

INSTRUCTIONS TO SECRETARIES

Please acknowledge receipt of Grand Chapter Proceedings.

Notify the Grand Secretary of any new Change of Address.

Annual Returns should be in the Office of the Grand Secretary on or before the last day of April. In giving the list of membership, prefix the name of a Sister by “Mrs.”, or “Miss”, as the case may be. Place PM or PP after such Officers’ names in the Annual Report.

Change of Address of Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Past Matrons, Past Patrons and all Members should be sent to the Grand Secretary.

Grand Secretary should be notified immediately of the death of a Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron.

Requests for Special Dispensations should be sent to the Worthy Grand Matron under the Seal of the Chapter.

All Cheques for supplies should be made out to the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, OES.

The Books of the Grand Secretary close on May 31st. All monies received after that date would be carried over to the next year.

PROCEEDINGS

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF

NEW BRUNSWICK

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

“RAINBOW OF FRIENDSHIP”

July 11, 12, 13, 2002

Fredericton Inn
Fredericton, New Brunswick

DEBBIE HILL
WORTHY GRAND MATRON

DOUG SWAN
WORTHY GRAND PATRON

BRENDA J. SAUNDERS, PGM
GRAND SECRETARY

2001-2002

“RAINBOW OF FRIENDSHIP” SESSION

OF

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF NEW BRUNSWICK

DEDICATION

WORTHY GRAND MATRON

I dedicate this year to the Sisters and Brothers who encouraged me to make my dreams a reality and to the members of Devon Chapter #37 for all their hard work.

AND

WORTHY GRAND PATRON

I dedicate this year to my wife, Sister Lynda, and to all members of Victoria Chapter #1 for their support and hard work for making this day a reality.

Scripture: WGM: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Psalms 103: 2.

WGP: Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Philippians 2: 4.

Motto: Count Your Blessings.

Aim: For each member to make a new Star Friend.

<u>Watchwords:</u>	Faith and Hope
<u>Emblem:</u>	Sword and Veil
<u>Honour Station:</u>	Adah
<u>Colours:</u>	Green, Burgundy and Silver
<u>Flowers:</u>	White Rose
<u>Fun Symbols:</u>	WGM: Butterflies and Candles WGP: Ducks
<u>Hymns:</u>	WGM: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee Part of the Family Love Divine All Love Excelling Count Your Blessings WGP: Make Me a Channel of Thy Peace Let There Be Peace on Earth
<u>Songs:</u>	Give to us Laughter Song of Peace In the Bulb there is a Flower One Day at a Time Morning Has Broken Rainbow Connection Memory Somewhere Over the Rainbow
<u>Projects:</u>	All Grand Chapter and General Grand Chapter Projects
<u>Special Projects:</u>	Camp Goodtime ESTARL
<u>Non-Monetary Project:</u>	Corsages and Boutonnieres for Seniors' Homes for Mother's Day and Father's Day.

Everyone has a unique role to fill in the world and is important in some respect. Everyone, including and perhaps, especially, you, is indispensable.

GRAND OFFICERS FOR YEAR 2001-2002

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Debbie Hill (37)
Worthy Grand Patron.....	Doug Swan (1)
Associate Grand Matron.....	Leitha Holmes (9)
Associate Grand Patron.....	Ronald Jagoe (22)
Grand Secretary.....	Brenda J. Saunders, PGM (36)
Grand Treasurer.....	Joanne Cameron (5)
.....	Linda Cogswell (37) Pro-tem
Grand Conductress.....	Marjorie Colton (27)
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Donna Allen (11)
Grand Chaplain.....	George Hicks (36)
Grand Marshal.....	Robert Flewelling (14)
Grand Organist.....	Norma Caswell (4)
Grand Adah.....	Helen Crawford (23)
Grand Ruth.....	Sherry Mitton (22)
Grand Esther.....	Lynda Swan (1)
Grand Martha.....	Marion Logan (33)
Grand Electa.....	Fonnie Kuhn (26)
Grand Warder.....	Joan Curran (37)
Grand Sentinel.....	Evan Thomas (26)

ASSISTANT GRAND OFFICERS

Assistant Grand Marshal.....	Lynn Hutchin (35)
Assistant Grand Organist.....	Mary Pelletier (5)
Assistant Grand Secretary.....	Patricia Lister (35)

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON

Donna McEwen (24)

GRAND PAGES

Betty Powell (3)	Edith Clouston (22)
Elaine MacLean (3)	Marjorie Steeves (23)
Doreen Young (4)	Olive Smollett (24)
Rosalie Clifford (13)	Glenna Geer (33)
June Rafuse (15)	Mary Marshall (36)
Barbara Darke (15)	Norma Smith (40)
Lynne Hatt (15)	Jean Kelly (42)
Vivian Magee (18)	

GRAND GUARDS

Roy Wilson (1)

Paul Fullarton (3)

Arnold MacLeod (8)

Reginald Clifford (13)

Gregory Darke (15)

Burton Hall (15)

David Fairweather (30)

Allan Gillis (37)

GRAND NURSES

**In lieu of Grand Nurses, we were looked after by the Saint John
Ambulance**

GRAND CHOIR DIRECTOR

Catherine Evans, WM (41)

SESSION TYPIST

Avis Ford, PM (1)

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

General Grand Chapter Officers

General Grand Chapter Committee Members, including our own:

- **Sister Rose Scott, Eastern Star Journal**
- **Brother Rupert Sypher, Public Relations**
- **Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey
for the Most Worthy Grand Matron**

**Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand
Jurisdictions**

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick

**Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand
Jurisdictions**

**Elected and Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions
Grand Representatives**

HOSTESS CHAPTER

Devon Chapter #37

ASSISTING CHAPTERS

Victoria #1

Celestial #3

Unity #35

SESSION COMMITTEES

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

**Ann Lister, PGM
Joan Hicks, PGM**

**DeWitt Lister, PGP
George Hicks, PP**

COURTESY COMMITTEE

**F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy
Grand Matron**

COMMITTEE TO LINE UP DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

**Elderic Thorne, PGP
Shirley MacDonald, PGM**

**Sheila Thorne, PM (30)
Betty Kay, PM (26)**

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

**Shirley Jennings, PM, Chairperson (37)
Gertrude Wilson, PM (1)
Sally Donald, PM (27)**

HOUSING CHAIRPERSON

Dale Nicklin, PGP, and Cairine Nicklin, PM (37)

BANQUET RESERVATIONS CHAIRPERSON

Linda Cogswell, PM (37)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration:	Thursday	10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
	Friday	8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
	Saturday	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Please **NOTE** that registration will remain open during the Vesper Service, but will close for balloting.

For Registration, each New Brunswick member must have a Credential Slip properly executed with the Seal of the Chapter and the signature of the Secretary thereon. Visitors must show a receipt for current year's dues. Registration Fee for all attending Grand Chapter is \$5.00.

Distinguished Guests are invited to sit in the East during the Sessions.

All Sessions will begin promptly on time. Grand Officers and Assistant Grand Officers are to assemble 15 minutes before the opening time of each Session. All Reports, Addresses and Responses (two typewritten copies) are to be filed with the Grand Secretary (immediately after presentation).

A Session Typist will be available to assist you.

If unable to present your Report, please arrange with a member of your Committee to have the Report ready for presentation when called for by the Chair.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

**Sister Pat Rasmusson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, and
Past Grand Matron of Minnesota**

**Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, and
Past Grand Matron of Texas**

**Brother Robert Morrison, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, and Past
Grand Patron of Saskatchewan**

**Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Chairperson, and
Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.**

**Sister Barbara White, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, and Past Grand
Matron of West Virginia**

Sister Helen Westmoreland, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Past Grand Matron of Florida
Sister Judith Morrison, Worthy Grand Esther, and Past Grand Matron of Saskatchewan

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND AMBASSADORS

Sister Laura Jane C. Quave, Appeals and Grievances, and Past Grand Matron of Louisiana
Sister Annie King, Cancer Project, and Past Grand Matron of Maine
Sister Rose Scott, Eastern Star Journal, and Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick
Sister Phyllis Bowman, Heart, and Past Grand Matron of Delaware
Brother Dwight Whitney, Knights Templar Eye Foundation, and Past Grand Patron of Maine
Sister Donna L. Robinson, Membership, and Past Grand Matron of New Hampshire
Brother Kenneth Smith, Membership, and Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.
Brother Rupert Sypher, Public Relations and Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick
Brother Robert J. Norton, Registration, and Past Grand Patron of New Hampshire
Brother Donald E. Jones, Scottish Rite Charities, and Past Grand Patron of Ontario
Sister Margaret Clarke, Chairman for Canadian Shriners' Hospital, and Past Grand Matron of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island
Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick
Sister Charlotte Acton, Ambassador to the Phillipines, Luzon for the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of Missouri.

WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND WORTHY GRAND PATRONS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Sister B. Judith Fenner of Massachusetts
Sister Cynthia Salisbury of New Hampshire
Sister Gretchen Brissette of Maine
Sister Evelyn Beacock of Ontario

Sister June MacDonald of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island
Brother Paul Francis Hunt of Massachusetts
Brother Fred Bowman of Ontario
Brother George Crouch of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

**PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF
NEW BRUNSWICK**

Sister Edythe Hatheway	Brother Everett McKinnon
Sister Glenna Taylor	Brother Joseph A. Potter
Sister Anne Steeves	Brother DeWitt Lister
Sister Jacquie Boutilier	Brother Stuart Norton, Grand
Sister Jeanne Wheelock	Representative of Wisconsin
Sister Florence Wilson	Brother James Page
Sister Betty Danks	Brother Clinton Shaffer
Sister Jean Belding	Brother Peter Colton
Sister Ann Lister	Brother George Theal
Sister Joan Hicks	Brother Joseph Holmes
Sister Hilda Shaffer	Brother Elderic Thorne
Sister Hazel Harris	Brother Dale Nicklin
Sister Brenda Taylor	Brother Carr Graham
Sister Brenda J. Saunders, Gr. Sect.	Brother Gordon Steeves
Sister Shirley MacDonald	Brother Charles Rafuse
Sister Audrey Sypher	
Sister Ann Morton	
Sister Carol Sutherland	

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

Sister Edith Tracy-Whitaker of Vermont
Sister Edith W. McKenney of Connecticut
Sister Dawn L. Cassada of Connecticut
Sister Nancy Lindsey of Arkansas
Sister Constance E. Vick of Massachusetts
Sister Patricia S. Ingall of Massachusetts and Grand Secretary
Sister Mildred McIntosh of Maine
Sister Virginia Charles of Maine
Sister Bertha Cadigan of Maine
Sister Margaret Dyer of Maine
Sister Effie Mae Davis of Texas
Sister Marjorie H. Self of Rhode Island
Sister Marjorie Morgan of Ontario
Sister Flora Whalen of Ontario

Sister Bette MacIntosh of Ontario
Sister Jean Lee of Ontario and Angel in Disguise
Sister Marion Conrad of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Sister Cheryl Denton of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Sister Carol Clark of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Sister Isabelle Pearson of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Brother Roger Larsen of Connecticut
Brother Healy Nowe of Massachusetts
Brother Robert McBurnie of Massachusetts
Brother David J. Goodrich of Massachusetts
Brother Charles Whitaker of Massachusetts
Brother Donald Pierce of Maine
Brother F. Richard King of Maine
Brother Albert B. Watts of Maine
Brother Ronald (Pete) Forrest of Maine
Brother Robert Brown of Maine
Brother Robert Cone of Maine
Brother Kenneth T. MacAskill of Rhode Island
Brother E. B. Mike Beacock of Ontario
Brother Brian N. Lee of Ontario
Brother Neil Archibald of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Brother Bill Clark of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Brother Adrian Pearson of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Brother William Thompson, Jr. of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

**ELECTED GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER
 GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

Sister Jane J. Sims, Grand Conductress of New Hampshire
Sister Gloria Bowen, Associate Grand Matron of Maine
Sister Margaret Houston, Associate Grand Matron of Quebec
Sister Inez Day, Associate Grand Matron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Sister Marylyn Swinamer, Grand Conductress of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Brother Alan Denton, Associate Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Brother Allen Conrad, Grand Sentinel of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

**APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER
GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

**Sister Ann Carley, Grand Organist of Massachusetts
Sister Karen Butland, Grand Electa of Massachusetts
Sister Patricia Sears, Grand Chaplain of Maine
Sister Susan Hawes, Grand Ruth of Maine
Sister Charlene Buzza, Grand Martha of Maine
Sister Darlene Amirault, Grand Martha of Nova Scotia and Prince
Edward Island**

GRAND OFFICERS' EMERITUS

**Sister Pauline Bough, Grand Treasurer Emeritus and Grand
Representative of Mississippi in Maine
Sister Florence Armstrong, Grand Treasurer Emeritus**

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND
JURISDICTIONS IN NEW BRUNSWICK**

**Brother Paul Fullarton of Alabama
Sister Rosalie Clifford of Arizona
Brother Lewis Smollett of Arkansas
Sister Catherine Evans of British Columbia and the Yukon
Brother Vernon Lister of California
Sister Heather McKinley of Colorado
Sister Gertrude Weeks of Connecticut
Sister Janet Tower of Delaware
Brother Gregory Darke of District of Columbia
Brother Ebby Kuhn of Florida
Sister Lynn Hutchin of Illinois
Brother John Murray of Indiana
Sister Ruby Whitney of Iowa
Brother Gordon Belyea of Kansas
Sister Jean Kelly of Manitoba
Sister Marjorie Linton of Michigan
Brother Ralph Bain of Minnesota
Sister Sybil Wilson of Nebraska
Sister Cairine Nicklin of Nevada
Sister Elaine MacLean of New Hampshire
Sister Alma Jean Mundle of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Sister Ethel Knowles of New York
Brother William Dutcher of North Carolina**

Brother Murdo McKay of Ohio
Sister Olive Trevors of Oklahoma
Sister June Rafuse of Ontario
Brother Claude Aucoin of Oregon
Sister Aulay Sample of Pennsylvania
Brother Kevin Gillrie of Puerto Rico
Sister Olive Smollett of Quebec
Brother Alvin Landsburg of Rhode Island
Sister Helen Killam of Saskatchewan
Sister Sandra MacIntosh of Scotland
Sister Betty Boyer of South Carolina
Brother Donald Nightingale of South Dakota
Brother Ian Black of Tennessee
Brother Roy Wilson of Texas
Sister Dorean Gray of Virginia
Sister Barbara Stephens of West Virginia
Brother James Maxwell of Washington
Brother Peter Devlin of Wyoming

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW BRUNSWICK IN OTHER
GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

Sister Shirley Reed in Arkansas
Brother James G. Widdoes in California
Sister Melodie Daniel in Florida
Sister Arliss Blackledge in Iowa
Sister Vicki Reed in Michigan
Brother Roger Putnam in Minnesota
Sister Barbara S. Byrne in New Hampshire
Sister Dorothy Johnson in New Jersey
Sister Janice R. Scarborough in North Carolina
Brother Peter Kay in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Sister Lois Ann Chapman in Ohio
Sister Claudia Bradshaw in Oklahoma
Brother Wesley G. Beacock in Ontario
Sister Katherine Cleveland in Oregon
Sister Rebecca Hoover in Pennsylvania
Sister Janice Shelor in Virginia
Sister Patricia Manning in Washington
Sister Wava Williams in West Virginia
Brother Eugene C. Edwards in Wisconsin

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

Sister Edith Hargreaves of Massachusetts in Connecticut
Sister Christolene Dickson of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
in Texas
Sister Midge Swegle of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in
Washington
Siser Carol Nielsen of Quebec in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward
Island

**DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS OF
OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

Sister Sallee Cone of Maine
Sister Dorothy C. Whitney of Maine
Sister Janet Merry of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS 2002-2003

Sister Judy Gillis	Victoria #1	
Sister Betty Powell	Celestial #3	
Sister Isabel Morton	Carleton #7	Bro. Winston Morton
Sister Florence Scott	St. Stephen #8	Bro. Ross MacLeod
Sister Theresa Monk	York #13	
	Granite #15	Bro. Burton Hall
Sister Mildred Homer	Winston Churchill #19	Bro. Allan McKinley
	Bathurst #22	Bro. Terrance Spence
Sister Marjorie Steeves	Tobique #23	
Sister Anna Lea Bain	Lady Alexander #24	
Sister Mickie King	Zetland #26	Bro. Robert King
Sister Brenda Whitney	Prince Charles #27	
	Remembrance #30	Bro. David Fairweather
Sister Jean Dutcher	Fidelity #36	Bro. Robert Dutcher
	Devon #37	Bro. Allan Gillis

WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS 2001-2002

Sister Cecilia Smith	Victoria #1	
Sister Doreen Young	Queen Mary #4	
	St. Stephen #8	Bro. Arnold MacLeod
Sister Betty Ferris	Saint John #14	

Sister Lynne Hatt	Granite #15	
Sister Vivian Magee	Philip A. Jerguson #18	
Sister Edith Clouston	Bathurst #22	
Sister Sally Donald	Prince Charles #27	Bro. William Donald
Sister Glenna Geer	Lord Beaverbrook #33	
Sister Patricia Lister	Unity #35	
Sister Mary Marshall	Fidelity #36	Bro. Gordon Marshall
	West Isles #43	Bro. Gregory Darke

SESSION ASSISTANTS AND GRAND NURSES

Sister Mary Pelletier, Assistant Grand Organist
Sister Audrey Clark, Assistant to the Assistant Grand Organist
Sister Patricia Lister, Assistant Grand Secretary

INFORMAL OPENING

“RAINBOW OF FRIENDSHIP”

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

Thursday Evening

July 11, 2002

The Seventy-Second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star, was held on July 11, 12 and 13, 2002, at the Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, New Brunswick.

The Informal Opening of the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session was preceded by a Vesper Service in the Chapter Room, conducted by the Reverend Katherine Clowater, of the United Church of Canada, Oak Bay Pastoral Charge. Reverend Clowater was a former recipient of the ESTARL Scholarship.

Acting as Lay Readers were Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron. Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, Sister Mary Pelletier, Assistant Grand Organist, and Sister Catherine Evans, Grand Choir Director, led those in attendance in the singing of “What A Friend We have in Jesus”. This was followed by the Lessons. The first Scripture Reading, Ruth 1:6-18; 2: 17-23; 4: 13-17, was read by Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill. The Second Scripture Reading, John 15: 9-12, was read by Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan. The Reverend Clowater delivered an interesting talk on the Story of Ruth. The Vesper Service closed with the singing of “Love Divine”. The offering for the evening, which is designated for ESTARL, amounted to \$669.76.

The Grand Chapter convened for the Informal Opening at 7:00 PM in the Chapter Room which was beautifully lit up by miniature lights around the outside of the Chapter Room, and around the Grand Secretary’s and Grand Treasurer’s desks. Rainbow butterflies adorned the corners of the Grand Chapter Room.

In the East was a beautifully painted backdrop, depicting a landscape with a rainbow in the upper right-hand corner. This provided the background upon which the large white letters proclaimed the 72nd Annual Session, “Rainbow of Friendship”, 2001-2002. Across the

front of the staging rested some of the Ducks, which represented the Worthy Grand Patron's fun symbol for the year.

The labyrinth was outlined with white pedestals upon which rested many of the lovely gifts which the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron received during their travels this year. They included many candles, butterflies, and ducks.

The Charter was displayed in the Northeast Corner along with the Book of Remembrance.

The Paraphernalia was provided by the Hostess Chapter, Devon #37, the Home Chapter of the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill. Sister Debbie's Bible rested upon the Altar.

A Musical Prelude was performed by the Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, and Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Mary Pelletier. The Honoured Guests were escorted into the Chapter Room by the Grand Marshal and the Assistant Grand Marshal.

The Grand Choir, under the direction of Sister Catherine Evans, WM, entered the Chapter Room singing "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee". The Informal Opening was called to order by Sister Ann Lister, PGM, and Brother DeWitt Lister, PGP.

CALL TO ORDER

Sister Ann Lister, PGM and Brother DeWitt Lister, PGP

Distinguished and Honoured Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends:

Good evening! Once again it is my pleasure to share the East with Brother DeWitt, as together we open this, the Informal Opening of the 72nd Grand Chapter, "Rainbow of Friendship" Session and to extend a warm welcome to all who are in attendance this evening.

It is always a pleasure to welcome distinguished guests and visiting members from other Grand Jurisdictions. We sincerely hope that you will enjoy our own special New Brunswick brand of hospitality and that you will leave with many happy memories of the time you spent with us and a desire to return again.

We are honoured and pleased to extend a warm and sincere welcome to General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members and Ambassadors. A special welcome to our own Sister Rose Scott on the Eastern Star Journal; Brother Rupert Sypher on Public Relations; and Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for our Most Worthy Grand Matron. We are proud of your accomplishments and dedication to our Order. May you be rewarded with many pleasant memories as you continue to serve our General Grand Chapter.

To the representatives of Fraternal and Civic groups who are with us this evening, a most sincere welcome. We appreciate you taking time from your busy schedules to be with us and look forward to hearing your remarks later this evening.

Where would we be without our own faithful members? I extend an especially warm welcome to each of you to this, your Grand Chapter Session. May you enjoy the days ahead and may you give thoughtful consideration to the business matters that come before you.

Brother DeWitt, how pleased I am to be sharing the East with you. May we hear your words of welcome?

Sisters, Brothers, Distinguished Visitors and Honoured Guests:

Good evening! It is an honour and, indeed, a pleasure to join Sister Ann, PGM, to assist in this Informal Opening, and to welcome all to the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

As in past years, I am delighted to welcome, on behalf of this Grand Chapter, the visiting Sisters and Brothers, from other Grand Jurisdictions, particularly the many General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members and Ambassadors. Your attendance is an indication of your support and dedication to this beautiful order. We trust that you will enjoy your stay with us, and will find extra time to experience the beauty of our Capital City and the Province of New Brunswick.

In particular, I extend a warm welcome to our own General Grand Chapter Committee Members—Sister Rose Scott, a member of the Eastern Star Journal Committee; Brother Rupert Sypher, a member of the Public Relations Committee and Sister F. Pauline Allan, the Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron. We, in this Grand Jurisdiction, are proud to have you represent us in General Grand Chapter. Your appointments are justly merited.

To our members from New Brunswick – I sincerely welcome each of you. Your participation and input at the meetings to follow, is essential to our continued success. Decisions will be made in the next two days which will affect this success. I trust that you will participate, deliberate wisely and with the future of the Order foremost in your mind. Welcome to all.

Sister Ann, it is a pleasure to join you in the East this evening, and to assist with opening this Informal Session.

(Sisters, Brothers and Guests—with permission of our Worthy Grand Matron, I would invite you to remain seated until after I instruct the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress to present our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron at the Altar.)

INTRODUCTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Sister Rose Scott, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on the Eastern Star Journal

**It is a pleasure and an honour
That I hold very dear.
To introduce the Grand Officers
Who have faithfully served all year.**

**They've given time and talent
And almost wore out their dresses and cars,
But we all knew they'd be here today
For they're dedicated Eastern Stars.**

**Now as the year is ending
And we have the culmination of the year.
To me was given the honour
Of presenting the officers you hold so dear.**

**What is it you might wonder
That sets each Officer apart.
Why, I can easily tell you.
It's a warm and understanding heart.**

**Our Grand Officers are ready
They've served well and know their part.
Now we're here to see them escorted.
So – let the procession start!**

**OUR DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRON IS SISTER DONNA
MCEWEN OF LADY ALEXANDER CHAPTER #24,
CAMPBELLTON**

**Sister Donna served as a District Deputy
From her, many did learn
The changes, so her Chapters
With others would conform.**

**We thank her for the service
She gave with a cheerful smile.
To help her Sisters and Brothers
She'd go the extra mile.**

Sister Donna is being escorted by her husband John McEwen.

**OUR ASSISTANT TO THE GRAND ORGANIST IS SISTER MARY
PELLETIER OF FRANK H. TINGLEY CHAPTER #5, MONCTON**

**Our Assistant to the Grand Organist
Is devoted to her task.
Whenever she was needed
You only had to ask.**

**With her music she will charm you
As she assists our Grand Organist so well.
That she is very talented
Is not at all hard to tell.**

Sister Mary is being escorted by Brother Joseph A. Potter, PGP.

**OUR ASSISTANT TO THE GRAND MARSHAL IS SISTER LYNN
HUTCHIN OF UNITY CHAPTER #35, HARVEY STATION**

**She is here to lead the Grand Officers
In processions great or small.
She will guide them very confidently
As they enter this sacred hall.**

**We thank her for the service
She is giving this year,
As she ably performs her duties
In a manner courteous and sincere.**

**Sister Lynn is being escorted by her Worthy Patron, Brother Vernon
Lister, Grand Representative of California in New Brunswick.**

**OUR GRAND SENTINEL IS BROTHER EVAN THOMAS OF
ZETLAND CHAPTER #26, SHEDIAC**

**He is the guardian
He tends the outer door.
So that there's no interruption
Upon the Chapter floor.
Crossed swords are symbolic
Of protection of our right.
To renew our convictions
To Him who gave us light.**

Brother Evan is being escorted by his wife, Sister Dolly Thomas, PM.

**OUR GRAND WARDER IS SISTER JOAN CURRAN OF DEVON
CHAPTER #37, FREDERICTON, AND MOTHER OF OUR
WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

**She is our Grand Warder
She tends the inner door.
So only vouched-for members
Can reach the Chapter floor.**

**The dove is symbolic
Of love and peace.
So tranquility within our Grand Chapter
Shall never, never cease.**

Sister Joan is being escorted by Brother Donald Taylor, PP.

**OUR GRAND ELECTA IS SISTER FONNIE KUHN OF ZETLAND
CHAPTER #26, SHEDIAC**

**Electa was reared a pagan
But became a convert for our Lord.
She died by the hands of soldiers
Because she kept her word.**

**The cup is symbolic
Of the charity she gave.
To others who were needy
So their lives she could save.**

**Sister Fonnie is being escorted by her husband, Brother Ebbie Kuhn,
Grand Representative of Florida in NB.**

**OUR GRAND MARTHA IS SISTER MARION LOGAN OF LORD
BEAVERBROOK CHAPTER #33, HAMPTON**

**Martha placed her hope
In the hands of the Lord.
She knew the promise given
Was His sacred word.**

**The broken column is her emblem
It speaks of faith and bliss.
It reminds us of His promise
When asked, "Believest Thou This?"**

Sister Marion is being escorted by Brother Robert McInnis, PP

**OUR GRAND ESTHER IS SISTER LYNDA SWAN OF VICTORIA
CHAPTER #1, WOODSTOCK, AND WIFE OF OUR WORTHY
GRAND PATRON**

**Esther was a Jewish damsel
Who confessed her Jewish tie.
She saved a Jewish nation
Because she could not lie.**

**The badge, the crown and scepter
Emblem of her station
Helped this Jewish damsel
To save the Jewish nation.**

**Her badge, the crown and scepter
And her queenly grace,
Convinced the King of Persia
To spare the Jewish race.**

**Sister Lynda is being escorted by Brother Ross MacLeod, Worthy
Patron of St. Stephen Chapter #8.**

**OUR GRAND RUTH IS SISTER SHERRY MITTON OF
BATHURST CHAPTER #22, BATHURST**

**Ruth represents the yellow ray
The constancy of the sun,**

**And the grain that was ripened
As the day's work was done.**

**The Sheaf is her emblem
In a five-pointed star.
And its golden hues
Shed its rays afar.**

**Sister Sherry is being escorted by her husband, Brother Gerald
Mitton.**

**OUR GRAND ADAH IS SISTER HELEN CRAWFORD OF
TOBIQUE CHAPTER #23, PLASTER ROCK**

**Adah represents the blue ray
Of the emblematic star.
Fidelity is a virtue
That can take one far.**

**The sword and veil is the emblem
Of this courageous lass,
She knew that her fidelity
Would never, never pass.**

Sister Helen is being escorted by Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP.

**OUR GRAND ORGANIST IS SISTER NORMA CASWELL OF
QUEEN MARY CHAPTER #4, ST. STEPHEN**

**Music is essential
For the harmony it brings.
It's hard to be unhappy
When everyone may sing.**

**We can find our harmony
On the lyre's string.
So all may raise their voices
And sing and sing and sing.**

**Sister Norma is being escorted by Brother Burton Hall, Worthy
Patron of Granite Chapter #15, St. George.**

**OUR GRAND MARSHAL IS BROTHER ROBERT FLEWELLING
OF SAINT JOHN CHAPTER #14, SAINT JOHN**

**Processions are important
And impressive they can be.
They create a kind of beauty
That all of us may see.**

**The crossed batons is his emblem
Within the five-pointed star.
Courtesy and promptness are virtues
That can take you very far.**

**Brother Robert is being escorted by his wife, Sister Jean Flewelling,
PM.**

**OUR GRAND CHAPLAIN IS BROTHER GEORGE HICKS OF
FIDELITY CHAPTER #36, RIVERVIEW**

**Our Chaplain's duty is an important one.
He leads us to the altar
Making sure our faith in the Almighty
May never, never falter.**

**Within the Emblematic Star
The Bible there resides.
And in these words of wisdom
There our faith abides.**

Brother George is being escorted by his wife, Sister Joan Hicks, PGM.

**OUR ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS IS SISTER DONNA
ALLEN OF FORT MONCKTON CHAPTER #11, PORT ELGIN**

**Preparation for an office
Is a very special thing.
As she climbs upward
We know it's joy that she brings.**

**Her baton is emblematic
Of leadership applied.
So within the five-pointed star
Her emblem does reside.**

**Sister Donna is being escorted by her husband, Brother Colin Allen,
PP.**

**OUR GRAND CONDUCTRESS IS SISTER MARJORIE COLTON
OF PRINCE CHARLES CHAPTER #27, MIRAMICHI**

**Her duties are exacting
Yet they are done with grace.
Our Grand Chapter is honoured
To have her in this place.**

**Prepared plans and their fulfillment
Are her specific goals.
And as her work continues
The message then unfolds.**

**The Scroll and Baton are symbols
Of the duties that she assumes.
As she leads and conducts the candidates
Around the Chapter Room.**

**Sister Marjorie is being escorted by her husband, Brother Peter
Colton, PGP.**

**OUR GRAND TREASURER, PRO-TEM, IS SISTER LINDA
COGSWELL OF DEVON CHAPTER #37, FREDERICTON**

**Her station is quite exacting
Finances are her feat.
The books must be tallied
And balanced on a sheet.**

**We commend her efforts
And praise her to the skies.
For we believe the adage
That figures never lie.**

**Crossed keys are an appropriate emblem.
They symbolize a trust.
We place responsibility
Upon the righteous just.**

Sister Linda is being escorted by her son, Kevin Gratton.

**OUR GRAND SECRETARY IS SISTER BRENDA J. SAUNDERS,
PGM, OF FIDELITY CHAPTER #36, RIVERVIEW**

**Her records are important
And in the years ahead.
The history that is written
By others will be read.**

**Her records tell the story.
It's a sequel to each year.
It helps to keep our history
Concise and very clear.**

**So we all salute her
And thank her for the task.
And if we need some data
We only need to ask.**

**Within the emblematic star
Crossed pens reside.
A symbol of the records
By which we all abide.**

**Sister Brenda is being escorted by her Worthy Patron, Brother Robert
Dutcher.**

**OUR ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON IS BROTHER RONALD
JAGOE OF BATHURST CHAPTER #22, BATHURST**

**He has been so faithful
To our Eastern Star.
We're truly very happy
To see he's gone so far.**

**He exemplifies in our Order
By showing his very best.
And though at times he's weary
He's passed an ardent test.**

**Within the emblematic star
A five-pointed star resides.
To show to all the Masons
By their ritual he abides.**

Brother Ronald is being escorted by his wife, Sister Peggy Jagoe, PM.

**OUR ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON IS SISTER LEITHA
HOLMES OF ELECTA CHAPTER #9, PERTH-ANDOVER**

**This year has been an important one
As she performed her duties in the west.
She stored up needed knowledge
So she can do her best.**

**Very soon she'll be sitting
In the honoured seat.
And then once more the circle
Of Grand Officers will be complete.**

**Within her emblem can be found
The beauty of the sun.
The light it sheds upon her
Reflects her tasks well done.**

**Sister Leitha is being escorted by her husband, Brother Joseph
Holmes, PGP**

**OUR WORTHY GRAND PATRON IS BROTHER DOUGLAS
SWAN OF VICTORIA CHAPTER #1, WOODSTOCK**

**He has travelled many, many miles
Across our province this year.
We hope he's not too weary
But rest time should be near.**

**We're glad we've had the honour
Of having him in the East this year.
We've enjoyed his many, many smiles
And sometimes an occasional tear.**

**Within the pentagon
The square and compasses lie.
To symbolize to others
His strong Masonic tie.**

**Brother Doug is being escorted by Sister Sybil Wilson, Grand
Representative of Nebraska in New Brunswick**

**OUR WORTHY GRAND MATRON IS SISTER DEBBIE HILL OF
DEVON CHAPTER #37, FREDERICTON**

**This has been a busy year
She's chalked up many miles.
She's given many messages
And still can wear a smile.**

**We're glad she was chosen
To grace the East this year.
How pleased we were to welcome her
When at our Chapter doors Debbie would appear.**

**A five-pointed star is her emblem
Within the pentagon.
The light it shines upon her
Keeps her virtue strong.**

**The gavel in the center
Reminds us to obey.
The lessons that are taught us
Along the star point way.**

**The East now awaits her
Our blessing to her we extend.
For a wonderful session
From the beginning to the end.**

**Sister Debbie is being escorted by her Worthy Patron, Brother Allan
Gillis.**

**SISTERS, BROTHERS AND FRIENDS – THE GRAND OFFICERS
OF 2001-2002, AND THEIR ESCORTS.**

PLEASE GIVE THEM A HEARTY WELCOME!

FORMATIONS AND DRILLS

Narrated by Sister Jacquie Boutilier, PGM

The District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Grand Officers formed the first set of wings of the butterfly. The Male Grand Officers formed the body of the butterfly. The Grand Pages formed the second set of wings.

**“Fly pretty butterfly
On the ground or in the sky.
Flying low or flying high
The beautiful butterfly.
Look at them from where you stand
Notice how their pretty wings fan
Get to land in the palm of your hand
Or make a mess on the front of your van....**

The Grand Guards formed the rainbow.

**“In Genesis 9: 13-16, it makes reference to the rainbow in saying:
I set my bow in the cloud and it shall be a sign of the covenant between
me and the earth
When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow is seen in the clouds,
I will remember my covenant, which is between you and me and every
living creature of all flesh and the waters shall never again become a
flood to destroy all flesh.”**

*The Grand Representatives now encircle the Grand Officers, District
Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Pages and Grand Guards and form the
joining link, reminding us that we are the largest fraternal order in the
world to which both men and women can belong.*

**WELCOME FOR WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY
GRAND PATRON**

Sister Ann Lister, PGM, and Brother DeWitt Lister, PGP

**Welcome Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand
Officers.**

**Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will
present our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron at the
Altar.**

**Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron – one year ago, I
had the honour of presenting you at the altar for your installation as
Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and this evening, I
have the happy privilege of being among the first to welcome you to
this, your “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.**

**My congratulations to both of you on this special year of service which
you have dedicated to our Grand Chapter and to our Order. You are**

to be commended on the manner in which you have carried out your duties, performing them with enthusiasm and dedication, being serious when necessary and, always, there was room for some fun and laughter.

Your aim this year was for each member to reach out and make new Star friends. This, you both, along with the members of your Grand Family, have accomplished, for you have, I am sure, made many friends along the way in our Grand Jurisdiction and beyond.

You must be very proud of your Grand Family in the performance of their duties and pleased with the support they have given you throughout the year.

Now it is time for your Sessions to begin. May they be a successful and rewarding completion to your year of service.

Sister Debbie, I have known you ever since you became a member of Eastern Star and have followed with interest your travels along the Eastern Star trail. During those travels you have shown an earnest desire to perform your duties well.

You have been a faithful visitor and special friend to us all in Unity, my home Chapter, ever willing to lend a helping hand, and, always, with a smile. We, in Unity Chapter, thank you for your support and friendship.

Your year has been a busy one as you fulfilled your commitments and, I hope that you will have many fond memories on which to reflect.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the honour of opening your Informal Session with Brother DeWitt.

Brother Doug, you have been most conscientious in the performance of your duties, supportive of your Worthy Grand Matron and always ready to extend the hand of friendship to all with whom you have come in contact throughout your travels. I have known you and Sister Lynda for a number of years and have always enjoyed your pleasant and friendly manner and, of course, your infectious laugh. I sincerely hope your year has been a memorable and rewarding one for you.

Brother DeWitt-----

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug:

Welcome to this, the Informal Opening of your “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions. I am delighted to have this opportunity to join Sister Ann in greeting you at this time. As Sister Ann has said, we have known both of you for most of your Eastern Star years, and have watched your progress in the Order with interest and joy.

Sister Debbie, a year ago, I had the honour of serving as your Installing Officer, installing you as the Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter. I assume an exciting night for you, as it was for me. I am sure that event has been followed by many additional exciting and memorable occasions. You have experienced a most successful year as Worthy Grand Matron, made many new friends, had many enjoyable meetings and, of course, experienced an occasional bump. You have handled your official duties admirably, being decisive when prompt action was required, always making decisions with the good of the Order in mind. The members enjoyed your quick wit and laugh provoking remarks which were so spontaneous and which always put everyone at ease.

Brother Doug, the office of Worthy Grand Patron is one of great responsibility, requiring a commitment of time and patience. Over the past three years you have travelled much, and have endeared yourself to the members of this Grand Jurisdiction. This year, your year as Worthy Grand Patron, has been even more demanding, yet you have, as I knew you would, performed your official duties with dedication and dignity (except for the occasional giggle) and have, as stated in your charge, always assisted the Worthy Grand Matron as required, with her duties.

I commend both of you in the spirit of teamwork you exhibited this year, each supporting the other as you attended to your official duties.

Congratulations to both of you.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for extending this opportunity to me, of assisting Sister Ann in opening this Informal Session. I am truly honoured.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East, where they were extended the Grand Honours.

Sister Ann, PGM – Sister Debbie, WGM, your gavel, I know you will use it wisely. Enjoy your Sessions!

The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

RESPONSE

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill

Sister Ann and Brother DeWitt, many thanks for calling to order the Informal Opening of the “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions. Brother DeWitt, it was just a year ago that I had the honour of being installed as Worthy Grand Matron by you. Since I met you, you have answered many questions and have always been there for me, and I thank you for the friendship and support you have given me. Sister Ann, if I could be half the Star members you are, I would be great. You have taught me much and I will never forget the love and support you have shown me since I have joined this beautiful Order. Thank you both for all you have done.

Sister Ann, please accept this gift as a token of our appreciation.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan

Sister Ann and Brother DeWitt, thank you for calling to order this, our “Rainbow of Friendship” Session, and for your words of welcome. One short year ago, you were our Installing Grand Marshal and presented me to my station in the East. Your encouragement and support over the years will always be remembered.

Bro. DeWitt, you shared in our installation last year, and we were pleased when you agreed to be part of our Informal Opening Session. If we can do half of what you two have done, we will have a great Session.

Please accept this gift as a token of our thanks.

We were entertained with a Solo entitled “A Song Of Peace”, which was offered by Sister Jeanne Wheelock, PGM.

The Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister Jeannie for singing the Worthy Grand Patron’s favourite song.

INVOCATION

Brother Joseph A. Potter, PGP

So God said to Noah: “The rainbow is a sign. It is a sign of the agreement that I made with all living things on earth.” (Gen. 9: v7)

Let us unite our hearts in prayer and open our minds to the presence of God.

