community we can find people who give of themselves in every way - we find people who risk their own lives to save others.

We find those who provide relief and comfort to those who suffer - we find people who time and time again are there when they are needed and ask nothing in return...

We find love conquering hate every day...

As you celebrate your annual meeting here this week take some time to think about and rejoice in the wonderful things done by the Grand Chapter of the

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Eastern Star over the years..

Thanks once again for the kind invitation to be here this evening and enjoy your time with us.

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Mayor Jack Kelly addressed the members and in his remarks he brought greetings from the town of Cornwall and welcomed everyone to Prince Edward Island and he hoped that every one would enjoy their stay here.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: It is my pleasure to introduce the president of the University of Prince Edward Island - one of the fastest growing universities in Canada, and with our renowned Veterinary College. As islanders we know if it wasn't for Mr. MacLaughlin's endeavours this venue would not have been a one stop shopping for our convention.

Mr. Wade MacLaughlin, President of the University of Prince Edward Island welcomed all and spoke on the history of the university and praised the students and teachers. He wished the Grand Chapter Session every success and was pleased that the university was chosen as the place to hold the convention.

The **response** was given by **Brother Whitman Giffin, Grand Sentinel:**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, All Distinguished Sisters and Brothers and Guests.

Under the duties assigned to the Grand Sentinel, it states he shall give the response to the Civic and Provincial Welcomes at Grand Chapter. Let me say that it is not a duty, but rather a distinct privilege to make response on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

To our Provincial representative, Premier Pat Binns , all too infrequently do we have opportunity to hold our Grand Chapter Sessions on the Island known as the "Garden of the Gulf." While Prince Edward Island may hold the distinction of being the smallest Province, it was here that the great Country of Canada established itself as a one of the great Countries in the Free World. It was here on this Island that the Fathers of Confederation met and formed the Constitution on which our great country was built. I have never been clear, however, if Anne of Green Gables was present for that meeting or not??

To our representative of the City of Charlottetown, Mayor Clifford Lea, and for Cornwall, Mayor Jack Kelly, we are enjoying the hospitality of your wonderful area and the fact that it is a warm and friendly place to spend our time with you. Charlottetown, and its neighbour, Cornwall, along with being the Provincial capital, also is the cultural and business centre of Prince Edward Island and your convenient location makes it easy for the strangers to explore all the wonderful points of interest on your Island.

To all of you, may I extend our sincerest appreciation for your giving of your time from your various busy schedules to attend this, our Informal Opening of our Grand Chapter Sessions. On behalf of our Grand Chapter, I say a very big thank you! You are one of the few places where you welcome one and all with open arms, making us fall in love with you, then won't let us go unless we pay you to do so!!

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for this honour of

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responding to the Provincial and Civic welcomes.

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To the University of Prince Edward Island President Wade MacLaughlin may I say how very much all of us appreciate your fine facilities, the services offered, and helpfulness of your staff members. This is, indeed, a marvellous location in which to hold our Grand Chapter Sessions. We will all try hard to remember we are not the young college crowd and when we leave nothing will be left behind but our footprints. Anything else, you can send the bill to our Worthy Grand Matron who will be going back to running her business in Crapaud and you KNOW where she lives.

I thank you on behalf of our Grand Chapter for your giving of your time from your schedule to attend this, our Informal Opening of our Grand Chapter Sessions and for making us feel so welcome.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for this honour of responding to our facility hosts.

MASONIC GREETINGS

Brother John, W.G.P: It is with a great sense of joy and celebration that I take this opportunity to welcome **Sister Carolyn Galley-Card, Queen of the Nile**, Athena Temple, No. 149, Halifax. Sister Marion and I were so proud and happy to attend your installation and we wish you well in your appointment as Queen of the Nile.

Sister Carolyn Galley-Card: Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Fred, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers all.

It is a great pleasure for me to be here representing the Daughters of the Nile. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you most sincerely for this opportunity, on behalf of the Officers and Members of Athena Temple # 149, Halifax, I bring you greetings.

Daughters of the Nile was founded in 1913 by 22 progressive women with strength of purpose and vision. There are now 148 Temples with 39,000 members throughout the United States and Canada. Daughters of the Nile are proud of their heritage and are grateful to the Shrine of North America for allowing us to assist with the patients at the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children. The lifelong friendships that develop within the membership in our two wonderful countries provide a value that cannot be measured in dollars and cents. Much like the Order of the Eastern Star.

On behalf of the officers and members of Athena Temple #149 Halifax, our wish for you, Sister Marion and Brother John is, that your Grand Chapter will be all that you have hoped for, filled with love and laughter, the way that you have made your membership feel this year, and that God will always watch over you

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especially the next few days of your deliberations and give you both strength and guidance. Again I thank you for this opportunity.

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Brother John, W.G.P.: Right Worshipful Brother Daniel Campbell, District Deputy Grand Master of Mason of Nova Scotia and Most Worshipful Brother W. Vernon Simpson, Grand Master of Masons of Prince Edward Island.

We appreciate that each of you could take time to come and be with us at our "Garden of Memories" Grand Chapter meeting. We congratulate each of you in your appointments and we look forward to hearing from you.

Right Worshipful Brother Daniel Campbell: Good evening Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Officers, especially our own Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Fred Clarke, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, Sisters and Brothers all and distinguished guests.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I stand here representing the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia on behalf of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Roger F. Eisner, who sends his regrets this evening as he unfortunately, has another Masonic commitment and is unable to attend this wonderful "Garden of Memories Session" of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

As I sat here looking out over this tremendous group of lovely and beautiful young ladies and handsome gentlemen, I could not help but wonder how our founder, (and here I speak as a member of our wonderful Order), Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Rob Morris would feel if he was sitting here, in person, this evening.

We all know that Most Worshipful Brother Morris's purpose for the Order of Eastern Star was to provide a means by which the wives, widows, mothers, sisters, and daughters of Masons might share from the benefits of our wonderful Masonic Fraternal Order by being brought into closer relationship with the Order of Freemasonry, and in the cooperation with Masonic lodges be most successful in their labours of charity, and in their endeavours to enhance the lives of all of humanity! I wonder if he truly realized 130 years ago the magnitude and scope, tremendous influence and benefit his vision would have on the entire world.

I cannot help but believe that Most Worshipful Brother Morris would be as exuberant to-day as he was those so many years ago and that he would see our Order as being truly successful; having attained the goals which he established through his marvelous far sited vision. I sincerely believe that Most Worshipful Brother Morris would be very satisfied with the growth and success of our beautiful, devoted Order.

He would be very proud of each and every sister and brother here this evening

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being astonished yet thoroughly accepting and understanding of what has been achieved by the great humanitarian works, instilled by the virtues of the five heroines of our beloved Order and the accomplishments achieved through the tremendous charitable endeavours of the members of this wonderful fraternal organization known as the Order of the Eastern Star.

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Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I want to thank you for the manner in which we have been received during this beautiful session and the wonderful fellowship and fraternal love extended to me and my lovely lady, Sister DiAnne. Congratulations on a most successful year. I wish you a truly enjoyable and memorable "Garden of Memories Session" and extend my best wishes for a successful and exceedingly happy year for the incoming Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and all of the officers of the Grand Family being installed for the ensuing year.

Most Worshipful Brother W. Vernon Simpson: Worthy Grand Matron, Marion Miller, Worthy Grand Patron, John Patterson, Grand Officers of the Eastern Star, Fraternity Distinguished Guests, Members of the Eastern Star and Visiting Dignitaries,

First let me say what an honour it is for me, and for my wife, Joan, to be invited to your annual convention of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons on Prince Edward Island, I bring greetings to you and the Eastern Star Fraternity.

I would like to welcome all that are attending this convention and a special welcome to those people from away (as we say here on Prince Edward Island).

I hope that your deliberations during the meetings will go well and that you will have some time to enjoy the scenery and hospitality of our beautiful island.

The **response** was given by **Brother Ron Boudreau, Associate Grand Patron:**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters, Brothers and Guests.

It is indeed an honour for me on behalf of this "Garden of Memories" Session to respond to the address of our distinguished guests: The Most Worshipful Brother W. Vernon Simpson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, to the Right Worshipful Brother Daniel Campbell, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia and to The Queen of the Nile, Sister Carolyn Galley-Card.

I am sure that these distinguished guests are aware of the importance of this Grand Session to our Order of the Eastern Star. On this special occasion, with your presence, you honour us and your address to our members is much coveted. We extend to each one of you a hearty welcome and our Fraternal Friendship. On behalf of each Sister and Brother of this Grand Jurisdiction I extend our thanks for your presence here tonight and for your wise words. It is our wish that you find this time with us both enjoyable and productive.

We are all aware that each of our Fraternal Orders provide serious aid to those in need, therefore let us speak with encouraging words to foster membership for each other and working together we may be able to stem the tide of dwindling membership. We need each other.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron thank you for allowing me the

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privilege of responding to the address of our Distinguished Guests.

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PRESENTATION TO THE CHILDREN'S WISH FOUNDATION
Special Project of 2005-2006
By Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: I am pleased to introduce Lee Gauthier from the Children's Wish Foundation in Charlottetown, who is also representing the Nova Scotia branch.

On behalf of Brother John and myself, along with our Special Project Committee, Brothers Ray, John, Richard and Sisters Linda, June, Marianne, June, and our membership, would like to say it has been a pleasure for our Order to work on behalf of the Children's Wish Foundation in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and we know it has brought joy to you and your staff, and most of all it will bring fun and laughter to families who have lived in fear and distress with an ailing child. We know they will have many memories as their various wishes are granted, and share some joy with their child.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: On behalf of Brother John and myself, and this Grand Jurisdiction and members of the Order of the Eastern Star, it gives us great pleasure to present you with a cheque for the Children's Wish Foundation for **\$36,000.00** to be divided equally between Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. We will also add to this amount after the closing of our session.

Brother John, W.G.P.: We would also like to present you with a comfort quilt for each child in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island who are waiting for their wish to be granted, when we have the age and gender of each child we will give your respective offices the quilts, for you to pass along to those children.

312 quilts were made and donated by the members of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Response: Lee Gauthier, Executive Director, The Children's Wish Foundation, Prince Edward Island:

Worthy Grand Matron, Marion Miller, Worthy Grand Patron, John Patterson and your Distinguished East, Premier Pat Binns, Mayor of Charlottetown, Clifford Lea, Mayor of Cornwall, Jack Kelly, President of the University of Prince Edward Island, Wade MacLaughlin, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Let me first say that I am honoured to be here to speak to you this evening on behalf of the Children's Wish Foundation, Prince Edward Island Chapter, and a sincere thank you to Worthy Grand Matron, Marion Miller, for choosing the Children's Wish Foundation as her charity for this year.

It was approximately three years ago that I first spoke to the Worthy Grand

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Matron about this evening. We had met in passing at an ice cream stand on our beautiful north shore. She informed me that she would be in the role of Worthy Grand Matron

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for the 2005-2006 year and that the Children's Wish Foundation would be her chosen charity. "I'll be calling you" she said. True to her word - she called.

In 1982 I met a girl that I would eventually marry. Her niece had just been diagnosed with leukemia a few months previous, at the age of three. That little girl changed the course of my life and is the inspiration for what I do every day. Her name - Amy MacNevin.

I had volunteered with the Children's Wish Foundation in its early days while Amy was sick and in 1989 I was asked to take the role of Executive Director. This was the same year Amy lost her battle with cancer after a seven year courageous battle.

I know from personal experience how a family is affected when a child is diagnosed with a high risk life threatening illness. It changes life for that child as well as life for the whole family. Each day is a challenge and life is never looked at in the same way.

Right now we have 13 wishes that we are working on and we have already completed six wishes since January of this year. These are children between the ages of 3 and 18 with high risk life threatening illnesses such as childhood cancer, Duchenne's muscular dystrophy, cystic fibrosis, organ transplants and other illnesses that place them in a high risk life threatening category.

A child who is sick has lost all control of their life and what they want to do. They are told when they will have treatment, what medication to take, when to be at the hospital, and when they can play with their friends.

A wish gives them back a sense of control and gives both the child and the family something to look forward to and at the same time creates wonderful memories for the family. It gives them all a sense of normalcy.

Worthy Grand Matron, Marion Miller, and her committee have worked tirelessly raising funds which will go towards granting the wishes of island children. They have had tremendous community ideas to raise funds.

I also want to mention the quilts that you see here on display this evening. The Worthy Grand Matron unselfishly came up with the idea that instead of receiving personal gifts she would receive quilts that in turn would be given to the wish children. I am so excited at the thought of presenting each wish child with their very own special quilt made by so many of you with such compassion and care. These quilts will bring each and every one of them a sense of comfort and will be a piece of home that they can take to hospital while receiving treatment.

In closing I would like to read a quote that hangs on my office wall and I feel certainly applies to Worthy Grand Matron, Marion Miller, and what she has

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accomplished with the help of so many of you here this evening.

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*One Hundred Years From
Now It Will Not Matter What
Kind Of Car I Drove, What
Kind Of House I Lived In,
How Much Money I Had In
My Bank Account, Nor What
My Clothes Looked Like -
But The World May Be A
Little Better Because I Was
Important in the Life of a
Child*

Once again my sincere thanks on behalf of the children you are helping here today.

Mr. Gauthier then presented Sister Marion, W.G.M., and Brother John, W.G.P., each with a framed picture as a thank you for the support to the Children's Wish Foundation.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Any distinguished guests who wish, may leave at this time, although you are more than welcome to spend the evening with us.

At this time the Grand Choir entertained us with some of their beautiful music.

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

Six Worthy Grand Matrons were presented: Sister Bonnie Zumalt, Massachusetts; Sister Elaine MacLean, New Brunswick; Sister Judith Rozzi, New Hampshire; Sister Audrey Williamson, Quebec; Sister Judith Brightman, Rhode Island and Sister Bonnie Boone, Virginia.

Three Worthy Grand Patrons were presented: Brother Ambury Newman, New Brunswick; Brother Walter Chapman, New Hampshire and Brother Rex Gay, Virginia.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: We extend to you a warm welcome and wish for you all the wonderful memories for your year that Brother John and I have enjoyed.

May the stars that you will follow
Throughout your coming year,
Shine down upon your pathway,
Bringing you comfort and cheer
May the links that you will add
To your golden chain,
Grow brighter with the year
And may our heavenly father
Who's love we all know

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Protect and guide you wherever you go.

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It has been our pleasure meeting and working with you, our counterparts, and that our future relations with your jurisdictions and ours will grow in our vision for the future.

The **response** was given by **Sister Bonnie Zumalt**, Worthy Grand Matron of Massachusetts:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, what an honor you have given to me and the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts by asking me to give the response on behalf of the visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons.

Seeing that we couldn't be home for our Holiday, we thank you for our 4th of July Picnic!

Personally, coming back to Nova Scotia is like coming home, as my grandparents, great-grandparents and on back, were born here, and I still have many family members here.

On behalf of the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions, I wish you a wonderful "Garden of Memories Session". May the rain fall gently, the flowers bloom brightly and the sunshine bring you happiness, success and a session that fulfills all of your hopes and dreams.

The Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Nineteen Past Grand Matrons were presented: Sister Megan Church, Sister Sarah Doty, Sister Jessie Nutter, Sister Helen Connors, Sister Eleanor Mitchell, Sister Ruth Waterbury, Sister Eleanor Freeman, Sister Diane Hayman, Sister Barbara Bowser, Sister Violet Blair, Sister Margaret Clarke, Sister Sheila MacDonald, Sister Marian Durling, Sister Joan Campbell, Sister Carol Clark, Sister Isabelle Pearson, Sister June Macdonald, Sister Inez Daye and Sister Marylyn Swinamer.

Thirteen Past Grand Patrons were presented: Brother Kenneth Smith, Brother Ward Cunningham, Brother Reginald MacRae, Brother Allison Mitchell, Brother Adrian Pearson, Brother Lewis Smith, Brother Howard MacInnis, Brother David Waterbury, Brother John Newell, Brother William A. Thompson, Brother George Crouch, Brother Allen Denton and Brother Allan Conrad.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

May this session be worthy of your attendance and participation.
May it do justice to all you Past Grands,
May it make the time you spend here worthwhile,
May it make you happy and give you a smile,

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To take away with you and tuck it in your file.

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Along with all the memories of the service
And love you have sown along the way,
May you reap many blessings from the session
For we honour you today.
We hope that you will be happy
To give us both the sign,
When Thursday night comes,
For us to pass to the end of the line.

Brother John, W.G.P.:

May there always be work for your hands to do
May your purse always hold a coin or two
May the sun always shine warm on your window pane
May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain
May the hand of a friend always be near you
And may God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

The response was given by Sister Violet Blair, P.G.M. (15):

Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother John, Worthy Grand Patron,
On behalf of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of this Grand
Jurisdiction, I thank you for your words of Welcome.

We have enjoyed your visits to our Chapters. Your Teddy Bears playing in the
Pansy Patches with the Leprechauns hiding their Pots of Gold under the Rainbow
made our paths of Faith a little clearer. Your Charity, "The Children's Wish
Foundation", and the donation you will be presenting will bring Hope for many
Children and make the load a little lighter for their Families.

You have just opened the Gate to your "Garden Of Memories Session" and may
the paths, Fun, Friendship and Fraternity, be your guide through this our 59th
Grand Chapter Session.

I thank you for the honour of responding and we, the Past Grands, look forward to
welcoming you in the near future to our Association.

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were escorted to the East and
accorded Grand Honours.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Eleven Past Grand Matrons presented were: Sister Audrey Barker, Louisiana;
Sister Joyce Denny, Louisiana; Sister Gretchen Brisette, Maine; Sister Norma
Crabtree, Maine; Sister Donna Allen, New Brunswick; Sister Marie Mizelle,
North Carolina; Sister Margie McConnell, Oklahoma; Sister Marjorie Morgan,
Ontario; Sister Mary Wolfe, Tennessee; Sister Brenda Jones, Virginia and Sister
Shirley Colson, Virginia.

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Thirteen Past Grand Patrons presented were: Brother Vernal “Mac” Blakely, Maine; Brother Clifford Brightman, Massachusetts; Brother Robert McBurnie, Massachusetts; Brother Irving Nicoll, Massachusetts; Brother Healy “Skip” Nowe, Massachusetts; Brother James Pattangel, Massachusetts; Brother Loren Sandler, Massachusetts; Brother John Murray, New Brunswick; Brother Elderic Thorne, New Brunswick; Brother Levi Johnston, New Hampshire; Brother Richard Brimblecombe, Ontario; Brother Jerry Martin, Texas and Brother Ross Kinney, Vermont.

Sister Marion, W.G.M. :

May the love you've given to others
Follow you where ever you go
May the lives you've cheered and cherished
Warm your heart with a hallowed glow,
May you always have peace and gladness
For the good that you have done
For your Eastern Star devotion
And the lasting love you've won.

The **response** was given by **Brother Richard Brimblecombe, P.G.P., Ontario:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, your Distinguished Guests in the East and in particular the members of the Grand Jurisdiction of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

We, the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons that are visiting with you, thank you most sincerely for your warmth and your welcome.

As Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons we need to be aware that we are there to support our members and those in leadership of our Order, not to walk in front, or walk behind but to walk beside in Eastern Star love.

Thank you, Sister Marion, for the honour of responding to your gracious welcome.

The Visiting Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

PRESENTATION OF ELECTED AND APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Twenty-two Sisters and Brothers were presented: Sister Donna McEwen, Associate Grand Matron, New Brunswick; Sister Verna Viereck, Associate Grand Matron, Virginia; Brother Frank Fenner, Associate Grand Patron, Massachusetts; Brother Graham Vincent, Associate Grand Patron, New Brunswick; Sister Paula Swansey, Grand Secretary, Virginia; Sister Natalie Jenkins, Grand Conductress, Massachusetts; Sister Lynn Hatt, Grand Conductress, New Brunswick; Sister Phyllis Blakely, Associate Grand Conductress, Maine; Sister Joan Atkinson, Associate Grand Conductress, Massachusetts; Brother Art Shore, Grand Sentinel,

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Quebec; Brother Nelson Hobgood, Grand Sentinel, Virginia; Brother Russell Blood, Grand Chaplain, Massachusetts; Brother Paul Turner, Grand Chaplain, Virginia; Sister

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Deanna Moreau, Grand Marshal, Massachusetts; Sister Elizabeth Vafides, Grand Marshal, New Hampshire; Sister Helena Kinney, Grand Organist, New Hampshire; Sister Gail McKinley, Grand Adah, Virginia; Sister Mary Ann Abasciand, Grand Esther, Massachusetts; Sister Patricia Garland, Grand Electa, Massachusetts; Sister Evelyn Gable, Grand Electa, Ontario; Sister Betty Joy, Grand Electa, Virginia and Sister Erma Stephenson, Grand Warder, Virginia.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

Sisters and Brothers, you are the heart and soul of every Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, whether elected or appointed. You make us look good! From all our Grand Matrons and Patrons we are proud that you are in our family. I wish for you all a wonderful year, and Grand Sessions that are filled with many memories.

The **response** was given by **Sister Donna McEwen, Associate Grand Matron of New Brunswick:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers,

We are delighted to be here with you for the opening of your *Garden of Memories* Sessions. These sessions will bring an end to what we know was a busy but productive year. We wish for you harmonious and successful meetings. And when your term officially ends, may you have many wonderful memories. Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, thank you for the honour you have bestowed upon me and the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick by giving me this opportunity to respond to your most gracious welcome.

The Elected and Appointed Grand Officers were extended a hearty welcome and escorted to the East.

PRESENTATION OF EMERITUS GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Jo Ann Poole, Virginia and **Grand Treasurer Emeritus**, Brother Cecil Decker, of this Grand Jurisdiction were presented and introduced.

Brother John, W.G.P.:

Emeritus Grand Officers

May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sunshine warm upon your face
And rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.

Sister Jo Ann and Brother Cecil were escorted to the East and extended a hearty

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welcome.

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PRESENTATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS
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and VISITING DISTRICT GRAND OFFICERS**

The following were introduced: Sister Beth Brett, District No. 1; Sister Diane Patterson, District No. 2; Sister Mary Smith, District No. 3 and Sister Bonnie Lowe, District No. 6 of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

Visiting: Sister Judith Goss, Deputy Grand Matron, Massachusetts; Sister Beverly Smeaton, Deputy Grand Marshal, Massachusetts; Sister Barbara Jenkins, District Grand Deputy, District No. 27 and Brother Bobby Jenkins, District Grand Deputy, District No. 2; Sister Francis Harvie, Assistant Lecturer; Sister Joan Gay, Assistant Lecturer and Sister Libby Slagle, Assistant Lecturer in Virginia.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

How pretty you look in your gowns of the year
You'll light up the room in all that you do
You'll be delivering messages all over the place
And doing good deeds with a smile on your face
Thanks for a year of work well done
Now enjoy this session and have some fun.

The **response** was given by **Sister Mary Smith, P.M. (57):**

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion. Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, Distinguished East, Sisters, Brothers and Guests:

On behalf of the District Deputy Grand Matrons, thank you for this prestigious appointment. It has truly been a great honour for each of us, as well as our individual Chapters, to represent you and carry out your instructions this past year.

During all of our Official Visits, we were received graciously and with dignity, resulting in many pleasant memories and life-long friendships in our beautiful Order. From the bottom of our hearts - THANK YOU! We wish you both nothing but success and happiness - especially this week!

On a personal note, at this time, I wish to thank all of our Sisters and Brothers for the overwhelming support, in my recent loss, not only with the many, many cards but also the numerous long-distance phone calls.

Thank you, once again, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the honour of responding to your welcome.

The District Deputy Grand Matrons and Deputy Grand Officers were escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.

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PRESENTATION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVE COMMISSION

Sister Kay Horton, P.M. (66), was introduced, escorted to the East where she was presented with the Grand Representative Commission to Louisiana. Sister Kay was then escorted back to be introduced with the Grand Representatives.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

While the Grand Representatives were assembling in the west, the Grand Choir sang "*It's A Small World*".

The following **thirty** Grand Representatives were introduced: Sister Mary Lou Higgins, Alabama; Sister Ruby MacKenzie, Arizona; Sister Wilma Verge, Arkansas; Brother Arlene Antle, California; Brother Donald Cooke, Colorado; Sister Gail Kay, Delaware; Sister Rowena Marsters, District of Columbia; Sister Shirley Smith, Florida; Brother Layton Profitt, Georgia; Sister Margaret Bonn, Idaho; Sister Jean Luxton, Iowa; Sister Kay Horton, Louisiana; Sister Viola Horton, Manitoba; Sister Lynn Thurber, Maryland; Sister Doris Hillier, Massachusetts; Brother Richard Snowdon, Michigan; Brother Gordon Bragg, Montana; Brother Larry Ingham, Nebraska; Sister Anna Carr, New Brunswick; Sister Ruth Bond, New Hampshire; Sister Shirley Shot, New Mexico; Sister Charlene Davis, Ohio; Sister Jean Annear, Pennsylvania; Brother Allison MacDonald, Quebec; Sister Margaret Chisholm, South Carolina; Brother Wayne Yorke, Utah; Sister Gladys MacRae, Vermont; Sister Reta MacDonald, Washington; Sister Margaret Muise, West Virginia and Sister Darlene Amirault, Wisconsin.

Sister Gail Cook, A.G.M.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Sisters and Brothers, especially our Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

It is indeed a small world made all the brighter and kinder by the friendships formed with the appointments of Grand Representatives.

Those wonderful people who reach out to meet and get to know their counterparts in other jurisdictions and who also promote their own jurisdiction of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

Some of you have been very fortunate as you have visited and gotten to know your reciprocal personally. Many have kept in contact by writing letters or through the wonderful invention of e-mail.

It is my privilege and honour to welcome each of you to our Garden of Memories Session being held on Prince Edward Island, the pearl of the Atlantic - the Gentle Island.

It is our hope that your participation in this Grand Chapter Session will be filled

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with laughter, fun and fellowship.

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Response given by Brother Allison MacDonald:

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

Sister Gail, Associate Grand Matron, on behalf of the Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, thank you for your kind words of welcome.

Sister Marion and Brother John, as ambassadors of our various jurisdictions, we are pleased to be able to attend your "Garden of Memories Session" where we will renew old friendships and continue to make new ones. We hope your Session is everything that you had hoped for and more.

Thank you for the honour of giving this response. God Bless.

The Grand Representatives were escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honours.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Sixteen Grand Representatives were introduced: Sister Marcia McBrayer, California; Sister Millicent Ramsay, Colorado; Brother Al Hailey, Florida; Sister Hertha Piercy, Georgia; Sister Debbie Alford, Louisiana; Sister Patricia Beals, Maine; Sister Diane Ricci, Massachusetts; Sister Shirley Boe, Minnesota; Sister Nancy Jackson, New Hampshire; Sister Eva Little, New York; Brother Randolph Mizelle, North Carolina; Brother Robert Lancaster, Ontario; Sister Yvonne Wolfe, Tennessee; Brother Karl Drescher, Texas; Sister Pamela Brooks, Virginia and Sister Roma Nelson, Washington.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

Welcome to our "Garden of Memories" Session in the smallest province of Canada. Although we are small this is where Confederation, and the Canada we know began. You are our Grand Representatives of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island which is unique that you represent two provinces at once. That makes you twice as special to us, and we know you will plant many seeds in your own Garden of Memories, and hope the links in your chain of friendship are never broken. Please come again, and next year our Grand Session will be in Nova Scotia - our other half.

The Response was given by Brother Robert Lancaster, Ontario:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, and all other distinguished members in the Grand East, Sisters and Brothers. Thank you, Sister Marion Miller, Worthy Grand Matron. On behalf of the Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions, I am most happy to have the privilege of responding to your kind and gracious welcome. We bring you greetings and best wishes from each of our Grand Jurisdictions near

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and far. We are very happy to be here as you begin your "Garden of Memories" Session. May it be everything that you dreamed it would be.

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The warm fraternal friendship and generous hospitality of this Grand Chapter will most assuredly remain forever in our "Garden of Memories" .

Our fraternal chain of fellowship that reaches out all over the world can be a wonderful power for good. Can not we, therefore, exemplify the great lessons of our beloved Order, by promoting the great and larger plan of the Universe - World Peace.

My sincere appreciation and thanks, Worthy Grand Matron, for granting me this delightful privilege. We are very proud to stand with the Grand Representatives of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in our Jurisdictions.

The Grand Representatives were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Eleven Sisters and Brothers were introduced: Brother Walter Harvie, Alberta in Virginia; Sister Pierrette Langevin, Bolivia in Quebec; Sister Sheila Thorne, Florida in New Brunswick; Sister Mary Lou Nikalaiser, New Brunswick in Alberta; Sister Betty Martin, New Brunswick in Texas; Sister Lillian Chapman, Rhode Island in New Hampshire; Sister Estelle Creech, Sao Paulo in Louisiana; Sister Anne Murray, Sao Paulo in New Brunswick; Brother Dave Doughty, Sao Paulo in Ontario; Sister Betty Shore, Texas in Quebec and Sister Chris Dow, Wyoming in New Hampshire.

Brother John, W.G.P.:

May the luck of the Irish be always at hand
and good friends always near you.
May each and every coming day
bring some special joy to cheer you.

The Grand Representatives were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Thirty-two Grand Chapter Committee Members of this Jurisdiction and **Eight** Visiting Grand Chapter Committee Members were introduced:

C.L.&R. Review: Sister June Whitman, Sister Evelyn Aulenback, Sister Winna Smith

Courtesy: Sister Suzanne Aitken, Brother Garry Hope

Crafts and Treasures: Sister Mary Ihasz, Sister Myrna MacPherson, Sister Vicki Perry, Sister Nora Bishop

Credentials: Brother Arnold Burhoe, Sister Irma Maxwell, Sister Joan Mills

ESTARL: Brother Charles McPherson, Sister Barbara Nicholson, Sister Marion Robinson, Brother George Myles

Finance: Brother William Cox, Sister Mary Ellen Bishop

Historian: Sister Margaret Allen

Librarian: Sister LaVerne Porter

Membership: Sister Marie Parks, Brother Charles Graves, Brother Howard Ford

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Publicity: Sister Melba Johnston, Sister Vivian Ingham, Sister Lucy Josey,
Brother Charles Teal

Temple Fund: Sister Lorraine O'Neill

Transportation: Sister Shirley MacLean

W.G.M.'s & W.G.P.'s Special Project: Brother Ray Zinck, Sister June
Dauphinee, Sister Marianne MacMillan

Visitors: Sister Janice Bedwell, Registration Distinguished Guests, Louisiana;
Sister Joann Drescher, Proficiency Committee, Texas; Brother Gary Drescher,
Endowed Membership Stamp, Texas; Sister Kay Drescher, Humanitarian
Chairman, District No. 1, Texas; Sister Janice Herridge, Arrangements, Texas;
Sister Anna Deaver, Travel Committee, Virginia; Sister Myrtle Dakos, Assistant
Grand Warder, Virginia; Sister Valerie Layman, Chairman of Hospitality, Virginia.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: You have all made this session possible and our Grand
Chapter prosper, Brother John and I were honoured that you accepted your
appointments without hesitation. The Grand Chapter Committee Members are
the backbone of our Order and we all appreciate the work you have done.

We've laughed and worked together
We've enjoyed the self-same things,
And we have known that happy feeling
That accomplishment can bring,
And with all my heart I'm hoping
That whatever life may send,
Throughout the years that lie ahead
We will always have you for our friends.

The Grand Chapter Committee Members were escorted to the East and given a
hearty welcome.

PRESENTATION OF 2005-2006

WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS

Twenty-eight Worthy Matrons and **Nineteen** Worthy Patrons were presented and
welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron along with
Three Visiting Worthy Matrons and **One** Visiting Worthy Patron:

Worthy Matrons: Sister Winna Smith, Port Royal #1; Sister Margaret Allen,
Cedar #3; Sister Louise Seeley, Keystone #5; Sister Lynn Thurber, Halifax #7;
Sister Sheila Levy, Grace #8; Sister Frances Duncan, Century #10; Sister Yvonne
Stephenson, Queen Elizabeth #14; Sister Carol Nielsen, Hon. Joseph Howe #20;
Sister Joan Campbell, Myrtle #21; Sister Marguerite Morrison, Fairfield #22;
Sister Judy Graves, Crystal #1; Sister Janet Johnson, Westville #24; Sister Janet
Merry, Kwebec #27; Sister Emily White, Arbutus #30; Sister Elva Yorke,
Cobequid #39; Sister Viola Horton, Florence Fraser #47; Sister Frances Jackson,
Elm #48; Sister Barbara Cooke, Scotia #49; Sister Fran Harding, Regent #52;
Sister Ethel Brown, Elmsdale, #55; Sister Wilma Verge, Emerald #58; Sister
Annie Mae Backman, Shoreham #59; Sister Inez Daye, Atlantic #65; Sister Julia

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MacKinnon, Starlight #66; Sister Marion Robinson, Laurel #67; Sister Donna White, Montague #69; Sister Grace Boudreau, Crescent #70 and Sister Anna Ford, Pearle #71.

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Three Visiting Worthy Matrons of Naomi Chapter #4, Mechanicsville Chapter #138 and Chase City Chapter #147, Virginia were also introduced.

Worthy Patrons: Brother Gordon Bragg, Port Royal #1; Brother Darrell Thurber, Halifax #7; Brother Laurie Myra, Grace #8; Brother Donald Duncan, Century #10; Brother Charles Graves, Crystal #1 (PEI); Brother William A. Thompson, Westville #24; Brother Tabor Caulier, Kwebec #27; Brother Melvin Antle, Amethyst #28; Brother William Cox, Arbutus #30; Brother Keith Clooney, Cobequid #39; Brother Whitman Giffin, Mystic Star #40; Brother David Boutilier, Elm #48; Brother Donald Cooke, Scotia #49; Brother Harrison Ferguson, Regent #52; Brother George Moxsom, Elmsdale #55; Brother Ray Zinck, Shoreham #59; Brother Gordon Schultz, Queen Esther #61; Brother Melvin White, Montague #69 and Brother Howard Ford, Pearle #71.

One Visiting Worthy Patron of Mechanicsville Chapter #138, Virginia was introduced.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Thank you all for the welcome that you have extended to me on our official visit. Your chapters made us feel all warm and fuzzy. The officers and members extended their hands in friendship, and we built many new fraternal relationships over the year; but most of all we had fun. Thank you for your love and hospitality.

The **response** was given by **Sister Donna White (69), Chairman, Grand Pages:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

On behalf of the Grand Pages I thank you for the honour of serving as your Grand Pages at this "*Garden of Memories*" Session. It was a pleasure to serve as your Worthy Matrons in the Subordinate Chapters this past year. Sister Marion and Brother John, you brought fun and enjoyment with you on the visits to our chapters. Sister Marion, Sister Frances and I thank you for asking us to act as chair and co-chair of the Grand Pages. Best wishes to you both on your journey as Past Grands.

Brother John, W.G.P.:

Lucky stars above you; sunshine on your way
Many friends to love you; joy in work and play
Laughter to outweigh each care; in your heart a song
And gladness waiting everywhere; all your whole life long.

The **response** was given by **Brother Donald Duncan (10), Chairman, Grand Guards:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers: Thank you so much for your gracious welcome. It has and is a pleasure to serve.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons were escorted to the East and extended

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a hearty welcome.

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PRESENTATION OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTER CHAPLAINS

Twelve Subordinate Chapter Chaplains and **Two** Visiting Chaplains were presented and welcomed by **Sister Jane Wooldridge, Grand Chaplain:**

Sister June Whitman, Port Royal #1; Brother Alfred Newell, Keystone #5; Sister Vivian Ingham, Century #10; Brother George Doughart, Crystal #1PEI; Sister Colleen McPherson, Harmony #25; Sister Lillian Symonds, Amethyst #28; Brother William Cox, Arbutus #30; Brother Howard Ford, St. Mary's #35; Brother Kenneth Josey, Scotia #49; Sister Frances Johnsen, Ruth #57; Sister Stella Myra, Shoreham #59 and Sister Kathryn Acker, Crescent #70. A Sister from Tennessee and Brother Evan Nelson, Victory #161, Washington.

Sister Jane Wooldridge, Grand Chaplain:

Sister and Brother Chaplains, by uniting our hearts in prayer we help to make our world a place of FAITH in God, HOPE for peace, and LOVE for all mankind.

As Grand Chaplain, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the "*Garden of Memories*" Session, and to Prince Edward Island. May you enjoy your time spent here, and return again and again. I enjoyed meeting all of you as you performed your duties in your chapters, and I look forward to visiting with you while you are here attending our annual meetings.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, thank you for the privilege of serving this Grand Jurisdiction in your chosen honour station, and for the opportunity of welcoming the Chapter Chaplains. May your "*Garden of Memories*" Session be all that you had hoped for at the end of a great year, and be a wonderful start to your new adventures as Past Grands!

Remember - As long as you have memories, yesterday remains...
 As long as you have hope, tomorrow awaits...
 As long as you have friendships, today is beautiful!!!

The **response** was given by **Sister Frances Johnsen (57), PM, Chaplain:**

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, I am honoured to represent Ruth Chapter No.57 and have the privilege of responding to the Grand Chaplain, Sister Jane. Your gracious and warm welcome to the Garden of Memories Session and your devotion to your station as you visited among your sister chapters has made a bright spot to Sister and Brother Chaplains. Indeed, the station of Chaplain is very important as we are called on to perform our routine work. To console the sorrowing, saying our farewells until we meet again. It has been a pleasure to watch you as you exemplified the teachings of your Station.

Will all Chaplains join me in the thanks for this honour to the Chaplains.

The Subordinate Chapter Chaplains were escorted to the East and warmly greeted

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by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

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PRESENTATION OF HOSTESS CHAPTERS CONVENORS

The Hostess Chapters Convenors who were presented and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

Sister Jane Wooldridge, Chairman; Brother Reginald MacRae, Co-Chairman; Sister Connie Carr; Sister Suzanne Aitken; Sister Gladys MacRae; Sister Audrey Farquharson; Brother Allison MacDonald.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

Somebody said it couldn't be done,
But they with a chuckle replied,
That, maybe it couldn't, but they would
Be the ones, who wouldn't say so til they tried
So they buckled right in
With a trace of a grin on their face.
If they worried they hid it,
They started to sing as they tackled the thing
That couldn't be done and they did it!

Brother John, W.G.P.:

How nobly, how grandly you have given your all
Responding just admirably to each beck and call
So we greet you with love -
And we greet you with pride,
We respect you -
And may God always walk by your side.

Thank you all!

The **response** was given by **Brother Reginald MacRae, Co-Chairman:**

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

On behalf of Sister Jane, our Chairperson, and the members of the Hostess Chapters, it is with pleasure that I respond to your kind words of welcome and appreciation. We wish for all our guests, a pleasant visit with us at this "*Garden of Memories*" Session. We trust that you will enjoy our hospitality, our facilities and the social activities that we have planned for you, Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Matron, Brother John, Worthy Grand Patron, we wish for you and your Grand Chapter Officers, a successful and rewarding session. Thank you for the honour of responding to your welcome.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND ORGANIST

The Grand Organist, Brother Edward MacLaren, was escorted to the East. Sister Marion, W.G.M., thanked him for all his hard work and beautiful music. On behalf of all members she wished him well as he leaves for Halifax in the morning for heart tests at the Queen Elizabeth II Hospital.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Sister Marion, W.G.M., announced that Mayor Jack Kelly of Cornwall has just presented her with a cheque from his personal business for \$1,000.00 for the Children's Wish Foundation.

CLOSING

Sister Marion, WGM: - I now declare this Informal Opening closed. Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar informally.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally. The Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Chapter called from labour to rest, to reconvene Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at 8:45 a.m. sharp.

FORMAL OPENING

WEDNESDAY MORNING, July 5, 2006

8:30 a.m.: Musical Prelude

8:45 a.m.: **Placing of Emblems:**

Narrator:	Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. (61)
Bible:	Brother Charles Carr, P.P. (1PEI)
Sword & Veil:	Sister Jean Profitt (52)
Sheaf:	Sister Ruth MacDonald (1PEI)
Crown & Sceptre:	Sister Irene Stevenson (1PEI)
Broken Column:	Sister Jean Profitt (1PEI)
Cup:	Sister Kaye Ferguson (52)

This ceremony was carried out in the same manner as during the Informal Opening on Tuesday evening.

9:00 a.m.: The Formal Opening of Grand Chapter was called to order by Sister June Macdonald, P.G.M. (20) and Brother George Crouch, P.G.P. (15).

Sister June Macdonald, P.G.M.: Good morning Sisters and Brothers.

Welcome to the formal opening of the fifty-ninth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, the "*Garden of Memories*" Session. We are delighted to welcome our Distinguished Guests. We hope you will enjoy the fellowship of our members and find some time to enjoy and to see some of the beauty of our two provinces as well.

I also extend a hearty welcome to our own Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, as well as our General Grand Chapter Committee Members - Sister Cheryl Denton, Registration and Brother Bill Clark, Visioneer for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. And a hearty welcome to all the members of our own Jurisdiction.

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Brother George -

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Brother George Crouch, P.G.P.: Good morning Sisters and Brothers.

Welcome to the Formal Opening of this Grand Chapter session “The Garden of Memories”. It is especially a good morning for me because I'm here assisting my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister June Macdonald. Last year she was unable to attend due to illness. Welcome to Prince Edward Island also known as the Garden of the Gulf and the birthplace of this beautiful country of Canada. Please enjoy your time here and all this province has to offer, as well as it's beautiful landscape.

Sister June, P.G.M.: I now call to order this Formal Opening of the Fifty-Ninth session of this Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island the “*Garden of Memories*” Session. It is the wish of the Worthy Grand Matron that you remain seated during the formations.

Sister June, P.G.M.: Grand Marshal, you will invite the Grand Officers, Grand Pages, Grand Guards, District Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Representatives and Chaplains to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

FORMATIONS

Brother William Clark, G.G.C.C.M. (24) presided over the formations as the Grand Officers, Grand Pages, Grand Guards, District Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Representatives and Chaplains entered the Grand Chapter Room. The formations were done in the same manner as for the Informal Opening on Tuesday evening.

Sister June, P.G.M.: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Miller, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John Patterson, at the Altar for proper introduction.

Sister June, P.G.M.: Sister Marion, where does the time go. You joined our Grand Family in 2002. Brother George and I were so happy to have you. I thank you for the honour you have given me in sharing the East with Brother George, my Worthy Grand Patron, on this occasion. I congratulate you on a wonderful year of service to this Grand Chapter. I trust that your “Garden of Memories” will fulfill all your highest hopes and deepest dreams.

Brother George, P.G.P.: Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you for the privilege of assisting my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister June Macdonald. Sister Marion and Brother John you have had a PURR-FECT year. I said at the beginning, you both would be our “Breath of Fresh Air and Rays of Sunshine”. You did not let me down. The way you carried out your duties this year assures me you will have a wonderful and productive Grand Chapter. CONGRATULATIONS to you both and I thank you for the honour of opening this portion of your Session.

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Sister June, P.G.M.: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

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Sister Marion and Brother John were escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honours.

Sister Beth Brett, D.D.G.M. sang “*You’ll Never Walk Alone*” to Sister Marion and Brother John.

Sister June, P.G.M.: Worthy Grand Matron, I present you with your Gavel, that you may preside. I know that you will use it wisely and with caring for your members.

Both Sister Marion and Brother John thanked Sister June and Brother George for opening this session and presented each with a gift of appreciation.

The Grand Officers assumed their respective stations.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ritualistic form. The Opening Ode: “*The Lord Is My Shepherd*” was sung.

The Grand Marshal, Brother Darrell Thurber, presented the Canadian Flag and “*O Canada*” was sung.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Chapter Session called from rest to labour.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS NOT PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

Past Grand Patron, Brother William M. Thompson (10) was presented at the Altar, graciously welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and escorted to the East where he was given Grand Honours.

Grand Representative, Brother George Leaman, Grand Representative of New Jersey in this Grand Jurisdiction was presented, welcomed and escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

WELCOME ON BEHALF OF HOSTESS CHAPTERS

Brother Reginald MacRae, P.G.P., Co-Chairman:

It is an honour for me, on behalf of the eight Hostess Chapters: Century #10, Regent #52, Montague #69, Britannia #18, Sunrise #50, Atlantic #65, Cedar #3 and Crystal #1, to extend to each of you a warm and heartfelt welcome to this the 59th Grand Chapter Session. Over the past three years, many enjoyable hours have been spent planning and preparing for this Grand Session.

As Hostess Chapters, we have earnestly laboured to do our best and hope that we have met with the expectations and needs of Grand Chapter. We hope that your stay in Charlottetown, the birthplace of Confederation, will be one of enjoyment and satisfaction, and, when you return to your homes, you will carry with you

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pleasant memories of your stay on our beautiful island. Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, on behalf of the Hostess Chapters and Sister Jane, Chairperson, I thank you for the honour of welcoming our guests and we wish for you and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, a most happy and successful “Garden of Memories” Session. Thank you.

The **response** was given by **Sister Annie Mae Backman, Grand Conductress:** Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends,

It is an honour and privilege for me to express the appreciation of this Grand Chapter for the very gracious and sincere welcome you have extended to us.

We are very aware of the hours given in planning and preparing for this Grand Session to make it as pleasant and successful as possible, as well as for the enjoyment and pleasure of the membership. To all who have had a part in these preparations our sincere thanks.

Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother John, Worthy Grand Patron may your “Garden of Memories Session” be the fulfillment of all of your dreams. God Bless you both and thanks for affording me the privilege of giving this response.

RULES OF ORDER

Brother Adrian Pearson, P.G.P. (25), Parliamentarian read the Rules of the Order as follows:

Good Morning, Sisters And Brothers:

This is an introduction to the Business side of this Garden of Memories Session. Shortly, you, the members of this Grand Jurisdiction, will consider the Reports and the many proposed legislative items which will come before you.

The conduct of our discussions will be governed by your good will and guided by Roberts Revised Rules of Order. I will read a brief summary of the more common Rules for our benefit.

1. All remarks shall be addressed to the Presiding Officer.
2. All motions must be seconded before discussion.
3. No one shall speak more than twice to a motion.
4. No one shall speak longer than two minutes at any one time.
5. The mover is entitled to speak last to his/her motion.
6. No one is entitled to speak a second time on a motion until those wishing to speak have been heard once.
7. All motions shall be in the affirmative.
8. A motion may be withdrawn with agreement of the seconder.
9. A standing vote may be called upon request.
10. Roberts Revised Rules of Order shall prevail on all matters.

