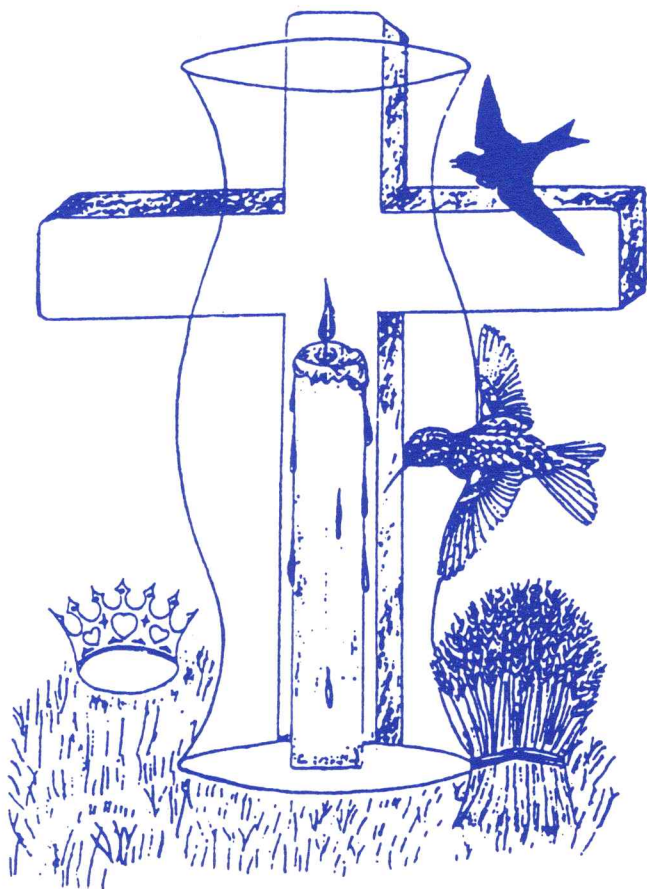


**Grand Chapter  
Order of the  
Eastern Star**

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**



*"To God Be the Glory"*  
**SESSION**

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
Ninety-first Annual Session  
Grand Chapter of South Carolina  
*Order of the Eastern Star*



Held at  
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA  
June 15, 16, 17, 1998  
MRS. LYNDA K. PITTMAN, *Worthy Grand Matron*  
MR. IRA M. PARKS, *Worthy Grand Patron*  
  
MRS. ANNA R. SCHULZ, PGM, *Grand Secretary*  
P.O. Box 1251  
Sumter, South Carolina 29151

## DEDICATION

*"To God Be The Glory" Session*

*is lovingly dedicated by*

**The Worthy Grand Matron**

*To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, to the memory of the loved ones that have predeceased us. You will never be forgotten.*

*To the Honor of the loved ones with us, thank you for continuing to serve our beautiful Order. Most of all thank you for the love and support you have always given me.*

*To my children, Tammy and Rhonda and their family, I have not always been there for you the last four years but I look forward to being home soon.*

*Thank you for understanding and loving me throughout.*

*To Bobby, without you this would not have been possible.*

*Thank you for your faith in me and for your love.*

*To the Grand Body, thank you for your confidence in allowing me to lead this year and for your faith by following. But best of all you are my "Friend."*

*"To God Be The Glory."*

*And*

**By the Worthy Grand Patron**

*To my wife, Mary Ann, and to my son, Robert, whose love and support have inspired and sustained me throughout this year.*

*To Shandon Chapter members who supported, stood by me and were always there to make my years of service worthwhile.*

*To all those Eastern Stars who through their service to our Order has kept our STAR BRIGHT;*

*In loving memory of Mae J. McLemore, Past Grand Matron and Nancy R. McLemore, Past Grand Matron, whose love and vision of our Order have inspired all of us.*