Almighty and Everlasting God. Who art the strength of all who put their trust in Thee. We pray Thy blessing upon all who are assembled here for the 72nd Annual “Rainbow of Friendship” Session, of this New Brunswick Grand Chapter.

May we enter into these three days with the spirit of good fellowship and wisdom, to legislate wisely, so that our acts and deeds may be in the best interest of our beautiful Eastern Star,

Heavenly Father, Thou hast taught us that if we give a full measure of love, understanding and service to others, if we really and truly love one another, then and only then shall we be worthy of basking in the glory of Your first commandment – “That Ye love one another, as I have loved you.”

Guide us Oh Lord, in all our deliberations and decisions in the days ahead. Bless those be chosen who best exemplify the teachings of our Order and grant them physical strength, moral courage and self-discipline to fulfill their respective offices.

By Thy grace and love, we are honoured by the presence of Sister Pat Rasmusson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron; Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, and Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, and many distinguished guests.

We ask Thy blessing upon them, as they bring their special and exciting good news from General Grand Chapter to our New Brunswick Grand Jurisdiction.

Heavenly Father, in this troubled world, we pray that by Your love and grace, You will place a rainbow in the insidious and dark cloud of terrorism as a symbol of Your Divine intervention for Hope and Peace upon America and nations around the world.

Direct us Oh Lord, in all our ways, that we may glorify Thy name. This we ask in Jesus’ name and for His sake. AMEN.

WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honoured Guests, Sisters, Brothers, Family and Friends:

Welcome to each and every one of you. I hope you enjoy the “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions and have time to renew old friendships and to make new ones. The support I have received from each of you this past year has been more than I had ever imagined and thank you all for making my year in the East of this Grand Chapter so special.

To all our Guests who have travelled many miles to be with us, please enjoy your stay and come back and visit us often.

**“Today is your day and mine, the only day we have
The day in which we play our part.
This is our time to grow and build and love.”**

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

**Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worshipful the Grand Master,
Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:**

What a pleasure it is to welcome you to our 3-day celebration. It is a joy to see each of you at our “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. To our New Brunswick members, you have given us many memorable moments this past year, and these Sessions are our way of returning the kindness you have extended to us.

To our visitors, we are so happy that you chose to include our New Brunswick Grand Chapter Sessions in your busy schedules. May you take home with you many memories of our Sessions and come back again.

As I look out across the audience tonight, I think of how long it took everyone to get ready – remembering all the accessories to make sure you looked good. I am so pleased that not one of you forgot to wear the most important thing – the expression on your faces. It is nice to see all those smiles.

PRESENTATION OF FLAGS

CANADIAN FLAG

**Presented by Brother Henry Morton, PP
Assembly sang “O Canada”**

Tribute by Sister Edith Clouston, PM

**Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests,
Sisters and Brothers. It is a great honour and privilege to pay tribute
to our beautiful flag of Canada.**

**You are the flag of our nation
You are a symbol for all,
Who live in this great country of Canada
With three territories and ten provinces great and small.**

**You are flown over this vast northern country
In cities, towns and vales,
You are a brilliant red and white banner
On which the red Maple Leaf prevails.**

**You are raised to celebrate our victories
You are lowered to express our pain,
For the loss of heroes and heroines
Whose deaths are never in vain.**

**You are the embodiment of our multi-culturalism
Our languages and our Commonwealth land,
Of our democracy and our freedom
Which always go hand in hand.**

**You are what Canadians make you
A symbol of security and peace,
Tolerance, harmony and compassion
And a determination that will not cease.**

**We honour you, our flag of Canada
You represent all that we are,
With your simplistic design and colours
You are respected near and far.**

**We treasure our past and our present
And as the future comes into view,
May that resolute spirit of Canadians
Continue to fly proudly with you.**

**Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for
extending this courtesy to me.**

UNION JACK

**Presented by Brother Roy Wilson, Grand Representative of Texas
Assembly sang “God Save The Queen”
Tribute by Sister Elsie Norton, PM**

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

Tonight it is with great pride that I pay tribute to the Union Jack, that grand old Flag, which has symbolized peace and freedom for so many.

In 1801, the Flag of St. Patrick of Ireland was incorporated with the already united flags of St. Andrew of Scotland and St. George of England; thus, forming the Union Jack as we know it today, and which we are justly proud to honour on this occasion.

It should remind us of the rights and privileges that were made secure for us by the British Commonwealth. It has been carried with honour into battle, and Britons throughout the world look up with deep emotion to the flag of their Mother Country. We hoist it to show our devotion and allegiance to Her Majesty, the Queen, and nowhere has it flown so proudly as during the Jubilee celebrations of Elizabeth II in London, England, a short time ago.

It seems fitting tonight, that in our Grand chapter, the Union Jack should be placed beside our own Maple Leaf Flag, symbolizing the “Tie That Binds” –our two great countries together in mutual trust, respect and dignity.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for giving me the honour and privilege of paying tribute to the Union Jack.

UNITED STATES FLAG

**Presented by Brother Robert Brown, PGP of Maine
Assembly sang “The Star Spangled Banner”**

Tribute given by Sister Cynthia Salisbury, WGM of New Hampshire

I am called Old Glory, also known as the Stars and Stripes, a reminder of our past and the hope of our future. I am more than a piece of cloth; I am a symbol of religious freedom, free assembly, free speech and free vote. I reflect the wealth and grandeur of our great land of opportunity and stand for peace and goodwill among the nations of the world. My red stripes represent courage and the blood of our fallen heroes. My white stripes represent purity of purpose and devotion to

duty. My field of blue with 50 shimmering stars reflect liberty and justice.

Since September 11, 2001, you have seen me displayed in private homes and automobiles all over the United States. I fly over court houses, school yards, federal and public buildings, and stand in every Eastern Star Chapter Room in America. Hopefully, I will always fly over righteousness and over a people made happy by kindness, love and goodness.

I am the Flag of the United States of America.

Thank you for the privilege of giving the tribute to the American Flag.

(This Tribute was written by Sister Charlotte Libby, PGM of Maine, but due to ill health, Sis Charlotte was unable to attend.)

PROVINCIAL FLAG

Presented by Brother Vernon Lister, Grand Representative of California in New Brunswick

CHRISTIAN FLAG

Presented by Brother Bill Donald, PP

EASTERN STAR FLAG

Presented by Brother William Dutcher, Grand Representative of North Carolina in New Brunswick

Tribute given by Sister Lynn Steeves, PM

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

I am honoured to pay tribute to three important symbols, namely, the Provincial Flag, the Christian Flag and the Eastern Star Flag.

Our Provincial Flag, based on the Coat-of-Arms, was adopted by proclamation on Feb. 24, 1965. The symbols depicted on the flag are taken from the Coat-of-Arms assigned in 1868. They are a gold lion on a red field across the top and an ancient galley with its oars in action across the base.

The arms of Brunswick consist of two gold lions on a red field, and the arms of the King contained the three gold lions of England. The gold

lion in the flag, therefore, reflects New Brunswick's relationship both to the Duchy of Brunswick and England. The galley is the symbolic representation of a ship and reflects the two principal economic activities; shipping and shipbuilding, carried on in New Brunswick when the Coat-of-Arms was assigned.

The Christian Flag has a rich heritage. It has been an Emblem of our Protestant Churches since 1897. It reminds us of our allegiance to God and to His Son, our Lord and Saviour.

Its fields of white represent purity and peace. White symbolizes purity of thoughts and deeds as practiced by Jesus of Nazareth. The field of blue represents the unclouded sky, symbolizing fidelity and truth. The Cross of red is the universal Emblem of the Christian sacrifice in service; it symbolizes the Christian religion and God's love for mankind, as exemplified in Jesus' life and death and the promise of eternal Life. The Christian Flag reminds us of freedom to express our everlasting love to God and to one another.

May the Christian Flag abide in our hearts and give us one brotherhood, uniting all mankind in service and love.

It is fitting that we accord our Christian Flag a place of honour at our Grand Chapter Sessions to guard over our proceedings since our Order is based on Christian beliefs.

The flag of our Beautiful Order, with its colours of Blue, Yellow, White, Green and Red is symbolic of the virtues of our heroines.

We pay tribute to this Eastern Star Flag which represents the millions of members throughout this world who comprise the Order of the Eastern Star. Even though our membership speaks many different languages and has a variety of local customs, they all have a uniting desire to join together in a great organization dedicated to the promotion of charity, truth and loving kindness.

As we look at this Flag, may it remind us of the Star which appeared in the East many hundreds of years ago, to guide the wise men to the new born Saviour. May the Star of the Order bring light and joy to our members, and lead us to him who sits on the Throne of Life Eternal.

Let us never fail in our loyalty to our lessons of Fidelity, Constancy, Purity, Faith and Love.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for the opportunity to pay tribute to these flags.

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The Elected General Grand Chapter Officers were escorted west of the Altar.

WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

A sincere welcome to each of you. You each have come many miles to be with us and we do appreciate it and hope you have a great visit with us.

“Do not pray for dreams equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your dreams.”

The Elected General Grand Chapter Officers were escorted to the East where they received the Grand Honours.

The Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers were escorted west of the Altar.

WELCOME
Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

**There is a deep note of joy
That we all understand
In the ring of a voice and
The clasp of a hand.
In the warmth of a smile
That is friendly and true
This welcome, my friends
Is extended to you.**

The Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers were escorted to the East and received the Grand Honours.

The General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors were escorted west of the Altar.

WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

What a privilege it is for me to welcome you – especially our own Sister Rose Scott on Eastern Star Journal; Brother Rupert Sypher on Public Relations and, of course, our special Ambassador, Sister F. Pauline Allan. A very warm welcome to each of you.

**“Even if you can’t just snap your fingers,
And make a dream come true, you can
Travel in the direction of your dream
Every single day, and you can shorten
The distance between the two of you.”**

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

WELCOME TO THE DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP

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

Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, it is my honour and pleasure to welcome our Distinguished Guests to this 72nd Annual Grand Chapter Session, the “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions.

To our Elected General Grand Chapter Officers, a warm and sincere welcome. Sister Patricia Rasmusson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of Minnesota, you have visited our Grand Chapter many times and you are always most welcome; Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress and Past Grand Matron of Texas; Brother Fred Clarke, Chairman of the Right Worthy Grand Trustees and Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, along with your fellow Grand Trustees, Sister Barbara White, Past Grand Matron of West Virginia; Sister Helen Westmoreland and Past Grand Matron of Florida, and Brother Robert Morrison, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel and Past Grand Patron of Saskatchewan, we welcome you all to New Brunswick. We look forward to many return visits in the future. I would like to add for Brother Fred and Sister Rennie, we, in New Brunswick, are very proud of Brother Fred. Sister Rennie, it has been our pleasure getting to know you and we wish you both all the best in the future.

To our Appointed General Grand Chapter Officer, Sister Judith Morrison, Worthy Grand Esther and Past Grand Matron of Saskatchewan, we welcome you and trust that you are enjoying your appointment to the fullest.

To the General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors, we are delighted to have so many visiting with us this evening. It's my pleasure to extend a most cordial welcome to New Brunswick and to the "Rainbow of Friendship" Session. We appreciate the many miles you have travelled to be with us. To our own General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Sister Rose Scott on the Eastern Star Journal and Brother Rupert Sypher on Public Relations, we are very proud of your accomplishments and dedication to our Order and wish you all the best as you continue to serve the General Grand Chapter.

To our Ambassadors, we welcome you and trust that you are enjoying your special appointments. To our own Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron, you have the love and support of all the members of this Grand Chapter. We wish you good health and happy travelling as you continue your work for the General Grand Chapter.

To all our Distinguished Guests:

**"Thank you for travelling many miles
to be with us this day
We are thankful for your presence
And wish you a pleasant stay!
And when our Session is over
And from us you must depart,
We hope fond memories of your time with us
Will be tucked within your heart!"**

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the honour of extending a most sincere welcome to our Distinguished Guests on behalf of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

RESPONSE

**Brother Rupert Sypher, General Grand Chapter Committee Member
on Public Relations and Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick**

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

It is an honour and pleasure to respond to the kind words of welcome extended by Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, to the General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors. We are pleased to be here and share in the fellowship of the Informal Opening of this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

We bring greetings from our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Dorothy M. Dewing, and our Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harles I. Creech, who are unable to be with us this evening.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of the Distinguished Guests previously presented, we thank you most sincerely for the many courtesies extended to us. We appreciate all that has been done for our comfort and pleasure.

We extend to you our sincere best wishes for a successful and harmonious Grand Chapter Session.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for affording me the honour of responding to the welcomes to your Distinguished Guests.

GREETINGS FROM HONOURED GUESTS

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

We are honoured to have some very special guests with us this evening and we thank you for being here.

We will now hear from the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, the Honourable Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell. May we hear from you now.

**The Honourable Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell
Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick**

Sister Debbie Hill; Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron; Representatives of General Grand Chapter; Most Worshipful the Grand Master; Illustrious Potentate, All Grand Officers, Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of our very special and beloved Chapters throughout New Brunswick; Sisters and Brothers:

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, I feel immensely humble and yet very joyful as I say a few words to you this evening. I have been truly struck

since coming through the doors, by the tradition and serenity, the ritual, if you will, the beauty of this occasion and it grows more beautiful, more serene, and more calming by the moment. I am struck by the fact that in this age where life changes so fast, where there is so much uncertainty, where our young people know so little of what you are experiencing tonight, how beautiful it is and how important it is that each of us does everything possible to pass this on to our young people – to the future generation.

Sister Debbie, you called me the Honourable Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell, but I wish you had called me Sister Marilyn. I have been made, with much joy and great humility, a Life Member of Fort Monckton Chapter #11. I do not deserve this but I accepted this Life membership with gratitude to all the members of Fort Monckton Chapter and in loving memory of my Mother, a Past Grand Matron, and my Father.

I was told you were going to have a fashion show tomorrow night, and I regret that I was just not able to get the dress ready to bring, but unfortunately the dress my Mother wore as Worthy Grand Matron was a bit too frail to keep, but Worthy Grand Matron, I brought a picture tonight of my Mother wearing the dress, and perhaps some would care to look at it tomorrow night. I will commission Sister Donna Allen, Associate Grand Conductress to please bring it back to me! I only have one copy and if you forget, Brother Colin won't for sure.

I want to say to you that yours is an Order that gives so much to your Community, to the Province and to the World, and I am struck again tonight that it is the largest Fraternal Order for men and women in the world. I can only say that I pray your fellowship and your Christian faith, and your very, very strong foundation will always sustain each of you and the Order.

I must also thank you tonight for your words of loyalty to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. It is a year in which we are expressing gladness and gratitude to Her Majesty on her 50th Jubilee. I thank you in Her name for your loyalty and your dedication. Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II would want me to offer to you her praise and her prayer for your service to the Order and most especially to the Community you represent.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, I wish you a very, very joyous 72nd Session, the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. I know it is going to be wonderful – it certainly is beautiful and I pray that through the

Session that not only you, but all your Grand Officers and all here tonight, will be deeply blessed.

Let me just say that the song of Peace that you chose is so appropriate for this year, and we have our wonderful friends from the great United States here. That song really touched me, because I think since September 11th, we have truly changed – for the better. We are more loving, more understanding – we reach out more to others, and we know the true value of friendship.

May a rainbow shine over you – this day and always.

Thank you very much.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the banquet tomorrow night.

To represent the Prime Minister of Canada, Andy Scott, MP. Andy, may we hear from you now.

Mr. Andy Scott, MP

Your Honour, Sister Marilyn; Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests:

Thank you very much for this very kind invitation to be a part of this magnificent ceremony.

I had prepared a speech but I'm going to take my cue from the Invocation and the reference to the "Rainbow" and the reference to events last fall, and the fact that there are so many of our friends from the United States in the audience. I was not familiar with the fact that yours is the largest Organization in the world represented by both men and women. – so who else to call on to spread the message of hope which will be the only means to extinguish the flames of terrorism in the world. It is only when people really believe there can be a better life and that it is worth pursuing in a peaceful and civilized way that this flame will be extinguished, and your dedication to your Communities and your Countries as represented here tonight has meant so much to so many. On behalf of the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Jean Chretien and the Government of Canada, I want to

say to you, for your dedication to your Communities, your Countries, and in fact, to the world, thank you.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

To represent the Premier of New Brunswick, Honourable Brad Green, Minister of Justice and Attorney General. May we hear from you now.

**Honourable Brad Green, MLA
Minister of Justice and Attorney General**

Good evening everyone. I am delighted to be here tonight to bring greetings on behalf of the Province of New Brunswick and our Premier, the Honourable Bernard Lord.

I'd like to add my personal welcome to this 72nd Annual Session, and a special welcome to those of you who are visitors to Fredericton.

Organizations such as the Order of the Eastern Star play a valuable charitable role in New Brunswick society. Your members are known for always being willing to help each other and to lend a helping hand to those in need.

From what I understand, it has been a very rewarding year for the Order and I want to congratulate Worthy Grand Matron, Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron, Doug Swan, for their leadership this past year.

Debbie and Doug have been very active in the promotion of your organization's goals and they have set a very high standard for the new officers who will be installed on Saturday.

Without a lot of public credit and working selflessly for the betterment of our communities, you have touched the lives of thousands of New Brunswickers.

This past year your efforts on behalf of Camp Goodtime has lifted the spirits of many, many children with cancer and allowed them to experience the joy of life on beautiful Belleisle Bay.

The funds you raised at countless bazaars, dinner theatres and yard sales have also provided awards for those taking religious training and

you are all to be congratulated for your work on these two special projects adopted by the Order.

I know there are many other groups and associations which have benefited from your charitable work. I thank you on their behalf and on behalf of the people and government of New Brunswick.

It's an honour for me to have the opportunity to be here with you tonight and I urge all the 2400 members of the New Brunswick Branch to continue to work to make this province a better place to live, to work and to raise a family.

It is what we try to do every day as elected members of the Government of New Brunswick.

Thank you for inviting me here tonight and best wishes for the remainder of your meetings.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

To represent the City of Fredericton, His Worship, Mayor Les Hull. May we hear from you at this time.

**Mr. Les Hull
Mayor of the City of Fredericton**

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of my City Council colleagues and the citizens of Fredericton, I am pleased to welcome you all to the 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star. We are delighted that you have chosen the Fredericton Inn as the venue for this gathering, and extend an especially warm welcome to Eastern Star members visiting from afar.

For those of you unfamiliar with our City, Fredericton offers a number of interesting tourist attractions and notable historical sites. These include (but are not limited to) City Hall, the Justice Building, Old Government House and the Old Loyalist Burial Ground – considered to be the most historically important cemetery in all of New Brunswick.

Fredericton's unique system of walking trails allows you to experience the splendour of the Saint John River, and I encourage you to explore our downtown district, which has many quaint shops, reputable restaurants, and night spots known for their Maritime hospitality. I certainly hope your schedule this weekend permits you to enjoy some of what we have to offer!

Thank you for inviting me to participate at tonight's opening of the "Rainbow of Friendship" Session, and please accept my sincere best wishes for a memorable and pleasant stay in our Provincial Capital.

Thank you.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

To represent United Parcel Services, Tammy Hayes, Supervisor of Fredericton Brokerage. Tammy may we hear from you.

**Tammy Hayes
Supervisor of Fredericton Brokerage, United Parcel Services**

The Honourable Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, the Honourable Brad Green, Minister of Justice, Worthy Grand Matron, Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Patron, Doug Swan, Members of the Order of the Eastern Star, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Good evening. My name is Tammy Hayes and I am from United Parcel Services. It is a pleasure to be here tonight at the opening of your 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star.

I work with Worthy Grand Matron, Debbie Hill, at UPS and I know how dedicated she is to this organization, and this same dedication is applied to her job. I have come to greatly admire the giving spirit that she has as have many of her peers. I commend you all on your commitment to many worthwhile charities that the Order of the Eastern Star helps to support. At UPS our corporate mission states, "we build on our legacy as a caring and responsible corporate citizen through the conduct of our people and company in the communities we service." Giving back to the community in which we live and work is something that we value very strongly at UPS simply because it is the right thing to do, which is something I believe we have in common

with the Order of the Eastern Star. We all need to reflect on the motto “Count your Blessings” each and every day and think about what we can do to enrich the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves. Again, I admire the work you do and the service you provide to the communities and Debbie is an employee who exemplifies the values that the UPS holds dear.

I extend best wishes on behalf of United Parcel Service and the business community on a successful and rewarding weekend, and thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for your invitation to be here tonight.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Tammy, I would like to thank United Parcel Service for the support that they have given me, not only this year, but the last three years. I have appreciated the Company changing my shift to accommodate my schedule.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

We are ever mindful that the Order of the Eastern Star is related by the dearest ties to the Masonic Fraternity. I have the distinct honour of introducing to you the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, Brother Wayne Hitchcock. Wayne, who would have thought five years ago we would be standing here on this stage together. May we have a few words from you at this time, as well, if you would like to introduce any of your officers who are in attendance tonight.

THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, F & AM

Brother Wayne Hitchcock

Most Worshipful the Grand Master, F & AM

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, Distinguished East, Members and Guests of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star:

It is once again a great pleasure to be here with you at the opening of another Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, and I bring you warm fraternal greetings from the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick. It is, perhaps, an even greater pleasure to be here this year than last, because I am surrounded by people I have known for many

years who are about to finish their year in the East and those I have also known for long periods of time who are about to begin their year in the seat of leadership. Brother Doug and I go back eighteen years, long before I even had thoughts of the Eastern Star, back in a time when we were co-workers at Woodstock Road, guarding the country's border together. We have always had a good relationship, even before our obligations told us we must. I am happy to be here to see him finish his year in the East. Sister Debbie, I am sure he has been a constant source of support for you over the last year and that you have compiled many happy memories together of the places you have been and the things you have accomplished together.

In the West awaits Sister Leitha. Sister Leitha has known me all of my life and conversely I have known her and her family going back at least forty years. How many more years than forty is not open for discussion. I am very pleased to see her on the threshold of what has been a life-long dream. If ever a person was born to be in the Eastern Star, it would have to be Sister Leitha. Brother Joe and Sister Leitha have been the cornerstone around which the Eastern Star has evolved in our area for so long that there are few left alive who can remember when it wasn't so. My sister, you have faithfully followed many a Worthy Grand Matron and worked year after year for their plans and programs. Your turn to lead is upon you. This whole organization that you have loved so long is about to follow you and work for you. As fulfilling as that may be, I think you will find, as I did, it is also the most humbling thing that can happen to you. I am very proud of you and my only word of advice is, make it a year to remember fondly for the rest of your life. You can start by buying Brother Ron a new pair of sneakers so he can keep up to you.

Sisters and Brothers, remember that our Organizations are all united under one great concept and that is the concept of personal growth. In all that we do, we need to remind ourselves that we are continually growing and improving ourselves and that process will continue all our lives until we lay this life aside and present ourselves before our Maker as a finished product for His examination.

I wish for you all a wonderful Session over the next few days. May all your decisions be for the good of the Order and may you all leave these Sessions in peace and harmony, with goodwill towards each other.

Thank you.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

To represent Luxor Temple of Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Illustrious Sir Darryl Stothart. May we hear from you at this time.

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER OF THE NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE

Illustrious Sir Darryl Stothart, Potentate, Luxor Temple

Your Honour, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, it is a great honour for me to be here this evening, as the Potentate this year for the Luxor Shriners. Certainly it has been quite an eventful evening to watch the pageantry and what has gone on.

I would like to thank you on behalf of the Shriners and their ladies. It is certainly a great honour to work with the Eastern Star, and I certainly wish you the most beneficial weekend that you can have. We would like to thank you on behalf of the Shriners for what you are doing for the Shriners' Hospitals, the amount of money you raise and put back to us. It is very, very greatly appreciated.

With that, I say thank you very, very much.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

To represent the Neridies Temple #78, Daughters of the Nile, Edythe Morton, Queen.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE – NERIDIES TEMPLE #78
Edythe Morton, Queen**

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

On behalf of Neridies Temple #78, Daughters of the Nile in Saint John, N.B., I would like to thank you for inviting me to your Grand Sessions. Last month the "Nile" had its Supreme Session in Winnipeg, Manitoba. There are 150 Temples across Canada and the United States. The new Supreme Queen's colours were black, white, silver

and gold. Her Session was called “Northern Delites” and we Queens were her “Snowflakes”.

Worthy Grand Matron, your year is almost done. May you look back in the coming years with great fondness and happy memories.

To the new slate of Officers – congratulations and my wish for you is good weather all year for your travels.

Again, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie – thank you for your kind invitation.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

To represent the International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Jennifer Millet. May we hear from you at this time.

**INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS
Jennifer Millet, Worthy Advisor, Codiac Assembly #25**

Good evening.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Members and Friends:

Thank you for inviting me to speak on behalf of Codiac Assembly, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. My name is Jennifer Millet and I am the Worthy Advisor. I have brought with me this evening, Ashley Perry, who is the Worthy Associate Advisor, Tristen Connell, who is Sister of Charity, and Mrs. Shelley Millet who is our Mother Advisor.

The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, more commonly referred to as Rainbow Girls, is a youth group for girls between the ages of 11 and 20. We learn about charity, hope, and service through our work and involvement with our local service projects. We are taught many things about becoming independent young ladies such as good public speaking skills, how to manage money, how to conduct a meeting, how to dress nicely, and how to work as a team. Our ritual, or memory work, teaches us to respect and care for every living being. It also teaches many other important life skills and values.

As members of the Rainbow we are active in our churches, schools and communities. We raise money through bake sales, dinners, grocery bagging, car washes and many other things. We use these funds to pay our bills, like rent, cover our expenses for trips to Rainbow functions in other places, like Maine and Ottawa, and to make donations to the charity of the Worthy Advisor's choice each term. My choice is Camp Goodtime, the camp for kids with cancer. Of course, we also have some fun events like bowling, sleepovers and swimming to name a few. As Rainbow Girls we have many fun activities and opportunities to make lifelong friendships with girls from many other places.

Our assembly meets on the second Friday for a "Casual Dress" night, and on the fourth Thursday at 7:00 PM for our "Formal Dress" meeting, in the Moncton Masonic Temple on Queen Street. Your attendance and support would be most welcomed at our meetings.

On June 29th, a couple of weeks ago, we had our Constitution Ceremony. This was the ceremony where we received our Charter making us an official Assembly. Some of you here this evening attended the ceremony, and I thank you for your support.

Finally, if you know a young lady whom you feel may have an interest in Rainbow, please contact myself or my mother or father, and we will be happy to assist with whatever information you may need.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this opportunity to speak to you and your guests this evening, and I wish you all the best in your Sessions this weekend.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

To represent the Order of Demolay, Mr. Jason Wilson. May we hear from you at this time.

ORDER OF DEMOLAY
Jason Wilson, Chapter Dad

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Members of the Order of the Eastern Star, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am the Chapter Dad for Stanley B. Cassidy Chapter, Order of DeMolay, in Fredericton. As you all know, summer is a busy time for

families and unfortunately, none of the boys could be here this evening.

So, on behalf of Stanley B. Cassidy Chapter, the Executive Officer of Atlantic Canada, Maurice Linkletter, and International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay for Boys, I would like to bring greetings and wish to all the best of luck for your Sessions this weekend. I hope that you will all enjoy yourselves and be able to look back fondly on the memories this weekend will create.

I would also like to take this time to encourage all of you to continue to assist and support the two wonderful youth organizations, the Order of DeMolay, and the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls that are within our Masonic family.

I would like to thank you for your time and invitation to speak this evening.

RESPONSE TO GREETINGS FROM HONOURED GUESTS
Brother Carr Graham, PGP

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

It is a distinct pleasure to respond on behalf of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star to the cordial welcomes and greetings extended by our Distinguished Government and Fraternal Guests.

I deem it as a special privilege to welcome our Lieutenant Governor, the Queen's Representative, Sister Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell, a member of our Order and the daughter of Sister Mildred Trenholme, Past Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter. Sister Rose and I had the privilege of her attendance at our Grand Chapter Sessions in 1998. I hope your visit here is as enjoyable to you as your presence is to us. Thank you for taking the time from your busy schedule to share this special occasion with us.

Andy Scott, member of Parliament of the Federal Liberal Party and Brad Green, Member of the Legislature of the Provincial Progressive Conservative Party – we recognize your many duties and appreciate both of you taking the time from your busy schedules to bring us greetings from your respective Governments.

Mayor Les Hull, the Grand Chapter of the New Brunswick Order of the Eastern Star, has had the pleasure of meeting in the Capital City of our Picture Province many times. We are enjoying the hospitality and ask you to extend to your Council and citizens our appreciation. Thank you for your attendance this evening.

Tammy Hayes (boss of our Worthy Grand Matron). Thank you for taking this time to bring greetings to our Assembly and to witness another facet of Sister Debbie's life.

Most Worshipful Brother, the Grand Master, R. Wayne Hitchcock, of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick, thank you for including our Grand Chapter Sessions in your schedule. We appreciate the words of wisdom included in your remarks. We also extend through you to the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, our best wishes.

To Darryl Stothart, Potentate of Luxor Temple, thank you for your attendance and greetings.

To Edythe Morton, Queen of Nereides Temple #78, thank you for your greetings, and we encourage you to continue with your good works.

It has often been said that the youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow. Worthy Advisor, Jennifer Millet, Codiac Assembly, Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and Jason Wilson, Stan Cassidy Chapter, Order of DeMolay for Boys, have demonstrated that here this evening. Thank you for your attendance here.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the honour and privilege of responding to the greetings of the Distinguished Guests.

The following presentations were made at this time by the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan:

- 1. Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship – Presented to Brother David Gillrie.**

Brother Bud, on behalf of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, it gives me great pleasure to present this cheque, in the amount of \$2,935.00 to you in support of this worthwhile endeavour.

2. ESTARL – Presented to Sister Isabel Morton

One of our Special Projects this year has been ESTARL. Thanks to the support of the subordinate Chapters, we are able to raise money for this worthwhile project. Sister Isabel, it gives me great pleasure on behalf of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick to present this monetary donation, in the amount of \$1,190.25.

3. Shriners' Transportation Fund – Presented to Darryl Stothart.

As a Shriner, it gives me great pride to present this monetary donation, in the amount of \$200.00, to go to the transportation of kids for the Shrine Hospital. Illustrious Sir Darryl, please accept this donation from us.

4. Camp Goodtime – Presented to Wayne Hitchcock, Most Worshipful, the Grand Master.

The Masonic Support of Camp Goodtime helps provide a week of fun for children in New Brunswick with cancer. Brother Wayne, Most Worshipful the Grand Master, please accept this monetary donation, in the amount of \$1,135.25, to go toward the support of Camp Goodtime.

WELCOMES

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

I will now call upon the Representative of the Fredericton Inn to bring greetings at this time.

**MR. JOHN WAITE
FREDERICTON INN**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Members and Guests:

First, I would like to thank you, the Committee, for choosing the Fredericton Inn as the host property of this event.

It truly makes us proud to cater to such a group and gives us an opportunity to show each and everyone of you true Maritime hospitality.

In closing, I wish you much success and many memorable moments during your time here.

Thank you very much.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

I will now call upon Brother Allan Gillis, Worthy Patron of Devon Chapter to bring greetings from the Hostess Chapter at this time.

**BROTHER ALLAN GILLIS, WORTHY PATRON
DEVON CHAPTER #37**

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

On behalf of the Hostess Chapters, Devon #37, Victoria #1, Celestial #3, and Unity #35, I welcome you to these “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions of Grand Chapter.

I hope you enjoy your time here at Grand Chapter, and feel free to ask any member of the many organizing Committees if you have any questions or need anything.

Sister Debbie, Brother Doug, I hope these Grand Sessions are everything you hoped they would be. Your time to rest is soon as hand.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

I would now call upon Brother Blaine Calhoun, PP and Chairperson on General Arrangements. Brother Blaine is the man behind the scenes who will make these Sessions come together. Remember any problems- please see Brother Blaine; any compliments – please see me! Brother Blaine, may we hear from you now.

**BROTHER BLAINE CALHOUN, CHAIRPERSON
GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS**

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

It is a pleasure, on behalf of all members of the Convening Committee, to welcome you to this “Rainbow of Friendship” 72nd Sessions. We trust that you will renew old friendships and make new ones that will be a joy to you for years to come. It is hoped that you will take this opportunity to visit some of the many attractions available to you and that you will enjoy your stay in our beautiful area of New Brunswick.

I would like, at this time, to thank the Chairpersons and members of all the various Committees required to make this event the success that I am sure everyone will find it to be. Thank you for your dedication and devoted labours. A special thanks goes to John Waite and his staff here at the Fredericton Inn; your co-operation and assistance is second to none.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, I wish for you a successful and harmonious Session and truly thank you for the honour and privilege of chairing your Convening Committee.

Thank you both and may God bless and be with you and your Sessions. In Psalm 133, we read: “How wonderful it is, how pleasant, for God’s people to live in harmony.”

RESPONSE

Brother Charlie Rafuse, PGP

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

On behalf of the members of this Jurisdiction, I am pleased to respond to the warm welcomes extended to us by Mr. John Waite, representing the Management and Staff of the Fredericton Inn; by Mr. Allan Gillis, Worthy Patron, on behalf of Devon #37, the Hostess Chapter and by Brother Blaine Calhoun, PP and Chairperson on General Arrangements. We are extremely grateful and say “Thank You” to each of you for the tremendous efforts you have made to make this 72nd Session of our Grand Chapter so enjoyable.

To the Management and Staff of the Fredericton Inn, thank you most sincerely for all of your co-operation and hospitality. Your efforts

have, once again, made our stay here so very enjoyable. We look forward to coming back again and again. Thank you.

To the members of Devon Chapter #37 and assisting Chapters, Victoria #1, Celestial #3 and Unity #35, What can I say? I am sure that the Worthy Grand Matron is extremely proud of the manner in which you have performed your duties. On behalf of all of us, thank you for your friendship, hospitality and hard work.

Brother Blaine, Chairperson of General Arrangements, you and your Committee Members have gone the extra mile to make us feel welcome. We know that the success of your efforts is due to the hard work and considerable time that each of you have given so that this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session will remain a pleasant memory for each of us.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, may these next few days be always a pleasant entry in your “Book of Memories”.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of responding to these welcomes.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

We will now continue with the introduction of our Distinguished Guests. I invite our Honoured Guests to stay and enjoy your evening, but I know each of you have busy schedules, and if you would like to leave at this time, you can do so. I thank each of you for being with us this evening, and we wish you much luck with all your future responsibilities.

The Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Thank you for being with us. We hope you enjoy the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session and will come back often.

**“Your gift to life is a thoroughly consistent
and beautiful one. You simply present**

**yourself to those around you as one full of
kindness and full of sunshine, bringing
cheer and glad smiles of welcome upon
the faces of all who know you.”**

RESPONSE

Sister Judith Fenner, Worthy Grand Matron of Massachusetts

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, thank you for the honour you have bestowed on the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts and me by inviting me to respond for the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions. How wonderful it is that my “Noah’s Ark” can respond to your “Rainbow”.

We congratulate you on a fine year as leaders of this Grand Chapter. You certainly have made the most of every opportunity and we have enjoyed greeting you as you travelled to other Grand Jurisdictions throughout the year.

We, who are from South of the Border, thank you for the outpouring of support and love expressed to us by Canadians after September 11th.

Once the warm Maritime welcome always found here in New Brunswick has been experienced, it is impossible not to return again and again. We thank you for your friendship and for all the courtesies extended to each one of us, and our escorts. We wish for you both a successful and productive “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. May God grant that we may all meet again to continue our Service to this beautiful Order.

The Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick were presented west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

**“You may have put your gavel down
And left your seat of power
But even though your title’s past**

**You are needed every hour.
How well you know the road
We've walked.
How well you
Know how oft we've talked.
And now we'll say with joy sincere
A million Thanks for
Being here.**

**One of the nicest welcomes any one is privileged to give is to the Past
Grands of his own Jurisdiction, and it gives me great pleasure to
welcome you to your own 72nd Grand Chapter Sessions.**

**Your title may be past, but you are present here today to ensure our
Order has a wonderful future. We will be joining your ranks in just a
few short days and look forward to our associations. You are the gold
at the end of our Rainbow.**

RESPONSE

Sister Hazel Harris, PGM

**Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron,
Brother Doug, thank you for the honour and privilege, on behalf of the
Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick, of
responding to your kind words of welcome this evening.**

**We appreciate the respect and recognition you have shown us during
the year and we will be most pleased to welcome you both into our
ranks when your Session is over.**

**May you experience the fulfillment of your expectations in the days
ahead and may the "Rainbow of Friendship" be with you always.**

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were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.*

*The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand
Jurisdictions were escorted west of the Altar.*

WELCOME

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

It warms my heart to see each of you here tonight. I thank you for travelling to New Brunswick to visit with us.

**“Things turn out best for people
Who make the best
Of the way things turn out.”**

RESPONSE

Sister Dawn Cassada, PGM of Connecticut

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, as Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Jurisdictions, we thank you for your kind and welcoming words and for every courtesy and generous hospitality extended to us by you and your Grand Jurisdiction.

Your “Rainbow of Friendship” has encircled us to share in this special time for your Grand Chapter. Our wish is that your Grand Chapter Session blends the many different hues of ideals, needs and desires into a productive and thoughtful palette. We know that through your gentle guidance and warm assurances it will.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, we came together through the kindness and hospitality of two special people, Griff and Bobbi Griffin. Although Griff is not here with us, he still is bringing us together with a smile. I certainly count my blessings to have had the privilege of sharing in your warm and honest friendships. You are cherished and irreplaceable friends who also happen to be a welcome part of the “Star Catchers”. We know you are determined, caring and dedicated and, along with the wonderful members of your Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, thank you for sharing your hearts and talents with each of us. My thanks too for allowing me to make this response on behalf of this very distinguished gathering. The Grand Chapter of Connecticut and I are very appreciative of this opportunity and honour, and so look forward to greeting you both in the line of Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons with open arms and a great big smile.

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented behind Esther’s chair.

WELCOME
Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

**“A smile is a funny thing
It wrinkles up your face
And when it’s gone you never find
Its secret hiding place.
But far more wonderful it is
To see what a smile can do
You smile at one – they smile at you
And so one smile makes two.**

It gives me great pleasure to welcome so many of you here this evening. You have travelled far to be here and we sincerely appreciate the time and effort you have given to be here. We hope you enjoy our warm hospitality and choose to join us again.

The Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and received a hearty welcome.

The Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented behind Esther’s chair.

WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

It is an honour to be an Appointed Officer. I hope each of you have enjoyed your appointments and thanks for being here with us.

**“Do a deed of simple kindness
Though its end you may not see
It may reach, like widening ripples
Down a long eternity.”**

RESPONSE
Sister Gloria Bowen, Associate Grand Matron of Maine

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

Thank you for your kind words to welcome us.

We like the ancient Wise Men, have travelled many miles to follow the Star that has led us to your Grand Chapter Session.

We want you to know how special our New Brunswick members are to us. You are very supportive to our Grand Chapter functions across the border and we do appreciate it.

Sister Debbie, and Brother Doug, we wish for you and your Grand Family and Grand Chapter a beautiful Session filled with love.

On behalf of the Elective and Appointive Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions, I thank you for the honour you have given to the Grand Jurisdiction of Maine and to myself in allowing me to give this response.

The Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and received a hearty welcome.

The Grand Officers' Emeritus were presented behind Esther's chair.