A reminder that our manner of voting is with the upraised voting card. Thank you

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all for your co-operation.

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ADOPTION OF 2005 MINUTES

Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, P.M. (40), **Grand Secretary** moved the adoption of the 2005 minutes as printed in the proceedings. This was seconded by Sister Mary Zinck, P.M. (40). The motion was carried.

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON 2005-2006

SISTER MARION MILLER

Sisters and Brothers: Thanks for the Memories. The year has gone by very quickly. It doesn't seem that a year has passed since we planned our Installation, and now we are at *"The Garden of Memories Session"* here on Prince Edward Island.

I thank you for all the courtesies that have been extended to me and our Grand Family. We all enjoyed our travels and visits to each Chapter. All 46 of them were very special, all unique, but the love and support that we received in every one has been overwhelming and I cannot express in words what that has meant to me. I was honoured to be your Worthy Grand Matron and I will value all the friendships made over these past years of membership and on my Grand journey.

We extend to all Sisters, Brothers, and Distinguished Guests a warm Island welcome to this 59th Annual Session on Prince Edward Island, and hope you like us, will have many fond Memories to take home. On behalf of our Grand Officers, Grand Chapter Committee Members, Grand Representatives, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, General

Grand Chapter Committee Members, we welcome you to our Grand Jurisdiction of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. We hope you will have lots of fraternal relations with old friends, and some fun and meet new friends at our *"Garden of Memories Session"*.

IN MEMORIAM

The Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island was saddened by the death of Past Grand Patron, Brother Cecil Dean. Many of our Chapters have also lost dedicated members, as well as other Grand Jurisdictions, with my special thoughts of my friend and counterpart, Sister Diane, Worthy Grand Matron, of Ontario. To all Chapters, families, and friends of these members I send my sincere sympathy.

BIBLE AND MARKER

I was honoured to receive Sister Helen Herring's Past Grand Matron's Bible from her family, which was presented to me at our Installation and which was refurbished by my Chapter Crystal #1 (PEI) as a gift from the Chapter. The Bible marker was made by Sister Marion Conrad, Past Grand Matron and Sister Millie Wagner, Past Matron, on behalf of Sister Claretta (Tuts) Palmer, Past Grand Matron. I was further honoured to be given my Bible Carrying Box from Brother Reg MacRae, Past Grand Patron, Donnie Wooldridge and Sister Jane Wooldridge, Grand Chaplain,

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who crafted the case out of Oak, and put an Intarsia star on the front. The Bible was also my traveling emblem as our honour station is the Chaplain. Worthy Grand Patron,
Brother John and I each took turn about laying our Bibles on the Altars.

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OFFICIAL ACTS

Our first official business was to announce our Appointed Grand Officers including the District Deputy Grand Matrons. This is a difficult task because there are so many deserving members. We were honoured that everyone we asked did not hesitate to respond in the affirmative, and we are very proud of every one of them and their support.

APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Chaplain	Jane Wooldridge (1PEI)
Grand Marshal	Darrell Thurber (7)
Grand Organist	Edward MacLaren (69)
Grand Adah	Fran Harding (52)
Grand Ruth	Evelyn Blair (3)
Grand Esther	Nora Moxsom (55)
Grand Martha	Beverly Caulier (27)
Grand Electa	Mary Reid (25)
Grand Warder	David Morrison (22)

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS

District no. 1	Beth Brett (19)
District no. 2	Diane Patterson (10)
District no. 3	Mary Smith (57)
District no. 6	Bonnie Lowe (15)

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

It is a privilege to recommend to the Worthy Grand Matron of other Jurisdictions, Sisters and Brothers to represent their Jurisdiction in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. It was also my privilege to appoint Sisters and Brothers, on the recommendation of their Worthy Grand Matron, to serve as Grand Representatives of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in other Jurisdictions. Brother John and I had great fun watching the faces of the recipients as we presented their appointments, and the reports of those who assisted us when we were unable to be there. Thank you to all who sent notes. It was our pleasure to reward such dedicated members with these appointments.

Grand Representatives Recommended

Alabama	Mary Lou Higgins (48)
Bolivia	Tricia Duncan (61)
California	Arlene Antle (40)
Connecticut	George Sterling (50)
Delaware	Gail Kay (25)
District of Columbia	Rowena Marsters (22)
Georgia	Layton Profitt (52)
Illinois	Linda Campbell (18)
Louisiana	Kay Horton (66)

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Maryland	Lynn Thurber (7)
Michigan	Richard Snowdon (27)
Mississippi	Stephen Swan (21)
Nebraska	Larry Ingham (10)
New Brunswick	Anna Carr (1PEI)
New Hampshire	Ruth Bond (22)
New York	Sheila Beattie (26)
North Dakota	Elizabeth Langille (65)
Ohio	Charlene Davis (35)
Oregon	Josephine MacKinnon (14)
Pennsylvania	Jean Annear (69)
Rhode Island	Michael Glover (69)
Sao Paulo	Jean Withrow (39)
Scotland	Jessie Giles (2)
South Carolina	Margaret Chisholm (10)
South Dakota	Lorna MacLeod (59)
Tennessee	Ann Macintosh (37)
Texas	Linda Foote (67)
Utah	Wayne Yorke (39)
Vermont	Gladys MacRae (52)
Washington	Reta MacDonald (1PEI)
Wisconsin	Darlene Amirault (49)

Grand Representatives Appointed

Alberta	Sandra McMullen
British Columbia & Yukon	Joe Proudfoot
California	Marcia Joan McBrayer
Connecticut	Kathy Raveneau
Delaware	Gloria Fox
District of Columbia	Constance A. Connolly
Florida	Al Hailev
Georgia	Hertha Piercy
Indiana	Sandy Stitt
Iowa	Bonnie Altes
Louisiana	Debbie Alford
Maine	Patricia B. Beals
Maryland	Melissa Temple
Massachusetts	Diane Ricci
Michigan	Bessie Mast
Montana	Harriet Rickman
Missouri	Ann Daniel
Nebraska	Carla Crawford
Nevada	Heidi Sakelarios
New York	Eva Little

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Oklahoma	Joseph Melott
Ontario	Robert Lancaster
Oregon	Marilyn Hilton
Rhode Island	Sharon Mitchell
Sao Paulo	Maria Laura Savietto Alves
Scotland	Kenneth MacLeod
South Dakota	Michael Meeks
Washington	Roma Nelson

MEETING WITH THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

I met with the Jurisprudence Committee on April 30, 2005 in Truro, Nova Scotia, after the Maritime Exchange where they approved my Instructions.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

In compliance with the C.L.&R. a School of Instruction was held on July 7, 2005 at Fairfield Chapter #22, Windsor, Nova Scotia. The school was attended by the Officers, District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Jurisprudence Committee.

There were three Schools of Instruction held for the Subordinate Chapters as follows: Sept 10, 2005 Evangeline Chapter # 15, Kentville, Nova Scotia
Sept. 17, 2005 Harmony Chapter #25, Stellarton, Nova Scotia
Sept. 24, 2005 Crystal # 1(PEI), Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

The Jurisprudence Committee was in attendance at all the Schools of Instruction. The School's average was a hundred per meeting. The Grand Officers exemplified the ritualistic work, followed by question and answer period after each segment. I would like to thank the members who filled in for the Officers who were ill, or unable to attend because of other commitments. The Hostess Chapters for our Schools provided us with an excellent lunch and refreshments. We thank all the members of Evangeline, Harmony and Crystal Chapters for their hospitality and work making sure our Schools would go well and hosting the Membership. Many thanks!

COMMITTEES RE: GRAND CHAPTER

The Constitution, Laws and Regulations Review Committee was re-appointed by us following their report at Grand Chapter - that the work was not completed in the review as the task was very time consuming and an extensive task. The committee agreed to continue their work. It was noted that the last time this procedure was done it took three years to complete.

Brother Kenneth Smith, P.G.P., Chair of the Membership Committee asked that there be three more persons appointed to the Committee, and we appointed Sister Marie Parks, P.M. (15), Brother Howard Ford, P.P. (71) and Brother Charles Graves, P.P. (1PEI).

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OFFICIAL VISITS

I visited all the Chapters, and would like to say I had a wonderful time in every Chapter. The courtesies I was extended and the hospitality was amazing. I would also like to thank those members who provided housing for me and my travelling companions. Your generosity in the Chapters will help a family see their child's Wish come true. The Blanket Project has been astounding. To date we have 275 blankets made with much love in every stitch by the Membership. They will give comfort and security to an unwell child. Meetings were well attended and we averaged 70 members per meeting.

Aug. 12, 2005	Cedar #3	Dec. 7,	Armcrest #45
Aug. 17,	Faith #54	Dec. 8,	Harmony #25
		Dec 12,	Hon. Joseph Howe #20
Sept. 13,	Shoreham #59	Dec. 13,	Florence Fraser #47
Sept. 14,	Mae #38		
Sept. 15,	Grace #8	Mar. 9, 2006	Emerald #58
Sept. 27,	Century #10	Mar. 10,	Ruth #57
		Mar. 20,	Halifax #7
Oct. 3,	Mystic Star #40	Mar. 23,	Britannia #18
Oct. 4,	Queen Esther #61		
Oct. 13,	St. Mary's #35	Apr. 4,	Evangeline #15
Oct. 14,	Port Royal #1	Apr. 5,	Fairfield #22
Oct. 17,	Westville #24	Apr. 6,	Laurel #67
Oct. 18,	Myrtle #21	Apr. 10,	AnnaVal #31
Oct. 19,	Cobequid #39	Apr. 11,	Mayflower #2
Oct. 24,	Victoria #19	Apr. 25,	Kwebec #27
Oct. 25,	Dr. G. MacLeod #37	Apr. 26,	Pearle #71
Oct. 26,	Starlight #66	Apr. 28,	Amethyst #28 *
Nov. 8,	Elm #48	May 11,	Queen Elizabeth # 14
Nov. 9,	Elmsdale #55	May 12,	Munro #26
Nov. 10,	Scotia #49	May 18,	Montague #69
Nov. 12,	Keystone #5	May 19,	Regent #52
Nov 15,	Crescent #70	May 20,	Crystal #1(PEI)
Nov. 16,	Arbutus #30		
Nov. 17,	Queens #34		
Nov. 28,	Sunrise #50		
Nov. 30,	Atlantic #65		

*Changed after itinerary. Hall unavailable.

All seven Districts remained the same with the exception of District #2, which has 6 Chapters with the closing of Maple Leaf Chapter #23 last year.

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DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS' REPORTS**

District # 1: District Deputy Grand Matron, Beth Brett, 6 Chapters
There were no new candidates on her official visit, but Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37 had two petitions come in.

District #2: District Deputy Grand Matron, Diane Patterson, 6 Chapters
There was a candidate in Myrtle #21, and there were 6 petitions for affiliation amongst the others.

District #3: District Deputy Grand Matron, Mary Smith, 7 Chapters
There were 3 new Members initiated. 1 in Cobequid #39, 2 in Elmsdale #55.

District #4: District Deputy Grand Matron, Annie Mae Backman, Grand Conductress, 6 Chapters
There were candidates in Mystic Star #40, Halifax #7, Amethyst #28. Each initiated a new member and Armcrest #45 had an affiliation.

District #5: District Deputy Grand Matron, Gail Cook, Associate Grand Matron, 7 Chapters
There were 3 new Members initiated, 1 in Grace #8, and 2 in Pearle #71, also Mae #38 received 2 petitions to be initiated in November.

District #6: District Deputy Grand Matron, Bonnie Lowe, 7 Chapters
There were 3 new Members initiated, 1 in Laurel #67, and 2 in Mayflower #2, with two more petitions for December meeting.

District #7: District Deputy Grand Matron, Edith Conrod, Associate Grand Conductress, 7 Chapters
There were no new candidates, although there were two petitions for affiliation received in District.

All District Deputy Grand Matrons witnessed all the Ritualistic work in each Chapter and were impressed with the work and efforts of each Chapter. They reported they were all treated royally and enjoyed their visit with each Chapter and the courtesies extended to them. All reports were positive, some irregularities were noted.

Each District Deputy Grand Matron held an ESTARL Church Service in her district during the month of April and they were well attended.

The donations are as follows:

District #1: \$356.00, District #2: \$373.00, District #3: \$250.00, District #4: \$179.00, District #5: \$300.00, District #6: \$312.00, District #7: (N.S.): \$179.00, (PEI): \$231.00 **Total: \$2,180.00**

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IRREGULARITIES

More than one Ritual open at a time.

Too many members prompting. Just the designated prompter is all who should speak.

Some Rituals and C.L.&R.'s not updated.

Not all four copies of Secret Work were seen or accounted for.

IRREGULARITY BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

I will take this opportunity to clarify an irregularity in my own Chapter, which was receiving and investigating a petition, and reporting on the same night of meeting, to enable us to ballot on a family's petitions: Father, Mother and Daughter. These petitioners were aware of us hosting the Maine-Maritime Exchange and were excited about being initiated on that occasion, together as a family. This event has never been held on Prince Edward Island before, to be held the following day. Unfortunately the members did not pick up the petition of the Mother and Father in time for our previous meeting, and their Daughter's had been received for the prior meeting, and sent to an Investigating Committee. When the problem was evident our Worthy Patron looked in the C.L.& R. and read the section of petitions ignoring the first line (Book of Inst. Sub. Chap. Art. 20, pg.3) and assured the petitioners that there wouldn't be a problem, as it isn't mentioned there about subsequent meeting. As stated, he neglected to read first line of the Article. This couple was known to our members, as the Mother and Father of the gentleman were Past Matron and Past Patron of our Chapter, since deceased. Unfortunately, I met the couple in a coffee shop and they expressed their excitement in being petitioned on in our meeting which I questioned and they were told there was not a problem. It had been checked out. As you can tell, it was not by me and I had no prior knowledge of the situation. This was the situation and I felt I was between a rock and a hard place, with the expectations of the candidates; and so I was compelled to explain the situation to the Chair of the Jurisprudence Committee, for input and we felt it was for the good of the Order at a time when we are looking for new members, so we allowed this to happen. This was an EXCEPTION to the rules because of extenuating circumstances and I did not take it lightly and would not like this example to be used in any other Chapter to justify an action. When in doubt ask the Worthy Grand Matron. That is why you elected her. No one has the privilege to speak for her without her consent or knowledge. Sometimes things are misread or interpreted incorrectly and before a situation is created for the Worthy Grand Matron to deal with she should be asked and told the situation or problem. I have explained why I allowed this to happen, you know it was wrong, but I thought it was necessary due to circumstances. I instruct all members not to use this example as a reason to do it in your Chapter. If you knew a rule was broken all the more reason not to do it yourself. I apologize if this has created any confusion in our Grand Jurisdiction.

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DISPENSATIONS

Twenty-three dispensations were issued to change date of meeting to accommodate the visit of the Worthy Grand Matron. They were: Cedar #3, Shoreham #59, Grace #8, Port Royal # 1, Cobequid #39, Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37, Keystone #5 (and for their 75th Anniversary Celebration), Crescent #70, Arbutus #30, Atlantic #65, Hon. Joseph Howe #20, Florence Fraser #47, Pearle #71, Queen Elizabeth #14, Victoria # 19, Munro #26, Amethyst #28, Annal #31, Fairfield #22, Laurel #67, Montague #69, Regent #52, Crystal # 1 (PEI).

I would like to thank all the Chapters that changed their night of meeting to accommodate my Official Visits. With your consideration it made the distance of travel more manageable.

OTHER DISPENSATIONS

Hon. Joseph Howe #20: to permanently change their place of meeting.
Arbutus #30: To change meeting to first Saturday of each month from December to March inclusive at 2:00 p.m.
Sunrise #50: To change meeting to third Saturday of each month for January, February, March at 2:00 p.m.
Cobequid #39: Change December meeting from December 26th to Dec. 19th because of holiday.
Fairfield #22: Change July meeting From 6th to 13th to enable them to come to Grand Chapter.
Cedar #3: Change meeting from April 14th to April 7th because of Good Friday holiday.
Elmsdale #55: Change time for April meeting from 8.00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for 50th anniversary Celebration.
Scotia #49: To change June meeting from the 8th to 7th to accommodate Incoming Worthy Matron for Installation.
Victoria #19: To change June meeting to 3rd Monday because Hall is booked for another event.
St. Mary's #35: To open June meeting at 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m. to conduct all business and have Installation of Officers.

CHARTER SURRENDER

It is with sadness that I inform the members of this Grand Jurisdiction that the members of Hon. Joseph Howe #20, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, will surrender their Charter.

GRAND COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Grand Council met formally on two occasions:
December 7, 2005 in Kwebec Chapter No. 27, Bedford, Nova Scotia
April 22, 2006 after the Maine-Maritime Exchange in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.

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CORRESPONDENCE

During the year the following letters were sent out through our Grand Secretary on behalf of Brother John, W.G.P., and myself:

Letter after our Installation, with itinerary and theme for our year.

Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter and our Farewell letter.

I also sent a letter to Hon. Joseph Howe Chapter #20 for their final meeting in June, 2006, with our regrets.

I sent a letter asking the Worthy Matrons of each Chapter to invite a P.G.M. or P.G.P. as their guest speaker for a question and answer session on our Order, information about any Committees, General Grand Chapter, or Membership - what ever they would be interested in. This was a suggestion to get to know our P.G.M.'s and P.G.P.'s for new members and rekindle the friendships made when they were in the Grand East.

I approved all letters sent out by Committee Chairpersons and those sent out by Sister Gail Cook, A.G.M., in preparation for her year. Also letters were sent out to the Dignitaries inviting them to our Informal Opening.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question: When the Associate Conductress retires to invite the Officers to enter the room, what does she do? Does she leave the room or stand in doorway. Where should she be?

Answer: Speaking with the Jurisprudence Committee, the word "retire" in the Worthy Patron's opening remark, "all members who are not members will retire", means leave the room. Although one may stand in the doorway to be heard.

Question: What side is your Badge to be worn on, and can anything be put above it? Is it written in the C.L.&R.?

Answer: No, it is not in the C L.&R. Tradition has been we wear our Badge on the left side over your heart, and for the men it is where their pocket is on their Tux. or Suit. This letter was forwarded to the C. L.&R Committee. Their response was, we should consider a section to deal with some of the "Grey" areas, not specifically mentioned elsewhere.

Question: We would like to know if we can have the District Deputy Grand Matron omit the Initiatory work for her Official Visit. We do not have real candidates unfortunately. We do not have enough of our own members to fill the Star Point stations.

Answer: There are many Chapters that do not have a full slate of Officers and have to get fill-ins from other Chapters. I realize that this is very hard to do in some areas. If you have extenuating circumstances and can not get anyone to fill in for your Chapter, then of course it would be impossible to do the degree. If this is the case then for this year only I would allow the Initiatory work to be bypassed, but all other work must be done. Please consider the position I am in

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making this allowance and

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consider, that if you had a Candidate you would get Officers to do the work. As I stated earlier many Chapters are in the same position and will do all the work with fill-ins. The purpose of having D.D.G.M.'s visits is to keep our work up to a high standard and very often and unfortunately most Chapters do not have a Candidate, but we hope that will change in the future. Let me know of your final decision on this matter and I will notify the D.D.G.M. and direct her on this matter.

Result: I thank you for your kind consideration in our dilemma for the visit of our D.D.G.M.. Your letter was read at our meeting and immediately our kind Sisters from other Chapters kindly volunteered to fill in the Star Points so that we can do the initiatory work. We were so happy that our Sisters are so helpful. It is what makes this Order so grand.

VISITS TO OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

I had the honour to represent our Grand Jurisdiction at the following Grand Chapters:

Grand Chapter of New Brunswick	July 7, 2005
Grand Chapter of Ontario	August 28-30, 2005
Grand Chapter of Maine	May 14-15, 2006

(where I was honoured to give the tribute to the Canadian Flag)

When visiting Ontario in January, 2006 I had the pleasure of attending two meetings: one in Stoney Creek and one in Hamilton with Grand Officer Sister Evelyn Gable,

Grand Electa of Ontario and Past Grand Patron, Brother Don Thorton and his wife Shirley. As well as I attended the Honour reception for their Grand Chaplain. These were all arranged by Sister Diane, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Gary, as we were to be together, but sickness would not allow their participation.

I visited Adah Chapter #219, in St Petersburg, Florida, and thanked them for the Honourary Memberships they had given our Grand Officers last July. This Chapter is also the home of the Worthy Grand Patron of Florida who I had a wonderful visit with.

When I was outside of our Grand Jurisdiction the Grand Secretary was notified, and A.G.M., Sister Gail Cook, was presiding.

SPECIAL EVENTS

January 21, 2006	Attended Installation of Philae Shrine, Halifax, N.S.
February 17, 18, 2006	Attended North East Exchange in Hew Hampshire, when Sister Barbara Benton Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron announced her appointments.
April 2, 2006	Attended the Installation ceremony of Daughters of the Nile, and brought Greetings from our Grand Jurisdiction to Sis. Carolyn Galley-

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Card, Queen

April 12, 2006

Attended the 50th Anniversary of Elmsdale Chapter #55, and presented 50 year jewels to their Charter Members.

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May 19, 2006 Presented 50 year jewels at Regent Chapter #52 on their 50th Anniversary Celebration that coincided with our Official Visit.
June 3, 2006 Addressed Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia in Truro, N. S.
June 10, 2006 Addressed Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island in Brackley, P.E.I.

60 YEAR JEWELS

I was very honoured to be present in two Chapters and asked to present these Jewels:

Britannia #18	Sister Alice Hudson
Evangeline #15	Sister Ruth Keith

50 YEAR JEWELS

Brother John, W.G.P. and I were pleased to present 38, 50 year Jewels, when possible and would like to thank those Sisters and Brothers who helped us with this pleasant task when we were not able to attend the meetings.

Cobequid #39	June Butters	Margaret Macomber
Elm #48	Irene Johnson	
Queen Elizabeth #14	Ada Turner	
Scotia #49	Mildred Hosking	
Crystal # 1	Anne L. MacLeod	
Sunrise #50	Violet Williams	
Keystone #5	Olive Dease	
Florence Fraser #47	Hazel Gunn	Marie Tate
	Helen Hewitt	Eva Boutilier (23)
Regent #52	Velma Blakeney	Dorcus Fern Casely
	Evelyn MacEwen	Hilda Fyfe
	Cathrine Irene Pettigrew	Helen MacEwen
	Doris Mary Morrison	Marjorie Somers
	Edythe Woodside	
Mayflower #2	Marilyn Leaman *	
Hon. Joseph Howe #20	Edgar Forsyth	June Walker
Elmsdale #55	Helen Barren	Pauline (Grant) MacCulloch
Munro #26	Florence Blinkhorn	Anita MacKenzie
Fairfield #22	Lois Swinimer	Kathleen Hyson*
Laurel #67	Amanda Whitman	
St. Mary's #35	Verna Stonehouse	
Faith #54	Roy Digdon	Ruth Digdon
	Ada Durand	Elsie Hadley
Victoria #19	Christabelle Nicholson	
Mae #38	Helen Holden *	
Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37	Georgina Phillips*	Ingrid Austen Gillis*

* To be presented at Grand Chapter

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SPECIAL PROJECT

The Special Project this year is the Children's Wish Foundation of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The monies will be split equally between the Provinces.

Non Monetary Project: In lieu of gifts this year, the Worthy Grand Patron and I asked the members to make Comfort Quilts or Blankets for sick children. These will be distributed to each child who is waiting for a Wish from both Provinces, and the rest will be divided between the Hospitals that look after Children in the Grand Jurisdiction. Each Blanket has been tagged with a label saying "Made especially for you by the Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island". To date we have received 275 that will be displayed at Grand Chapter, "Garden of Memories". The tags will get our Order's name out in the public and may spark some interest in who we are and what we do.

LIFE AND HONOURARY MEMBERSHIPS

I was honoured to receive a Life Membership from my own Chapter - Crystal #1 (PEI). I also received Honourary Memberships in Adah Chapter 219, in St. Petersburg Florida, the Grand Chapter of Ontario and Regent Chapter #52.

APPRECIATION

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, what a grand journey we have had together. You made every Official Visit with me this year, and helped with the presentation of Grand Representative Appointments and 50 year jewels. I couldn't have had a better half than you and I thank you for your support, but mostly your sense of humor, friendship, and your love of our Fraternity and our Members. The bonus for us was Sister Diane, your better half. She kept us in line, and you on time, and almost dressed!

Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Fred, you still have quite a road ahead of you, and I will enjoy seeing you make your next step, to Right Worthy Grand Associate Patron this fall. We have enjoyed having you at our Visits this year and thank you for your support. We are also pleased and honoured to have Sister Rene, Right Worthy Grand Conductress, your Grand Lady with us.

General Grand Chapter Committee Members - Sister Cheryl and Brother Bill, you have been great ambassadors and workers for General Grand Chapter, and we are very proud of you both. Sister Edna is unwell now and we miss her at this Session and will always remember her contribution also as a G.G.C.C.M. You have all brought honour to our Grand Jurisdiction. Thank you.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons: This session has been dedicated to you, as you have always been willing to help, give advice, and mentor. You are our history and history is never forgotten, and I thank you who were able to

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participate in visiting our Chapters this year. Everyone really enjoyed your visits and message.

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Elected Grand Officers: Sister Gail and Brother Ron, time is running out. There is no 6 month extension. I wish for you that all your dreams come true, and lots and lots of fun.

Sister Annie Mae, Brother Whit, Sister Edith you are our future. I wish you good health, safe travels, and lots and lots of fun.

Grand Secretary, Sister Betty Ann: Thanks for the memories, and all the assistance throughout my Grand journey. You were a terrific navigator and kept me on the right track and on time with the paper work. Most of all thanks for your friendship.

Grand Treasurer, Sister Dorothy: Thanks for all the work you have done for this Grand Jurisdiction and its finances. We have enjoyed your company when possible, but most of all when you sign our paychecks! What about our retirement fund?

Appointed Grand Officers and District Deputy Grand Matrons: You have supported us all year and travelled with us extensively. Thank you for your dedication to our Order and your Chapters. As Worthy Grand Matron I am proud to have shared this year with you all. You were all special to Brother John and me before this year, and you have filled our year with fun, friendship. You are a GRAND family!

Grand Representatives: It was a pleasure to recommend you for your commissions. We hope you will enjoy your appointments, and make friends where ever your travels take you. You are the life line between our Jurisdictions, and we know you will represent us well and have fun!

Grand Chapter Committee Members: Thanks for all your work this year on your various committees. You are dedicated members and work hard for the benefit of our Order.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons (2005-2006). Thanks for the Memories. I enjoyed every visit, and thank you for all the thought you put into your programmes. The monetary gifts, quilts/baby blankets, personal gifts were greatly appreciated and over whelming. We had a wonderful time in your Chapters with you and your members.

Assistant Grand Organist, Choir and Soloists. Music makes the world go round, and you all had us spinning. Thank you for sharing your gift of music with us all, and making this Grand Session sound so sweet. Again thank you all.

Hostess Chapters and Committees: Thank you for all the hard work, and you made this Grand Session possible with all that you have done. On my behalf and

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Grand Chapters.

Crystal #1 (PEI)
Britannia # 18

Cedar #3
Sunrise #50

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Regent #52

Atlantic #65

Montague #69

Century # 10

Century Chapter # 10: Thank you for your hospitality, and the work your members have done. I look forward to a continued relationship with you all.

Crystal # 1 (PEI). Thank you for making dreams come true, your support and hard work have seen us through our journey. I have had a lot of fun, made many friends as we worked for our fraternity, but there's no place like home! My love to all.

Brother Edgar, Sister Erin and Dylan: Thanks for your support, patience and love to see me through this fantastic journey to the Grand East. I could not have done it without you picking up where I left off at home and work. Seemed like I was always coming or going, but now I might be able to stand still, ha, ha!

In conclusion, what brought me here:

Our theme for the year is Fun, Friendship and Fraternity and we've certainly had some fun and lots of friendship. So now I'll speak about our Fraternity and what it means to me. When we all started our journey in Eastern Star, I'm sure many of you were like me and didn't know what to expect.

We knew we were joining a Fraternity but then again what is it? Now after 25 plus years in the Order, I fully understand the meaning of our Fraternity and how it can effect our lives.

When we moved to Prince Edward Island in 1973 from Ontario, we left family and friends behind to open a business and start our family. All was successful but there were many lonely times not having family here, and not much spare time to make friends.

Then a few years passed and I was approached by Sister Florence Myers, Sis. Jean's Mom and Sister Ruth MacDonald, to join Star.

Well I knew about Masons as my Dad and Brother were Masons and it must have been very important to them as when Edgar, my husband, was raised in Lodge my Dad and Brother came from Ontario to be there. So if Eastern Star had some connection to Masons it must be all right.

I joined, along with 5 others that night. All I remembered after that evening was - what nice stories everyone told, and everyone was friendly and smiling and seemed quite pleased we joined. Now I've come to find first hand how pleased we are when someone joins and why.

I would like you to know what effect we can have on a Sister or Brother through

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my life experience.

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First it is an extended family and took the place of loneliness having moved to a new place. I knew every month I would see the same folks at Chapter and some new ones. It didn't cost a lot of money to belong, and I was asked to participate, called and included.

When sickness hit my family and I went to Ontario, my duties were done by others and they fulfilled my commitments, and even called me in Ontario with their support.

Within a 3 year period my Father, Stepmother and Brother died, which as I say left me an Orphan, with the exception of my Uncle D. The calls, cards, support that I was given was unbelievable, as I know many others have also experienced during sickness and trying times, and death.

Within the Order I have made many life long friends, have been part of 4 Grand Families. I have adopted Sister Jane as the Sister I never had on the Island, and Sister Cheryl as the wiser Sister, just because, she's the oldest, and most experienced, and even Erin, our Daughter, adopted Sister Jean as a Grandmother, she never knew hers.

Our Sisters and Brothers have opened their homes and share a part of their lives with us. Within our Chapters we visit our Elderly, and Shut ins, even when they can no longer come to meetings or cannot participate in events, they are not forgotten.

This is what our Fraternity is, Sisters and Brothers, you as members have such an effect on each others lives and well being, more than is ever expressed by most of us.

I would like to challenge each of you to think about your own experiences within this Fraternity, and what would happen if our legacy is not passed on, how much or how many lives would be affected if we didn't exist in the future.

Finally, in any large family the talents, personalities vary, but all are equal. Some may know more, or think they know more but all are equal. Some are articulate and some shy, but all are equal. Some have new ideas and some don't like change, but all are equal. And in our Eastern Star Family our Obligation is the Equalizer, we all said it, try to live by it, and now it's time to promote it. So on behalf of our Visioneer and Membership Committees we ask you to give one of the greatest life long gifts you could give to anyone, information and an application for our Order. Thank you.

Sister Marion moved the adoption of her report. This was seconded by Sister Judy Graves, P.M. (1PEI) and carried.

A motion was made by Brother Bill Clark, G.G.C.C.M. (24) and seconded by Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S., (67) that this Grand Chapter ratify the actions of

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the Worthy Grand Matron as outlined in her report on Irregularities. The motion was carried.

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DONATIONS
WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S SPECIAL PROJECT
THE CHILDREN'S WISH FOUNDATION**

Associate Grand Conductress:

Cheryl (GGCCM) and Allen (AGP) Denton	20.00
Margie Allen (Grand Electa)	10.00
Layton Proffitt, WP Regent #52	25.00
Marilyn Lisk, WM Regent #52	10.00
Betty and Ken (PGP) Smith	10.00
Arlene and Mel Antle	20.00
Heather Cook	5.00
Helen Corkum	5.00
Shirley Haugen	5.00
Gladys and Reg (PGP) MacRae	20.00
Eleanor (PGM) and Allison (PGP) Mitchell	20.00
Officers and Members Crystal #1 (PEI)	25.00
Shirley and Allan (Grand Sentinel) Conrad	10.00
Arna and Murray (AGP) Gardner	25.00
Anna Horne (DDGM #3)	10.00
Jean Proffitt (Crystal #1 PEI)	100.00
Marion Miller (AGC) in lieu of bar from Crystal Chapter #1	100.00

Grand Conductress:

Evelyn (PGM) and Marshall Thompson on Installation	25.00
Mystic Star #40 as DDGM #4 visit	25.00
Halifax #7 as DDGM #4 visit	25.00

Honour Night:

Cora MacKay (Grand Electa)	10.00
Lynn and Darrell Thurber	10.00
Crystal Chapter #1 (PEI) in lieu of gift	50.00
Noren and Howard (PGP) MacInnis	20.00
June Dauphinee	10.00
Isabelle (PGM) and Adrian (PGP) Pearson	15.00
Mary and George (PGP) Crouch	10.00
Shirley and Allan (AGP) Conrad	10.00
Margie Allen	10.00
Elsie Brinkschulte	10.00
Janet Merry	20.00
Mildred (PGM) Denton*	20.00
June (PGM) Macdonald	25.00
Betty and Ken (PGP) Smith	20.00
Cheryl (PGM) and Allen (AGP) Denton	20.00
Eleanor (PGM) and Allison (PGP) Mitchell	25.00

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Tracey Hobson (Grand Martha)	5.00
Marylyn (AGM) and Ralph Swinamer	10.00

Associate Grand Matron:

Sheila (PGM) MacDonald	
10.00	
Elm Chapter #48	as DDGM Dist. #2 25.00
Harmony Chapter #25	as DDGM Dist. #2 25.00
Maple Leaf #23	as DDGM Dist. #2 25.00
Westville #24	as DDGM Dist. #2 25.00
Jean Profitt (#1 PEI)	100.00

Honour Tea:

Murray (PGP) and Arna Gardner	50.00
Charlie and Anna Carr	10.00
Inez Daye	10.00
Mel and Elda McGuire	20.00
Millie Wagner	10.00
Marion Conrad (PGM)	10.00
Lynn and Darrell Thurber	25.00
Nora and George Moxsom	50.00
Jean Profitt (# 1 PEI)	100.00
Evelyn (PGM) and Marshall Thompson	40.00
Carol MacLellan	20.00
Mary Smith	20.00
A Friend	20.00
Barbara Bowser (PGM)	10.00
Mary Lou Higgins	20.00
Linda and Gordon O'Hearn, Joan Mills and Jessie Nutter (PGM)	15.00
Marilyn Lisk	50.00
Mary Jean Page	10.00
Gail (Gr Cond.) and Lloyd Cook	20.00
Grace and Ron (Gr Sent.) Boudreau	20.00
Charles Teal	5.00
Cora MacKay	10.00
Betty and Ken (PGP) Smith	10.00
Larry and Vivian Ingham	10.00
Fran Harding	15.00
Norman and Carolyn Card	10.00
Bill (PGP) Thompson Sr.	10.00
Howie (PGP) MacInnis	20.00
Barbara and George Myles	15.00
Mary MacIntosh	10.00
Mvrna MacPherson	10.00
Fran Jackson	20.00
Edith Lewis	15.00

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Hazelanne Sterling

10.00

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Ted and Beverly Caulier	25.00
Tracey Hobson	5.00
Gladys and Reg (PGP) MacRae	25.00
Judy and Charlie Graves	20.00
Jean Annear	25.00
Montague Chapter #69	25.00
Marian MacDonald	20.00
Isabelle (PGM) and Adrian (PGP) Pearson	20.00
Janet Merry	20.00
Marylyn (WGM) and Ralph Swinamer	10.00
Margie Allen	10.00
June (PGM) Macdonald	100.00
Violet (PGM) Blair (in lieu of gifts for her Installation as WM)	25.00
George (PGP) Crouch (in lieu of gifts for his Installation as WP)	25.00
Diane and John (AGP) Patterson	40.00
Margaret (PGM) and Fred (GGCO) Clarke	20.00
Crystal Chapter # 1 Past Matrons Club	25.00
Regent Chapter #52	25.00
Joan (PGM) Campbell (in lieu of gifts on her Installation as WM)	20.00
Stephen Swan (in lieu of gifts on his Installation as WP)	20.00

Worthy Grand Matron:

Eleanor (PGM) and Allison (PGP) Mitchell (honor of my Installation)	50.00
Sheila (PGM) and Jackie MacDonald	10.00
Donna White	30.00
Crystal Chapter # 1	200.00
Regent Chapter #52	50.00
Crescent Chapter #70	25.00
Cedar Chapter #3 (Official Visit)	50.00
Faith Chapter #54 (Official Visit)	75.00
Charles Teal (Thank you donation to Arlene Antle)	20.00
Cheryl (GGCCM) and Allen (PGP) Denton	50.00
Fran Harding	20.00
Shoreham Chapter #59 (Officers Club)	
25.00	
Mae Chapter #38 (Official Visit)	30.00
Heather Cook (In lieu of gifts to Officers on Installation as WM)	25.00
Kim MacLean	25.00
Century Chapter #10 (Official Visit)	100.00
Grace Chapter #8	75.00
Irma Maxwell	25.00
Mystic Star Chapter #40 (Official Visit)	50.00
Mystic Star #40 Past Matrons and Past Patrons Club (Official visit)	15.00
Shirley Bezanson	20.00
Queen Esther Chapter #61 (Official visit 75.00-Corsage 10.00)	85.00

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St Mary's Chapter #35 (Silver Drill)

85.00

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Port Royal Chapter #1 (Official visit 25.00-Silver drill 78.56)	103.56
Olive Munro	50.00
Westville Chapter #24 (Official Visit)	50.00
In honour of DDGM Sister Diane Official Visit:	
Elm Chapter #48	25.00
Harmony Chapter #25	25.00
Fran Jackson	20.00
Century Chapter #10	50.00
Westville Chapter #24	25.00
Myrtle Chapter #21 (Official Visit)	50.00
Past Matrons and Past Patrons Myrtle #21	50.00
In honour of DDGM Sister Mary Smith:	
Ruth Chapter #57	25.00
Scotia Chapter #49	25.00
Cobequid Chapter #39 (Official Visit)	50.00
Elva Yorke WM and Keith C'looney WP on Official Visit	25.00
Victoria Chapter #19 (Official Visit)	100.00
Starlight Chapter #66 (Official Visit)	50.00
Elm Chapter #48 (Official Visit)	25.00
Elmsdale Chapter #55 (Official Visit)	25.00
Irene and Glenn Johnson	20.00
(from Belle and Adrian Pearson honouring 50 th Anniversary)	
Charles Teal	80.00
Heather Cook	80.00
Scotia Chapter #49 (Official Visit)	25.00
WGM, WGP, AGM, AGP	20.00
(In honour of Fred and Margaret Clarke's 50 th Anniversary)	
Atlantic Chapter #65	35.00
Jean Proffitt (#1 PEI)	100.00
In honour of DDGM (Gail Cook Official Visit):	
Arbutus Chapter #30	
20.00	
Shoreham Chapter #59	20.00
Queens Chapter #34	25.00
Crescent Chapter #70	25.00
Pearle Chapter #71	25.00
Vivian Ingham	10.00
Fran Burgoyne-Jackson	20.00
Crescent Chapter #70	26.50
Arbutus Chapter #30 (Official Visit)	25.00
In honour of Nora Moxsom, Grand Esther:	
Margie Allen	10.00
John WGP and Diane DDGM Patterson	10.00
Irma Maxwell	10.00
Trisha Duncan	5.00

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George and Nora Moxsom

50.00

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Sunrise Chapter #50 (Official Visit)	105.00
Queens Chapter #34 (Official Visit)	50.00
Max and Julia Baker	10.00
Armcrest Chapter #45 (Official Visit)	25.00
Marves Mitchell-Mansfield	10.00
Thelma Low	20.00
Harmony Chapter #25 (Official Visit)	75.00
Kwebec Chapter #27 (honour of Annie Mae DDGM Official Visit)	10.00
Britannia Chapter #18 (honour of Edith Conrod DDGM Official Visit)	25.00
Fred Lipskev (In lieu of gift for entertaining at Keystone #5 Anniver.)	15.00
Ted Davis (In lieu of gift for entertaining at Keystone #5 Anniversary)	15.00
Irene Stevenson	200.00
Hon. Joseph Howe Chapter #20 (Official Visit)	25.00
Florence Fraser Chapter #47 (Official Visit)	75.00
Arbutus Chapter #30 (In lieu of Gift exchange Christmas)	94.00
Ethel Brown (Honour of Walter Tingley Gr. Rep. of Mississippi)	5.00
Marilyn Lisk	50.00
Dorothy Powroz (In lieu of Christmas gifts to Grand Officers)	75.00
Isabell Bowen	43.22
Judy and Charles Graves (in lieu of Christmas gifts to Officers #1(PEI))	150.00
Glynne Lloyd (on his honour night as Gr Rep. of Scotland)	200.00
Reginald and Rhoda Tupper (in honour of Gr. Reps. Elizabeth Morash, (Jim Coolen, Glynne Lloyd)	50.00
Kwebec Chapter #27 Star Points (in lieu of gifts to visiting Star points)	20.00
Armcrest Chapter #45 (Thelma's Christmas sock and Past Matrons)	50.00
Mary DDGM Smith	50.00
Darlene Amirault & Carol Little (honour for Everett Baker in lieu of gift)	20.00
Starlight Chapter #66 (Official Visit)	75.00
Montague Chapter #69 (honour of Crystal Chapter #1 Members)	50.00
Helen and Cecil* Stetson	20.00
Sonia Adams (In lieu of gifts for PM and PP Honour night at Chapter)	25.00
Honour of DDGM Beth Brett Official Visits:	
Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37	25.00
Queen Elizabeth #14	50.00
Victoria # 19	50.00
Faith #54	10.00
Munro #26	10.00
Dorothy M. Beals (in lieu of gift to Alan Smith on honour night)	10.00
Hazel MacLeod (in lieu of gifts to Secretaries on Honour night)	50.00
Sylvia McCleave (in lieu of gifts to Gr. Officers and Appointments)	30.00
Honour of Elizabeth Seymour Gr. Rep.:	
Tricia Duncan	5.00
Mel and Arlene Antle	10.00
Emerald Chapter #58	25.00
Elizabeth Seymour (in lieu of gifts to visitors on honour night)	25.00

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Emerald Chapter #58 (Official Visit)	100.00
Emerald Chapter #58 Past Matrons Club (Official visit)	25.00
Elizabeth Morash (in lieu of gifts for her honour night)	25.00
James Coolen (in lieu of gifts for his honour night)	25.00
Mary DDGM Smith Honour night:	
Tricia Duncan	10.00
Marion Tizard	25.00
Elsie Brinkschulte	10.00
Walter Tingley	10.00
Arlene and Mel Antle	10.00
Karyn and Don Grant	20.00
Annie Mae Backman GC	10.00
Lorraine and Pat O'Neill	20.00
Diane DDGM and John WGP Patterson	25.00
Mary DDGM Smith	100.00
Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson	10.00
Inez PGM Daye	10.00
Halifax Chapter #7 (Official Visit)	25.00
Halifax Chapter #7 (Floral March Collection)	93.80
Mary DDGM Smith (in honour of Darrell Thurber)	20.00
Ruth Chapter #57 (Official Visit)	100.00
Britannia Chapter # 18 (Official Visit)	100.00
Amethyst Chapter #28 (in lieu of gifts for Helen Legge, Millie Wagner honour)	25.00
Iris Newman (in lieu of gifts for Helen Legge, Millie Wagner)	25.00
Dr Gordon MacLeod Chapter #37 (Silver Drill)	88.00
Carol Wooster	60.00
Marie Black	10.00
Ruby and James MacKenzie	50.00
Evangeline Chapter #15 (Official Visit Sunshine March)	125.00
Evangeline Chapter #15 (Addendum)	25.00
Fairfield Chapter #22 (Official Visit)	200.00
Laurel Chapter #67 (Official Visit, Floral March)	85.00
Laurel Chapter #67 (Addendum)	50.00
Bonnie DDGM Lowe (in lieu of gifts to travel Companions)	100.00
Marion and Morley Robinson (in lieu of gifts to Officers)	50.00
Diane Snowdon (in lieu of gifts to Gr. Reps)	25.00
Tricia Duncan (in lieu of gift to Diane Snowdon Gr. Rep)	5.00
Halifax Chapter #7 (WM & WP Bear Project proceeds)	77.53
Elmsdale Chapter #55 Past Matrons Club	55.00
Richard and Mabel Haynes	25.00
Richard and Mabel Haynes (in lieu of gift for honour of Allan Smith)	10.00
Annaval Chapter #31 (Official Visit)	100.00
Harold Coggins	25.00
Arthur and Carolyn Phinney	50.00

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Walter and Evelyn Blair (honour night for Mary Reid, Gr. Electa)	10.00
Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson (" ")	10.00
Richard and Margaret Muise (in honour of Mary Reid Gr. Electa)	15.00
Walter and Evelyn Blair (honour of Margaret Muise Gr. Rep.)	10.00
Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson (honour of Margaret Muise)	10.00
Harmony Chapter #25 (lieu of Gift to Mary Reid and Visitors)	30.00
Walter and Evelyn Blair (in honour of Margie Allen Gr. Historian)	10.00
Margie Allen (in lieu of gifts for Evelyn Blair, Marianne MacMillan)	20.00
Shirley Bezanson (in lieu of gifts for Elizabeth Morash, Jim Coolen Gr. Rep)	20.00
Eleanor PGM and Raymond Freeman (honour of Gordon O'Hearn, GCCM)	25.00
Pearle Chapter #71 (Official Visit)	50.00
Pearle Chapter #71 (in lieu of gifts to visiting Gr. Reps and GCCM)	25.00
Iris Hublev	20.00
Anna and Howard Ford (in lieu of gifts to Officers on Installation)	40.00
Kwebec Chapter #27 (Official Visit)	25.00
Walter and Evelyn Blair (in honour of Bev Caulier Gr. Martha)	10.00
Velda and Ron Forrest (honour of Eleanor Freeman, Gordon O'Hearn)	20.00
George and Nora Moxsom (in lieu of gifts on Honour nights)	50.00
Beverly Caulier	25.00
Gordon O'Hearn (in lieu of gifts on his Honour night)	20.00
Howie PGP MacInnis (WGM visit and honour nights)	100.00
Anna Carr (in lieu of gifts to Counterparts Gr. Reps)	50.00
June Dauphinee (in lieu of gifts on Honour nights)	25.00
Shirlev MacLean (in lieu of gifts to GCCM)	100.00
Kwebec #27 Past Matrons (Official Visit)	25.00
Marv Lou Higgins (Honour of Evelyn Blair Gr. Ruth)	10.00
(Honour of Edith Conrod AGC	10.00
(Honour of Bev. Caulier Gr. Martha)	10.00
(Honour of Grand Officers)	10.00
(Honour of GCCM)	10.00
(Honour of Grand Representatives)	50.00
Kwebec Chapter #27 (in lieu of gifts to Gr. Martha, GCCM, Gr. Reps)	50.00
Carol Nielsen (honour of WGM, WGP,Gr. Officers, GCCM,GR. Reps)	
Emerald Chapter 58 (Honour of Past Matrons, Past Patrons)	25.00
Amethyst Chapter #28 (Official Visit)	50.00
Amethyst Chapter #28 Past Matrons Club (Official Visit Corsage)	10.00
Jean Coombes	25.00
Hazelann and George Sterling	50.00
Cora MacKay (honour of Mary Reid, Nora Moxsom, Edith Conrod, Ron Boudreau, Gail Cook, Diane Patterson, Marianne MacMillan, Evelyn Blair, Bev Caulier, Margaret Muise)	50.00
Queen Elizabeth Chapter #14 (Official Visit)	100.00
Munro Chapter #26 (Official Visit Floral March)	100.00