## "TO GOD BE THE GLORY" SESSION

<b>THEME:</b>	Golden Rule—"Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."
<b>MOTTO:</b>	This little light of mine I am going to let it shine.
<b>AIM:</b>	TEAM Together Everyone Accomplishes More
<b>WATCHWORDS:</b>	Remember—"Someone is always watching you."
<b>SCRIPTURE:</b>	WGM: "In quietness and trust is your strength." <i>Isaiah 30:15</i> WGP: "Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust." <i>Psalms 16:1</i>
<b>PRAYER:</b>	The Lord's Prayer
<b>COLORS:</b>	Purple, Teal, Pink, Lilac, Lavender, White, Silver, Gold, and Blue
<b>FLOWERS:</b>	WGM: Calla Lily and Gardenia WGP: Red Roses
<b>EMBLEMS:</b>	Candle, Cross and Open Bible
<b>HONOR STATIONS:</b>	WGM: Ruth WGP: Esther
<b>HONOR GROUP:</b>	Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons
<b>FUN EMBLEMS:</b>	WGM: Hummingbird WGP: Purple Martin
<b>FAVORITE SONGS:</b>	WGM: The King Is Coming Because He Lives Jesus Loves Me I love To Tell The Story He Touched Me To God Be The Glory He Crew The Tree The Lighthouse WGP: Amazing Grace America One Day At A Time Onward Christian Soldiers
<b>WGM-WGP CLUB:</b>	STAR Travelers
<b>TRAVELERS:</b>	30 Visits STAR Travelers

**DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

Past Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Past Most Worthy Grand Patron

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS**

*and*

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

*and honoring our own*

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICER**

**MRS. GLENDA G. WINCHESTER**  
Right Worthy Grand Treasurer in General Grand Chapter  
Past Grand Matron of South Carolina

*and our own*

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**MRS. ANNA R. SCHULZ**  
General Grand Chapter Committee Member  
International Peace Garden  
Past Grand Matron of South Carolina

**P. G. BARNETT, JR.**  
General Grand Chapter Committee Member  
Chairman of Payroll  
Past Grand Patron of South Carolina

*and*

*Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions*  
*Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions*  
*Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of South Carolina*  
*Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions*  
*Grand Officers of South Carolina*  
*All Grand Representatives*



MRS. LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron 1997-1998*

**LYNDA K. PITTMAN**  
***Worthy Grand Matron 1997-1998***

Sister Lynda is the daughter of the late Mary and Owens Koon of Irmo. Lynda grew up in the Irmo area and continues to live in that general area. She has one brother who also makes his home in Irmo. Sister Lynda has two beautiful daughters and four grandchildren which are wonderful.

Lynda's education began at Irmo Elementary School and moved on to North Augusta High School but prior to graduation her family moved back to Irmo and she graduated from Columbia High School.

Sister Lynda has been a member of Union United Methodist Church in Irmo all of her life. For many years she taught Sunday school and Bible school.

Sister Lynda has worked for the Division of General Services, Budget and Control Board, Materials Management office for 21 years as a Procurement officer.

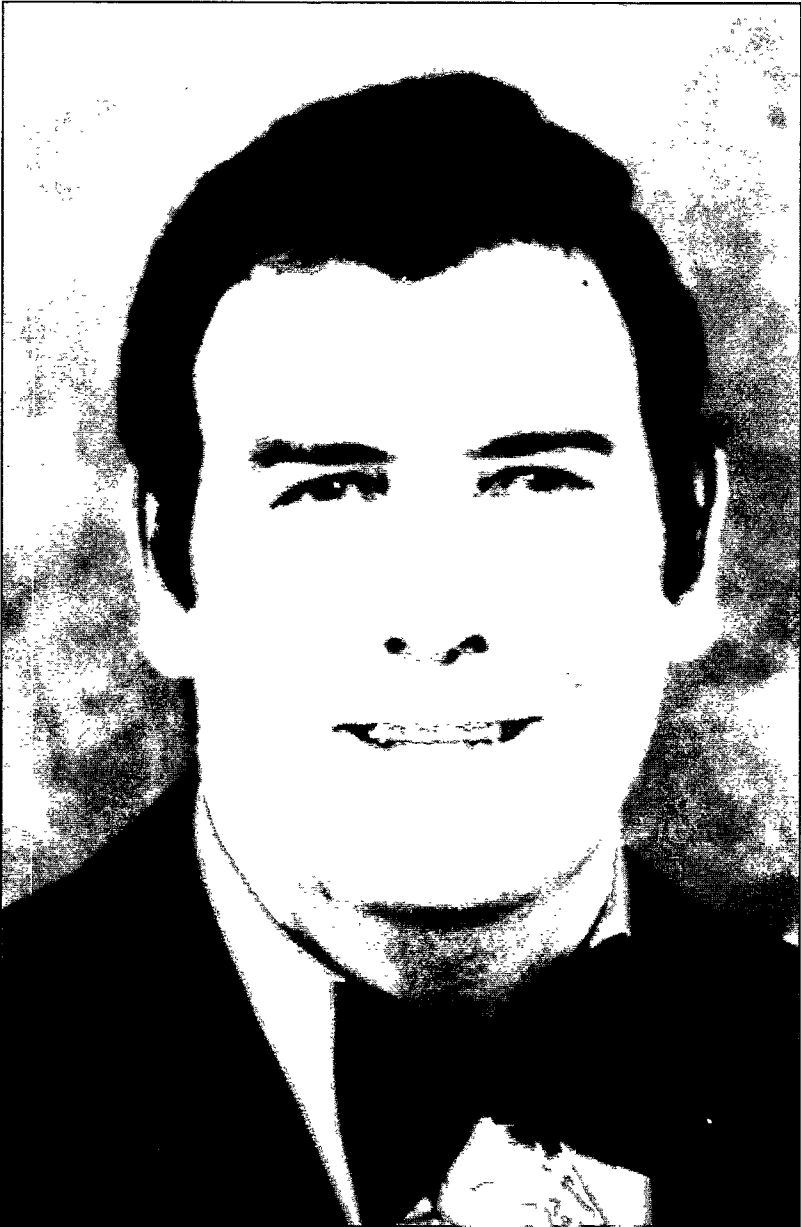
For many years Lynda was active in the American Business Women's Association of Columbia. Some of her favorite hobbies are Clemson sports, boating and reading.