**WELCOME
Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron**

**“I'll say a little word today
That brings a happy smile
I'll do a little kindness which
May warm some heart awhile.
I'll share the burden, if I may
Of someone on the road today.”**

Your dedication to our Order has not been forgotten and the title of Emeritus is deserving of you. Welcome.

The Grand Officers' Emeritus were escorted to the East and received a hearty welcome.

The Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick were escorted west of the Altar.

WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Each of you is very special. Your job is to bring greetings on our behalf to your Jurisdictions. A Grand Representative Commission is very unique and has to be one of the highest honours a Worthy Grand Matron can bestow on one of its members.

“As our friendship grows and deepens
And life’s clouds yields to the sun
May the Rainbow deep within our heart
Be blended into one.”

RESPONSE
**Sister June Rafuse, Grand Representative of Ontario in New
Brunswick**

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

On behalf of the Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick, I thank you for your warm and gracious welcome.

While serving as ambassadors of friendship, we hope, through our visits and correspondence, that we may strengthen the bonds of fraternal love within our beautiful Order.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, thank you for the honour you have bestowed upon me and Granite Chapter #15 by inviting me to respond to your welcome.

I wish for you and Brother Doug much success during this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

The Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions and the Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted west of the Altar.

WELCOME
Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

“We’re proud of you
From each Province and State
We think you are truly great
For everything you do.
You spread good will and friendship too
Both near and far our Eastern Star
Shines bright because of you.
Around the world your letters go
Each one a link in Friendship’s Chain
To make our Order grow.”

I was fortunate during my journey to the East of seeing what Grand Representatives do in other Jurisdictions. It is indeed impressive and very rewarding what I had seen. You were especially chosen by your Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons as a deserving recipient. Based on the number of you who came here to New Brunswick this year, I can see why you were chosen to be our Grand Representatives in your Jurisdictions. We trust you are enjoying your Commissions.

RESPONSE

**Sister Catherine Cleveland, Grand Representative of New Brunswick
in Oregon**

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

Thank you for asking me to respond to your kind welcome on behalf of the Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions. We thank the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick for the honour we have of representing this Grand Jurisdiction. The lessons of the Rainbow of Love, Religion, Nature, Fidelity, Patriotism, and Service are important lessons for all our Masonic Family. We hope this year and this Session has been and will be everything you have envisioned.

“Friendships light up our lives as the Rainbow lights up
the sky.”

“When you treat someone to ice cream, make it the “taste-
good kind.”

The Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions and the Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The District Deputy Grand Matrons were presented behind Esther's chair.

WELCOME

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

You have a very challenging job. To bring the instructions to our Subordinate Chapters, Schools of instruction and to represent us. I thank you all for your hard and dedicated work.

**“To make somebody happy, requires a little thought.
A handshake and a pleasant smile are things that can't be bought.”**

RESPONSE

Sister Sallee Cone, District Deputy Grand Matron of Maine

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

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of New Brunswick, you have given me the honour and privilege of responding on behalf of the visiting District Deputy Grand Matrons.

We thank you for your warm words of welcome and we sincerely wish you the best in your “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

May you both share the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow, and may all your hopes and dreams come to fulfillment.

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

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2002-2003 were presented behind Esther's chair.

WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

My thanks to each of you for being here with us this evening. As a Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron, you have a challenging and fulfilling job as head of your Chapters. I wish each of you wisdom and understanding. Would you now turn and face the West, so that Sister Leitha and Brother Ron may welcome you.

WELCOME
Sister Leitha Holmes, Associate Grand Matron

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

Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, it is my pleasure to welcome you – the Worthy Matrons of 2002-2003 – to this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

We hope you will enjoy your year of service as you give of your time and your talents. Our wish for you is that you will have many loving memories and lasting friendships. We hope to be part of those memories and lasting friendships.

We are looking forward to visiting with you in your Chapter Rooms and I do wish each of you a most happy and rewarding year in the East. Enjoy. Bring in your friends. We need more members just like you.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the privilege of welcoming our Worthy Matrons.

Brother Ron Jagoe, Associate Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers – Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for giving me the pleasure to welcome our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of this Grand Jurisdiction for 2002-2003 to these Grand Chapter Sessions. Their attendance here shows their devotion to our Order and to their Chapters.

We are very pleased to see each of you here and are looking forward to working, visiting, and meeting each of you as we travel to your individual, and to your neighbouring, Chapters.

We hope you truly enjoy the proceedings and social times over the next two days and that they are educational and inspiring to you.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for allowing me to welcome these Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons to these Sessions.

RESPONSE

Sister Mildred Homer, Worthy Matron, Winston Churchill Chapter #19, Riverside-Albert

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

As Worthy Matron of Winston Churchill Chapter #19, it gives me great pleasure to attend the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session and I am very honoured to respond on behalf of the Worthy Matrons to the warm welcome by Sister Leitha.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, thank you for this honour. Our wish for you is a successful Session. We know you will take many fond and pleasant memories from the past year. Thank you for the privilege and honour bestowed upon myself and Winston Churchill Chapter #19.

To you Sister Leitha and Brother Ron, we look forward to your visit in our Chapter. Our wish for you and your Grand Officers is Good Health and much happiness. May God bless each of you in your travels this year.

Thank you Sister Debbie and Brother Doug for the honour of responding to this welcome.

Brother Burton Hall, Worthy Patron of Granite Chapter #15, St. George

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

I am honoured and delighted to have been afforded the opportunity to give the response to your welcome, Brother Ron, Associate Grand

Patron, on behalf of the Worthy Patrons of New Brunswick for 2002-2003.

Sister Leitha and Brother Ron, we the Worthy Patrons are looking forward with great zeal to your official visit at our various Chapters. I, on behalf of the Worthy Patrons, would like to extend our best wishes that your forthcoming year will be very gratifying and filled with many treasured memories.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks and gratitude to you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, for the honour that you have bestowed upon me and Granite Chapter #15, by asking me to respond to the welcome.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, all the Worthy Patrons join with me in wishing you the best in your Grand Chapter Sessions and may you have many warm-hearted memories of your astonishing year as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2002-2003 were escorted to the East and received a hearty welcome.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2001-2002 were escorted behind Esther's chair.

WELCOME

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

I am pleased that I have the opportunity to welcome each of you to these Sessions. Each of you made me feel so special when I visited your Chapters and I am pleased to have each of you here with me this evening. I was very proud of the way you and your Officers conducted your meetings and many thanks for making my year in the East so special.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

**“When good friends walk beside us
On the trails that we must keep
Our burdens seem less heavy
And the hills are not so steep.
The many miles pass swiftly
Taken in joyous stride
And all the world seems brighter**

When friends walk by our side.”

What a privilege it is indeed that we have the opportunity to repay you for the hospitality that you extended to us when we visited your Chapters. Thanks for remembering the invitation we extended to you during our visit with you. It’s so nice to see so many of you here this evening.

RESPONSE

Sister Doreen Young, Worthy Matron, Queen Mary Chapter #4, St. Stephen

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

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, I thank you for the honour you have conferred upon Queen Mary Chapter #4 in inviting me to respond to the welcome of the 2001-2002 Worthy Matrons.

On behalf of all those Worthy Matrons assembled here this evening, we thank you for the warm and sincere welcome extended to us. We all hold fond memories of your visit with Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, at our respective Chapters.

We would like to extend to both of you our congratulations on a wonderful and successful year. Our wish for you is that your “Rainbow of Friendship” Session will be a happy and successful one which will leave us all with wonderful memories.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you again for the honour you have given me in making this response.

Brother Arnold MacLeod, Worthy Patron, St. Stephen Chapter #8, St. Stephen

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

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, it is a great pleasure for me to respond on behalf of the Worthy Patrons of 2001-2002, and an honour for St. Stephen Chapter #8.

We appreciate the sentiments expressed in your welcome and trust that our presence at your Grand Chapter Session may assure you of our interest and good wishes for a successful and rewarding deliberation.

We have been told that at the end of every rainbow there is a pot of gold. We hope this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session will prove to be your pot of gold. Also, at the end of your rainbow, you find the many friends you have made during your year of service.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2001-2002 were escorted to the East and received a hearty welcome.

The Session Assistants were presented west of Esther’s chair.

WELCOME

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

**“You’re our friends we have gathered
In our journey through the year
You’ve agreed to assist us
At this Grand Chapter here.
We feel honoured indeed to have you
And grateful for your service too.
May you enjoy each and every task you do
As you go here and there the whole day through.”**

RESPONSE

Sister Patricia Lister, Assistant Grand Secretary

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

It is with pleasure that I, on behalf of the Assistant Grand Officers, thank you for the kind words of welcome given us tonight.

For you, Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, we wish a happy and rewarding Grand Chapter Session, and it will be our privilege and pleasure to help make it so.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the honour of responding to this welcome.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

This concludes our Informal Opening of these Sessions. Sister Marjorie and Sister Donna, you have done a beautiful job and I am proud of each of you. Thanks to all for attending these Informal Openings. Rest well, and we will see you here first thing in the Morning.

Announcements:

Nominations of Officers in the morning..Don't forget to pick up your tickets for the PAGO's Breakfast, the Past Grand's Luncheon and the Secretaries' Luncheon...also the "Symphony of Colours" Banquet Tickets.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, also announced that the proceeds from the Vesper Service, which go to ESTARL, amounted to \$669.76.

The Closing Ode, "Count Your Blessings" was sung.

The Grand Marshal called the Session from Labour to Rest to reconvene on Friday Morning at 8:45 AM Sharp!

FORMAL OPENING

**Friday Morning, July 12th, 2002
8:45 AM**

The Formal Opening of the 72nd Annul Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star, convened on Friday Morning at 8:45 AM following an Organ Prelude presented by the Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, and Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Mary Pelletier.

The Grand Choir entered the Chapter Room singing "It Only Takes a Spark". The Grand Pages and Grand Guards assumed their Stations after the Formations and Drills.

CALL TO ORDER

Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM, and Brother Elderic Thorne, PGP

Good Morning, Sisters and Brothers:

It is indeed an honour and a pleasure for me to share the East this morning with Brother Elderic Thorne, PGP, as we Call To Order the Formal Opening of the 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, “Rainbow of Friendship” Session and to extend a most sincere welcome to all our Sisters and Brothers.

It is always a pleasure to extend the hand of friendship to our Distinguished Guests and Members from other Grand Jurisdictions, as well as our own New Brunswick members.

A special welcome to the General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members and Ambassadors. To our Elected General Grand Chapter Officers, Sister Patricia Rasmusson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of Minnesota; Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress and Past Grand Matron of Texas; Brother Fred Clarke, Chairman, Right Worthy Grand Trustees and Past Grand Patron of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; Sister Barbara White, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Past Grand Matron of West Virginia; Sister Helen Westmoreland, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Past Grand Matron of Florida, and Brother Robert Morrison, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel and Past Grand Patron of Saskatchewan, and our Appointed General Grand Chapter Officer, Sister Judith Morrison, Worthy Grand Esther and Past Grand Matron of Saskatchewan, we hope that you will enjoy your visit with us and will take home pleasant memories of your time spent in New Brunswick. May you enjoy good health and safe travels as you journey throughout our Eastern Star world. Please return again and again.

To our many General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors, you were such a beautiful sight last night when you were presented. It is my pleasure to extend a most cordial welcome to you this morning. A special welcome to our own Sister Rose Scott on the Eastern Star Journal and Brother Rupert Sypher on Public Relations. I know you have visited all the Chapters in New Brunswick and most of the Grand Chapters in the Jurisdictions assigned to you by the Most Worthy Grand Matron. You have given much of your time to our beautiful Order, and have brought honour to this Grand Chapter. May you continue to have good health and safe travels.

To our own Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick, you continue to be one of our most devoted members and I know that you are enjoying your appointment. We also wish you good health and safe travels.

To our own New Brunswick members, we couldn't have a Grand Chapter without you. We urge you to attend all the Sessions and take an active part in the business of your Grand Chapter. Any decisions made will affect the future of this Grand Chapter and our beautiful Order.

Thank you all for being here.

Brother Elderic, would you please add your words of welcome.

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

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers.

It is both an honour and a pleasure for me to be here this morning to assist in opening this 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. An honour to be asked by our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, to take part in this opening ceremony and a pleasure to be here in the East with Sister Hilda.

I am very happy to welcome you to our "Rainbow of Friendship" Session and I am sure that you will find our New Brunswick members eager to make you feel at home.

We are especially pleased to have our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Pat Rasmusson, with us as well as several other General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members.

We are always glad to welcome our visiting members from other Grand Jurisdictions and we extend our warm hospitality to you and thank you for your presence. Enjoy your stay with us.

Two of our own Past Grand Matrons along with one Past Grand Patron are serving General Grand Chapter this Triennium and I wish to extend a special welcome and congratulations to Sister Rose, on Eastern Star Journal Committee, Brother Rupert on Public Relations Committee and Sister F. Pauline as Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron. New Brunswick is proud of each of you and we know that you will serve with distinction.

We are pleased to welcome all of our faithful New Brunswick members who attend our Grand Chapter Session year after year, and we are especially glad to greet those of you who are attending your

first Grand Chapter Session. It is my wish that you will get from this Session a greater appreciation of the work of the Order of the Eastern Star, and that you will be so inspired that you will be able to create a new enthusiasm and interest in your own Chapter.

Welcome to this 72nd “Rainbow of Friendship” Grand Chapter Session.

FORMATIONS AND DRILLS
Sister Jacquie Boutilier, PGM

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers were escorted into the Chapter Room.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were presented west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM, and Brother Elderic Thorne, PGP

Good Morning Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug: It is my honour to greet you and welcome you both to the Formal Opening of your “Rainbow of Friendship” Grand Chapter Session. Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, I thank you most sincerely for the honour afforded me by asking me to preside along with Brother Elderic at this Formal Opening Session. I congratulate you both on your year of dedicated service to this Grand Chapter and as you preside over the deliberations of this Grand Chapter, may the love that you exemplified toward us be returned to you both two-fold. May the Pot of Gold at the end of your “Rainbow” be filled to overflowing with happy memories and the lasting friendships you both have made this past year.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, my remarks have been directed to both of you. I could not think of anything to say to one that was not fitting to say to the other. We love you both. It was always a pleasure to have you visit our Chapters or to attend your Official Visits at other Chapters. I feel that you have had a great year.

Relax and enjoy your Sessions. I'm sure you will find it a very rewarding experience.

Brother Elderic:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, as we open this Formal Session of this Grand Chapter and as we all work together to transact any business that may regularly come before us, I wish for you both everything good that will make for you a wonderful Session, and one that will indeed be a "Rainbow of Friendship".

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, thank you for allowing me to assist in this Formal Opening of your Grand Chapter Session.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East where they were extended the Grand Honours.

Sister Hilda, PGM, presented Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, with her gavel.

The Grand Officers assumed their respective Stations.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Hilda and Brother Elderic, thank you for the Call To Order at the Formal Opening of these Grand Chapter Sessions. Sister Hilda you and Brother Elderic have been true friends to me. Brother Elderic, I was a member of your Grand Family and I have always enjoyed our friendship. Sister Hilda, will you accept this token of our friendship and appreciation.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Hilda, our friendship goes back until 1992 and the Grand Chapter Session in Woodstock. Your kind words and support over the years really mean so much to me. Brother Elderic, I remember well your Sessions and your wit and humour – How it must have got you through your Session. Anyone who can laugh at himself truly is a gifted person, and one trait I aspire to. Thank you for Calling to Order our Formal Opening of these Grand Chapter Sessions. Your words of

welcome mean so much. Please accept this gift as a token of our thanks and friendship.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Good morning everyone, and I hope you each had a good night's rest. It was probably a short rest, but I hope you are ready to start with the important work of this year's Session. Remember that this is your Grand Chapter Session and that you have an important say in all the business. The gavel I will be using was a gift last year from Brother Blaine Calhoun and was used at all the Official Visits and the Bible which will rest upon our Altar was a gift from my mother, Sister Joan Curran, Grand Warder, Sister Cairine and Brother Dale Nicklin. This Bible rested upon the Altar at all Official Visits and was signed by all Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. Brother Doug, I would be very honoured if you would be the last to sign my Bible.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. Tide and time waits for no man. Just one short year ago I was elected as your Worthy Grand Patron. The year has gone by fast. It seems like I was just up here thanking you for electing me as your Worthy Grand Patron. Before we get into the business of the Grand Chapter, I just want to remind you as a delegate if you desire to discuss any legislation or ask any questions, please use the microphone nearest to you, stating your Name, Title and Chapter Name and Number before you speak. I hope you enjoy the business of your Grand Chapter.

The thought for the Morning:

“The person who laughs at himself, never ceases to be amused.”

A beautiful Solo, entitled “Make Me A Channel Of Thy Peace” was rendered by Sister Mary Marshall, PM of Fidelity Chapter #36, Riverview.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Thank you Sister Mary, your singing is wonderful as always.

PLACING OF THE HOLY BIBLE AND EMBLEMS

WGM – We will now have the Emblem Placing Ceremony under the direction of Sister Betty Powell, WM, of Celestial Chapter #3, Fredericton.

**Narrator – Sister Betty Powell, WM
Organist – Sister Jean Belding, PGM
Chaplain – Sister Vera Swazey, PM
Adah – Sister Joyce Parke-Taylor, PM
Ruth – Sister Leta Fowler, PM
Esther – Sister Lorraine Fullarton, PM
Martha – Sister Shirley Antworth, PM
Electa – Sister Elaine MacLean, PM
Soloist – Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM**

Sister Jean Belding, PGM, played “Star of the East” as the Emblem Bearers entered the Chapter Room to form a line in the west.

NARRATOR:

“The Holy Bible is the source of all wisdom and strength. It is a guide and inspiration to help us walk serenely the path of life and remain true to God. Its pages contain the stories of the five heroines which are the heart of the teachings of our Order. It rests upon the Altar which is the heart of our Chapter room.

“Holy Bible, Book Divine” is played as the Bible Bearer enters. The Bible Bearer stands behind the Altar until music stops, places the Bible on the Altar, and steps back.

NARRATOR:

“It is with deep reverence that our Worthy Grand Matron’s Bible is placed on the Altar by our Chaplain, Sister Vera Swazey. This Holy Book has been used at all of her official visitations this past year. The heroines of our Order, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa step from the pages of this Holy Book, each bringing us a spiritual lesson.”

Solo: “We Love To Tell The Story” is sung by Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM.

NARRATOR:

“The Sword and Veil of ADAH is presented by Sister Joyce Parke-Taylor, PM, and teaches fidelity to one’s promise in the performance of duty. Blue is appropriate to this station.

“The Sheaf of Barley of RUTH’s station is presented by Sister Leta Fowler, PM and teaches constancy. It is an emblem of patient industry, love and devotion. Yellow is appropriate to this station.

“The Crown and Sceptre of ESTHER’s station is presented by Sister Lorraine Fullarton, PM, and teaches loyalty and courage to ourselves, our God, our Country and to our Chapters. White is appropriate to this station.

“The Broken Column of MARTHA’s station is presented by Sister Shirley Antworth, PM, and teaches faith in the Supreme Being and life after death. Green is appropriate to this station.

“The Cup of ELECTA’s station is presented by Sister Elaine MacLean, PM, and teaches love, the second great law of Christ “Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.” Red is appropriate to this station.

NARRATOR:

“May we, like the heroines of our Order, find peace and happiness through faith, love and prayer; thus reflecting the joy of living in our daily lives and providing an inspiration to all mankind.”

Officers retired as Soloist, Sister Shirley MacDonald, sang “Take Time To Be Holy”.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Thank you, Sister Betty, the ceremony was beautiful and I thank you and your Officers.

**INVOCATION
Brother Peter Colton, PGP**

Blessed Heavenly Father, we extend on your behalf a welcome to all our friends, who have come from near and far, to visit with us for this Formal Opening of the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. We are

grateful for the strength, love and kindness you have given to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and to our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, throughout this past year. Endue them with wisdom and strength as they preside over this Grand chapter Session. Give us all the ability to work together in harmony and friendship and preserve our lips from slander and evil speaking. May the spirit be in evidence in everything we say and do; and may this Session be brought through a pleasant and successful close. All this we ask in His name. AMEN.

The Grand Secretary called the Roll of Officers, with all in their Stations, with the exception of the Grand Treasurer, whose office was filled by Sister Linda Cogswell, PM, Pro-tem. The Grand Chapter was opened in Ritualistic Form followed by the singing of the Opening Ode, "In the Bulb There is a Flower". Those present joined in singing "O Canada", "God Save The Queen", and "The Star Spangled Banner".

Distinguished Guests not previously introduced:

Brother James Page Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron, read from the Robert's Rules of Order.

It was moved by Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM and Grand Secretary, that the minutes from Saturday Evening, July 7th, 2001, be approved as printed in the Proceedings. This was seconded by Sister Jacque Boutilier, PGM. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS REPORT

Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron

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

We, the members of the Unfinished Business Committee have examined the Minutes of the 2001 Grand Chapter Session and have concluded that all Business transacted at that Session which required further action has been acted upon and implemented.

For record purposes, we have summarized the items which were referred to the various Committees, and are now finalized:

1. **By-Laws of Remembrance Chapter, Minto, to be referred to the Worthy Grand Patron for approval.....Done.**
2. **Reference to co-ordinating Eastern Star events with the Masonic Bodies. We are grateful to Brother Evan Thomas of Zetland Chapter, Grand Sentinel, for devising a program to provide this valuable information on a year-to-year basis, for the information of the Worthy Grand Matron and others.**
3. **An amount of \$2,000 to be transferred from the Special Interest Account to the Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship Fund for 2001, if needed.....This was not required.**
4. **ESTARL Committee to amend Scholarship Guidelines... Reported as done.**
5. **Exemplify Initiatory Work once each year as per CLR XXV, Page 27, Para 9.....Ongoing.**
6. **Revise the format of the Constitution, Laws and Regulations.Done.**
7. **Finance Committee: The Worthy Grand Patron shall receive an annual travelling allowance in the amount of \$800.00 or the amount recommended by the Finance Committee and voted by the Grand Chapter.....Implemented.**
8. **MILEAGE shall be paid to the Worthy Grand Matron and District Deputy Grand Matrons for their Official Visits in the amount of \$0.25 per kilometer or the amount recommended by the Finance Committee and voted by Grand Chapter.Implemented.**
9. **GENERAL CONVENOR: An amount shall be allocated to the General Convenor for the Grand Chapter Session expenses, in the amount of \$3,000, or the amount recommended by the Finance Committee and voted by Grand Chapter...Implemented.**
10. **Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship Committee to hold meeting on the second Saturday in August.....To be implemented.**
11. **ESTARL – Application deadline to be July 1st of each year. Meetings of ESTARL Committee to be held at Grand Chapter.**

**Applications to be brought in line with the rules and to
Include telephone/contact number. Amend the
Guidelines....Done**

Respectfully submitted:

**Brother Stuart Norton, PGP
Sister Joan Hicks, PGM
Sister F. Pauline Allan, Chairperson, PGM**

*It was moved by Sister F. Pauline Allan, PGM, and seconded by Sister
Joan Hicks, PGM, that the Unfinished Business Report be accepted as
read. Motion carried.*

*No appointments to any vacancies on Committees needed to be dealt with
this year.*

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

**We will now have the initial Report of the Credential Committee.
Sister Shirley Jennings, PM, may we hear from you at this time.**

INITIAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

**Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East,
Sisters and Brothers. The Credential Committee submits its first
Report as of July 11th, 2002 as follows:**

Grand Officers of New Brunswick	17 plus 1 Pro-tem	18
Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron		-
Elected General Grand Chapter Officers		6
Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers		1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members & Ambassadors		8
Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions		14
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick		29
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions		35
Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions		9

Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions	3
Grand Officers'Emeritus	2
Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick	35
Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions	20
Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions	5
District Deputy Grand Matrons (NB and Others)	4
Voting Members of New Brunswick (Other than those Listed above)	131
Non-voting Members of New Brunswick	20
Members of Other Grand Jurisdictions (Other than Those listed above)	53
New Brunswick Chapters Represented	25
Grand Jurisdictions Represented	26
Total OES MEMBERS REGISTERED	393

Respectfully submitted:

Credential Committee

Committee Assistants

Sister Sally Donald, PM

Sister Avis Ford, PM

Sister Gertrude Wilson, PM

Sister Shirley Jennings, Chairperson

NOMINATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

The Nomination of Grand Officers was conducted by our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan. The following were nominated:

WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sister Leitha Homes, Electa #9, by Sister Mildred Girvan, PM (9)

WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Brother Ronald Jagoe, Bathurst #22, by Sister Sherry Mitton, WM(22)

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON

Sister Marjorie Colton, Prince Charles #27, by Sister Brenda Whitney, WM (27)

ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON

**Brother Evan Thomas,
Zetland #26, by Sister
Mickie King, WM (26)**

GRAND SECRETARY

**Sister Brenda J. Saunders,
Fidelity #36, by Sister Jean
Dutcher, WM (36)**

GRAND TREASURER

**Sister Linda Cogswell,
Devon #37, by Sister Cairine
Nicklin, PM (37)**

GRAND CONDUCTRESS

**Sister Donna Allen, Fort
Monckton #11, by Sister
Elaine Smith, WM (11)**

**ASSOCIATE GRAND
CONDUCTRESS**

**Sister Donna McEwen,
Lady Alexander #24, by
Sister Anna Lea Bain,
WM (24)**

**Sister Elaine MacLean,
Celestial #3, by Sister Betty
Powell, WM (3)**

**Sister Lynne Hatt, Granite
#15, by Sister June Rafuse,
PM (15)**

GRAND SENTINEL

**Brother Robert Flewelling,
Saint John #14, by Sister
Betty Boyer WM (14)**

The Grand Secretary read greetings, regrets and the following letters:

*From the Most Worthy Grand Matron, the Most Worthy Grand Patron,
Sister Violet Blair, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on
Credentials; the Children's Wish Foundation; Sister Margaret McCully,
PGM; Sister Donna Love, Grand Representative of Vermont; the
Radfords from Quebec*

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

**Again this year Sister Norma Caswell has written a March for Brother
Doug and myself entitled "Butterflies on the Move." Sister Norma
would you play it at this time.**

Thank you Sister Norma, No one has ever written a piece of music for me and I will always cherish the memory. Sister Norma has made copies and if anyone would like to purchase a copy, the proceeds will go to ESTARL.

**BROTHER DONALD E. JONES
General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Scottish Rite
Charitable Foundation**

**Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished
Members of the East, Sisters and Brothers all:**

You're a fine looking Group – from up here you're looking real well – and that's surprising for this hour in the morning too. Before I present briefly, and I promise not to take much time, I'd like to pass out some bouquets because you deserve it.

I particularly have enjoyed the presentations within the Labyrinth and without, both last night and today, and the presentation of the Butterfly and the Rainbow. They were very well done and it was very pretty. It reminds me of a little story of two little ants that are crawling on the ground and one looked up and saw a beautiful butterfly floating by, and said to his friend: "Doesn't that look wonderful?" His friend said, "It sure does, but you'll never get me up in one of those things."

When you think of a rainbow you may think of that little humorous story because it is perhaps appropriate, and also for the kindness that has been extended to me and my wife on our arrival yesterday – both last night and again this morning.

It is a great privilege for me to thank you for the opportunity to present this program to the members of the Order of the Eastern Star on behalf of the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation. There are 7 members in North America – 5 Brothers in the States are working on behalf of you and my Counterpart from Kamloops, BC. Dr. Glen Martin, who is a PGP of BC/Yukon is representing the Western Provinces and it is my good fortune to represent Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes. We went to the West Coast a year ago and this year we are down here visiting with you in order to make you aware of exactly what this program is all about.

Our program is directed at all forms of research into Mental Retardation. At this point, I will refer to my script in order that my wife won't be annoyed with me when I get out of here.

This Foundation was established in 1964 to financially support medical research in Canadian hospitals and Universities, and such research directs its efforts to find causes of intellectual impairment such as Autism, Down's Syndrome, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome as it affects children and Alzheimer's Disease which affects persons of advanced years. Our Program, for a donation of \$5.00 or more, and let me make this one point strongly, this is not to be interpreted as a Chapter project. We are asking each individual to look within their hearts and respond in kind so it becomes a personal thing between you and your donation.

Our program, again I repeat, for a donation of \$5.00 or more, is to offer our membership a personalized Certificate, indicating that you have made a donation to this Foundation and each Certificate is signed by the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron, and is adorned with the logos of the General Grand Chapter as well as the Scottish Rite logo, with a gold seal in the lower right corner. Additionally, your name will be inscribed in 2 Books of Recognition which will be presented to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron in 2003 at the Triennial Sessions in Portland, Oregon. And let me clarify something here – names will be there in great numbers from one side of the Country to the other, but you will not be one name among thousands – your name will be listed under your own Chapter in your own Grand Jurisdiction, so there will be a distinction there and you will be proud to see it so inscribed. My wife is preparing both of these Books which we will take with us and present on behalf of all of you wonderful people who support this program.

Now when I speak of this amount of \$5.00, my friends, it can be \$5.00 as a minimum, but more than that if you feel so disposed. That donation will never be spent. It is going into trust and only the residual that accrues as a consequence of interest is invested annually in support of this wonderful program.

I tell you all you have a wonderful University down here – Dalhousie University – in Halifax. There are no less than 6 Physicists who are employed and being supported by this Foundation to the tune of \$210,000 every single year. I encourage you, and urge you to support this Program, because it is something that you will be proud that you have done.

And finally, in closing, I suggest to you I need your support and ask each Chapter to appoint an enthusiastic individual who will assist me in accepting donations for your Chapter members, and forward all the information to me that we might prepare the Certificate which will be returned to your Chapter.

Finally, through your contribution to this Foundation, we will fulfill one of the objectives of the “Peace Around the World” Session which has as its aim to strengthen the Masonic Family.

I want to thank you very, very much for your kind attention.

The Bell rang on the Homemaker’s Table, and the winner was Brother Henry Morton, PP, Winston Churchill #19, Riverside-Albert.

**DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE REPORT
Brother George Theal, Past Grand Patron**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Visitors, Sisters and Brothers. We the committee on Distribution report that the Annual Reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have been reviewed by us and that the Reports were forwarded to the Jurisprudence Committee with our observations and recommendations as follows:

Worthy Grand Patron’s Report – By-Law Changes

We believe that the By-Law changes indicated in the Report should be listed to indicate the Chapter, By-Law reference, and date approved; and not shown as consolidated item.

Worthy Grand Matron’s Report – Grand Representative Appointments

We recommend that the appointments be listed in the Report along with the Representative appointments approved for other jurisdictions.

Irregularities – Those irregularities listed in the Report are all too common year after year. We recommend that they be passed to the incoming Worthy Grand Matron for follow-up by the District Deputies.

The shortage of Registered Nurses for the Grand Session is considered a problem as addressed by the Worthy Grand Matron. In addition to the recommendation that a Committee be established to consider a course of action, we suggest that in addition to RN and RNA's, qualified first aid personnel, paramedics, or nurse practitioners, if and when approved, be used. The situation should also be addressed to the incoming Worthy Grand Matron for her planning of the forthcoming session in her year.

We commend the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron on the assistance in providing their reports in a timely fashion.

Respectively submitted,

Brother Peter Colton, PGP
Sister Glenna Taylor, PGM
Brother George Theal, PGP, Chairperson

Brother George Theal, PGP, moved the acceptance of his Report which was seconded by Brother Peter Colton, PGP. Motion accepted.

**GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT
Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM**

2001 – 2002

Once again another busy year has been completed. The usual duties of a Grand Secretary included filling orders, finding answers to questions, writing warrants, etc., and these were handled as quickly as possible.

I want to thank the Chapter Secretaries for their friendship, their support and best wishes. May your year as Chapter Secretary be successful and without problems. If I can assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will always be there to assist however I can.

I would like to especially thank my assistant, Sister Patricia Lister, for not only this year, but for last year as well. Your help has made my life easier at Grand Chapter. Thank you for saying yes to a position that most people don't want!! I would also thank my Page, Sister Mary Marshall, for looking after the tape recorders, and doing my running.

Also, a sincere thank you to Sister Lynn Hutchin who looked after the tape recorders so efficiently last year.

I thank Sister Joanne Cameron for working with me and wish her well in whatever she decides to do. Thank you to Sister Linda for stepping in and making things continue uninterrupted.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, I thank you for having me as part of your Grand Family. I regret that I was unable to attend more of your meetings because of work commitments. You have worked hard, travelled far, and returned to complete your year of service at this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. I would particularly thank each of you for the beautiful flowers that you sent to me during “Secretary’s Week”. It was most thoughtful and very much appreciated. May your Sessions be all that you hoped for, and your retirement bring you fond memories of this year.

To the members of this Grand Family, I thank you for serving with me this year. I truly regret not being able to spend more time with you on your travels this year, but I trust each of you will have many happy memories of your year of service.

Sister Leitha and Brother Ronald, I wish for you good health, safe travels and a year that will long be remembered by you both.

The following is the Re-capitulation for the year, June 1, 2001, through May 31, 2002:

Total No. of Members as of May 31, 2001	2,390
Initiated	23
Re-instated	3
Affiliated	24
Omitted from last year	3
Total Increase	53
Deceased	78
Demitted	17
Suspended	16
Expelled	---
Total Decrease	111

Total No. of Members as of May 31, 2002

2,332

Thank you to the members of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick for having me as your Grand Secretary, and I will continue to provide you with the best possible service that I can.

Fraternally,

Brenda J. Saunders, PGM
Grand Secretary

GRAND CHAPTER OF NEW BRUNSWICK
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
JUNE 1, 2001 TO MAY 25, 2002

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2001

\$ 14.14

Receipts:

2001 Gr. Chapter Registration	\$2,722.44
Lottie L. Kyle Memorial Scholarship & Educational Fund	2,935.00
ESTARL	3,388.52
Rituals	342.00
Proceedings	1,969.00
Postage	140.77
Supplies	2,584.19
Red Book	156.00
Special Account	7,038.88
2001-2002 WGM's & WGP's Special Projects (Camp Goodtime & ESTARL)	2,325.50
Dispensations	1.00
MWGM's Special Projects (Sale of Pins 1997-2000)	202.50
OES Magazine	75.00
Per Capita Tax	11,446.00
International Temple Fund	87.00
Returned from General Grand	3,563.10
American Red Cross	125.00
Children's Wish Foundation	<u>245.11</u>

Total Receipts: \$39,347.01

Money Transferred to the Grand Treasurer \$39,347.01

Disbursements:

Warrants issued 1 – 46

Petty Cash	\$ 2,167.62
Printing – Session Booklet (2000-2001)	714.15
Printing – Proceedings for 1999-2000	4,303.30
Printing – Proceedings for 2000-2001	6,658.50

General Grand Chapter:

Supplies	1,668.55
International Temple Fund	50.00

Refurbishing of Jewels (2000-2001)	575.00
Refurbishing of Jewels (2001-2002)	990.28
Repair of Grand Officer's Badge	11.50

Honourariums:

Grand Secretary (Brenda J. Saunders)	600.00
Grand Treasurer (Joanne Cameron)	200.00
Asst. Grand Secretary (Patricia Lister)	150.00

Mileage:

Debbie Hill, WGM	1,824.75
Doug Swan, WGP	800.00
Leitha Holmes, DDGM	277.24
Marjorie Colton, DDGM	208.40
Donna Allen, DDGM	147.50

Grand Treasurer's Expenses	64.94
Grand Chaplain's Expenses	63.65

Donations:

Balance as of May 31st, 2002 \$ 14.14

PETTY CASH FUND
June 1, 2001, to May 31, 2002

Balance forward as of May 31, 2001 \$ 15.14

Receipts:

Received from Grand Treasurer \$2,154.56

Expenditures:

Postage & Handling	\$1,125.40	
Safety Deposit Box	102.30	
Supplies	301.24	
Photocopies	419.37	
Telephone	122.74	
UPS	96.57	\$ 2,167.62

Balance as of May 31st, 2002 \$ 2.08

Sister Brenda moved that this Report be laid on the Table pending the Auditors' Report.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT
Sister Linda Cogswell, Grand Treasurer, Pro-Tem
June 1, 2001 to May 31, 2002

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

It has been my pleasure to serve this Grand Chapter for the last five months as your Pro-Tem Grand Treasurer. A sincere thank you to Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug for asking me to fill this Station and having the confidence in me to do the work.

In February an Audit was completed and all the necessary Accounts, Ledgers and Paperwork were given to me. After making myself familiar with the work and telephone conversations with the Grand Secretary, Sister Brenda, and the CIBC Representative, business carried on as usual.

I commend Sister Joanne Cameron on a job well done and for keeping such accurate and complete financial records for this Chapter. I extend all the best wishes and happiness to Sister Joanne in her future endeavours.

At this time, I also must express my most sincere thank you to Sister Brenda, our Grand Secretary, for her patience and help during the transition time and later as well. This lady is a wealth of information!!

To the Audit Committee and Finance Committee, I extend my appreciation for your understanding and co-operation these last few months. It has been a pleasure working with each of you.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, it has been a privilege to be included in your Grand Family and I wish you both much happiness as you complete your "Rainbow of Friendship" Sessions.