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Emerald Chapter #58 (honour of June Dauphinee, Shirley MacLean)	50.00
Donations in Honor of Evelyn Blair Gr. Ruth, Marianne MacMillian GCCM:	
Shirley Blair	20.00
Evelyn Blair	10.00
Lloyd Brown	25.00
Linda Brown	25.00
Carol Coulter	20.00
Joyce Stewart	20.00
Carrie Langill	10.00
Eileen Paul	10.00
Inez PGM Daye	5.00
Betty Parker	5.00
Hazelann Sterling	10.00
Helen and Trudi MacMillian (Mariannes children)	15.00
Doreen Langille	5.00
Elda McGuire	20.00
Members ?	55.00
Evelyn and Walter Blair (honour of Bernie Webb GCCM)	10.00
Dorothy Powroz (in lieu of gifts to Grand Family)	150.00
Betty Ann Loughnan (In lieu of gifts to Grand Family)	100.00
Walter and Evelyn Blair (Honour of Charles McPherson GCCM)	10.00
(Honour of Mary Reid, Gr. Electa)	10.00
(Honour of Margaret Muise, Gr. Rep)	10.00
(Honour of Edith Conrod AGC)	15.00
Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson (Honour of Charles McPherson)	10.00
(honour of Mary Reid Gr. Electa)	10.00
(honour of Margaret Muise Gr. Rep)	10.00
Honor night Ed MacLaren Gr. Organist:	
Allison and Connie MacDonald	25.00
Montague Chapter #69	50.00
Jean Profitt (1 PEI)	25.00
Irene Stevenson	25.00
Marian MacDonald	20.00
Carl and Norma Thompson	20.00
Jeanette Durnnian (Honour of Linda Townsend, Irma Maxwell, Fred and Margaret Clarke)	20.00
Marion Buchan	20.00
Betty Thompson	30.00
Eleanor Vogler (honour of Carson Jackson, Mary Smith, Donna Hazeldine, Millie Wagner, Darrell Thurber)	100.00
Helen Hatt (monies received on her Honour night)	30.00
Honour night for Fran Harding Grand Adah:	
Jean Profitt #1 (PEI)	25.00
Irene Stevenson	25.00

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Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson	10.00
Fran Harding (Honour of Grand Officers)	50.00
Regent Chapter #52 (Honour of Melda Johnston GCCM)	15.00
Honour night Jane Wooldridge Grand Chaplain:	
Barbara PGM Bowser	10.00
Carl and Norma Thompson	20.00
Montague Chapter #69	25.00
Connie and Allison MacDonald	25.00
Inez PGM Daye	10.00
Larry and Vivian Ingham	10.00
Murray PGP and Arna Gardner	25.00
Irene Stevenson	25.00
Jean Profitt #1 (PEI)	50.00
Edith Lewis	15.00
WGM Homecoming:	
Allen PGP and Cheryl GGCCM Denton	250.00
Reg PGP and Gladys MacRae	25.00
Don and Barbara Cooke (lieu of gifts to Bro. Everett, Sis Lucy Josey)	50.00
James PGP and Marian Dickie	25.00
Regent Chapter #52	50.00
Ken PGP and Betty Smith (in lieu of gifts to Gr Officers, DDGM, GCCM, Gr Representatives)	50.00
Charles Teal (in lieu of gifts for Honour nights)	100.00
Barbara and George Myles	20.00
Mary Reid Gr Electa	25.00
Cyril PGP and June MacIntosh	50.00
Crystal Chapter #1 (in lieu of gifts Jane, Gr.Chap. Anna, Reta, Gr. Reprs)	90.00
Saturday night Card Players	250.00
Jean Annear	25.00
Anna and Charlie Carr (Rummy Club)	30.00
Millie Wagner (In lieu of gifts to her WP, Gr. Officers, DDGM, GCCM, Grand Representatives)	150.00
Irene Stevenson	50.00
Lowell and Audrey Farquharson	30.00
Joan and Maurice Wood	10.00
Past Matrons Club Crystal Chapter #1	100.00
Jean Profitt #1 (PEI)	200.00
Cohn and Donna PGM Allen NB	10.00
Fran Harding	20.00
Myrna MacPherson	25.00
Wilma Gibson	25.00
Allan PGP and Shirley Conrad	20.00
A Friend	25.00
Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson	50.00
Barbara PGM Bowser	25.00

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Bill PGP Thompson Sr.	10.00
Jim and Ruby MacKenzie	25.00
Irma Maxwell	25.00
Carol PGM and Bill PGP Clark	50.00
Garry and Marianna Hope	20.00
Olive Bowen	25.00
Ron AGP and Grace Boudreau (in lieu of gifts Gr. Off. Gr. Repts, GCCM)	75.00
Montague Chapter #69	50.00
Mary Ellen Bishop	25.00
Crystal Chapter #1	175.00
Regent Chapter #52	75.00
Inez PGM Daye	20.00
Joanne and Whitman Gr. Sent. Giffin Honouring:	150.00
Shirley Haugen, Gr. Rep	
Ray Zinck. GCCM, WGM, WGP Special Project	
Memory of WGM brother in law	
Nora Moxsom Gr. Esther	
Memory of Sis Pauline Hale	
Glynne Lloyd, Gr Rep.	
Jim Coolen, Gr. Rep.	
Elizabeth Morash, Gr Rep.	
Barbara Mosher, Gr. Rep.	
Stella Myra, Gr. Rep.	
Mary Smith, DDGM	
Darrell Thurber, Gr Marshal	
Mary Reid, Gr Electa	
Beverly Caulier, Gr. Martha	
Edith Conrod, A G Cond.	
Ed MacLaren, Gr. Organist	
Fran Harding, Gr. Adah	
Mildred Wagner, installation as WM	
Cheryl Denton, honour tea GGCCM	
Gail Cook and Ron Boudreau, honour tea	
Vicki Perry, installation as WM	
Marion Miller WGM, John Patterson WGP	
Irene and Glenn Johnson (honour of Star Points: Fran, Evelyn, Nora, Bev, Mary)	30.00
Helen PGM Connors	10.00
Charlie and Georgie Dewey	20.00
Mary Lou Higgins	25.00
Marylyn PGM and Ralph Swinamer (WGM Homecoming (in lieu of gifts for Honor nights)	50.00 25.00
Recyclers Club (N.S. \$1200.00 and P.E.I. \$800.00)	2000.00
Marion PGM Conrad (sale of Teddy Bear Pins)	1000.00

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Larry and Vivian Ingham	20.00
Frank and Doris Cullen	50.00
Montague Chapter #69	50.00
Connie and Allison MacDonald	100.00
Crescent Chapter #70	50.00
Sheila PGM and Jackie MacDonald	20.00
Marion and Morley Robinson	100.00
(lieu of gifts to Gr. Off. ,GCCM, Gr. Reps.)	
Shirley Smith (Special Project, Gordon O'Hearn, money received)	35.00
Bonnie Boutilier (Special Project, honour of Edith Conrod AGC)	25.00
Jean Profitt #1(P.E.I.)	200.00
Harold and Barbara Ferguson (honour of Marianne,GCCM, Evelyn, Gr. Ruth)	20.00
Carolyn and Norman Card (honour of Linda, Irma, Fred and Margaret #67)	20.00
Helen Hatt (received on Honour night as GCCM)	10.00
Rhoda Tupper	25.00
Donations Cheryl PGM Denton GGCCM Tea:	
Jean Profitt #1 (PEI)	25.00
Rev. and Mrs. John Dickinson	50.00
Mr and Mrs Glenn MacAdams	20.00
Barbara PGM Bowser	10.00
St. Mary's Chapter #35	200.00
Allen PGP Denton	100.00
Isabelle PGM and Adrian PGP Pearson	20.00
John and Amelia Whalley	20.00
Allen PGP Denton (in lieu of gifts to Officers St. Mary's #35, 2005-6)	100.00
Allan PGP and Shirley Conrad (in lieu of gifts Gr Officers. DDGM)	50.00
Gail Cook AGM (in honour of Gr Family, Gr Reps, GCCM)	75.00
Annie Mae Backman (in honour of Gr Family, DDGM, GCCM, Gr Reps)	125.00
(in lieu of gifts to Officers of Shoreham Chapter)	25.00
Eleanor PGM and Allison PGP Mitchell	50.00
Bette PGM Macintosh (Ontario)	30.00
Winna Smith (in lieu of gifts on honour nights)	30.00
Judy Graves (in lieu of bar for jewel)	90.00
Charles Graves (in lieu of bar for jewel)	90.00
Judy and Charles Graves	400.00
Matjorie and Wendell Dawson	125.00
Carol Little	5.00
Darlene Amirault	5.00
Eleanor Freeman PGM (in honour of)	45.00
Edith Conrad	100.00
Marian MacDonald	20.00
Janet Merry	10.00

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Ed MacLaren	50.00
Thelma Low	5.00
Joe Parker	10.00
Mary Bigelow	50.00
Pearle Chapter #71 (in honour of Gail Cook AGM)	25.00
Donations at Grand Chapter:	
William Cox (donations received on honour night)	30.00
Owen Baker	50.00
Rita Baker	50.00
Mel and Arlene Antle (in lieu of gifts for honour nights)	100.00
Mary and Allen Reid	80.00
Marilyn Lisk (in honour of Gr. Officers)	100.00
George and Nora Moxsom	100.00
Keystone #5	200.00
Jean Profitt (in honour of Bev. Caulier)	25.00
Water Sales from Canteen	45.00
Judi WGM and Ward WGP of New Hampshire	25.00
Carol Wooster (in honour of Sisters of Evangeline #15)	45.00
Maine Delegation	10.00
Ray and Mary Zinck	20.00
Grand Representative Association	100.00
Honour of WGM and WGP	40.00
PAGOS Club	200.00
Turtle Club Fee	17.00
Linda MacKay	50.00
Texas Delegation	100.00
Massachusetts Delegation	26.00
Marjorie Morgan PGM Ontario	25.00
Allan and Shirley Conrad	15.00
(in lieu of gifts to W. Tingley, E. Baker, F. Johnson)	
Mary and George PGP Crouch	50.00
Stella Trask	100.00
Lorna Spencer	50.00
Teddy Bear Bank from Janet Merry	161.30
Grand Representative Association N.S. and P.E.I.	32.00
Ethel Brown (in lieu of gifts for her Officers)	40.00
Mary Ellen Zurko	200.00
Basket Collection at Grand Chapter	202.30
Water Sales and Games from Canteen	48.77
Lloyd and Gail Cook	20.00
William A. Thompson	20.00
Gordon and Linda O'Hearn	50.00
Donna White	20.00
Tracey Hobson	100.00
Jean Profitt (in honour of Ron Boudreau AGP)	20.00

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Margaret Fisher (in honour of Ron Boudreau AGP)	5.00
Dorothy Jewers (in honour of Ron Boudrea AGP)	5.00
Fred RWGS and Margaret PGM Clarke (in lieu of gifts for honour nights)	75.00
Blue Water Agencies (Nora Moxsom, Gr. Esther's employer)	200.00
Marlane and Virginia O'Brien (entertainers sales of their CDs)	185.00
Patricia Armstrong	30.00
Bulk Carriers (PEI) Ltd. Mayor Kelly owner	1000.00
Diane Hayman PGM and Janet Johnson In honor of:	125.00
Grand Chapter Committee Members 2005-2006	
Rev. Art and Janet Storey's Retirement	
In Memory of :	
Sister Arleigh Hardy	
Dr. J. Henry Fraser	
Alex Mac Donald	
Lauchie MacKenzie	
Sister Ruth Hale	
Frank Moore	
Anita McAulay	
Wallace White	
Sister Theresa Palmer	
Veronica Beaton	
Sister Inez PGM Daye's Mother	
To Brother John Patterson WGP	
Diane Hayman PGM and Janet Johnson Special Birthdays:	125.00
Jeanette Cameron 100th	
Isabel Wright 90th	
Reg MacRae PGP 80th	
Allister Thompson PP 80th	
Anniversaries:	
Bill PP and Hilda PM Allen 60th	
Phyllis and Brian Phelan 50th	
Margaret PGM and Fred RWGS Clarke 50th	
Ruth PM and Roy PP Digdon 60th	
Elizabeth PGM and Keith PGP Pettigrew 40th	
Officers of Westville Chapter #24 2005-2006	
Diane Patterson DDGM Grand Family 2005-2006	

MEMORIAL DONATIONS:

Just Remember that they have not really left you,
They have only gone away
On a long and different journey,
And you'll meet again someday.
They have not really left you,
Even though you had to part
Take comfort that you'll always find them,

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Hidden in your heart.
Accept these words of sympathy,
Expressed with warmth to-day,
And remember in your saddest hour,
They've only gone away.

Allen PGP and Cheryl PGM Denton	Cp. Christopher Clark	50.00
Marian PGM Durling	Sis. Dot Matthews	10.00
Marion WGM Miller	Sis. Martena Murphy	20.00
Florence Fraser Chapter #47	Sis Ethel Jesty	25.00
Barbara Crosby	Sis. Ethel Jesty	25.00
Sylvia McCleave	Mrs. Blanch Harrop	20.00
Allen PGP and Cheryl PGM Denton	Roger Beckwith	20.00
Lloyd and Gail AM Cook	Stewart Miller	10.00
Allen PGP and Cheryl PGM Denton	Bro. Cecil Dean PGP	20.00
Marion WGM Miller	Bro. Albert Paul	20.00
Margie Allen	Bro. Albert Paul	10.00
Judy and Charlie Graves	Bro. Albert Paul	15.00
Allen PGP and Cheryl PGM Denton	Sis. Doris Whalley	20.00
Margie Allen	Sis. Kathryn Fisher	15.00
Marian PGM Durling	Sis Kathryn Fisher	20.00
Carol and Jerry Coulter	Sis. Kathryn Fisher	25.00
Allen PGP and Cheryl PGM Denton	Inez Daye's Mother	20.00
Faith Chapter #54	Sis Elsie Slade	20.00
Marion WGM Miller	Sisters, Brothers, and/or Family members	50.00

DONATIONS OF COMFORT BLANKETS

**A Project of Marion Miller, WGM and John Patterson, WGP, 2005-2006
Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island**

- 1 Edith Lewis, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 2 Carol MacLellan, Crystal Chapter, # 1(PEI)
- 3 Edith Lewis, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI), material Jane
- 4 Mary Smith, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 5 Jane Wooldridge, Crystal Chapter# 1(PEI)
- 6 Louise Gadbois, Regent Chapter # 52
- 7 Jean Profitt, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 8 Edith Lewis, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 9 Carroll Murphy, Friend of Marion Miller, WGM
- 10 Edith Lewis, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI), material Jane
- 11 Mildred Denton, PGM*, St. Mary's Chapter # 35
- 12 Kaye Richardson, Mystic Star Chapter # 40
- 13 Mystic Star Chapter # 40

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- 14 Iris Williams, Port Royal Chapter # 1
- 15 Millie Wagner & Marion Conrad, PGM, Mystic Star # 40
- 16 Sandra Denton, St. Mary's Chapter # 35
- 17 Sandra Denton, St. Mary's Chapter # 35
- 18 Westville Chapter # 24
- 19 Westville Chapter # 24
- 20 Westville Chapter # 24
- 21 Maxine Smith, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 22 Maxine Smith, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 23 Yvonne Fox, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 24 Roy MacKinnon, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 25 Roy MacKinnon, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 26 Barb MacIntyre, Port Hawkesbury Community
- 27 Barb MacIntyre, Port Hawkesbury Community
- 28 Barb MacIntyre, Port Hawkesbury Community
- 29 Carol MacLean, Mother of Tonia, Starlight # 66
- 30 Julia MacKinnon, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 31 Julia MacKinnon, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 32 Denise McNamara, Starlight Chapter # 66
- 33 Starlight Chapter # 66
- 34 Ann Ross, Victoria Chapter # 19
- 35 Ann Ross, Victoria Chapter # 19
- 36 Dr. Gordon MacLeod Chapter # 37
- 37 Dr. Gordon MacLeod Chapter # 37
- 38 Dr. Gordon MacLeod Chapter # 37
- 39 Dr. Gordon MacLeod Chapter # 37
- 40 Ward & Joyce Cunningham, Keystone Chapter # 5
- 41 Keystone Chapter # 5, purchased, Hospital Gift Shop
- 42 Jane Wooldridge, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 43 Jane Wooldridge, Crystal # 1(PEI), material Marion
- 44 Elm Chapter # 48
- 45 Elm Chapter # 48
- 46 Scotia Chapter # 49
- 47 George & Nora Moxsom, Elmsdale Chapter # 55
- 48 Elmsdale Chapter # 55
- 49 Elmsdale Chapter # 55
- 50 David Nieforth, Scotia Chapter # 49
- 51 Viola Nieforth, Scotia Chapter # 49
- 52 Darlene Amirault & Carol Little, Scotia # 49
- 53 Scotia Chapter # 49
- 54 Lottie Rollison, mother of Grace Boudreau, Crescent Chapter # 70
- 55 Arbutus Chapter # 30
- 56 Dennis & Hattie Hagen, Queens Chapter # 34
- 57 Queens Chapter # 34
- 58 Charlie & Anna Carr, Andrea Carr-McNeill, Crystal # 1(PEI)

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- 59 George & Hazelann Sterling, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 60 George & Hazelann Sterling, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 61 Albert* & Eileen Paul, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 62 Albert* & Eileen Paul, Sunrise Chapter # 50
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- 67 Albert* & Eileen Paul, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 68 Atlantic Chapter # 65
- 69 Atlantic Chapter # 65
- 70 Atlantic Chapter # 65
- 71 Atlantic Chapter # 65
- 72 Atlantic Chapter # 65
- 73 Edgar, Marion and Erin Miller, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 74 Zeke & Susan Eaton, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 75 Zeke & Susan Eaton, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 76 Marvis Mansfield & Julia Baker, Armcrest Chapter # 45
- 77 Past Matron's Club of Armcrest Chapter # 45
- 78 David & Shirley Moir, Armcrest Chapter # 45
- 79 Joan Campbell, Myrtle Chapter # 21
- 80 Ellen Swan, Myrtle Chapter # 21 81 Cobequid Chapter # 39
- 82 Edith Conrod, Queen Esther Chapter # 61
- 83 Allen, Mary, Kim & Candice Reid, Harmony Chapter # 25
- 84 Harmony Chapter # 25
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- 87 Harmony Chapter # 25
- 88 Harmony Chapter # 25
- 89 Harmony Chapter # 25
- 90 Florence Fraser Chapter # 47
- 91 Gladys MacRae, Regent Chapter # 52
- 92 Jean Profitt, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 93 Claretta (Tuts) Palmer, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 94 Claretta (Tuts) Palmer, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 95 Jane Wooldridge, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 96 Maureen Roddick, Westville Chapter # 24
- 97 Kate Walker, Halifax Chapter # 7
- 98 Kate Walker, Halifax Chapter # 7
- 99 Margie Allen, Cedar Chapter # 3
- 100 Port Royal Chapter # 1
- 101 Marion Tizard, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 102 June Dauphinee, Emerald Chapter # 58
- 103 Allen, Mary, Kim & Candice Reid, Harmony Chapter # 25
- 104 Shoreham Chapter # 59, in honour of Ray Zinck

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- 105 George & Nora Moxsom, Elmsdale Chapter # 55
- 106 Mystic Star Chapter # 40
- 107 Millie Wagner, Mystic Star Chapter # 40
- 108 Harmony Chapter # 25
- 109 Muriel Toye, Britannia Chapter # 18
- 110 Irma Maxwell and LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 111 LaVerne Porter and Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 112 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 113 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 114 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 115 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 116 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 117 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 118 LaVerne, Violet Blair, Irma Maxwell, Evangeline # 15
- 119 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 120 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 121 LaVerne Porter, Evangeline # 15
- 122 Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 123 Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 124 Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 125 Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 126 Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 127 Marie Parks, Evangeline # 15
- 128 Claretta (Tuts) Palmer, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 129 "Michael's Story" baby blanket
- 130 Evangeline Chapter # 15
- 131 Laurel Chapter # 67
- 132 Cora MacKay, Elm Chapter # 48
- 133 Florence Fraser Chapter # 47
- 134 Florence Fraser Chapter # 47
- 135 Florence Fraser Chapter # 47
- 136 Florence Fraser Chapter # 47
- 137 Florence Fraser Chapter # 47
- 138 Beverly Caulier, Kwebec Chapter # 27
- 139 Beverly Caulier, Kwebec Chapter # 27
- 140 Beverly Caulier, Kwebec Chapter # 27
- 141 Beverly Caulier, Kwebec Chapter # 27
- 142 Beverly Caulier, Kwebec Chapter # 27
- 143 Arlene MacBride, Pearle Chapter # 71
- 144 Anna Ford, Pearle Chapter # 71
- 145 Velda Forrest, Pearle Chapter # 71
- 146 Rhonda Fader, Pearle Chapter # 71
- 147 Jeanette Rawding, Pearle Chapter # 71
- 148 Joyce Cunningham, Keystone Chapter # 5
- 149 Sonia Adams, Amethyst Chapter # 28

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- 150 Clara Nieforth, Amethyst Chapter # 28
- 151 Mel & Arlene Antle, Amethyst Chapter # 28
- 152 Clara Nieforth, Amethyst Chapter # 28
- 153 Clara Nieforth, Amethyst Chapter # 28
- 154 Edna MacVicar, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 155 Edna MacVicar, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 156 Beverly MacDonald, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 157 Beverly MacDonald, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 158 Beverly MacDonald, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 159 Joyce Scott, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 160 Joyce Scott, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 161 Freda Ells, Queen Elizabeth Chapter # 14
- 162 Yvonne Stephenson, Queen Elizabeth Ch. # 14
- 163 Quilters Group of Munroe Chapter # 26
- 164 Quilters Group of Munroe Chapter # 26
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- 168 Quilters Group of Munroe Chapter # 26
- 169 Associate Matron, Munroe Chapter # 26
- 170 Associate Matron, Munroe Chapter # 26
- 171 Diane Levy, Grace Chapter # 8
- 172 Pearle Chapter # 71
- 173 Pearle Chapter # 71
- 174 Ellen Swan, Myrtle Chapter # 21
- 175 Ellen Swan, Myrtle Chapter # 21
- 176 Myrna MacPherson, Century Chapter # 10
- 177 Myrna MacPherson, Century Chapter # 10
- 178 Myrna MacPherson, Century Chapter # 10
- 179 Myrna MacPherson, Century Chapter # 10
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- 189 Myrna MacPherson, Century Chapter # 10
- 190 Isabelle Bowen, Century Chapter # 10
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- 193 Isabelle Bowen, Century Chapter # 10
- 194 Lynn Simpson, Century Chapter # 10

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- 195 Lynn Simpson, Century Chapter # 10
- 196 Margie Chisholm, Century Chapter # 10
- 197 Krista Patterson & Mike Cullymore, Daughter of WGP
- 198 George & Nora Moxsom, Elmsdale Chapter # 55
- 199 Shirley Smith, Marianne MacMillan, Margie Allen,
Evelyn Blair, Marian Durling, Cedar Chapter # 3
- 200 Hazelann Sterling, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 201 Hazelann Sterling, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 202 Hazelann Sterling, Sunrise Chapter # 50
- 203 Doris & Frank Cullen, Westville Chapter # 24
- 204 Doris & Frank Cullen, Westville Chapter # 24
- 205 Doris & Frank Cullen, Westville Chapter # 24
- 206 Ed MacLaren, Montague Chapter # 69
- 207 Ed MacLaren, Montague Chapter # 69
- 208 Ed MacLaren, Montague Chapter # 69
- 209 Irene Renault, wife of Ed MacLaren
- 210 Donna White, Montague Chapter # 69
- 211 Donna White, Montague Chapter # 69
- 212 Georgie Gosbee, Montague Chapter # 69
- 213 Suzanne Aitken, Montague Chapter # 69
- 214 Suzanne Aitken, Montague Chapter # 69
- 215 Mabel Ployer, Montague Chapter # 69
- 216 Alena Buchanan, Montague Chapter # 69
- 217 Alena Buchanan, Montague Chapter # 69
- 218 Alena Buchanan, Montague Chapter # 69
- 219 Alena & Eva Buchanan, Montague Chapter # 69
- 220 Lillian Stewart, Montague Chapter # 69
- 221 Lillian Stewart, Montague Chapter # 69
- 222 Jean Annear, Montague Chapter # 69
- 223 Montague Chapter # 69
- 224 Jean Annear, Montague Chapter # 69
- 225 Judy Misener & Annie Webster, Montague Chapter # 69
- 226 Judy Misener & Annie Webster, Montague Chapter # 69
- 227 Jean Annear, Montague Chapter # 69
- 228 Mary MacDonald, Montague Chapter # 69
- 229 Isobel Laird, Montague Chapter # 69
- 230 Melda Johnston, Regent Chapter # 52
- 231 Melda Johnston, Regent Chapter # 52
- 232 Melda Johnston, Regent Chapter # 52
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- 239 Melda Johnston, Regent Chapter # 52
- 240 Muriel Bryanton, Mother of Fran Harding, Regent # 52
- 241 Jane Wooldridge, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 242 Kathryn Doughart, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 243 Edith Lewis, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 244 Audrey Farquharson, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 245 Connie & Allison MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 246 Judy & Charlie Graves, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 247 Phyllis Taylor, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 248 Marian MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 249 Marian MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 250 Marian MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 251 Marian MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 252 Reta MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 253 Reta MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 254 Reta MacDonald, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 255 Members Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI), made by Edith Lewis
- 256 Mary Lou Higgins, Elm Chapter # 48
- 257 Elm Chapter # 48
- 258 Nora Moxsom, Elmsdale Chapter # 55
- 259 Evelyn & Walter Blair, Cedar Chapter # 3
- 260 Evelyn & Walter Blair, Cedar Chapter # 3
- 261 Evelyn & Walter Blair, Cedar Chapter # 3
- 262 Evelyn & Walter Blair, Cedar Chapter # 3
- 263 Margaret Burhoe, Kwebec Chapter # 27
- 264 Ethel Brown in honor of 50th anniversary of Elmsdale # 55
- 265 Stella Trask, St. Mary's Chapter # 35
- 266 Sandra Oakley Andrews, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 267 Sandra Oakley Andrews, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 268 Sandra Oakley Andrews, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 269 Sandra Oakley Andrews, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 270 Sandra Oakley Andrews, Ruth Chapter # 57
- 271 Carol MacLellan, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 272 Louise Gadbois, Regent Chapter # 52
- 273 Louise Gadbois, Regent Chapter # 52
- 274 Louise Gadbois, Regent Chapter # 52
- 275 Jean Profitt, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 276 Ron & Grace Boudreau, Crescent # 70, made by Lottie Rollison
- 277 Helen Connors, Westville Chapter # 24
- 278 Janet Knox, Montague Chapter # 69
- 279 Mar jorie Stevenson-Dawson & Wendell Dawson, Crystal # 1(PEI)
- 280 Louise Gadbois, Regent # 52 & Marian MacDonald, Crystal # 1(PEI)
- 281 Louise Gadbois, Regent # 52 & Marian MacDonald, Crystal # 1(PEI)
- 282 Jane Wooldridge, Crystal Chapter # 1(PEI)
- 283 Rhoda Tupper, Mystic Star Chapter # 40

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284 Dorothy Hale, Keystone Chapter # 5
285-289 Keystone Chapter # 5

* member has since deceased

The Worthy Grand Matron received a number of quilts and blankets during the Grand Chapter Session which were not numbered and recorded. The total number of donations received was 312. These quilts and blankets have been distributed throughout the children's hospitals and the Children's Wish Foundation in both Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia.

**REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON 2005-2006
BROTHER JOHN PATTERSON**

Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Sisters and Brothers all.

Three years ago, I was honoured and privileged to have been elected as Grand Sentinel for the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. This was for me, both a humbling and awesome experience. I have enjoyed my time as I have moved towards the position of Worthy Grand Patron. I must say, for me with every situation one meets in life, they should do so with a deep faith that God will see them through and, so it was for me as I progressed to the office of Worthy Grand Patron, I did so with faith and trust in God, that He would see me through these past three years. As I accepted the office of Worthy Grand Patron, I promised this Grand Chapter that I would do my best to work for the good of our beautiful Order and fulfill my duties to honour this Grand Chapter. I hope I have accomplished those objectives to the satisfaction of all.

To my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, I have enjoyed my year working with you. It seemed an extra special privilege to serve the Grand Chapter with you as Worthy Grand Matron. You have been a delight to work with and I know that we will share many memories in the years to come.

To Brother Fred, our Right Worthy Grand Sentinel of the General Grand Chapter, I congratulate you on being elected Right Worthy Grand Sentinel. You have served our Order well and you have always made us proud as you visited the many Chapters in our Grand Jurisdiction. I wish you well as you move towards the position of Most Worthy Grand Patron. May God's blessings be with you and Margaret.

To the General Grand Chapter Committee members, I hope you have enjoyed your past three years in your various appointments and your work has been most

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rewarding and fulfilling.

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To the new General Grand Chapter Committee members, may your appointments be exciting and filled with energy as you journey with Star responsibilities.

I wish to thank our wonderful Grand Family for accepting the office to which you were elected or appointed. You have certainly added grace to our Grand Family this past year. It has been a privilege working with each of you. I can only hope your year was as enjoyable to you as my year has been to me. I feel I would be remiss if I did not extend a special word of thanks to our Grand Secretary, Sister Betty Ann Loughnan as well as to our Grand Treasurer, Sister Dorothy Powroz. I realize both these sisters have a huge job to keep the books of our Grand Chapter in order and my congratulations to them both for a job well done.

To the Grand Chapter Committee Members, I thank you for accepting your appointments. I know that each of you have fulfilled your duties to the best of your ability and have given dedicated service throughout the year.

I extend my thanks to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who have joined Sister Marion and I on our official visits. Your support has been deeply appreciated and I look forward with anticipation to becoming a member of the Past Grands. (Is there room for Marion and I????)

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the District Deputy Grand Matrons who have supported us during this past year. I am very proud of each of you as you visited the various Chapters in your District. I know you have represented our Worthy Grand Matron and I in a capable and elegant manner.

To the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the Chapters in our Grand Jurisdiction, I extend my thanks to you for your hospitality and for the gracious welcome which was extended to Sister Marion and I during our official visits to your chapters. I thank you for the Irish Music which I enjoyed during my visits, the many addendums which the Chapters provided, each being unique in their own way and for those very special gifts of quilts and monetary donations to The Children's Wish Foundation. In all the meetings we visited I found fun, friendship and fellowship - the three "F's". Thanks for the memories.

To the Officers and Members of my Chapter, Century Chapter No. 10, New Glasgow, my thanks to each of you for the love and support which you constantly provided, not only this year, but for the past three years. My thanks to Sister Olive Bowen, secretary of Century Chapter for nominating me to the office of Worthy Grand Patron. My thanks and appreciation to the members of Century Chapter for the honour nights which you held for me during my term as Grand Sentinel and Associate Grand Patron. It is indeed difficult to find words to express my thanks for my Homecoming. I know that day which I enjoyed so much meant many hours of planning and preparation by the members of Century Chapter. I thank each of you from the bottom of my heart. I thank you for the

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support which so many of you

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showed for our special project, "The Children's Wish Foundation." My thanks also for the beautiful quilts which were displayed and presented to me at my homecoming. I know the gifts you have made to the Children's Wish Foundation will help to bring a special wish to a child at an important time in their life. The quilts will give many children a feeling of comfort in a time it is most needed. You have supported me in so many ways that showed your love, care and kindness and, again, my thanks to each of you.

During this past year I accompanied the Worthy Grand Matron on all of her official visits to the Chapters within our Grand Jurisdiction. I attended the Maine-Maritime Exchange on Prince Edward Island and the Maritime Exchange in New Brunswick. I attended the Schools of Instructions in which the Grand Family participated. I was also pleased to attend many of the honour nights for the officers of our Grand Family. It was a real pleasure for me to attend the Homecoming of my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Miller.

It was with both pride and gratefulness that I received a Life Membership from Crystal Chapter No. 1 and an Honourary Membership from Regent Chapter No. 52. I thank the officers and members of both these Chapters on Prince Edward Island for the honour which they bestowed upon me.

I attended the ESTARL Service for District Number Two which was held at First United Church, Trenton. I felt very privileged to be the Worship Leader that day in my home church. I also attended the ESTARL Service for Elm Chapter at which time I was the guest speaker.

I was very honoured to present Grand Representative appointments. It is indeed a joy to see the excitement on the faces of those persons receiving an appointment. It is my hope that each one of you who have received this honour will have many wonderful memories as you form new friendships with your reciprocals.

It also gave me pleasure to take part in the presentation of 50 Year Jewels. These were certainly significant milestones being shared with Sisters, Brothers and Chapters throughout the Grand Jurisdiction. To those who have received your 50 Year Jewel may God's blessing be upon each of you as you continue to serve with joy and celebration.

I have approved the changes in the By-Laws for the following Chapters, for the reasons stated:

Grace Chapter No. 8 1) Requesting permission to suspend meetings during the months of January and February by vote of the Chapter.
Evangeline Chapter No. 15: 1) To amend Article X by adding a Section B -"Membership"

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- 2) To amend Article X by adding a Section C - "Education Scholarship"
- Myrtle Chapter No. 21 1) Requesting permission to update bylaw wording and numerical order.
- Fairfield Chapter No. 22 1) Requesting permission to update bylaw - the time to 7:30 p.m.
- Arbutus Chapter No. 30: 1) Requesting Permission to change day and time of meeting for the months of October through and including the month of March.
- Elm Chapter No. 48 1) Permission to update bylaw to raise dues.
- Faith Chapter No. 54 1) Permission to update bylaw to raise dues.
- Atlantic Chapter No. 65 1) Permission to change the time of meeting for the months of December, January, February and March to 2 p.m.
- Montague Chapter No. 69 1) Permission to update by-laws i.e.: changing time of meeting, update wording of articles.

During the past year we were saddened by the death of one of our Past Grand Patrons, Brother Cecil Dean. I join all the Eastern Star members in extending my sympathy to his family and pray God's Blessings be with them.

Also, many of our Eastern Star members have not been enjoying good health during the past year and I would take this opportunity to ask God to be with each of them and their families and may they draw on their strength and faith during their times of illness.

To Sister Gail and Brother Ron, it will soon be time for you to take your place as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Jurisdiction. I wish you both much success. May you have a year of happy memories, good times and some fun mixed in for good measure.

I would also like to extend my thanks to my wife Diane for her love and support. I know I could not have done it without you. You have made a monumental task a "delightful walk by the lakeside."

My prayer for each you in this wonderful Order of the Eastern Star is this....

*May the raindrops fall lightly on your brow;
May the soft winds freshen your spirit;
May the sunshine brighten your heart;
May the burdens of the day rest lightly upon you;
And may God enfold you in the mantle of His love.*

(Blessing from the Land of Eire)

Brother John, W.G.P. moved the adoption of this report. This motion was seconded by Sister Frances Duncan, P.M. (10) and carried.

**GRAND CHAPTER OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
DONATIONS
TO THE CHILDREN'S WISH FOUNDATION**

Grand Sentinel:

Murray Gardner	20.00
Margie Allen	20.00
Adrian Pearson	10.00
Olive Bowen	10.00
Marianne MacMillan	10.00
Allan and Shirley Conrad	10.00
Charles and Georgie Dewey	25.00
Norma McLaughlin	5.00
Allen and Mary Reid	20.00
Mary Lou Higgins	20.00
Margie Chisholm	20.00
Charlie and Anna Carr	10.00
Darrell and Lynn Thurber	10.00
Irene Johnson	10.00
Marion Miller	10.00
Jean Profitt	10.00
Cora MacKay	10.00
Tracey Hobson	5.00
John Patterson	10.00
Bank Interest	.12

Associate Grand Patron:

Gail Cook	10.00
Ron and Grace Boudreau	20.00
Joe Parker	5.00
Darrell and Lynn Thurber	15.00
Marion Conrad	10.00
Wilma Gibson	10.00
Cora MacKay	10.00
Myrna MacPherson	10.00
Mary Lou and Ross Higgins	20.00
Gladys and Reg MacRae	20.00
Ted and Bev Caulier	25.00
Ralph and Marylyn Swinamer	10.00
Janet Merry	10.00
Charlie and Anna Carr	25.00
Howard MacInnis	20.00
Murray and Arna Gardner	50.00
George and Barbara Myles	10.00
Garry and Marianna Hope	10.00
Olive Bowen	20.00
Margie Allen	20.00

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Marian Durling	10.00
Marianne MacMillan	10.00
Ken and Lucy Josey	10.00
Elda and Mel McGuire	20.00
Adrian and Isabelle Pearson	20.00
William A. Thompson	10.00
William M. Thompson	10.00
Mildred Wagner	10.00
Anonymous	20.00
Marion and Edgar Miller	40.00
Jean Profitt	20.00
Larry and Vivian Ingham	20.00
Allen and Mary Reid	10.00
Ken and Betty Smith	10.00
Fred and Margaret Clarke	20.00
Frank and Doris Cullen	20.00
<u>Worthy Grand Patron:</u>	
Crystal Chapter #1 (PEI)	100.00
Margaret Chisholm	25.00
Faith Chapter #54	48.15
Cedar Chapter #3	25.00
William C. Allen	25.00
Cash	65.00
Grace Chapter #8	50.00
Allen Denton	20.00
Century Chapter #10	100.00
Margaret Chisholm	20.00
Evelyn Aulenback	5.00
First United Church UCW	100.00
First United Church Men's Club	200.00
Donna Himmelman	24.00
Elm Chapter #48	25.00
Cora MacKay	25.00
Elmsdale Chapter #55	25.00
Port Royal Chapter #1	25.00
Alfred Newell	49.00
Westville Chapter #24	50.00
Pearle Chapter #71	188.00
Sale of Eastern Star Santa	100.00
Cash	60.00
Cash	75.00
Queens Chapter #34	25.00
William C. Allen	20.00
Atlantic Chapter #65	35.00
Myrtle Chapter #21	25.00

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Armcrest Chapter #45	25.00
Hon. Joseph Howe Chapter #20	25.00
Cash donations	302.50
Mary Lou Higgins	20.00
Mary Jane Smith	25.00
Cora MacKay	10.00
Queen Esther Chapter #61	65.00
Harmony Chapter #25	25.00
Mystic Star Chapter #40	15.00
Hon. Joseph Howe #20	10.00
June Dauphinee	25.00
Emerald Chapter #58	50.00
Mary Jane Smith	25.00
Halifax Chapter #7	25.00
Ruth Chapter #57	50.00
Charlie and Anna Carr	25.00
Amethyst Chapter #28	50.00
Mary Jane Smith	50.00
Kwebec Chapter #27)	25.00
Cash	665.00
M. Mitchell	10.00
Marianne MacMillan	10.00
William A. Thompson	20.00
Marian L. MacDonald	20.00
Cyril Marsters	20.00
James Dickie	25.00
David and Ruth Waterbury	25.00
Darrell and Lynn Thurber	25.00
Marian Durling	25.00
Frances Thompson	25.00
Anonymous	25.00
Wilma Gibson	25.00
Mary Lou Higgins	25.00
John R. Lorimer	25.00
Gail Kay	25.00
Cora MacKay	25.00
Mary Ellen Bishop	25.00
Irma Maxwell	25.00
Larry Ingham	25.00
Marion Robinson	25.00
Margaret Allen	25.00
Dorothy Powroz	50.00
Joan Campbell	50.00
Frank and Doris Cullen	50.00
Adrian and Isabelle Pearson	50.00

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Bill and Carol Clark	50.00
Murray and Arna Gardner	50.00
Jean Profitt	50.00
Olive Bowen	50.00
Ken and Betty Smith	50.00
Betty Ann Loughnan	50.00
Marilyn Lisk	50.00
Ron and Grace Boudreau	75.00
Marylyn and Ralph Swinamer	75.00
Queen Elizabeth Chapter #14	100.00
Century Chapter #10	200.00
Georgie and Charlie Dewey	500.00
Cash	60.00
Regent chapter #52	35.00
Crystal Chapter #1 (PEI)	125.00
Crystal Chapter #1 (PEI)	150.00
Reg and Gladys MacRae	25.00
Ruby and Jim MacKenzie	25.00
Montague Chapter #69	50.00
Fran Harding	25.00
Cash	30.00
Isabelle Pearson	10.00
Cora MacKay	15.00
Margaret Allen	20.00
Shirley Blair	20.00
Vivian and Larry Ingham	20.00
Jean Profitt	25.00
Donald Duncan	25.00
Mary Lou Higgins	25.00
Pearle Chapter #71	25.00
Edith Conrod	40.00
Cash	130.00
Lyda Fisher	25.00
Garry Hope	10.00
Rhoda Tupper	25.00
Gail Cook	75.00
Allison and Eleanor Mitchell	25.00
Frances and Donald Duncan	25.00
Rev. John Patterson	100.00
Dale Townsend	60.00
June Macdonald	100.00
Westville Chapter #24	40.00
Morgana Brownell	50.00
Georgie and Charlie Dewey	100.00
Linda Scott	30.00

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Evelyn and Walter Blair	10.00
Darrell and Lynn Thurber	50.00
Lorna Spencer	50.00
Grand Representatives Association of NS & PEI	100.00
Nora and George Moxsom	100.00
Grand Guards	150.00
PAGO's Association	200.00
OES - New Hampshire	25.00
Ken & Lucy Josey	25.00
OES - Maine	10.00
OES - Massachusetts	25.00
Doreen Edgar, Doris and Jake Hillier	50.00
Margaret & Fred Clarke	25.00
Bank Interest	1.42
TOTAL	\$8,231.07

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JURISPRUDENCE REPORT ON NOTICES OF MOTION, 2006

The Jurisprudence Committee: Brother Cyril MacIntosh, P.G.P. (21) Chairman, Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67) and Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. (35).

Due to illness, Brother Cyril MacIntosh, Chairman was unable to attend. The following report was read by Sister Margaret Clarke and Sister Cheryl Denton.

We, the Jurisprudence Committee, have spent many hours, separately and together reviewing the notices of motion in the following report. The motions are in order to be presented but we will make our comment for each motion.

Jurisprudence Report:

Notices of Motion #1 & #3 should have stated Laws & Regulations of Grand Chapter article 11, page 37 but as the intention of the mover was to include this under this section we find the motions in order. Page 37 Laws & Regulations is the only section dealing with Officers, Committees & Courtesies.

Motion #1: We find this motion to be in order.

Checking the records this action started with the budget presented at the 2003 Grand Chapter and should be rectified.

Motion #2: We find this motion to be in order.

However, we feel that if Grand Chapter needs funds it should come through an increase in per capita thus all members would be contributing.

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Motion # 3: We find this motion is in order.

The Office of Grand Secretary & Grand Treasurer is an elected office for a 1 year term the same as all the other elected officers, who do not get any compensation. We are all thankful that these 2 officers choose to continue in their offices each year. Both Officers now receive an honorarium for their service.

Motion #4: We find this motion in order.

Motion #5: The motion is in order but we do not agree with the motion and feel that both sections should be defeated for the following reason ...all work should be performed otherwise we become lax and the work will become poorly done.

From the last sentence of the 2nd portion "a Chapter cannot make a person attend a School of Instruction".

Motion #6: We find this motion is in order.

The reception of the GGC Officer & GGCC Members is a Grand Chapter function.

Motion #7: We do not feel this motion is necessary as we have not had to have a dress code for the last 59 years... common sense should prevail.. We are still an Order because our Principles and Practices make us unique.

Motion #8: We find this motion is in order it is housekeeping.

Motion #9: We find this motion to be in order if an amendment is made to #1, which the proposer is prepared to make.

Motion # 10: This motion is not in order as it has been presented to the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island for the following reasons: we feel the committee have overstepped their mandate and quote the motion made at the 2004 Grand Chapter Session " that Special Committee be appointed by incoming Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marylyn Swinamer, to review the Laws and Regulations and Book of Instructions of Grand Chapter, and bring in recommendations, if required, for revision as Notices of Motion to the Grand Secretary at least ninety days before the 58th Grand Chapter Session in July 2005 and printed copies sent to the Subordinate Chapters at least sixty days before the 58th Grand Chapter Session in July, 2005." We as Jurisprudence members received these notices of motion mailed from the Grand Secretary's Office on April 18. The report was not proof read before it was forwarded. There are omissions of instructions of our work which we feel need to be covered. New instructions have been added. The intent of instruction has been changed... Wording has been changed presumably because this committee felt it is better English. There is no index, which was a big concern of the about the present

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CL&R book. Of importance if the instructions and ceremonies are added to the Laws and Regulations they will become Law - we do not need this.

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Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. moved the acceptance of this report. Seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. The motion was carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notices of Motion were presented at the "Garden of Memories" Grand Chapter Session, July 2006:

1. NOTICE OF MOTION:

Rationale:

Within the past few years when complying with Article 11 item 3 the Finance Committee did not take into consideration item 2, which states that the Worthy Grand Patron's amount for expenses shall be an amount of one-third that paid to the Worthy Grand Matron as determined by Grand Chapter. As a result amounts paid and budgeted are not in compliance with this directive and have been passed by Grand Chapter.

As a result at the next Grand Chapter to be held in 2006 I will move or cause to be moved the following notice of motion:

EXPENSES: OFFICERS, COMMITTEES AND COURTESIES that Article 11, page 37, item 2 of the CL&R be amended by the **deletion of the words "one-third of the amount paid to the Worthy Grand Matron"**.

This change will make past actions of Grand Chapter legal and will permit the Finance Committee to set expenses for officers as it does other expenses without limitations, with the approval of the Grand Chapter.