In 1985 Lynda and Bobby were married and she joined St. Andrew's Chapter 271 in August 1986. Lynda served as Worthy Matron twice and continues to serve in any way she can. In 1990 Sister Mary Ann Parks, P.G.M. commissioned Lynda as Grand Representative to West Virginia. Lynda served as State Chairman 1989-90 for Home Building Fund and 1990-91 as State Chairman for ESTARL. In 1994 Lynda was elected Associate Grand Conductress and served as Worthy Grand Matron in 1997-98. She has always tried to "lead by example." Lynda's desire has always been "just walk beside her and be her Friend."

The Ninety-first session "To God Be The Glory" of Grand Chapter was held in Columbia, SC at the Sheraton Conference Center in June 1998. This closed a chapter of Lynda's Eastern Star life of which she will be forever grateful to the members of South Carolina for allowing her to be of service to this wonderful organization.

I will close this with Lynda's closing remarks, "To God Be The Glory."

**BOBBY PITTMAN, P.G.P.**  
*Husband*



MR. IRA M. PARKS  
*Worthy Grand Patron 1997-1998*

**IRA M. PARK**  
***Worthy Grand Patron 1997-1998***

Ira M. Parks, son of Ira Marvin and Florence Hazel Mosley Parks, was born in Forest City, Arkansas, the youngest of four children.

Ira attended Catholic School in Blytheville, Arkansas, where he played football. Ira enlisted in the United State Army in 1949 and retired with twenty-one and one-half years of service, May 1, 1970 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. During these years of service he served in the continental United States, Japan (twice), Korea (three times), Germany (twice) and Vietnam.

While home on leave Ira discovered Mary Ann Cox had grown from a little girl into a young lady. They were married May 11, 1954 at Belton, Texas. From this marriage was born Robert Marvin in Fort Worth, Texas, July 21, 1955 and John Edward in Blytheville, Arkansas, July 16, 1956.

Since his retirement he attended Midland Tech and studied courses in air-conditioning and electricity, and attained an Associate Degree in Major Appliance Repair. He owned Dentsville Appliance Repair. Ira received his Masters Certification in Cosmetology in 1981. Ira and Mary Ann are the owners of the Palms Beauty Salon.

Ira was initiated into the Freedom Lodge No. 873 A.F. and A.M. in 1964 and affiliated with Broad River Lodge No. 377 A.F.M. in 1967 and served as Master in 1977. Ira and Mary Ann were initiated into Broad River Chapter No. 218, Order of the Eastern Star in 1971 and affiliated with Shandon Chapter No. 193 in 1979.

Ira has served as Grand Chaplain, Grand Representative of Virginia in South Carolina, and many other Grand Chapter Appointments for the past twenty years. He was elected Grand Sentinel 1995-1996 from which he advanced to the highest position within the gift of the members of the Grand Chapter in 1997-1998 to serve as Worthy Grand Patron.

His love of people, his respect for their culture, his love for the land, its creatures, and its beauty created by God, our Master Builder, is reflected in his Scripture: "Preserve me, O God: for in Thee do I put my trust." Psalms 16:1.