Respectively submitted,

Sister Linda Cogswell
Grand Treasurer, Pro-Tem

**GRAND CHAPTER OF N.B.
GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT
JUNE 1, 2001 – MAY 31, 2002**

GENERAL ACCOUNT (C.I.B.C.) #38-01217

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2001 \$ 4,377.49

RECEIPTS for the year:

Redeemed GIC's	\$30,894.73
Investment Interest	1,130.73
Rec'd from Gr. Secretary	39,347.01
Transfer from Lottie L.Kyle	4,600.00
Transfer from ESTARL	<u>6,500.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS **\$82,472.47**

Total Bank Balance & Receipts **\$86,849.96**

DISBURSEMENTS: **Warrants 1 – 46**

Transfer to Lottie L. Kyle Acct.	\$ 2,935.00
Transfer to ESTARL Account	3,388.52
Transfer to Special Account	7,038.88
Gr. Secretary's Petty Cash	2,167.62
General Gr. Chapter "ESTARL"	4,578.77
General Grand Chapter	
International Temple(\$50US)	77.60
General Grand Chapter	
Supplies (\$1429.85US)	2,263.94
General Grand Chapter	
Annual Return(\$238.70US)	368.08
Purchased (3) GIC's	26,288.40
Ita Cast (Engrave Jewels)	575.00
Royal Print (99-2000	
Proceedings)	4,303.30
Grand Treasurer Expe.	
(Joanne Cameron)	64.94
Grand Chaplain Expenses	
(Frank Withers)	63.65
Print Xpress (00-01 Session	
Booklets)	714.15
Norma Jean Belyea Expenses	200.00
JM & CW Hope Grant Ins.	590.00
Moncton Masonic Temple	
- Storage	100.00
Repair of Gr. Officer's Jewel	11.50
Luxor Merchandise	196.30
Print Atlantic (00-01	
Proceedings)	6,658.50
Lottie L. Kyle Scholarships(6)	4,600.00
ESTARL Scholarships (3)	6,500.00
Lees Hamilton (Jewels for	
01-02)	990.28
General Convenor for 2002	
Blaine Calhoun	<u>3,000.00</u>
Sub-Total	\$77,674.43

Travel Expenses:

Debbie Hill, WGM	\$ 1,824.75
Leitha Holmes, AGM	277.24
Marjorie Colton, Gr. Cond.	208.40
Donna Allen, AGC	147.50
Doug Swan, WGP	<u>800.00</u>
	\$ 3,257.89

Honourariums:

Brenda J. Saunders, Gr. Sect	600.00
Joanne Cameron, Gr. Treas.	200.00
Patricia Lister, Asst. Gr. Sect.	<u>150.00</u>
	\$ 950.00

Memorium:

Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship for Sis. Myrtle Fillmore, PGM	\$ <u>30.00</u>
	\$ 30.00

Donations:

Children's Wish Foundation (00-01 WGM's Special Project)	\$ 245.11
OES Magazine	75.00
Camp Goodtime (01-02 WGM's Special Project)	1,135.25
ESTARL (01-02 WGM's Special Project)	1,190.25
American Red Cross (MWGM's Special Project)	125.00
Shriner's Transportation	<u>200.00</u>
	\$ 2,970.61

Total Disbursements \$84,882.93

Closing Balance as of May 31, 2002 \$ 1,967.03

Investment Details – General Account

FLGIC-00256 at 3.25% due JULY 15/02	\$10,745.87
FLGIC-00272 at 1.00% due April 30/03	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$15,745.87

Balance May 31, 2001	\$ 4,377.49
Receipts June 1, 2001 to May 31, 2002	82,472.47
Disbursements Jun1, 2001 to May 31, 2002	<u>84,882.93</u>

Balance May 31, 2002	\$ 1,967.03
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Bank Balance May 31, 2002	\$11,372.26
Minus 12 outstanding cheques as of May 31/02	9,405.23

<u>True Bank Balance as of May 31, 2002</u>	\$ 1,967.03
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Investments	<u>\$15,745.87</u>
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Grand Total of General Account & Investments	<u>\$17,712.90</u>
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**ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
C.I.B.C. #08-51531**

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2001	\$ 672.49
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RECEIPTS:

Received from Gr. Sect.	\$ 3,378.52
Transfer from Lottie L. Kyle	10.00
Redeemed (5) GIC's	17,943.78
GIC Interest	<u>486.43</u>
Total Receipts	\$21,818.73

Total Bank Balance and Receipts	\$22,491.22
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DISBURSEMENTS:

Transfer to General Account For (3) Scholarships	\$ 6,500.00
Purchased (5) GIC's	<u>15,630.96</u>
Total Disbursements	\$22,130.96

True Bank Balance as of May 31, 2002	\$ 360.26
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INVESTMENT DETAILS - ESTARL

FLGIC-00175 at 1.1% due Nov. 25/02	\$1,141.23
FLGIC-00205 at 1.5% due Oct. 15/02	1,879.00
FLGIC-00183 at 1.0% due April 11/03	1,992.73
FLGIC-00213 at 1.0% due April 30/03	<u>2,332.00</u>
	\$7,344.96

Available for Scholarships **\$ 7,705.22**

**LOTTIE L. KYLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP &
EDUCATIONAL FUND
C.I.B.C. #08-51434**

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2001 **\$ 752.98**

RECEIPTS:

Transfer from General Acct	\$ 2,945.00
WGM's Special Project	1,445.07
Memorial –Myrtle Fillmore	30.00
Redeemed (4) GIC's	10,406.80
GIC Interest	<u>257.37</u>
Total Receipts	\$15,084.24

Total of Bank Balance and Receipts **\$15,837.22**

DISBURSEMENTS:

Transfer to General Acct	\$ 4,600.00
For (6) Scholarships	
Transfer to ESTARL Acct	10.00
Purchased (4) GIC's	<u>10,801.47</u>
Total Disbursements	\$15,411.47

True Bank Balance as of May 31, 2002 **\$ 425.75**

INVESTMENT DETAILS – LOTTIE L. KYLE

FLGIC-00159 at 1.5% due Oct. 15/02	\$ 1,782.00
FLGIC-00124 at 1.0% due April 11/03	1,889.47

FLGIC-00167 at 1.0% due April 30/03

2,180.00
\$ 5,851.47

Available for Scholarships

\$6,277.22

SPECIAL ACCOUNT
C.I.B.C. #39-00517

Bank Balance as of May 31, 2001

\$ 467.65

RECEIPTS:

Redeemed GIC \$ 7,252.42
GIC Interest 333.61
Total Receipts \$ 7,586.03

Total of Bank Balance and Receipts

\$ 8,053.68

DISBURSEMENTS:

Purchased GIC \$ 8,052.00

Closing Bank Balance as of July 16, 2001

\$ 1.68

NOTE: July 16, 2001 – Closed Account #39-00517 and opened a
New Account #08-85339 (Non-Personal – no service charge
Account).

#08-85339

Opening Balance

\$ 1.68

RECEIPTS:

Redeemed GIC \$ 5,800.00
GIC Interest 272.60
Transfer from General
Acct(Gr. Sect.) 7,038.88

Total Receipts \$13,111.48

DISBURSEMENTS:

Purchased GIC	\$13,113.00	
True Bank Balance as of May 31, 2002		\$.16

INVESTMENT DETAILS: SPECIAL

FLGIC-00043 at 3.25% due July 15/02	\$ 8,052.00	
FLGIC-00051 at 1.5% due Oct. 15/02	<u>13,113.00</u>	
	\$21,165.00	
Grand Total of Special Account & Investments		\$21,165.16

INVESTMENTS AT OTHER INSTITUTIONS

**TORONTO DOMINION – FREDERICTON
(Managed by the Finance Committee)**

GIC 5080-8065148-03 at 2.7% due Sept. 24/02	\$ 65,000.00	
GIC 5080-8065148-02 at 5.5% due Sept. 22/03	<u>65,000.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$130,000.00

C.I.B.C. - WOOD GUNDY

Province of Manitoba Debenture #280-02619 At 6.625% due May 16, 2007	\$ 35,706.94	
“Sold” Prov. Of Manitoba Debenture Oct. 29, 2001	- 37,274.73	
“Purchased” Clarington Canadian Income Funds #280-0261923 (Int. varies monthly) Value April 30, 2002	\$ 38,795.46	
GRAND TOTAL (Other Institutions)		\$168,795.46

SUMMARY OF ALL BANK ACCOUNTS & INVESTMENTS

General Account	\$ 1,967.03
Investments	15,745.87
Lottie L. Kyle Account	425.75
Investments	5,851.47
ESTARL Account	360.26
Investments	7,344.96
Special Account	.16
Investments	21,165.00
Investments:	
Toronto Dominion – Fredericton	130,000.00
C.I.B.C. – Wood Gundy	38,795.46
Grand Total as of May 31, 2002	\$221,657.64

**GRAND TREASURER’S REPORT
MAY 31, 2002
ADDENDUM**

GENERAL ACCOUNT #38-01217

Balance May 25, 2002	\$ 1,967.03
RECEIPT:	
Received from Gr. Sect.	\$316.45
DISBURSEMENT:	
Transfer to ESTARL Account	\$ 10.00
Closing Balance as of May 31, 2002	\$ 2,273.48

**ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
#08-51531**

Balance as of May 25, 2002 **\$ 360.26**

RECEIPTS:

Memorial **\$10.00**

Closing Balance as of May 31, 2002 **\$ 370.26**

(Available for Scholarships \$7,715.22)

SUMMARY OF ALL BANK ACCOUNTS & INVESTMENTS

Grand Total as of May 31, 2002 **\$221,974.09**

Sister Linda moved that this Report be laid on the table pending the Auditor's Report.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT
Brother Elderic Thorne, PGP, Chairperson**

**Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members
of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick:**

**We, your Audit Committee, have examined the books and records of
the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for the year ending May
31, 2002, and found them in balance and correct. The books and
records were neat and easy to follow.**

**We would like to thank the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for
their assistance in completing the Audit.**

**Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of being of
service to our Grand Chapter.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Blaine Calhoun, PP
Nancy Kilburn, PM
Elderic Thorne, PGP, Chairperson**

Brother Elderic, PGP, moved that the Reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer be lifted from the table and adopted along with the Report of the Audit Committee. Seconded by Brother Blaine Calhoun, PP. Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

2001-2002

Brother Roy Wilson, PP, Chairperson

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

The Committee approved Warrants 1 – 46, in the amount of \$45,232.13. This total reflects an increase of almost \$6,000.00 over last year, which is mostly accounted for due to the fact we paid for both this year and last year’s publications of the Grand Chapter Proceedings, plus the increase in payments for Grand Officers’ expenses and the additional \$1,000.00 to the General Convener for Grand Chapter Session expenses approved at the last Grand Chapter Session.

Immediately after the Worthy Grand Matron’s School of Instruction, a meeting was held with the Grand Officers and Audit Committee with regard to allowable expenses, and they were found knowledgeable on these matters.

Investment of funds from the proceeds of the Eastern Star Home is the responsibility of the Finance Committee, and is as listed in the Report of the Grand Treasurer. The GIC for \$65,000.00, which matured in September, 2001, was re-invested in a GIC for a one-year period at a rate of 2.7%. The other GIC for \$65,000.00, which matures in September, 2002, will be re-invested at the best possible rate in consultation with the Grand Treasurer.

In Committee meetings we discussed the matter of Honourariums to the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and we support, in principle, the Notice of Motion, and we will be commenting when the matter is brought to the floor.

We extend our appreciation to Sister Linda Cogswell for accepting the Grand Treasurer’s responsibilities in mid-year and commend her for the excellent manner in which she has performed those duties. It is with mixed emotions we bid farewell to Sister Joanne Cameron who did an equally good job. We also extend thanks to our Grand

Secretary, Sister Brenda Saunders, for her efficient handling of her duties during the past year.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of serving on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

**Brother DeWitt Lister, PGP
Sister Norma Jean Belyea, PGM
Brother Roy Wilson, PP, Chairperson**

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sisters and Brothers, it is hard to believe that a year has passed since Sister Ann Lister escorted me to the Altar and Brother DeWitt installed me as Worthy Grand Matron.

What a year it has been. It has been challenging, time consuming, but probably one of the best years of my life.

One of the aims for this year was for each member to make a new Star Friend. I have made not one, but many and have strengthened old friendships. I will hold the love and friendship I have received this year close to my heart forever.

The following graciously agreed to serve on the following Committees:

Commissioner of Trials	Gordon Steeves, PGP
Lottie L. Kyle Memorial Scholarship and Educational Fund	Patti Vaughn, PM
ESTARL	Catherine Evans, PM
International Temple Fund	Martha Gillrie, PM
Audit	Blaine Calhoun, PP
Membership	Sybil Wilson, PM

Distribution	Glenna Taylor, PGM
Jurisprudence	Ann Lister, PGM
Constitution & Laws	Ann Morton, PGM
Grievances & Appeals	Dale Nicklin, PGP
Finance	DeWitt Lister, PGP

I also had the opportunity to work with Brother Doug to choose the Grand Representatives. What a daunting and fun afternoon that was. Working together we chose Sisters and Brothers to represent us in other Grand Jurisdictions. I hope each Sister and Brother appointed will enjoy their Commissions and will correspond with their Counterparts

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN NEW BRUNSWICK PRESENTED:

Paul Fullarton	Alabama
Rosalie Clifford	Arizona
Vernon Lister	California
Heather McKinley	Colorado
Gregory Darke	District of Columbia
Ebby Kuhn	Florida
Jean Kelly	Manitoba
Marjorie Linton	Michigan
Brenda McGibbon	Mississippi
Debbie Doherty	Missouri
Laurie Tompkins	Montana
Sybil Wilson	Nebraska
Ethel Knowles	New York
Cairine Nicklin	Nevada
William Dutcher	North Carolina
Murdo McKay	Ohio
June Rafuse	Ontario
Aulay Sample	Pennsylvania
Olive Smollett	Quebec
Alvin Landsburg	Rhode Island
Betty Boyer	South Carolina
Ian Black	Tennessee
Norma Smith	Utah
Stuart Norton, PGP	Wisconsin
Peter Devlin	Wyoming

COMMISSIONS SIGNED FOR OTHER JURISDICTIONS:

Janice Johnson	Arizona
Orissa Maurer	Connecticut
Melodie Daniel	Florida
Arliss Blackledge	Iowa
Velma Tomlinson	Kansas
Dorothy Adams	Louisiana
Avis Cassells	Manitoba
Frances Riale	Maryland
Patricia Donovan	Massachusetts
Roger Putnam	Minnesota
Mona McKown	Montana
Mary Boneright	Nebraska
Barbara Byne	New Hampshire
Peter Kay	Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Wesley Beacock	Ontario
Cathy Cleveland	Oregon
Sara Higgenbotham	South Carolina
Janice Shelor	Virginia

COMMUNICATIONS:

We were able to communicate with the Chapters several times during the year and also we were privileged to bring greetings in the Eastern Star Magazine. I thank Brother Dale Nicklin and his Committee for that honour. I also thank Brother Dale for so many articles and pictures of this Grand Family and for inviting me to the Eastern Star Magazine meetings.

There were four Schools of Instructions held on September 15, 2001. I heard many good comments from Sisters and Brothers attending these Schools and thank all who attended.

OFFICIAL VISITS:

The Official Visits were, of course, the highlight of my year. The hard work that went in to preparing the banquets, the ceremonies, music, words of welcome and the gifts all left me quite speechless, and I will treasure those memories forever. The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2001-2002 were top notch and you will always be my Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. The donations to our Special

Projects were appreciated and the monies were always given to Sister Norma Caswell. I thank Sister Norma for looking after this for me.

Sisters and Brothers, you were faithful at all the Official Visits. Sister Fannie, Grand Electa; Sister Joan, Grand Warder; Brother Bob, Grand Marshal; Brother George, Grand Chaplain, and, of course, Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, never missed an Official Visit and I thank you.

Many thanks to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons for their assistance and for staying for pictures.

I was given the opportunity this year to present 50 and 25-year pins. It was an opportunity I was honoured to do.

GRAND FAMILY EXCHANGES:

On a very warm September day, we all went to Orion Chapter, Calais, Maine, for the New Brunswick in Maine Grand Family Exchange, where the Officers of New Brunswick made us all proud. The work of our Order was beautifully done and I thank all who travelled to be with us.

In October, Devon Chapter #37 beautifully hosted the Maine in New Brunswick Grand Family Exchange at the Fredericton Inn. We welcomed Sisters and Brothers from both Jurisdictions and the work of the Order was done equally as well by the Grand Officers of Maine.

In April we went to Myrtle Chapter in Nova Scotia for the Maine-Maritime Exchange where six of the Grand Officers of New Brunswick made us proud when they worked with the Sisters and Brothers of Maine and Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

Late in May we travelled to Woodstock, New Brunswick, where Victoria Chapter #1 hosted the Maritime Exchange. Here 9 of the New Brunswick Officers took part in the Initiatory work and, of course, their work was beautifully done. Many thanks to Devon #37 and Victoria #1 for hosting the two Exchanges in New Brunswick.

OTHER EVENTS:

In July we hosted the School of Instruction for the Grand Officers and it was well attended by the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick, after which was a meeting with the Finance Committee.

I attended a Pot Luck at the Camp belonging to Helen Page and attended the Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship meeting, and I also attended the meeting of the ESTARL Committee which was held in Bathurst at the Chapter Room. I thank the members of both Committees for the invitation.

There was a picnic at the camp of the Worthy Grand Patron's parents, where the members of Sister Ann Morton/Brother Gordon Steeves, Sister Carol Sutherland/Brother Charlie Rafuse, and, of course, members of this Grand Family and a few others met for an afternoon of fellowship, fun, and, of course, a picnic. It was a beautiful afternoon and I hope everyone enjoyed it.

I had the unique opportunity to travel to Maine to the home of the late Griff Griffin for a picnic of the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons and our spouses. It was there I finally met my Counterparts from Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont. It was a wonderful day and another memory I will cherish forever.

During the month of September I attended the 50th Wedding Anniversary party of Sister Hilda and Brother Clinton Shaffer.

I was invited and attended the Church Service of Celestial Chapter #3 and Victoria #1.

I attended the fun evening at Carleton #7 where the entertainment and lunch was wonderful.

With Brother Doug I attended two wonderful Rainbow Functions; first at the Fredericton Inn for the Grand Sessions, where I was able to bring greetings from the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, and I also attended their Banquet. Then it was off to Moncton for the Constitution of a Rainbow Chapter and installation of Officers. I was very impressed with what I saw and learned about the Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Of course, where there is Rainbow, there is DeMolay. I attended the Installation of Officers and was able to bring greetings from the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick I also attended an Informal meeting of DeMolay in Fredericton to discuss and see some of the work, while they were in the process of opening a Chapter here in Fredericton. I was also impressed with the work that these young men do.

The International Friendship Night was held in Houlton, Maine, and again, I was able to bring greetings and had a chance to visit with not only New Brunswick members but with my friends from Maine.

The International Weekend was held in Massachusetts, but due to another commitment I was unable to attend. However, Sister Marjorie and Brother Peter Colton and Sister Dolly and Brother Evan Thomas were able to attend and I thank them for that.

During the month of October the big night had finally arrived – the Eastern Star Family Feud. I am pleased to announce that this Grand Family had three teams; The Mash Team, Debbie's Rainbow Makers and the Grand Hillbillies. It was a wonderful night full of laughter and warmth, and for the record, the Mash Team won. Brother Sydney and Sister Sandy, you should be proud of the hard work you put into making that evening a success and I look forward to attending the next one. After all, I have a title to defend.

I visited Orion Chapter in Calais, Maine on their regular meeting night and enjoyed a Pot Luck and was able to fill the station of Adah for their initiatory work. I thank the members of Orion Chapter for the honour.

I was invited to attend the Installation of the Potentate, but due to a previous commitment I was unable to attend. Sister Leitha Homes, Associate Grand Matron attended on my behalf and I thank you, Sister Leitha.

The Funspiel was held in Woodstock and what a wonderful time that was. A chance to meet and visit with your friends that you had not seen for awhile, and also to renew your hope that Spring would be here soon.

The Month of Installation was a busy one. I tried to attend as many as possible and had the honour to participate in many. I was very proud when Brother Doug installed me as Worthy Matron of Devon Chapter #37.

In April I was invited to attend a Demolay function in Moncton, but due to another commitment was unable to attend. Sister Donna Allen, Associate Grand Conductress, brought greetings on our behalf and I thank her.

I was invited to attend the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick and brought greetings on behalf of the Grand Chapter.

Early in June I attended the reception of Sister Rose Scott, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on the Eastern Star Journal, and I was able to bring greetings from the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

In June, I was invited to attend another Rainbow function and was unable to attend. Sister Leitha Homes, Associate Grand Matron, attended and brought greetings on our behalf and again, Sister Leitha, thank you.

Many thanks to all who donated corsages and boutonnieres to the Seniors. This project was a great success and I thank all the Grand Officers who worked on it and for all who donated.

I also attended the last meeting of West Isles #43. This brave Chapter just could not continue, and I wish all the members of that Chapter much luck. I thank them for all the hard work. It was a hard evening on everyone and I pray that it will be the last Chapter this Province ever loses.

In February I accepted with regret the resignation of our Grand Treasurer, Sister Joanne Cameron, and Sister Linda Cogswell was appointed to finish her term of Office.

GRAND CHAPTER VISITS:

In August, six of us set out on what I called a "road trip with formal wear." Sister Jean and Brother Bob Flewelling; Sister Carol Sutherland; Brother Doug Swan, myself and Sister Elaine MacLean, Grand Representative of New Hampshire in New Brunswick, all headed for New Hampshire for their Grand Chapter. It was a great time and I thank each of them for taking me with them.

In October, 20 of us headed for the Grand Chapter of Quebec. It was this Grand Chapter that I think will hold my fondest memories. We celebrated Sister Ann and Brother DeWitt Lister's 50th Wedding Anniversary. From Quebec, four of us left and headed to Rhode Island's Grand Chapter, a new experience for all of us.

In May, 15 of us headed for the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts to attend their Sessions; then up to the Grand Chapter of Maine, where 32 of us attended their Sessions. At the Grand Chapter of Maine, I had the opportunity to give the tribute to the Canadian flag.

West Isles #43

- A. Official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron**
- B. To change the time of one of their meetings to accommodate my visit at that Chapter.**

Unity Chapter #35

- A. To move the podium for Grand Chapter.**

DISPENSATIONS WITH FEES:

Celestial #3

Meeting cancelled due to storm

Philip A Jerguson #18

Meeting cancelled due to storm

It has come to my attention that we have a very serious problem about nurses at our Grand Chapter Sessions. A lot of our Nurses have given up their Licences and we have a severe shortage. We might have to start using our RNA's. I would recommend that a Committee be established to decide what course of action should be taken in the future.

As with all families we have happy times but we also have sad times, and this year is no exception. Members of our families lost loved ones. While I could not always be there for them physically, my prayers and thoughts were always there. Sister Lynn Hutchin and I attended the funeral of Sister Lynda Swan's grandmother and Sister Lynn Hutchin, Sister Ann Lister and myself attended the funeral of Sister Donna McEwen's Dad. In January, Brother Doug , Sister Lynda, Sister Leitha, Brother Joe and myself made one of the hardest trips of my life. We went to Maine to attend the Eastern Star Memorial Service of Brother Griff Griffin, Worthy Grand Patron of Maine. Also in attendance was Sister Helen Crawford, Sister Lynn Steeves, Sister Marjorie Steeves and Brother Gordon Steeves. We joined the other 300 people in the Church to pay tribute to a Brother who touched all of our lives.

I also attended the Eastern Star Memorial Service for Sister Myrtle Fillmore, PGM, of New Brunswick. The members of Celestial #3 did a beautiful job and Sister Myrtle's son, Brother Herb, told me afterward that it was just what his Mother wanted, and that she would be pleased.

Would the members of Devon Chapter #37 please stand? I can never thank you for all the support you have shown me, not only this past year, but since I have joined this Order. We are a small Chapter, but we know if we work together, we can do anything. I was always proud to stand and say I was a member of Devon Chapter, and I thank each of you.

To the members of Victoria #1, many thanks to each of you for hosting the Funspiel and Grand Family Exchange. I have always enjoyed my visits with your Chapter and I thank each of you.

To the members of Unity Chapter #35, you have always been there for me and I thank you for your friendship and support. To Celestial #3, thank you for placing the emblems here and for hosting the School of Instruction.

Tot Sister Brenda Taylor, PGM, thank you for all the beautiful decorations. Sister Brenda, you worked hard at this task, and all I had to do was to show up and put things where you told me to. Thank you for all your hard work.

Brother Blaine Calhoun, PP, the Convenor of these Sessions. My heartfelt thanks to you, Brother Blaine, and your Committee. You have worked tirelessly as I knew you would. Brother Blaine, you were my very first Worthy Patron and you work hard for our Chapter. I thank you for all you have done for me.

Sister Cairine and Brother Dale Nicklin. Thank you for all your hard work on the Housing Committee. I know it was a time-consuming job and you were both wonderful.

Sister Leitha and Brother Ron, very soon you will be assuming the responsibility of this Grand Jurisdiction. I hope your year will be as wonderful as mine and I wish you both luck.

Sister Brenda, Grand Secretary, Past Grand Matron and my first Fraternal Mother:

Brenda, thank you for all you have done, keeping me on the straight and narrow. You always let me know what I had to do and when it needed to be done by. I could never have been ready for this Grand Chapter Session without all your help. I am glad your Mother knew who your favourite Worthy Grand Matron was.

Sister Linda Cogswell, Grand Treasurer, Pro-Tem... Thank you for filling this office for me. We have been friends long before we joined the Star and I wish you luck as you continue to support our Order.

To our Grand Conductress and Grand Sentinel...each of you will continue your journey to the East and I wish each of you my support. Remember I am only a phone call away.

To the Appointed Grand Officers, Assistants and our District Deputy Grand Matron, each of you was personally chosen, and I knew Brother Doug and I chose wisely. You each made me proud, your work was always beautifully done and you each represented this Grand Jurisdiction with pride and dignity. I can never thank each of you enough. I wish each of you happiness and success in your future.

I have many wonderful mementos of this past year – my photo album where I can sit and remember...my Bible which was signed by all my Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. I was also given the rare opportunity to meet Sisters and Brothers I might never have met and I will be forever grateful.

But the most wonderful opportunity this year has given me was the opportunity to work and to get to know Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron. Brother Doug, you have made the last three years very special. You have worked hard, travelled with me. You always seemed to know when the pressure was getting to me and always called just to cheer me up, but I will always remember the laughter. O how we have laughed! This Grand Jurisdiction is very proud of you. You more than fulfilled your obligations to me and to this Grand Jurisdiction. When we started our year in the East together, we made each other a promise, and it was to finish the year as good friends. I feel that we have accomplished this and more. I thank you for always being there for me and for being my friend. I am proud to have shared the East with you.

Sisters and Brothers, thank you all for being here at this Grand Chapter Session, for allowing me the honour of being your Worthy Grand Matron and for all the love, support and respect you have shown me this year. God bless each and everyone of you.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sister Debbie Hill
Worthy Grand Matron**

Sister Debbie's Annual Report was accepted as read. The membership accorded Sister Debbie a standing ovation.

**REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON
Brother Doug Swan**

My friends, three short years ago, I was awarded the exceptional opportunity to become your Worthy Grand Patron. I will always be grateful for this opportunity and have been pleased to serve this Grand Jurisdiction and you.

This year at my Official visits I chose to take a Bible Verse and relate it to everyday life. Today will be no different; however, the verse I chose was the Scripture I chose for the year. The verse is taken from Philippians 2:4: "Don't think only about your own affairs, but be interested in others too, and what they are doing." To me it reminds me of a time I was addressing a group of people on a subject that was dear to my heart. I happened to get caught up in the subject and forgot about the time, and the people who were beginning to squirm in their seats. Once I realized, of course, I cut to the end and concluded talking. Afterwards I apologized to the Chairperson of the meeting on talking so long. I can remember her words to this day as she was trying so hard to be politically correct: "Oh no, Mr. Swan, you need not apologize. You did not talk long at all – it just seemed long." From that point on I watch the audience – so today, remember this – this speech is not long – it just seems long.

Sister Ann Morton and Brother Gordon Steeves, my Fraternal Mom and Dad, under your tutelage, and with the support of our "Century of Stars" Grand Family, I was parachuted from the end of the line to a new position in the West, dangerously close to the front position. For the first time, I was inside the doors and seriously wondered what have I gotten myself into. With the support of Sister Carol Sutherland, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Charles Rafuse, Past Grand Patron, I soon became very comfortable in this new position and really enjoyed our "Friendship's Garden" Sessions.

The suddenly, it was our turn. Standing at the head of our very own line beside my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, celebrating our arrival with our very own "Rainbow of Friendship" Officers. I remember the first morning after our Installation, we gathered for our first meeting. Binders were given to all Grand Officers, which contained information for use throughout the upcoming year. After

much discussion, questions and answers, it was obvious we had a great team of Officers to represent the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick for 2001 and 2002. Each of us was anxious for our year to begin and what a year it has been. We became a true family, close and very supportive. I truly believe that our friendly smiles, warm hugs and laughter got us through the year. We were happy in everything we did and I hope it showed to everyone we met along the way. We tested and proved the old adage that laughter is the best medicine. We had our serious side when it came to doing the ritualistic work – when we have a job to do our Officers did it in style and grace. Our Rainbow Family made their Fraternal Mom and Dad very proud. Thank you for your support this past year.

Many helping hands and many words of encouragement have led me to the stage today, but few have been more loving and supportive than those of our Grand Esther, my Sister, my Fraternal Daughter, and my wife, Sister Lynda. Thank you for your love and support the past few years to help make this year possible. Your willingness to forego a lot of plans we had really meant a lot and I thank you for allowing me the opportunity to proceed as I have done. I have been very proud of you this year.

To the wonderful members of Victoria Chapter #1 (please rise), I will always be grateful for your love and support the past few years in working to make this year possible. You hosted two very Special Events this past year – our Curling Funspiel and our Maritime Grand Family Exchange. Both were very successful. Your hard work, dedicated service and genuine hospitality made me very proud to be a member.

It has always been said that when you are happy in your work, time passes by quickly. I have never seen a year go by as quickly as the past year. Three years ago we began working on this Grand Chapter Session, utilizing every available minute to get things done before we were installed as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. We wanted to be able to enjoy our year by having as much as we could completed before we were installed in the Grand East. We had a great idea and were able to enjoy our year to the fullest. Things happened that were beyond our control, but with the strength of God to support us this past year, we were able to accomplish all we wanted to do. There was so much more we wanted to do for our Sessions; however, there are only twenty-four hours in a day, and we used them all to the fullest.

To my New Brunswick Friends, as your Worthy Grand Patron, I came as a guest to your Chapters. Your hospitality and friendship bestowed on me has been overwhelming. At each of your Chapter meetings, I extended an invitation to you to attend our Grand Chapter Sessions, and what a delight it is to see so many of you here from around the Province. I am sure that you were all inspired by my messages that I delivered in relaying today's events (usually things that happened to me) to verses of the Bible. I know I had a lot of fun preparing for each of my Official visits to your Chapters. It was not difficult associating an appropriate verse to deliver at each Chapter. Knowing a little bit about each of you inspired me in this task; one I cherished this year. My visits around the province were always fun. Whether it was an official visit or a regular visit, I was welcomed with open arms everywhere I went. I was very surprised and honoured when I received an Honourary membership in Devon Chapter of Fredericton. I have heard of them before but it really did not mean anything to me until I was given one. What a warm feeling one has to realize that someone cares enough of another to give such an honour. I indeed thank you again for that.

To my Star Catcher Companions, could you please rise; what a pleasure it is to have you here. I enjoyed attending many of your Sessions, and it is so nice to see so many of you here. To the Nor'easters, could you please rise – I have had the honour of working with so many of you as well and wish you all the best this coming year. To all the others who joined us from out-of-Province, I am overwhelmed at your support by being here. It is a great privilege to return the hospitality you have given me over the past year. Thank you for being here.

OFFICIAL VISITS:

I attended all the Official Visits to all Chapters in New Brunswick beginning in August through December 2001. I was treated like royalty and appreciated the donations to our Special Projects as well as the numerous gifts I received. For Official Visits, I chose a verse from the Bible that I felt appropriate for the Chapter I was visiting. I tried to relate the passage to today, usually with something about myself.

OFFICIAL ACTS:

We were saddened at the loss of a dear friend and Counterpart, the Worthy Grand Patron of Maine. I attended a Memorial and Star Service in December 2001 held in Oakland, Maine.

I attended several Memorial and Star services for members who have departed the world this year.

I attended the Finance Committee Meeting.

A Grand Family School of Instruction was held at Devon Chapter.

I attended a meeting of the Grand Representatives' Association for the River Valley area, held in Florenceville, NB.

I attended a meeting of the Committee on Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship. It was held at the cottage of James Page, PGP, and Helen Page, PM, at Davidson Lake, NB. A lot of discussion arose from the Applications and several decisions were fairly made, with the information they had before them. A beautiful pot luck lunch was held following the meeting.

I attended the meeting of the ESTARL Committee held in Bathurst, New Brunswick.

ACTIVITIES:

I was invited to the Eastern Star Magazine Committee meetings this past year. What a pleasure to see these dedicated members work out the concerns that faced them with the Magazine. It was very refreshing to see so much interest in keeping the Magazine together. Different ideas and suggestions for improvement were always a topic for discussion. I am sure that you have seen a lot of changes the past year in format and content. To those members who do not subscribe to the Magazine, you are missing out on a wonderful Communication tool to see what is going on around the province and special events that are reported.

MASONIC FAMILY EVENTS:

August 2001 – attended Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls in Fredericton, NB.

I attended the Rainbow meeting in Moncton where Codiac Assembly was instituted.

October 2001 – attended the Installation of Officers for the Order of the DeMolay held in Moncton, New Brunswick.

In May of 2002, I attended the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick and brought greetings from the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

In August 2001 I attended the Grand Chapter Sessions of the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire held in Manchester, New Hampshire.

In October I attended the Grand Chapter of Quebec in Granby, Quebec.

In October 2001 I attended the Grand Chapter Sessions of Rhode Island. This was a unique Session as everything was held on one day.

September 2001 – I attended the New Brunswick in Maine Grand Family Exchange in Calais, Maine where our Grand Family performed the degree work.

In October 2001, a Maine in New Brunswick Grand Family Exchange was held in Fredericton. The evening previous to the Exchange an informal get-together of all Officers available went to supper in Fredericton. Our bonds of friendship were strengthened this year.

In April 2002, a Maine-Maritime Exchange was held in Truro, Nova Scotia. We saw 6 members from each of the three Grand Families perform the work.

In May 2002 a Maritime Exchange was held in Woodstock, New Brunswick, at which I performed the work of the Worthy Patron in the degree work.

In May 2002 I attended the Grand Chapter Sessions in Massachusetts where we had a delegation of 15 members from New Brunswick.

I attended the Grand Chapter Session in Maine in May 2002. I was honoured to present the Canadian Flag in these Sessions.

In June I attended the Grand Chapter of Vermont Sessions held in Burlington, Vermont.

INSTALLATIONS:

I was very honoured to install our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, to her position as Worthy Matron of Devon Chapter #37.

I was pleased to install the Worthy Matron in Victoria Chapter #1, Woodstock, Sister Judy Gillis. Sister Judy and I had shared the East, both for the first time in 1987.

I was the installing Chaplain for Sister Florence Scott and Brother Ross MacLeod at St. Stephen #8.

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS:

In August of 2001 I attended a Star Catchers' picnic at the home of the Worthy Grand Patron of Maine in Oakland, Maine. The Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut attended. Many friendships were made that day and continue.

SPECIAL CHAPTER ACTIVITIES:

I attended the 50th Anniversary Chapter celebrations at Unity Chapter in Harvey, NB.

In October I attended the annual Church Service of St. Stephen Chapter #8, held at the Ledge United Church. I was honoured to read the scriptures that day.

In April 2002 I attended the Church Service for Victoria Chapter #1 in Woodstock.

I was very fortunate to be asked to dedicate a Bible at York Chapter #13 in loving memory of a former neighbour, Sister Janice Harris, and mother of Sister Jeanne Wheelock, PGM of New Brunswick. I felt very honoured when Sister Jeanne asked me to do the dedication of the new Bible given by her family in loving memory of their mother.

I was fortunate to be present when several members received their 50-year pins.

I acted as Worthy Patron and performed the degree work at Victoria Chapter #1, Woodstock.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S SPECIAL PROJECTS:

This year I was proud to promote the Special Projects of ESTARL and Camp Goodtime. Both are very good causes. The support of Chapters and members for these projects has been appreciated.

HONOURARY MEMBERSHIP:

I was surprised and honoured to receive an honorary membership to Devon Chapter in Fredericton, NB.

RECEPTIONS:

I attended a reception for Sister Rose Scott, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Eastern Star Journal in June of 2002.

CORRESPONDENCE:

I received notices from all Chapters this year advising me of events and dates of meetings. These were very much appreciated and helped to keep me informed. I thank you for these Notices. I received Christmas greetings from several Chapters and members this year as well.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES:

I was honoured and pleased to have been delegated by the Worthy Grand Matron to introduce several of the Grand Representatives at the various Chapters this year. What a joy to see the looks of surprise and pleasure when they were informed of their Commissions. It was always a warm feeling when I saw them being introduced at later dates for the first time.

OES PICNIC:

In August 2001, an OES Picnic was held at Oromocto Lake with the last three Grand Families attending. It was a great turnout and a beautiful day. Having this Family reunion meant a lot to have all three Families together again.

BY-LAW CHANGES:

I was pleased to have been able to approve By-Law changes for Chapters this year. These changes all involved changing the hour of meetings from 8:00 PM to 7:30 PM. These were passed through the Jurisprudence Committee prior to approval. Details will be printed in the Proceedings.

I have detailed the milestones of my year and they will be published in the proceedings. The most memorable highlights of the year were travelling and meeting new people. I was fortunate to be able to travel to Sister Jurisdictions to attend special meetings, Grand Family

Exchanges, and Grand Chapter Sessions. Each has a special memory in my heart and I will cherish these travels forever.

How difficult it is to finally realize that my year of service as serving as your Worthy Grand Patron is nearly over. I thank God for a year of safe travels and almost perfect health. This report wraps up one of the most memorable years of my life; memories I will cherish. I will treasure the memories of each of our Official Visits, (and as you look around the Chapter Room, you will notice that I just could not leave some of the cherished possessions given to me at Official Visits at home for any length of time. They serve as a reminder of the friends I have made this year and I feel privileged to be able to proudly display them here today. Some I use on a regular basis at work and again remind me of your friendship.

I would be remiss if I neglected to mention a few members of our Grand Family. Associate Grand Matron, Sister Leitha and Associate Grand Patron, Brother Ron, very soon the responsibilities will be turned over to you. The year will pass all too quickly but I only have a few words of advice – if it does not turn out the way you expected, just tell everyone that is exactly how you planned it. To our Grand Secretary, Sister Brenda – thank you for all you have done for our Grand Chapter. Yours is not an easy job and I appreciate all you have done to make us look good. To our acting Grand Treasurer, Sister Linda – thank you for stepping in at a time when you were needed. We really appreciated you doing so and certainly have enjoyed you in our Grand Family. To all our Appointed Grand Officers, Assistants and District Deputy Grand Matron – we chose you for a reason, and that was that we knew we wanted the best. You have certainly exceeded our expectations and we have always appreciated your willingness to accept when called upon. As Sister Debbie told me after she made contact with all of you – that there was not a one who hesitated in accepting. You have certainly brightened the rainbow colours this year and we are very proud of all of you.

To the Elected Grand Officers, we are very proud of all of you. You have fulfilled your obligations to the fullest extent possible. We have had a great time travelling this year and I wish you all the best in your travel to the Grand East.

To the Pages and Guards – thank you for taking time this year to take on these positions. Your dedication and enthusiasm is very much appreciated and we thank you for assuming these positions.

To my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie. Where can I begin? We have had a great year. It has been a privilege to serve with you in this Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. I can categorize our year in 4 areas:

1. Things we wanted to do and did
2. Things we wanted to do but did not dare
3. Things we thought about doing and quickly forgot
4. The things we wondered what people would think if we did them.

We had a lot of laughs the past few years, but getting ready for this year has been fun. We gathered a lot of ideas from other Grand Chapter Sessions that we could incorporate in our year. It got to a point I could look at you and tell whether it was something we wanted. Although a few you told me to “get that idea out of your head right now” and then we’d laugh – we laughed a lot. Laughter is the best medicine.

It certainly has been a memorable experience in sharing this Grand East with you. When we started we knew each other enough to nod to each other. Over the past few years our friendship has grown and I look forward to many long years of friendship. I am not sure what it is about Junior Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, but if you look at them, they have this perpetual grin on their faces. Don’t be surprised when you see this on us after 8 PM tonight. Thank you for making it a memorable and enjoyable year.

A year ago I read a poem at the end of my speech dealing with mixed emotions. In that poem I gave you all a promise that I have kept – that I will do the best I can.

My excitement has waned as I can see the end of our year.

My enthusiasm is increasing as I look forward to another great year.

My fear has subsided, as so far you have not fired me, so I may still attain the most prestigious title of Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick.

It has been a humbling experience that you entrusted me with this position and I hope I lived up to your expectations.

We have journeyed to the Rainbow’s end.
We may not have found the Pot of Gold
But what we found was far richer

We found Friends.

Thank you everyone and may God Bless.

**Doug Swan
Worthy Grand Patron**

ADDENDUM TO WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S REPORT

This year I was privileged to approve By-Law changes for various Chapters in New Brunswick. These changes were passed through Jurisprudence prior to approval.