William A. Cox, P.P. (30)

Brother William A. Cox, P.P. (30) moved that this motion be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. (21) and **the motion was carried.**

2. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the Grand Chapter Session to be held July 4,5 & 6, 2006, I will move or cause to be moved the following:

LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF GRAND CHAPTER, Article 10, Revenue of Grand Chapter be amended by the addition of section 1(6): **A levy of 10% be paid from the Worthy Grand Matron's and the Worthy Grand Patron's Special Projects to help fund Grand Chapter.**

Rationale:

For some time it has been identified that Grand Chapter financing is a concern of the membership. In fact, a committee was formed to study this issue in years past, and while all recipients of funds from the projects are worthy of membership support, it would seriously hinder fundraising efforts if the membership of this Grand Chapter were not functional as a result of lack of funds.

William A. Cox, P.P. (30)

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Brother William A. Cox, P.P. (30) moved, seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. (21) that this motion be accepted. After discussion **this motion was defeated.**

3. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the Grand Chapter Session to be held July 4,5 & 6, 2006, I will move or cause to be moved that:

Article 11, Officers, Committees and Courtesies be amended by inserting as Section (4) the following:

"The Grand Chapter pay the lodging expenses of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer at each Grand Chapter Session. And that sections 4, 5, 6, 7 be renumbered as sections 5, 6, 7, 8.

Rationale: These officers are not replaced on a regular basis and at Grand Chapter Sessions are required to be in attendance of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and to be available for consultation, and as such they do not have a choice as to accommodation. They are also required to purchase dresses each year if female. Other expenses are for their own account. Currently the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer share accommodation and will continue to do so to save Grand Chapter costs.

William A. Cox, P.P. (30)

Brother William A. Cox, P.P. (30) moved that this motion be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. (21). After some discussion **this motion was defeated.**

4. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the fifty-ninth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, to be held in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, on July 4, 5, and 6, 2006, I will move or cause to be moved the following:

Laws and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters, Article 30, (Fifty Year Jewels) - Page 25 be amended as follows:

Title: Change to read: Fifty and Sixty Year Jewels

Change the entire Article 30 to include "Sixty Year Jewels" as follows:

Section 1, line 3: After the word "fifty" add: "or sixty" and continue to the end of the sentence.

Section 1, line 5: After the word "fifty" add: "or sixty" and continue to the end of the sentence.

Section 4, line 1: After the word "fifty (50)" add: "or sixty (60)" and continue to the end of the paragraph.

Betty Ann Loughnan, P.M.

(40)

It was moved by Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, P.M. (40) and seconded by Sister

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Mary Zinck, P.M. (40) that this motion be accepted. **The motion was carried.**

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5. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the 59th Session of this Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island to be held in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, in July 2006, I will move or cause to have moved that the following changes be made to the Constitution Laws and Regulations.

Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter, Article 2, Duties of Officers, Page 10, District Deputy Grand Matrons.

#3, sixth line remove the words "the entire ritualistic ceremonies" and insert "portions of our initiatory work, which will include two Star Point lectures, the obligation, and one of the charges from either the Worthy Patron or Association Patron as well as the Signet, as they, at their discretion, will choose for the Chapter they are deputizing, except when new candidates are in waiting for the degrees of the Order at which time all ritualistic work will be exemplified. "

Adding under Book of Instructions for Subordinate Chapters, Article 9, Business of a Chapter, Page 14, a Section to be named "Education Night":

"Each Chapter will hold at least one Education Night per year at which time the Examination of a Visitor, the proper manner of entering or retiring from a Chapter while in Session, Balloting, Draping of the Charter and the Altar and Funeral Service will be exemplified with explanation by the Worthy Patron for the education of all members. The District Deputy Grand Matron shall be invited to attend and assist the Worthy Patron and the District Deputy Grand Matron will have the privilege of deciding whether or not she would be able to attend and participate. Also each Chapter will ensure that all first-time officers and new members attend the School of Instruction held in their District."

Rationale: We are at a period in our Grand Chapter's history when we are concerned with our dwindling membership and struggling with attracting new members as well as keeping our meetings interesting for our own members. The visit of a District Deputy Grand Matron usually guarantees a poor attendance because of the length of the meeting. Many of our officers are long-standing members who have occupied their offices on more than one occasion. To review all ritualistic work not only takes a considerable amount of time, but puts an unnecessary burden on some very senior members. Currently, when a District Deputy Grand Matron visits a Chapter, the signs and passes for each Star Point is given when she meets with the Star Points prior to the meeting, during the Opening of the Chapter, for the Examination of a Visitor, twice during the Initiatory work, and it is not uncommon in her instructions, that she has all members of the Chapter stand and review the signs and passes. That is a total of at least five and often six times for the Signs and Passes. Also, this defeats the purpose of holding Schools of Instruction during the month of September.

A District Deputy Grand Matron is the Worthy Grand Matron's representative in the District to which she has been assigned. She, therefore, would be responsible for carrying any important messages from the Worthy Grand Matron in addition to carrying out the other pre-meeting duties. Also have the District Deputy Grand Matrons carry out such duties as presentation of Grand Representative

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commissions

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and 50-year jewels when the Worthy Grand Matron cannot do so herself. (This is covered under Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter, Article 2, Duties of Officers, Page 11, District Deputy Grand Matrons #4.)

An important sidebar to the addition of an Education Night, gives the Worthy Patron a duty to perform as outlined in the Charge for his Office and ensures that he also keeps current with proper procedure.

Whitman J. Giffin, P. P. (59)

This motion was moved for acceptance by Brother Whitman J. Giffin, P.P. (59) and seconded by Sister Vicki Perry, P.M. (59). After discussion **this motion was defeated.**

6. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the 2006 session of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island I will move or cause to be moved the following motion to be effective immediately:

Laws and Regulations Grand Chapter, Article 21, Page 48, Reception General Grand Chapter Officers and Appointments:

Add new paragraph to be numbered "2": "The Worthy Grand Matron during the first year of each Triennium shall appoint a two-year Committee to make all arrangements for this reception and this Committee will prepare a budget for the event, presenting it to the Finance Committee not later than March 15th of the year prior to the event. This budget, in turn, is to be presented to Grand Chapter by the Finance Committee at the session immediately prior to the reception."

Number the first paragraph number "1".

Rationale: The reception for the General Grand Chapter Officers and appointments is the responsibility of the Grand Chapter and NOT the Hostess Chapters, therefore Grand Chapter should provide for the necessary funds for this reception in their budget the year prior to the event happening so that the funds will be available for those hosting the reception.

Whitman J. Giffin, P.P. (59)

Brother Whitman J. Giffin, P.P. (59) moved, seconded by Sister Vicki Perry, P.M. (59) that this motion be accepted. **The motion was carried.**

(If the foregoing Motion is carried, the following will apply:)

6A. NOTICE OF MOTION:

Grand Chapter Committees and Duties, Article 3, Page 28, Finance:

Number 1 - delete the period (.) after the word "budget" then add:

"which is to include a provision for the Reception for General Grand Chapter Officers and appointments."

Whitman J. Giffin, P. P.
(59)

This motion was moved by Brother Whitman J. Giffin, P.P. (59) and seconded by Sister Vicki Perry, P.M. (59) and **the motion was carried.**

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The Notice of Motion No. 6 Will NOW read!

Article 21, Page 48, Reception General Grand Chapter Officers and Appointments:

1. The Grand Chapter, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, shall host a reception for the General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members and other special General Grand Chapter Appointments from this Jurisdiction during the second year of each Triennium. Each member honoured at this reception shall be presented with a monetary gift of \$100 in US funds, from this Grand Chapter. (A.M. 2003)

2. The Worthy Grand Matron during the first year of each Triennium shall appoint a two-year Committee to make all arrangements for this reception and this Committee will prepare a budget for the event, presenting it to the Finance Committee not later than March 15th of the year prior to the event. This budget, in turn, is to be presented to Grand Chapter by the Finance Committee at the session immediately prior to the reception.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the 59th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, to be held in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, on July 4, 5 & 6, I will move or cause to be moved, the following:

WHEREAS: The only place in our C.L. & R where there is any mention of what may or may not be construed as a "dress code" for members, appears in the section on "Instructions for Subordinate Chapters" Article 23, page 53, paragraph 4, where it states "the Associate Conductress is to remove hat, gloves and wraps of the candidate", and Article 28, page 56, paragraph 4, where it states "non-members must be instructed to remove hats and gloves", and,

WHEREAS: Slacks, dress pants, and dress pant suits have become accepted attire for ladies in all walks of life, in all places, including Church, and dress pants, sports jackets and open-necked shirts have become accepted attire for gentlemen in all walks of life and in all places, including Church, I therefore move the following:

BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1) That Sisters, who are not filling an office during an Eastern Star meeting, be allowed to wear slacks, dress pants or dress pant suits, if they so wish.
- 2) That Brothers who are not filling an office during an Eastern Star meeting, be allowed to wear dress pants, sports jackets and open-necked shirts, if they so wish.
- 3) That dress for Sisters and Brothers filling offices in a Chapter, shall be at the discretion of their Worthy Matron. However, gowns or dresses for the Sisters and dark suits or tuxedos for the Brothers is desirable.
- 4) There will be no jeans, cords or any form of denim material used in Chapter dress.
- 5) **That this motion be made the 10th paragraph of Article 40, (Miscellaneous) page 69, of the Book of Instructions for Subordinate Chapters.**

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Rationale:

Our membership is getting older and many of our Sisters wear slacks most of the time for one reason or another. Many of our older Brothers do not wear neckties for

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any reason and many find a tuxedo hot and uncomfortable. Young people, whom we may wish to attract to our Order, may find long dresses and tuxedos old-fashioned. So, the questions are: Do we want our older members to come to meetings in slacks, or not come at all? And do we want to appear "out-of-touch" with the times and not have any young people join our Order?

Evelyn Aulenback. P.M.
(34)

Sister Evelyn Aulenback, P.M. (34) moved that this motion be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Dorothy Jewers, P.M. (34). After discussion, **the motion was defeated.**

8. NOTICE OF MOTION:

I, Margaret Clarke, P.G.M., will move or cause to be moved that at the next annual session of this Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, July 2006 that:

Constitution Grand Chapter, Article 2, page 1, be removed in its entirety and replaced with:

"The Grand Chapter declares its allegiance to the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. It will use only the Ritual, Signet and Labyrinth as promulgated by The General Grand Chapter, and will contribute an amount of per capita tax in US funds as set from time to time by the General Grand Chapter."

Rationale: This would allow the changes to be made with out having to bring a notice of motion to change the constitution and allow us to be legal in our Constitution, Laws & Regulations. By the time this motion is passed we will be almost three years out of date.

Margaret A. Clarke, P.G.M. (67)

It was moved by Sister Margaret A. Clarke, P.G.M. (67) and seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. (35) that this motion be accepted. **The motion was carried.**

9. NOTICE OF MOTION:

At the next session of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, I will move or cause to be moved the following amendments to the Constitution Laws and Regulations, Book of Instructions:

1. Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter, Article 2, Duties of Officers, page 10, District Deputy Grand Matrons number 3 remove and replace with the following:

"3. Annually visit each Chapter in their districts in any one of the following months, September, October or November for the purpose of conducting an official inspection, at which time they shall call for and inspect the Charter, By-Laws, Records, 4 copies of Secret Work, a Ritual, one copy of the Constitution, Laws and Regulations, witness an exemplification of the entire ritualistic ceremonies; and report to the Worthy Grand Matron the results of their inspection,

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stating whether or not By-Laws and all amendments thereto have been duly approved by the Worthy Patron."

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It was moved by Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67) and seconded by Sister Cheryl A. Denton, P.G.M. (35) that the above motion be amended (last line) to read: Worthy **Grand Patron** and be accepted. **The motion was carried.**

2. Laws and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters, Rituals and Secret Work, Article 3, page 2, number 1 remove and replace with the following:

"1. Ten Rituals, four copies of the Secret Work, a Signet, five copies of the Constitution, Laws and Regulations Book of Instructions shall be furnished without charge to a new Chapter at the time of granting the Dispensation. They shall become the property of the Chapter, when a Charter is granted, and shall bear the imprint of the seal of the Chapter."

3. Book of Instructions for Grand Chapter, Article 12, Institution of A New Chapter, page 27, paragraph W.G.P. Remove and replace with the following:

"W.G.P. - Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron, the Grand Chapter provides each subordinate Chapter with Rituals, and these should be numbered and a receipt given to the Chapter for each Ritual delivered to an Officer. When you receive your seal, which will not be until you become a chartered Chapter, these Rituals should be imprinted with the Chapter's seal. The secret work is not included in the Ritual, but is furnished separately in four copies. The Worthy Patron, the Associate Patron, the Conductress and the Associate Conductress each have a copy of the secret work. These must be securely guarded and kept under lock and key privately when not in use. Grand Marshal, you will present the Rituals to the Worthy Matron and the Secret Work to the Worthy Patron."

Rationale: These motions are made to comply with the rulings made at the last General Grand Chapter Assembly in Portland, Oregon 2003.

Margaret A. Clarke, P.G.M. (67)

A motion was made by Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67) and seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. (35) that this motion be accepted.

Brother Kenneth Smith, P.G.P. (27) moved an amendment to the motion that "3" be changed to "4" in the next sentence "G.M.- Worthy Matron, the Rituals. Worthy Patron, four copies of the Secret Work." This was seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. (35) and **the amended motion was carried.**

4. Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter, Article 11, Expenses, page 38, number 6 (a) remove and replace with the following ;

"(a) Main Banquet Guests: 18 Grand Chapter Officers; Grand Officer(s) Emeritus, 4 District Deputy Grand Matrons; General Grand Chapter Officers; General Grand Chapter Committee Members; Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions and the Grand Masters of Masons in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island."

Rationale: In 2004-2005 Grand Chapter eliminated one district thus eliminating one District Deputy Grand Matron.

Margaret A. Clarke, P. G. M. (67)

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It was moved by Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67) and seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. (35) that the motion be accepted.

Sister Diane Hayman, P.G.M. (24) moved an amendment to delete the number "4" in front of "District Deputy Grand Matrons". This was seconded by Sister Helen Connors, P.G.M. (24) and **the amended motion was carried.**

10. NOTICE OF MOTION:

The following Notice of Motion submitted by Sister June Whitman, P.M.(35), Chair, CL&R Review Committee was declared OUT OF ORDER by the Worthy Grand Matron:

At the Annual Session of Grand Chapter, to be held July 4, 5 and 6, 2006, I will move, or cause to be moved the following motion:

That the book "Constitution Laws and Regulations of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, be amended by replacing the four sections named:

"Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter"

"Book of Instruction for Grand Chapter"

"Laws and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters"

"Book of Instructions for Subordinate Chapters"

And replacing them with the two sections named:

"Laws, Regulations, Instructions and Ceremonies of Grand Chapter"

"Laws, Regulations and Instructions for Subordinate Chapters"

as have been circulated to the Chapters and members for examination and review.

Rationale: Though the current book is quite comprehensive in covering all our legislation as passed to date, the membership have expressed their wishes to have a format that will allow one to more easily find any item. By including the instructions with the Laws and regulations, one will have to look in one place for both the Laws and the Instructions. Pages will be numbered 1 through to the end of the book, so that there will not be more than one page with the same number.

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PRESENTATION OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTER SECRETARIES**

Twenty-eight Subordinate Chapter Secretaries and **Two** Visiting Chapter Secretaries were presented, introduced and welcomed by Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, P.M. (40), Grand Secretary:

Sister Marianne MacMillan (3); Sister Barbara Myles (7); Sister Olive Bowen (10); Sister Edna MacVicar (14); Sister Peg Lipskey (15); Sister Dolena Matheson (19); Sister Mary Ellen Bishop (21); Sister Margaret Bonn (22); Sister Anna Carr (1 PEI); Sister Diane Hayman (24); Sister Isabelle Pearson (25); Sister Sheila MacDonald (26); Sister Beverly Caulier (27); Sister Dorothy Jewers (34); Sister June Whitman (35); Sister Helen Holden (38); Sister Mary Zinck (40); Sister Cora MacKay (48); Sister Hazelann Sterling (50); Sister Marilyn Lisk (52); Sister Nora Moxsom (55); Sister Doreen Edgar (58); Sister Mary Perry (59); Sister Edith Conrod (61); Sister Jean Pierce (66); Sister Alena Buchanan (69); Sister Mary Jean Page (70); Sister Eleanor Freeman (71) and Chapter Secretaries from (280) Ontario and South Carolina.

Sister Betty Ann: Sisters - What a beautiful sight!

It is an honour and a privilege for me to welcome you, the Subordinate Chapter Secretaries, to this Grand Chapter Session.

You each work hard to keep your respective chapters running smoothly and efficiently all year. Now it is your turn to sit back and enjoy the meetings without any responsibility - just for a short time.

*“I wish you more sunshine than shadows,
more comfort than trouble,
more grace than greed, more gratitude than need,
more days filled with rainbows than rain.
More joy than money can buy,
more love than the heart can hold,
more laughter than tears, more courage than fears,
more memories than silver or gold.”*

This is my wish to each of you and may fun, friendship and fraternity be yours during this “Garden of Memories” Session.

The **response** was given by Sister Barbara Myles , Secretary (7):

Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, Grand Secretary, on behalf of the Subordinate Chapter Secretaries, I thank you for your warm welcome.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for always being there for us. It is hard to follow in your footsteps because you are too fast for most of us.

We give you our "LOVE and BEST WISHES" for another successful year.

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Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, thank you for the honour to myself and to my chapter, Halifax #7, for permitting me to respond to the warm welcome from our Grand Secretary.

I wish for you both a beautiful "GARDEN of MEMORIES" Session and may your Session be filled with Bouquets of Flowers from the Hearts of all of us. Thank you.

The Secretaries were escorted to the East and extended a warm welcome.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, P.M. (40), Grand Secretary: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

This year has passed with incredible swiftness since I made my last report. It has been a year of pleasurable work for me and I trust a satisfactory one for you.

As usual the office of the Grand Secretary is a busy and interesting one. During the year I dealt with all correspondence, reports and requests as promptly as possible. It was also a pleasure to be in touch with other Grand Jurisdictions through the Grand Secretaries and Grand Representatives.

On a sad note, our Grand Chapter was saddened this past year by the loss of Past Grand Patron, Brother Cecil Dean, as well as many of our devoted sisters and brothers.

Our membership is dwindling and this is a matter of great concern. Of the 46 chapters, we have only one chapter with a membership roster of over 100 members. I would also like to report that I have now completed a basic data base. As of May 31st, 2005 it shows that of our total membership of 2,532 only 175 members hold dual membership in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The statistical report reflects the figures of the previous year as follows:

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STATISTICS
MEMBERSHIP
Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
1 June 2004 to 31 May 2005**

No. of Members reported to 31 May 2004:		2,683
No. of Members Initiated:	36	
No. of Members Affiliated:	26	
No. of Members Re-Instated:	<u>0</u>	<u>62</u>
TOTAL:		2,745
No. of Members Died:	100	
No. of Members Demitted:	94*	
No. of Members Suspended:	<u>19</u>	<u>213</u>
No. of Members as of 31 May 2005:		2,532
No. of Chartered Chapters:	47	
No. of Members paid full Per Capita:	2,532	
No. of Chapters reporting No Initiation:	28	
No. of Chapters reporting Loss of Membership:	40	

* **Note:** 47 of this number are from Maple Leaf Chapter No. 23:
Charter surrendered on April 20, 2005.

Statistical Report by Chapters: June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005:

<u>Name & Number</u>	<u>Init.</u>	<u>Affil.</u>	<u>Re- inst.</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Dem it</u>	<u>Susp :</u>	<u>No. members May 31,2005</u>
Port Royal #1		1		2			31
Mayflower #2	3				1	4	54
Cedar #3	1	1		1	1		33
Keystone #5	1			3	1		42
Halifax #7	1			3			48
Grace #8					2		44
Century #10		1		2			84
Queen Elizabeth #14				2			55

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<u>Name & Number</u>	<u>Init.</u>	<u>Affil.</u>	<u>Re- inst.</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Dem it</u>	<u>Susp</u> :	<u>No. members May 31,2005</u>
Evangeline #15	4			4	5		93
Britannia #18	1			3	2		44
Victoria #19				1	2	1	91
Hon. Joseph Howe #20	1	1		1	1		60
Myrtle #21	3	2		4	1		77
Fairfield #22				5			44
Maple Leaf #23				1	46		0
Crystal #1 PEI	5			2	4		122
Westville #24				6	2		95
Harmony #25	2			4		1	78
Munro #26	1			5			58
Kwebec #27	1	1		1	1	1	79
Amethyst #28	3				2		73
Arbutus #30					2		48
Annaval #31				2			52
Queens #34	1	2		2			28
St. Mary's #35		2		2	2		52
Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37	2			1	1	1	54
Mae #38		2		2	1		48
Cobequid #39				4	3		69
Mystic Star #40				3			49
Armcrest #45		2		6			58
Florence Fraser #47		2			1	1	43
Elm #48				3	2	1	49
Scotia #49					2		37
Sunrise #50		1				8	41
Regent #52	2	1		4			48

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<u>Name & Number</u>	<u>Init.</u>	<u>Affil.</u>	<u>Re- inst.</u>	<u>Died</u>	<u>Dem it</u>	<u>Susp</u> :	<u>No. members May 31,2005</u>
Faith #54				4			36
Elmsdale #55		3		4	2		40
Ruth #57	1	1			3		39
Emerald #58				2			51
Shoreham #59				4			37
Queen Esther #61				1	2	1	80
Atlantic #65				2	1		26
Starlight #66							34
Laurel #67	2			3			55
Montague #69						1	56
Crescent #70	1	3					53
Pearle #71				1			44

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
DONATIONS TO CHARITIES
2005-2006**

**ESTARL
(Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership)
From Chapters and Members:**

Port Royal #1	Charlene and Ted Davis in lieu of gifts to June Whitman, Winna Smith, Irene Beeler and Philip Beeler on their honour night	20.00
	Winna Smith in lieu of gifts on her honour night	25.00
Cedar #3	In memory of Lawson Smith	20.00
Keystone #5		15.00
Halifax #7		128.45
	George Myles in lieu of gifts on honour night	20.00
	Kathryn Walker in honour of George Myles	10.00
Grace #8		100.00
Century #10	Georgie Dewey - gift received on honour night from Garry and Marianna Hope	10.00
	Frances Duncan in lieu of gifts at Installation	50.00
	In memory of E. MacLellan	50.00
	In memory of Ron Stonehouse	50.00
	In memory of Albert MacLeod and Alma Williams	100.00
	Mrs. Leslie MacLellan in memory of Elmer MacLellan	50.00
	In memory of Blanche MacDonald	50.00
	In memory of Elda MacKay	50.00
Queen Elizabeth #14		200.00
	John and Carole Newell in memory of Dorothy Matthews	25.00
	Edna MacVicar in lieu of gifts on honour nights	50.00
	Barbara MacSween	100.00
Evangeline #15	Violet Blair	20.00
	Eleanor Mitchell	20.00
	In memory of George Barkhouse	50.00
	In memory of Don Weaver	50.00
	In memory of Don Keith	50.00

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	Phyllis Veinot in memory of Don Keith	50.00
	David and Ruth Waterbury in memory of Bruce MacKenzie	20.00
Britannia #18		50.00
Victoria #19		300.00
	In memory of Doris MacRae	10.00
	Beth Brett in lieu of gifts to Installing Team	20.00
Hon. Jos. Howe #20		100.00
	Thelma Slade in memory of Rev. Dr. Richard Coffin	30.00
	Isabel MacCuish	20.00
	In memory of Rosalind Mahood	25.00
	In memory of Colin Brown, brother of Elsie Brinkschulte	25.00
	In memory of Margaret Kennedy	25.00
Myrtle #21		100.00
	In memory of Roger Beckwith	25.00
	Joan Campbell in memory of Cecil Dean	10.00
Fairfield #22		400.00
Crystal #1 PEI		600.00
	Jean Profitt in honour of Jane Wooldridge, Grand Chaplain	50.00
Westville #24		300.00
	In memory of Charles Roddick and Walter Williams	100.00
	Tim and Rosemary Hayter in memory of Charles Roddick	20.00
	In memory of Nellie Adams	50.00
	In memory of Arleigh Hardy	50.00
	Sharon Ward in memory of departed members of Westville Chapter #24	40.00
	Ann Feit in memory of Arleigh Hardy	20.00
	In honour of 60 th wedding anniversary of Bill and Hilda Allen	50.00
	In memory of Tess Palmer	50.00
	Diane Hayman and Janet Johnson in honour of Charles McPherson	20.00
Harmony #25		25.00
	Sandra Long in lieu of gifts to Installing Team	25.00
	In lieu of gifts to visiting G.C.C. Members on	15.00

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	Honour night for Charles McPherson	
	In honour of Charles McPherson	200.00
	Jelly Bean Project	23.25
	In memory of Isabel MacKay	50.00
Munro #26		10.00
	In honour of Barbara and Alex Nicholson - W.M. and W.P., 2004-05	20.00
Kwebec #27		200.00
	Inez Daye on behalf of Kwebec Chapter #27 in memory of Mary Ellen Daye	25.00
	In memory of Joyce Heffler's sister	25.00
	Past Matrons Club	25.00
	Memorial donation	25.00
	Bernice Webb in memory of William Hatt and Alden Henley	25.00
	In memory of Inez Daye's mother	25.00
Amethyst #28		400.00
	Past Matrons Club	100.00
Arbutus #30		50.00
	Betty Dean in memory of Cecil Dean, PGP	100.00
	In memory of Cecil Dean, PGP	100.00
	In memory of Cecil Dean, PGP	150.00
Annavaal #31		25.00
	In memory of Margaret Coggins	50.00
St. Mary's #35		50.00
	Sandra Denton in memory of Mildred Denton, PGM	20.00
Mae #38		50.00
	Norman & Janet Pentz Trust Fund	300.00
Mystic Star #40		100.00
	Betty Ann Loughnan in memory of Chris Clark	20.00
	Rhoda Tupper in memory of Pauline Hale	25.00
Armcrest #45		150.00
	In memory of Ethel Jewkes	25.00
	Julia Baker in honour of George Myles	5.00
	Marvis Mansfield in honour of George Myles	5.00

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Florence Fraser #47		50.00
Elm #48		300.00
	Joan Campbell in honour of Lyda Fisher on her retirement	10.00
	Lyda Fisher in honour of Irene and Glenn Johnson's 50 th wedding anniversary	20.00
Scotia #49		100.00
	Carol Little and Darlene Amirault in honour of Ken Josey, Grand Chaplain	20.00
Sunrise #50		100.00
Regent #52		100.00 6.00
Faith #54	Edna Harding from Special Project	102.00
Elmsdale #55		50.00
	Helen Barron in honour of Graham Bowser and Harry Daine in appreciation for music and singing at Installation	25.00
Ruth #57		100.00
Emerald #58		200.00
	In memory of Fulton Martin	50.00
Shoreham #59	Whit and JoAnne Giffin in memory of Chris Clark	25.00
Queen Esther #61		100.00
Atlantic #65		50.00
Starlight #66		50.00
Laurel #67		200.00
	In memory of the Veterans	40.00
	Marion Robinson - gifts received on her honour night from Tracey Hobson and Betty Thompson	20.00
	Marion and Morley Robinson in lieu of gifts to Installing Officers	50.00
Montague #69		100.00

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Pearle #71	Annual donation and in lieu of bar for P.P.'s Jewel	250.00
	For Howard Ford	
	Raymond & Eleanor Freeman in memory of	10.00
	Cecil Dean, PGP	

Other Donations to ESTARL:

District ESTARL Church Services:	District #1	
356.00		
	District #2	373.00
	District #3	250.00
	District #4	179.00
	District #5	
300.00		
	District #6	
312.00		
	District #7 (P.E.I.)	231.00
	District #7 (N.S.)	179.50

Grand Chapter Church Service, July 4, 2006
1,230.55

Past Grands Club:	In honour of Margaret and Fred Clarke's	25.00
	50 th wedding anniversary	
	In honour of Elizabeth and Keith Pettigrew's	25.00
	40 th wedding anniversary	
	In honour of Gladys and Reg MacRae's	25.00
	55 th wedding anniversary	
	In honour of Violet and Alvin Blair's	25.00
	65 th wedding anniversary	
	In honour of Edith and Royce Hefler's	25.00
	60 th wedding anniversary	
	In honour of Reg MacRae's 80 th birthday	25.00
	In memory of Cecil Dean, P.G.P.	25.00

Grand Representatives Association 100.00

Hostess Chapters 2005 500.00

General Grand Chapter - Sale of Pins 318.66

ARTHRITIS & RHEUMATISM SOCIETY

Keystone #5	15.00	St. Mary's #35	10.00
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CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY

Keystone #5	15.00	Annaval #31	25.00
Queen Elizabeth #14	100.00	St. Mary's #35	25.00
Myrtle #21	50.00		

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CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION**

Westville #24 25.00 (Bill and Carol Clark in memory of Arleigh Hardy)

CANADIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND

Keystone #5 15.00

CRAFTS & TREASURES COMMITTEE

Laurel #67 100.00 Sales at Grand Chapter 814.15

COASTAL DISASTER RELIEF

Myrtle #21	Alabama	275.00
Crystal #1 (PEI)	Louisiana	500.00
Amethyst #28	Louisiana	100.00
Florence Fraser #47	Louisiana	50.00
Elm #48	Alabama	350.00
Regent #52	Louisiana	50.00
Faith #54	Alabama	10.00
Faith #54	Louisiana	10.00
Faith #54	Mississippi	10.00
Elmsdale #55	Mississippi	50.00

(In honour of Walter Tingley, Grand Representative of
Mississippi in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island)

The following chapters sent donations directly:

Westville #24	Louisiana	50.00
Harmony #25	Mississippi	50.00

HEART & STROKE FOUNDATION

Annaval #31 25.00 St. Mary's #35 25.00

INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE FUND

Victoria #19 200.00

I.W.K. CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Regent #52 321.80 (from Worthy Matron's Special Project)
10.00 (from Marion MacDonald in honour of
Fran Harding, Grand Adah)

KIDNEY FOUNDATION

Annaval #31 25.00

KNIGHT'S TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

General Grand Chapter - Sale of pins 79.60

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MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

Keystone #5 15.00

NOVA SCOTIA LUNG ASSOCIATION

Keystone #5 15.00

SHRINER'S CHILDREN'S TRAVEL FUND

General Grand Chapter - Sale of pins 351.37

**IN APPRECIATION
GRAND SECRETARY**

Sister Betty Ann, Grand Secretary: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been my pleasure to serve Grand Chapter this past year as Grand Secretary. My sincere appreciation is extended to all members of this Grand Jurisdiction for the continued support I receive.

To Sister Dorothy, Grand Treasurer and my Grand Gofer: Grand Chapter has had another successful financial year in your capable hands and your promptness in attending to business is greatly appreciated. Thank you for always being there.

Once again I want to acknowledge the Chapter secretaries and express my heartfelt thanks for all the notes, cards, emails and phone calls. The dedication to your duties reflects in your work and makes your chapters run smoothly and in turn makes my work easier.

*“To earn our many honours
We labour day and night;
And when our work is over
We hope that what we've done is right.”*

So, for every mistake that I have made, may you plant a flower of forgetfulness. For whatever good has been accomplished may a flower of remembrance bloom in your “Garden of Memories”.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, may this year that you are now completing forever bring pleasant memories to you both.

Sister Betty Ann Loughnan moved the adoption of this report. This was seconded

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by Sister Mary Zinck, P.M. (40) and carried.

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PRESENTATION OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTER TREASURERS**

Twelve Subordinate Chapter Treasurers and Brother Cecil Decker, **Grand Treasurer Emeritus** were presented and welcomed by Sister Dorothy Powroz, P.M. (28), Grand Treasurer: Sister Evelyn Blair (3); Brother Ward Cunningham (5); Brother Howard MacInnis (7); Sister Bonnie Lowe (15); Sister Goldie Chisholm (21); Sister Donna Ball (27); Sister Evelyn Aulenback (34); Brother Kirk Whitman (35); Sister Doris Hillier (58); Sister Lorraine O'Neill (61); Brother Lewis Smith (66); Sister Jean Luxton (71).

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

It is a pleasure and a privilege for me to welcome the Subordinate Chapter Treasurers and Brother Cecil, Grand Treasurer Emeritus, to the Garden of Memories Session here on beautiful Prince Edward Island. I hope this past year has been filled with Fun, Friendship and Fraternity and I congratulate you on your election for the ensuing year. Your dedication to serving this Order is certainly appreciated and valued by your Chapters.

*" I asked a leprechaun to bring
A pot of gold to you,
I asked the fiddler if he'd play
Your favourite ditty too.
I asked the saints to walk with you
Each step along the way
And now I'm asking you to have
A very happy day! "*

The **response** was given by **Sister Lorraine O'Neill**, P.M., Treasurer (61):
Sister Dorothy, on behalf of the Subordinate Chapter Treasurers, it is my pleasure to thank you for your kind words of welcome.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, thank you for honouring Queen Esther Chapter # 61, by allowing me to respond to Sister Dorothy's welcome.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, we hope many of your dreams will come true, here in Charlottown, at your Grand Chapter session.

The Treasurers were escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.

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REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

Sister Dorothy, Grand Treasurer: To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island:

Another year has sped by and it has been an honour and a pleasure for me to serve as your Grand Treasurer and I thank the membership for your trust and faith in me. Having said that, the Grand Treasurer's office had a problem this year. After our installation last July a new inhabitant came to reside at 26 Redbank Road. His name is I. B. Banker also known as "Cash". I had the worst time keeping his paws off the money and away from the books. Then I introduced him to Ms. Cory S. Pondence thinking a little female influence would help. We'll, as you can see Cory has turned into a party girl and we now have double trouble especially since the two of them moved in together last month. If anyone would like to adopt Cash and Cory before they become three please let the Grand Secretary or me know.

Now for some financial facts, the serious stuff. Every year the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and the Finance Committee sit down and prepare a budget for the next year. We look at actual revenue and expenditure to date, historical data and discuss what probable expenses we will have for the upcoming year. This is not a five minute discussion and the budget that is presented to Grand Council and to this membership is well thought out and as close to being accurate as it can be given the information that we have. At Grand Chapter last year in the report of the Guidelines for Committee Members it was recommended that Grand Chapter make provision for reimbursement of expenses to each committee in their annual budget.

The Jurisprudence Committee in their report commented on that report and said, "We think that a guideline for expenses is needed and went on to say that committee expenses should be minimal and would be for such things as purchasing the supplies and albums for the WGM and WGP, postage and preparation of information. It was also suggested that letters from committees be forwarded to the Grand Secretary to be included in Chapter mailings thus eliminating extra expense.

I then made a motion that the Chairman of each committee send me a proposed budget of their anticipated expense for the upcoming year so provision could be made. To date I have yet to receive one.

Now, you may be asking yourself "What's the big deal? Committee expenses are minimal." Well, let me give you an example of how not planning ahead by all of us can impact the finances of Grand Chapter. Our proposed budget for Printing, Postage and office Expense for last year was \$6,800. The actual when we closed our books was \$9,500 a difference of \$2,700. Part of this is due to increase in postal rates but \$2,024 was for the printing of the Notices of Motion. This figure

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should have been about \$5000 if a copy was given to each voting member of this Grand Chapter as per the C L&R. I take full responsibility for the decision to print 1,000 copies rather than 2,500 and ask this Grand Chapter for their understanding and

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forgiveness for that decision. I also have to tell you that the Grand Secretary and I counted and packed the bundles for the Chapters and transported them to venues for delivery to Chapters. Both of us thank those members who volunteered without hesitation to assist us. This saved us \$1,272.33 in postage, which is what it would have cost to mail them to the Chapters. On that note this Grand Chapter owes a debt of gratitude to our Grand Secretary who does not go anywhere without a bag or two of deliveries, saving us literally thousands of dollars yearly in postage. The moral of this story is to every member, whether you are in an elected office or on a committee: please plan ahead.

More food for thought: I'd like to talk for a minute about revenue. Most fraternal organizations base their budgets on per capita assessments. If we were to do that based on a membership of 2,532 in order to meet our budgeted expense for 2006-2007 the per capita assessment would be \$15.78. We are lucky in that we generate revenue through the craft sale, the sale of supplies and registration fees. I would ask that you keep these facts in mind when you hear the report of the Finance Committee and their recommendations. Thank you for your attention.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for a great year. It has been a pleasure working with you and I apologize for not being able to attend your visits; sometimes work has a bad habit of getting in the way and sending me around the country. To the Finance Committee: it has been a pleasure working with you and if Brother Bill Cox has a few more grey hairs blame it on Cash and Cory.

To my sister Betty Ann: Thank you for another great year of friendship, hard work and lots of laughs. And speaking of laughs I want to share with you a funny story about a visit I made to Betty Ann one day. I walked into her office and she was no where to be found. I really got scared as I realized what had happened:

The computer swallowed Betty Ann
Yes, honestly it's true
She pressed "Control" and "Enter"
And disappeared from view.

I searched through the recycle bin
And files of every kind
I even used the internet
But nothing did I find.

It devoured her completely
The thought just made me squirm
She must have caught a virus
Or been eaten by a worm.

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In desperation I asked Jeeves
My search to refine
The reply from him was negative
Not a thing was found on line

So if inside your in-box
Betty Ann you should see
Please "Copy", "Scan" and "Paste" her
And send her back to me.

Luckily, someone found her and as you can see she's back as I don't know what we'd do without our Grand Secretary.

I submit the financial statements for the year ended May 31, 2006 as distributed to the membership during registration and move they be adopted.

Sister Geraldine Parker, W.M. (28) seconded the motion and it was carried.

**GRAND CHAPTER ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

(UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER)
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MAY 31, 2006

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NOTICE TO READER

I have compiled the balance sheet of the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island as at May 31, 2006 and the statements of Operations and Net Equity, and Cash Flows for the year then ended from information provided by management. I have not audited, reviewed or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of such information. Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

Halifax, NS
June 17, 2006

David Towers, CA
Hfx Consulting Inc.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 2006

1. Description of Business

Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island is a non-profit organization primarily focused on raising and providing scholarship funds for divinity students within Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The organization is strictly volunteer and is the parent organization for all of the local chapters within its jurisdiction. As a non-profit fraternal society the organization is exempt from income tax.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined based on specific items.

Investments

Investments are recorded at cost; premiums/discounts on investments acquired are being amortized over the term of the investments to maturity.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value as estimated by management on June 1, 1992. Amortization is recorded on a straight line method during the year on the basis of the estimated remaining life of the assets as follows:

Office Equipment	- 5 years
Jewels and Regalia	- 20 years

Revenue

Interest income is recognized on an accrual basis and donation income is recorded as it is received.

Restricted Contributions

The organization records all scholarship contributions received in the Estarl fund. Amounts designated for specific charities are each recorded in a separate account within contributions payable.

Contributed Materials and Services

There are many hours of volunteer time contributed to the society to assist it in delivering its services. Due to the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements. The society records contributed materials at fair market value when able to be determined. To this date the society has not received any significant amount of contributed materials.

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CORRESPONDENCE AND GREETINGS**

The Grand Secretary read the following correspondence:

1. A letter of regrets from **Sister Pat Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron**, who are unable to attend this session.
2. **Thank you letters** from **Sister Cheryl Denton and Sister Edna Harding, General Grand Chapter Committee Members** for the monetary gifts received at their Honour Banquet in July, 2005.
3. **Thank you letter** from **Sister Kathryn Newman, Worthy Grand Marshal** for all courtesies extended during the July, 2005 Grand Chapter Session.
4. **Regrets** were received from: **Bruce Atkinson, Past Grand Patron and Sister Doris Atkinson**, who also sent best wishes for a successful Grand Chapter Session. **Regrets** were also received from: **Sister Bette Macintosh, P.G.M. of Ontario and Brother Don Heiser, P.G.P. and Sister Eunice Heiser of Wyoming.**
5. **Letter from Bonny Lea Farms announcing** that the donation received from the Order of the Eastern Star in 2002-2003 will be used "as seed capital for design and construction of a new recreation centre and the centre will be named the "Eastern Star Recreation Centre" upon its completion."

CLOSING

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. The Grand Marshal proclaimed this Session called from labour to refreshment to reconvene at 1:45 p.m. sharp.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, July 5, 2006

2:30 p.m. Due to a delay with the luncheon the afternoon session was late starting. Grand Chapter was called to order and the Grand Officers resumed their stations. The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. The Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter session from refreshment to labour.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS (not previously introduced)

Sister Evelyn Thompson, P.G..M. (52) was presented at the Altar, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and escorted to the East where she was given Grand Honours.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Grand Secretary announced that the amount of \$1,230.55 was collected at the ESTARL Church Service on Tuesday evening.

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MINUTES

The Grand Secretary, Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, read the minutes of the Wednesday morning session and moved that they be accepted as read. Sister Mary Zinck, P.M. (40) seconded the motion and it was carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Partial Report of the CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Brother Arnold Burhoe, P.P. (1 PEI), read the partial report of the Credential Committee as follows: **Members from this Jurisdiction: 339, Visitors: 179** for a **total of 518** in attendance. This report was moved for adoption by Brother Arnold Burhoe, seconded by Sister Irma Maxwell, P.M. (15) and carried.

E.S.T.A.R.L.

(Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership)

The ESTARL report was prepared by Brother Charles McPherson, Chairman and read by Sister Barbara Nicholson, P.M. (26).

Sister Barbara Nicholson: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and all members of this Grand Jurisdiction:

It was truly a pleasure for me to be with you last evening and to have conducted the ESTARL Church Service, but due to a funeral in New Glasgow, I cannot be present to present the report. Also, due to an injury, Sister Phyllis Munroe, incoming Chair,

cannot be present and conveys her regrets. The remaining Committee members are Sister Barbara Nicholson, Sister Marion Robinson and Brother George Myles. I would like to convey my gratitude to my fellow committee members for their diligence in all matters. I also would convey my deepest thanks to PGM Sister Belle Pearson for appointing me to the Committee. It has been a joyful experience and one might say I have indeed come full circle, having been an ESTARL recipient on two occasions when I was preparing for the ministry.

Through the generous donations of the Chapters and by their keen ability to convey information to students, knowledge of this award is widespread. This year we were able to grant 21 full-time awards at \$900 each.

The Committee expresses thanks to Chapters and individual members who have given donations to the fund on the occasion of a particular milestone of a member (such as a birthday or wedding anniversary) or to commemorate the life of a Chapter or family member who has passed on. The gratitude expressed by the recipients stimulates our enthusiasm.

One student has written, *"God has continued to confirm His calling on my life. My heart continues to beat for the lost. My focus in life is allowing the power of*

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*God to work through me to lead others to fall in love with Jesus and grow deeper
in that*

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love. God has opened many opportunities to see that happen. Thank you for believing in this calling and for supporting God's Kingdom in this way. I am very grateful for the financial support your bursary provides for me. "

Once again, I remain thankful for this opportunity to serve the Grand Chapter. With every good wish and most cordial personal greetings.

Sister Barbara Nicholson moved the acceptance of this report. It was seconded by Sister Marion Robinson, P.M. (67) and the motion was carried.

Awards listed by University

Atlantic School of Theology:

Gloria Churchill	Brianna Hutchinson
Matthew Fillier	James Kennedy
Trevor Finney	Joan MacDonald
Joan Griffin	Catherine Pharo
Anna Hoeg	Nick Phillips

Acadia Divinity College:

Troy Coldwell	Sharon Leighton	David Woodworth
Renee Embree	Brian Reid	
Jeff Irving	Tony Trimper	

Atlantic Baptist College:

Joshua Dorey _____

St. Mary's University:

Joseph Green

Yorkville University:
Island:

Shannon MacLean _____ Brian MacLeod

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REMARKS BY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

SISTER CHERYL A. DENTON
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBER
ON REGISTRATION

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for this opportunity to speak for a moment about the Committee of which I am a part -The

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Registration Committee.

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Once again I wish to thank Sister Patricia Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron for the honour they bestowed upon me and more importantly for the honour they bestowed upon our Grand Jurisdiction of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and upon my Chapter, St. Mary's #35, Digby, Nova Scotia.

Once again I congratulate Sister Edna Harding and Brother Bill Clark on their General Grand Chapter appointments and it was my honour to be part of this distinguished group.

I especially want to thank this Grand Jurisdiction for the beautiful banquet given in our honour last July and for the monetary gift that was presented to me. A very special thank you to Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. and Sister Joan Campbell, P.G.M. for their participation during that banquet on my behalf. What beautiful memories you have all given to me.

To St. Mary's Chapter my heartfelt appreciation for the beautiful afternoon Tea in my honour. I am truly indebted to each one of you.

As you know my appointment ends in November. It has been a wonderful experience for me; but the working part of my appointment will come in November and I know it will be very exciting - after all I will get to meet practically everyone who registers.

I wish to extend congratulations to Brother Bill Thompson, Jr., P.G.P., Sister Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M., Sister Marion Conrad, P.G.M., Sister Isabelle Pearson, P.G.M., Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P. and Sister Betty Smith, P.M. on their upcoming General Grand Chapter appointments. You have been well chosen and will serve with honour and commitment to your respective appointments and be a credit your jurisdiction. Enjoy these next three years thoroughly and may God Bless each of you with good health and much success.

And now it is time to step aside and let others carry the banners into the future. I give to each of you the same blessing I gave each Chapter on my official visits as Worthy Grand Matron.

*Lord, grant that our time together
Be steeped in serenity, sweetened
By sharing and surrounded by
The warm fragrance of your love.*

Thank you.

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BROTHER WILLIAM F. CLARK
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBER
VISIONEER
FOR NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

Brother Bill Clark thanked the Worthy Grand Matron for the opportunity to speak on the Visioneer Program of General Grand Chapter. In August, 2005 Brother Bill organized a Visioneer Conference in Truro, Nova Scotia and it was well attended by our members. He also invited Sister Audrey Sypher, Visioneer for New Brunswick and Brother Pete Forrest, Visioneer for Maine to attend and make presentations. Brother Bill spoke on membership issues which their committee was tasked to do. He was pleased to be part of the Visioneer Team for the past three years.

**SISTER EDNA HARDING
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBER
ON INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE**

A tribute to Sister Edna Harding, who is unable to attend this Grand Chapter Session due to illness, was given by Brother Bill Clark and Sister Cheryl Denton.

Brother Bill Clark, G.G.C.C.M., reminisced about his friendship with Sister Edna and how very excited she was when we all arrived in Montreal in February, 2003 to hear announcements of new General Grand Chapter appointees. He also spoke of how she worked tirelessly selling pins and what a wonderful friend she has been to him.

Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.C.M.: It was particularly nice for me to be a General Grand Chapter Committee Member at the same time as Sister Edna, as I was one of her District Deputy Grand Matron's many years ago. I was pleased to appoint her to the Jurisprudence Committee during my term as Worthy Grand Matron and what wonderful advice I received from her. When Sister Edna was Worthy Grand Matron I used to do her hair and she would say , "Oh, you make me feel beautiful" and she was and is still a lovely looking lady. She has always been a very special friend to me. Let us all keep her in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Thank You.

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**BROTHER FREDERICK W. CLARKE
RIGHT WORTHY GRAND SENTINEL
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Officers, Sisters and Brothers.

Another Grand Chapter year is about over and my term as Right Worthy Grand Sentinel will be over the end of October, 2006. The General Grand Chapter Assembly will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Rennie and I will be elected and installed as the Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and Patron. We would like to have as many members of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and Texas members to be with us on this occasion. This will be the first time we have participated together in a General Grand Chapter function. Our Grand Chapters are hosting a joint Banquet at General Grand Chapter for the first time and I know that it will be a great success. Sister Betty Friend, Past Grand Matron from Texas, and Sister Carol Clark Past Grand Matron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island are co-chair. Sister Carol will be acting as Master of Ceremonies. It will be a time to become acquainted with the members of each Grand Chapter. Some of our members are for the first time sharing a designated Hotel together. I want to thank the members of this Grand Chapters and other Grand Chapters for their support on this, our journey, to General Grand Chapter. We have a new slate of Officers for Fred's Crew working on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The Chairman of Fred's Crew is Sister Marian Durling, Past Grand Matron and Brother William Thompson, Past Grand Patron as Co-chair, Sister Carol Clark, Past Grand Matron as Secretary and Sister Dorothy Powroz, Grand Treasurer as Treasurer. Sister Dorothy is the Treasurer. Since any funds raised by Fred's Crew are being raised to assist Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island to fund this endeavour I want to thank them each for taking on this responsibility for our Grand Chapter. The important part of this organization is the CREW.

Sister Joan Campbell, Past Grand Matron is Chairman for the General Grand Chapter Assembly 2012 in Fort Worth, Texas and the Installation in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Sister Cheryl Denton, Past Grand Matron is Co- Chair. Sisters, I thank you for taking on these responsibilities. They are working with Assembly Chairman, Brother Henry Martin, Past Grand Patron of Texas. His Co-Chair is Brother Kenneth Gregory, Past Grand Patron of Texas Grand Chapter. Brother Lee Stallings, Past Grand Patron is Assembly Chairman, Finance for Texas, working with Sister Dorothy Powroz, Past Matron, Grand Treasurer, our Finance Chairman. I am sure these six will work together to give us an excellent Installation (2009) and General Grand Chapter Assembly in Fort Worth (2012). Brother Jerry Martin, Past Grand Patron is the Chairman of the Texas Cardinals raising funds for Texas Grand Chapter. Brother Jerry Martin, Past Grand Patron and his wife, Sister Betty, are with us at this Grand Chapter. We have a number of

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Texans here with us at our Grand Chapter. Among them is our Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Grand Representative in Texas,

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Brother Karl Drescher, Past Patron and his wife, Jo-Anne and his son, Gary and daughter-in-law, Kay. We also have an honorary member of our Grand Chapter, Sister Janice Herridge, Past Matron, Secretary to the Executive Committee; Sister Rennie Often, our Right Worthy Grand Conductress, who will lead the General Grand Chapter, 2009-2012.

By her wishes I am travelling this road with her and with the support of our Grand Chapters. We hope to work together to serve the needs of the membership of the Order. I ask for all members to support Fred's Crew, who are working very hard for our Grand Chapter.

It is nice to have Sister Rennie here again this year; everyone is happy to see her as always. We spent two months in Texas (February and March) travelling with Sister Rennie to numerous Chapters and Schools and other social events. One Chapter in Texas even had an honour night for Sister Rennie and I. The Chapters think it great to be able to introduce two General Grand Chapter Officer together. They are all very supportive of Sister Rennie. We enjoyed visiting the Chapters in the areas from Dallas/Fort Worth to Houston and down into the Rio Grand Valley and of course the San Antonio area. We have made some good Eastern Star friends on these ventures into the Eastern Star world of Texas. I even got to play some golf with members who were Eastern Star. We had an excellent winter in Texas. We are slated to go back again so Rennie and I can start working on Personnel selection and Travel schedules. There are so many good members to pick from that it will be difficult. There are many dedicated workers who will serve the General Grand Chapter and its members. The membership of the Subordinate Chapters under the General Grand Chapter are expanding into other parts of the world all the time. Just recently our Most Worthy Grand Patron instituted two Chapters in Romania and more are completing the paper work. The members of all Chapters are the ones who can help to make this Order grow as they are the only ones who can bring in petitions for new members. The Order depends on them. We, of the General Grand Chapter, and Grand Chapters can only encourage them and try to find ways to make this a reality. If each of us brought in one member we would double our membership in a very short time. As the old Shriner's saying is: "if it is going to be, it is up to me." One petition each. We have to change our direction in Eastern Star and start looking after the needs of our present membership. We have been trying to satisfy the needs of people who are not members just to get new members. Getting and retaining members is our primary responsibility, new members are joining us, not the other way around. Quality is what is needed. We need members who join for the right reasons and who will stay the course. We are an organization who has different values than others and the Order is not for everyone. We should be very careful that we inform any prospective members just what our principles and practices and values are so they can make a value judgment about our Order and be made aware of those things we as an Order stand for. We need to let the world know just what we do to serve humanity. If we serve a charitable organization with funding support we should make sure that they are willing to assist with publicity for our Order and our good works. We may need to spend a little money getting

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the publicity, if that is the only way to obtain it. There have been numerous Fraternal Orders over the years and

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they have all failed because they changed their principles and values. The Masonic Order has survived over the centuries because they kept the values and principles and practices they stand for. Let us follow the path of the Masonic Order and maintain our principles and practices that we had in the beginning or we can go to the way of the others and just fade away. What other body do you know who uses our value system? The Masonic Order? What other Order takes pride in their appearance like our Order. Even the members of Churches have lost the respect for the house of the Lord. We are trying to satisfy the needs of the minority and the majority is starting to stay away. So just what are we accomplishing?

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I have enjoyed attending as many of your official visits as possible and congratulate you for an excellent year, serving your Sisters and Brothers and Humanity, i.e. The Children's Wish Foundation and other charities. I attended as many of the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's official visits as possible and have enjoyed the way the membership responded to you and you to them. You each have served this Order with exceptional results, giving a wish to a Child in distress, and are giving numerous Quilts etc. to give them warmth and the knowledge that someone cares for them besides their parents. Look around the room and see the results. Congratulations for a wonderful year of service. The record of your service will be reflected in the reports of Grand Chapter. Remember your service continues as you become a Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron. You don't just sit on your Laurels. Your commitment as a leader of this Order continues as long as you are able. I can see that you both can contribute greatly to the future of our Order.

It is nice to see so many members from away who have come to this beautiful Garden of the Gulf and to enjoy the Islander hospitality, not to mention their Lobster and other great foods of this Garden. This where Canada started, with the first meetings of Confederation being held in the City of Charlottown, Prince Edward Island and here our history as a Country was started and grew just like the Prince Edward Island Potato - firm and enduring. I wish the new slate of Officers all the best for the coming year and if I can do anything to assist you feel free to ask. Help is only given to those who help themselves. Everyone is willing to assist and is waiting to be asked. Congratulations Sister Gail and Brother Ronald as you start to serve this great Order as our leaders.

I leave you with this Poem by Allan Dromgoole:

*An old man, going on a lone highway
Came at the evening, cold and grey.
To a chasm, vast deep and wide,
Through which was flowing a sullen tide.
The old man crossed in the twilight dim
That sullen stream was naught for him;
The sullen stream had no fears for him;*

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But he turned, when he reached the other side.

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*And built a bridge to span the tide.
"Old Man" said a fellow pilgrim near,
"you are wasting strength in building here.
Your journey will end with the ending day;
You never again will pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,
Why build the bridge at eventide?
The builder lifted his old grey head,
"Good Friend, in the path I have come," he said,
There follows after me today,
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm that has been naught to me.
But to that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be,
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good Friend, I am building the bridge for him.*

Is this not our objective? Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for this time with our membership.

PRESENTATION OF HONOURARY MEMBERSHIPS

Sister Joan Campbell, President of the Past Grands Club and Brother John Newell, Past Grand Patron, were escorted to the East. Sister Joan moved that Honourary Memberships be presented to Brother Jerry Martin, Past Grand Patron of Texas, Sister Betty Martin of Texas; Brother Lawrence Chichester of New York, Sister Sally Chichester of New York and Sister Bonnie Zumalt, Worthy Grand Matron of Massachusetts. This motion was seconded by Brother John Newell and the motion was carried.

Sister Betty and Brother Jerry Martin and Sister Sally and Brother Lawrence Chichester were escorted to the East and presented with their Honourary Memberships to this Grand Jurisdiction by Sister Joan and Brother John. Sister Bonnie Zumalt's will be presented to her at a later date. Brother Jerry and Brother Lawrence both expressed their thanks to the members for the honorary memberships.

DONATION TO THE SPECIAL PROJECT

Brother Jerry Martin, Past Grand Patron of Texas, presented Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Matron, with a donation to The Children's Wish Foundation from the Texas delegation. Sister Marion thanked the Texas delegation for their generous donation to this very worthwhile project.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, asked that Sister Carol Clark, Past Grand Matron, Sister Joan Campbell, Past Grand Matron, Sister Shirley Conrad, Past Matron and Sister Irma Maxwell, Past Matron be escorted to the East. He then announced that they will be his assistants at General Grand Chapter and he presented each of them with a gift.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

JURISPRUDENCE

The following Jurisprudence Report was written by Brother Cyril MacIntosh, P.G.P. (21), Chairman and read by Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67):

“I would like to thank Sister Inez Daye, P.G.M., for giving me the privilege to act on this committee. I enjoyed working with P.G.M. Sister Diane Hayman and Brother Reg MacRae, P.G.P. I wish good luck to Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. and Sister Cheryl Denton, General Grand Chapter Committee Member. All the best in the coming years. This has been a disappointing year as I have had a year of poor health and many other complications. Best of luck at Grand Chapter.”

The following is a **detailed report of the Jurisprudence Committee** which was presented by Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. and Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M.

Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M.: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers,

We, the Jurisprudence Committee, submit the following report for the year 2005-2006. Sister Cheryl A. Denton, P.G.M. (35) and I, Margaret A. Clarke, P.G.M. (67), present this minority report. The Chairman, Brother Cyril Macintosh, P.G.P. (21) is not in attendance nor completed this report due to health issues of himself and his family. All members of the Committee attended the brief School of Instruction held at the Masonic Hall, Windsor, N.S. the day following Grand Chapter. All or at least two of the Committee attended the three Schools of Instruction for subordinate Chapters which were held in Evangeline Chapter #15, Harmony Chapter #25 and Crystal Chapter#1 P.E.I. during the month of September. The Grand Officers are to be commended for their presentation of the Ritualistic work. These schools were well attended and question and answer periods were held after each order of ritualistic work. The Committee assisted the Worthy Grand Matron when asked and where needed.

The Jurisprudence Committee received the Notices of Motion passed at the last Grand Chapter Session and individually checked these and found them to be correct. We addressed a letter from the Associate Grand Matron concerning the appointment of an Officer she wished to make. We are glad to see that our instructions given to Sister Gail do not have to be implemented and that Brother Fred Lipskey has returned safely after a very joyful occasion in Saskatchewan.

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Another letter that

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Brother Cy received from a Sister re regular stated meetings being held on Sunday was to be answered, by him, with our view on this matter. This can only be changed by vote of the members of the Chapter concerned. The rest of the year we did not meet but could be reached by phone or by e-mail which both I and Cheryl have. We need to point out that questions from the Chapters and/or Chapter members should be addressed to the Worthy Grand Matron or directed to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee for attention.

We have received and reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron. In her question of the badge we agree with her answer. The badge is worn over the heart. As I write this report I spent some time to see if I could find a written law. I did not, but found in the book "He Belongs to the Ages" reference to the "badge of office placed on the left breast over the heart". Looking back in old proceedings of General Grand Chapter (1934-37-40) the Officers always had the jewel over the left breast. I do not think that is a grey area.

We agree with the Worthy Grand Matron's answer to the Chapter wishing to omit the ritualistic work for the District Deputy Grand Matron and thank the Sisters and Brothers who came to their aid so that the members of the Chapter might perform their duties. We note from the District Deputy Grand Matrons reports that there were new members initiated in several Chapters. We feel by doing all the ritualistic work for the District Deputy this encourages the Chapter to seek new members. The irregularities of the Worthy Grand Matron seem to be standard ones and we admonish the Chapters to take the necessary steps to correct these irregularities so that the next Worthy Grand Matrons do not have to report the same ones over and over.

We have reviewed the dispensations of the Worthy Grand Matron and find all in order except the dispensation issued to permanently change the place of meeting. This is a By-Law change and should have been presented to the Worthy Grand Patron in proper form. The dispensation for day and time of meeting in winter months was not needed. This was sent to the Worthy Grand Patron for a change of by-law.

Every effort should be made by a Worthy Grand Matron to schedule her official visits on regular stated meetings nights of a Chapter. We do understand Sister Marion's situation.

We feel that we must address the Worthy Grand Matron's irregularity by first stating we told the Worthy Grand Matron "NO" and quoted Article 12 #2 also #'s 3 & 4 pg. 11, Laws and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters, but this must go to the Chairman of Jurisprudence for a decision. We would admonish the Brother involved to read the rules and regulations carefully before making any decision and certainly getting authority from the Worthy Grand Matron before speaking with a prospective candidate. Sisters and Brothers the Constitution, Laws and Regulations state very clearly how and when petitions are to be received and dealt with. Breaking the Law in one Chapter does NOT permit this to become the rule for the rest. I was always taught by my Father that two (2) wrongs do not make a right. Should Chapters continue this practice serious action will need to be taken by this Committee. We have received and reviewed the report of the Worthy

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Grand Patron and find this to

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be in order. The By-Law changes were reviewed and in order. Our only comment would be that when a Chapter asks for a change of open or closed month that both times should be quoted in the request so that the Worthy Grand Patron knows that the 10 meetings are being held.

We commend both the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for their year of service to our Order. It was an interesting year and you can see from the quilt display around this room what a success their project was. We always enjoyed Brother John's Irish tidbits. We never knew what might happen.

We reviewed the Notices of Motion after we received them and made our comments in the report given this morning.

We welcome Brother William Thompson, Jr. P.G.P. to the committee and we will work together as a team for the good of this Grand Chapter.

We congratulate Sister Gail Cook and Brother Ron Boudreau who in a few short hours will take over the leadership of this Grand Chapter. We wish you a year filled with Harmony and Love.

Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. moved that the Report of the Jurisprudence Committee be accepted as read. This was seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. and the motion was carried.

FINANCE

The Finance Committee Members: Brother William Cox, P.P. (30), Chairman, Brother Carson Jackson, P.P. (45) and Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. (21).

Brother William Cox: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers.

We, your Finance Committee held two meetings during the year: one on November 17, 2005 and one on March 09, 2006 at the home of the Grand Treasurer, Sister Dorothy Powroz. On each occasion we reviewed the financial standing of Grand Chapter and compared expenses to the budget. One significant item was in the per capita, with it being \$1,660 below the budgeted income for 2005-2006. We have based this year's budget on the membership figure of 2,532 as of May 31, 2005. This lowers the per capita income by \$2,000.00 and gives us a more accurate budget projection in relation to membership for the upcoming year.

At our meetings the Committee discussed the expense in honouring the General Grand Chapter appointees. As this is a Grand Chapter responsibility, and with Brother Fred Clarke's impending election to the office of Most Worthy Grand Patron, it was felt that plans need to be put into place immediately to ensure that our Grand Chapter is not embarrassed in its efforts to host the necessary functions during this important time in our Grand Chapter history. A recommendation to levy a \$1.00 per capita tax between the years of 2007 and 2012 to accomplish this

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will be presented following this report.

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As well, the Committee discussed the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project donations. We suggest that the upcoming line officers consider having these funds deposited through the Grand Chapter. The rationale for this suggestion is due to several things. The first being that a number of these donations do come through the Grand Secretary necessitating additional workload and expense. Secondly, as the Grand Secretary's office receives all other donations it would therefore alleviate confusion on the part of the chapters as to where they should send their donations.

We are in the process of refurbishing the Grand Officers jewels and making replacements as required. This is to ensure we have jewels in good repair as we will be more visible in the Eastern Star world over the coming years.

As per the CL&R we reviewed the honorariums paid to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. We recommend increasing the honorarium of the Worthy Grand Matron by \$150.00 as this has not been increased for several years. The honorarium of the Worthy Grand Patron had been increased recently and was felt to be sufficient. With regard to the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, it was this committee's recommendation that Grand Chapter should pay for their accommodations for the reasons outlined in the Motion presented earlier today. Therefore, no increase is recommended for their honorariums.

Discussions were held once again with regard to an outstanding receivable as recorded in the Finance Report presented to Grand Chapter in July, 2005. This receivable represents the difference between the cost of a gilt Past Grand Matron's Jewel and a 10k Jewel specially ordered by her. All efforts for collection by the Grand Treasurer and this Committee via registered letters have been unsuccessful. It is, therefore, our recommendation based on the CL&R Laws and Regulations that this Grand Chapter place the 10k Jewel in safe keeping for future use and a gilt jewel be purchased and forwarded to this Past Grand Matron.

We are also mindful of the need to keep Grand Chapter viable so have discussed ways to raise funds. One suggestion brought forward by Brother Carson Jackson was to produce a cost effective program booklet. Currently the booklets used at Grand Chapter cost approximately \$1,500.00 yearly. We recommend that a committee be formed to produce this booklet for Grand Chapter sessions.

We also discussed the registration fees for Grand Chapter and recommend that they be increased from \$10.00 to \$15.00 effective in 2007.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my committee, Brother Carson Jackson and Sister Mary Ellen Bishop for their input and suggestions and to the Grand Treasurer for her ongoing assistance and support. It has been a pleasure to serve this Grand Chapter on this Committee for the past three years.

Brother William Cox, P.P. moved the adoption of this report. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. and the motion was carried.

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PAST GRAND MATRON'S JEWEL

Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Matron, asked Sister Inez Daye, Past Grand Matron, to respond to the comments made in the Financial Report regarding the payment of her Past Grand Matron's Jewel. Sister Inez responded that she did not wish to answer that question and requested a meeting with the Grand Treasurer and the Finance Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Brother Bill Cox, P.P. (30): We would like to present the following recommendations:

1. The Incoming Worthy Grand Matron establish a committee to be known as the Program Booklet Committee and to be comprised of one member from each district plus a chairperson to work with Brother Carson Jackson and the Grand Secretary to produce the booklet through marketing advertisements.

Brother Bill Cox moved that this motion be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop. The motion was carried.

2. That the registration fees for Grand Chapter be increased from \$10 to \$15 effective 2007.

Brother Bill Cox moved that this motion be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop and the motion was carried.

4. In compliance with the CL&R, the Grand Secretary purchase a gilt Past Grand Matron's Jewel to be forwarded by registered mail to the Past Grand Matron and the 10k gold Jewel be placed in safe keeping.

This motion was moved by Brother Bill Cox and seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop.

At this point the Worthy Grand Matron invoked the right to supercede and requested Sister Inez Daye to meet with the Finance Committee and the Grand Treasurer and bring a resolution to the Grand Chapter by Thursday morning on this matter.

3. The sum of \$1.00 per capita be levied from 2007 to 2012 to host the necessary Grand Chapter functions pertaining to the triennium of Brother Fred Clarke.

Brother Bill Cox moved that this motion be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop. This motion was defeated.

BUDGET 2006-2007

Brother Bill Cox, Chairman of the Finance Committee, requested that the

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presentation of the Budget be delayed until Thursday morning.

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PRESENTATION OF SCRAPBOOKS

Sister Lucy Josey, P.M. (49) and Sister Vivian Ingham, P.M. (10) were escorted to the East and they presented Sister Marion and Brother John each with beautiful memory albums of their year. Both Sister Marion and Brother John thanked the committee for their hard work in producing such lovely albums.

PUBLICITY

The members of the Publicity Committee: Sister Melda Johnston, P.M. (52), Chairman, Sister Audrey Macdonald, P.M. (14), Sister Vivian Ingham, P.M. (10), Sister Lucy Josey, P.M. (49), Sister Bernice Webb, P.M. (27), Brother Charles Teal, P.P. (38) and Sister Linda Townsend, P.M. (67).

Sister Melda Johnston: Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron,

On behalf of the members of the Publicity Committee, I would like to thank you for the honour we share on this appointment. I have prepared two photo albums with the pictures and articles sent to me by the members of the Committee and the sisters and brothers of this Grand Jurisdiction. We hope when you look at them it will bring happy memories of your year.

This report was moved for adoption by Sister Melda Johnston, P.M. and seconded by Sister Linda Townsend, P.M. and the motion was carried.

PRESENTATION OF ALTAR CLOTH AND DRAPE

Sister June Macdonald, Past Grand Matron, on behalf of Honourable Joseph Howe Chapter No. 20, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, presented the Chapter's Altar Cloth and Drape to Grand Chapter to be used at Grand Chapter Sessions. The chapter surrendered its charter on June 30, 2006. The Worthy Grand Matron accepted these items on behalf of Grand Chapter and expressed her thanks and regrets that this chapter had to surrender its charter.

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Sister Jane Wooldridge, Grand Chaplain: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers.

*"I never see a pansy with its lovely little face,
I never see a garden with its beauty and its grace,
But what I think of friendship with its powers to give a lift,
And always I'm reminded that a friend is God's own gift."*

To the new friendships made this year, and old friendships renewed, THANK YOU! It has been a truly rewarding year, and I sincerely thank the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John for the honour which came to me as well as the members of Crystal Chapter #1(PEI) when I was given this appointment. My hope is that I have lived up to their expectations.

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I was pleased to accompany the Worthy Grand Matron on all forty-six of her official visits, to the Grand Chapters of New Brunswick, Ontario and Maine, and took part in the fiftieth anniversary of two of our chapters, while not missing any of my own Chapter meetings.

During the year 81 sympathy cards were sent for Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, 1 Worthy Grand Matron, and 2 Grand Officers in 37 other Grand Jurisdictions in Canada and the United States. It was my sad duty to send 77 cards of sympathy to 33 subordinate chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction.

My grateful thanks are extended to Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, Grand Secretary, for her willing assistance and guidance in carrying out my duties.

*When someone does a kindness
It always seems to me,
That's the way God up in heaven
Would like us all to be.
For when we bring some pleasure
To another human heart,
We have followed in His footsteps
And had a little part -
In serving Him who loves us
For I am sure that it is true
In serving those around us
We serve and please Him, too.*

Sister Marion and Brother John, thank you for the opportunity to serve this Grand Jurisdiction.

This report was moved for adoption by Sister Jane Wooldridge, Grand Chaplain and seconded by Sister Julia MacKinnon, WM, (66). The motion was carried.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

*Each year the Father calls
Some loved ones to eternal rest,
And our hearts, though filled with anguish
Can but whisper, He knows best.*

The tribute to our Past Grand Patron, Brother Cecil Dean, will be given by Sister Diane Hayman, Past Grand Matron.

TRIBUTE

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED
BROTHER CECIL S. DEAN
PAST GRAND PATRON
PAST PATRON OF ARBUTUS CHAPTER NO. 30
AND MAE CHAPTER NO. 38
PASSED AWAY JANUARY 1, 2006**

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**PHOTO OF BROTHER CECIL DEAN
ON LEFT HAND PAGE
BEFORE THE TRIBUTE**

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Tribute to
Brother Cecil S. Dean, Past Grand Patron,
Worthy Grand Patron 1986-1987
by
Sister Diane Hayman, Past Grand Matron

Sister Diane Hayman:

Memorial Tribute for Brother Cecil Scott Dean, Past Grand Patron
July 13, 1918 - January 1, 2006

I am standing upon the seashore,
A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength.
I stand and watch her until at length she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.

Then someone at my side says: "There, she is gone!" "Gone where?"

Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as she was when she left my side and she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port. Her diminished size is in me, not in her.

And just at the moment when someone at my side says: "There! She is gone!" - there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"

And - THAT is dying.

Author: Henry Van Dyke

My friend, Brother Cecil - also known to many as "Sparks", set out on his final sail on January 1, 2006, in Queens General Hospital, Liverpool. Cecil was born in Sheet Harbour on July 13, 1918, to James and Viola (Fisher) Dean. He served overseas in the Second World War with the Royal Canadian Navy as a Petty Officer Telegraphist, and was present during D Day, as well as having made the historic Russian Murmansk Run, when Merchant ships steamed into the stormy Arctic with supplies for the Russian Front. For the vessels outward bound for the Russian Run, it signaled a departure from safe haven, into a stormy and hazardous unknown; and for many a ship and crew, a voyage of no return.

Cecil received the British Empire Medal and Canadian Forces Decoration; and following World War II, he worked for Markland Shipping Company until 1956, when he came ashore to work as a marine foreman with Mersey Paper Company until his retirement.

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Cecil was a devoted member of Zetland Masonic Lodge No. 9, Liverpool, where he was holding the office of Secretary; Prince of Wales Masonic Lodge No. 29, Milton, Life Member of Arbutus Chapter No. 30, Order of the Eastern Star, Milton, where he was serving as Worthy Patron, at the time of his death and a Life Member of Mae Chapter No. 38, Bridgewater. He was also an Honourary Member of my chapter, Westville Chapter No. 24, as well as the Grand Chapter of South Dakota. He was also serving as Worshipful Commander Noah of the W.G. Young, Royal Arch Mariner Lodge No.18. Cecil had held offices in the Royal Arch Masons, Rossignol Chapter No.6; E.B.N. Cochran Council No.18, Royal Select Masters; and had served as Grand Steward, Grand Scribe, Grand King, Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Masons in 1982, and Yorke Rite Sovereign College.

Cecil had also served the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia as Senior Grand Deacon in 1980, and as District Deputy Grand Master in 1987.

He also held membership in the Preceptory, the Red Cross of Constantine, and the Shriners' Philae Temple in Halifax.

Cecil was a member of Mersey Branch No.38, Royal Canadian Legion, Liverpool; Admiral Desmond Piers Naval Association; and Milton Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, Milton, where many Sisters and Brothers attended his Memorial Services on January 4, 2006.

My memories of Cecil include those years when we worked together "on the line" in Grand Chapter, but especially, when he shared the East of Grand Chapter with me, as Worthy Grand Patron in 1986-87. Cecil was well known, particularly in his own district, for his exceptional ritual work. In many chapters, he was the one - and only one - to install all officers into their stations. When we travelled together to the chapters who were having their Installation of Officers, then in the month of October - we were often asked, usually when we arrived - if we would help do some installing. It didn't matter which officer they needed installed - Cecil could do it. What a wonderful gift of memory he possessed! Today, each time a chapter is opened - and a Worthy Patron asks all those who are not members to please retire- I hear Cecil right beside me saying, "There is NO please." He would have passed a Ritual Proficiency Test, hands down!

During our year, we shared many great trips together, enjoyed lots of good times with our Sisters and Brothers, on official visits, as well as visits to the Grand Chapters of New Brunswick, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and South Dakota - and culminated with our "Sounds of Music - Songs of Love" Grand Chapter session in Westville, nineteen years ago, when we welcomed, together, the Most Worthy Grand Matron and many other visitors from across Canada and United States. These precious memories, as well as many others, will keep my

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Brother, but most importantly, my Friend, always in my heart.

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Our sincere sympathy is extended to his wife, Sister Betty, their two sons, Scott, Jimmy and families; and to the members of Arbutus Chapter No. 30, Milton and Mae Chapter No. 38, Bridgewater.

“Crossing the Bar” by Alfred Tennyson

Sunset and evening star
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea,

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have cross'd the bar.

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DRAPING OF THE ALTAR

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will drape the Altar in Loving memory of our Past Grand Patron.

Sister Jane, Grand Chaplain:

Heavenly Father, thank you for giving us this quiet time to reflect on the service of our Past Grand Patron, Brother Cecil Dean. We will remember Brother Cecil as an active member of Eastern Star for 50 years. He was also active in many Masonic fraternities, his Church and community. Be with his wife, Sister Elizabeth, his two sons and their families. May they always know your loving touch. Guide his chapters, Arbutus #30 and Mae Chapter #38 as they mourn the loss of their Brother. Whosoever lives and believes in you shall never die. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Grand Secretary, you will read the Scroll of names of

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the departed members of our Subordinate Chapters.

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SCROLL OF DEPARTED MEMBERS**

MAYFLOWER #2

Margaret Warner

GRACE #8

Dorothy Cook, P.M.

CENTURY #10

Elmer MacLellan
Ronald Stonehouse
Alma Williams
Albert MacLeod, P.P.
Blanche MacDonald
Elda MacKay, P.M.
Hazel Hayden

EVANGELINE #15

George Barkhouse
Donald Weaver, P.P.
Donald Keith, P.P.

VICTORIA #19

Doris MacRae

**HON. JOSEPH HOWE
#20**

Donald Myers
Margaret Coggins, P.M.
Rosalind Mahood
Harriet Kidston
Florence Pye
Margaret Kennedy, P.M.

MYRTLE #21

Roger Beckwith, P.P.

FAIRFIELD #22

Mildred Kilcup
Frances Elliott
Reginald Stone, P.P.
Louise Porter, P.M.
Margaret Salter, P.M.
Barbara Davis, P.M.

CRYSTAL #1 (PEI)

Lorine MacLeod
Lloyd Martin
Heath Houston
Cecil Stetson, P.P.

WESTVILLE #24

Walter Williams
Theresa Palmer
Nellie Adams
Arleigh Hardy
Ruth Hale

HARMONY #25

Lois Tower
Isabel MacKay

MUNRO #26

Leona MacKeigan
Frank Lovett, P.P.

AMETHYST #28

Elizabeth Batt
Virginia Wonnacott

ARBUTUS #30

Marjorie Kempton, P.M.
Erna Legge
Cecil Dean, P.G.P.
Lillian Richards, P.M.

ANNAVAL #31

Margaret Coggins, P.M.
Edith Gould, P.M.
Arthur Chapman, P.P.

QUEENS #34

Marjorie Kempton, P.M.

ST. MARY'S #35

Roger Beckwith, P.P.

MAE #38

Cecil Dean, P.G.P.
George Eno
Charlotte Falt, P.M.
Dorothy Hanley

COBEQUID #39

Jean Sanford
Margaret Laffin
Doreen Anthony

MYSTIC STAR #40

Pauline Hale
Margery Duncan, P.M.

ARMCREST #45

Aulden Henley
Beatrice LeGay, P.M.
Ruby Lafford

FLORENCE FRASER #47

John Pryde, P.P.

ELM #48

Norma Rutherford, P.M.

SUNRISE #50

Frederick Rolfe, P.P.
Albert Paul, P.P.
Viola Hilchey, P.M.

REGENT #52

Martena Murphy, P.M.

FAITH #54

Elsie Slade, P.M.

ELMSDALE #55

Anna Tingley, P.M.

RUTH #57

Maynard Dakin, P.P.

EMERALD #58

Dorothy Young, P.M.
Fulton Martin, P.P.

QUEEN ESTHER #61

Dorothy Matthews, P.M.

ATLANTIC #65

Bruce Langille, P.P.

MONTAGUE #69

Edna White, P.M.
Irene Fraser

PEARLE #71

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Winnifred White

While the Grand Secretary read the Scroll of Departed Members, the Grand Chaplain lit a bulb on a signet for each departed member.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Grand Marshal, you will place the Scroll on the Altar.

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

Grand Chaplain: Let us comfort one another with favourite memories
Of sharing times when we were all together
Let us celebrate the spirit of every special life
So in our hearts the flame will burn forever
Rather than mourn the absence of the flame
Let us celebrate how brightly it burned!

The Grand Star Points proceeded to Memorial in North East and as each paid her tribute she placed a small pot of pansies in the shape of a star on a table.

Grand Adah: In memory of those who were brave and true,
Is placed these flowers of fragrant blue,
That symbol of honour, duty and right,
As gleamed from Adah's bright ray of light.

Grand Chaplain: I light this blue memory candle for our Past Grand Patron.

Grand Ruth: In memory of those whose faithfulness
Through menial labour, aided the distressed
Is placed the flower of golden hue,
That symbol of Ruth's constancy true.

Grand Chaplain: I light this yellow memory candle for Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions.

Grand Esther: In memory of those pure and upright lives
And their true loyalty that never dies,
Is placed this flower of purest white
That symbol of Esther's courage and might.

Grand Chaplain: I light this white memory candle for the Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions.

Grand Martha: In memory of those whose earnest prayer,
Brought peace and rest in God's loving care,
Is placed this flower of green entwined

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That symbol of Martha's faith sublime.

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Grand Chaplain: I light this green memory candle for the Sisters and Brothers of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Grand Electa: In memory of those, whose fervent zeal,
For loyalty to truth and service that's real
Is placed the flower of crimson hue,
That symbol of charity, Electa's virtue so true.

Grand Chaplain: I light this red memory candle for the family members and friends of our Sisters and Brothers.

The Grand Star Points returned to their stations. The Grand Chaplain proceeded to the Altar for prayer.

Grand Chaplain:

Heavenly Father, we thank you that we can come to You and always be certain of Your love, Your comfort, and Your peace as we trust in You and rest in Your loving care. We ask for Your Special care and guidance to all who mourn the loss of a loved one today. We thank you for Sisters and Brothers who care for each other as members of the Order of the Eastern Star. Help us to remember Your teachings so that Your Light may shine through each of us: on the sick, the lonely, and the hungry. Thank you for the promise that Your love will be with us to the end of time. In Your Name we pray. Amen

Duet: Sister Kay and Brother Ray Horton (66) sang a beautiful rendition of "*Star of Bethlehem*" to conclude the Memorial Service.

CLOSING

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Chapter Session called from labour to rest to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 6, 2006.

THURSDAY MORNING, July 6, 2006

9:00 a.m.: Grand Chapter was called to order by Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.C.M, (35) and Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P. (35).

Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.C.M.: Good morning Sisters and Brothers!
Welcome to this final day of "*Garden of Memories*" session. I truly hope you have all enjoyed the hospitality of this beautiful Island and have had a chance to walk in this lovely garden of friendship, making new friends and renewing old acquaintances. How truly blessed we have been to come back again to Prince Edward Island for this wonderfully orchestrated session. My sincere thanks to all who have taken part in hosting this very lovely session. WELL DONE MY

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FRIENDS. Let us give the

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Hostess Chapters a round of applause to show our gratitude. I extend a very special welcome to our Distinguished Guests - Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel and Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and Past Grand Matron of Texas. I hope you have enjoyed this session as much as we have enjoyed having you here.

This morning a new slate of officers will be elected. We extend our very best wishes to them, that under their leadership our Grand Chapter will continue to prosper and flourish. I am particularly grateful to be opening this session with Brother Allen, my husband. What a lovely memory this will be for us.

Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P.: Thank you, Sister Cheryl, and what a pleasure for me to share the East with you - my very own "Honey". It is my pleasure to assist with the opening of today's Session and extend a hearty welcome to our visitors and members. We do hope you have enjoyed the Prince Edward Island hospitality and have a chance to see some of the beauty in this lovely garden in the gulf.

We are about to elect a corps of officers who will guide our destiny into the future. Let us act wisely and pray that God will lead us in the future as He has in the past.

Sister Cheryl, G.G.C.C.M.: Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Sister Cheryl: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress you will present our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron at the Altar for proper introduction.

Sister Cheryl: Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, welcome to this final day of your "*Garden of Memories*" Session. Thank you both for the honour you have extended to us on this final day of your deliberations. Sister Marion, it has been with great interest that I have followed your journey to the East. When I was Worthy Grand Matron it was my pleasure to give to you your Grand Representative Appointment. I was proud of you then and I am oh so proud of you now. What a wonderful Worthy Grand Matron you have made. Not only have you been passionate regarding your duties and responsibilities but you have been compassionate for our members and that is a most worthy attribute. You made your official visits exciting and at times somewhat memorable. But most of all I treasure my friendship with you and Brother Edgar and I would have to say "Deuce" too - as I have become used to him chomping on bones while we were talking on the phone - my but doesn't he get carried away at times!!!

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Brother John, Worthy Grand Patron, I have also watched your journey to the East and have been most impressed with you. You have that special knack of always making us feel as though we have just been blessed and how much we have enjoyed

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your Irish humour - I do believe there is a little bit of the Leprechaun in you. With Sister Diane by your side how could you not excel in all that you do. From the bottom of my heart I wish you everything good that life has to offer.

Brother Allen, P.G.P.: Oh Marion, What can I say??
Oh Marion, what can I expect next??
Oh Marion! Oh Marion! Oh Marion!

Seriously, Worthy Grand Matron, I too am very proud of you and treasure our friendship and your family. You have served our jurisdiction with honour and are to be commended for your dedication to our Order. Well Done, My Friend. As you already know, Sister Cheryl and I have a very special place in our hearts for Prince Edward Island and all those who dwell within. Enjoy this last day of your own special session - you have earned the right to do so.

Brother John, it has been my honour getting to know you and your lovely wife Sister Diane over the years. You too have served with distinction and should be very proud of your service to our Order. Pat yourself on the back for surely at the end of the rainbow lies a pot of gold for you. I know you have a very busy morning ahead and I wish you well.

Sister Cheryl: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Sister Marion and Brother John were escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honours.

The Grand Choir sang "*High Hopes*" to Sister Marion and Brother John.

Sister Cheryl: Sister Marion, it is with pride that I present you with your Gavel with Love and Best Wishes.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Sister Cheryl, what a privilege it is to have you open our session this morning. You gave me my first Grand Chapter appointment as Grand Representative of the District of Columbia. Our friendship has blossomed into a beautiful bouquet of pansies, which was also your flower; and we both had the Children's Wish Foundation as special projects. So we certainly have been soul mates in our Eastern Star life. You have been a sister to me outside of our Eastern Star and I have our beautiful fraternity to thank for starting our relationship.

Brother Allen, this session would not have been complete for me without you here, and in the Grand East with us. We have been bosom buddies since your Grand Officers School of Instruction in more ways than one. We have had a lot of fun, and our membership has enjoyed watching us, to see who would do what next, but I still think I am one up on you! Thanks for all the memories on my

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journey to this session and the love and encouragement you and Sister Cheryl have given me.

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Brother John, W.G.P. also expressed his thanks to Sister Cheryl and Brother Allen for opening this morning's session.

Sister Marion and Brother John presented both Sister Cheryl and Brother Allen a gift of appreciation.

The Grand Officers assumed their stations and the Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Chapter Session called from rest to labour. The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

MINUTES

The Grand Secretary read the minutes of the Wednesday afternoon session. She moved that the minutes be adopted as read. This was seconded by Sister Mary Zinck, P.M. (40) and carried.

Partial Report of CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Brother Arnold Burhoe, P.P., Chairman of Credentials gave the following report and moved its acceptance. It was seconded by Sister Joan Mills, P.M. (8) and carried.

Members:	371
Visitors:	<u>179</u>
for a total registered to date:	550

At **9:30 a.m.** the Worthy Grand Patron presided over the election of officers and appointed the tellers.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

Chairman: Brother Kenneth Smith, P.G.P. (27)
Co-Chairman: Brother George Crouch, P.G.P. (15)

<u>Group A</u>	<u>Group B</u>
Brother Ralph Swinamer, P.P. (2)	Sister Marves Mansfield, P.M. (45)
Sister Sylvia McCleave, P.M. (27)	Brother Lewis Smith, P.G.P. (66)
Brother Walter Blair, P.P. (3)	Sister Alena Buchanan, P.M. (69)
Sister Cora MacKay, P.M. (48)	Brother David Hobson, P.P. (67)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2006-2007

The following officers were nominated and elected by acclamation to serve for 2006-2007: Sister Gail Cook, Worthy Grand Matron; Brother Ronald Boudreau, Worthy Grand Patron; Sister Annie Mae Backman, Associate Grand Matron; Brother Whitman Giffin, Associate Grand Patron; Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, Grand Secretary; Sister Dorothy Powroz, Grand Treasurer; Sister Edith Conrod,

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Grand Conductress.

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The following were nominated:

For Associate Grand Conductress: Sister Stella Trask, P.M. (35), Sister Darlene Amirault, P.M. (49) and Sister Wilma Verge, P.M. (58).

For Grand Sentinel: Brother Tabor Caulier, P.P. (27), Brother Zeke Eaton, P.P. (1PEI) and Brother Donald Medicraft, P.P. (31).

The following were elected:

Sister Stella Trask was elected Associate Grand Conductress and Brother Tabor (Ted) Caulier was elected Grand Sentinel for the ensuing year.

During the Election, the Grand Choir entertained us with a selection of lively music.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

BENEVOLENT

The Benevolent Committee: Sister Helen Connors, P.G.M. (24) , Chairman; Brother Keith Pettigrew, P.G.P. (15), Brother Fred Clarke, P.G.P. (67)

Sister Helen Connors, P.G.M. (24): Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: We, your Benevolent Committee, wish to submit the following report.

For this fiscal year we only had three applications for assistance. All applications were approved and letters of appreciation were received.

The financial statement will be found in the Treasurer's Report. At this time we wish to thank the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for their quick response to our requests. When the monies are needed it is usually an emergency and a fast response is appreciated.

Once again we ask the membership to please let us know of any need where we can be of help to our Sisters and Brothers. All requests must be made in writing, giving the mailing address of the person needing assistance, and your Committee will give it immediate attention.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we congratulate you on a very successful Grand Session and wish you all the best for the future.

Sister Helen Connors moved the adoption of this report. It was seconded by

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Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. and the motion was carried.

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Sister E. Megan Church, P.G.M. (22)

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER,
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JULY 3, 4, 5, 6, 2005

VALLEY OF CONSTANCY, FAITH AND HOPE SESSION
Horton High School and Old Orchard Inn, Greenwich, Nova Scotia

GRAND OFFICERS OF NOVA SCOTIA AND
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WORTHY GRAND MATRON	Marylyn C. Swinamer	(2)
WORTHY GRAND PATRON	Allan R. Conrad	(49)
ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON	Marion Miller	(1PEI)
ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON	John Patterson	(10)
GRAND SECRETARY	Betty Ann Loughnan	(40)
GRAND TREASURER	Dorothy Powroz	(28)
GRAND CONDUCTRESS	Gail Cook	(67)
ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS	Annie Mae Backman	(8)
GRAND CHAPLAIN	Kenneth Josey	(49)
GRAND MARSHAL	Donald Medicraft	(31)
GRAND ORGANIST	Ray Horton	(66)
GRAND ADAH	Helen Hazeldine	(45)
GRAND RUTH	Shirley Conrad	(49)
GRAND ESTHER	Hattie Hagen	(34)
GRAND MARTHA	Mabel Haynes	(2)
GRAND ELECTA	Marlyn Lisk	(52)
GRAND WARDER	Morley Robinson	(67)
GRAND SENTINEL	Ronald Boudreau	(70)

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

District 1	Annie Mae Backman	(8)
District 2	Marion Miller	(1PEI)
District 3	Elva Yorke	(39)
District 4	Mary Zinck	(40)
District 5	Brenda Clarke	(38)
District 6	Gail Cook	(67)
District 7	Vera Rolfe	(50)

The Valley of Constancy, Faith, and Hope Session is dedicated in loving memory of Sister Annie Patterson, our first Worthy Grand Matron - **Our Past**. Our Spouses - **The Present**. Brother Ralph and Sister Shirley, our helpmates and support team. And the members of this jurisdiction - **Our Future**, Especially the members of Mayflower Chapter #2 and Scotia Chapter #49.

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AIM: Be true to yourself.

HONOUR STATIONS: Ruth and Martha

WATCHWORDS: Constancy, Faith, and Hope

EMBLEMS: Sheaf of Wheat and Broken Column

SCRIPTURES: Book of Ecclesiastes - especially Chapter 3: 1-2. "To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under Heaven."

But Jesus called unto Him, and said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me and forbid them not; for such is the Kingdom of God." St. Luke 18:16.

The Beatitudes. St. Matthews 5: 3-12.

COLOURS: Dark Red (Worthy Grand Matron's Birthstone) Gold (Richness of our Grand Chapter) Green (Worthy Grand Patron's Birthstone)

FLOWERS: Carnations -all colours.

FUN SYMBOLS: Owl (for hope) Chipmunk (for Curiosity)

SPECIAL PROJECT: I.W.K. Grace Hospital - Dermatology Department

NON-PROFIT PROJECTS: Hugs - Give someone a hug today. If you get a hug you don't like, recycle it - give it to someone who needs a hug. And Smile - Big smiles are always in style.

MUSICAL SELECTIONS:

My Forever Friend	Until Then
Make Me a Channel of your Peace	Peace In The Valley
Lord, The Light of your Love is Shining	Suddenly There's a Valley
Abide With Me, It's Eventide	Turn! Turn! Turn!

Fun Songs	Smile	The Chipmunk Song
	Put On a Happy Face	Happy Trails
	When You're Smiling	They'll Be Coming Round The Mountain.

Divine Church Service was held in Kings Presbyterian Church, New Minas, Nova Scotia at 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, July 3, 2005 conducted by Rev. Tim Archibald, assisted by Rev. Michael Mugford, and Ms. Joan Giffin. Offering mounted to \$821.21 which was given to the ESTARL Program. Several ESTARL recipients attended this church service.

At 6:30 P.M. July 3rd a reception and banquet was held at Old Orchard Inn honouring Bro. Fred W. Clarke, RWGS, and GGCCM's Sis. Edna Harding, International Temple, Sis. Cheryl Denton, Registration, and William F. Clark, Visioneer.

At 6:30 P.M. on July 4th The Honourable Scott Brison, Member of Parliament for the Constituency of Kings-Hants, Minister of Public Works and Government Services opened this Grand Chapter Session with greetings from the Federal Government of Canada. Due to another commitment he was unable to join us for the evening.

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The emblem ceremony was narrated by Sis. Cheryl Denton, GGCCM and Sis. Sarah Doty, PGM. Those taking part were - Bro. Ralph Swinamer, P.P. placed the Bible. The Emblems were placed by Sandra Denton - Sword & Veil, Carol Little - Sheaf, Lynn Thurber - Crown & Sceptre, Rowena Marsters - Broken Column, and Julia Baker - the cup.