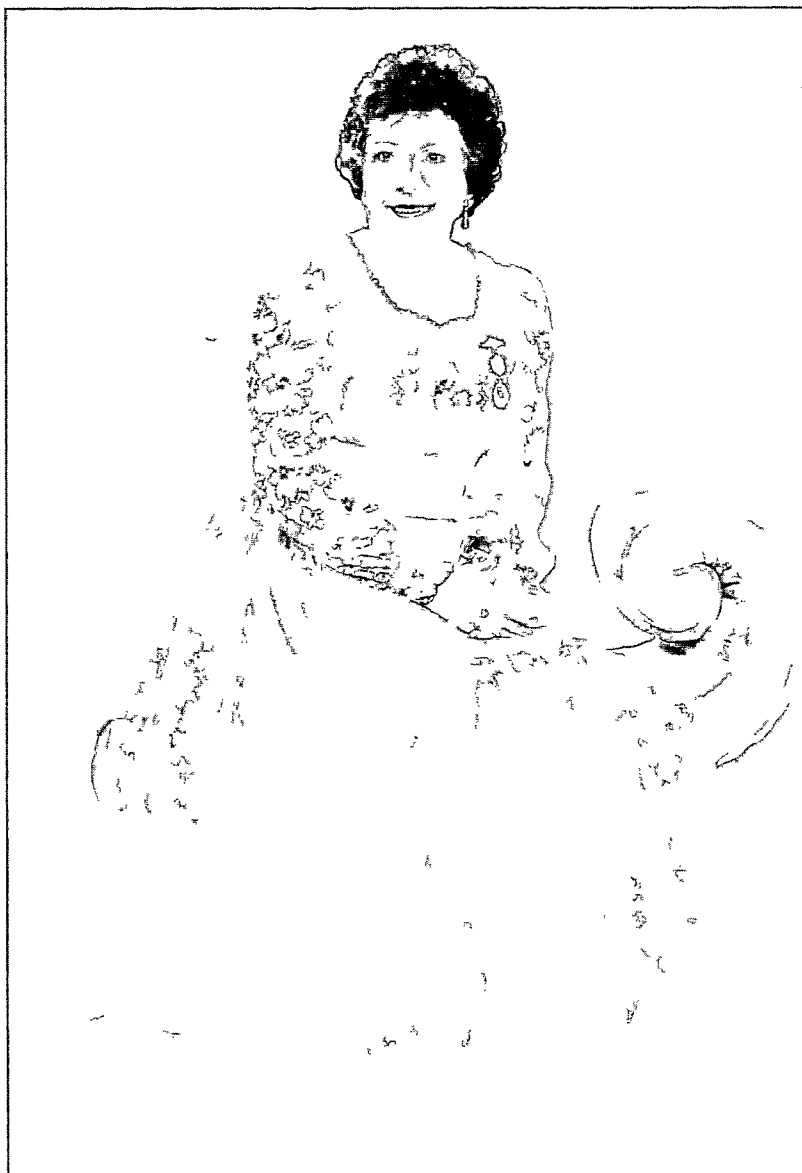
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*Wife*