The changes were as follows:

- 1. Saint John Chapter #14, OES – a motion was passed at the November 14, 2001 meeting that the By-Laws be amended as follows: Article 2, Section 1 be changed to read: “the stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month at the hour of 7:30 PM.”**
- 2. Prince Charles Chapter No. 27, OES – There was a motion to change the By-Laws as to their time of meeting. This was duly presented, seconded and passed at their April 10, 2002 meeting. The Notice of Motion was as follows: “It was moved that Article #2, Section 1 of the By-Laws be changed from “The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 PM.” Be amended to read: “The Stated Meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the Second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM.” The amendment is to remain in effect for a period of one year, commencing with the month of its inception, at which time a two-thirds vote of the Chapter will be required for this motion to remain in effect.**
- 3. Remembrance Chapter No. 30, OES – Amendments to their By-Laws were approved by a motion at their March, 1999 meeting. Most of the changes were minor and only a name or wording has been changed in order to bring the By-Laws up to date and have them conform to the current practices of their Chapter. The amendments were as follows:**

Article 2, Section 1 currently reads: “The stated meetings of the Chapter shall be held on the third Monday of each month at 8 o’clock PM.”

Has been changed to read: Article 2, Section 1, “The stated meetings of the Chapter shall be held on the third Monday of each month at 8 o’clock PM with the exception of December which shall be held on the second Monday at 8 o’clock PM.”

Article 2, Section 4 currently reads, “Notices of regular or special meetings shall be issued by the Secretary to the members at least forty-eight hours before the time of meeting only when there is the business of balloting, initiation, election, installation, visit of Worthy Grand Matron or visit of District Deputy Grand Matron.”

Has been changed to read: Article 2, Section 4 (This article will be deleted because of duplication found in Article 2, Section 6 which reads as follows: “Notice of regular or special meetings shall be issued by the Secretary to the members at least forty-eight hours before the time of meeting.”

Article 6 currently reads: “The term “GENERAL FUND” is now used in Article 6”

Has been changed to read: Article 6 – “The term “GENERAL FUND” is to be replaced by “GENERAL OPERATING FUND”.

Article 6, Section 3, currently reads: “The Permanent Fund of the Chapter shall consist of such monies as may by vote of the Chapter, donations, legacies, interest, be added to it.”

Has been changed to read: Article 6, Section 3 – “The Savings Account of the Chapter shall consist of such monies as may, by vote of the Chapter, donations, legacies, interest, be added to it.”

Article 6, Section 4 currently reads: “The Permanent Fund shall be in the custody of the Trustees. The income of the Permanent Fund may upon written request of the majority of the Finance Committee be transferred to the General Fund for Chapter expenses. All income not required for Chapter expenses by April 1st of each year shall be added to the principal of the Permanent Fund.”

Has been changed to read: Article 6, Section 4, “The Savings Account shall be in the custody of the Trustees. The monies of the Savings Account may, upon written request of the majority of the Finance Committee, be transferred to the General Operating Account for Chapter expenses.”

Article 7 currently reads “The term “FLORAL FUND” is now used on Article 7.”

Has been changed to read: Article 7 “The term “FLORAL FUND” is to be replaced by “PENNY DRILL.”

Article 7, Section 1 currently reads “The Floral Fund shall consist of contributions by members and visitors collected at meetings and shall be in the custody of the Treasurer and deposited in the General Account.”

Has been changed to read: Article 7, Section 1 “The Penny Drill shall consist of contributions by members and visitors collected at meetings and shall be in the custody of the Treasurer and deposited in the General Operating Account.”

Article 8, Section 5 currently reads, “Any member whose dues are unpaid at the Annual Convocation (stated meeting in March) shall not be eligible to vote or to be elected to office.

Has been changed to read: Article 8, Section 5, “Any member whose dues are unpaid for one full year shall not be eligible to vote or to be elected to office.”

Article 11, Section 2 currently reads: “At the stated meeting in April and October of each year the Worthy Matron shall appoint a Refreshment Committee consisting of three or more members of the Chapter.”

Has been changed to read: Article 11, Section 2 “At the stated meeting in April of each year the Worthy Matron shall appoint a Refreshment Committee consisting of three or more members of the Chapter.”

Article 11, Section 4 currently reads: “The Worthy Matron shall also at the same time appoint a Sick and Visiting Committee consisting of five members of which the Worthy Matron shall be one.”

Has been changed to read: Article 11, Section 4 “The Worthy Matron shall also at the same time appoint a Sick and Visiting Committee of which the Worthy Matron shall be one.”

Article 11, Section 6 currently reads: “The Worthy Matron shall also at the same time appoint a committee of two members to prepare and forward letters of sympathy to members in trouble.”

Has been changed to read: Article 11, Section 6 “The Worthy Matron shall also at the same time appoint a member to prepare and forward letters of sympathy to members in trouble.”

Article 11, Section 7 currently reads “The Finance Committee shall consist of the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron and two more members of whom shall approve and sign all bills before being paid.

Has been changed to read: Article 11, Section 7 “The Finance Committee shall consist of the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron of whom shall approve and sign all bills before being paid.”

Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, moved the acceptance of his Report. The membership accorded him a standing ovation.

The Grand Marshal called the Friday Morning Session from Labour to Refreshment to re-convene at 2:00 PM sharp!

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION
July 12th, 2002**

The Friday Afternoon Session re-convened at 2:00 PM, preceded by an Organ Prelude given by our Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, and Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Mary Pelletier.

**CALL TO ORDER
Sister Joan Hicks, PGM, and Brother George Theal, PGP**

Good Afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. It is an honour and a privilege for me to welcome each of you to this Friday afternoon “Rainbow of Friendship” Session, as we continue with the Reports of the Committees of Grand Chapter, and later join together in paying a loving tribute to the memory of our departed Sisters and Brothers.

To each of you from other Grand Jurisdictions, a special welcome, may you enjoy your visit with us and to our Picture Province.

We are honoured to have with us General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, and we thank you for taking time from your busy schedule to be with us. A special welcome to our own Committee Members, Sister Rose Scott on Eastern Star Journal, Brother Rupert Sypher on Public Relations and Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey for the Most Worthy Grand Matron. We are very proud of you, and know you will represent New Brunswick well. We wish for you good health, safe travels, and may you have many happy memories.

To our members – welcome – without you we would have no Grand Chapter; thank you for your love and devotion to our beautiful Order.

Brother George, ten years ago we were conducting our “Bluebird of Happiness” Session in Woodstock, and again, it is a pleasure to share the East with you.

Brother George, would you add your words of welcome at this time.

Good Afternoon, Sisters and Brothers:

It is a most distinct pleasure to join with Sister Joan Hicks, my own Worthy Grand Matron of 1991-92 in extending to our members and visitors a warm welcome. May this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session be enjoyable and rewarding.

I wish to extend my appreciation to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for this privilege of serving our fine Order.

The Grand Officers entered the Chapter Room and formed the Hollow Square. Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan, were presented west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Sister Joan Hicks, PGM, and Brother George Theal, PGP

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron, it is an honour to have been asked to Call to Order this Friday Afternoon Session. I am happy to greet you from the East, and welcome you to this year “Rainbow of Friendship” Session and congratulate you on a year of dedicated service you have given to our Grand Chapter.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, when I first met you, I wondered what Chapter you were a member of; you were filling in as an Officer in many Chapters and still do – it does not matter what Office – Sister Debbie will do it. I have enjoyed being one of your Escorts this year and attended all of your Official Visits. Your Officers were most faithful in their travels and in their support.

Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, how proud I was one year ago when I installed you as Worthy Grand Patron. I knew you were very capable of that title. Since you affiliated with Victoria Chapter, I have watched you advance with pride. At the “Bluebird of Happiness” Session, you were my right hand boy – always ready to help whenever and whatever. I have never forgotten. You will always be “My Boy!”

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Doug Worthy Grand Patron, again, I thank you for the honour of opening this

Friday Afternoon Session, along with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George. As you look back on your year, may you be pleased with the results of your accomplishments.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron:

Thank you for your kind invitation to assist Sister Joan Hicks, my own Worthy Grand Matron, in opening this Friday Afternoon Session of your “Rainbow of Friendship”.

I have not had the privilege of knowing you for that long in the Eastern Star, but over the past year, I have come to know you as a caring and friendly fraternal sister.

You have shown much interest and dedication to our Order.

The Session name “Rainbow of Friendship” certainly reflects your aim of friendship.

Brother Doug, like Sister Debbie, I have not had the privilege of knowing you for a long period of time. Short as it may be, I have found that your serious side, along with your fun side, has helped to bind the ties of our Order closer in New Brunswick, as well as throughout Canada and North America.

To you both, I extend my congratulations on a very successful year, and may God Bless you both.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan, were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

**WELCOME
Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron**

Sister Joan and Brother George, thank you for opening this Friday Afternoon Session. Sister Joan, you have been a true friend to me. You have shared your home and your guidance and also, you shared Brother George as our Grand Chaplain. I will always be grateful for

all you have done. Please accept this gift as a token of our love and friendship.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Joan, Past Grand Matron, and Brother George, Past Grand Patron, what a privilege it is to have both of you Call to Order our Friday Afternoon Session. I was part of your Grand Chapter Committee for your “Bluebird of Happiness” Session held in Woodstock, and remember saying to myself – “Why would anybody put themselves through this” – but going through it myself, I would not have changed it for anything. It was a great time we had. What a thrill it was when you agreed to open these Sessions. Brother George, please accept this gift as a token of our friendship and thanks.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. I hope each of you enjoyed your lunch and had a few minutes to catch up with old friends and a chance to make new ones.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

Welcome back to our Sessions this Afternoon.

**It was just a friendly greeting
From a stranger in the street
Simply “What a lovely morning”
From a man I chanced to meet.
Just four little words he paused to say
Made such a difference in my day.**

I thought we would start this Afternoon by saying something nice to the person around us.----Now that we have made a difference in each other’s day, let’s get down to business.

Your thought for this Afternoon:

“The smile on your face is the light in the window that tells people you are home.”

A beautiful Duet was rendered by Sister Isabel and Brother Winston Morton, entitled "He Touched Me".

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, thanked them for their singing and said how much she enjoyed their music.

INVOCATION
Sister Jean Belding, Past Grand Matron

Let us pray –

Dear Father in Heaven, as we come together this afternoon, we ask that you guide us in our deliberations.

We thank you for Thy bountiful gifts that we receive, and for the wonderful friendships which abound in our Order. We also thank you for the memories of those who have passed to higher service, and whom we remember with special thanks. Let us keep them in high esteem as links of the Golden Chain that has been broken by their death, and who have been instrumental in making our Order in New Brunswick an organization whose principles are admired in every Community.

Bless each one gathered here, as we put our trust in you. Guide us and give us the strength to continue the good work we strive to do. All this we ask in Thy name. **AMEN.**

Presentation of Distinguished Guests not previously introduced:

<i>Sister Constance P. Vick</i>	<i>Past Grand Matron of Massachusetts</i>
<i>Brother David J. Goodrich</i>	<i>Past Grand Patron of Massachusetts</i>

<i>Sister Vivian Magee</i>	<i>Worthy Matron of Philip A. Jerguson #18</i>
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Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM, Grand Secretary, read the minutes of the Friday Morning Session, which were approved as read.

EASTERN STAR MAGAZINE
Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP

There has been little change in the operation of the Magazine in the past year. There are no major problems. We still have a bit of trouble

using Sister and Brother and those phrases like “they were escorted behind Esther’s chair, escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome. These are all words and phrases that are not needed. To give you an example, in the last issue, we ran over the allotted 35 pages, and that over-run cost us \$300.00 plus.

We still have the same recurring problems that no matter how hard we try to increase our Subscription, our death rate seems to keep pace. I must insist that you refrain from dying for several years so we can get back on track!

We are going to implement a few ideas shortly. We will contact all expired Subscription members to see if they will reconsider and take the Magazine again. Second, I will contact all Secretaries and with their co-operation place an insert in their notices. I am indebted to Sister Ann Morton, PGM, for this idea which worked for her. Sister Ann, I thank you for your co-operation and support. I would like to thank everyone for their kind notes, words and calls.

I really had fun with the last Issue. For those of you who don’t know, I put a collage of pictures of our Curling Funspiel in the Center pages. I now can honestly say that many of you are in a Centrefold.

In closing, I can say that things look good for next year.

Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP
Editor

Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP, moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

EASTERN STAR MAGAZINE FINANCIAL REPORT
Brother Peter Petrovitch, PP, Treasurer

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

As Treasurer, I express a special thanks to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for their interest and assistance and all others who have helped in any way.

The Magazine Committee has made an effort to increase Subscriptions, and to control the costs.

**Eastern Star Financial Statement
July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002**

Receipts:

Subscriptions & Donations	\$4,275.00
Christmas Greetings	45.00
Messages of Thanks	70.00
Bank Interest	<u>3.87</u>
	\$4,393.87

Expenditures:

Partners Publishing Ltd.	\$6,118.00
Honourarium	550.00
Bank Charges	16.10
Returned Ad	<u>15.00</u>

\$6,699.10

Acct. No. 760-083

July 01, 2001	\$14,027.33
Receipts	<u>4,393.87</u>
	\$18,421.20
Expenditures	<u>6,699.10</u>
June 30, 2002	\$11,722.10

GIC Annual Due April 2003 \$6,490.44 Expected Interest is
\$104.42 on Maturity.

Respectively submitted,

Brother Peter Petrovitch, PP, Treasurer

Brother Peter Petrovitch, PP, moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP
Sister Dorothy Stewart, PM, Chairperson

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

**On behalf of the ESTARL Committee for 2001-2002, it is with
pleasure that I submit the following Report.**

**The Committee met in the Masonic Hall in Bathurst, N.B. in
September of 2001, and we were very pleased to welcome Worthy
Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron,
Brother Doug Swan, to our deliberations.**

**At our disposal was the amount of \$10,330.27, of which we awarded
four Scholarships, in the amount of \$6,500.00. The balance of
\$3,830.27 will be carried forward to 2002.**

**Following is a list of the recipients, amounts awarded, College
attending and the Sponsoring Chapter:**

Christopher A. Hayes	\$2,000.00	Wycliffe College	Lord
(R. Donald Stewart Award)		Beaverbrook	#33
Devin J. Johnstone	\$1,500.00	Acadia Divinity	Frank H.
			Tingley #5
Jennifer M. Brown	\$1,500.00	Atlantic School	Saint John
		Of Theology	#14
Beverly A. Daley	\$1,500.00	Atlantic School	Bathurst
		Of Theology	#22

**Letters expressing appreciation along with a photograph were
received from each recipient.**

**We wish to thank the Chapters and members for their support to this
worthwhile endeavor. It is heart-warming to see young people
choosing the Order of Ministry as a career.**

**As the ESTARL Committee, we thank you for the honour and
opportunity of serving Grand Chapter in this capacity, and my
personal thanks to Sister Rose Scott, PGM, who appointed me to this
Committee.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sister Isabel Morton, PM (7)
Brother Colin Allen, PP (11)
Sister Aulay Sample, PM (33)
Sister Catherine Evans, PM (41)
Sister Dorothy Stewart, PM (24) Chairperson

Sister Dorothy Stewart, PM, moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

**LOTTIE L. KYLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AND
EDUCATIONAL FUND**

Sister Helen Page, PM, (7) Chairperson

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

We wish to submit the Report of the Lottie L. Kyle Memorial and Educational Scholarship Committee for the year 2001. We met in August and selected six recipients for the awards:

Lottie L. Kyle Scholarship

Kerri Lynn Fullarton Celestial #3 \$1,000.00

OES Educational Scholarships

Amber Bloxom	Bathurst #22	\$ 800.00
Andrew Giddens	St. Stephen #8	800.00
Robyn Gilbert	Lady Alexander #24	800.00
Amanda Tompkins	Carleton #7	800.00
Mary Balsar	Frank H. Tingley #5	400.00

In addition, we had the pleasure of awarding the Velma Branch Memorial Scholarship to:

Mary Balsar Frank H. Tingley #5 \$ 500.00

We regret to report that of the 12 applications received only the 6 above were eligible for Scholarships. We, the Committee, feel that it is the duty of the Worthy Matron and Secretary of the Chapter to

examine the application and see that all requirements are met, per the guidelines; for example, all applications are on NEW FORMS, Transcript of marks are included, and 3 letters of Reference. Then the vote of the chapter sponsoring, followed by the signature of the Worthy Matron and the Seal of the Chapter – before being forwarded to the Chairperson of the Committee for assessment. This could avoid disappointment on the part of the applicant.

It has been a privilege to serve on this Committee, and we feel certain the Subordinate Chapters will continue to support this worthwhile project of Grand Chapter.

The new Chairperson of the Committee will be:

David Gillrie, PP
15 Cambridge Crescent
Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4N8

All applications for 2002 should be forwarded to him.

Respectively submitted,

Sister Helen Page, PM (7) Chairperson
Brother David Gillrie, PP (41)
Sister Edith Clouston, PM (22)
Brother Robert Cameron, PP (5)
Sister Patti Vaughn, PM (18)

Sister Helen Page moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

CORSAGE REPORT
Sister Lynda Swan, Grand Esther

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

It is with great pleasure that I submit this Report on the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Corsage Project:

The objective of this Project was to recycle the corsages and boutonnieres which had been no longer of use to the members of the Chapters, and were just packed away as fond reminders of special occasions and offices which were held in our Order.

Each Chapter was asked to gather these together and give them to the Grand Officer closest to their area. These Officers were then to distribute the corsages and boutonnieres to the Nursing Homes, Special Care Homes and individuals, so that they could be worn on Mother's Day and Father's Day, or any other special occasion, such as birthdays, anniversaries, etc.

The response was overwhelming and a great deal of work was put into refurbishing, and in some cases, making new corsages in order to make sure that no one was left out.

Each Officer was welcomed at the Homes and told what a wonderful Project to make everyone feel special and thought of in a special way. When the residents don't go very far on a daily basis, even a brief visit from our members meant so much. Most were visited on an individual basis and some even had their picture taken to mark the visit and the Special Project. In the case of Sister Leitha Holmes, she returned to Victoria Glen Manor where she had once been employed – what a pleasure for her to see her old friends again.

A total of 30 Homes and 13 individuals were visited, which took in every corner of our Grand Jurisdiction, from east to west and north to south. The cards of thanks which had been received from the Homes was an indication of how well the Project was received. A total of 1,043 corsages and boutonnieres were collected and distributed to gladden the hearts of that many people.

The comments which were received included those who hope that somehow this can be an ongoing project and also something special to do at Christmas.

Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM on Public Relations, should be very pleased with the exposure that our Order has received through this Project. The good deeds done in our Communities will be remembered for many years to come. Well done, Sisters and Brothers!

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, thank you for appointing me to serve as Grand Esther this year and to oversee this Special Project.

Respectively submitted,

Sister Lynda Swan, Grand Esther

Sister Lynda Swan moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT
Brother Philip Belyea, PP, Chairperson**

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

The Membership Committee wish to make the following Report:

In the Grand Chapter year, 2001-2002, the Committee was not required to take any action pursuant to its mandate.

The Committee has not been informed of any Applications or Awards under the “Rob Morris Membership Jewel” Program. During the year, our General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Brother Ken C. Smith, forwarded new application forms for this Program to our Grand Secretary, and these were forwarded directly to the Chapters.

Members are reminded that points earned in the 1997-2000 Triennium towards the “Rob Morris Membership Jewel” which were not sufficient to earn a Jewel can be carried forward towards an Award in the 2000-2003 Triennium.

We thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of serving on this Committee.

Respectively submitted,

**Brother Philip Belyea, PP, (3) Chairperson
Sister Sybil Wilson, PM (1)**

In the absence of Brother Philip, Sister Sybil Wilson moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

A bell was heard from the Magazine Table, and the winners were Brother Roy Wilson, Grand Representative of Texas in NB, and Sister Marion Watts of Maine.

REPORT ON THE WEBSITE
Brother Bill Millett

**Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East,
Members and Friends:**

Good Afternoon.

A few years ago, this Grand Chapter had a Fraternal Relations Committee headed up by Brother Bill Balsler. Their responsibility was to develop ideas that would help the inter-relations between all of the Masonic Family Members, Eastern Star, Masons, Shriners, York Rite, Scottish Rite, and others. There were many things developed by this Committee; however, the one I was asked to be involved with was the New Brunswick Masonic Family Web site.

The 2 main reasons for the Site were:

First, to assist in the communication between members of all the groups, helping each other become more aware of the others; hopefully, imparting the knowledge to them that there may be other groups to become involved with, and help distant members keep up to date on what is happening in their Home town groups.

Second, to impart the knowledge to the world, potential new members, that there was a very large, well-established Family of groups, which offer something for all members of his or her family.

With both of these ideas in mind, all of the Fraternal Organizations were asked to be involved, and a Committee was formed to help mold this new venture into the properly structured group we all felt it needed to be.

Since that time, great leaps and bounds have been made in the creation of a Web Site of which every member of our Fraternal Organizations can be proud. We started with many goals and ambitions, some of which we have met, some we are not quite there yet. But we have achieved the fundamental principle of maintaining a Web Site that is very prominent in the public eye, and would, in no way, be a detriment to our Orders. This stand did cause a little friction in the past, but we have worked hard and I believe we have been successful in overcoming that situation.

Recently, I was provided with pictures of the OES Funspiel held in Woodstock, and those pictures have been scanned and included on the

Grand Chapter's Section of the Web site. Also I received a request from the Grand Chapter of Ontario requesting a link between the two Web Sites. After confirmation by the Grand Secretary, I established the links.

Further, the schedule of events for these Grand Sessions were posted for all the members to view and print, as they may have desired. This is especially of interest to members from either here or further away, who may not have received a copy of the information via mail. Additionally, I set up a preliminary version of the registration forms. These forms would allow anyone who did not receive a copy of the original forms to complete the online information, and that information would be directly sent to us for the Registrar to contact that member or visitor.

I would like to report that without any great promotion of the online option, there were several members and visitors who found these forms and completed them online this year, and with the announcement of this option here today, I would expect you will see many more people use this method of registration for next year's Sessions. Next year, it will also be possible for the Site to accept secure Credit Card transactions for those members who feel comfortable with this option.

At this time the one biggest dilemma we have experienced has been a lack of involvement, and a lack of information. It should be noted here that after our site got underway, other Grand Jurisdictions have attempted the same type of venture. The common similarities are that they also see the need for such a tool (the Family Web Site) and they, too, have met with the dilemma that not everybody understands how important this can be in the future of our organizations, and, therefore, does not become involved.

For our Site to be the success it can be, it needs to be a point for one-stop shopping, so to speak. It needs the information on all the Chapters available in this Jurisdiction. Since it appears some of the Chapters may not understand this excellent Public Relations opportunity, we have decided to make a new option available.

The current structure is \$20.00 per Chapter per year, which by the way, is a deal not available anywhere on the Internet, multiplied by 26 Chapters plus Grand Chapter, equals \$540.00 per year, if everybody was involved.

We would like to propose \$200.00 per year for the Grand Chapter only, and that would include space for all the Chapters in this Jurisdiction, a value of \$7.40 per year per Chapter.

The only catch to this would be, that we would need a person, or group of people, at the Grand Chapter level, to be the “Hunter Gatherers” and “Proof Readers”. The requirement of this person or people is necessary to ensure the information is kept up-to-date when things happen; maybe, a picture and a sentence or two, is sent to me and then I will post this to the Site wherever it belongs. Then those same people would be the ones to check for typographical errors, etc. (Sometimes my brain goes faster than my fingers on the keyboard, and you know the saying, “Can’t see the forest for the trees”.) Also, if someone would like to volunteer to be the programmer, I would gladly give over that hat; however, I will continue on as the Programmer.

In short, Worthy Grand Matron, I see this as an excellent opportunity to take this communications medium and Public Relations tool to the next level, to the place it was envisioned when it was originally started.

Thank you for this opportunity to present this Report.

Respectively submitted,

**Brother Bill Millett
Webmaster
New Brunswick Masonic Family Web Site**

Brother Bill Millett moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

It was moved by Brother George Theal, PGP, and seconded by Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, that the recommendation presented by Brother Bill in his Report with regard to the \$200.00 payable by Grand Chapter for the Web Site be tabled until Saturday when it would be brought up under New Business. Motion Carried.

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON’S AND WORTHY GRAND
PATRON’S CORSAGE FUND
Sister Norma Caswell, Grand Organist**

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug:

During this past year, it has been my pleasant duty to record all the donations presented to each of you on your Official visits to the Subordinate Chapters. The Report for each Fund will be printed in detail in the Proceedings.

The total for the WGM's Special Project (ESTARL) was \$593.25. The total for the WGP's Special Project (Camp Goodtime) was \$583.25. For the most part, the donations were given, outright, but a 50/50 draw, tickets on a painting and a special ceremony raised extra money.

Thank you for the privilege of serving the Grand Family in this capacity.

CHAPTER	WGM	WGP
Prince Charles	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Zetland	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Fidelity	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Frank H. Tingley	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00
Bathurst	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Granite	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Prince Andrew	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Devon	\$ 50.00	\$100.00
		(plus \$5.00 ceremony)
Fort Monckton	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Lord Beaverbrook	\$ 25.00	\$ 15.00
Tobique	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Electa	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
York	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Hillcrest	\$ 35.00	-----
Victoria	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Victoria (Painting)	\$ 37.00	\$ 37.00
Unity	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00
Remembrance	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Queen Mary	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Philip A. Jerguson	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
West Isles (50/50)	\$ 21.25	\$ 21.25
Winston Churchill	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Saint John	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Celestial	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
St. Stephen	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Margaret	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Lady Alexander	\$ 20.00	-----
Total	\$593.25	\$583.25

Respectively submitted,

Sister Norma Caswell
Grand Organist

Sister Norma Caswell moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

GRAND CHAPLAIN'S REPORT
Brother George Hicks, Grand Chaplain

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

It is with deepest sorrow that I report the passing of 114 members of 5 Grand Jurisdictions in Canada and 35 Grand Jurisdictions in the United States.

These include:

**1 Past Most Worthy Grand Patron
49 Past Grand Matrons
59 Past Grand Patrons
1 Worthy Grand Matron
3 Worthy Grand Patrons
1 Grand Electa**

During the year God saw fit to call to their Heavenly home, Past Grand Matron, Sister Myrtle Fillmore, Sister Madeline C. Raymond and Past Grand Patron, Brother Cecil Jeffries of our own Jurisdiction.

Fraternal love and sympathy is extended to their Families.

**Only for a little while,
Our loved ones leave our sight,
For just beyond the hills they wait,
In God's eternal light.
They have slipped away to follow the star,
In a land beyond our sight
And we know they journey there as here,
In our bright Eastern Star light.
No matter how winding the Labyrinth,
They know each step of the way,
With faces toward the East they shine
In the land of eternal day**

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve our beautiful Order this year as Grand Chaplain. Thank you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for giving me this appointment and for the honour bestowed upon Fidelity Chapter #36, Riverview.

Respectively submitted,

Brother George Hicks, Grand Chaplain

Brother George Hicks moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

The Tributes to our departed Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patron were given by Sister Carol Sutherland, PGM to Sister Myrtle Fillmore, PGM; Sister Anne Steeves, PGM to Brother Cecil Jeffries, PGP, and Sister Joan Hicks, PGM to Sister Madeline Raymond, PGM.

IN MEMORIAM

**Myrtle L. Fillmore
Worthy Grand Matron 1978-1979**

**Entered into Rest on February 15, 2002
At the Oromocto Public Hospital**

Sister Myrtle was in her ninety-first year when she passed away. She was born in Norton, but raised in Minto. From there she went on to graduate from the Haverhill School of Nursing in Massachusetts in 1931.

She nursed in Minto and Moncton before her marriage to Herbert Fillmore. They moved to Bathurst where she was active in all Community affairs. Most notably were St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, the Canadian Red Cross, the Home & School Association, the Community Concert Series, and, of course, the Order of the Eastern Star. After moving to Fredericton, Sister Myrtle became one of the first volunteer drivers for the Meals-On-Wheels organization. She was an active member of the Sir Howard Douglas IODE, and a member of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Sister Myrtle maintained a winter residence in Arizona for several years, and while there she participated in the local Lioness Club.

Sister Myrtle was initiated into Bathurst Chapter #22 in 1949, and affiliated with Celestial Chapter #3, Fredericton, in 1955. She served

as Worthy Matron in 1962-1963; served as Grand Secretary from 1971-1975, and was Worthy Grand Matron in 1978-1979, with Brother J. Stewart Brooks as her Worthy Grand Patron.

Pre-deceased by her husband, Herbert, Sister Myrtle is survived by her son, Dr. Herb Fillmore, her daughter, Marilyn Hoar (David), two grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

An Eastern Star Service was held from Bishop's Funeral Home in Fredericton on Thursday, February 21, 2002, at 2:00 PM. Interment will take place in Riverbank, Norton, at a later date.

*"We do not lose the ones we love,
They only go before,
Where there is everlasting life,
Where sorrow is no more."*

Sincere sympathy is extended to Sister Myrtle's family and to the members of Celestial Chapter #3.

IN MEMORIAM

**Brother Cecil B. Jeffries
Worthy Grand Patron 1976-1977**

**Born 1914 – entered into rest on May 22nd, 2002
At the Sussex Health Center**

Brother Cecil was initiated into Kings Chapter #21, Sussex, on September 11, 1957. He was elected Worthy Patron in 1959, a position he held on several occasions. After the closure of Kings Chapter, Brother Cecil affiliated with Lord Beaverbrook Chapter #33, Hampton.

Brother Cecil was a Past Master of Zion Lodge #21, F & AM in Sussex; a Past Grand First Principal of the Royal Arch Masons, and Past Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He served the Order of the Eastern Star with Sister Anne Steeves as his Worthy Grand Matron, and they presided over their "Sunset Symphony" Sessions, in Campbellton, N.B.

During World War II, Brother Cecil served overseas as a Can-Loan Officer with the British Infantry (4th Dorset Regiment). He was a life member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Sussex Branch #20. An avid woodsman and community worker, Brother Cecil enjoyed many

interests, including playing the fiddle, woodworking and gardening. He was active as a Diocesan Lay Reader and Choir Member at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Sussex Corner.

Brother Cecil is survived by his wife, Sister Alberta, and their son, John and daughter-in-law Maureen; their daughters, Mary Ellen Graves and son-in-law Lorne, Sheila Allan and son-in-law Michael, and Treva; several grandchildren, a sister Marion Patten and several nieces and nephews. Brother Cecil was pre-deceased by a son Nelson and a sister Beatrice Berger.

A Masonic Service was held at the Sussex Select Community Funeral Home at 6:45 PM on Friday, May 24th, 2002. The Funeral Service was held at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Sussex Corner, on Saturday, May 25th, 2002, at 2:00 PM, with the Reverend Allan Tapley officiating. A graveside tribute was held by the Sussex Legion immediately following the Funeral Service. Interment will be in the Trinity Cemetery.

*Somewhere back of the sunset
Where loveliness never dies,
They live in a land of glory.
We who have known and loved them
And whose parting has brought us tears
Will cherish their memories always.*

Sincere sympathy is extended to Sister Alberta and family and to the members of Lord Beaverbrook #33, Hampton.

IN MEMORIAM

**Madeline C. Raymond
Worthy Grand Matron 1958-1959**

**Born February 14, 1921 – entered into rest on June 23, 2002
At Dr. Chalmers Hospital, Fredericton**

Sister Madeline was initiated into Victoria Chapter #1 on October 20th, 1940, making her a 62-year member. She was elected Worthy Matron in 1947 and was named Grand Representative of Alberta in New Brunswick.

Sister Madeline was a member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church; a member of Brunswick Rebekah Lodge and, of course, a Past Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star. She served the Grand

Chapter of New Brunswick with Brother Allison Knowlton as her Worthy Grand Patron, completing her year as they presided over their Grand Sessions “Golden Deeds.”

Sister Madeline graduated from Woodstock High School and the Carleton County Vocational School. Following her graduation she was employed as Office Manager in the firm of Newnham and Slipp for over 40 years. In her younger years, she enjoyed bowling, curling and golf.

Born in Woodstock, she was the youngest daughter of John and Minnie Raymond. She was pre-deceased by her parents and two brothers, Boyd and Perley, and one sister, Ernestine. She is survived by her sister, Mary Kirkpatrick.

Funeral Services were held from the Scott Funeral Home Chapel, Woodstock, at 2:00 PM. Dr. Paul Brown officiated assisted by Dr. Bruce Redding. Interment will be in the family plot in the old Methodist Cemetery.

*“Gone unto that land upon whose peaceful shore
There rests no shadows, falls no stain;
Where those who meet shall part no more,
And those long parted meet again.”*

Sincere sympathy is extended to Sister Madeline’s sister, Mary and to the members of Victoria Chapter #1, Woodstock.

**REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE
Sister Lynn Hutchin, PM (35)**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers, we wish to dedicate this portion of our “Rainbow of Friendship” Session to comfort those who have lost loved ones during the past year. With fraternal love and understanding, we pause in remembrance of those who have answered the Master’s call and now dwell in the New Jerusalem, that city not made by hands. They are missed; however, they will all be remembered by their fellow man. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the families of loved ones who have joined the Gold Chapter above.

Victoria #1

Audrey Caldwell
Bertrum Gardiner
Addie Noble

Celestial #3	Phyllis Partington Georgie Bonnell Madeline Cliff Eva Coburn Jean Day Myrtle Fillmore, PGM
Queen Mary #4	Gladys Armstrong Mary Lister Irene Watters
Frank H. Tingley #5	Irma Brown Henry Campbell Vera Duncan Avard MacPherson, PP Rita Smith
Carleton #7	Ella Patterson Lena Thomas
St. Stephen #8	William Anderson Julia Dinsmore Marion Gough Maxwell Irwin, PP Melvin Lord Kathleen Mehan
Electa #9	Alfred Hansen Pauline Lloyd
Fort Monckton #11	Lillian Maxwell Austin Oulton
York #13	Lottie McGee Stanley Mills
Saint John #14	Nellie Hicks Irene Thompson
Granite #15	Hazel Corey, PM Phrilda Hooper Olga Justason Windsor Justason Lucille Taylor

Philip A. Jerguson #18

**Phyllis Gibson
Walter Jeffrey**

Winston Churchill #19

**Myrtle Butland
Vernon Hudson
Lucilla Northrup, PM**

Bathurst #22

**Jean Eddy
Doris Scott
Emerson Smith
Gladys Smith**

Tobique #23

Lady Alexander #24

**Theresa Firth
John Vincent
Miriam Wyers**

Zetland #26

Edith Ricker

Prince Charles #27

Remembrance #30

**Olive Baker
Margaret Murcheson
Nancy Rogers, PM
Arthur Vanheddegen**

Lord Beaverbrook #33

**George Briggs
Margaret Ross, PM
Elsie Scullion, PM**

Unity #35

**Gladys Jellison
Maurice Lister
Ruth Rosborough**

Fidelity #36

**Clarence Allen, PGP
Zillah Beaton
Freeman Dunnett, PP
Ethyl Grainger
Robert Jessiman, PP
Hazel Lane, PM
Lucilla Northrup, PM**

Devon #37

**Helen Burt
Harold Edmonson**

Hillcrest #40

**Esther Bailey
Margaret Case**

Margaret #41

Elizabeth Potter

Prince Andrew #42

**Barton Johnstone
Evelyn O'Donnell
Dorothy Renwick, PM**

West Isles #43

Phyllis Gibson

Respectively submitted,

**Sister Christena Greffard, PM (27)
Sister Mildred Girvan, PM (9)
Sister Lynn Hutchin, WM (35) Chairperson**

*The Memorial Service was conducted by the members of Unity #35,
Harvey Station.*

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Narrator:	Sister Lynn Hutchin, WM
Soloist	Sister Catherine Evans, WM (41)
Adah	Sister Catherine Evans, WM (41)
Ruth	Sister Virginia Lister
Esther	Sister Patricia Lister, PM
Martha	Sister Kelly Lister
Electa	Sister Ann Lister, PGM

There is nothing more beautiful than a rainbow in the sky after a storm, but it does take both rain and sunshine to make a rainbow. If life is to be rounded and many-coloured like the rainbow, both joy and sorrow must come to it. As we view the rainbow after the rain, it reminds of life – it has a beginning and an ending – the beginning when we hear the cry of the newborn baby and the end is known only to God. Death comes silently, we hear it not, but it has released our friends and loved ones from all pain. However, it is not the end of the rainbow but the beginning of a link in the Eternal Golden Chain.

Solo: "In the Garden" by Sister Catherine Evans, WM (41)

We trust that the severed links of the Golden Chain will one day be reunited in that place not made by hands – eternal in the heavens. We have always heard that Roses speak Love’s truest language.

Our Star Points will place our Roses of Love for our loved ones in the vast circle of God’s love.

The Star Points each placed a Rose as the following verses were read.

Adah: Near a shady wall a rose once grew
Budded and blossomed in God’s free light
Watered and fed by morning dew
Shedding its sweetness day and night.

Ruth: As it grew and blossomed fair and tall
Slowly rising to loftier heights
It came to a crevice in the wall
Through which there shone a beam of light.

Esther: Onward it crept with added strength
With never a thought of fear or pride
And followed the light through the crevice length
And unfolded itself on the other side.

Martha: The light, the dew, the broadening view
Were found the same as they were before
And it lost itself in beauties new
Breathing its fragrance more and more.

Electa: Shall death cause us to grieve
And make our courage faint or fall
Nay, let us faith and hope receive
The rose still grows beyond the wall.

Yes, the rose still grows beyond the wall
Scattering fragrance far and wide
Just as it did in the days of yore
Just as it did on the other side
And just as it will forever more.

(The Star Points retire during the narration of this poem).

There is a long and winding road, along which each must go
It leads beyond the hills of time, into the sunset glow.
But only for a little while our loved ones leave our sight

For just beyond the wall they wait, in God's Eternal Light.

The Altar was lovingly draped in honour of our departed Sisters and Brothers by the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress.

The Sisters and Brothers joined in the Closing Ode, "Amazing Grace".

The Grand Marshal, Brother Robert Flewelling, called the Sessions called from Labour to Refreshment to Rest, to re-convene on Saturday, July 13th, 2002, at 8:45 AM SHARP!

IN MEMORIAM

This page is lovingly dedicated

In Memory

Of the

SISTERS AND BROTHERS

Of the Subordinate Chapters

Of New Brunswick

And

Other Grand Jurisdictions

Who Have Been Called to Rest.

2001-2002

“Over our hearts and into our lives

Sunshine and shadows fall.

But the sunshine is never wholly dead

And God is over all.”

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION
July 13th, 2002

The Saturday Morning Session convened at 8:45 AM. It was preceded by a Musical Prelude by our Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, and Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Mary Pelletier.

The Grand Choir entered the Chapter Room singing “O Worship The King”.

CALL TO ORDER

Sister Ann Morton, PGM, and Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP

Good Morning, Sisters and Brothers:

Welcome to this Saturday Morning “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. It is a pleasure to share the East once again with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Gordon, and to share with him the honour of calling this Session to order.

I trust that you have all had a good night’s rest and are ready to conduct the business of this Grand Chapter. Today is one of significance as we will be electing to office the future foundation of our Order in New Brunswick.

Important decisions will be made today which will affect the future of our Grand Chapter. I trust all of you will consider your obligations as you vote for the continued success of our Grand Chapter.

A special welcome to all distinguished guests and visitors. Enjoy yourselves and visit often.

Brother Gordon, may we hear your words of greetings at this time?

Good Morning, Sisters and Brothers. It is with pleasure that I join Sister Ann in welcoming you to this Saturday Morning Session of the “Rainbow of Friendship” Grand Chapter Sessions.