GGCCM's Sis. Cheryl Denton assisted by Bro. William Clark called the Informal Meeting to order at 7:00 P. M.

Processional - The Grand Officers formed a circle around the Altar symbolizing Constancy, Hope and Faith, Grand Pages and Grand Guards also formed a circle around the Officers, symbolizing hugs, District Deputies formed a semi-circle, symbolizing smiles, and the Grand Representatives formed a circle of friendship around all. All members sang "Love Makes The World Go `Round".

Sis Cheryl had our WGM and WGP presented, escorted to the East and were given Grand Honours. Invocation was given by Bro. Kenneth Josey, Grand Chaplain.

Flags were presented under the direction of Bro. George Crouch, PGP. as follows: Canadian Flag by Bro. Richard Haynes, tribute by Bro. Ward Cunningham, PGP. Union Jack by Bro. Gerald Parks, Flag of the United States of America by Bro. Donald Heiser, PGP of Wyoming, tribute by Bro. Phillip Hubbard, PGP of Maine, Nova Scotia Flag by Bro. Richard Muise, and the Prince Edward Island Flag by Bro. Zeke Eaton. The Minnesota Flag for our MWGM was presented by Bro. Whitman Giffin and the California Flag for our MWGP was presented by Bro. Owen Walton. The Christian Flag was presented by Bro. John Whalley, and the Eastern Star Flag by Bro. Earl Sanford.

WGM and WGP welcomed all to the session and Distinguished Guests were presented, welcomed and given Grand Honours including MWGM Sis. Pat Rasmusson, MWGP Bro Loyal Stark and PMWGM Sis Helen R. Cox.

Provincial Greetings were given by the Hon. Mark Parent, Masonic Greetings by Bro. H Simeon Hardy for the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia and Bro. David Hooper for the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island. with response by Bro. Ron Boudreau.

Dr. Klotz, head of the Dermatology Education Resource Centre of the IWK/Grace Children's Hospital was presented with a cheque in the amount of \$29,042.00 with more to follow. This was the WGM's & WGP's special project this year.

Welcome on behalf of the Hostess chapters.
Presentations continued.

Formal opening, Tuesday morning began with placing of the emblems and opened

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by Sis. Marion Conrad, PGM and Bro. George Crouch, PGP. Formations were directed by Sis. Cheryl Denton, GGCCM.

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Sis. Phyllis Veinot, Parliamentarian, read the Rules of Order.

Sis. Marylyn Swinamer, WGM gave her report for the year, -

- 3 schools of instructions were held, Sept. 11 in new Glasgow, Sept. 18 at Head of St. Margaret's Bay and Sept 25 in Middleton.
- 2 new committees were formed as per motion at Grand Chapter, and they were **Guidelines for Committee Members, and Constitution, Laws and Regulations Review** -

Official Visits were made to all chapters except Regent #52, Kensington, P.E.I.

- Districts were realigned this year and required only 4 appointed DDGM.
- Maple Leaf Chapter #23 surrendered their charter.
- We have 4 60-yr members
- 50-year pins were presented to 37 members.

Worthy Grand Patron's report followed and note that he accompanied the WGM on all of her official visits.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS PASSED

- Article 9, Committees, Page 5, Paragraph one (1) of the Constitution be deleted and replaced with: "1, The Standing Committees of the Grand Chapter shall be Jurisprudence, Finance, Membership, and Credentials and Registration".

- Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter: Article 3 -Grand Chapter Committees and their duties: Page 26 NOW READS:

6. The Standing Committees: Jurisprudence, Finance, Credentials and Registration shall consist of three members, one member to be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron at each annual session for a period of three years. The Standing Committee on Membership shall consist of nine members, three members to be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron at each annual session for a period of three years. The Chairman to be elected by the Committee each year."

Page 28: New Paragraph after Section 10 on Finance:

Membership

"The Membership Committee shall assist our Subordinate Chapters in ways of increasing their membership. When requested, speak at Chapter meetings on membership and ways of keeping current members active."

Amendment to the Laws and Regulations of Grand Chapter under Duties of Officers, Article 2, Paragraph 27, page 6: after Her Report add the words "in writing" Paragraph 27 will then read "submit to the Grand Secretary by Sept 1" her Official Report in writing and any other information she wishes to have published in the proceedings."

Article 30 (fifty year jewels) LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS Page 25 be amended by inserting New Section Numbered 4 (four) to read: "If Worthy Grand Matrons accept fifty (50) year jewels, that the jewels be

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presented in a timely manner, and if the jewels cannot be presented by the Worthy Grand Matron thirty (30) days after due date that the jewels should be turned over to the chapter for their presentation.

Membership showed a decline of 114 members.

20 full-time ESTARL awards of \$1,000 each were granted this year.

Remarks were given by the following:

RWGS Bro. Frederick W. Clarke

GGCCM on International Temple, Sis. Edna Harding

GGCCM on Registration, Sis. Cheryl Denton

GGCCM Visioneer, Bro. William F. Clark

PMWGM Sis. Helen R. Cox

MWGP Bro. Loyal Stark

MWGM Sis. Patricia Rasmusson

Honourary memberships were presentd to Sis. Patricia Rasmusson, MWGM, Bro. Gary Rasmusson, and Bro. Loyal Stark, MWGP, and Sis. Joan Stark.

Reports of the Jurisprudence, Finance, Publicity were given followed by the report of the Grand Chaplain, when a tribute was given to Sis Mildred E. Denton, PGM who passed away Nov. 8, 2004. Scroll of departed members was read followed by a memorial service.

Wednesday morning session was opened by Sis. Margaret Clarke, PGM assisted by Bro. Howie MacInnis, PGP.

Tellers were appointed for the election of officers for 2005-2006.

During the election the following reports were given: Benevolent, Historian, Eastern Star Journal, Librarian, Guidelines for Committee Members, Temple Fund, Fred's Crew.

Election was completed as follows: WGM Sis Marion Miller, WGP Bro John Patterson, AGM Sis. Gail Cook, AGP, Bro. Ronald Boudreau, Gr Secretary Sis. Betty Ann Loughnan, Gr. Treasurer, Sis. Dorothy Powroz, Conductress, Sis. Annie Mae Backman, Assoc. Gr. Conductress, Sis. Edith Conrod, Gr. Sentinel Bro. Whitman Giffin.

27 50-YEAR+ members were assembled in the West giving their years of service and then escorted to the East.

Courtesy Report was given followed by the Membership Report.

Presentation of Fraternal Heritage Family Recognition Awards, followed by presentation of the Grand Organist, Assistant Grand Organist, Grand Choir and Soloists; Crafts and Treasurer's Report. This was followed by the Worthy Grand

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Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project. A total of \$6,604.50 was received from the sale of Zipper Pulls, day planners, and boutonniere holders.

Fraternal Report was given by AGM, Gr. Cond. and Assoc. Gr. Cond.

Invitation for Grand Chapter to meet in Greenwich, July 2007 for the 60th Anniversary of this Grand Chapter was received and accepted.

Motions were passed as follows: **"the official dress at the Triennium Sessions will be: Tartan skirts, Black Jackets and Tartan Sashes for the Sisters and Black Suits and Tartan Ties for the Brothers - to be effective immediately"**

" that our Grand Chapter carry on with the Fraternal Family Heritage Recognition Project for the year 2005-2006."

The homecoming for the WGM Sis. Marylyn Swinamer and WGP Bro. Allan Conrad was held jointly at the Old Orchard Inn, June 18th when Mayflower Chapter #2 and Scotia Chapter #49 along with members of this jurisdiction enjoyed a dinner and program welcoming home our WGM & WGP.

Final report of the Credential Committee gave a Total attendance of 723 at this session.

WGP and WGM gave their farewell after which Sis. Evelyn Thompson, PGM presided for the installation of the 2005-2006 officers.

Congratulations to Sis. Marylyn and Bro. Allan for a wonderful year when each of us has been made aware that to give a hoot, to care about others, and to be curious in order to learn more, were things which are important in our lives. This was a year of hugs. May we also remember "No one can help everybody, but everybody can help somebody".

Sister E. Megan Church, P.G.M., Historian, moved the acceptance of this report. It was seconded by Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.C.M. and the motion was carried.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Sister Megan, thanks for the memories. We have really appreciated all your work on behalf of this Grand Chapter, as our Grand Historian, taking over after Sister Helen Herring. You have given us many years of service and we would like to thank you for this service. You have given Eastern Star dedicated service over the past 60 years, so you certainly deserve to retire. We will miss your reports, but will look for your smiling face in our chapter rooms. Please accept this token of our appreciation of your long service to our Grand Chapter. Thank you.

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Sister Megan was given a standing ovation for her dedicated service and detailed reports as Grand Historian.

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WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S
SPECIAL PROJECT

The Committee Members: Brother Ray Zinck, P.P. (59) Chairman; Brother John Langley, P.P. (66), Sister Linda Veinotte, P.M. (47), Mrs. June MacIntosh, P.M. (39), Sister June Dauphinee, P.M. (58), Brother Richard Haynes, P.P. (2), Sister Marianne MacMillan, P.M. (3).

Brother Ray Zinck, P.P. (59) Chairman: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

It is with pleasure your Committee on your Special Project, The Children's Wish Foundation, report the following:

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Pins: \$2,118.00	Total: \$ 2,987.70
Sun	(Pins, Planners & Angel
	Catchers)
Planners: \$1,726.00	
Angel Sun-Catchers: \$6,650.00	
Interest: \$80.38	
Donations: \$16.00	
Exchange: \$1.88	
Sis. Cheryl Denton's Honour Tea: \$25.00	

TOTAL: \$10,617.26

Your Committee Members thank you for the opportunity of serving for you on this worthwhile Project " Children's Wish Foundation" and for the honour bestowed on our Chapters by way of these appointments. We would like to thank all of our fellow Sisters and Brothers, buyers and sellers, for their support this year.

On behalf of the Committee Members and the Sisters and Brothers of this Grand Jurisdiction, I would like to present you with a cheque in the amount of \$7,629.56

Brother Ray Zinck moved that this report be adopted. Sister June Dauphinee, P.M. seconded the motion and it was carried.

TEMPLE FUND

The Committee Members: Sister Mildred Wagner, P.M. (28), Chairman; Sister Lorraine O'Neill, P.M. (61) and Brother Ralph McKay, P.P. (18).

Sister Lorraine O'Neill read the report prepared by Sister Mildred Wagner and brought her regrets:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Family, Sisters and Brothers:

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We, your Committee on the Temple Fund, wish to submit the following report.

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During the year two letters were sent to all subordinate Chapters. As per the Committee Guidelines, the first letter was sent out in November, 2005 and a little history of our beautiful International Temple in Washington, D. C. was included. The second letter was sent out the end of April, 2006.

It has been our honour to serve on this Committee, and we wish to thank Sister Marion and Brother John for the privilege.

Sister Lorraine O'Neill moved the acceptance of this report. This was seconded by Sister Carol Nielsen, P.M. (20) and the motion was carried.

LIBRARIAN

Sister LaVerne Porter, P.M. (15): Worthy Grand Matron , Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

The appointment as Librarian is a very easy job. As last year, I only had two requests for addenda which I sent out and which were of use to the Worthy Matrons who requested them.

Once again I ask any of you who have written addenda to send them in to the Librarian so they may be added to the files.

Thank you so much for this appointment and a chance to serve this Grand Chapter.

Sister LaVerne Porter, P.M. moved the adoption of her report. This was seconded by Sister Grace Boudreau, P.M. (70) and the motion was carried.

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The Committee Members: Sister Helen Legge, P.M. (28), Chairman, Sister Reta Kaluza, P.M. (50) and Sister Jean Toby, P.M. (27).

No members of this committee were present and a report was not received.

FRED'S CREW REPORT 2005-2006

The committee members: Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. (61) Chairperson, Brother William A. Thompson, P.G.P. (24) Co-Chairperson, Sister Carol Clark, P.G.M. (24), Secretary, Sister Dorothy Powroz, P.M. (28), Treasurer.

Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. (61), Chairperson:

It is my pleasure to bring a report for Fred's Crew. As you are aware, Fred's Crew was established primarily to look after our Financial obligations regarding Installation of Officers in Oklahoma in 2009 and General Grand Chapter to be held in Fort Worth, Texas in 2012. We, on the committee, are really looking forward to Oklahoma when Sister Rennie and Brother Fred will be installed as

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Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron. What an exciting time that will be!

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We are very pleased to advise you that our Financial picture is very good at this time and we want to sincerely thank all the Chapters who have donated as requested. We want to thank those chapters who have met their financial obligation and those chapters who are still working on it! We encourage all chapters to continue with our Dime Collection - maybe increase it to a Loonie. We want to sincere thank Sister Margaret for all her hard work--she has been "selling Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island" all over the country-both north and south of the Border! We are looking for volunteers to help out with merchandise at General Grand Chapter. The last Triennial we shared a booth with the Texan Cardinals but it was decided, due to the cost factor, not to have a booth this time. However, we would like to have members "on duty" so to speak in the various hotels. Please contact Sister Margaret or Sister Joan Campbell if you are willing to help us out.

As we come closer to 2009, we will be looking for all sorts of workers in Oklahoma. As I wrote in my letter to the Chapters recently, the transformation of the General Grand Chapter from business setting, to a beautiful setting for Installation is always breathtaking. However, it does take work and workers. We realize that not everybody can attend General Grand Chapter but we can sure use your assistance right here in our own Grand Jurisdiction regarding favours or decorations. There will be many things we have to prepare in advance and if you are willing to help in any way, please let us know! There is a volunteer work chart on the wall in the north of this room.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to report for Fred's Crew.

Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M., moved that this report be adopted. This was seconded by Brother Bill Thompson, P.G.P. and the motion was carried.

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee consisted of: Brother Kenneth Smith, P.G.P. (27), Chairman; Sister Barbara Bowser, P.G.M. (61), Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. (61), Eleanor Freeman, P.G.M. (71), Brother John Newell, P.G.P. (14), Sister Marie Parks, P.M. (15), Brother Charles Graves, P.P. (1PEI) and Brother Howard Ford, P.P. (71)

Brother Ken Smith: Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, members of this Grand Chapter: We, the committee on Membership for this Grand Chapter, submit the following report.

We spoke on membership in fifteen chapters, and we thank the members of these chapters for this opportunity.

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On August 20th, 2005 at the Vision Conference in Truro, three of our members, Sister Barbara Bowser, Sister Marian Durling and Brother Ken Smith spoke on the work of the membership committee.

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We would like to thank the W.G.M. Sister Marion and the W.G.P. Brother John for including membership in their messages on official visits. We would also like to thank R.W.G.S. Brother Fred for speaking on membership when he was given the opportunity to address the chapters. During the past year our Past Grands participated in the W.G.M.'s program on education in subordinate chapters and we thank them for including membership in their talks.

We sent out a membership letter in January, 2006 to all our subordinate chapters, informing them that we still had a problem with membership in our Jurisdiction. Also in this letter, we informed our members of the Rob Morris Jewel and the Heritage Project and enclosed the rules and application forms for both projects. A sample tribute for a deceased member was also included.

During the year eleven Rob Morris Jewels were earned by Sisters and Brothers in our Jurisdiction. Members of this committee, as well as other members, were asked to present these jewels at the chapter meeting.

We will name these recipients at this time:

1. Mabel Haynes	Mayflower #2
2. Richard Haynes	Mayflower #2
3. George Hill	Laurel #67
4. Elizabeth Thompson	Laurel #67
5. Edmund Davis	St. Mary's #35
6. Carolyn Crosby	St. Mary's #35
7. Robert Eisener	St. Mary's #35
8. Helen Eisener	St. Mary's 35
9. Amelia Whalley	St. Mary's #35
10. Jessie Gillis	Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37
11. Reginald MacRae	Regent #52

We received four applications from our chapters for the Heritage Recognition Certificates for their members. We thank each chapter for their assistance on this project. We will now name those who received the certificates:

1. Terri Lynn Almeda	Shoreham #59
2. Krista Patterson	Crystal # 1, P.E.I
3. Rachel Bloom	Crystal #1, P.E.I.
4. Cindy Louise Thompson	Westville #24

We would like to thank Sister Lynn and Brother Darrell Thurber, Halifax Chapter #7, for their assistance with the certificates for this project.

At this time we will report on our membership for June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005 -

Number of members June 1, 2004	2,683
Number of members initiated, affiliated and re-instated	<u>62</u>
Total:	2,745

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Number of members died	100
Number of members demitted	94
Number of members suspended	<u>19</u>
Total:	213
Number of members May 31, 2005	2,532

This loss of 151 members is 5.6 percent of our membership.

Sisters and Brothers, from these statistics we are still demitting and suspending more members than we are initiating, affiliating and reinstating into our Order.

Demits and suspensions are still a very serious problem in our Jurisdiction. Some chapters are still allowing our members to demit and be suspended without investigating the reasons why. Every time a demit is requested or before a vote is taken to suspend a member, a small committee should be formed to investigate the reasons for the demit or suspension. They should report these reasons at the next stated meeting. The chapter should then take action to retain these members in our Order or grant the demit or vote to suspend. Sisters and Brothers action must be taken immediately if we are to stop the decline in our membership.

We thank Sister Betty Ann, our Grand Secretary, for all her assistance to this committee on the Membership and Heritage Projects.

We, the retiring members of this committee, wish the future members success in their endeavours to increase our membership.

Recommendation: That our Grand Chapter carry on with the Fraternal Family Heritage Recognition Project for the year 2006-2007 and that Grand Chapter be responsible for purchasing the Heritage Certificates.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for the opportunity to serve and report on Membership, Rob Morris Jewels and Heritage Projects. We wish you and your Grand Officers well as you attend to the duties of our Grand Chapter.

Sisters and Brothers we thank you for your attention to this report.

Brother Ken Smith moved the adoption of this report. This was seconded by Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. and the motion was carried.

MOTION

Brother Ken Smith: I move that our Grand Chapter carry on with the Fraternal Family Heritage Recognition Project for the year 2006-2007 and that Grand Chapter be responsible for purchasing the Heritage Certificates.

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This motion was seconded by Sister Barbara Bowser, P.G.M. and it was carried.

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PRESENTATION OF

FRATERNAL HERITAGE FAMILY RECOGNITION AWARDS

Brother Ken Smith approached the East and presented Heritage certificates to Terri Lynn Almeda, Krista Patterson, Rachel Bloom and Cindy Thompson.

**PRESENTATION OF
HONOURARY MEMBERSHIP**

Sister Bonnie Zumalt, Worthy Grand Matron of Massachusetts, and Brother Bill Thompson, Jr., P.G.P., were escorted to the East. Brother Bill presented Sister Bonnie with an Honourary Membership in this Grand Chapter. Sister Bonnie expressed her pleasure and thanked the Grand Chapter for this honour.

FRED'S CREW FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Sister Dorothy Powroz, P.M. (28), Treasurer of Fred's Crew read the Financial Statement and moved that it be adopted. This was seconded by Brother Bill Thompson, Jr., P.G.P. (24) and the motion was carried.

Income/Expense 30/11/02 Through 31/05/06

Category Description	30/11/02- 31/05/06
<u>INCOME</u>	
Badge Holders	126.00
Bluenose Pewter	2,350.00
Decals	4,746.25
Dime collections	1,146.59
Donation	5,259.70
Flea Market	1,579.25
Interest Inc	798.74
Interest Inc USD	156.89
Licence plate covers	483.00
Membership Cards & Apps	670.00
Merchandise Sold	9,001.91
Merchandise Sold Texas Scarves	24.00
NS Tartan Sashes	420.00
NS Tartan Ties	154.00
Personal Donation	2,496.00
Personal Donation USD	250.00
Pins	3,167.00
Setting Sail Texas Pins	280.00
USD Bluenose Pewter	1,340.00
USD Brag Rags	196.00
USD Decals	508.00
USD license plate covers	323.00
USD Maturing GIC	34.32
USD Memebership	1,080.00
USD Merch. sold	3,435.50
USD NS Tartan Ties	280.00

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USD Pins	4,325.00
USD Setting Sail Pins	280.00
USD Tartan Sash	2,258.00
Yearly donation	<u>18,175.82</u>
TOTAL INCOME:	65,344.97

EXPENSES

Bank Charge	164.00
Bank Charge USD	15.00
Membership & Apps	194.90
Merchandise	2,528.38
Misc	25.00
Pins Bought	4,140.00
Postage and Delivery	111.30
Purchase Bluenose Pewter	2,838.64
Purchase Decals	1,680.05
USD Merchandise Purchased	<u>270.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	11,967.27
OVERALL TOTAL	\$53,377.70

**Balance Sheet
(Includes unrealized gains)
As of 31/05/06**

Account	31/05/06 Balance
ASSETS	
Cash and Bank Accounts	
CDN GIC-Cash	35,000.00
Fred's Crew	294.94
Fred's Crew USD	252.71
Fred's Crew USD GIC	14,100.00
Money Master Fred's Crew	3,730.05
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	53,377.70
Investments	
Canadian GIC	0.00
CDN GIC	0.00
Investment	0.00
TOTAL Investments	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	53,377.70
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	0.00
EQUITY	53,377.70
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY:	\$53,377.70

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FRATERNAL RELATIONS

Brother Adrian Pearson, P.G.P. (25):

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

I am pleased to submit the following report for the Fraternal Relations Committee for the past year.

I received this appointment in August, 2005, through the kindness of Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Miller. Despite several attempts, I was unable to touch base with Sister Carol Kaufman, G.G.C.C.M. of Ohio to acquire terms of reference, duties, etc.

In October, the Grand Master of Masons in Nova Scotia, called an informal meeting of all Concordant and Associated Bodies of Masonry in the Province to meet for discussions on common problems, with a view to a more co-operative approach between said groups. You will be pleased to learn that the our Grand Chapter was welcomed as an equal partner with the other attendees. The following may be of interest.

All present agreed that co-operation among the various Bodies was essential. We are all having the same difficulties with respect to attendance and membership. Communication is essential to avoid conflict with regard to special events. The use of the Web Sites, (Masonic and Eastern Star) is encouraged.

At this meeting, it was noted that Grand Lodge is in the process of Re-Printing their information Pamphlet "What is Freemasonry?". This is given by Masons to men of good character to interest them in membership. Mention is made that the new Mason may join the O.E.S. However it does not advise that O.E.S. includes women with the appropriate Masonic relationship. This would be of considerable benefit to us. I asked that this be added in any new printing. The Grand Master felt this was a reasonable request and gave informal approval.

At the same time, I passed around our Eastern Star Leaflet and asked for permission to have this handed, by the Lodge Secretary, to Brothers upon attaining the degree of Master Mason. The Grand Master concurred. This will require some effort by O.E.S. Chapters to ensure that the Local Masonic Lodge Secretary has these on hand.

I would encourage the Prince Edward Island members to seek the same courtesy from the Masonic Grand Lodge.

If we are serious about the Fraternal benefits of the Masonic Family, then it starts with us! My thanks to the Worthy Grand Matron for the opportunity to be of service.

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Brother Adrian Pearson moved the adoption of this report. It was seconded by Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S., and the motion was carried.

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C.L. & R. REVIEW

Sister June Whitman, P.M. (35):

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

We are the C. L. & R. Review Committee. I am June Whitman, Past Matron of St. Mary's Chapter No. 35 , Digby. I should like to introduce the other members. They are: Sister Winna Smith, Past Matron of Port Royal Chapter No. 1, Annapolis Royal; Sister Evelyn Aulenback, Past Matron of Queens Chapter No. 34, Liverpool; and Brother Ward Cunningham, P.G.P, of Keystone Chapter No. 5, Hebron.

This Committee has worked diligently and conscientiously for the past two years in an effort to fulfill what it thought was its mandate. The results of that labour have been printed and circulated to the Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction, and should have been available to all members.

We believed we were to submit a revised version of the C. L. & R., and worked to that end. In the year 2005, we submitted a report outlining the work done to that date, and a projection for the year 2005-2006. At that time, there was no objection made to the course we were pursuing, and so we laboured on.

In late February (unfortunately no note was made of the exact date) a copy was forwarded to the Chairman of Jurisprudence Committee, so that that Committee could review the work and suggest amendments, and changes of any sort, and offer their help. At the time we were assured the work would be reviewed and a meeting arranged. Nothing was heard and in late March a copy was forwarded to another member of the Jurisprudence Committee. Unfortunately that late mailing left the Jurisprudence Committee little time. We regret that happened, but feel the problem was not really of our making.

At this Grand Chapter Session we were finally advised we had misunderstood our mandate, and regret our error in that regard, yet feel compelled to ask why we were not informed of our misdirection a year ago? We regret the apparently unnecessary expense incurred in the publishing and circulation of the work as presented. We might interject here that the work as submitted was not formatted to fit the C. L. & R. so that page numbering and index could not be done.

We also regret the expenditure of two years work, the expense of time and travel. Perhaps it can be summed up as a lack of communication.

We should like to express our thanks to Sister Marylyn, P.G.M. and Sister Marion Miller, W.G.M. for their confidence in us, though it appears that confidence may have been misplaced.

We also thank the members of this Grand Jurisdiction for their patience and

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understanding.

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The Worthy Grand Matron thanked the Committee and stated how pleased and proud we are of the work that has been done and the Grand Chapter members acknowledged their efforts with a standing ovation. Sister June, on behalf of the committee, thanked the Worthy Grand Matron for the encouragement.

Sister June Whitman, P.M. moved the adoption of this report. It was seconded by Brother Ward Cunningham, P.G.P. and the motion was carried.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER (2003-2006)

The Committee: Sister Joan Campbell, PGM (21), Chairman; Social Events - Sister Carol Clark, PGM (24); Housing- Sister Marion Conrad, PGM (28); Transportation - Sister Sheila MacDonald, PGM (26); Transportation- Sister Shirley MacLean, P.M. (58), Favours - Brother Lewis Smith, PGP (66).

Sister Joan, P.G.M.: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

As Chariman of the Arrangements Committee for General Grand Chapter 2003-2006, I submit the following report.

Since the formation of this committee we have been saddened by the passing of Sister Mildred Denton, PGM, and by the illness of Sister Marion Conrad, PGM.

All Committee Convenors have been active in their own particular assignments.

A packet was sent to each subordinate Chapter with information sheets. This packet contained the tentative program, registration form, two housing registration forms, banquets and tours information.

Our Transportation convenors, Sisters Sheila MacDonald and Shirley MacLean, have gathered information and a motorcoach tour is planned. Approximately 50 members have made it known that they will be attending General Grand Chapter in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Some travelling by coach, some by car and some by air.

Sister Carol Clark has been working with Sister Betty Friend of Texas planning the combined NS/PEI - Texas Cardinal Banquet on October 31, 2006 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. A letter concerning this event was sent to the subordinate chapters and also to our neighbouring Grand Jurisdictions. Plans are to have members from each jurisdiction at every table so we can get to know each other. Concerning Favours - Brother Lew suggested that our members give a little remembrance to those sitting at their table.

There was a motion passed at a meeting of Fred's Crew on May 13, 2006 that any

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expenses incurred by this banquet would be paid by Fred's Crew.

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It was decided that because of the high cost of booth rentals Texas and Nova Scotia/Prince Edward Island would not have a combined booth at this General Grand Chapter Session.

We have been pleased to serve on this Committee during the past three years and look forward to seeing Sister Rennie and Brother Fred installed as Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron along with our Appointed General Grand Chapter Committee Members.

Sister Joan Campbell, P.G.M., moved the acceptance of this report. It was seconded by Sister Carol Clark, P.G.M. and the motion was carried.

CLOSING

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar and the Grand Marshal proclaimed this session called from labour to refreshment to reconvene at 1:45 p.m.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, July 6, 2006

1:55 p.m. The Grand Officers assumed their stations. Grand Chapter was proved and the Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from refreshment to labour.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Thursday morning session were read by Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, Grand Secretary. It was moved by Sister Betty Ann and seconded by Sister Mary Zinck, P.M. (40) that the minutes be adopted as read. The motion was carried.

AMENDED BUDGET

Brother Bill Cox, P.P. (30), Chairman of the Finance Committee presented an amended Budget for 2006-2007 as follows:

**Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star
of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Budget
2006-2007**

Revenue		
Per Capita Assessments	\$ 25,000	
Registration Fees	10,500	
Craft Sale	1,200	
Donations and Sundry	100	
Interest	3,000	
Sale of Supplies	1,500	
Total Revenue		\$ 41,300

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Operating Expenses

Printing, Postage and Office Expense	\$ 8,000	
Worthy Grand Matron Expenses	2,000	
Worthy Grand Patron Expenses	1,000	
Grand Secretary Expenses		3,300
Grand Treasurer Expenses	1,500	
Office Rent	1,200	
Insurance and Bonding	1,100	
Annual Proceedings	4,800	
Worthy Grand Matron and Patron Jewels	800	
Grand Officer Badges	1,000	
District Deputies Expenses	2,500	
Per Capita to General Grand Chapter	3,000	
Church Services	600	
Auditing	500	
Amortization Expense	<u>1,345</u>	
Total Operating Expenses	\$32,645	

Grand Session Expenses

Printing and Supplies (Sessions)	3,200	
Assistant for Grand Secretary	300	
Recognition of 50 Year Members	200	
Minister and Church Service	100	
Moving Equipment	500	
Hostess Chapters	<u>2,500</u>	
Total Grand Session Expenses	<u>6,800</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>39,445</u>

Budgeted Net Income **\$1,855**

Brother Bill Cox, P.P., moved that the amended Budget be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. and the motion was carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PARTIAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Brother Arnold Burhoe, P.P., Chairman, read a partial report of the Credential Committee as follows:

Members: 375 Visitors: 179 Total: 554

Brother Arnold Burhoe moved that this report be accepted. It was seconded by Sister Irma Maxwell, P.M. (15) and the motion was carried.

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COURTESY

Sister Marylyn Swinamer, P.G.M. (2), Chairperson: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers.

This is the Courtesy Report for "*The Garden of Memories*" Grand Chapter Session.

I will introduce the Committee, Brother Allan Conrad, P.G.P. (49), Sister Suzanne Aitken, P.M. (69), Brother Garry Hope, P.P. (24), and myself Sister Marylyn Swinamer, P.G.M. (2), Chairman.

The session was held at the University of Prince Edward Island in Charlottetown. To begin the session we held a Church Service conducted by our Brother Rev. Charles McPherson, Chairman of the ESTARL Committee.

We had the opportunity of greeting many distinguished guests from near and far. Among these guests were Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress and our own Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Frederick W. Clarke, as well a Qtr General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Sister Edna Harding, Temple Fund, who, unfortunately, could not be with us; Sister Cheryl A. Denton, Registration and Brother William "Bill" Clark, Visioneer for this Grand Jurisdiction.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron extended greetings to:- The Honourable "Pat" Binns, Premier of Prince Edward Island, who brought greetings on behalf of the Government; The Mayors of both Charlottetown and Cornwall, who brought greetings and well wishes from their respective citizens. Masonic greetings were received from both the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island and the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron presented a cheque representing the funds raised for this their chosen charity. A variety of quilts made by members were also presented.

At this "*Garden of Memories*" we have been pleased to welcome:

- 2 General Grand Chapter Officers
- 9 General Grand Chapter Committee Members
- 8 Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions
- 32 Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of This Grand Jurisdiction
- 24 Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions
- 1 General Grand Chapter Committee Member - Special Committee
- 22 Elected and Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions

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- 2 Grand Officers Emeritus
- 11 District Deputy Grand Matrons, and Other Deputies
- 30 Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdiction in N.S. and P.E.I.

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15 Grand Representatives of N.S. and P.E.I. in Other Grand Jurisdictions
11 Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions

This Committee wish to thank the Credentials and Registration Committee for their cooperation in compiling this list.

We extend a sincere thank you to our distinguished guests, some of whom have travelled many miles to join us. We hope that you have enjoyed our hospitality of a Teddy Bear Picnic, luncheons, hospitality room and a main banquet followed by special entertainment. Have a safe journey home taking with you fond memories of your visit with us.

We wish to acknowledge the time, hard work and effort, which the Hostess Chapters have given to ensure the success of this session.

Congratulations to you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion and to you, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John "Rev" for this successful Grand Chapter session.

We extend well wishes to Sister Gail, Brother Ron and their slate of Grand Officers for a safe and healthy year.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron it was our pleasure to serve on this committee and we appreciate the privilege of serving the Grand Chapter in this capacity.

Sister Marylyn Swinamer, P.G.M., moved the adoption of this report. It was seconded by Brother Allan Conrad, P.G.P. and the motion was carried.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

This report was given by Sister Gail Cook, A.G.M., Sister Annie Mae Backman, G.C. and Sister Edith Conrod, A.G.C.

Sister Gail, A.G.M.: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

For those Sisters and Brothers who may not have attended Grand Chapter previously or who may be new members, one of the responsibilities assigned to the Associate Grand Matron, the Grand Conductress and the Associate Grand Conductress is reading the proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions and then compiling many facts about each Grand Chapter and submitting this data to the Associate Grand Matron. She then transfers the more interesting facts gathered from all the stats that the three have gleaned. From this she compiles these into the report of the Fraternal Correspondent to be passed to the members.

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This involves lots of hours spent in research, thus I wish to thank the Grand Conductress and the Associate Grand Conductress for their efforts, endeavours and work. Not every Jurisdiction has elected line officers assigned the duties of Fraternal Correspondent. Many have a separate committee.

It was interesting to note that our many jurisdictions all support our youth. Not only are ESTARL awards given but many scholarships are presented. We not only give to those in Rainbow, Job's Daughters or DeMolay but to area youth with no Masonic affiliation. Many Grand Chapters are sponsoring various youth projects, youth sports teams and missing children projects.

There are many ways in which each Grand Jurisdiction is uniquely different from each other, but there are many more ways in which we are alike. Among our members it is well known that our Order is the largest fraternal organization to which men and women can belong; as well we are a very generous group. We support many charitable organizations; ESTARL, Cancer and Heart Fund. Also, our youth organizations are found in every jurisdictions charitable endeavours. We began this journey searching for ways in which we are unique from one another but found we had many more things in common.

Each year is a new beginning, new ideas, new mottos, colours and themes but undergirding each Grand Jurisdiction is our belief in a Supreme Being, our obligation at the Altar and our endeavours to be caring and loving with each other.

The three of us have compiled information and a detailed report has been written up, printed and distributed to the members.

This report was moved for adoption by Sister Gail Cook, A.G.M. and seconded by Sister Annie Mae Backman, Grand Conductress. The motion was carried.

CRAFTS AND TREASURES

The Committee Members are: Sister Carolyn Deegan, P.M. (18) Chairman, Sister Mary Ihasz, P.M. (19), Sister Wanda Leese, P.M. (55), Sister Donna Hazeldine, P.M. (45), Sister Helen Hatt, P.M. (30), Sister Nora Bishop, P.M. (15), Sister Myrna MacPherson, P.M. (10).

Sister Carolyn Deegan, P.M. (18), Chairman: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

We are happy to report sales amounting to \$765.90 for three days. I would like to thank our members for their contributions and support of this project.

My personal thanks to you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for the honour of serving on this committee.

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Also, I wish to thank the members of my committee - Sister Myrna, Sister Mary, Sister Helen and Sister Nora, it has been a pleasure to work with you.

Sister Carolyn Deegan moved the adoption of this report. Sister Grace Boudreau, P.M. (70) seconded this motion and it was carried.

WEBMASTER

Brother William A. Thompson, P.G.P., Webmaster: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers;

The Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island has its own website and domain name registered on behalf of the Grand Chapter compliments of the Past Grands Club of our Grand Chapter. The registered domain name is "OESNSPEI" and can be found at www.oesnspei.com.

One of the main objectives of the website is to make available information in a timely fashion to members of Grand Chapter and the general public at no cost to the viewer. Each Grand Chapter under the General Grand Chapter has its own Website, some websites are very basic in nature and others very elaborate in their design. Many of the websites share a common theme in the information they display and it is our intent to keep the same type of content as most other websites of Grand Chapters.

To that end , I have developed pages by District and a general events page that would show items of interest to chapter members in their districts and throughout our provinces. Such items may be special meetings celebrating a milestone in a members life, a special social function in a chapter or an OES Community related event. It should be understood that we would reserve the right to limit the size of articles due to space requirements and not publish articles of a political or religious nature or that may be deemed not consistent with the aims and principles of our Order. Items would be displayed at the appropriate time and removed when the event is completed.

I am pleased that we have many volunteers who act as web contacts and send me information about their chapters. At present we have 33 of 45 chapters with contacts or 74%. Please note that this web contact committee is not an official committee and is not intended to interfere with the official communication of the Grand Secretary. However, it can be used to speed up communications in an emergency to help a telephone committee. I would like to thank those members who have sent me information and comments.

Usage has been logged in excess of 6000 enquiries in the past year. The majority are from within the Maritimes.

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PRESENTATION OF 50 YEAR PINS

Sister Marion, W.G.M. presented Sister Marilyn Leaman of Mayflower Chapter No. 2 and Sister Helen Holden of Mae Chapter No. 38 with their 50 year pins and congratulated them on becoming 50 year members. Brother John, W.G.P. also congratulated these new 50 year members. Sister Marion asked Sister Rennie Ofton, R.W.G.C. to pin these jewels on Sister Marilyn and Sister Helen. They were escorted back to their seats.

Sister Marion announced that during the year she and Brother John were pleased to present **60 year pins** to Sister Alice Hudson, Britannia Chapter No. 18 and Sister Ruth Keith, Evangeline Chapter No. 15.

The Worthy Grand Matron read the names of those members who received their 50 year pin during the year 2005-2006. These names are listed in the Worthy Grand Matron's Report.

PRESENTATION OF 50 YEAR PLUS MEMBERS

Twenty-two 50 year and 50 year plus members were assembled in the West by the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, introduced - giving their years of service, and then escorted to the East. They were: Sister Megan Church (22)-61 years, Sister Kathleen Boutilier (23)-59 years, Sister Shirley MacEwan (24)-57 years, Sister Jean Beckwith (35) - 57 years, Sister June Whitman (35)-57 years, Sister Sarah Doty (5)-56 years, Sister Frances Johnsen (20)-55 years, Sister Thelma Low (45)-55 years, Sister Frances Thompson (24)-55 years, Sister Louise Seeley (5)-54 years, Sister Helen Connors (24)-53 years, Sister Alena Buchanan (69)-52 years, Sister Janet Merry (27)-52 years, Sister Jessie Nutter (21)-52 years, Sister Ruth MacDonald (1PEI)-51 years, Sister Ruth Digdon (54)-50 years, Sister Helen Holden (38) -50 years, Sister Ada Turner (14)-50 years, Sister Helen MacEwen (52) - 50 years, Sister Marilyn Leaman (2) -50 years, Sister Edith Lewis (1PEI)- 50 years and Brother Kirk Whitman (35)-56 years.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: What an honour it is to have you at our "*Garden of Memories*". We know you all have many memories and some pretty good stories of your history in our Order. You are the foundation of our Order and we congratulate you.

*How nobly, how grandly you have given your all,
Responding just admirably to beck and call,
So we greet you with love, and we greet you with pride;
We respect you, and may God always walk by your side.*

They were escorted to the East and each was presented with a beautiful red rose by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron as an expression of our love and gratitude to these dedicated members.

The Grand Choir sang several selections while they were being escorted to the

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East and back to their seats.

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PRESENTATION OF GRAND ORGANIST,
ASSISTANT GRAND ORGANIST, GRAND CHOIR AND SOLOISTS**

Sister Marion, W.G.M., thanked the Grand Organist, Assistant Grand Organist, Grand Choir and Soloists for all the beautiful music during the session. **Brother John, W.G.P.** also expressed his thanks for the lively and beautiful music.

The response prepared by Brother Ed MacLaren, Grand Organist, was read by Sister Marian Dickie, Assistant Grand Organist:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers all:

It has been a privilege for me to be chosen as your Grand Organist and to have enjoyed the fellowship of the Grand Family this past year. It is with regret that I am unable to fulfil my duties for your "Garden of Memories" session due to health reasons.

I want to thank those who are taking part in the Grand Choir as well as those doing solo work, etc., it is great to have had such a response.

I want to sincerely thank my Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Marian Dickie, for taking over for me on such short notice. I know she will do an excellent job. Also, to thank Sister Joyce Johnston who has agreed to relieve Sister Marian from time to time. This willingness to help is so indicative of our Order.

At this time I would like to wish both you, Sister Marion and Brother John, all the best in the remaining time of your "Garden of Memories" session. You have both "done us proud" and I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all courtesies extended to me this past year. Thank you for a job well done.

Sister Marian Dickie, P.M. (37):

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I would like to add a thank-you of my own. First of all I want to thank you for being able to take Brother Ed's place in the formations. I am so sorry that he is not here with us. I know you are aware of the amount of work and preparation he has done to get the music organized and he has kept me in the loop from the beginning. Believe me, he's a big act to follow. I also want to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to Sister Joyce Johnston. She has been so willing to help me get through this (especially on short notice). Thanks also to the soloists and the choir. They have been wonderful. Congratulations on a very enjoyable Session. It has been great.

Sister Marian Dickie approached the East and presented both the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron with a book of their music which was played during this session.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Brother Bill Cox, Chairman, Finance Committee** reported that the matter concerning the Past Grand Matron's Jewel will be resolved by the end of this month.
- 2. Sister Janet Merry, P.M. (27)** approached the East and presented the Worthy Grand Matron with a "Bear Bank" filled with coins for the Special Project, The Children's Wish Foundation. Sister Marion thanked Sister Janet for this lovely gesture.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION

Brother Ray Zinck, P.P. (59) moved that Grand Chapter be held at the Oak Island Inn, Western Shore, on July 5, 6, 7 and 8, 2008. This motion was seconded by Sister Sheila Levy, P.M. (8) and the motion was carried.

MOTION

A motion was made by Sister Diane Hayman, P.G.M. (24) and seconded by Sister Joan Campbell, P.G.M. (21) that a second appendix to the *Maritime Star Trails* History of this Grand Chapter (to include the years 1998-2007) be compiled and published following the 60th Grand Chapter Session in July, 2007. The motion was carried.

Sister Diane Hayman, with the assistance of Brother Bill Thompson, Jr., will compile the Booklet.

MOTION

Sister Joan Campbell, P.G.M. (21): Early in their term as Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron a Reception and Homecoming is held for them. Brother Fred, as we know, will be Most Worthy Grand Patron, 2009-2012 and will have his homecoming in 2010. This will be separate and apart from the reception of our General Grand Chapter Committee Members which will be in 2011. The homecoming will be held on July 4th, the evening before the opening of Grand Chapter. Brother Fred has asked the Past Grands Club to host this Reception and Homecoming on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

I, Sister Joan Campbell, move that the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island hold a Reception and Homecoming for Brother Fred Clarke on July 4, 2010, at which time he will be Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter. This function to be held in the Halifax area under the direction of the Past Grands Club, with a chairperson to be appointed from the Club.

This motion was seconded by Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. (61) and the motion was carried.

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MOTION

Sister Joan Campbell, P.G.M. (21) moved that the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons arrange and oversee the 60th Anniversary of this Grand Chapter. This Anniversary to be celebrated on September 22, 2007 in the Pictou County area. Sister Diane Hayman, P.G.M. (24) seconded the motion and it was carried.

MOTION

A motion was made by Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. and seconded by Sister Marion Robinson, P.M. (67) that a 60th Session Banquet "Walk Down Memory Lane" be held on July 2, 2007 at no cost to Grand Chapter. The motion was carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Brother Gordon O'Hearn, P.P. (34) read the following Notices of Motion which he will present at the Grand Chapter Session in July, 2007:

1) At the Grand Chapter session being held in July 2007, I will move or cause to be moved the following motion:

LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

That Article 2, Section 1, REVENUE OF GRAND CHAPTER, be amended by adding Section (f) to read:

(f) Grand Chapter may from time to time set Special Assessments on chapters to meet the necessary expenses of Grand Chapter.

RATIONALE:

Each Hostess Committee for a Grand Chapter session is required to raise the major portion of the costs of the Grand Chapter being held in their area. Some areas become Hostess Committees more frequently than other areas, and some have more resources available to raise funds. This results in varying venues for the Grand Chapter.

As Grand Chapter belongs to all the members, not just the Hostess Chapters, all Chapters should contribute to the expenses of holding a Grand Chapter.

2) At the Grand Chapter session being held in July 2007, I will move or cause to be moved the following motion.

That Article 22, FEES, DUES, AND ASSESSMENTS, be amended by adding Section 3 to read:

3. Each subordinate chapter shall contribute to a special assessment as set by Grand Chapter toward the holding of a Grand Chapter session.

RATIONALE:

As Grand Chapter belongs to all members of the Order, it is important that a Grand Chapter session be held each year to allow as many members as possible to participate. Now, Hostess Chapters are providing the bulk of funding for these sessions, and as members age, it is getting harder to raise the necessary funds, all

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Chapters contributing will lessen this burden.

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Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. requested that the first two rows in the South and North be reserved this evening for the Incoming Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's chapters and families.

Sister Gail Cook, A.G.M. and Brother Ron Boudreau, A.G.P. approached the East and presented the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron each with a gift and a cheque in the amount of \$350.00 for ESTARL from the Grand Officers, District Deputy Grand Matrons and Grand Chapter Committee Members. Both Sister Marion and Brother John thanked everyone for the gifts and the donation to ESTARL.

Sister Inez Daye, P.G.M. (27) expressed thanks from Sister Marion Conrad, P.G.M. (28) and Sister Millie Wagner, P.M. (28) to all the members for the cards, calls and visits to Sister Marion. She is still seriously ill and our prayers are with her as she recovers.

Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67) asked the Worthy Grand Matron to draw the winning ticket for the Anne of Green Gables doll. The winner was Sister Mary Ellen Bishop, P.M. (21).

CLOSING

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. The Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter from labour to refreshment to reconvene at 6:30P.M.

THURSDAY EVENING, July 6, 2006

6:30 p.m. The Emblem Ceremony was performed in the same manner as during the Formal Opening of "*Garden of Memories*" Grand Chapter Session.

Narrator and those placing the Emblems were:		
Narrator:	Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M.	(61)
Bible:	Brother George Doughart	(1PEI)
Sword & Veil:	Sister Jean Profitt	(52)
Sheaf:	Sister Ruth MacDonald	(1PEI)
Crown & Sceptre:	Sister Irene Stevenson	(1PEI)
Broken Column:	Sister Jean Profitt	(1PEI)
Cup:	Sister Kaye Ferguson	(52)

The Grand Chapter was called to order by Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M. (35) and Brother Reginald MacRae, P.G.P. (52).

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Sister Cheryl Denton, P.G.M.: Good Evening Sisters and Brothers:

I extend to you all a cordial welcome to this final session of "*Garden of Memories*". Sister Claretta Palmer P.G.M. and Bro. Cyril Macintosh, P.G.P. were slated to open this session but due to ill health were unable to be present. I feel very honoured and deeply humble to be filling in for Sister Tuts - however I must be honest and tell you -there is no possible way I could ever replace Sister Claretta or walk in her shoes. I have always respected, admired and got a kick out of her. Indeed a great Lady. It is my joy to share the East with my dear Prince Edward Island friend, Brother Reginald Mac Rae, P.G.P. For me this is yet another beautiful moment in my treasure of memories.

Brother Reginald MacRae, P.G.P.: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

This morning I received a message from Sister Claretta, P.G.M. in which she asked me to express to Grand Chapter her regrets at being unable to attend. She really wanted to be present to close the final session of this Grand Chapter. She has had several falls lately so health has not permitted her to be present. I also bring you the regrets of Brother Cyril MacIntosh, P.G.P. who is unable to attend due to ill health.

Sister Cheryl, P.G.M.: Grand Marshal, you will invite the Grand Officers, Grand Pages, Grand Guards, District Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Representatives, to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

It is the wish of the Worthy Grand Matron that the members remain seated for the Processional and the Formations.

FORMATIONS

Brother Bill Clark, G.G.C.C.M. presided over the Formations. This was done in the same manner as for the Informal Opening on Monday evening.

Sister Cheryl, P.G.M.: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron at the Altar for proper introduction.

Sister Cheryl, P.G.M.: Sister Marion and Brother John, welcome to this your final session. I thank you most sincerely for asking me to fill in this evening for Sister Claretta — it is indeed my honour. I know only too well how very proud Sister Tuts was of you Sister Marion. You are the fulfillment of her hopes and dreams. Her aspirations for you began many years ago and what greater reward in life can there be than to have had your hopes and dreams realized. Brother John, I also know how delighted Sister Tuts was to have you make this journey with Sister Marion. You have complemented each other extremely well and are a credit to our Grand Chapter. We have been blessed.

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Brother Reg, P.G.P.: Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Matron.

Welcome to the final session of your "*Garden of Memories*" Session. Four years ago you began a journey that took you to all the chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction as well as to some other Grand Jurisdictions. Congratulations on your years of service to our Order. Now you stand on the threshold of another journey – that of a Past Grand Matron which will begin shortly. I hope that the last few days have been a fitting conclusion to your years of faithful service.

Brother John, Worthy Grand Patron: Congratulations on your years of service to the Order. Although you have had some health problems during the past year, you were still able to visit all the chapters in the jurisdiction and spread around some joy and Irish humour. We look forward to welcoming you also as a Past Grand.

To you both, thank you for this opportunity to share this duty with Sister Cheryl, P.G.M.

Sister Cheryl, P.G.M.: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Grand Honours were accorded to both Sister Marion and Brother John.

The Grand Choir sang "*Waltzing With Bears*" to Sister Marion and Brother John.

Sister Cheryl, P.G.M.: Sister Marion, it is with great pride that I present you with your Gavel with much Love and our very best wishes.

The Grand Officers assumed their stations.

The Grand Chapter was proved and the Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter session called from refreshment to labour.

Sister Marion, W.G.M.: Brother Reg, what an unexpected pleasure to have you do our final Session in this "*Garden of Memories*". You were the one that started me on this journey with installing me as Associate Grand Conductress. How fitting that you have seen me through to the end. You have been a great support and have encouraged me through this grand journey, and soon I'll be able to join you in retirement as a Past Grand. Thank you for all you have done for me, this session and our fraternity. Your greatest gift has been your friendship.

Sister Cheryl, thank you for opening our last session for Sister Tuts. She will be pleased that it was you, to take her place. If I can't have my mother, I am happy to have my sister. Thank you!

Brother John, W.G.P. also extended his thanks to both Sister Cheryl and Brother

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Reg for opening this session.

Sister Marion and Brother John presented both Sister Cheryl and Brother Reg with a gift of appreciation.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Thursday afternoon session were read by Sister Betty Ann Loughnan, Grand Secretary. Sister Betty Ann moved that they be accepted as read. Sister Mary Zinck, P.M. (40) seconded the motion and it was carried.

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Committee Members are: Brother Arnold Burhoe, P.P. (1PEI), Sister Irma Maxwell, P.M. (15) and Sister Joan Mills, P.M. (8).

Brother Arnold Burhoe, P.P., Chairman: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

The final report of the Credential Committee is as follows:

Members from this Grand Jurisdiction:	378
Members from other Grand Jurisdictions:	<u>181</u>
Grand Total in Attendance:	<u>559</u>

I want to take this opportunity to thank Sister Marion for appointing me to this committee. I also want to thank sincerely my other committee members - Sister Irma Maxwell, Sister Joan Mills, my volunteer helpers - Sister Reta MacDonald, Sister Marilyn Lisk, Brother Jack Stuart, Sister Audrey Farquharson, Sister Carol MacLennan and the great co-operation with the Courtesy Committee headed by Past Grand Matron, Sister Marilyn Swinamer and her helpers. Also a sincere thank you to the Grand Secretary, Sister Betty Ann , for all her help.

On behalf of my committee I thank the Grand Family of 2005-2006 for a wonderful year and wish the 2006-2007 Grand Family all the best in their year.

Brother Arnold Burhoe moved the adoption of this report. It was seconded by Sister Irma Maxwell, P.M. (15) and the motion was carried.

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<u>Chapter Name</u> <u>&Number</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Chapter Name</u> <u>&Number</u>	<u>Members</u>
Port Royal #1	4	Queens #34	7
Mayflower #2	7	St. Mary's #35	11
Cedar #3	4	Dr.Gordon MacLeod#37	2
Keystone #5	3	Mae #38	5
Halifax #7	7	Cobequid #39	4
Grace #8	6	Mystic Star #40	2
Century #10	12	Armcrest #45	6
Queen Elizabeth # 14	11	Florence Fraser #47	3
Evangeline #15	20	Elm #48	4
Britannia #18	2	Scotia #49	11
Victoria #19	5	Sunrise #50	2
Hon. Joseph Howe #20	2	Regent #52	17
Myrtle #21	7	Faith #54	1
Fairfield #22	8	Elmsdale #55	6
Crystal #1 PEI	34	Ruth #57	7
Westville #24	13	Emerald #58	9
Harmony #25	11	Shoreham #59	6
Munro #26	1	Queen Esther #61	24
Kwebec #27	11	Atlantic #65	5
Amethyst #28	9	Starlight #66	8
Arbutus #30	5	Laurel #67	12
Annaval #31	4	Montague#69	14
		Crescent #70	15
		Pearle #71	11

Total Number of Chapters: 46

Number of Chapters attending: 46

TOTAL Members:	378
Other Jurisdictions	<u>181</u>
GRAND TOTAL:	559

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Sister Marion, W.G.M. thanked all members for all the monetary gifts she received during the session bringing the total to **\$39,800.13** and the promise of still more to come. She also thanked everyone for the overwhelming support of the Special Project, **The Children's Wish Foundation**.

**FAREWELL
WORTHY GRAND MATRON
Sister Marion Miller**

Sister Marion, W.G.M.:

Thank you for a wonderful year. And I am proud to have served this Grand Jurisdiction as your Worthy Grand Matron. I hope your memories will be as pleasant as mine. I'll leave you with this poem:

*My Memory Book
There is a list of folk I know,
All written in a book,
And every year at a certain time,
I'll go and take a look.*

*The names within were part
Not of the book they're written in,
But of my very heart.*

*Each name stands for someone
Who has touched my life one time,
And in that meeting they've become
the rhythm and the rhyme.*

*I really feel I'm composed
Of each remembered name,
And my life was so much better
Than the time before you came.*

*So never think my love for you
Is just a mere routine
Of names upon a list,
And forgotten in between.*

*For whether I have known you,
Many years or few,
In some small way you played a part,
In shaping the things I'd do.*

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*For once you've known someone
The years cannot erase
The memory of a pleasant word,
Or a friendly face.*

*So now I close my memory book
And realize anew,
The greatest gift that god gave me
Was knowing all of you!*

**FAREWELL
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
Brother Rev. John Patterson**

Brother John, W.G.P.:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion; Distinguished East; Sisters and Brothers -

At our installation last July, I offered each of you four things:

First, my heart to care for you in fraternal love
Second, my ears to hear you
Third, my hands to help you
Fourth, my strength to walk with you.

It is my fervent prayer that each of you will think kindly of Sister Marion and myself and our "*Garden of Memories*".

In closing I leave you with this thought:

Son of an Irishman...

*Oh, I'm the son of an Irishman
and the son of another was he
St. Patrick is my Patron
and I'm happy as happy can be.*

Sister Claire Caseley-Smith (52) sang "*When You Wish Upon a Star*" to Sister Marion and Brother John.

Sister Marion, W.G.M. left the East and visited each Grand Officer and presenting each one with a personalized crying towel. She then returned to the East and invited Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. to preside for the ceremony of Installation of the 2006-2007 Grand Officers.

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Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. (67), Installing Officer announced the names of those members assisting him in the Installation Ceremony.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

RECESSIONAL OF 2005-2006 GRAND OFFICERS

Sister Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M. (14) narrated a beautiful ceremony to retire Badges as follows:

CEREMONY TO RETIRE BADGES

Sister Sheila, P.G.M.:

The 59th annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island is in its final stages and we are about to prepare for the Installation of the 2006 -2007 Grand Officers. The Grand Officers for 2005-2006 wish to thank the members for their love and support this past year, as well as during our "Garden of Memories Session". This year has been a FUN year of FRIENDSHIPS made and renewed, and service to our FRATERNITY.

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Grand Officers 2005-2006 to the Altar to retire their badges.

The Grand Officers 2005-2006 form the Celtic Cross for the last time. Standing proudly around the Altar where they received the obligation of their office, they move to form the Pentagon, a symbol of the Grand Officers badge that they have worn with pride and joy in FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE.

Though they now may shed a tear,
It has been a treasured year.
Their badges now they lay to rest,
Trusting that they've done their best.

District Deputy Grand Matrons: your badge is a stylized Cross within the pentagon a symbol of your responsibility to pass on the instructions of the Worthy Grand Matron to the subordinate chapters.

Grand Organist: your badge is the Lyre within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Music and Poetry.

Grand Sentinel: your badge is the Crossed-Swords within the Star, within the pentagon, an emblem of Protection.

Grand Esther: your badge is the Crown and Scepter within the Triangle, within the Pentagon, a symbol of Loyalty.

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Grand Warder: your badge is the Dove within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Peace.

Grand Martha: your badge is the Broken Column within the Triangle, within the Pentagon, a symbol of Faith.

Grand Ruth: your badge is the Sheaf within the Triangle, within the Pentagon, a symbol of Constancy.

Grand Electa: your badge is the Cup within the Triangle, within the Pentagon, a symbol of Love.

Grand Adah: your badge is the Sword and Veil within the Triangle, within the Pentagon, a symbol of Fidelity.

Grand Chaplain: your badge is the Open Bible within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of the Word of God.

Grand Marshal: your badge is the Crossed-Batons within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Direction.

Grand Treasurer: your badge is the Crossed-Keys within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Security.

Grand Secretary: your badge is the Crossed-Pens within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Intelligence.

Associate Grand Conductress: your badge is the Baton within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Leadership.

Grand Conductress: your badge is the Scroll and Baton within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Prepared Plans and their fulfillment.

Associate Grand Patron: your badge is the Star within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Divine Guidance.

Associate Grand Matron: your badge is the Effulgent Sun within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of Light.

Worthy Grand Patron: your badge is the Square and Compasses within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of your Relationship to the Masonic Fraternity.

Worthy Grand Matron: your badge is the Gavel within the Star, within the Pentagon, an emblem of authority.

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Your journey that began one year ago is now ended, your badges returned to the Altar in preparation for a new slate of officers. You have served our Grand Chapter well, may your memories be pleasant ones! Thank you and Farewell. The Grand Officers 2005-2006 will now retire.

The Grand Choir provided beautiful music as the 2005-2006 Grand Officers retired.

ANNOUNCEMENT

During the Intermission for the preparation of the Installation Ceremony, a collection was taken for the Special Project. Sister Marion Miller and Brother John Patterson approached the East and announced that the Special Project has now reached **\$40,000.00** and they both thanked the members for their generosity and support.

INSTALLATION OF 2006-2007 GRAND OFFICERS

Prior to the Installation ceremony, the family, friends and chapters of the Incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to seats in the chapter room.

8:15 p.m.: Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. (67), Installing Grand Officer called the Grand Chapter to order.

Installing Grand Conductress, Sister Eleanor Mitchell, P.G.M. (61) attended at the Altar informally and Installing Grand Chaplain, Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.C.M. (35) led the members in prayer.

Installing Grand Officer: Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. (67)

Assisted by:

Installing Grand Marshal: Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M. (67)

Assisting in the East: Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P. (35)
Sister Violet Blair, P.G.M. (15)
Brother Ward Cunningham, P.G.P. (5)
Sister Sarah Doty, P.G.M. (5)
Sister Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M. (26)

Installing Grand Conductress: Sister Eleanor Mitchell, P.G.M. (61)
Installing Grand Chaplain: Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.C.C.M. (35)
Installing Grand Organist: Sister Elizabeth Hagar (45)
Assisted by: Sister Megan Church, P.G.M. (22)
Sister Marian Dickie, P.M. (37)
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Installing Grand Warder: Brother Kenneth Smith, P.G.P. (27)
Installing Grand Sentinel: Brother William Clark, P.G.P. (24)

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Soloists: Brother Charles Teal, P.P. (38)
Sister Beth Brett, P.M. (19)

Duet: Sister Rowena Marsters, P.M. (22) and
Brother Cyril Marsters, P.P. (22)

The Grand Officers were escorted by Sister Margaret Clarke, P.G.M., Installing Grand Marshal, into the Grand Chapter room through a Guard of Honour consisting of four sailors dressed in appropriate seaman gear and sporting Sou'Westers. The Sisters wore beautiful two piece gowns in black with beaded tops and chiffon skirts. The Brothers wore white dinner jackets with black bow ties and cummerbunds with musical notes on them. The District Deputy Grand Matrons wore red gowns in the same style as the Grand Officers.

Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. installed Sister Gail Cook as Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Gail, Worthy Grand Matron, was escorted to the East through an arch of red roses and musical notes. Upon arriving in the East she was accorded Grand Honours.

Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P. installed Brother Ron Boudreau as Worthy Grand Patron. He was escorted to the East through a Guard of Honour of Canadian Flags and Air Force caps. He was accorded Grand Honours when he reached the East.

Sister Beth Brett, P.M. sang "*I Had a Dream*" to them.

Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. installed the Associate Grand Matron,
Associate Grand Patron,
Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer
Sister Violet Blair, P.G.M. installed the Grand Conductress and
Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Chaplain
Brother Ward Cunningham, P.G.P. installed the Grand Marshal, Grand Organist,
Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel
Sister Sarah Doty, P.G.M. installed the Grand Star Points

Following the installation of the Grand Chaplain, Brother Fred Lipskey, Brother Charles Teal, P.P. sang "*Until Then*" to him.

Following the installation of the Grand Star Points, Sister Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M. narrated a beautiful Star Point Ceremony as follows:

Sister Sheila, P.G.M.: When Sister Gail asked me to prepare a Star Point Ceremony, I was honoured, but knew that I needed help so I went to my old Proceedings. Ten years ago the Late Sister Dorothy Dewing, then the

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R.W.A.G.C. and a dear friend of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, narrated this ceremony for Sister Margaret Clarke's Star Points. It seemed most fitting to use it tonight.

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STAR POINT CEREMONY

Robert Morris selected five beautiful symbolic colours for our Order; blue, yellow, white, green and red. His first selection is the colour of Blue, a challenge to the others for beauty and attention. The colour Blue suggests the purest of thoughts to give light to the lessons taught by Adah. Blue was used by the early Christians as an emblem of divine intelligence. To the Druids blue was a symbol of truth and fidelity. The Medieval Christians esteemed blue as an emblem of hope, perfection and fidelity. Rob Morris chose Blue to symbolize fidelity and faithfulness. Our W.G.M., and W.G.P. present their symbols of Blue to Grand Adah.

Yellow or Gold denotes sincerity, affection and glory. The Biblical interpretation of yellow is all that is divine, precious and pure. What could be more precious than the golden sun rays to grow the golden grain, producing sustenance in abundance, symbolizing friends, sowing seeds, awaiting the harvest? In our Order the golden hue symbolizes constancy and obedience. Our W.G.M. and W.G.P. present their symbols of yellow to Grand Ruth.

White though termed a color, yet really not - it is the absence of all hue, the condition of absorbing all rays of light and reflecting none. Early history tells us that White was used for the Lenten season. The Chinese used white as a badge of mourning, the Catholics as a badge of purity and peace. The Hebrews used white for one of the curtains of the tabernacle, it denoted purity. The Egyptians chanted their hymns in white robes, the Druids clothed their initiates for the degree of perfection. White is used in Masonry in the apron and gloves. The Bible refers to the white horse, white cloud, white throne and white raiment. White in our Order symbolizes light, purity and joy. Our W.G.M. and W.G.P. present their symbols of white to Grand Esther.

In the early ages Green was considered a sacred colour, representing life and nature. In the seasons, lives God's hidden plan of resurrection and life everlasting. It represents immortality and hope in the disrobing of the fall and the budding of the spring. In our Order, Green is an emblem of nature's life and beauty, and a symbol of Faith and Hope of Immortality. Our W.G.M. and W.G.P. present their symbols of Green to Grand Martha.

Red was a Trinity colour, symbolizing blood, passion, fire, hatred, cruelty and sacrifice; later it became known and recognized as a colour of Love. The early Roman flag of battle was Red, symbolizing war, strength and bravery. The Chinese used Red for the marriage service symbolizing passion, love, fervency, ardour, zeal and fire, which was the symbol of regeneration and purification of souls. Red or Scarlet was the colour of one veil of the Tabernacle, which the Hebrews used as an emblem of fire. The Knights of the Crusade wore a Red cross, symbolizing their willingness to undergo martyrdom for the sake of Religion. In old England, Red designated Royalty. To the Eastern Star, red is a

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symbol of that fervency that should actuate each of us as we engage in the Service of Truth. Our W.G.M. and W.G.P. present their symbols of Red to Grand Electa.

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The colours of our Star are endowed with beauty and significance, teaching and symbolizing the beauty of life. God made the beauty of life in colour. Robert Morris chose from those colours these five: blue, yellow, white, green and red - the five rays of the central Star of our Chapter.

The Installing Grand Officers were then escorted to seats in the East and thanked for their beautiful work.

The following **Grand Officers** were installed for **2006-2007**:

Worthy Grand Matron	Sister Gail Cook	(67)
Worthy Grand Patron	Brother Ronald Boudreau	(70)
Associate Grand Matron	Sister Annie Mae Backman	(8)
Associate Grand Patron	Brother Whitman Giffin	(59)
Grand Secretary	Sister Betty Ann Loughnan	(40)
Grand Treasurer	Sister Dorothy Powroz	(28)
Grand Conductress	Sister Edith Conrod	(61)
Associate Grand Conductress	Sister Stella Trask	(35)
Grand Chaplain	Brother Fred Lipskey	(15)
Grand Marshal	Brother Frank Cullen	(24)
Grand Organist	Sister Joyce Johnston	(47)
Grand Adah	Sister Carolyn Galley-Card	(67)
Grand Ruth	Sister Kathryn Evans	(31)
Grand Esther	Sister Joanne Newell	(70)
Grand Martha	Sister Linda O'Hearn	(71)
Grand Electa	Sister Emily White	(30)
Grand Warder	Brother Richard Pineo	(15)
Grand Sentinel	Brother Tabor Caulier	(27)

PRESENTATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS

Sister Gail, W.G.M.: Grand Conductress, you will present our District Deputy Grand Matrons for proper introduction.

The four appointed District Deputy Grand Matrons for 2006-2007 were introduced:

Sister Clara Nieforth, Sister Grace Boudreau, Sister Marion Buchan and Sister Connie MacDonald.

District No. 1	Sister Stella Trask, A.G.C.	(35)
District No. 2	Sister Edith Conrod, G.C.	(61)
District No. 3	Sister Annie Mae Backman, A.G.M.	(8)
District No. 4	Sister Clara Nieforth, P.M.	(28)
District No. 5	Sister Grace Boudreau	(70)
District No. 6	Sister Marion Buchan, P.M.	(67)

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District No. 7

Sister Connie MacDonald

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Sister Gail, W.G.M. and Brother Ron, W.G.P. thanked each of them for accepting this appointment and the Grand Conductress escorted them to the East where the Worthy Grand Matron presented each with her badge of office.

Brother Allan Conrad, P.G.P. (49) sang "*I Am the Master of the Wind*" to the District Deputy Grand Matrons and to all the Grand Officers.

The four Fishermen who held a steady Guard of Honour during the Installation Ceremony were invited to seats in the East and thanked for their vigilance.

GRAND CHAPTER MOTHER APPOINTMENT

Sister Gail, W.G.M., announced that **Sister Thelma Low, P.M. (45)** has been chosen as **Grand Chapter Mother for the year 2006-2007**. Sister Thelma, at age 92, represents all members who are 90 years of age or over. The Grand Conductress escorted Sister Thelma to the East and Sister Gail presented her with a beautiful large bouquet of flowers. Sister Rowena and Brother Cyril Marsters sang "*Let Me Call You Sweetheart*" to Sister Thelma. Sister Thelma thanked Sister Gail for this honour which was complete surprise. She was then escorted back to her seat.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Sister Gail, W.G.M., announced that Sister Louise Seeley, P.M. (5) will be the Assistant Grand Organist for the year.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2006-2007 WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS

Sister Gail, W.G.M.: Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress please present the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons for the year 2006-2007.

At this time **twenty-two Worthy Matrons and fourteen Worthy Patrons** for 2006-2007 were assembled in the West, introduced and welcomed by Sister Gail and Brother Ron:

Worthy Matrons: Sister Winna Smith, Port Royal #1; Sister Mabel Haynes, Mayflower #2; Sister Marianne MacMillan, Cedar #3; Sister Eleanor Vogler, Halifax, #7; Sister Sheila Levy, Grace #8; Sister LaVerne Porter, Evangeline #15; Sister Ruth Bond, Fairfield #22; Sister Marjorie Stevenson-Dawson, Crystal #1 PEI; Sister Candace Reid, Harmony #25; Sister Geraldine Parker, Amethyst #28; Sister Margaret Fisher, Queens #34; Sister Amelia Whalley, St. Mary's #35; Sister Darlene Amirault, Scotia #49; Sister Melda Johnston, Regent #52; Sister Ruth Digdon, Faith #54; Sister Shirley MacLean, Emerald #58; Sister Vicki Perry, Shoreham #59; Sister Jean Coombes, Queen Esther #61; Sister Julia MacKinnon, Starlight #66; Sister Marion Buchan, Laurel #67; Sister Mary MacDonald,

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Montague #69; Sister Patricia Armstrong, Pearle #71.

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Worthy Patrons: Brother Alfred Newell, Keystone #5; Brother George Myles, Halifax #7; Brother Laurie Myra, Grace #8; Brother Cyril Marsters, Fairfield #22; Brother Wendell Dawson, Crystal #1 PEI; Brother Garry Hope, Westville #24; Brother Allen Reid, Harmony #25; Brother Kenneth Smith, Kwebec #27; Brother William Cox, Arbutus #30; Brother Donald Medicraft, Annaval #31; Brother Gordon O'Hearn, Queens #34; Brother John Whalley, St. Mary's #35; Brother Allan Conrad, Scotia #49; Brother Hayward Meisner, Crescent #70.

Sister Thelma Low brought the regrets of the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Armcrest Chapter #45 - Sister Shirley and Brother David Moir. They were unable to attend due to a death in the family.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons were welcomed by Sister Gail and Brother Ron. During the year the Worthy Matrons will be known as "Doves of Peace" and the Worthy Patrons will be known as "Notables".

Solo: Sister Beth Brett, P.M. sang "*Wind Beneath my Wings*" to the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Brother Fred Clarke, R.W.G.S. announced the following members from this Grand Jurisdiction will be appointed as General Grand Chapter Committee Members in November, 2006 at the Triennium in Minneapolis, Minnesota to serve for the term 2006-2009:

Sister Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M. (14) on Credentials
Brother William A. Thompson, P.G.P. (24) as Chairman, Eastern Star Journal
Sister Marion Conrad, P.G.M. (28) on Heart
Brother Allen Denton, P.G.P. (35) on Shriners' Hospital
Sister Isabelle Pearson, P.G.M. (25) on Visionquest
Sister Betty Smith, P.M. (27) as "Friend of a Feather"

Congratulations were extended to these members from all present.

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ADDRESS OF THE
WORTHY GRAND MATRON
2006-2007
Sister Gail Cook

Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers, Guests:
Well, Brother Ron, here we are. It just doesn't seem possible and we couldn't talk Sister Marion and Brother John into staying a few more months could we?

It has been a wonderful "Garden of Memories Session", here on this beautiful Island. Thank you, Sister Marion, and Brother John. My heart is so full and so overflowing as I look out at all of you - family, friends, Sisters and Brothers.

I stand before you this evening with a very humble but grateful heart. I am well aware of the honour that you have conferred upon my Chapter, Laurel #67, Berwick, my District #6, and upon me. With God's guidance I pledge to do my best. I ask for your prayers, co-operation, encouragement and support as this year unfolds before us.

Sisters and Brothers, I have no great outstanding talents to offer you, neither do I promise to do great things. I do, however, promise that I will serve you with all that I have and I will always strive to do what I believe is right for our Beloved Order.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ron, I am so proud and grateful to have you by my side. It is a privilege to be here in the Grand East with you. We have shared much together; work, fun, laughter, sorrow, and joy. Whatever accomplishments and honours we attain, we will also share these together. You and Sister Grace are very dear to Brother Lloyd and me. We look forward to many years ahead as our friendship continues to grow.

There are many people I must thank for this special evening. First and foremost my husband, Brother Lloyd; my friend, and my steady anchor. You have always been there for me. Many times you never knew in what direction this little gale was flying but you held on. Thank you for that. Thank you for this beautiful and unique necklace, but most of all I thank you for your unending love.

To the Installing Grand Officers; Thank-you for a beautiful and impressive installation. Brother Fred, thank-you for being our Installing Grand Officer and for installing me. Sister Margaret, thank-you for being our Installing Grand Marshal. You have been a wonderful mentor and support. Sister Cheryl, thank you for being our Installing Grand Chaplain. I have often called on you for help and advice. Brother Allen, how wonderful to have you here with us. Sister Eleanor, Brother Ken, and Brother Bill, thank-you so much. Brother Ward and Sister Sarah, what an example you are to us. Sister Vi and Brother Reg, you were

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my very first Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

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I am so proud that I was a part of your Grand Family. That was a wonderful year. Thank you for being a part of our evening.

Sister Sheila, thank-you for that beautiful Star Point Ceremony. To the organists, soloists and choir whose job is not yet done. The music has been wonderful. It has lifted us up and been an inspiration to us.

To others, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons who have assisted in any way; some of your tasks are still ongoing. Thank-you for your willingness to help.

To our elected and appointed Grand Officers: How proud I am to have each of you in our Grand Family. The elected Grand Officers are our gifts by the vote of this Grand Chapter. I wish for you every success in the years ahead. A special debt of gratitude to Sister Betty Ann, Grand Secretary, and Sister Dorothy, Grand Treasurer for your continued willingness to share your time and talents for the Grand Chapter.

Sister Annie Mae, Associate Grand Matron, Brother Whit, Associate Grand Patron, I wish for the two of you only the best. If there is anything I can do to assist you as you continue your plans please know I am here.

In 2007 Brother Ron and I will be celebrating the 60th Session, while you and Brother Whit will be having the very exciting 60th Birthday celebration of this Grand Chapter. We will look forward to celebrating this event with you.

The appointed Grand Officers and District Deputy Grand Matrons were chosen by the Worthy Grand Patron and me. Each one of you is very special and we are so pleased that each of you accepted your appointments. I can promise you that it will be one of the most memorable years of your life; enjoy it to the fullest.

Will the members of the Laurel Chapter #67 please stand. My dear Chapter, I am so proud to belong to you and I hope you will always be proud of me as well. You are and have been so supportive throughout my Eastern Star Journey.

To the members of Mayflower #2, I cherish and treasure my honorary membership in your chapter and I thank you for your support.

To the members of Crescent #70, thank-you for the support you have given to Brother Ron and me. I know you are very proud of Brother Ron.

To the Hostess Chapters 2007, please stand, you have worked hard and well together and still you have had fun. Your love and support will endeavour us to have a successful Grand Chapter Session in 2007.

To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, you have travelled this path before me and together you represent a wealth of knowledge and wisdom. I will

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come often to you to seek advice, for I truly believe no man walks alone.

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A strong rope has many strands. With all of us working together we strengthen each other and this Grand Chapter.

To our family and special friends who were able to attend, thank-you. My husband's sister, Florence "Tiny Zwicker", Sister Betty and Jim Renton from Massachusetts, and to our special friends from Maine, Sister Nancy Ryder and Sister Jean Lowell and Margery Zurko from Connecticut. Special thanks to Sister Bonnie Zumalt and all who came from Massachusetts. Thank-you.

In our travels around this Jurisdiction we have seen the kindness you have shown to each other. The little ways of caring for each other that mean so much. We have seen you celebrate with one another and comfort one another. We have seen you walk beside each other in sickness and in grief. Most of all you have prayed for one another. You are indeed God's people and are truly special. He placed His spirit in each one of you and we feel this by your love.

You are very special to us. You are our family. Without your love, support and prayers this year we will not be successful. Brother Ron and I would like to honour you with a solo by Brother Charlie Teal, "No Man Is An Island".

Brother Charles Teal, P.P. (38) sand "*No Man Is An Island*" at this time.

Now, Brother Ron and I have some extra special people to present. Would the membership of the Grand Jurisdiction of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island please stand.
Please Be Seated

Our aim this year is to - Think Joy, Speak Love, Seek Peace and Walk in Kindness.
Acts of kindness warm the heart, soothe the soul and make the world turn more gently.

Our Honour Stations are Martha and Warder with the Grand Choir being honoured at Grand Chapter 2007. Music is the universal language of the world. Without music life would be dreary indeed.

I am not going over our colours, motto, themes etc. or our committee appointments as these are found along with our Travel Itinerary in our calendars.

To our committee members, thank you for accepting your appointments. You are our movers, shakers, and enthusiasm makers.

Sister Tracey Hobson is one of our chairpersons for our Special Project. Sister Tracey will you please stand and wave. She is going to have the calendars and pins for sale for all who wish them, right after the installation. She will be found

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in the reception area at a special table.

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Would the representative of each chapter please stop by Sister Tracey's table for their packets?

The Schools of Instruction will be held September 16th at Queen Esther Chapter #61 Dartmouth, Sept. 23rd, Mae Chapter #38 Bridgewater, and Sept. 30th at Port Hawkesbury with Starlight Chapter #66 and Faith Chapter #54 working together.

I would ask any of the Sisters and Brothers who have rituals or C.L.&R.'s to please bring them with you to the Schools of Instructions. That way all of us can learn together.

Sisters and Brothers I leave you with this: God has one Son without sin, but He has no sons who have not suffered. So, if you have a choice to Judge or be Kind - Be Kind."

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ron - it is your turn.

**ADDRESS OF THE
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
2006-2007
Brother Ron Boudreau**

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, Sisters, Brothers and Visitors.

I stand here before you tonight under no delusion that I am the one worthy of the honour you have bestowed upon me and my Chapter, Crescent #70, Lockeport. I thank you for allowing me to be here, and I pledge to you that I will do my best to carry out the duties and maintain the dignity of this high office.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Gail. You refused to give up on me when I had a down time and God has permitted me to stand here with you tonight for which, on my knees, I give Him thanks. May I be among the first to congratulate you as you assume the office and duties of OUR Worthy Grand Matron. I pledge to you my absolute support. Together, with our moderators and constant supporters, my Grace and your Lloyd, we have had a lot of fun planning the year ahead. I look forward to our Chapter visits. Please accept these two gifts from Sister Grace and I. The larger one was handcrafted by Sister Georgie and Brother Charlie Dewey of Century Chapter -# 10. The other was handcrafted by Rene LaPlante, a Master Mason in my Lodge, Albert # 30.

Sister Gail, you have permitted me to share in every decision and I know that when we were deciding on the name of this Grand Session you were having second thoughts about that. I had already named the session "Musical Gales" and you wanted to name it anything but that.

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To our Installing General Grand Chapter Officer and Past Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Fred W Clarke, to his Installing team and all those assisting - "WOW" - what a team. You have made this beautiful ceremony look so easy. However, I know you have worked hard to attain such a high degree of efficiency, I/we appreciate and thank you for all the work you have done to prepare for and complete this ceremony.

To all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons - over the past 59 years you have "year by year" guided this Grand Jurisdiction to the safe and prosperous time that we enjoy tonight. You hold the keys to our Eastern Star vault of knowledge. You are the best and I invite, for me, your wise council and gentle guidance.

I want to especially thank Past Grand Matron and General Grand Chapter Committee member, Sister Cheryl Denton and Past Grand Patron, Brother Allen Denton for encouragement to continue when my Doctor had given me bad news; for starting our Hostess Chapters Fund raising with a generous donation, for always finding time to answer my questions and for your constant support as I journeyed to this position. Brother Allen - what an honour for me to be installed by you. Thank you. I pray for your continuing recovery and good health. To all Past Grand Officers who helped me with what you viewed as little things but I considered big things. Thank you.

To the Elected Grand Officers, congratulations. You are the choice of this Grand Jurisdiction and you were an excellent choice. It is with pride that Sister Gail and I will journey and work with you for the good of our Order. To our appointed Grand Officers and to the District Deputy Grand Matrons, congratulations. As it was with the Elected Grand Officers, your zeal and dedication, for our Order, has earned for you the respect of your Sisters and Brothers and the office you now hold. I thank each one of you for accepting your office and for being a member of our Grand Family. I look forward with anticipation to working and travelling with you. Let's make it a fun time to remember always.

To our immediate Past Grand Matron, Sister Marion and our immediate Past Grand Patron, Brother John, congratulations on your year of success and accomplishment. You both have been so kind to Sister Gail and me. Thank you and be assured that we will do our best to follow your good example. Please, when you have time, let the gentle breeze sweep you along to journey with us as we visit the Chapters.

To Our Hostess Chapters. You work so well together, I cannot think of anyone that would not be proud to have such a great team supporting them and we are proud of you. You are truly great, and Thank You seems so meager a reward - BUT! Be sure to know that if this Grand Session runs well, it will be in no small part due to a team effort, that is: Our Hostess chapters, our Committee Members,

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our Grand Officers, and our Past Grand Officers, together with each and every Sister and Brother of this Grand Jurisdiction working together as a team, for the good of our Order.

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To our Committee Members, when you agreed to accept your appointed tasks you reconfirmed our beliefs that the Sisters and Brothers of this Grand Jurisdiction are quite willing to accept tasks beyond their own Chapter. Its only from serving on the various committees that one realizes the work and dedication that each of you give to our Grand Chapters. You seek no reward and are often reluctant to step forward for the recognition you so well deserve. It is with deep appreciation that I say to each one of you - Thank you.

To each one of you who have honoured us with your musical talent tonight. Thank you.

To our subordinate Chapters and to each Sister and Brother of each Chapter (and I want you to know that this includes those who have not and do not wish to hold an office) we really need you. You are the foundation of our Grand Jurisdiction, you are the important ones, you carry the load. I will consider it a distinct Honour to be allowed to visit your Chapter as your Worthy Grand Patron.

To the members of my Chapter, Crescent #70 Lockeport - Please Stand. Thank you for your support. On the night of my initiation into Crescent Chapter, I had little thought of any office, let alone that of Worthy Grand Patron. On your behalf I will do my best to hold high the honour of this Grand Office. To Laurel Chapter #67 for your acceptance of me as the one to make this journey with Sister Gail; your support has been unwavering, for which I/we are truly grateful. For all you have done and are doing. Thank you

After I had been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for some time I discovered the enjoyment of travelling to other chapters and on a fairly regular basis. I attended the monthly meetings of Keystone Chapter #5 and Queens Chapter #34 who have presented me with Honourary memberships. Also I attended on a fairly regular basis Arbutus Chapter #30, and Pearle Chapter #71, chapters where I found fraternal friendship second to none. Please will the members of those Chapters stand and allow me to say thank you for your friendship and support and thank you for being part of our Hostess Chapters.

To my wife Grace, without your support I would not be here. You have been by my side as I chased my dreams for 49 years and I love you for being there. Thank you for your support on this dream and always remember you are my life - for without you there is no life for me. I love you.

For our Special Project Sister Gail and I have chosen the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, in particular, Digital Talking Books. This service provided by CNIB is not government funded. We have arranged that any funds raised will benefit both Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and that income tax receipts for all funds will be issued by CNIB for the tax year 2007. Sisters and Brothers, the enthusiasm of those working at CNIB Halifax when we told them that they

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would be the benefactor

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of our Special Project was overwhelming and difficult for Sister Gail and I to contain. They wanted to tell the world. I will elaborate on this project and the reason for choosing it as we visit your Chapters. We trust that it will meet with your approval and we will appreciate your support.

Finally, let me remind you of the Coach Trip with TayMac Tours Ltd., to the General Grand Chapter Triennial Assembly in Minneapolis, Minnesota, 21 October to 7 November 2006, where our Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Fred Clarke will take the next step in his journey. I am sure he would be pleased with your support. I believe that there are a few seats on the tour still left. The Worthy Grand Matron and I, together with some of our Grand Officers will be pleased to have you travel with us on this tour. Also this is your invitation to come along with us (Dutch Treat) on all our travels.

To all Sisters, Brothers, Visitors, Invited Guests, thank you for being here and allowing me this time. May God take care of you on your journey home and thereafter until we can meet again. Thank You.

**APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES
For 2006-2007
STANDING COMMITTEES**

- Grand Historian:** Sister Margaret Allen, P.M. (3)
- Membership:** Sister Marie Parks, P.M. (15)
Brother Charles Graves, P.P. (1 PEI)
Brother Howard Ford, P.P. (71)
Brother Wayne Beno, P.P. (57)
Sister Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M. (14)
Sister Joan Campbell, P.G.M. (21)

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE
FIVE YEARS**

- E.S.T.A.R.L.:** Brother Donald Medicraft, P.P. (31)

THREE YEAR COMMITTEES

- Jurisprudence:** Brother William A. Thompson, P.G.P. (24)
Finance: Brother Patrick O'Neill, P.P. (61)
Credentials: Sister Helen Graham, PM. (61)

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Eastern Star Journal:	Brother Dennis Hagen, P.P.	(61)
	Sister Carol Wooster, P.M.	(15)
	Sister Doreen Edgar, P.M.	(58)
	Sister Freda Ells, P.M.	(14)
	Sister Violet Fraser, P.M.	(47)
	Sister Dorothy Jewers, P.M.	(34)
	Sister Donna White, P.M.	(69)

TWO YEAR COMMITTEE

Reception Arrangements for 2008:

	Sister Barbara Bowser, P.G.M.	(61)
	Brother Kenneth Smith, P.G.P.	(27)
	Sister Anna Ford, P.M.	(71)

ONE YEAR COMMITTEES

Librarian:	Brother Ross Hagar, P.P.	(45)
Temple Fund:	Brother Cyril Marsters, P.P. - Chair	(22)
	Brother Richard Muise, P.P.	(25)
	Brother Richard Haynes, P.P.	(2)
Courtesy:	Sister Marion Miller, P.G.M.	(1PEI)
	Brother John Patterson, P.G.P.	(10)
	Sister Patricia Wamboldt, P.M.	(71)
	Brother Kirk Whitman, P.P.	(35)

W.G.M.'s & W.G.P.'s Special Project:

	Brother Philip Beeler, P.P. - Chair	(1)
	Sister Tracey Hobson, P.M. - Co-Chair	(67)
	Sister Ruth Digdon, P.M.	(54)
	Sister Betty Smith, P.M.	(27)
	Sister Mary Jean Page, P.M.	(70)
	Brother Marilyn Lisk, P.M.	(52)
	Sister Frances Burgoyne-Jackson, P.M.	(48)
	Sister Elizabeth MacGregor, P.M.	(31)
	Sister Jean Pryde, P.M.	(47)
	Sister Diann Campbell-Kinney, P.M.	(37)
	Sister Shirley Shot, P.M.	(34)
	Sister Shirley Conrad, P.M.	(49)

Crafts and Treasures:

	Sister Velda Forest, P.M. - Chair	(71)
	Sister Myrtle DeMings, P.M.	(70)
	Sister Trudy Johnson, P.M.	(21)
	Sister Carol Nielsen, P.M.	(61)

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	Sister Audrey Farquharson, P.M.	(1PEI)
	Sister Sandra Denton, P.M.	(35)
	Sister Cheryl Gillis, P.M.	(37)
	Sister Elizabeth Stevenson, P.M.	(31)
	Sister Julia MacKinnon, P.M.	(66)
Publicity:	Sister Robert Turner, P.P. - Chair	(30)
	Sister Yvonne Stephenson, P.M.	(14)
	Sister Carolyn Phinney, P.M.	(31)
	Sister Janet Johnson, P.M.	(24)
	Brother Earl Sanford, P.P.	(22)
	Brother Melvin Antle, P.P.	(28)
	Brother Wendell Dawson, P.P.	(1PEI)
	Sister Heather Cook, P.M.	(38)
	Sister Amelia Whalley, P.M.	(35)
	Sister Ethel Brown, P.M.	(55)
	Brother Alex Nicholson, P.P.	(26)
Music:	Sister Louise Seeley, P.M.	(5)
	Brother Charles Teal, P.P.	(38)
	Sister Sonia Adams, P.M.	(28)
	Sister Sharon Ward, P.M.	(24)
	Brother William Allen, P.P.	(24)
Program Booklet:	Brother William Cox, P.P. - Chair	(30)
	Brother Peter Kay, P.P.	(25)
	Brother Lawrin Armstrong, P.G.P.	(39)
	Brother Darrell Thurber, P.P.	(7)
	Brother Edmund Davis, P.P.	(35)
	Brother Carol Thompson, P.P.	(52)
	Brother Walter Blair, P.P.	(3)

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Brother Ron Boudreau, W.G.P. presented a beautiful handcrafted box to Sister Gail, W.G.M., for her honoured station, the Broken Column. He also presented her with a handcrafted box to hold her Bible.

Sister Marion Buchan, W.M., Laurel Chapter #67, presented Sister Gail with a gift from the chapter. It is a painting of a young lady and her piano teacher.

Sister Carolyn Galley-Card, Sister Irma Maxwell and Sister Irene Beeler approached the East and presented the Worthy Grand Matron with her Bible and Broken Column, and her travelling symbol, the Dove of Peace.

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PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Brother Hayward Meisner, P.P. presented Brother Ron with a gift from the chapter, Crescent #70. He received his Bible from the members of Crescent Chapter #70.

Sister Gail, W.G.M. presented Brother Ron, W.G.P. with a beautifully handcrafted wolf made by Brother Reg MacRae, P.G.P.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

While Sister Marion Miller, Junior P.G.M. and Brother John Patterson, Junior P.G.P. were being escorted to the East for the presentation of jewels, the Grand Organist played "*High Hopes*".

Brother Reg MacRae, P.G.P. (52) presented Sister Marion with her Past Grand Matron's jewel. This jewel had been worn by Sister Claretta Palmer, P.G.M. (IPEI) and it was her wish that Sister Marion receive it upon completion of her term as Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Cheryl Denton, G.G.CC.M. (35) proudly pinned it on her. Sister Marion thanked both Brother Reg and Sister Cheryl.

Sister Diane Patterson, P.M. (10) presented Brother John with his Past Grand Patron's jewel. This jewel had been worn by Sister Ellen Webster, P.G.M. (IPEI) and has been refurbished for Brother John. It was her wish that a member of Crystal Chapter #1 receive this jewel and Brother John was most happy to receive it. Brother John is a member of Crystal Chapter as well as Century Chapter.

PRESENTATION OF TRAVELLING JEWELS

Brother John Patterson, P.G.P. presented Brother Ron Boudreau with the William McLellan Travelling Jewel to be worn by the W.G.P. when he is visiting outside this Jurisdiction. Brother Ron thanked Brother John and stated he will wear it with pride.

Sister Marion Miller, P.G.M. presented Sister Gail Cook, W.G.M. with the Annie Patterson Travelling Jewel to wear during the year when she is travelling outside our Jurisdiction. Sister Marion also presented Sister Gail with the Worthy Grand Matron's seal. Sister Gail thanked Sister Marion for this jewel and the seal.

SIGNING OF THE BIBLE

The Grand Conductress prepared the Bible for signing and Sister Marion, P.G.M. and Brother John, P.G.P. were escorted to the Altar by the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress and signed the Bible. The Grand Choir sang "*May You Always*". They were escorted back to the East.

CLOSING OF GRAND CHAPTER

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally. The Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Chapter Session closed, to reconvene on July 3, 2007 in

GRAND CHAPTER OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Greenwich, Nova Scotia.

Sister Marian Durling, P.G.M. (61) sang "*Go Now In Peace*".