I hope you all had a good night’s rest and are ready for another day’s work. Did you have a chance to visit our beautiful City? There are many interesting things to see.

To our visiting Sisters and Brothers, it is with pleasure that I welcome you. We have no lines or borders in the Eastern Star. We are one big happy family. Welcome.

Associate Grand Conductress - You will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Chapter Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan, were presented west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Sister Ann Morton, PGM, and Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP

Good Morning, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug. Thank you for allowing me the honour and privilege of opening this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

It seems like yesterday that you were my Grand Officers, and now here you stand ready to preside at your own Sessions. My, how times flies.

Sister Debbie, I have watched you grow and mature in your Eastern Star life and I am very proud of you. Brother Doug, you were my Grand Sentinel and I have watched you as you ascended to the Office of Worthy Grand Patron. You are both very capable people. You have gained my respect and admiration.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, I congratulate you both on your very successful year, and I know you will be able to look back on your journeys with great satisfaction and pleasure.

May you have fond memories of this year of service you have given to our Order and be proud of your accomplishments. I wish for you both good health and happiness as you enjoy a well-deserved rest.

I thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the honour of calling to order this Saturday Morning Session with Brother Gordon.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, may I extend my sincere thanks to you for asking me to assist my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ann, in welcoming and calling to order this portion of your “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

Sister Debbie, you have given your time, talents and hard work to the Order of the Eastern Star this past year, and demonstrated your devotion and faithfulness to the Sisters and Brothers as you travelled when visiting our Chapters. You certainly are to be commended on your achievements. Congratulations on a very successful year.

Brother Doug, your Eastern Star journey has been one to be proud of. One in which you have supported your Worthy Grand Matron, your Grand Chapter and also supported to the best of your ability, all your Sisters and Brothers. Congratulations on a very successful year.

Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in extending the Grand Honours to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Worthy Grand Matron – It is my pleasure to present you with your gavel.

The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

WELCOME

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Ann and Brother Gordon, thank you for opening the Saturday Morning Session. I had the opportunity to be your Grand Conductress and I learned much from both of you. Sister Ann, you have been a great help to me. You have shared not only your wisdom and your advice but also your friendship. Please accept this gift as a token of our appreciation, friendship and love.

**Brother Doug Swan
Worthy Grand Patron**

Sister Ann, PGM, and Brother Gordon, PGP, what a privilege it is to have my first fraternal Mom and Dad open our Sessions this morning. Your encouragement, support and friendship over the years has meant a lot to me.

Brother Gordon, please accept this gift as a token of our appreciation.

**Sister Debbie Hill
Worthy Grand Matron**

Good Morning, Sisters and Brothers. I hope each of you had a good night and are ready for the most important day of these Sessions. This is the day we elect a new slate of Officers, vote on the New Business of the Grand Chapter and finish with a celebration of the Installation of the New Officers. I pray that God will guide us and we will always remember the good of the Order.

**Brother Doug Swan
Worthy Grand Patron**

**Life begins each morning, not at 40
Or so I've heard someone say
So choose wisely how you spend the hours
Of this and every precious day."**

We're so glad you chose to spend your hours with us! Life begins each morning – how appropriate, and this morning, a new life begins for our Order of the Eastern Star in New Brunswick as we continue to make decisions for our tomorrow and elect our leaders of the future. How exciting it is that our new life for our Order begins this morning. Welcome!

Our thought for this morning – “One of the most difficult things to give away is kindness, because it is usually returned.”

A beautiful Solo was rendered by Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM, entitled “Here I Am, Lord”.

**INVOCATION
Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP**

Eternal God, source of all wisdom and strength, Father of us all, we give thanks to Thee for the privilege of being here on this lovely morning.

We thank Thee for this Assembly of devoted members. Fill our hearts with the true spirit of fraternity, that each of us may contribute wisely to the harmony of all that will be accomplished here in the next few hours.

We thank Thee for Thy divine guidance through this year and as our “Rainbow of Friendship” Session is nearing its close, we ask Thy continued wisdom and guidance that our remaining deliberations may bring honour to Thy Holy name.

May our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug feel a sense of accomplishment in a job well done.

May the light of Thy love shine upon our Officers to be elected for the ensuing year. May love, faith and vision make their pathways easier.

All of this we ask in Thy name. AMEN.

Grand Chapter was proved and all present joined in singing the Opening Ode entitled, “Part of the Family”.

Presentation of Distinguished Guests not previously introduced:

Sister Florence Wilson

*Past Grand Matron of New
New Brunswick*

Brother James Maxwell

*Grand Representative of Washington
In New Brunswick*

Sister Judy Gillis

*Worthy Matron of Victoria #1,
Woodstock*

The Minutes of the Friday Afternoon Session were read by the Grand Secretary, Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM. They were approved as read.

We will now have a further Report from the Credentials Committee. Sister Shirley Jennings, PM, may we hear from you now.

**REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE
Grand Chapter of New Brunswick
Order of the Eastern Star**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. The Credential Committee submits its 2nd Report as of July 12th, 2002 as follows:

Grand Officers of New Brunswick	17 plus 1 Pro-tem	18
Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron		--
Elected General Grand Chapter Officers		6
Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers		1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members & Ambassadors		8
Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons Of Other Grand Jurisdictions		14
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick		30
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions		37
Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions		9
Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions		3
Grand Officers' Emeritus		2
Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in NB		35
Grand Representatives of NB in Other Grand Jurisdictions		20
Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions		5
District Deputy Grand Matrons of NB & Others		4
Voting Members of New Brunswick(Other than those listed above)		154
Non-Voting Members of New Brunswick		25
Members of Other Grand Jurisdictions (Other than those Listed above)		59
New Brunswick Chapters Represented		25
Grand Jurisdictions Represented		26
TOTAL OES MEMBERS REGISTERED		430

Respectively submitted,

Sister Shirley Jennings, PM, Chairperson

Sister Marjorie Morgan
Past Grand Matron of Ontario

Sister Marjorie Morgan, PGM, spoke on how pleased she was to be invited back to the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. She feels so welcome when arrives, with her husband, to set up her area for the sale of her works.

As she was leaving this morning to return to Ontario, Sister Marjorie urged the members to come visit with her at her Grand Chapter in August. Sister Marjorie left us with the following quotation:

“Laughter is the hole that lets the sawdust out of a stuffed shirt.”

Sister Marjorie then presented the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick with a donation to ESTARL as a thank you from herself and Brother Art for allowing her to sell her work.

The Grand Chapter of New Brunswick looks forward to continued friendship and relations with Sister Marjorie and Brother Art, and look forward to their next visit.

Sister Jean Kelly, WM (42) and Sister Aulay Sample, PM (33) made a presentation to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, on behalf of the PAGO Association. They presented \$100 to each of the following Grand Chapter Projects: ESTARL, Camp Goodtime and Shriner's Transportation.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, thanked the PAGO's for their support of these three worthwhile Projects.

EASTERN STAR JOURNAL
Sister Linda Cogswell, PM (37)

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

On behalf of the Eastern Star Journal Committee, it is my pleasure to present this Report.

Upon Sister Rose Scott's return from General Grand Chapter, letters were sent to all New Brunswick Chapters promoting the Journal and encouraging members to submit articles of interest and pictures to her. A Committee of five was appointed and met with Sister Rose in October of 2001 in Perth-Andover to obtain suggestions and guidelines as to their duties. Each member was given a designated area and asked to find and encourage members to submit their articles.

We are pleased to report that several submissions and pictures have been received and been forwarded to the Journal Editor. Each Journal, with the exception of one, has had something from New Brunswick, and there are still more to be printed. We must keep in

mind that the Journal receives items from all Grand Jurisdictions and space is limited for each publication. Therefore, if your article has not been printed yet, please be patient, it will be in time. Please continue to send in your Articles.

It is also noteworthy to mention that New Brunswick ranked 4th among the Jurisdictions that improved their subscription rates the most.

The Committee wishes to extend a sincere “Thank You” to the Chapters and individual members for their support and submissions and to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for their co-operation and support this past year.

In closing, if any problems arise concerning the Journal, please notify Sister Rose or a Committee Member at once and it will be dealt with promptly and hopefully to your satisfaction. Respectively submitted,

**Sister Linda Cogswell, PM (37) Chairperson
Sister Edith Clouston, PM (22)
Sister Mildred Girvan, PM (9)
Sister Isabel Morton, WM (7)
Sister Norma Caswell, PM (4)**

Sister Linda Cogswell, PM, moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read.

JURISPRUDENCE REPORT

Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP

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

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, have examined the Reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. We agree on the recommendations of the Worthy Grand Matron to establish a Committee to review the matter on the Nursing shortage at Grand Chapter.

We have received four Notices of Motion to be presented at this “Rainbow of Friendship” Grand Session.

Two of these Motions were to amend Article XIX, Item 2, of the Constitution, Laws and Regulations. Although we appreciate both recommendations, we have chosen to recommend the Motion presented by Brother Peter Colton, PGP.

We were pleased to review the By-Laws of Prince Charles Chapter #27; Remembrance Chapter #30 and Saint John Chapter #14, and all were accepted.

The recommendations presented by the Distribution Committee have already been dealt with. We also wish to thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for submitting their Reports on time.

We thank our Worthy Grand Matron for the privilege of serving on this Committee.

Respectively submitted,

**Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM
Sister Ann Lister, PGP
Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP Chairperson**

Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP, moved the acceptance of this Report; seconded by Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM. The Report was accepted as read.

**CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND REGULATIONS REPORT
Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM, Chairperson**

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

We, the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Regulations, wish to submit the following Report:

During the 2001-2002 Grand Chapter year the Committee received three Notices of Motion to amend the Laws and Regulations, which we approved.

One Notice of Motion submitted from this Committee was sent to the Jurisprudence Committee for their approval.

We received one Notice of Motion to amend the Constitution which we approved.

The above Notices of Motion to the Constitution, Laws and Regulations will be further dealt with under New Brunswick.

Respectively submitted,

**Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM
Sister Ann Morton, PGM
Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM Chairperson**

Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM, moved the acceptance of this Report; seconded by Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM. The Report was accepted as read.

**GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS COMMITTEE REPORT
Brother Murray Clouston, PGP, Chairperson**

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

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals received a Grievance letter on February 8th, 2002, from a member.

This complaint was handled immediately with a recommendation from the Committee and to our knowledge has been settled. We sincerely hope that members will refrain from making unnecessary comments and remember the Obligation they took at the Altar.

Respectively submitted,

**Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM
Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP
Brother Murray Clouston, PGP Chairperson**

Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM, moved the acceptance of this Report; seconded by Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP. The Report was accepted as read.

**REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF TRIALS
Sister Brenda I. Taylor, PGM, Chairperson**

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

We, the Commissioner of Trials Committee, are pleased to report that no action was necessary during the past year as nothing was referred to us. Therefore, we have nothing to report.

Respectively submitted,

**Brother Carr Graham, PGP
Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP
Sister Brenda I. Taylor, PGM, Chairperson**

Sister Brenda I. Taylor, PGM, moved the acceptance of this Report; seconded by Brother Carr Graham, PGP. The Report was accepted as read.

**INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE FUND REPORT
Sister Donna Allen, AGC, Chairperson**

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

In the Spring of 2002 a letter was sent to each Subordinate Chapter encouraging continued support to the International Temple Fund, with a once-in-a-lifetime contribution of \$1.50 per new or affiliated member.

The Committee is pleased to report that from April 1, 2001, to March 31, 2002, money for 50 members was collected from New Brunswick Chapters and forwarded to the General Grand Chapter, designated for the International Temple Fund, making New Brunswick 100% paid up.

Personal visits by Eastern Star members or visitors are encouraged and welcomed at the International Temple, located in Washington, DC. This beautiful structure, furnished with exquisite items from Eastern Star members throughout the world, is truly representative of the Fraternal bond and steadfast support that we, as members, have for our beautiful Order.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for allowing us to work on this Committee.

Respectively submitted,

Sister Isobel Clouston, PM (22)
Sister Martha Gillrie, PM (14)
Sister Donna Allen, AGC, Chairperson

Sister Donna Allen, AGC, moved the acceptance of this Report; seconded by Sister Martha Gillrie, PM. The Report was accepted as read.

It is now time for the election of a new slate of Officers. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to preside.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron, read from the Roberts Rules of Order as pertained to the Election of Officers. Brother Doug, WGP, appointed the following Scrutineers: Brother Charles Rafuse, PGP; Sister Jean Belding, PGM; Brother James Page, PGP; Brother Joseph Potter, PGP; and Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM, as Chairperson.

Number of Voting Members present: 238

The following were elected:

Worthy Grand Matron	Sister Leitha Holmes
Worthy Grand Patron	Brother Ronald Jagoe
Associate Grand Matron	Sister Marjorie Colton
Associate Grand Patron	Brother Evan Thomas
Grand Secretary	Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM
Grand Treasurer	Sister Linda Cogswell
Grand Conductress	Sister Donna Allen

A second ballot was required for the office of Associate Grand Conductress, at which time we were advised that the voting count should be 240.

Associate Grand Conductress	Sister Elaine MacLean
Grand Sentinel	Brother Robert Flewelling

The Bell rang on the Homemaker's Table and the Winners were:

Sister Ann McLellan, PM (30)
Sister Shirley Walton, PM (5)

The Grand Choir entertained us with a number of selections while we waited for the results of the Election of Officers.

The Bell rang a second time at the Homemaker's Table and the winners were:

*Sister Lynn Hutchin, Assistant Grand Marshal (35)
Sister Marjorie Steeves, PM (23)*

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, congratulated Brother Fred Clarke, Chairman of the Right Worthy Grand Trustees, on being chosen to be Sister Rennie Ofton's running mate, and asked him to speak.

**Brother Fred Clarke
Chairman, Right Worthy Grand Trustees**

Brother Fred, Chairman, Right Worthy Grand Trustees, spoke on how pleased he was to be with us once again. He thanked the members of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick for their continued support and then spoke on how pleased he was to be able to work and travel with Sister Rennie Ofton. Brother Fred asked for our support and best wishes for the coming months, and hoped to see many of us on the Star trails.

Very dear to Brother Fred's heart is the subject of membership, and he urged each of us to bring in a new member in order to strengthen the bonds of our Eastern Star. He stated we needed to do more to make the meetings interesting for all ages, and to have unique ways of making ourselves known to the general public. We need to be more open about the good works that we do so that everyone is aware of the charitable projects in which we participate.

Brother Fred again thanked the Grand Chapter for their best wishes, and their continued support, and said he would do his utmost to make the Eastern Star members in the Maritimes proud of his accomplishments.

We, in the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, wish him well in his future endeavours, and will continue to support him.

**Sister Rennie Ofton
Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress**

How pleased we are to welcome Sister Rennie Ofton, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, of the General Grand Chapter.

As most of you are aware, Sister Rennie has asked Brother Fred Clarke to be her running mate, as she continues on her journey to the East of General Grand Chapter, and we, in New Brunswick, are very pleased with her choice.

Sister Rennie spoke of the value of Fraternalism with particular reference to the Worthy Advisor of the Rainbow for Girls who spoke on Thursday evening. She also noted that she was pleased with the support of her selection of Brother Fred as a running mate.

Sister Rennie has visited with us on many occasions, and we look forward to meeting and greeting her as often as possible as she continues her journey in General Grand Chapter. We wish her good health, safe travels, and the fulfillment of her every dream.

FRATERNAL REPORT

Sister Leitha Holmes, Associate Grand Matron

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

I have enjoyed gathering here a little, there a little, from the harvest of each Jurisdiction, by way of the Proceedings. Thanks to Sister Brenda Saunders, Grand Secretary, for our passport to each Grand Chapter.

Waving good-bye to vacuuming and baking, we are caught up in the fast and furious pace of travel, surrounded by beautiful butterflies and handsome ducks. Off we go over the Rainbow on our magic carpet, our journey has begun!! You have no idea with what ease and speed we criss-cross Canada and the United States, taking a trip to Australia, no problem at all. Beauty everywhere! We could almost see the colours, smell the flowers and hear the busy footsteps.

With our Rainbow to guide and give us courage, off and away to:

Arizona: Enjoying Centennial Celebrations and Lights of Peace Exchange with Mexico. With 6,361 members, 73 fifty-year members, 4 seventy-five year members, dance to the tune of Star Notes and Drill Team at State Picnic.

New Hampshire: All in the spirit of America; Fraternal Exchanges with the New England States and Quebec; Supporting David's House for Children with Terminal Illnesses.

Ontario: In the Galaxy of Stars - 231 fifty-year members, 43 sixty-year members and 12 seventy-year members receiving membership pins.

Wyoming: We lift up our eyes unto the hills at Gillette's 103rd Annual Session "Oh What A Beautiful Morning" – surrounded by all the Wyoming animals and visited by U.S. Senator, The Honourable Michael B. Enzi, with the members singing "He'll Be Coming Round the Mountain".

Colorado: Celebrating Grand Kaleidoscope 2000-Growing the Dollars for Special Projects; activating inactive members, Communicating, cultivating and Activating.

Illinois: Finding safe harbour touring the State to the tune of "See the USA In a Chevrolet" – visiting 275 Chapters – Sorry to see 11 Chapters merging with other Chapters. 35,411 members, after a loss of 2,578.

Texas: In Seasons of Starlight enjoying trips in Worthy Grand Matron's van to Butchart Gardens in Vancouver, Canada. Taking trips with band and enjoying fund-raising days. No problem with three gas credit cards at our disposal.

West Virginia: Desert and Dreams with Future Stars Youth Scholarship. 19,132 members. "Hug A Worthy Matron" raising funds for Cancer- Worthy Patron's selling hugs for \$0.10 a hug. King and Queen of the Road Awards presented.

Utah: Sands of Time – enjoying evening at Charity Ball, selling session pins for Charities, at Salt Lake Masonic Lodge joined "Adopt A Chair Program", disbursed over \$47,000 to Charities, over \$50,000 to Benevolent Fund; editing "The Happy Howler Newsletter."

New Mexico: At Threshold To the Future – enjoying Summer Fair while raising funds for Talking Books of New Mexico – raising funds for Scholarships, educating teachers in ways to work with dyslexia children; 4,766 members working on Centennial Book "One Hundred Years of the Order of the Eastern Star in New Mexico" and Newsletter "Enchanted Trails and Trailers."

Rhode Island: Circle of Friendship – taking part in International weekend, attended Vesper Service and Silver Tea to honour 46 fifty-year members – joined with 21 members for trip to Eastern Caribbean; 2,176 members helping and reading "Tell A Star"

Newspaper, joining in bowling, Golf Tournament and Eastern Star Balls.

California: Circle of Love – Castles and Courtyards, Beautiful American Beauty Roses, Lady Rose welcoming us. Hand-crafted wood unicorn keeping watch day and night. 53,297 members after loss of 3,031. All working supporting Seniors Living Community for members over 65. Three-day School of Instruction – Grand Officers doing the work the first day. District Deputy Grand Matrons doing work next 2 days.

Arkansas: The Month of December – Garden of Hope and Dreams. Peaceful surroundings – flowering trees and shrubs, water falls, and wishing wells, birdbaths and Bluebirds a special attraction. A special night. 406 fifty-year members, guests of honour. Cross Country Clown Express, enjoying seeing gazebos and large peacocks of all colours, all God’s beauty and love surrounds us, then Spring comes and the beauty of rebirth – Majestic magnolia trees in bloom.

Connecticut: Never-ending smiles – 6,359 members working enjoying doing for others, giving \$300,00 to Charity Foundation. 107 fifty-year members. Memorabilia exhibit at Grand Chapter – also Nutmeggers Drill Team; Red, White and Blue Circus, elephants, clowns and black lab dogs.

Tennessee: Serving Through The Centuries – 28,240 members, loss of 970 – must exemplify initiatory work twice a year – Proficiency tests to help learn regulations of the Order.

Kansas: 22,585 members with Castles in The Clouds – adopting children at Christmas, maintain own Grand Chapter Office building – 2 full-time, 2 part-time employees. Enjoying Carnival and Basket Auction. Recognize word-perfect Obligation. We fly away leaving lighthouses on the ocean and footprints in the sand.

Minnesota: God Loves You. Establishing a prayer chain, say a prayer Project, doing unto others, building stronger bonds. Taking time to enjoy ice cream socials, dancing and silent auctions; also a musical extravaganza. Angels guiding all the way. Worthy Grand Matron called home to be safe in the arms of Jesus – July 1999.

Nebraska: God Makes All Things New – keeping the peace and making a difference. 15,333 members enjoying travelling in a vehicle called “The Ark” – often you would see Noah welcome Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Wisconsin: We climb stairway to the Stars keeping the light of our beautiful star shining brightly into the 21st Century with comfort, love and belief. 12,054 members, marching on with petitions, life savers, invitation to become a member and save our Eastern Star.

Virginia: We are searching for “Ocean Treasures of the new Millennium”. 16,749 members, “United They Stand, divided They Fall” with watchwords like communication, commitment. They enjoy breakfasts, auctions, doing the 12 days of Christmas for the Home.

Kentucky: Join the Circus of Stars with Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron; Pat Hart singing “My Old Kentucky Home” while selling stone heart calendars for Cancer, Heart and Youth. 21,979 members having Relay of Life for Child Learning Disorders – 5 Chapters celebrating 75 years – 8 Chapters celebrating 50 years – 162 fifty-year pins presented, 2 seventy-year Certificates, 46 sixty-year.

Alabama: We join with Sisters and Brothers to enjoy the “God Bless America Sessions” – Building With Bridges to Better Times. Wonderful to be so far from home, yet feel so at home.

Alberta: Year of Little People – 4,422 members, raising thousands of dollars for the Alzheimer Society, Juvenile Asthma and ESTARL by having District Teas, Recycling, sale of pins and Good Will donations – Here the Grand Secretary is given an Executive-sized room or a mini-suite at Grand Chapter.

The United Grand Chapter of Australia: Officers called Worthy Grand Office Bearers, became independent in 1985. 6,418 members after loss of 756 in two years. Busily working raising funds for Charities, donations to Hospitals, OES Homes, Cancer and Children’s Charities.

South Carolina: Where Precious Moments Become Precious Memories. Cardinals, Blue Birds and Doves join us. Membership with praying hands and Gentle hands assisting others – working for all OES Charities, Church and Community.

Vermont: As we approach a large bald Eagle inviting us to the “Come Fly With Us” Session. We find lots of Chapters consolidating with other Chapters, working hard for ESTARL, Rainbow, DeMolay and Visiting Nurses Association.

Maine: To a place in the Sun, also enjoying blossoms of Peace and Love. 13,429 members join us as we walk by faith and light of the

World with love, integrity, hope and trust, guiding the Grand Chapter of Maine into the future, enjoying Mr. & Mrs. OES Pageant, banner contests and entertainment nights.

Thirty New Brunswick butterflies and ducks enjoying “Light of the World” looking forward to following the Star as we journeyed across Canada and USA. Again and again came the invitation “come with us to Washington, DC, and visit the magnificent International Temple. No journey with Stars would be complete without this visit. The Temple was purchased for \$100,000. Today its value is at \$22,000,000. It holds 14th and 15th Century furniture, Tiffany vases, oriental rugs, all marble from Italy, all wood from Germany, all metal from France; a marble Grand Staircase and Crystal Chandeliers of Czechoslovakian crystal. To do justice to describing our visit would be another Report. Also our visit to the International Peace Gardens, located almost in the exact center between the Atlantic and Pacific Ocean, celebrating over 150 years of Peace between the United States and Canada – even more meaningful to us today. May this peace be forever – just visit the Peace Chapel, stay for a while, then enjoy all the beauty, flowers at their peak in mid August. Take a sun umbrella along and picnic lunch, good comfortable walking shoes to explore some 2,300 acres. The Chapel straddles the border, half in each Country – a true monument to Peace.

The Grand Jurisdictions of Manitoba and North Dakota hold a Hands across the Border Church service and picnic in this beautiful setting every year.

On our travels, it was a pleasure to see each Grand Chapter – unique – yet all having many things in common – all with an open Holy Bible on the Altar, meetings opened and closed with prayer, all repeating the same Obligation. Peace and Harmony prevail when we LIVE our Obligation, all believe in the existence of a Supreme being, all making a difference by our commitment to our communities and the world, making this a better place for all to live.

Happy to be back in New Brunswick, saying goodbye to our magic carpet. We have found our Pot of Gold at the end of the Rainbow right here in New Brunswick.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, we thank you for giving us the privilege of such a wonderful and rewarding trip, enjoying friendships of the past and making new friends for the future.

Sister Marjorie, Sister Donna and I are sorry to see our membership decreasing. They are God's children; He called them home to be with Him. Our duty is do His will, live in His way and those vacant chairs help to fill.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sister Leitha Holmes, AGM
Sister Marjorie Colton, GC
Sister Donna Allen, AGC**

Sister Leitha Holmes, AGM, moved the acceptance of this Report. The Report was accepted as read

Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM on Public Relations, recommended that the Teller Boxes used in the Elections should be replaced.

The Bible was closed and the Grand Marshal, Brother Robert Flewelling, called the Session from Labour to Refreshment, to reconvene at 2:00 PM SHARP!

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION July 13th, 2002

The Saturday Afternoon Session convened at 2:00 PM and was preceded by an Organ Prelude given by our Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Mary Pelletier.

CALL TO ORDER

Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM, and Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP

Good Afternoon Sisters and Brothers. It is my privilege and pleasure to have Brother Dale Nicklin, my own Worthy Grand Patron, sharing the East with me this afternoon and to Call to Order the Saturday Afternoon Session of the "Rainbow of Friendship" of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

I trust you have had an enjoyable noon break and those who attended the Grand Representatives' Luncheon were able to meet with old and new friends to strengthen our ties of friendship.

At this final Afternoon of 2002 to each of you assembled here, a most sincere welcome. A hearty welcome also to our incoming Grand Officers and my wish for them is health, happiness and safe travels as they serve this Grand Jurisdiction. Brother Dale, may we hear from you now.

Good Afternoon, Sisters and Brothers.

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this Saturday Afternoon Session. It is a delight once again to share the East with Sister Shirley. She hasn't changed any and still isn't above telling me to watch what I say and to behave myself. I would like to congratulate those who have been elected here today. It is my hope that all your hopes and dreams come to fulfillment.

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

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan, were presented west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM, and Brother Dale Nicklin, PGP

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

Thank you for giving me the privilege to open this Saturday Afternoon Session of the "Rainbow of Friendship" of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Dale.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, you have served your Jurisdiction well. We go back a few years and I knew then that your hard work, attitude and commitment to whatever you decided to do would assist you in spreading friendship throughout our Jurisdiction and those you visited.

It has been said “Acts of love and kindness never die, but in the lives of others multiply.” I know you have multiplied many of these during your year.

Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, you too have had a year of responsibility and travel and have endeared yourself to all the members with your ready smile and your warm personality. You have “done well, good and faithful servant”. May you both enjoy the remaining hours of your Session and know that when it is completed that the “highest reward for a man’s work is not what he gets for it, but what he becomes by it.” God bless you both.

Brother Dale-----

Good Afternoon Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers. The time is drawing near to your closing. I trust your year was everything that you had hoped for. Sister Debbie, I feel a bit responsible for you being here in this position. When I was on the trail we travelled many miles and perhaps that is where you got the itch to go farther. Brother Doug, I have watched your progress for the past several years. I admired your calm disposition when things got a bit hectic. Your deportment has raised the bar several notches. We thank you for this opportunity to open this Session and look forward to you joining the ranks of the Past Grands.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM, presented Sister Debbie, WGM, with her gavel.

WELCOME

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Shirley and Brother Dale, thank you for opening the Saturday Afternoon Session. Sister Shirley, I have known you for many years and I will always value your friendship. Brother Dale, I have known you for many, many years, even before I joined the Eastern Star, and I have travelled many miles in the back seat of your car. I thank you both for opening this Session.

Sister Shirley, I would be pleased if you would accept this gift as a token of our appreciation.

**WELCOME
Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron**

Sister Shirley, PGM, and Brother Dale, PGP, Sister Debbie and I received Grand Representative Commissions during your year. Sister Debbie and I became acquainted as a result. I am so pleased that you both agreed to take part in our Sessions.

Brother Dale, please accept this gift as a memento of our appreciation and friendship for opening this Session.

**Sister Debbie Hill
Worthy Grand Matron**

Good Afternoon Sisters and Brothers, I hope each of you enjoyed your lunch and are ready for the important business which will be discussed here this Afternoon. Remember if you do not understand a Motion, please go to the microphone nearest to you, state your name, Chapter and Number. With the guidance of our Heavenly Father, we will all make the correct decisions here this afternoon.

**Brother Doug Swan
Worthy Grand Patron**

**“Laugh a little – sing a little
As you go your way
Work a little – play a little
Do this every day.**

**Give a little – take a little
Never mind a frown
Make your smile a welcomed thing
All around the town.**

**Laugh a little – love a little
Skies are always blue
Every cloud has a silver lining
But it is up to you.**

Thanks so much for joining us this afternoon and remember, it is only you who decides how you feel, not me. I hope everyone has decided to enjoy this afternoon as we continue with our Sessions.

Our Thought for this Afternoon:

“It takes both Sunshine and Rain to make a Rainbow.”

At this time a lovely Solo, entitled “One Little Candle” was sung by Sister Lynda Swan, Grand Esther.

INVOCATION
Brother Stuart Norton, Past Grand Patron

Let us bow our heads in prayer.

Heavenly and most Gracious Father, as we assemble here once again, on this final day of the “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions, let us pause before starting our deliberations, to acknowledge and thank Thee for Thy many blessings which Thou hast bestowed upon the members of the Order of the Eastern Star. We ask Thy divine guidance upon the Officers of our Order, grant them the wisdom to guide our deliberations and bless them in their field of service.

We thank Thee for Thy watchful providence during the past days and pray for Thy guidance in the final hours of these Sessions.

Heavenly Father, we pray that You will grant safe conduct to all who have travelled from far and near as they return to their homes, and with Thy blessing and guidance, may we all meet again.

We ask this all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

AMEN.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM, read the Minutes of the Saturday Morning Session. They were approved as read.

Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM, made a presentation on behalf of the Moncton Mini Car Unit of \$100 for allowing them the opportunity of displaying their Jewellery. The money could be designated for whichever Project the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron wished.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, thanked Brother Rupert, GGCCM, for this donation and requested that it go to Camp Goodtime.

Brother Allen Gillis, Worthy Patron, of Devon Chapter #37, presented the money left from the Worthy Matron's and Worthy Patron's Breakfast to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug. It is to go to one of their Special Projects.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, thanked Brother Allen for this donation and requested that it go to the ESTARL Fund.

Under New Business, the following Notices of Motion were dealt with:

- 1. Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP, moved the following Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Sister Ann Morton, PGM.**

Article V Membership of the Grand Chapter

CURRENTLY READS:

- 1. The membership of the Grand Chapter shall consist of the Officers thereof, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Past Matrons, Past Patrons, while they are members of a Chapter within this Jurisdiction, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Associate Matrons, and Associate Patrons, including those Chapters under Dispensation.**

BE CHANGED TO READ:

- 1. The membership of the Grand Chapter shall consist of any Member in good standing with a paid-up Dues Card while they are members of a Chapter within this Jurisdiction, and are entitled to vote on any matter that comes before Grand Chapter.**

After some discussion, the Motion was carried.

- 2. Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM, moved the following Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM.**

Article XII Expenses

No. 6 Entertainment

WHICH NOW READS:

© The Grand Chapter shall supply complimentary luncheon and banquet tickets to General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members and Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions.

TO BE CHANGED TO READ:

Complimentary banquet tickets to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Committee Members, Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions shall be provided from the funds allocated to the General Convenor for the Grand Chapter Session expenses.

Motion was carried.

3. Brother Peter Colton, PGP, moved the following Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP.

Article XIX, Item No. 2

OLD ARTICLE:

Officers must be members of the Chapter at the time of election or appointment, but not Officers of another Chapter.

NEW ARTICLE TO READ:

Officers must be members of the Chapter at the time of Election or Appointment, and may be Officers of another Chapter; however, they may not be an Elected Officer of both Chapters.

After some discussion, the Motion was carried. As this Motion was accepted, the Notice of Motion made by Queen Mary Chapter #4 did not need to be passed.

4. Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, moved the following Notice of Motion, which was seconded by Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM.

Article XIV HONOURARIA

To add:

1. (a) The Honourarium for the Grand Secretary shall be One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or such amount as

recommended by the Finance Committee, and voted by Grand Chapter.

1. (b) The Honourarium for the Grand Treasurer shall be Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), or such amount as recommended by the Finance Committee and voted by the Grand Chapter.

An Amendment to this Motion was made by Brother Roy Wilson, PP, and seconded by Brother DeWitt Lister, PGP, that the Honouraria for the Grand Secretary be put at \$1,200.00. The Amendment was carried.

The Motion as amended will now read:

1. (a) The Honourarium for the Grand Secretary shall be One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00), or such amount as recommended by the Finance Committee and voted by the Grand Chapter.
1. (b) The Honourarium for the Grand Treasurer shall be Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), or such amount as recommended by the Finance Committee, and voted by Grand Chapter.

The Motion as amended was carried.

5. Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, moved that a separate telephone line, including Call Waiting and E-mail, be installed in the home of the Grand Secretary. This installation cost plus the monthly bill to be paid by Grand Chapter. Seconded by Sister Ann Morton, PGM. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM, moved the following Amendments of Motions not included in the Constitution, Laws and Regulations, July 1988; seconded by Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM.

WHICH NOW READS:

No. 1 That the procedure for presentation at Grand Chapter be amended to include the presentation of our Grand Treasurer Emeritus immediately following the Appointed Grand Officers.

BE CHANGED TO READ:

No. 1 That the procedure for presentation at Grand Chapter be amended to include the presentation of Emeritus Grand Chapter Officers immediately following the Appointed Grand Officers.

This Amendment was approved.

7. Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM, moved the following Amendment , seconded by Sister Ann Morton, PGM, to read as follows:

WHICH NOW READS:

No. 2 That the appointed District Deputy Grand Matrons of New Brunswick and Other Grand Jurisdictions be presented at Grand Chapter immediately following the Grand Representatives.

BE CHANGED TO READ:

No. 2 That the Appointed District Deputy Grand Matrons of New Brunswick and other Grand Jurisdictions be presented at Grand Chapter and Subordinate Chapters immediately following the Grand Representatives.

OMIT 3RD PARAGRAPH:

In Subordinate Chapters, our own District Deputy Grand Matrons be presented immediately following the Appointed Grand Officers.

This Amendment was also carried.

The recommendation presented by Brother Bill Millett, tabled on Friday Afternoon, was moved by Brother Peter Colton, PGP, and seconded by Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, as follows:

That \$200 per year for use of the Website be charged to the Grand Chapter only and that would include space for all the Chapters in this Jurisdiction (a value of \$7.40 per year per Chapter). MOTION CARRIED.

Brother Peter Colton, PGP, moved, seconded by Sister Marjorie Colton, Grand Conductress, that the Grand Chapter purchase lapel microphones for the use of the Grand Chapter. After much discussion, Brother Peter rescinded his Motion.

Brother Peter Colton, PGP, moved, seconded by Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, that a Committee be set up to discuss with the Hotel the sound system, and if necessary the cost of purchasing lapel microphones, and bring back what has come of the findings. MOTION CARRIED.

The bell rang on the Homemaker's Table and the winners were Sister Vivian O'Donnell, PM, Sister Sadie Matchett, PM and a brother whose name we were not provided.

Sister Brenda J. Saunders, PGM, Grand Secretary, read a letter from General Grand Chapter concerning the 44th Triennial Souvenir Book and whether we wanted to pay the \$100 fee to include a brief history of the Eastern Star in our province. It was moved by Sister Betty Danks, PGM, and seconded by Sister Ann Lister, PGM, that we do so. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Sister Shirley MacDonald, PGM, and seconded by Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP, that we attend the 73rd Annual Session on July 10th, 11th, and 12th 2003, at the Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, N.B. MOTION CARRIED.

Sister Leitha Holmes, AGM, requested an Open Installation by invitation for this evening. It was moved by Sister Lynda Swan, Grand Esther, and seconded by Sister Marjorie Colton, Grand Conductress, that this request be permitted. MOTION CARRIED.

Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM, advised that there would be a table at the back of the Chapter room this evening where the Reservation forms for the International Weekend could be picked up.

The Bible was closed and the Grand Marshal, Brother Robert Flewelling, called the Session from Labour to Refreshment to reconvene at 7:00 PM SHARP!

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

July 13th, 2002

The Saturday Evening Session was preceded by an Organ Prelude given by our Grand Organist, Sister Norma Caswell, and Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Mary Pelletier.

The Grand Choir entered the Chapter Room singing “Sent Forth By God’s Blessings”

The Formations by the Grand Officers, Grand Pages, Grand Guards and Grand Representatives were performed for the last time at these Sessions, narrated by Sister Jacquie Boutilier, PGM.

CALL TO ORDER

Sister Carol Sutherland, PGM, and Brother Charlie Rafuse, PGP

Good evening Sisters and Brothers:

I am pleased to be able to welcome you once again from the East of this Grand Chapter.

Time has moved swiftly by but the memories of my own Sessions, just a few short months ago, are still very vibrant in my mind. These memories warm my heart and I am pleased you have showed the same support and love to this Grand Family.

Welcome to this final segment of the “Rainbow of Friendship” Session.

Brother Charlie, once again we stand before our friends and I am sure they would be pleased to hear your words of welcome.

Good evening Sisters and Brothers:

How wonderful to once again share the East with Sister Carol and to welcome each of you to this final evening of this 72nd Annual Session of your Grand Chapter. I trust that each of you have enjoyed the proceedings of the past few days; that you have had an opportunity to renew old friendships and to make new ones, and that you will leave having acquired a greater knowledge of the business of your Grand Chapter.

To our visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions, I extend a special welcome. It has been a pleasure to have you visit with us and we hope that you will have a safe and pleasant journey home.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers were escorted into the Chapter Room for the last time.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug Swan, were presented west of the Altar.

WELCOME

Sister Carol Sutherland, PGM, and Brother Doug Swan, PGP

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Officers:

I am pleased to welcome you to the final page of your “Rainbow of Friendship” year. Your efforts, and those of the members of your Grand Family, over the past months have added much to this Chapter in our History Book.

We sincerely hope you have found your pot of gold in the friends you have made and in the memories I know you will cherish. Very shortly you will have time to re-visit each golden piece you have collected and I know as the years pass, each will become of greater value to you. Well done, my friends. Brother Charlie, will you bring your greetings now to our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Doug, welcome to this final segment of your “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. I know that you are experiencing mixed emotions as you prepare to hand over the reins of this Grand Chapter to Sister Leitha and Brother Ron. I am sure that you are relieved that the hectic pace of this past year will now be somewhat subdued but I also know that you are reluctant to give up the opportunity of leading this Grand Jurisdiction and the wonderful people who make up our Subordinate Chapters.

Sister Debbie and Brother Doug, you can be proud of your efforts during this past year. You have travelled many miles, visited all of your Chapters and also extended the friendship of this Grand Chapter to numerous others as you represented us outside the boundaries of New Brunswick. I trust that you have made many new friends and amassed pleasant memories during your travels. Now, may you enjoy some time for yourselves. We wish for you and your Officers, good health and happiness as you continue to serve our beautiful Order.

Sister Debbie, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron, were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours.

The Grand Officers assumed their Stations for the last time.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Carol, Junior Past Grand Matron, and Brother Charlie, Junior Past Grand Patron. Thank you for opening the Saturday Evening Session. Sister Carol I know you understand how I am feeling right now. A little happy, a little sad and a whole lot tired. Very shortly, I will be joining you at the end of the line. I am looking forward to that. Brother Charlie, thank you for the wonderful support you have shown Brother Doug and me this year.

Sister Carol, please accept this gift as a token of our appreciation.

Brother Doug, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Carol, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Charlie, Past Grand Patron, thank you for opening our Final Session for our “Rainbow of Friendship” Sessions. A short year ago, around this time, you were putting the final touches on your “Friendship’s Garden” Session. Time has certainly gone by fast for us and we take great pride in having you here tonight.

Your friendship over the years has really meant a lot to me. Brother Charlie, please accept this gift as a remembrance of tonight and a reminder of our thanks for being you.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sisters and Brothers, many thanks to each of you for being here on this our last evening of this year’s Session. I am sure that Sister Leitha and Brother Ron are pleased that you are here.

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

Welcome Sisters and Brothers:

**“Let each of us be candles
That God has set below
To give a little added light
On road that others go.”**

Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. This also is true of friendship – it never decreases by being shared.

Every morning we are handed 24 hours. These are one of the few things in this world that you get free of charge. If you had all the money in the world, you could not buy an extra hour. What will you do with it? That choice is up to you.

Thought for the evening:

“Time is like money – the less you have of it to spare,
the further we make it go.”

A beautiful Solo entitled “Give To Us Laughter” was rendered by Sister Eleanor Linton, PM.

INVOCATION
Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM

Our Heavenly Father, we come to You this evening seeking Thy wisdom and guidance, as we come to the closing hours of this “Rainbow of Friendship” Grand Chapter Session.

We thank Thee for every blessing that has been bestowed upon our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Grand Family during the year and especially the past few days.

We acknowledge You as the Giver of every good and perfect gift and pray that we may be filled with Your Divine Love.

We ask Thy blessing on the Officers shortly to be installed that You would keep your protecting hand over them during the ensuing year.

Guide and watch over each one present here this evening as we return to our homes, and keep us ever mindful of Your love. All this we ask in Jesus’ name. AMEN.

Presentation of Distinguished Guests not previously introduced:

Sister Charlene Buzza

Grand Martha of Maine

Sister Heather McKinley

*Grand Representative of
Colorado in New Brunswick*

Sister Laurie Tompkins

*Grand Representative of
Montana in New Brunswick*

Brother Allan McKinley

*Worthy Patron of Winston
Churchill Chapter #19*

*The Grand Secretary read the Minutes of the Saturday Afternoon
Session which were approved as read.*

COURTESY REPORT

Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador

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

**As the sun sets on the final day of the “Rainbow of Friendship”
Session, we find that at the end of this Rainbow there is truly a POT
OF GOLD....A Pot of Gold overflowing, not only with the Golden
Friendships of the past year, but filled with the many acts of kindness
which have gone into making this Session memorable.**

**Courtesy is a word which embraces so much and I, as your Courtesy
Committee, submit my report in appreciation to all who have
contributed for our pleasure.**

**The “Rainbow of Friendship” of our Grand Family has arched
unbroken and we are grateful to our Heavenly Father for His
goodness throughout the year, who has accompanied them on their
travels as they served this Grand Jurisdiction under the capable
leadership of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, and
Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Douglas Swan.**

**We express out thanks to Rev. Katherine Clowater who brought an
inspiring message, and with reverence set the tone for our Opening
Session on Thursday Evening. We are also grateful to those who
offered prayers during each Session.**

**Our hearts were stirred by the presentation of our Flags and we thank
the Flag Bearers and those who responded, for the dignity and
significance which they imparted.**

We are indebted to GGCCM, Sister Rose Scott, who introduced the Grand Officers with a delightfully original presentation in verse, which was received with much pleasure. The opening of our Session is always accompanied with anticipation as the formal entrance and attendant march formations are narrated by PGM, Sister Jacque Boutilier, to whom we extend our thanks.

We welcomed with joy our Distinguished Guests, Brother Fred Clarke, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, many General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members and New Brunswick Appointees of the Most Worthy Grand Matron –General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Sister Rose Scott on the Eastern Star Journal; Brother Rupert Sypher on Public Relations and Sister F. Pauline Allan, Ambassador to New Jersey – and so many Distinguished Guests from Sister Grand Jurisdictions. The presence of honoured guests is always a compliment to our Order and we were pleased to welcome our Representative of Her Majesty the Queen, Lieutenant Governor, Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell – our fraternal Sister. In addition we are honoured by the attendance of other Government, Civic and related Fraternal Organizations, as well as the Worthy Grand Matron’s Business Associate. Each of these special guests has, in their remarks, added a dimension to our Informal Opening which we appreciate greatly.

We recognize the efforts of all who have laboured to make this Grand Session a reflection of the beauty of the “Rainbow of Friendship”. The success of their endeavours is evident in the General Arrangements under the Convenorship of Brother Blaine Calhoun, PP, of Devon chapter, who has worked tirelessly for our comfort and pleasure.....in the decorations under the Convenorship of Past Grand Matron, Sister Brenda I. Taylor.....and in the many acts of courtesy we have experienced as a result of the thoughtfulness of the Hostess Chapters: Devon #37, Fredericton; Victoria #1, Woodstock; Unity #35, Harvey; and Celestial #3, Fredericton....to these Chapters we express a heartfelt thanks and congratulations on your accomplishments. In addition, the arrangement of the Housing and Social Events were a credit to the Convenors. We also recognize the efficient and courteous service of the Management and Staff of the Fredericton Inn.

Music is always an integral part of our Sessions, and much has been added for our pleasure by the Grand Choir, under the leadership of Sister Catherine Evans, Past Matron, and of other vocalists.

The reflective Memorial Service presented by the Necrology Committee and members of Unity Chapter #35, was impressively presented with a solemn dignity which was much appreciated.

The efforts of all Grand Officers and their Assistants, Grand Pages, and Grand Guards are recognized with sincere gratitude. The work of the Credentials Committee under the Chairmanship of Sister Shirley Jennings, Past Matron, and the Registration Committee is a noble endeavour. Their duties preclude them from participating in the active proceedings of the Sessions, as they diligently perform their tasks. Thanks also to the Session Typists who busily work behind the scenes to meet the needs of many.

A very special expression of gratitude is extended to all the members in attendance at this “Rainbow of Friendship” Session. Without your presence there would be “No Pot of Gold”.....no “RAINBOW of Friendship”....Thank you for coming and return again and again!

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for the privilege of preparing this Courtesy Report.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sister F. Pauline Allan, PGM
Ambassador to New Jersey**

Sister F. Pauline Allan, PGM, moved the acceptance of the Courtesy Report. The Report was accepted as read.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Debbie, thanked Sister Pauline for this Report.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Shirley, may we now have the Final Report of the Credential Committee.

**REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE
Sister Shirley Jennings, PM, Chairperson**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. The Credential Committee submits its 3rd Report as of July 13th, 2002 as follows:

Grand Officers of New Brunswick	17 plus 1 Pro-tem	18
Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron		--
Elected General Grand Chapter Officers		6
Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers		1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members & Ambassadors		8
Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions		14
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick		34
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions		37
Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions		9
Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions		4
Grand Officers' Emeritus		2
Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick		41
Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions		20
Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions		5
District Deputy Grand Matrons of New Brunswick & Other Grand Jurisdictions		4
Voting Members of New Brunswick (Other than those Listed above)		182
Non-voting Members of New Brunswick		35
Members of Other Grand Jurisdictions (Other than those Listed above)		61
New Brunswick Chapters Represented		25
Grand Jurisdictions Represented		26
TOTAL OES MEMBERS REGISTERED		481

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Assistants:

**Gertrude Wilson, PM
Avis Ford, PM
Shirley Dutcher, PM
Betty Steeves, PM**

Credential Committee:

**Sally Donald, PM
Joyce Hinchey, PM
Norma Smith, PM
Shirley Jennings, PM,
Chairperson**

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Shirley, thank you so much for the hard work your Committee has done. I know that it was a big job and each one of you has done beautifully, and I thank you.

Sisters and Brothers, please join me in a hearty applause for our Credential Committee.

FAREWELL ADDRESS

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

I would like to thank all who worked so hard to make this Grand Chapter a success and if you could please stand – Brother Blaine, the Convenor; the Welcome Committee; the Grand Pages and Grand Guards; the Credential Committee; Sister Catherine Evans, our Grand Choir Director, and the members of the Choir; Devon Chapter #37, Victoria #1, Celestial #3, Unity #35. Without each of you, none of this would have been possible.

To all the members – each one of you has been there for me this year and I am eternally grateful. The members of this year’s Grand Family – I know you have heard this before, but this time it is the truth – you have been the best Grand Family. Sister Leitha and Brother Ron, much luck and happiness next year, and I am only a phone call away. Brother Bob, in a few minutes you will be starting on the road to your own Grand Family and I hope that you will keep a special place in your heart for this Grand Family. Brother Doug, thank you again for all you have done; you have not only worked hard, but you have helped make it fun. Thanks again to each of you.

FAREWELL ADDRESS

Brother Doug Swan, Worthy Grand Patron

Distinguished Guests All:

This will be the last time you will hear me address you with this title. Soon we will be joining the ranks of the Past Grands, and assuming the position at the end of the line, a prestigious position Sister Carol, PGM, and Brother Charlie, PGP, have held all year.

But every time we close a chapter on a part of our lives, a new chapter of opportunity awaits.

Sister Leitha and Brother Ron, a new Chapter is about to open for you – an exciting and busy year awaits you. I wish you both good health and safe travels.

Thanks to all present here for your love and support this past year.

**The heart of a friend, never wanders or doubts
No matter if years intervene.
The old faith is there and naught can compare
With the comfort it gives, though unseen.
Yes, the heart of a friend is the one thing I prize
As Life lengthens and twilight descends
It's the last boon, I'll ask, when I finish my task
That I live in the hearts of my friends.**

Thank you all for being a friend.

The Special Guests and Family of the Incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to seats in the Chapter Room.

Sister Debbie Hill, Worthy Grand Matron

Welcome to each of you, and I am sure that Sister Leitha and Brother Ron are pleased to see each of you here. I do hope you enjoy your evening with us.

It is my pleasure to introduce Sister Joan Hicks, PGM, who will introduce her Installing Suite.

Installing Grand Officers assisting were:

Assisting in the East	Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP Brother Stuart Norton, PGP
Grand Chaplain	Brother George Theal, PGP
Grand Marshal	Sister Hilda Shaffer, PGM
Associate Grand Matron	Sister Carol Sutherland, PGM
Associate Grand Patron	Brother Charles Rafuse, PGP
Grand Secretary	Brother Elderic Thorne, PGP
Grand Treasurer	Brother Rupert Sypher, GGCCM
Grand Conductress	Sister Hazel Harris, PGM

**Associate Grand
Conductress
Grand Organist
Grand Adah
Grand Ruth
Grand Esther
Grand Martha
Grand Electa
Grand Warder
Grand Sentinel**

**Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM
Sister Jean Belding, PGM
Sister Glenna Taylor, PGM
Sister Ann Morton, PGM
Sister Rose Scott, GGCCM
Sister Brenda Taylor, PGM
Sister Betty Danks, PGM
Brother Carr Graham, PGP
Brother Gordon Steeves, PGP**

Grand Soloists

**Sister Jeanne Wheelock, PGM
Sister Peggy Jagoe, PM
Sister Marcie Jagoe
Sister Isabel Morton, PM
Sister Lynda Swan, PM
Sister Barbara Moore, PM**

*There will be a short recess to prepare for the ceremony of Installation.
The Grand Officers of 2001-2002 retired for the final time.*

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS 2002-2003

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON
WORTHY GRAND PATRON
ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON
ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON
GRAND SECRETARY**

**Sister Leitha Holmes (9)
Brother Ron Jagoe (22)
Sister Marjorie Colton (27)
Brother Evan Thomas (26)
Sister Brenda J. Saunders,
PGM (36)**

**GRAND TREASURER
GRAND CONDUCTRESS
ASSOC. GRAND CONDUCTRESS
GRAND CHAPLAIN
GRAND MARSHAL
GRAND ORGANIST
GRAND ADAH
GRAND RUTH
GRAND ESTHER
GRAND MARTHA
GRAND ELECTA
GRAND WARDER
GRAND SENTINEL**

**Sister Linda Cogswell (37)
Sister Donna Allen (11)
Sister Elaine MacLean (3)
Brother Winston Morton (7)
Brother Joseph Greffard (27)
Sister Isabel Morton (7)
Sister Joyce McInnis (33)
Sister Anne Murray (26)
Sister Margaret Jagoe (22)
Sister Sandra MacIntosh (24)
Sister Mary duManoir (9)
Sister Martha Gillrie (14)
Brother Robert Flewelling (14)**

Assistant to the Grand Organist:
Assistant to the Grand Marshal:

Sister Norma Caswell (4)
Brother Owen Firth (24)

District Deputy Grand Matrons:

District #1
District #4
District #6

Sister Dorothy Stewart (24)
Sister Lynn Hutchin (35)
Sister Shirley Webster (9)

The following Solos were sung:

**Sister Jeanne Wheelock, PGM. Sang for Sister Leitha Holmes, WGM
“Give Me Cause to Pause” for the Worthy Grand Patron by Sister
Peggy Jagoe, PM, and Sister Marcie Jagoe.**

**“Consider the Lilies” for the Grand Chaplain, Brother Winston
Morton, by his wife, Sister Isabel Morton, Grand Organist**

**“For the Music of Creation” for the Grand Organist, Sister Isabel
Morton, by Sister Lynda Swan, PM**

**“Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place” for the Star Point
Officers, by Sister Eleanor Linton, PM**

**“Would you Bless our Homes and Families” for all the Grand Officers,
by Sister Barbara Moore, PM.**

ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS

Sister Leitha Holmes, Worthy Grand Matron

**Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers, Family
and Friends:**

Thank you sincerely for honouring us with your presence tonight.

**As this Grand Chapter year begins, I find myself on the threshold of a
year in which great honours as well as heavy responsibility will come
my way.**

**What a CHALLENGE for me to be the kind of leader you have every
right to expect me to be with an obligation to you, the members of the
Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, to myself and my heavenly Father.**

**I bring to you a devotion to our Order and a desire to perform to the
best of my ability the important responsibilities, which are mine in the
acceptance of this high office. I ask the co-operation and support of
each of you, as together we work for the good of our Order.**

As we begin this very special year, it is our hope to blend God's beauty that surrounds us and the friendships in our lives with that of others and by so doing, celebrate God's blessings – let's celebrate all across New Brunswick. We look forward to a year of new experiences, blessings and harmony in all our Chapters.

Leaders are only as good as those who walk with them. As we walk with you our members, with faith in the future, and above all, trust in God, I hope that my vision and energy will be enlarged to equal my tasks. May my work prove worthy of your trust.

The most beautiful things in life can neither be seen nor touched, but must be felt within the heart. This is definitely true – true with my feelings tonight as I stand before you for the first time as your Worthy Grand Matron. Certainly, I feel humble, yet proud to be serving the finest people in the world, New Brunswick Eastern Stars. I thank each of you for placing your trust in me by electing me to serve this year as your Worthy Grand Matron. I put my trust in our Heavenly Father, He is my source of strength.

As I recall the wonderful years of my predecessors as they presided over their Grand Chapter, all wonderful years, this trust you now place in me is overwhelming.

I pray as I serve you this year God will grant me strength and health to carry out the duties I have to perform. May my thoughts, words and deeds be presented in love and fairness. Let this year be filled with many new and rewarding achievements for all our Chapters. If there have been some past conflicts, let's attempt to mend them and start anew.

The road before me may not always be smooth, but with love and co-operation throughout our beautiful Province, and with God to guide us in every decision we make, we will plant our seeds of encouragement, understanding and love with sincerity and enthusiasm. Through faith we will build and grow, making great strides and achieve our goals.

Brother Ron, Worthy Grand Patron (doesn't that sound nice). Let me be the first to congratulate you. The past three years have been exciting, the next year will be even more exciting. I'll bet God smiled when the members allowed us the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter together – The Country Girl and Boy. One of God's blessings, don't you agree? You have been a great help. Now as we prepare our

travels for Official Visits, we look forward to exploring the handiwork of God displayed so beautifully all across New Brunswick.

Brother Ron, I have already solicited the blessing of divine guidance and now I am asking for your help and patience. By working as a team our vision for the future will be accomplished.

For our Installing Officers, you were chosen for a special reason, you have a special place in our hearts, chosen because of the tie that binds hearts of friendship together in love and respect for our beautiful Order.

Sister Joan: Thanks! You presided over our Installation with the same love, respect and dignity you presided over your “Bluebird” year. Thanks for the opportunity you gave me to be one of your very own Bluebirds.

Brother Joe: Your love, support and devotion I can always count on. You are my biggest booster, your encouragement has helped me through many decisions. I know this year will be quite hectic, getting me there on time – have patience – there will be better days ahead.

Brother Stuart: I was pleased when Brother Ron chose you to install him, you were Worthy Grand Patron when I made my very first visit to a Grand Family Exchange. Your warm welcome and the hand of friendship extended started Brother Joe and me on our Star travels.

Sister Hilda: You work so gracefully as always. We cherish your friendship and admire your devotion to this Grand Chapter.

Brother George: (Papa Georgo) you came into our life in the “Bluebird” year. You are special. Thanks.

To our Grand Family – our elected and appointed – you are our Country Girls and Boys. We look forward to our year of travels with all of you coming along to make things exciting.

Sister Marjorie, Associate Grand Matron and Brother Evan, Associate Grand Patron, our Grand Chapter has chosen well. Now I have a few pointers for you: 1. Take a deep breath. 2. Roll up your sleeves. 3. Sharpen lots of pencils. 4. Have a good supply of paper. The time has arrived to get your final preparations in motion. Brother Ron and I wish you the best as you prepare your year.

Sister Donna, Grand Conductress. Relax a bit, enjoy this year, gather here a little, there a little, in preparing to roll up your sleeves next year.

To our three new kids in the family, congratulations on your election. This is a time of emotions. Relax, enjoy – we're happy to have you in our Grand Family.

This year I am pleased to appoint three (3) District Deputy Grand Matrons who will be assisting the Line Officers in serving this Grand Chapter. Each of you have expressed a willingness to serve for the good of our Order. Thank you for accepting the challenge. I sincerely hope you enjoy your year.

It is also my pleasure to appoint the Assistant Grand Officers: Brother Owen Firth, Assistant Grand Marshal; Sister Norma Caswell, Assistant Grand Organist. My thanks for your willingness to assist this Grand Family.

To those who accepted Committee appointments, your willingness to serve is much appreciated.

This year I have had the desire to appoint Special Angels from around the Province. Our Special Angels in service to God, to this Grand Family, to our Communities, to our beautiful Province, by doing good works for those less fortunate, living the principles of our Order – this I see in all of you. Thanks.

Sisters and Brothers, I know all of you are Special Angels. I haven't forgotten the Brothers, you are our Honey Bears. Without our Brothers we would have no Eastern Star. By the stroke of his pen in love our founder, Dr. Robert Morris, mapped our path in this great Order.

Would the members of Electa Chapter #9 please rise. Thank you for your love and support, and for being here this evening. Whatever honour I receive, I share with you. I have a great love for our Chapter. As I serve I will strive to make you proud.

Members of Carleton Chapter #7, please stand. Wonderful.

Tobique Chapter #23 and Victoria Chapter #1, all wonderful friends. Thanks for all your love, support and many acts of kindness as we followed our Star together.

Thanks for the kindred spirit of family and friends, all taking time to be with us for this special occasion. Your presence has made this evening more memorable.

God's most precious blessings – our Family!!

ANNA, our oldest daughter, and loving auntie Anna to all our grandchildren, my Secretary, my helper.

Our second daughter, MARGARET, loving mother of three precious grandchildren, Steven, Jennifer and Dustin.

PAUL, my birthday blessing, his wife Marlene, special uncle to all the grandchildren. He received the God-given talent to keep them all happy and smiling.

DANNY, our youngest son, our miracle, his wife Amanda, parents of our youngest precious blessing, grandson, Brandon, granddaughters Gillian and Jordan Ann.

Our oldest son JOSEPH, his wife Kym, our grandson Chad and great-granddaughter.

NADINE, grandson, Tommie

DAVID, his wife Marilyn, grandsons David Jr. and Matthew

RICHARD, his wife Dianna, our granddaughters Angela and Tessa and grandson Jesse.

PETER, his wife Sue, loving and devoted parents our grandsons Joseph, Lucas and Garret, granddaughter Carrie Beth, great-grandson Daymin.

Brother Joe, my loving husband of nearly 49 years, my special blessing from God. You have always been there for me, through sickness and health, through good times and bad times. You are my solid rock, my shoulder to cry on. We know we can depend on each other. He deserves a medal – our children think so.

Love you all. Joe and I give thanks to God for our lovely Family. My sister Lillie, husband Ron, niece Janet Joe's sister Della, our sister-in-law Hilda – a special sister. Friends.

God Bless you all for coming and helping us celebrate.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Leitha's, grandchildren presented her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Sister Leitha also introduced her Special Angels and Honey Bears for the year.

ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS

Brother Ronald Jagoe, Worthy Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Installing Grand Officers, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers, Friends and family:

“Don’t ever give up your dreams, and never leave them behind
Find them and make them yours, and all through your life
Cherish them and never let them go.”

Two short years ago I was elected as your Grand Sentinel and at that time I thought that this step in my journey to the East was a long way away. It seemed like no time and we were back at Grand Chapter and I was elected as your Associate Grand Patron. A lot has happened in this past year but here we meet again and I can’t believe that it is time to assume this very worthy Station to which I owe you a great deal of thanks for your encouragement and for putting your confidence in me. I find it hard to find words to thank you enough for all your support and for electing me to serve you as your Worthy Grand Patron. I will serve you and carry out the duties of this Office to the best of my ability. A very sincere thank you.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Leitha, I must congratulate you on your election and installation. I pledge to support you this year to the best of my ability as we work for the welfare of this Grand Jurisdiction. You and Brother Joe encouraged me a lot some years ago to get me thinking about letting my name stand as Grand Sentinel. Now you may wonder if you should have started but it does give me great pleasure to be in the Grand East with you. There is a saying that goes that behind every good woman there is a man, you have two men behind you, Brother Joe and myself. Hopefully, someone will keep someone straight. With God’s love, understanding and guidance, and the help of our Sisters and Brothers, we will have a rewarding and fulfilling year.

To the Installing Suite, I must congratulate you on a job well done. Brother Stuart, Past Grand Patron, it was a pleasure to have you install me and I must take this opportunity to say a sincere thank you for doing a great job. You do great work and I appreciate you taking the time to do it. Sister Joan, Past Grand Matron, Brother Joe, Past Grand Patron, Brother George, Past Grand Patron and Sister Hilda, Past Grand Matron, we have met many times over the past 10 years, watched each other do the work in various offices and it was done in this same excellent manner tonight. I sincerely thank you for this and for agreeing to take on these roles in our installation. To the rest of the Installing Suite, I thank you for agreeing to be part of our Installation and for filling the other Stations.

Sister Peggy and Sister Marcie, this is indeed a pleasure to have you both taking part in my Installation. The night Sister Marcie called and said "Dad", I'm going to join in Sister Ethel's Chapter, I was beaming and hoping that they would agree to initiate you before Grand Chapter. I was given the opportunity to lead that initiation and again express my thanks to Frank H. Tingley chapter for that privilege and now I thank you and your mother for agreeing to sing tonight. You did a beautiful job and I thank you for it. I also thank Sister Peggy for agreeing to take on the office of Grand Esther this year and I must thank her greatly for all the work she has put into making many things for this year and helping make it possible. The last 2 to 3 weeks she would say to me that she would type or staple or fold but thought I was keeping secrets but she had done so much and was still doing things that I just couldn't expect more. I will owe her lots before this year is over. I will always remember what you both have done this night to make it more special. Love you both very much. Thank you.

To our Grand Family, I say congratulations to each one of you. We are going to have a wonderful year. To the Elected Officers, thank you for agreeing to allow your name to stand for each of those important Offices. I wish you every success as you continue your journey or do the work of your important Offices. To the Appointed Officers, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for agreeing to be part of our Grand Family. May this year be enjoyed by each one of you and be a treasured memory as you travel, meet and make many new friends.

Sister Debbie, Brother Doug, it has been a great pleasure to be part of your Grand Family and to work together for our Grand Chapter. I hope I met your expectations as we did have a wonderful year. As you join our Past Grands, do so, with the thought that your job was well done. You deserve a rest, enjoy. May we continue to meet as we travel,

we will miss your fellowship and the Sisters and Brothers of your Grand Family.

Sister Carol, PGM, and Brother Charlie, PGP, it has also been a pleasure to start this journey as part of your Grand Family and I know you are still working hard even though you are no longer the Junior Past Grands.

To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, I have to thank you for all the words of encouragement before and after my journey to the Grand East began and for your words of advice and I am sure I will be asking for more as I continue through this year. You have always made us feel welcome wherever we met and it is a pleasure for Sister Peg and me to call you friend.

To all the other Sisters and Brothers, I thank you for being here tonight and being part of this special night. It is very rewarding to see so many of you here tonight and know most of you as special friends.

Will the members of Bathurst Chapter now stand. You have always been dear to me from the first night of initiation. Some of us have put many miles on together as we journeyed about our Province. Thank you for the support and being here tonight. Sister Emily and Brother Irvin, ten years ago June I filled in that application to become initiated and you were that inspiration. Little did we know at that time that the day was coming that I would be given the privilege of being elevated to this Distinguished Office. Many, many travels together and through many kinds of weather conditions and even an accident with a moose where we stood and laughed because all were well. Tonight the 4 of us are here and can say we had many fun journeys. I thank you both from the bottom of my heart for being here tonight.

Will the members of Prince Charles, Prince Andrew and Lady Alexander please rise. Prince Andrew and Prince Charles have given me Honourary Membership to which I am deeply honoured and all 3 Chapters have many dear and close friends and I enjoy visiting in your chapters whenever I possibly can. Thank you for your support and for being here.

To our neighbouring Jurisdictions, thank you for being here this evening. I have met many over the last 4 years and I am sure these friendships will grow in the years to come. Thank you for coming.

To the special guests that are with us this evening, my family, and friends, welcome. Please rise as I call on you. First and most

important, my wife, who has stood by me through many happenings, good and bad, and to whom I am indebted to for all the work she has put into the preparations for this year.

My mother, who we seldom say “we love you” to but just keep doing things to help and make each other’s lives much easier. She has taught me many lessons and ways to deal with the good and the bad and come out the better for it. She sometimes wonders about all these meetings we go to but by seeing the people here tonight I hope you see the extended family we are in with all the Sisters and Brothers I have here with us.

Charles, our oldest, who may be called upon to milk those critters, as they are called by him – look forward to a long fall. I may be “on the road” as they say but I am sure you will find a way to call payback. His friend, Denise, thanks for being here. Thank you for bringing Mum.

Irma and Scott, our daughter and her husband, and the “to be parents” of our first grandchild, thanks for being part of this and taking the time to join us here tonight in the midst of your very busy summer schedule.

Marcie, our always to be baby, and now our Sister, it was very special for you to join us and also to be part of this Installation. Thank you for taking the time. Mike, her fiance, is unable to be here as he has to work.

Arthur, Kay, Lorna and Gary, it is certainly a pleasure to have you with us this evening and making that special effort to be part of this special night for me. I really appreciate your being here. It is too bad that Dorothy is unable to be here as she is in hospital. She is our, so-called mum, as she has taken Peg as a daughter before Peg became connected to me, and we are part of the Morrison family as well.

In closing, since I have already talked too much, I cannot express the gratitude I feel for having been given the opportunity to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron and my hope is that by working together we can strengthen our Order and our bonds of friendship in the year to come.

May any strangers be the new friends we want to meet.

**“There’s a miracle called friendship that dwells within the heart
And you don’t know how it happened or when it gets its start**

**But the happiness it brings you always gives a special life
And you realize that friendship...is life's most precious gift."**

Thank you all for being here.

CELEBRATION OF GOD'S BLESSINGS

2002 – 2003

Dedication

Worthy Grand Matron

This year is dedicated in memory of Sister Bertha Nissen, Sister Marion DeMerchant and Sister Mary Ann Doherty, and to the members of Electa #9, for all the support in helping me follow my dreams.

Also to Brother Joseph Holmes, PGP, my husband, for his love, devotion and support in getting me where I should be when I should be, and all his extra help and to all our children for their help and understanding.

Worthy Grand Patron

This year is dedicated in memory of Brother Edward Crowther, PGP, Brother Miles Amos, PP, and to all members of Bathurst #22 for their support and especially to Sister Peggy Jagoe for her love, support and understanding, and for all the extra hard work and help she has put into making this year a reality and another dream come true.

Scripture: WGM: Ephesians 5:2 Walk in Love as Christ also loved us.

2 Thessalonians 2:15 Stand fast and hold the traditions which you have been taught.

WGP: Ecclesiastes 3:1 There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under Heaven.

John 13:34 Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

Motto: To fashion our lives, to be God's hands and feet on Earth; To love one another as God loves us.

Watchwords:	By serving with Faith, Hope, Charity, Willingness, Understanding, Sincerity, and Enthusiasm
Emblem:	Holy Bible, Cup and Cross
Honour Station:	Electa and Esther
Colours:	Blue with touches of silver Shades of pink for peaceful sunlight
Flower:	Lilies, Baby's Breath, Yellow Roses
Hymn:	WGM: Lord's Prayer Just a Closer Walk With Thee Consider the Lilies
	WGP: In The Garden It's Not An Easy Road May God and I
Symbols:	WGM: Angels, Country Churches, Shoes
	WGP: Cows
Songs:	WGM: Wings of a Dove Winter Wonderland
	WGP: Land of New Brunswick This Land is Your Land
Projects:	All Grand Chapter and General Grand Chapter Projects
Special Projects:	Children's Wish Foundation, Camp Goodtime Alzheimers

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

A School of Instruction for the Grand Officers will be held at 10:00 AM, Saturday, August 10th, 2002, at the Masonic Hall, Perth-Andover.

All General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and those who will be accompanying

them are invited to join us at 11:00 AM. Light lunch will be served around noon and a roast beef supper will be served at 4:00 PM.

**STANDING COMMITTEES
2002 – 2003**

Credentials	Gertrude Wilson, PM (1) Sally Donald, PM (27) Betty Kaye, PM (26)
Distribution:	Peter Colton, PGP (27) Glenna Taylor, PGM (42) Joseph Holmes, PGP (9)
Jurisprudence:	Shirley MacDonald, PGM (27) Ann Lister, PGM (35) Charles Rafuse, PGP (15)
Constitution & Laws:	Hilda Shaffer, PGM (19) Ann Morton, PGM (19) Carol Sutherland, PGM (8)
Grievances & Appeals:	Rupert Sypher, GGCCM (24) Dale Nicklin, PGP (37) George Theal, PGP (5)
Unfinished Business:	Clinton Shaffer, PGP (19) Joan Hicks, PGM (1) Hazel Harris, PGM (22)
Necrology:	Mildred Girvan, PM (9) Christena Greffard, PM (27) Mary Marshal, PM (36)
Finance:	Norma Jean Belyea, PGM (3) DeWitt Lister, PGP (35) Roy Wilson, PP (1)
Commissioner of Trials:	Carr Graham, PGP (26) Gordon Steeves, PGP (23) Margaret McCully, PGM (18)

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES
2002 – 2003**

Lottie L. Kyle Memorial Scholarship & Educational Fund	David Gillrie, PP (41) Edith Clouston, PM (22) Wayne Bannister, PP (5) Patti Vaughn, PM (18) Dorean Gray, PM (7)
ESTARL:	Isabel Morton, WM (7) Colin Allen, PP (11) Aulay Sample, PM (33) Catherine Evans, WM (41) Shirley Manderville, PM (42)
International Temple Fund:	Isabel Clouston, PM (22) Martha Gillrie, PM (14) Helen Page, PM (7)
Audit:	Nancy Kilburn, PM (3) Blaine Calhoun, PP (37) Elderic Thorne, PGP (30)
Membership:	Philip Belyea, PP (3) Sybil Wilson, PM (1)
OES Journal:	Linda Cogswell, PM (37) Edith Clouston, PM (22) Isabel Morton, WM (7)

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

This year the District Deputies and Line Officers will be making their official visits to the individual Chapters instead of a District School of Instruction. We would like to see as many members as possible attend these schools to witness the work of the order and ask any questions they may have. Your District Deputy or Line Officer will be in touch with the Worthy Matrons of each Chapter to set up an appropriate time:

**District #1: Instructed by Sister Dorothy Stewart, DDGM
Lady Alexander #24, Bathurst #22, Prince Andrew
#42, Prince Charles #27**

- District #2:** Instructed by Sister Donna Allen, Grand Conductress Zetland #26, Fort Monckton #11, Frank H. Tingley #5 Fidelity #36 and Winston Churchill #19
- District #3:** Instructed by Associate Grand Conductress Lord Beaverbrook #33, Saint John #14, Philip A. Jerguson #18, Granite #15
- District #4:** Instructed by Sister Lynn Hutchin, DDGGM Queen Mary #4, St. Stephen #8, York #13, Unity #35
- District #5:** Instructed by Sister Marjorie Colton, Associate Grand Conductress Remembrance #30, Hillcrest #40, Devon #37, Celestial #3, Margaret #41
- District #6:** Instructed by Sister Shirley Webster, DDGM Victoria #1, Carleton #7, Electa #9, Tobique #23

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

Brother DeWitt Lister, PGP, was pleased to present the Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Debbie Hill, with her Past Grand Matron's Jewel. Sister Debbie, PGM, thanked Brother DeWitt for doing this, and also the members of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, and said she would wear the Jewel with great pride.

Sister Lynda Swan, PM, presented her husband, Brother Doug Swan, Junior Past Grand Patron, with his Jewel, which had previously been worn by Brother R. Donald Stewart. Brother Doug, PGP, thanked Sister Lynda for doing this and also the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick for this beautiful jewel.

PRESENTATION OF TRAVELLING JEWEL

Sister Debbie Hill, Junior Past Grand Matron, was pleased to present the Travelling Jewel to Sister Leitha Holmes, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Leitha said she would do her best to continue "putting the miles" on this beautiful jewel.

Sister Debbie Hill, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Doug Swan, Past Grand Patron, signed the Bible, while Sister Lynda Swan, PM, sang "Holy Bible, Book Divine".

Before the evening ended, Brother Ronald Jagoe's daughter, Irma, gave thanks to the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick for the assistance she had received over the years of study by singing "It is No Secret". What a glorious voice she possesses, and we were so lucky to have her share this wondrous talent with us!

All present were invited to meet and greet the Grand Family in the Prince Edward Room.

The Bible was closed on the Altar, with all singing the Closing Ode, entitled, "Now Thank We All Our God".