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
“MUSICAL GALES”
GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

To be held in Greenwich, Nova Scotia, July 2, 3, 4, 5, 2007

Grand Chapter Officers: *“Treble Clefs”*
District Deputy Grand Matrons: *“Cardinals - Messengers of Love”*
Worthy Matrons: *“Doves - Peace”*
Worthy Patrons: *“Note-ables”*
Past Grand Matrons and Patrons: *“Harmonies - tie us all together to help us run smoothly”*
Committee Members: *“Movers and Shakers, Enthusiasm Makers”*
Spouses: *“Second Fiddles - Finely Tuned”*
Special Pages: *“Added Notes”*
Choir: *“Hummingbirds”*
Membership: *“Melodies of Joy”*

Dedication: With Love to our Chapters - Laurel Chapter #67, Berwick (Symbol of Honour) and Crescent Chapter #70, Lockeport (from Latin verb meaning “to grow”)

“Let us continue to grow in Harmony and Love”

Hostess Chapters 2007 for all their dedication, work and support.
Membership (*Melodies of Joy*) of this Grand Jurisdiction

Aim: Think Joy, Speak Love, Seek Peace, Walk in Kindness
Watchwords: Love , Harmony and Peace
Motto: Where there is Love there is Peace
Honour Stations: Martha and Warder
Special Honour: Grand Choir (at Grand Chapter)
Scriptures: But the Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy and Peace (Galatians 5, Verse 22)

 Go out in Joy and be led forth in Peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you. (Isaiah 55:12)
Emblems: Broken Column and Dove
Special Project: CNIB - Digital Talking Books
Flowers: Daffodils, Deep Red Roses, Laurel Flower and Leaf
Colours: Black and White (for Piano Keys), Red (for Cardinals)
Project Pin: Dove (for Peace)
Fun Symbols: Ladybugs (for Luck)
 Wolves (for Vigilance)
 Music Notes (for Harmony)
Theme Song: Peace is Flowing like a River
Fun Songs: *The Wayward Wind*
 Music, Music, Music

GRAND CHAPTER OF NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND DECORATIONS

The Grand Chapter Room was set up in the gymnasium at the University of Prince Edward Island in Charlottetown. The Grand East was located on the gymnasium stage. Across the rear of the stage stood the flags: namely, the Canadian Flag, Union Jack, Stars and Stripes, Nova Scotia Flag, Prince Edward Island Flag, the Christian Flag and the Order of the Eastern Star Flag.

The Charter stood in the Northeast corner of the Grand Chapter room.

Upon entering the Grand Chapter Room one was immediately struck by the overwhelming talent, generosity and love from the members of our beautiful Order. The room was circled not once but twice with blankets and quilts in all shapes and sizes and colours of the rainbow. There were also cradles and quilt racks containing these gifts of love as well. The grand total of quilts or blankets given was 312.

The predominate flower around the room, of course, was the ever faithful pansy, and of course we must not forget the fun loving Teddy Bears that were also in every nook and cranny. Then there were Brother John's Lollipops, enough to make any dentist giddy. There was at least one pot of gold and one Leprechaun.

One entered the Chapter room through a lit archway adorned with pansies. Behind the Star Point chairs were pedestals draped in black with an open Bible resting on them with their scriptures printed.

Behind the Grand East was a large painted back drop depicting a woods scene with a children's picnic, their favourite Teddy Bear, a rainbow for luck and just a little taste of the Irish with another Leprechaun and one more pot of gold.

GRAND CHAPTER GOWNS

All the sisters (Grand Officers and District Deputy Grand Matrons) wore identically styled two piece outfits in a deep purple. The tops were beaded with chiffon skirts. The brothers wore black tuxedos with purple bow ties and cummerbunds.

FORMATIONS

The Grand Officers and District Deputy Grand Matrons formed a Celtic Cross around the Altar, and the Subordinate Chapter Chaplains formed the base of the Cross. The Grand Pages formed a Heart and the Grand Guards formed an Anchor, symbolizing Faith, Hope and Charity. Around all the Grand Representatives formed a circle linking hands of friendship.

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
SOCIAL EVENTS**

Tuesday, July 4, 2006

- 11:00 a.m. **The Past Grands Club** held their **meeting** in the Howard Johnson's Dutch Inn. This was followed by their **Luncheon** at 12:00 p.m.
- 11:30 a.m. **The Grand Representatives Association** held their **meeting** at the Howard Johnson's Dutch Inn.
- 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. **The Teddy Bear's Picnic** was held at the University of Prince Edward Island and was well attended with many of our members having the opportunity to enjoy the abundant refreshments while chatting with friends.
- 5:30 p.m. The **ESTARL Church Service** was held in the Grand Chapter Room at the University of Prince Edward Island. The collection from this service was given to the ESTARL Fund.

Wednesday, July 5, 2006

- 7:15 a.m. the **Past Appointed Grand Officers Breakfast** was held at the Howard Johnson's Dutch Inn.
- 12:30 p.m. The annual **Grand Representatives Association Luncheon** was held at the Howard Johnson's Dutch Inn.
- 6:00 p.m. The **"Garden of Friendship" Main Banquet** was held in the Dining Hall at the University of Prince Edward Island. Entertainment followed in the Grand Chapter Room.

Thursday, July 6, 2006

- 7:30 a.m. The **Grand Family Breakfast** was held at the Howard Johnson's Dutch Inn.
- 12:30 p.m. The **Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, Past Matrons and Past Patrons, Secretaries and Treasurers and All Member Luncheon** was held in the Dining Hall at the University of Prince Edward Island.

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LUNCHEON

Grand Representatives

Wednesday, July 5, 2006

The room looked lovely. The tables were decorated with Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Flags.

Our President Sister Connie MacDonald welcomed all 265 Sisters and Brothers to our annual Luncheon.

Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel gave the tribute to the Canadian Flag. Sister Jeannette Vreeland of New Jersey and an honorary member of our Grand Chapter gave the tribute to the American Flag. Sister Suzanne Aiken gave a lovely tribute to General Grand Chapter.

We were very pleased to have Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Grand Conductress as our special speaker.

It was with pleasure we welcomed our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Miller and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John Patterson. President, Sister Connie, presented each with a cheque for their special project on behalf of the Grand Representatives Association. A donation was also made to ESTARL.

The new officers for 2006-2007 are:

President	Sister Faye Calder
1 st Vice	Sister Carol Nielsen
2 nd Vice	Brother Peter Kay
Secretary	Sister Carolyn Galley Card
Treasurer	Sister Doris Cullen
Liaison Person	Sister Ruby MacKenzie
Past President	Sister Connie MacDonald

Honourary Members:

Sister Jessie Nutter, P.G.M., Sister Sarah Doty, P.G.M. and Brother Charles Thompson, P.G.P.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

HONOURARY MEMBERS

* Mr. Donald R. Stewart, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	June 1948
* Mrs. Jean Stewart, Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick	June 1948
* Mrs. Abbie Hanson, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	June 1950
* Mr. Franklyn W.L. Miles, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	June 1951
* Mrs. Mamie Lander. P.M.W.G.M. & Grand Secretary	June 1951
* Mrs. Ruth A. Jones, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	June 1954
* Mr. John Batson, Past Grand Patron of District of Columbia	June 1954
* Mrs. Carrie B. Batson, Grand Representative of N.S. & P.E.I. (47-49)	July 1958
* Mrs. Florence A. Plummer, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1958
* Mr. Lloyd K. MacRae, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1958
* Mr. Hugh J. Tamisiea, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1961
* Mrs. Mabel Aldrich, Past Grand Matron of Rhode Island	July 1962
* Mrs. Mildred Haney Harris, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1967
* Mr. Avery Day, Past Grand Patron of Ontario	July 1967
* Mrs. Esther West, P.G.M. & Grand Secretary of Quebec	July 1968
* Mrs. Sayda E. Patterson, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1969
* Mrs. Mae E. Mickleson, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1971
* Mrs. Marguerite Kennerdell, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1974
* Mr. LaVerne Courtney, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1975
* Mrs. Mabel Mackereth, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1977
* Mr. William E. George, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1978
* Mrs. Thelma Bailey, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1980
* Mr. Everett Newman, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1980
* Mr. David J. Miller, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1983
* Mrs. Carol Strizek, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1984
Mrs. Helen D. Roquemore Cox, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1987
Mr. Ray McRoberts, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1988
Mrs. Lois J. Newman, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1990
Mr. Edward F. McDonald, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1990
* Mrs. Sarah Foster, P.G.M. & Grand Treasurer Emeritus of Rhode Island	July 1990
* Mr. Ralph Foster, Grand Representative of N.S. & P.E.I. (83-84)	July 1990
* Mrs. Ella B. Delay, Grand Representative of N.S. & P.E.I. (66-68)	July 1990
* Mr. Tom Delay, Past Patron of Tennessee	July 1990
Mr. Dick Flashenburg, P.G.P. & Grand Secretary of Nevada	July 1991
Mrs. Florence Flashenburg, Past Matron of Nevada	July 1991
Mrs. Mary Jane Noyes, Past Grand Organist of Florida	July 1991
Mrs. Irene Campbell, Grand Representative of N.S. & P.E.I. (82-84) Ohio	July 1991
* Mr. Charles Campbell, Past Patron of Ohio	July 1991
* Mrs. Hazel B. Luisgnan, Past Matron, Ontario	July 1992
Mrs. Christie Peterson, Past Grand Matron of South Dakota	July 1992
Mrs. Bette Macintosh, Past Grand Matron of Ontario	July 1992
Mrs. Elizabeth Potter, Grand Representative of N.S. & P.E.I. (88-90) New Brunswick	July 1992
Mr. Joseph Potter, Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick	July 1992
Mrs. Beverly Wilson, Grand Representative of N.S. & P.E.I. (68-70)	July 1992
* Mrs. Virginia M. Painter, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1993
Mr. Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1993
Mrs. Anna Hill, Past Grand Matron of Quebec	July 1993
Mrs. Florence Armstrong, Grand Treasurer Emeritus of New Brunswick	July 1993
Miss Pauline Allan, Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick	July 1993
Mrs. Ann Lister, Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick	July 1993
Mr. DeWitt Lister, Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick	July 1993
* Mrs. Lottie MacCallum, Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick	July 1993
Mr. Alexander MacCallum, Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick	July 1993
Mrs. Flora Whalen, Past Grand Matron of Ontario	July 1995
Mrs. Vera Heffel, Past Grand Matron of Ontario	July 1995
Mr. James Heffel, Past Grand Patron of Ontario	July 1995

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* Mrs. Geraldine A. Nowe, Past Grand Matron of Massachusetts	July 1995
Mr. Healy A. (Skip) Nowe, Past Patron of Massachusetts	July 1995
Mrs. Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1996
* Mr. Robert L. Baker, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1997
Mrs. Florence Adair, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron	July 1998
Mrs. Hazel Sandler, Past Matron, Massachusetts	July 1998
Mr. Loren Sandler, Past Grand Patron, Massachusetts	July 1998
Mrs. Ilsa Nicoll, Past Matron, Massachusetts	July 1998
Mr. Irving Nicoll, Past Grand Patron, Massachusetts	July 1998
Mrs. Hazel Lovington, Ontario	July 1998
Mr. Lennart A. Johnson, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	July 1999
Mrs. Janice Renn Benham, Grand Representative of N.S.& P.E.I. (96-97) Florida	July 1999
Mrs. Natalie Graham, Grand Representative of N.S.&P.E.I. (93-94) New Brunswick	July 2000
* Mr. Carr Graham, Past Grand Patron, New Brunswick	July 2000
Mrs. Betty J. Briggs, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Past Grand Matron, Iowa	July 2000
Mr. William Briggs, Past Patron, Iowa	July 2000
Mr. Bruce Wedlock, Grand Representative of N.S.&P.E.I. (98-00) New Hampshire	July 2000
* Mrs. Dorothy M. Dewing, Most Worthy Grand Matron (2000-2003)	July 2001
Mr. Harles I. Creech, Most Worthy Grand Patron (2000-2003)	July 2001
Mrs. Jeanette Vreeland, Grand Representative of N.S.& P.E.I. (97-98) New Jersey	July 2001
Mrs. Estelle Creech, Past Matron, Louisiana	July 2002
Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Cond., Past Grand Matron, Texas	July 2002
Mrs. Margaret Dyer, Past Grand Matron, Maine	July 2002
Mr. Ronald "Pete" Forrest, Past Grand Patron, Maine	July 2002
Mrs. Carol Jean Forrest, Past Matron, Maine	July 2002
* Mrs. Reta Fogg, Past Grand Matron, Manitoba	July 2002
Mrs. Marjorie Morgan, Past Grand Matron, Ontario	July 2003
* Mrs. Margaret McBourne, Past Matron, Massachusetts	July 2003
Mr. Robert McBourne, Past Grand Patron, Massachusetts	July 2003
Mrs. Judy Fenner, Past Grand Matron, Massachusetts	July 2003
Mr. Frank Fenner, Past Patron, Massachusetts	July 2003
Mrs. Janice Herridge, Past Matron, Texas	July 2004
Mr. Donald Heiser, Past Grand Patron, Wyoming	July 2004
Mrs. Eunice Heiser, P.M., Wyoming & Grand Representative of N.S./P.E.I.(02-04)	July 2004
Mrs. Nancy Barr, Past Grand Matron, Connecticut	July 2004
Mrs. Kathleen MacDonald, Past Grand Matron, California	July 2004
Mrs. Frances Groat, Past Matron, California	July 2004
Mrs. Patricia Rasmusson, Most Worthy Grand Matron (2003-2006)	July 2005
Mr. Gary Rasmusson, Past Patron, Minnesota	July 2005
Mr. Loyal Stark, Most Worthy Grand Patron (2003-2006)	July 2005
Mrs. Joan Stark, Past Matron, California	July 2005
Mr. Jerry Martin, Past Grand Patron, Texas	July 2006
Mrs. Betty Martin, Past Matron, Texas	July 2006
Mr. Lawrence Chichester, P.P., New York, Grand Representative of NS/PEI (03-05)	July 2006
Mrs. Sally Chichester, Past Matron, New York	July 2006
Mrs. Bonnie Zumalt, Worthy Grand Matron, Massachusetts	July 2006

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS
ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER 24, 1947

PAST GRAND MATRONS

* Mrs. Annie Patterson	1947-48
* Mrs. M. Edna Browne	1948-49
* Mrs. Queenie J. Moseley	1949-50
* Mrs. Ethel Kinsman	1950-51
* Miss Maude Layton	1951-52
Mrs. Adline Purves, 20 Huron Ave., Sydney Mines, N.S., B1V 2H3	1952-53
* Mrs. Eva May Kohler	1953-54
* Mrs. Luceba Mosher	1954-55
* Mrs. Hazel Muggah	1955-56
* Miss Jessie C. Moss	1956-57
* Mrs. Gladys Horton	1957-58
* Mrs. Helen Herring,	1958-59
* Mrs. Helen Reid	1959-60
* Mrs. Hildred Graham	1960-61
* Mrs. Annie Horton	1961-62
* Mrs. Mabel Dodge-Cox	1962-63
* Mrs. Eulalia MacLeod-Robertson	1963-64
* Mrs. Ethel Corkum	1964-65
* Mrs. Olive Croft	1965-66
* Mrs. May Cotter	1966-67
Mrs. Claretta Palmer, 200 Beach Grove Rd., Charlottetown, P.E.I., C1A 1A7	1967-68
* Mrs. Leah Conn	1968-69
* Mrs. Agnes Hallyburton	1969-70
Mrs. E. Megan Church, P.O. Box 804, Windsor, N.S., BON 2T0	1970-71
* Mrs. Ada Bayers	1971-72
Mrs. Sarah Doty, 118 Parade St., Yarmouth, N.S., B5A 3B7	1972-73
* Mrs. Ethel Lovett	1973-74
* Mrs. Dorothy Hill	1974-75
Mrs. Jessie Nutter, 130 Young St. #208, Truro, N.S., B2N 3X4	1975-76
Mrs. Helen Connors, 390 Marsh St., Unit 9, New Glasgow, N.S., B2H 4S6	1976-77
* Mrs. Alice Cole	1977-78
Mrs. Eleanor J. Mitchell, 15118 Royal Ave., White Rock, B.C., V4B 1M3	1978-79
* Mrs. Ellen Webster	1979-80
Mrs. Ruth Waterbury, 15 School St., Mahone Bay, N.S., B0J 2E0	1980-81
* Miss Dorothy Oliver	1981-82
Mrs. Edna Harding, 320 Alexandra St., Sydney, N.S., B1S 2G1	1982-83
* Mrs. Helen Turner	1983-84
* Mrs. Eunice Brown	1984-85
Mrs. Eleanor Freeman, R.R.#1 Caledonia, Queens Co., N.S., BOT 1B0	1985-86
Mrs. Diane Hayman, 1900 Drummond Rd., Westville, N.S., B0K 2A0	1986-87
Mrs. Barbara Bowser, 20 Brigadoon Ave., Dartmouth, N.S., B2W 2B5	1987-88
Mrs. Violet E.R. Blair, 467 Canaan Cross Rd., Kentville N.S., B4N 4K1	1988-89
Mrs. Dora Turnbull, Box 654, Stellarton, N.S., B0K 1S0	1989-90
* Mrs. Mildred E. Denton	1990-91
Mrs. Elizabeth Pettigrew, 49 Durno Dr., Cambridge, N.S., BOP 1G0	1991-92
Miss Marion V. Conrad, 2100 Poplar St., Halifax, N.S., B3L 2Y7	1992-93
Mrs. Evelyn Thompson, Kensington R.R #6, P.E.I., COB 1M0	1993-94
* Mrs. Irene Liggins	1994-95
Mrs. Margaret A. Clarke, 1001 Maple Drive, New Minas, N.S., B4N 4C6	1995-96
Mrs. Sheila MacDonald, 14 Oland Ave., Sydney, N.S., B1R 2H1	1996-97
Mrs. Marian Durling, 127 Golden Sands Dr., Malagash Mines, N.S., B0K 1E0	1997-98
Mrs. Cheryl A. Denton, 5127 Rte 217, Little River, Digby Co., N.S., B0V 1C0	1998-99

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Mrs. Joan Campbell, 188 Burnyeat Street, Truro, N.S., B2N 4R1	1999-00
Mrs. Carol D. Clark, 41 Settler's Point, R.R.#2, Pictou, N.S., B0K 1H0	2000-01
Mrs. Isabelle M. Pearson, P.O. Box 704, Stellarton, N.S., B0K 1S0	2001-02
Mrs. June M. Macdonald, 31 Russell Lake Dr., A.509, Dartmouth, N.S., B2W 6J3	2002-03
Mrs. Inez Daye, 12 Forest Rd., Dartmouth, N.S., B3A 2M3	2003-04
Mrs. Marylyn C. Swinamer, 16 Harvey Ln, Wilmot, RR#2, Kingston, N.S., B0P 1R0	2004-05
Mrs. Marion Miller, 177 MacDonald Rd., Box 100, Crapaud, P.E.I., C0A 1J0	2005-06

PAST GRAND PATRONS

* Mr. J. William McLellan	1947-48
* Mr. A.J.W. MacKeigan	1948-49
* Mr. Laurie Gibson	1949-50
* Mr. Floyd Smith	1950-51
* Mr. Douglas Horton	1951-52
* Mr. Willard V. Longley	1952-53
* Mr. Maxwell Wharton	1953-54
* Mr. Joseph Steadman	1954-55
* Mr. J. Alburne Ruffee	1955-56
* Mr. Ray Schwartz	1956-57
* Mr. Lauchie Johnson	1957-58
* Mr. W. Everett Moseley	1958-59
* Mr. Jephtha Munro	1959-60
* Mr. Walter Hines	1960-61
* Mr. Mert MacLellan	1961-62
* Mr. Chesterton Davies	1962-63
* Mr. Hector Grimley	1963-64
* Mr. Vernon Robart	1964-65
* Mr. Frank Ripley	1965-66
* Mr. Winthrop Doty	1966-67
Rev. Bruce Atkinson, 108-55 Camden Cresc., Moncton, N.B., E1E 4S9	1967-68
* Mr. Edward Brown	1968-69
* Mr. Robert Fraser	1969-70
* Mr. Keith MacKinnon	1970-71
* Mr. Wilfred Cole	1971-72
Mr. Charles Thompson, Middleton, N.S.	1972-73
* Mr. William Ross	1973-74
Mr. Royce Hefler, 239 Lucasville Rd., Lower Sackville, N.S. B4B 1S1	1974-75
* Mr. Kenneth Henderson	1975-76
* Mr. William Anderson	1976-77
* Mr. Warren Walker	1977-78
* Mr. Harold Spencer	1978-79
Mr. Cyril MacIntosh, 150 Smith Ave., Truro, N.S., B2N 1C7	1979-80
* Mr. Chester Turnbull	1980-81
Mr. Kenneth Smith, 100 Union St., Bedford, N.S., B4A 2B7	1981-82
Mr. Ward Cunningham, Box 6, Pubnico, Yarmouth Co., N.S., BOW 2W0	1982-83
Mr. Lawrin Armstrong, RR#4 Shubenacadie, N.S., BON 1H0	1983-84
* Mr. Neil Archibald	1984-85
Mr. Keith Pettigrew, 49 Durno Dr., Cambridge, N.S., BOP 1G0	1985-86
* Mr. Cecil S. Dean	1986-87
Mr. Frederick W. Clarke, 1001 Maple Drive, New Minas, N.S., B4N 4C6	1987-88
Mr. G. Reginald MacRae, 228 Marine Ave., Summerside, P.E.I., C1N 6N9	1988-89
Mr. Vincent Ells, 781 Westmount Road, Sydney, N.S., B1R 1B9	1989-90
Mr. William F. Clark, 41 Settler's Point, R.R.#2, Pictou, N.S., B0K 1H0	1990-91
Mr. A. Allison Mitchell, 15118 Royal Ave., White Rock, B.C., V4B 1M3	1991-92
Mr. Adrian A. Pearson, P.O. Box 704, Stellarton, N.S., B0K 1S0	1992-93
Mr. James Dickie, 260 Rte.223, R.R.#1 Little Narrows, N.S., B0E 1T0	1993-94

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Mr. Lewis Smith, 39 Cemetery Rd., Port Hastings, N.S., B9A 1K5	1994-95
Mr. J. Howard MacInnis, 5512 Livingstone Place, Halifax, N.S., B3K 2B9	1995-96
Mr. David J.C. Waterbury, 15 School St., Mahone Bay, N.S., B0J 2E0	1996-97
Mr. William M. Thompson, Sr., Box 272, Trenton, N.S., B0K 1X0	1997-98
* Mr. Ervin T. Miller	1998-99
Mr. John Newell, 49 Hebrides Drive, Sydney, N.S., B1R 2A3	1999-00
Mr. Murray F. Gardner, 316 Hollis St., New Glasgow, N.S., B2H 1P4	2000-01
Mr. William A. Thompson, 2387 Picken Street, Westville, N.S., B0K 2A0	2001-02
Mr. George E. Crouch, 2016 Langille Dr., Coldbrook, N.S., B4R 1C3	2002-03
Mr. C. Allen Denton, 5127 Rte. 217, Little River, N.S., Digby Co., B0V 1C0	2003-04
Mr. Allan R. Conrad, 9 Hershey Rd., Dartmouth, N.S., B2Y 2H4	2004-05
Rev. John Patterson, P.O. Box 1697, Trenton, N.S., B0K 1X2	2005-06

GRAND SECRETARY

* Miss Jessie C. Moss	1947-53
* Mrs. Ethel Kinsman	1953-63
* Mrs. Gertrude Dowell	1963-77
Mrs. Hazel MacLeod	1977-85
* Mrs. Hilda M. Powroz	1985-98
Mrs. Betty Ann Loughnan	1998-

GRAND TREASURER

* Mrs. Evelyn Ladner	1947-51
* Mrs. Mary Walker	1951-55
* Mrs. Mabel Dodge-Cox	1955-59
* Mrs. Mary Walker	1959-64
* Mrs. Eunice Davies	1964-68
* Mrs. Mabel Johnson	1968-88
Mrs. Margaret Clarke	1988-92
Mr. Cecil E. Decker	1992-03
Miss Dorothy Powroz	2003-

GRAND SECRETARY EMERITUS

* Mrs. Gertrude Dowell	1977-82
Mrs. Hazel MacLeod	1994-
* Mrs. Hilda M. Powroz	1998-01

GRAND TREASURER EMERITUS

* Mrs. Mabel Johnson	1988
Mr. Cecil E. Decker	2003-

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ALABAMA - Oct. - Mrs. Ramona Vickery, 1423 Upper Kingston Rd., Prattville, AL, 36067
ALBERTA - June - Mrs. Lee Clay, 330 12 th Ave. SW, Calgary, AB, T2R 0H2
ARIZONA - Mar. - Mrs. Ruth Brannan, 4600 N. 24 th St., Phoenix, AZ, 85016-5204
ARKANSAS - Dec. - Mrs. Rosemary Messersmith, PGM, 610 Royal Lane, Bentonville, AR, 72712
AUSTRALIA - June - Mrs. Elaine O'Brien, PMWGM, 92 First Ave., Berala, N.S.W. 2141, AUS.
BOLIVIA - Mrs. Isabel Fernandez, Calle Quijarro 190 entre,, Santa Cruz, Bolivia
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON - June - Mrs. Sheila Carlson, #3 - 1735 Spring Creek Dr., Lindell Beach, BC, V2R 4W8
CALIFORNIA - Oct.-Mrs. Sharanne Wick, 16960 Bastanchury Rd., Suite E, Yorba Linda, CA, 92886-1711
COLORADO - Sept. - Mrs. Valerie Grundvig, 2445 South Quebec, Ste. B, Denver, CO, 80231-6000
CONNECTICUT - Apr. - Mrs. Marilyn Mattoon, PGM, Box 143, Plymouth, CT, 06782
DELAWARE - May - Mrs. Joan Edwards, PGM, 6112 W. Denny's Rd., Dover, DE, 19901-1534

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA - May - Mrs. Dorothy Todd, PGM, 122C Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001
FLORIDA - Apr. - Mrs. Alice Lanier, PGM, P.O. Box 292833, Tampa, FL, 33686-2833
GEORGIA - June - Mrs. Montine Mize, PGM, Box 187, Hephzibah, GA, 30815-0187
IDAHO - June - Mrs. Denise Hunt, 2960 Selkirk, Boise, ID, 83702
ILLINOIS - Oct. - Mrs. Janice M. Shank, P.O. Box 317, Macon, IL, 62544-0317
INDIANA - Apr. - Mrs. Beulah F. Jones, P.O. Box 86, Franklin, IN, 46131
IOWA - Oct. - Mrs. Nancy Niday, P.O. Box 72, Knoxville, IA, 50138
KANSAS - Apr. - Mrs. Nancy Wentling, PGM, 3400 SW VanBuren St., #110, Topeka, KS, 66611-2462
KENTUCKY - Oct. - Mrs. Carolyn Perkins, 102 Washington St., P.O. Box 7, LaGrange, KY, 40031-0007
LOUISIANA - Mar. - Mrs. Terrie Castay, PGM, P.O. Box 740412, New Orleans, LA, 70174-0412
MAINE - May - Mrs. Corley Anne Byras, P.O. Box 119, Bowdoinham, ME, 04008
MANITOBA - May - Miss Elizabeth Evans, 52-525 Cathcart St., Winnipeg, MAN., R3R 0S6
MARYLAND - Apr. - Mrs. Jean Penley, 304 International Circle, Cockeysville, MD, 21030-1300
MASSACHUSETTS - May - Mrs. Elaine R. Wallace, PGM, P.O. Box 600583, Newtonville, MA, 02460
MICHIGAN - Oct. - Miss Mary Ivey, 13464 Preston Dr., #250, Marshall, MI, 49068-9684
MINNESOTA - May - Mrs. Robyn E. Johnson, 3940 Black Oaks Lane North, Plymouth, Minneapolis, MN, 55446
MISSISSIPPI - Apr. - Mrs. Paulette Fioretti, PGM, 205 Wildwood Blvd., Jackson, MS, 39212
MISSOURI - Oct. - Mrs. Marilyn Woods, PGM, P.O. Box 1065, High Ridge, MO, 63049
MONTANA - June - Mrs. Marlene Pfaff, P.O. Box 578, Laurel, MT, 59044
NEBRASKA - May - Mrs. Cathy Wagner, P.O. Box 156, Fremont, NE, 68026
NEVADA - Oct. - Mrs. Barbara L. Redmond, 1825 Pocono Court, Sparks, NV, 89434
NEW BRUNSWICK - July - Miss Brenda Saunders, PGM, 214 Downey Ave., Riverview, N.B., E1B 1W7
NEW HAMPSHIRE - Sept. - Mrs. Janet I. Noland, PGM, P.O. Box 215, Tilton, NH., 03276-0215
NEW JERSEY - May - Mrs. Dorothy Banta, PGM, 111 Finderne Ave., Bridgewater, NJ, 08807-3101
NEW MEXICO - Oct. - Mrs. Barbara Brock-Eichmuller, 1602 S. Saddler, Deming, NM, 88030
NEW YORK - Oct. - Mrs. Lois M. Carlsen, 1400 Utica St., Box 106, Oriskany, NY, 13424
NORTH CAROLINA - June - Mrs. Julia MacIntosh, PGM, Box 5516, Kinston, NC, 28503
NORTH DAKOTA - June - Mrs. Judy Foster, P.O. Box 5268, Grand Forks, ND, 58206-5268
NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND - July - Mrs. Betty Ann Loughnan, 2375 Roosevelt Dr., Halifax, NS, B3L 3H8
OHIO - Oct. - Mrs. Barbara Price, P.O. Box 419, Grand River, OH, 44045
OKLAHOMA - Oct. - Mrs. Margie Onkst, 1415 N. Walnut, Guthrie, OK, 73044-2003
ONTARIO - Sept. - Mrs. Betty Romenick, 57 Edilou Dr., Etobicoke, ON, M8W 4B4
OREGON - June - Mrs. E'Laine Armstrong, 9045 SW Barbur Blvd., Suite 122, Portland, OR, 97219
PENNSYLVANIA - June - Mrs. Mary Ann Rhode, Box 8, Womelsdorf, PA, 19567-0008
PUERTO RICO - Apr. - Mrs. Iris Violeta Rivero, Box 810255, Carolina, PR, 00981-0255
QUEBEC - Oct. - Mrs. Anita Young, PGM, 1301 Barsalou, Chambly, PQ., J3L 2X8
RHODE ISLAND - Oct. - Mr. Robert A. Kane, PGP, 95 Farnum Rd., Warwick, RI, 02888
SAO PAULO - Ivete R. Leite, Av. M. Hipolito do Rego 2416, Sao Sebastiao, Sao Paulo, Brazil 11600 00
SASKATCHEWAN - Apr. - Mrs. Janet Zondervan, Box 587, Moosomin, SK, S0G 3N0
SCOTLAND - Apr & Oct. - Mr. James T. Smith, 143 West Regent St., Glasgow, Scotland, G2 2SG
SOUTH CAROLINA - June - Mrs. Virginia Gilreath, PGM, P.O. Box 343, 112 Lybrand St., Great Falls, SC, 29055
SOUTH DAKOTA - Oct. - Mrs. Eileen Harmes, PGM, 513 West Fourth, Mitchell, SD, 57301
TENNESSEE - Apr. - Mrs. Jean Vincent, PGM, 1007 Hybdsver Rd., Martin, TN, 38237
TEXAS - Oct. - Mrs. Nell Smith-Drenner, 1503 West Division, Arlington, TX, 76012
UTAH - Oct. - Mrs. Shanna L. Minert, 4034 South 750 West, Ogden, UT, 84405-2651
VERMONT - June - Mrs. Jerri Riegler, PGM, 65 Lindale Dr., Colchester, VT, 05446
VIRGINIA - May - Mrs. Paula Swansey, 4101 Nine Mile Rd., Richmond, VA, 23223-4999
WASHINGTON - June - Mrs. Sandra Henry, 615 North St., SE, Tumwater, WA, 98501-3438
WEST VIRGINIA - Oct. - Mrs. Dixie Barley, PGM, P.O. Box 245, Bradley, WV, 25818
WISCONSIN - May - Mrs. Sharon Swartwout, 36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI, 53118-9349

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WYOMING - Aug. - Mrs. Patricia Harwood, 2645 Torrey Pines Ct., Gillette , WY, 82718-5560

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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF
OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS
IN NOVA SCOTIA and PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

Mary Lou Higgins (48)	Alabama	Dec. 31, 2007
Heather Matthews (3)	Alberta	Dec. 31, 2006
Ruby MacKenzie (15)	Arizona	Jan. 01, 2007
Wilma Verge (58)	Arkansas	Feb. 01, 2007
Mildred O'Neill (31)	Australia	Dec. 31, 2006
Tricia Duncan (61)	Bolivia	Apr. 30, 2007
Julia Llewellyn (67)	B.C. & Yukon	Dec. 31, 2006
Arlene Antle (40)	California	Dec. 31, 2007
Donald Cooke (49)	Colorado	Dec. 31, 2006
George Sterling (50)	Connecticut	Dec. 31, 2007
Gail Kay (25)	Delaware	Dec. 31, 2007
Rowena Marsters (22)	District of Columbia	Apr. 30, 2008
Shirley Smith (30)	Florida	Dec. 31, 2006
Layton Proffitt (52)	Georgia	Dec. 31, 2007
Margaret Bonn (22)	Idaho	Dec. 31, 2006
Linda Campbell (18)	Illinois	Mar. 10, 2008
Helen Hewitt (47)	Indiana	Dec. 31, 2006
Jean Luxton (71)	Iowa	Apr. 01, 2007
Barbara Mosher (28)	Kansas	Nov. 14, 2006
Wayne Arsenault (50)	Kentucky	Dec. 31, 2006
Kay Horton (66)	Louisiana	July 01, 2008
Amelia Collis (26)	Maine	Mar. 01, 2007
Viola Horton (47)	Manitoba	Dec. 31, 2007
Lynn Thurber (7)	Maryland	June 15, 2008
Doris Hillier (57)	Massachusetts	Dec. 31, 2006
Richard Snowdon (27)	Michigan	Jan. 01, 2008
Donald P. MacDonald (19)	Minnesota	Dec. 31, 2006
Stephen Swan (21)	Mississippi	Dec. 31, 2007
Kathy Turner Balcom (21)	Missouri	June 16, 2007
Gordon Bragg (1)	Montana	Mar. 13, 2007
Larry Ingham (10)	Nebraska	Oct. 01, 2007
Ruth Donaldson (55)	Nevada	Dec. 31, 2006
Anna Carr (IPEI)	New Brunswick	Dec. 31, 2007
Ruth Bond (22)	New Hampshire	Mar. 31, 2008
George Leaman (2)	New Jersey	Jan. 01, 2007
Shirley Shot (34)	New Mexico	Jan. 01, 2007
Sheila Beattie (26)	New York	May 01, 2008
Naomi Prest (48)	North Carolina	Jan. 01, 2007
Elizabeth Langille (65)	North Dakota	Dec. 31, 2007
Charlene Davis (35)	Ohio	Dec. 31, 2007
Maureen Doucette (28)	Oklahoma	Feb. 15, 2007
Laland Potter (35)	Ontario	Dec. 31, 2006
Josephine MacKinnon (14)	Oregon	May 01, 2008
Jean Annear (69)	Pennsylvania	Dec. 31, 2007
Kevin Conrod (61)	Puerto Rico	Mar. 31, 2007
Allison McDonald (IPEI)	Quebec	July 01, 2007
Michael Glover (69)	Rhode Island	Feb. 01, 2008
Jean Withrow (39)	Sao Paulo	Dec. 31, 2006
Averill MacKenzie (39)	Saskatchewan	Dec. 31, 2006
Jessie Giles (2)	Scotland	Dec. 31, 2007
Margaret Chisholm (10)	South Carolina	Feb. 01, 2008

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Lorna MacLeod (59)	South Dakota	Dec. 31, 2007
Ann MacIntosh (37)	Tennessee	Dec. 31, 2007
Linda Foote (67)	Texas	Mar. 25, 2008
Wayne Yorke (39)	Utah	Dec. 31, 2007
Gladys MacRae (52)	Vermont	Dec. 31, 2007
Susan Martin (24)	Virginia	Dec. 31, 2006
Reta MacDonald (IPEI)	Washington	Mar. 01, 2008
Margaret Muise (25)	West Virginia	Dec. 31, 2006
Darlene Amirault (49)	Wisconsin	Dec. 31, 2007
Murray Allen (5)	Wyoming	Dec. 31, 2006

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REPRESENTING NOVA SCOTIA and PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

Steve Smith	Alabama	Dec. 31, 2006
Sandra McMullen	Alberta	Dec. 31, 2007
Patricia Askew	Arizona	Dec. 31, 2006
Betty Tovar	Arkansas	Dec. 31, 2006
Margaret Lavaring	Australia	Dec. 31, 2006
Joe Proudfoot	B.C. & Yukon	Dec. 31, 2007
Marcia McBrayer	California	Dec. 31, 2007
Millicent Ramsay	Colorado	Dec. 31, 2006
Kathy Raveneau	Connecticut	May 07, 2008
Gloria Fox	Delaware	Dec. 31, 2007
Constance Connolly	District of Columbia	June 30, 2008
Al Hailey	Florida	Dec. 31, 2007
Hertha Piercy	Georgia	Dec. 31, 2007
Milton Slavin	Idaho	Dec. 31, 2006
John Broeker	Illinois	Dec. 31, 2006
Sandy Stitt	Indiana	Dec. 31, 2007
Bonnie Altes	Iowa	Dec. 31, 2007
Judith Caputo	Kansas	Dec. 31, 2006
Wilma King	Kentucky	Dec. 31, 2006
Debbie Alford	Louisiana	Dec. 31, 2007
Patricia Beals	Maine	May 31, 2008
Jeanne Fell	Manitoba	Dec. 31, 2006
Melissa Temple	Maryland	June 01, 2008
Diane Ricci	Massachusetts	Dec. 31, 2007
Bessie Mast	Michigan	Dec. 31, 2007
Shirley Boe	Minnesota	Dec. 31, 2006
Jeanne Thompson	Mississippi	Apr. 01, 2007
Ann Daniel	Missouri	Mar. 31, 2008
Harriet Rickman	Montana	Dec. 31, 2007
Carla Crawford	Nebraska	Dec. 31, 2007
Heidi Sakelarios	Nevada	Dec. 31, 2007
George Jones	New Brunswick	Dec. 31, 2006
Nancy Jackson	New Hampshire	Oct. 31, 2006
Virginia Foose	New Jersey	Dec. 31, 2006
Mary McClain	New Mexico	Jan. 01, 2007
Eva Little	New York	Dec. 31, 2007
Randolph Mizelle	North Carolina	Jan. 01, 2007
Elaine Hanson	North Dakota	Dec. 31, 2006
Beverly Bacon	Ohio	Dec. 31, 2006

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Joseph Melott		Oklahoma	Dec. 31, 2007
Robert Lancaster		Ontario	Dec. 31, 2007
Marilyn Hilton		Oregon	Dec. 31, 2007
Helen Shutt		Pennsylvania	Dec. 31, 2006
Reinerio Velez		Puerto Rico	Apr. 30, 2007
Anita Young		Quebec	Dec. 31, 2006
Sharon Mitchell		Rhode Island	Dec. 31, 2007
Maria L.S. Alves	Sao Paulo		Oct. 31, 2007
Wally Hudyma		Saskatchewan	Dec. 31, 2006
Kenneth MacLeod		Scotland	Dec. 31, 2007
Alice Whitt		South Carolina	Dec. 31, 2006
Michael Meeks		South Dakota	Dec. 31, 2007
Yvonne Wolfe		Tennessee	Dec. 31, 2006
Karl Drescher, Sr.		Texas	Nov. 18, 2006
Brooks Baker		Utah	Dec. 31, 2006
Winnifred Cass		Vermont	Dec. 31, 2006
Pamela Brooks		Virginia	Nov. 30, 2006
Roma Nelson		Washington	Dec. 31, 2007
Bill Mushet		West Virginia	Dec. 31, 2006
David Schreier		Wisconsin	Dec. 31, 2006
Marilyn Huffman		Wyoming	Dec. 31, 2006

**SECRETARIES
OF
SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS
2005-2006**

<u>CHAPTER NO.</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>MEETING NIGHT</u>
Port Royal #1	Annapolis Royal 3599 Granville Road	Mrs. Joan Ross RR#2, Granville Ferry N.S., B0S 1K0	3 rd Monday
Mayflower #2	Kingston	Mr. Donald Riswold Box 469 Greenwood, N.S., B0P 1N0	2 nd Tuesday
Cedar #3	Wallace	Mrs. Marianne MacMillan R.R.#3, Wallace N..S., B0K 1Y0	2 nd Friday
Keystone #5	Hebron	Mrs. Joyce Cunningham Box 6 Pubnico, N.S., B0W 2W0	2 nd Tuesday
Halifax #7	Halifax	Mrs. Barbara Myles 158 Old Sambro Road Halifax, N.S., B3R 1R3	3 rd Monday
Grace #8	Lunenburg	Mrs. Geraldine Delk 841 Mason's Beach Road RR#2, Lunenburg, N.S., B0J 2C0	2 nd Thursday

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Century #10	New Glasgow	Mrs. Olive Bowen 34 North Albert Street New Glasgow, N.S., B2H 3V1	4 th Tuesday
Queen Elizabeth #14	Sydney	Mrs. Edna MacVicar 1990 Point Edward Hwy. Edwardsville, N.S., B2A 4S1	3 rd Thursday
Evangeline #15	Kentville	Mrs. Peggy Lipskey 89 Nichols Avenue Kentville, N.S., B4N 2G9	1 st Tuesday
Britannia #18	Amherst	Mrs. Shirley MacTavish 8 Lorne Crescent Amherst, N.S., B4H 4B7	4 th Thursday
Victoria #19	Baddeck	Mrs. Dolena Matheson P.O. Box 593, Baddeck N.S., B0E 1B0	4 th Monday
Hon. Joseph Howe #20	Dartmouth	Mr. Kenneth Conrod 2 Lexington Ave. Dartmouth, N.S., B2X 3L8	2 nd Monday
Myrtle #21	Truro	Mrs. Mary Ellen Bishop 62 Scenic Drive Truro, N.S., B2N 4N5	3 rd Tuesday
Fairfield #22	Windsor	Mrs. Margaret Bonn 141 Dill Road R.R.#1, Windsor N.S., BON 2T0	1 st Thursday
Crystal #1 PEI	Charlottetown, P.E.I.	Mrs. Anna Carr 7 MacMillan Crescent Charlottetown, P.E.I., C1A 8G3	3 rd Friday
Westville #24	Westville	Mrs. Diane Hayman, P.G.M. P.O. Box 853, Westville, N.S., B0K 2A0	3 rd Monday
Harmony #25	Stellarton	Mrs. Isabelle Pearson, P.G.M. P.O. Box 704 Stellarton, N.S., B0K 1S0	2 nd Thursday
Munro #26	North Sydney	Mrs. Sheila MacDonald, P.G.M. 14 Oland Avenue Sydney, N.S., B1R 2H1	1 st Thursday
Kwebec #27	Bedford	Mrs. Beverly Caulier 40 Chelton Woods Lane, A105 Halifax, N.S., B3M 3V2	4 th Monday

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Amethyst #28	Halifax	Mrs. Iris Newman 5538 Livingstone Place Halifax, N.S., B3K 2B9	4 th Thursday
Arbutus #30	Milton	Mrs. Pauline Hatt Box 353 Milton, N.S., B0T 1P0	1 st Thursday
Annavaal #31	Middleton	Mrs. Dianne LeGard RR#3, Middleton N.S., B0S 1P0	3 rd Tuesday
Queens #34	Liverpool	Mrs. Dorothy Jewers Box 1667 Liverpool, N.S., B0T 1K0	3 rd Thursday
St. Mary's #35	Digby	Mrs. June Whitman R.R.#3, Bridgetown N.S., B0S 1C0	2 nd Thursday
Dr. Gordon MacLeod #37	Whycocomagh	Mrs. Diann Campbell-Kinney Box 162 Whycocomagh, N.S., B0E 3M0	2 nd Thursday
Mae #38	Bridgewater	Mrs. Helen Holden R.R.#4, Bridgewater N.S., B4V 2W3	2 nd Wednesday
Cobequid #39	Maitland	Ms. Jana Miller R.R.#1, Maitland N.S., B0N 1J0	4 th Monday
Mystic Star #40	St. Margaret's Bay	Mrs. Mary Zinck 3003 Olivet Street, Apt. 409 Halifax, N.S., B3L 4A1	1 st Monday
Armcrest #45	Bedford	Mr. Ross Hagar 38 Mount Edward Road Dartmouth, N.S., B2W 3K4	1 st Wednesday
Florence Fraser #47	Sherbrooke	Mrs. Barbara Crosby Box 99 Sherbrooke, N.S., B0J 3C0	2 nd Tuesday
Elm #48	Upper Stewiacke	Mrs. Cora MacKay 474 College Road Truro, N.S., B2N 2R2	2 nd Tuesday
Scotia #49	Musquodoboit Harbour	Mrs. Marjorie Davis-Snow 6 Rosehill Drive Dartmouth, N.S., B2W 6E5	2 nd Thursday
Sunrise #50	Pugwash	Mrs. Hazelann Sterling 1346 Valley Road R.R.#1, River Philip, N.S., B0M 1V0	4 th Monday

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Regent #52	Central Bedeque, P.E.I.	Mrs. Marilyn Lisk Module 4, Comp 1 Kensington, P.E.I., C0B 1M0	3 rd Tuesday
Faith #54	Mulgrave	Ms. Carol Brown 5244 Hwy 344 R.R.#1, Mulgrave, N.S., B0E 2G0	3 rd Wednesday
Elmsdale #55	Elmsdale	Mrs. Nora Moxsom 8565 Hwy 14 Hardwoodlands, N.S., B0N 1Y0	2 nd Wednesday
Ruth #57	Dartmouth	Mrs. Marion Tizard 14 Athorpe Drive Dartmouth, N.S., B2W 3A5	2 nd Friday
Emerald #58	Halifax	Mrs. Doreen Edgar 14 Juniper Crescent Eastern Passage, N.S., B3G 1C9	2 nd Thursday
Shoreham #59	Chester	Mrs. Mary Perry R.R.#1, Chester N.S., B0J 1J0	3 rd Tuesday
Queen Esther #61	Dartmouth	Mrs. Edith Conrod 67 Hollyoake Lane Dartmouth, N.S., B2V 1L6	1 st Tuesday
Atlantic #65	Tatamagouche	Mrs. Annie Leslie 242 Couper Road, Fr. River RR#2, Tatamagouche, N.S., B0K 1V0	4 th Wednesday
Starlight #66	Port Hawkesbury	Mrs. Jean Pierce 1877 Crandall Road Sugar Camp, N.S., B9A 1T4	4 th Wednesday
Laurel #67	Berwick	Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson Box 281 Berwick, N.S., B0P 1E0	3 rd Wednesday
Montague #69	Montague, P.E.I.	Mrs. Alena Buchanan Montague P.E.I., C0A 1R0	2 nd Monday
Crescent #70	Lockeport	Mrs. Mary Jean Page 820 Rockland Road RR#1, Sable River, N.S., B0T 1V0	2 nd Monday
Pearle #71	Caledonia	Mrs. Eleanor Freeman, P.G.M. 10 Lakeview Road RR#1, Caledonia, N.S., B0T 1B0	4 th Thursday

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