The Grand Marshal, Brother Joseph Greffard, pronounced the 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick closed to reconvene on Thursday, July 10th, 2003, at the Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, New Brunswick.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PAST GRAND MATRONS
The Year in Which they were Elected
Since Organization of Grand Chapter, November 5th, 1930

Elected at:

- 1930** Fredericton, Lottie L. Kyle, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1931** Woodstock, Lottie L. Kyle, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1932** Moncton, May King, Woodstock, NB No. 1*
- 1933** Milltown, Gladys Dougle, St. Stephen, NB No. 8*
- 1934** Grand Falls, Ida Bedell, Andover, NB No. 9*
- 1935** Fredericton, Mary J. McCain, St. Stephen, NB No. 4*
- 1936** St. Stephen, Blanche White, Andover, NB No. 10*
- 1937** Moncton, Edna Kilpatrick, Woodstock, NB No. 7*
- 1938** Woodstock, Elizabeth Noddin, Calais, Maine No. 2*
- 1939** Andover, Jeanne Murray, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1940** Saint John, Laura Shaw, Woodstock, NB No. 1*
- 1941** Woodstock, Anna Laudmann, St. Stephen, NB No. 8*
- 1942** St. Stephen, Linnie Siddall, Port Elgin, NB No. 11*
- 1943** Fredericton, Mildred A. Porter, Saint John, NB No. 14*
- 1944** Moncton, Daisy Wheeler, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1945** Saint John, Jean Stewart, Hartland, NB No. 6*
- 1946** Milltown, Eva McBride, Woodstock, NB No. 1*
- 1947** Saint John, E. Mae Earle, Perth, NB No. 9*
- 1948** Saint John, Evelyn R. Wright, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1949** Fredericton, Mary E. Wright, Calais, Maine No. 2*
- 1950** St. Andrews, Marjorie Fryars, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1951** Moncton, Hazel P. Hagerman, Saint John, NB No. 14*
- 1952** Saint John, Hazel St. C. Doyle, Hampton, NB No. 18*
- 1953** Saint John, Hilda Akerley, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1954** Fredericton, Exie Dougherty, St. Stephen, NB No. 15*
- 1955** Woodstock, Eula Guptill, Pennfield, NB No. 16*
- 1956** St. Stephen, Louise Hicks, Havelock, NB No. 25*
- 1957** Moncton, Grace Brooks, Aroostook, NB No. 9*
- 1958** Fredericton, Madeline Raymond, Woodstock, NB No. 1*
- 1959** Woodstock, Edith Mersereau, Fredericton Junction, NB
No. 12*
- 1960** Fredericton, Ruth Lewis, Chatham, NB No. 27*
- 1961** Newcastle, Velma Branch, Bathurst, NB No. 22*
- 1962** Saint John, Margaret Sommerville, 383 Main Street, Apt. 6
Florenceville, NB E7L 4K1 No. 7
- 1963** Woodstock, Vola Barker, 1 Elmcroft Place, Fredericton, NB
E3B 1Y8 No. 3 (455-617)
- 1964** Fredericton, Mildred Trenholme, Port Elgin, NB No. 11*
- 1965** Moncton, Elva Godfrey, Saint John, NB No. 18*

- 1966 Saint John, Eileen Jackson, St. Stephen, NB No. 4*
- 1967 St. Andrews, Edythe Hatheway, Bathurst, NB No. 22*
- 1968 Bathurst, Eileen Price, 960 St. George Blvd., Apt. 321,
Moncton, NB E1E 3Y3 (867-0916)
- 1969 Moncton, Mary Fanjoy, Box 4763, Rothesay, NB E2E 5X4
- 1970 Saint John, Rhoda Steeves, Moncton, NB No. 36*
- 1971 Moncton, Blanche Grant, St. George, NB No. 15*
- 1972 St. Andrews, Glenna Taylor, 5321 Route 108 Hwy,
Lower Derby, NB E1V 5B5 No. 42 (622-0101)
- 1973 Newcastle, Annie Saunders, Rothesay, NB No. 33*
- 1974 Sussex, Genevra Oliver, Fredericton, NB No. 37*
- 1975 Fredericton, Kay Bleakney, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1976 Moncton, Anne Steeves, 9 Minto St., Campbellton, NB
E3N 2W3 No. 24 (753-3452)
- 1977 Campbellton, Thelma Peacock, Saint John, NB No. 14*
- 1978 Saint John, Myrtle Fillmore, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1979 Fredericton, Lottie MacCallum, 28 Fernwood Crescent,
Hamilton, Ontario L8T 3L3 No. 34
- 1980 Saint John, Ethel Tweedie, Lions Seniors Complex,
Rexton, NB No. 27
- 1981 Chatham, F. Pauline Allan, 987 Manawagonish Road,
Saint John, NB E2M 3X2 No. 18 (672-2681)
- 1982 Saint John, Jean Scott, Bathurst, NB No. 22*
- 1983 Bathurst, Norma Jean Belyea, 195 Charing Crescent,
Fredericton, NB E3B 4R9 No. 3 (457-0789)
- 1984 Fredericton, Jacquie Boutilier, 25 Vista Drive, Moncton, NB
E1A 4L6 No. 36 (382-3217)
- 1985 Moncton, Margaret McCully, 9 Wayne Terrace, Saint John,
NB E2M 5Z1 No. 18 (672-3774)
- 1986 Saint John, Florence Wilson, 165 Loch Lomond Road, A337.
Saint John, NB E2J 3Z6 No. 33 (642-9963)
- 1987 Sussex, Jeanne Wheelock, P.O. Box 1, Calais, Maine 04619
No. 8
- 1988 St. Stephen, Betty Danks, 343 Goderich Street, Dalhousie, NB
E8C 1V1 No. 24 (684-4933)
- 1989 Saint John, Jean Belding, 224 Canterbury Drive, Fredericton,
NB E3B 4L9 No. 3 (459-6760)
- 1990 Fredericton, Ann Lister, 386 Frog Lake Road, Harvey, York Co
NB E6K 2G4 No. 35 (366-5355)
- 1991 Fredericton, Joan Hicks, 814 Montgomery Ave., Riverview,
E1B 2A7 No. 1 (386-3322)
- 1992 Woodstock, Hilda Shaffer, 81 Charyl Court, Riverview, NB
E1B 4C5 No. 19 (387-7117)
- 1993 Moncton, Hazel Harris, A208, 225 Millhaven Street, Bathurst,
E2A 1W5 No. 22 (546-4160)

- 1994 Bathurst, Brenda I. Taylor, 490 Clearview Row, Saint John, NB E2M 3A4 No. 18 (635-8761)
- 1995 Saint John, Brenda J. Saunders, 214 Downey Ave, Riverview, NB E1B 1W7 No. 36 (854-0401)
- 1996 Moncton, Shirley MacDonald, 255 O'Keefe Road, Miramichi, NB E1V 6J3 No. 27 (773-6685)
- 1997 Fredericton, Rose Scott, 50 Algonquin Crescent, Moncton, NB E1G 2C8 No. 36 (855-7897)
- 1998 Moncton, Audrey Sypher, 162 Vanier Street, Dalhousie, NB E8C 2P8 No. 24 (684-2413)
- 1999 Moncton, Ann Morton, 1075 Route 114, Lower Coverdale, NB E1J 1A1 No. 19 (386-8626)
- 2000 Moncton, Carol Sutherland, 1231 Route 127, Rollingdam, NB E5A 2W2 No. 8 (466-4077)
- 2001 Fredericton, Debbie Hill, 101 Hilltop Drive, Fredericton, NB E3A 2J3 No. 37 (472-2402)

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- 1930 Fredericton, R. Donald Stewart, Hartland, NB No. 6*
- 1931 Woodstock, R. Donald Stewart, NB No. 6*
- 1932 Moncton, O.B. Dobson, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1933 Milltown, John E. Andrews, Andover, NB No. 10*
- 1934 Grand Falls, H.S. Wright, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1935 Fredericton, Rev. Canon J.E. McAlden, St. Andrews, NB No. 9*
- 1936 St. Stephen, James Walker, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1937 Moncton, Cecil R. Fitsimmons, Woodstock, NB No. 1*
- 1938 Woodstock, Bertrum Wilson, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1939 Andover, Earl Nason, Fredericton Junction, NB No. 12*
- 1940 Saint John, Arthur Kearney, Hartland, NB No. 6*
- 1941 Woodstock, Frank Thomas, Petitcodiac, NB No. 3*
- 1942 St. Stephen, C. Scott Currie, Woodstock, NB No. 1*
- 1943 Fredericton, G.I. Nugent, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1944 Moncton, Walter S. Allen, St. Stephen, NB No. 8*
- 1945 Saint John, John Akerley, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
- 1946 Milltown, Kenneth W. Warden, Saint John, NB No. 14*
- 1947 Saint John, Kenneth Anderson, Lawrence Station, NB No. 8*
- 1948 Saint John, Charles Wry, 120 Maple Lane, Bath, NB E7J 1C7 No. 7
- 1949 Fredericton, Harle E. Winslow, Bering, Maine No. 2*
- 1950 St. Andrews, Arthur Carvell, Lakeville, NB No. 6*

- 1951 Moncton, Judson Tompkins, Perth-Andover, NB No. 9x
 1952 Saint John, Leonard Wilson, West Saint John, NB No. 18*
 1953 Saint John, Harvey Hersey, St. George, NB No. 15*
 1954 Fredericton, Eldon Atkinson, Campbellton, NB No. 24*
 1955 Woodstock, Glendon Smith, Upper Mills, NB No. 2*
 1956 St. Stephen, Roy H. Colwell, Fredericton, NB No. 3*
 1957 Moncton, James Ingram, Oromocto, NB No. 4*
 1958 Fredericton, Allison Knowlton, Harvey Station, NB No. 35*
 1959 Woodstock, Rev. C.E. Miller, Amherst, NS No. 38x
 1960 Fredericton, W.T.F. Johnston, Saint John, NB No. 14*
 1961 Newcastle, Walter Hyslop, Moores Mills, NB No. 8*
 1962 Saint John, Alexander MacCallum, 28 Fernwood Crescent,
 Hamilton, Ontario L8T 3L1 No. 34
 1963 Woodstock, Austin Steeves, Moncton, NB No. 36*
 1964 Fredericton, Donald W. Kyle, Riverview, NB No. 19*
 1965 Moncton, Bernard J.D. Oliver, 12-150 Kitchener Cresc.,
 Kamloops, BC V2B 1B8 (250-554-2454) No. 37
 1966 Saint John, Howard Saunders, Rothesay, NB No. 33*
 1967 St. Andrews, Everett McKinnon, 118 Restigouche Drive,
 Tide Head, NB E3N 4H6 No. 24 (753-6558)
 1968 Bathurst, W. Burton Scott, Saint John, NB No. 14*
 1969 Moncton, H. Douglas Ball, Fredericton Junction, NB
 No. 12*
 1970 Saint John, Robert C. Jackson, Box 549, St. Stephen, NB
 E0G 1T0 No. 4
 1971 Moncton, Gerald Fowler, Lepreau, NB No. 18*
 1972 St. Andrews, Leonard Kelloway, 816 Central Street.
 Centreville, NB E7K 2B9 No. 7
 1973 Newcastle, Edward Crowther, Bathurst, NB No. 22*
 1974 Sussex, Frank Bean, Fredericton Junction, NB No. 12*
 1975 Fredericton, James Clouston, Miramichi, NB No. 42*
 1976 Moncton, Cecil Jeffries, Sussex Corner, NB No. 33*
 1977 Campbellton, Ernest W. Grant, Saint John, NB No. 36*
 1978 Saint John, J. Stewart Brooks, Aroostook, NB No. 9*
 1979 Fredericton, Harry Livingstone, Riverview, NB No. 5*
 1980 Saint John, Ralph T. Haley, St. Stephen, NB No. 4*
 1981 Chatham, Douglas Hannah, Shediac, NB No. 26*
 1982 Saint John, Fred Woodworth, 822 Coverdale Road,
 Suite 517, Riverview, NB E1B 4V5 No. 11 (386-3985)
 1983 Bathurst, Joseph A. Potter, 168 Edgett Ave., Moncton, NB
 E1C 7B5 No. 5 (854-4901)
 1984 Fredericton, DeWitt Lister, 386 Frog Lake Road, Harvey,
 York County, NB E6K 2G4 No. 35 (366-5355)
 1985 Moncton, Stuart Norton, 165 Robin Hood Ave., North
 Tetagouche, NB E2A 4V7 No. 22 (546-5389)

- 1986 Saint John, Clinton Shaffer, 81 Charyl Court, Riverview, NB E1B 4C5 No. 19 (387-7117)
- 1987 Sussex, James Page, PO Box 56, Centreville, NB E7K 3H5 No. 7 (276-3323)
- 1988 St. Stephen, Basil Leckey, Chipman, NB No. 30*
- 1989 Saint John, Eldon Libby, 813 Montgomery Ave., Riverview, NB E1B 2A6 No. 36 (386-6264)
- 1990 Fredericton, Peter Colton, 221 O'Keefe Road, Miramichi, NB E1V 6J3 (773-7875)
- 1991 Fredericton, George Theal, 97 Dickson Blvd., Moncton, NB No. 5 (855-0021)
- 1992 Woodstock, John Beattie, Sussex, NB No. 21*
- 1993 Moncton, Rupert Sypher, 162 Vanier Street, Dalhousie, NB E8C 2P8 No. 24 (684-3413)
- 1994 Bathurst, Joseph Holmes, 22690 Route 2, Four Falls, NB E3Z 2H2 No. 9 (273-3512)
- 1995 Saint John, Elderic Thorne, 29 Queen Street, Minto, NB E4B 3P2 No. 30 (327-6120)
- 1996 Moncton, Dale Nicklin, 207 Woodbine Lane, Upper Kingsclear, NB E3E 1S4 No. 37 (363-5687)
- 1997 Fredericton, Carr Graham, 9 Hazelton Ave., Moncton, NB E1A 4J5 No. 26 (389-2333)
- 1998 Moncton, Murray Clouston, 4489 Cape Hwy, Salmon Beach, NB E2A 6C3 No. 22 (546-6504)
- 1999 Moncton, Gordon Steeves, 70 Court Street, Grand Falls, NB E3Z 2P5 No. 23 (473-1096)
- 2000 Moncton, Charles Rafuse, 10 King Lane, St. George E5C 3L5 No. 15 (755-6750)
- 2001 Fredericton, Doug Swan, 169 St. John Street, Woodstock, NB E7M 2T9 No. 1 (328-6929)

*Deceased +Suspended xDemitted

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24065 Edloe Drive, Hayward, CA 94541

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201 North Mercedes, Norman OK 73069-6446

Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Rennie Often
131 Andricks Drive, San Antonio, TX 78223

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1687 East 6525 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84121

Worthy Grand Adah, Sister Alice Fisk
4125 Saddle Horn Drive, Evans, GA 30809

Worthy Grand Ruth, Sister Beverly Perkins
1619 Koenigstein, Norfolk, NE 68701-3628

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210 Whitney Ave. North, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Canada S7L 3M3

Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Eunice E. Gaston
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Worthy Grand Electa, Sister Dorothy B. Doane
5525 Royal Avenue, Eugene, OR 97402-9314

Worthy Grand Warder, Sister Pat Q. Cleveland
4709 Westgarden Blvd., Alexandria, LA 71303

Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Brother Robert G. Morrison
210 Whitney Avenue North, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7L 3M3

GRAND SECRETARIES - ALL JURISDICTIONS

ALABAMA	October	Johnnie Y. Burden Box 3067, Montgomery 36109
ALBERTA	June	Mrs. Isabel McPherson #208, 1235-17th Ave., SW Calgary T2T 0C2
ARIZONA	March	Mrs. Betty Lou Louhi, PGM 4602 N 24th Street, Suite A Phoenix 85016-5253
ARKANSAS	December	Mrs. Rosemary Messersmith, PGM 610 Royal Lane Bentonville 72712
AUSTRALIA	June (Odd	Mrs. Elaine O'Brien
	Year)	92 First Av., Berala NSW 2141
BRITISH	June	Mrs. Ruby Davison
COLUMBIA		#318 11601-227 Street Maple Ridge V2X 0J7
CALIFORNIA	October	Ms. Shirley Orth 16960 Bastanchury Rd., Suite E Yorba Linda 92886-1711
COLORADO	September	Mrs. Carolyn DeVault 2445 S. Quebec St., Suite B Denver 80231-6000
CONNECTICUT	April	Ms. Marilyn Mattoon, PGM 153 Main St., Route 6, Box 143 Plymouth 06782
DELAWARE	May	Mrs. Vickie Nicklas 25118 Oak Road, Nanticoke Acres Seaford 19973-2901
DISTRICT OF	January	Mrs. Dorothy L. Todd, PGM
COLUMBIA		122 C Street NW, Room 115 Washington 20001-2109
FLORIDA	April	Mrs. Alice Lanier, PGM PO Box 292833

GEORGIA	July	Tampa 33686-2833 J. Montine Mize, PGM PO Box 187
IDAHO	June	Hephzibah 30815-0187 Mrs. Pauline Grant PO Box 307
ILLINOIS	October	Horseshoe Bend 83629 Janice M. Shank PO Box 317
INDIANA	April	Macon 62544-0317 Mrs. Beulah F. Jones PO Box 86
IOWA	October	Franklin 46131 Mrs. Carolyn Anderson PO Box 188
KANSAS	April	Toledo 52342 Mrs. Dorothy Higgs 1109 SW Topeka Blvd. Topeka 66612-1600
KENTUCKY	October	Carolyn Perkins 102 Washington St., PO Box 7 LaGrange 40031
LOUISIANA	March	Terrie C. Castay, PGM PO Box 740412 New Orleans 70174-0412
MAINE	May	Mrs. Corley Anne Byras PO Box 119 Bowdoinham 04008
MANITOBA	May	Miss Elizabeth Evans 52-525 Cathcart Street Winnipeg R3R 0S6
MARYLAND	April	Mrs. Leona Vincent, PGM Mt. Nebo Masonic Temple 9420 Belair Road Baltimore 21236
MASSCHUSETTS	May	Mrs. Patricia Ingalls, PGM PO Box 600538 Newtonville 02460-0006
MICHIGAN	October	Miss Mary A. Ivey 13464 15-Mile Road, Suite 250 Marshall 49068-9684
MINNESOTA	May	Mr. Glen Carlson, PGP 6121 Excelsior Blvd., Suite 210 Minneapolis 55416

MISSISSIPPI	April	Mrs. Louise Putt, PGM PO Box 142 Booneville 38829
MISSOURI	October	Mrs. Marilyn L. Woods, PGM PO Box 1065 High Ridge 63049
MONTANA	June	Mrs. Marlene Pfaff 1754 Groshelle Blvd. Laurel 59044
NEBRASKA	May	Mrs. Cathy Wagner Box 156 Fremont 68026
NEVADA	October	Mrs. Barbara Redmond 1825 Pocono Court Sparks 89434
NEW BRUNSWICK	July	Miss Brenda J. Saunders, PGM 214 Downey Avenue Riverview E1B 1W7
NEW HAMPSHIRE	September	Mrs. Emily M. Johnson, PGM PO Box 215 Tilton 03276-0215
NEW JERSEY	May	Mrs. Dorothy Banta, PGM 111 Finderne Ave Bridgewater 08807-3101
NEW MEXICO	October	Loretta May PO Box 152 Tyrone 88065-0152
NEW YORK	October	Miss Lois M. Carlson Masonic Hall 71 West 23rd Street New York 10010-4160
NORTH CAROLINA	June	Mrs. Donna Morgan PO Box 1398 Mooresville 28115-1398
NORTH DAKOTA	June	Mrs. Judy Foster PO Box 5268 Grand Forks 58206-5268
NOVA SCOTIA & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	July	Mrs. Betty Ann Loughnan 2375 Roosevelt Drive Halifax B3L 3H8
OHIO	October	Mrs. Barbara Price PO Box 419 Grand River 44045
OKLAHOMA	October	Mrs. Margie Onkst 1415 N. Walnut

ONTARIO	August	Guthrie 73044-2003 Mrs. Betty Romenick 57 Edilou Drive Etobicoke M8W 4B4
OREGON	June	Judy C. Smith 1507 B SW Morrison Portland 97205
PENNSYLVANIA	June	Mrs. Ann Berger, PGM PO Box 60157 Harrisburg 17106-0157
PUERTO RICO	May	Betty G. Vega, GGCCM PO Box 810255 AMF Carolina 00981-0255
QUEBEC	October	Mrs. Anita Young, PGM 1301 Barsalou Chambly J3L 2X8
RHODE ISLAND	October	Kathryn A. Newman, PGM 19 Preston Drive Warwick 02886
SASKATCHEWAN	April	Mrs. Mabel Andrew #503-111 Lockwood Road Regina S4S 3G5
SCOTLAND	April	Mr. James T. Smith 143 W. Regent Street, #201 Glasgow G2 2SC
SOUTH CAROLINA	June	Mrs. Virginia Gilreath PO Box 343, 112 Lybrand St. Great Falls 29055
SOUTH DAKOTA	October	Mrs. Eileen F. Harmes, PGM 513 West Fourth Mitchell 57301
TENNESSEE	April	Mrs. Bonnie Poindexter, PGM 100 7th Avenue North Nashville 37203-3704
TEXAS	October	Mrs. Alma Carter, PGM 1111 E. Division Street Arlington 76011
UTAH	October	Margo K. Bird, PGM 1026 Rambler Drive Salt Lake City 84116
VERMONT	June	Mrs. Jerri Riegler, PGM 65 Lindale Drive Colchester 05466
VIRGINIA	May	Mrs. Lillian D. White Box 6633

WASHINGTON	June	Richmond 23230 Mrs. Norma Jean Roberts 615 North Street SE Tumwater 98501-3438
WEST VIRGINIA	October	Mrs. Dixie Barley, PGM 132 Barleywood Lane,Box 245 Bradley 25818
WISCONSIN	May	Mrs. Sharon Swartwout 617 Oxford Drive Hartland 53029
WYOMING	August	Mrs. Patricia Harwood 2645 Torrey Pines Ct. Gillette 82718-5560

DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS 2002-2003

No.	Chapter	Location	Worthy Matron	Worthy Patron	Secretary	Meeting Night
1	Victoria	Woodstock	Mrs. Judy Gillis 3197 Route 585 Newbridge, NB E7N 1K2	Donald Nason 1155 Route 555 Richmond Settlement E7M 4X1	Mrs. Marion McLellan 110 Charlotte Street Woodstock, NB E7M 1J7	2 rd Tues
3	Celestial	Fredericton	Mrs. Betty Powell 2311 Route 102 Hwy Lincoln, NB E3B 8N6	Paul Fullarton 1026 105 Highway Douglas, NB E3A 7J4	Mrs. Norma Jean Belyea, PGM 195 Charing Crescent Fredericton, NB E3B 4R9	3 rd Thur
4	Queen Mary	St. Stephen	Mrs. Doreen Young 55 Marks Street St. Stephen, NB E3L 2W9	Robert Flewelling 35 Thomas Avenue St. Andrews, NB E5B 2M7	Mrs. Norma Caldwell 302 Route 735 Mayfield, NB E3L 5G2	3 rd Thur
5	Frank H. Tingley	Moncton	Ethel Knowles 39 Pleasant St., A103 Moncton, NB E1A 2T7	Gordon Belyea 208 Sumner Ave Moncton, NB E1C 8A7	Wayne Bannister 22 Avery Street Moncton, NB E1H 3M4	2 nd Mon

7	Carleton	Florenceville	Mrs. Isobel Morton 10408 Route 105 Beechwod, NB E3J 2B3	Winston Morton 10408 Route 105 Beechwood, NB E3J 2B3	Mrs. Kathleen Cain 414 Gregg Settlement Road Summerfield, NB E7K 2P7	3 rd Tue except Jan & Feb
8	St. Stephen	St. Stephen	Mrs. Florence Scott PO Box 108 Moore's Mills, NB E5A 3C9	Ross MacLeod 23 MacLeod Road Tower Hill, NB E5A 2N3	Mrs. Velma Mitchell 8796 Route 3 Old Ridge, NB E3L 4W3	3 rd Mon
9	Electa	Perth-Andover	Ms Tammy DeMerchant PO Box 3227 Perth-Andover, NB E7H 5K3	Claude DeMerchant 12878 Route 105 Tobique Narrows, NB E7H 4H6	Mrs. Leitha Holmes 22690 Route 2 Four Falls, NB E3Z 2H2	1 st Wed except Jan & Feb
11	Fort Monckton	Port Elgin	Mrs. Elaine Smith 23 Shemogue Road Port Elgin, NB E4M 1C2	Keith Smith 23 Shemogue Road Port Elgin, NB E4M 1C2	Mrs. Christine Trenholme 595 Route 960 Cape Spear, NB E4M 1R8	4 th Mon
13	York	McAdam	Mrs. Theresa Monk Vanceboro Maine 04491	Ralph Thornton 171 Harvey Road McAdam, NB E6J 1A1	Mrs. Phyllis Thornton 171 Harvey Road McAdam, NB E6J 1A1	1 st Thur

14 Saint John	Saint John	Mrs. Betty Boyer 349 Douglas Avenue Saint John, NB E2K 1E9	Donald McGovern 136 Glen Road Saint John, NB E2H 2E4	Mrs. Elaine Hannan-Bacon 7 Roberts Lane Quispamsis, NB E2E 1C8	2nd Wed
15 Granite	St. George	Mrs. Wendy Justason PO Box 1111 St. George, NB E5C 3S9	Burton Hall 426 Route 785 Utopia, NB E5C 2K1	Charles Rafuse 10 King Lane St. George, NB E5C 3L5	2nd Wed
18 Philip A Jerguson	Saint John	Mrs. Vivian Magee 368 Charlotte Street Saint John, NB E2M 1Y8	James Campbell 121 Sherwood Drive Rothesay, NB E2E 1G9	Mrs. Helen Humphreys 40 Sylvia Drive Saint John, NB E2J 3K1	1st Fri
19 Winston Churchill	Riverside- Albert	Mrs. Mildred Homer 200 Wentworth Avenue Riverview, NB E1B 2T8	Allan McKinley 10 Warren Avenue Riverview, NB E1B 3M3	Mrs. Ann Morton 1075 Route 114 Lower Coverdale, NB E1J 1A1	1st Mon except Jan & Feb
22 Bathurst	Bathurst	Mrs. Sherry Mitton 280 St. John Street Bathurst, NB E2A 1E7	Terrance Spence 321 Scenic Drive South Tetagouche, NB E2A 4Z3	Mrs. Hazel Harris,PGM A208,225 Millhaven Street Bathurst, NB E2A 1W5	2nd Tue

23 Tobique	Plaster Rock	Mrs. Marjorie Steeves 70 Court Street Grand Falls, NB E3Z 2P5	Gordon Steeves, PGP 70 Court Street Grand Falls, NB E3Z 2P5	Ms.Lynn Steeves 163 William Street Grand Falls, NB E3Z 1A9	1st Tue except Jan & Feb
24 Lady Alexander	Campbellton	Mrs. Anna Lea Bain 64 Islandview Flatlands, NB E3N 4X2	Ralph Bain 64 Islandview Flatlands, NB E3N 4X2	Mrs. Alyuna Geldart 5 Maple Avenue Tide Head, NB E3N 4H2	3rd Mon Dec, 2nd Mon
26 Zetland	Shediac	Mrs. Mickie King 19 Alma LeBlanc Street Grande Digue, NB E4R 4Y6	Robert King 19 Alma LeBlanc St Grande Digue, NB E4R 4Y6	Mrs. Linda Murray 75 MacDougall Road MacDougall Settlement, NB E1H 3G1	3rd Tue except Jan & Feb Dec, 2nd Tue
27 Prince Charles	Chatham	Brenda Whitney 1071 Route 425 Hwy Whitney, NB E1V 4K7	Clayton Stewart 6 Cains Point Road Tabusintac, NB E9H 1B6	Mrs. Shirley MacDonald, PGM 255 O'Keefe Road Miramichi, NB E1V 6J3	2nd Wed
30 Remembrance Minto		Mrs. Margaret Cole 2901 Route 690 Sypher Cove, NB E4B 2C7	David Fairweather 119 Cox Point Road Cumberland Bay, NB E4A 2X4	Donald Nightingale 60 Queen Street Minto, NB E4B 3P3	3rd Mon except Jan & Feb

33 Lord Beaverbrook	Hampton	Mrs. Rosemary Day 32 Knox Court Saint John, NB E2J 3H3	Harold Day 32 Knox Court Saint John, NB E2J 3H3	Mrs. Marion Logan 51 Marble Street Four Corners, NB E4E 3P8	3rd Thu except Jan & Feb Dec, 1st Thur
35 Unity	Harvey Station	Mrs. Lynn Hutchin 4482 Route 640 Harvey, York Co., NB E6K 2X5	Vernon Lister 204 Frog Lake Road Harvey, York Co., NB E6K 2E4	DeWitt Lister, PGP 386 Frog Lake Road Harvey, York Co., NB E6K 2G4	4th Wed except Dec 1st Thu
36 Fidelity	Riverivew	Mrs. Jean Dutcher 102 Hedgewood Drive Moncton, NB E1E 2W5	Robert Dutcher 102 Hedgewood Drive Moncton, NB E1E 2W5	Brenda J. Saunders, PGM 214 Downey Avenue Riverview, NB E1B 1W7	1st Tue
37 Devon	Fredericton	Mrs. Debbie Hill, PGM 101 Hilltop Drive Fredericton, NB E3A 2J3	Allan Gillis 260 Lower Durham Rd Durham Bridge, NB E6C 1G9	Mrs. Carolyn Calhoun 24 Michael Avenue Hanwell, NB E3C 2A2	2nd Wed
40 Hillcrest	Boiestown	Mrs. Norma Smith 6398 Rte 8 Boiestown, NB E6A 1Z5	Bradley Smith 6398 Rte 8 Boiestown, NB E6A 1Z5	Mrs. Judith Ross 6320 Route 8 Boiestown, NB E6A 1M1	4th Tue except Jan & Feb; Dec 2nd Thur

41 Margaret	Oromocto	Mrs. Catherine Evans 538 McLaren Street Fredericton, NB E3BA 2K9	Peter Devlin 427 Route 102 Hwy Burton, NB E2V 3E2	David Gillrie 15 Cambridge Cresc. Fredericton, NB E3A 4N8	4th Mon except Jan & Feb Dec, 2nd Tue
42 Prince Andrew	Newcastle	Mrs. Jean Kelly 284 King George Hwy Miramichi, NB E1V 1K9	Edward Gilks 452 Route 420 South Esk, NB E1V 4M1	Mrs. Glenna Taylor, PGM 5321 Route 108 Lower Derby, NB E1V 5B5	1st Thur following 2nd Tue of each month

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES 2001-2002

N.B. TO OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS	TERM EXPIRY	GRAND JURISDICTION	OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO NB	TERM EXPIRY
Paul Fullarton #3	Dec 31/02	Alabama	Margie Hatcher	Dec 31/02
Wayne Hitchcock #9	Dec 31/02	Alberta	Mildred Jones	Dec 31/02
Rosalie Clifford #13	Dec 31/03	Arizona	Janice Johnson	Dec 31/02
Lewis Smollett #24	Dec 31/02	Arkansas	Shirley Reed	Dec 31/02
Philip Belyea #3	Dec 31/02	Australia	Noel Chandler	Dec 31/02
Catherine Evans #41	Dec 31/02	British Columbia/Yukon	Marian Fraser	Dec 31/02
Vernon Lister #35	Dec 31/03	California	James Widdoes	Dec 31/02
Heather McKinley #19	Dec 31/03	Colorado	Ace Hall	Dec 31/02
Gertrude Weeks #35	Dec 31/02	Connecticut	Orissa Maurer	Dec 31/03
Janet Tower #11	Dec 31/02	Delaware	Judy Junga	Dec 31/02
Gregory Darke #15	Dec 31/03	District of Columbia	Judith Vivian	Dec 31/02
Ebbie Kuhn #26	Dec 31/04	Florida	Jamie Saggas	Dec 31/04
Mary Ellen Black #40	Dec 31/02	Georgia	Claude Patterson	Dec 31/02
Jacqueline Robertson #22	Dec 31/02	Idaho	Earl Tex Goodsen	Dec 31/02
Lynn Hutchin #35	Dec 31/03	Illinois	Karen Morton	Dec 31/03
John Murray #26	Dec 31/02	Indiana	Sherry Johnson	Dec 31/02
Ruby Whitney #27	April 1/03	Iowa	Arliss Blackledge	Dec 31/03
Gordon Belyea #5	Dec 31/02	Kansas	Velma Tomlinson	Dec 31/03
Marlene MacIver #13	Dec 31/02	Kentucky	Douglas Long	Dec 31/02
Carolyn Dunnett #36	May 1/03	Louisiana	Dorothy Adams	Dec 31/03

Elizabeth Lord #8	March 01/03	Maine	Roberta Griffin	Dec 31/02
Jean Kelly #42	Dec 31/04	Manitoba	Avis Cassells	Dec 31/04
Laurie Black #27	Dec 31/02	Maryland	Frances Riale	Dec 31/03
Patricia Vaughn #18	Dec 31/02	Massachusetts	Patricia Donovan	Dec 31/03
Marjorie Linton #4	Dec 31/02	Michigan	Viki Reed	Dec 31/03
Ralph Bain #24	Dec 31/02	Minnesota	Roger Putnam	Dec 31/03
Brenda McGibbon #8	Dec 31/03	Mississippi	Elizabeth Farrow	Dec 31/02
Debbie Doherty #36	Dec 31/03	Missouri	Kay Ray	Dec 31/02
Laurie Tompkins #7	Dec 31/03	Montana	Mona McKown	Dec 31/03
Sybil Wilson #1	Oct 01/04	Nebraska	Mary Boneright	Dec 31/04
Cairine Nicklin #37	Dec 31/03	Nevada	Mini Siebert	Dec 31/02
Elaine MacLean #3	Dec 31/02	New Hampshire	Barbara Byrne	Dec 31/03
Joan Flann #24	Dec 31/02	New Jersey	Dorothy Johnson	Dec 31/02
Ethel Knowles #5	Dec 31/03	New York	Helen Maddaloni	Dec 31/02
William Dutcher #26	Dec 31/03	North Carolina	Janice Scarborough	Dec 31/02
Earle Brewer #37	Dec 31/02	North Dakota	Elizabeth Rodriguez	Dec 31/02
Alma Jean Mundle #41	Dec 31/02	Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island	Peter Kay	Dec 31/03
Rev Murdo MacKay #27	Dec 31/03	Ohio	Lois Ann Chapman	Dec 31/02
Olive Trevors #42	Dec 31/02	Oklahoma	Claudia Bradshaw	Dec 31/02
June Rafuse #15	Dec 31/03	Ontario	Wesley Beacock	Dec 31/03
Claude Aucoin #15	Dec 31/02	Oregon	Cathy Cleveland	Dec 31/03
Aulay Sample #33	Dec 31/04	Pennsylvania	Rebecca Hoover	Dec 31/03
Kevin Gillrie #14	Mar 31/03	Puerto Rico	Zaida Cordova de Egra	Mar 31/03
Olive Smollett #24	Dec 31/04	Quebec	Margaret Willard	Dec 31/02
Alvin Landsburg #11	Dec 31/03	Rhode Island	JoAnn Sugden	Dec 31/02

Helen Killam #19	Dec 31/02	Saskatchewan	Pat Haylor	Dec 31/02
Sandra MacIntosh #24	Dec 31/02	Scotland	Mary Tucker	Dec 31/02
Betty Boyer #14	Dec 31/03	South Carolina	Sara Higgenbotham	Dec 31/03
Donald Nightingale #30	Dec 31/02	South Dakota	Sharon Tisher	Dec 31/02
Ian Black #18	Dec 31/03	Tennessee	Barbara Skeens	Dec 31/02
Roy Wilson #1	Jan 31/03	Texas	Alma Sively	Dec 31/02
Norma Smith #40	Dec 31/04	Utah	Shanna Minert	Dec 31/02
Donna Love #5	Dec 31/02	Vermont	Donald Chamberlain	Dec 31/02
Doreen Gray #7	Dec 31/02	Virginia	Janice Shelor	Dec 31/02
James Maxwell #8	Dec 31/02	Washington	Pat Manning	Dec 31/02
Barbara Stephens #3	Dec 31/02	West Virginia	Wava Williams	Dec 31/02
Stuart Norton #22	Mar 31/04	Wisconsin	Eugene Edwards	Dec 31/02
Peter Devlin #41	Dec 31/03	Wyoming	Mary Kirkpatrick	Dec 31/02

RE-CAPITULATION OF CHAPTERS 2001-2002

No.	Name of Chapter	2001	Initiated	Re-Instated	Affiliated	Other	Total			Total		
							Increase	Deceased	Suspended	Demitted	Loss	2001
1	Victoria	107	1				1	4		4	104	
3	Celestial	76						5		5	71	
4	Queen Mary	70	2				2	3		3	69	
5	Frank H. Tingley	170	3				3	5		2	7	166
7	Carleton	76						2			2	74
8	St.Stephen	133						6		2	8	125
9	Electa	94		1			1	2	8	1	11	84
11	Fort Monckton	67						2		1	3	64
13	York	71		1			1	2		1	3	69
14	Saint John	123	4		1		5	2		1	3	125
15	Granite	135	3		1		4	5	1		6	133
18	Philip A. Jerguson	121	2				2	2	2		4	119
19	Winston Churchill	61						3		1	4	57
22	Bathurst	103	1		3		4	4			4	103
23	Tobique	47	1				1			1	1	47

24	Lady	79			9	3	12	3		1	4	8
	Alexander											
26	Zetland	81	1		3		4	1			1	84
27	Prince	93	1				1					94
	Charles											
30	Remembrance	53						4		2	6	47
33	Lord	79						3	1		4	75
	Beaverbrook											
35	Unity	53			1		1	3	1		4	50
36	Fidelity	160						7			7	153
37	Devon	71	3		5		8	2			2	77
40	Hillcrest	59						2		3	5	54
41	Margaret	35	1	1			2	1	1	1	3	34
42	Prince	89						4				85
	Andrew											
43	West Isles	36			1		1	1	2		3	34
		2390	23	3	24	3	53	78	16	17	111	2332

DONATIONS BY CHAPTERS 2001 – 2002

No.	Chapter and/or Individuals	L.L.Kyle	ESTARL	OES Magazine	WGM's Special Project (ESTARL & Camp Goodtime)
1	Victoria	100.00	100.00		124.00
3	Celestial	100.00	100.00		50.00
4	Queen Mary	200.00	200.00		50.00
5	Frank H. Tingley	100.00	50.00		230.00
7	Carleton	150.00	150.00		95.00
8	St. Stephen	350.00	300.00		50.00
9	Electa	25.00	25.00	25.00	40.00
11	Fort Monckton	50.00	50.00		20.00
13	York	100.00	100.00		94.00
14	Saint John	200.00	200.00		50.00
15	Granite	230.00	100.00		50.00
18	Philip A. Jerguson				50.00
19	Winston Churchill	50.00	25.00		220.00
22	Bathurst	100.00	682.00		20.00
23	Tobique			50.00	50.00
24	Lady Alexander	100.00	75.00		20.00
26	Zetland	50.00	50.00		20.00
27	Prince Charles	50.00	50.00		20.00
30	Remembrance				50.00
33	Lord Beaverbrook	300.00	100.00		40.00

35	Unity	75.00	75.00		230.00
36	Fidelity	150.00	50.00		450.00
37	Devon	50.00			155.00
40	Hillcrest				35.00
41	Margaret		100.00		50.00
42	Prince Andrew				20.00
43	West Isles	20.00	20.00	25.00	45.00
	Mini-Kar Unit	50.00			

DONATIONS BY CHAPTER 2001 – 2002

No.	Chapter and/or Individuals	Children's Wish Foundation	American Red Cross	Camp Goodtime
23	Tobique	50.00		
35	Unity		100.00	
43	West Isles		25.00	
	Mini-Kar Unit			50.00
	Marjorie Morgan	50.00		

NOTICES OF MOTION

1. **I will move or caused to be moved that Article XIX, Item 2, of the Constitution, Laws And Regulations be amended as follows:**

OLD ARTICLE:

Officers must be members of the Chapter at the time of election or appointment, but Not Officers of another Chapter.

TO READ:

Officers must be members of the Chapter at the time of Election or Appointment, and May be Officers of another Chapter; however, they may not be an Elected Officer of Both Chapters.

**Peter Colton, PGP
Prince Charles #27**

2. **At the 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, I will move or Cause to be moved the following:**

Under the Laws and Regulations portion of the Constitution, Laws and Regulations,

Article XIX, Officers Election and Appointment, No. 2: “Officers must be members Of the Chapter at the time of election or appointment, but not Officers of another Chapter.”

BE CHANGED TO READ:

“Officers must be members of the Chapter at the time of election or appointment, and may be Officers of another Chapter, provided they do not hold an Elected Office in both Chapters.”

**Doreen Young, WM
Norma Caswell, Grand Organist
James Maxwell, WP
Norma Caldwell, Secretary
Queen Mary Chapter #4, St. Stephen, NB**

- 3. At the upcoming 72nd Annual Grand Chapter Session to be held in Fredericton, NB, I will Move or caused to be moved the following additions to the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star:**

ARTICLE XIV – HONOURARIA

To add:

1 (a) The honourarium for the Grand Secretary shall be One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00),

or such amount as recommended by the Finance Committee, and voted by the Grand Chapter.

- 1 (b) The honourarium for the Grand Treasurer shall be Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), or such amount as recommended by the Finance Committee, and voted by the Grand Chapter.**

Clinton Shaffer, PGP

- 4. At the upcoming 72nd Grand Chapter Session to be held in Fredericton, NB, we will move or Cause to be moved the following amendment to the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Chapter Of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star:**

ARTICLE XII – EXPENSES

No. 6 - Entertainment

© Which now reads—

The Grand Chapter shall supply complimentary luncheon and banquet tickets to General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, and Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions.

BE CHANGED TO READ:

- © Complimentary banquet tickets to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Chapter Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Worthy Grand Matron and**

Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions shall be provided from the funds allocated to The General Convenor for the Grand Chapter Session expenses.

**Hilda Shaffer, PGM
Ann Morton, PGM
Audrey Sypher, PGM, Chairperson**

5. **At the 72nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, I will move or cause to be Moved the following Amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star:**

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP OF THE GRAND CHAPTER

CURRENTLY READS:

1. **The membership of the Grand Chapter shall consist of the Officers thereof, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Past Matrons and Past Patrons, while they are Members of a Chapter within this Jurisdiction, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Associate Matrons, and Associate Patrons, including those Chapters under Dispensation.**

BE CHANGED TO READ:

- 1. The membership of the Grand Chapter shall consist of any member in good Standing with a paid-up Dues Card while they are members of a Chapter within This Jurisdiction, and are entitled to vote on any matter that comes before Grand Chapter.**

**Gordon Steeves, PGP
Tobique #23, Plaster Rock**

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

LOTTIE L. KYLE SCHOLARSHIP

GIVEN BY:

Winston Churchill #19

Helen Killiam

Prince Andrew #42

St. Stephen #8

Harry Hoar

Granite #15

ESTARL

Prince Andrew #42

Norma Caswell

Victoria #1

Queen Mary #4

Mabel & Boyd Allison

IN MEMORY OF:

**Lucilla Northrup, PM
Myrtle Butland**

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**Dorothy Renwick, PM
Barton Johnstone**

**Maxwell Irwin, PP
William Anderson
Melvin Lord
Julia Dinsmore
Kathleen Melrose
Marion Gough**

Myrtle Fillmore, PGM

Phrilda Hooper

**Dorothy Renwick, PM
Barton Johnstone**

**William E. George, PMWGP
Georgie Bonnell
Myrtle Fillmore, PGM
Cecil Jeffries, PGP**

Gladys Gardiner

Mary Lister

Barton Johnstone

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Zillah Beaton

****We dedicate this *Book of Proceedings* in memory of our departed Grand Officer and friend, Brother Robert Flewelling, Grand Marshal. We will always remember his enthusiasm and infectious smile!**

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The 73rd Annual Sessions will convene at the Fredericton Inn,
Fredericton, NB, on July 10, 11, and 12, 2003.