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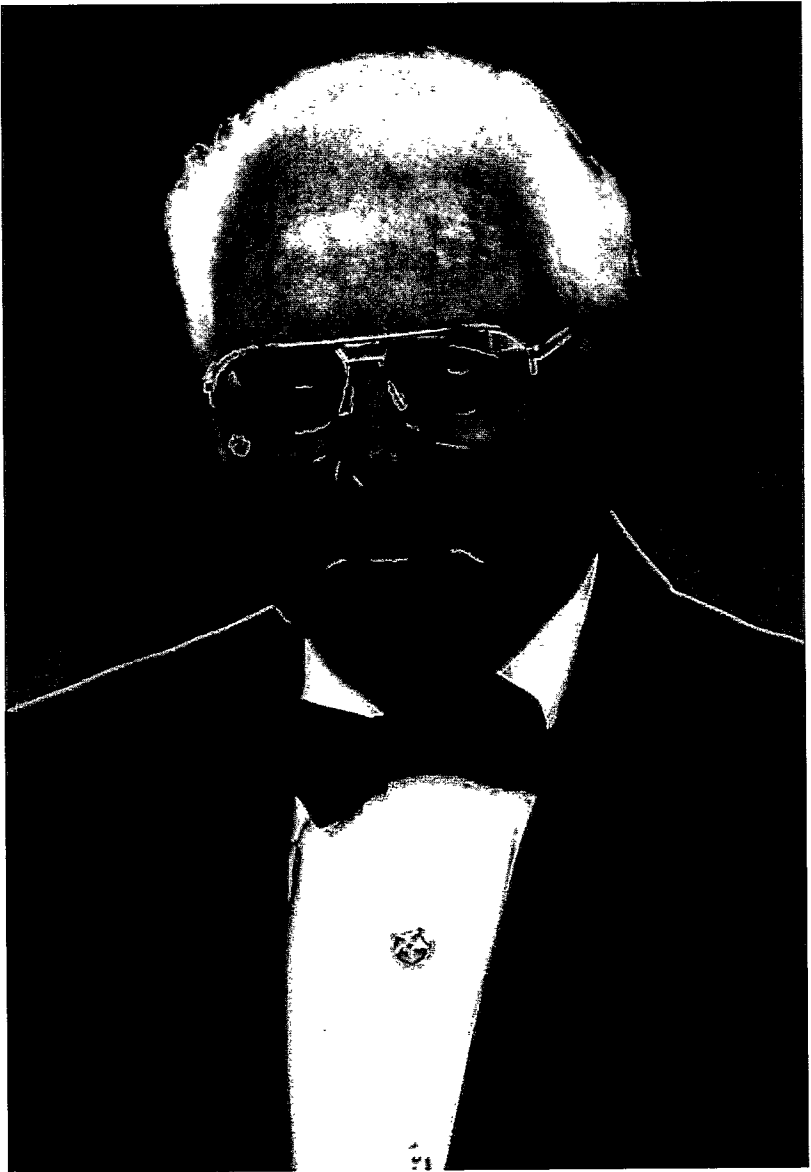
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*Member International Peace Garden Chapel Committee of General Grand Chapter,  
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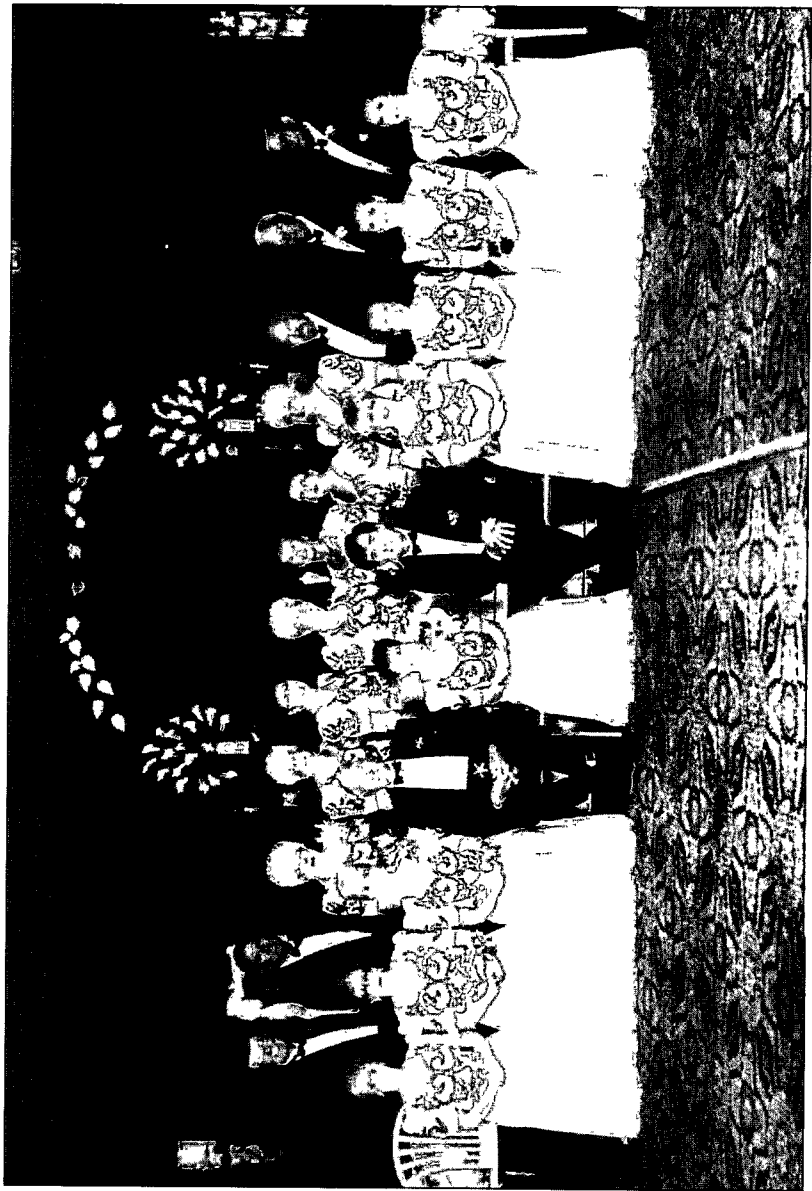
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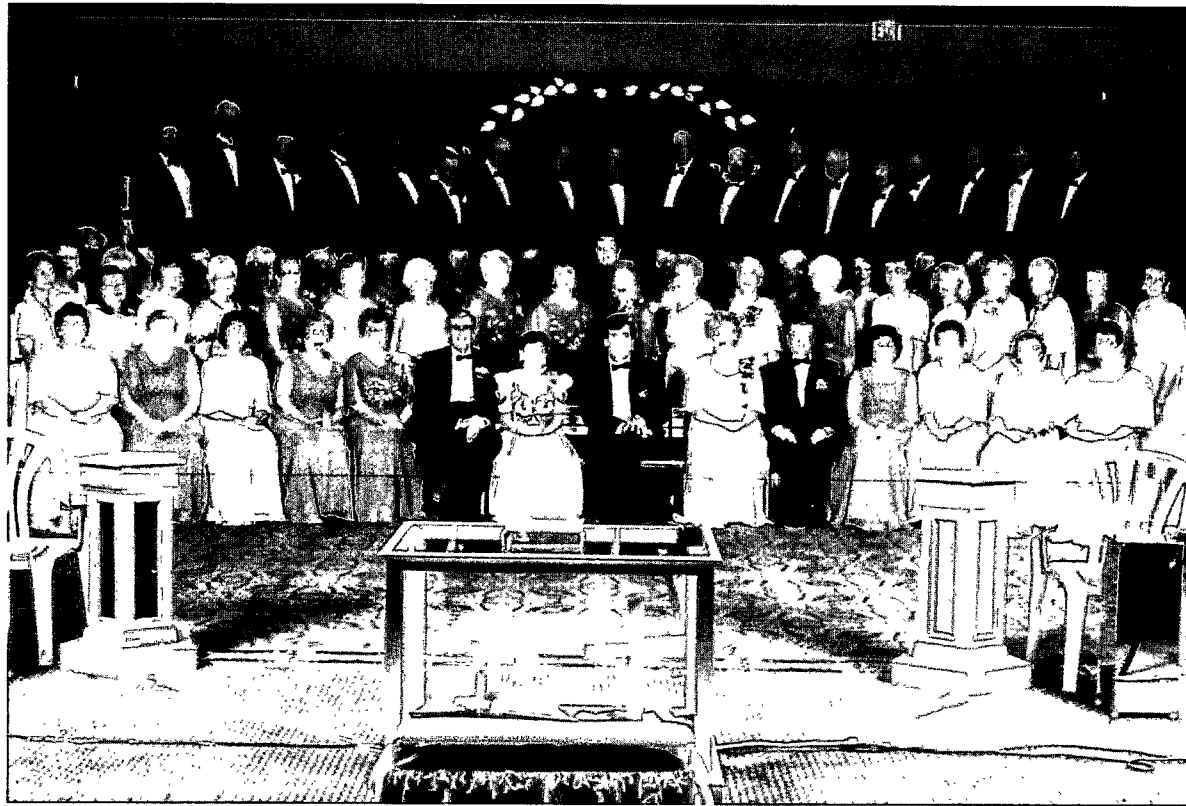
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*District and State Project Chairman, Grand Pages and Ushers 1997-1998*



*Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons 1997-1998*



*Grand Officers Retire 1997-1998*



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*Worthy Grand Matron*



IRA M. PARKS  
*Worthy Grand Patron*



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*Associate Grand Matron*



JACQUES E. LEFEVER  
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*Grand Conductress*



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*Grand Chaplain*



FRED B. CALDWELL  
*Grand Lecturer*



RICHARD J. MEADOWS  
*Grand Marshal*



LOIS B. WATSON  
*Grand Organist*

## GRAND OFFICERS



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*Grand Adah*



LOUISE JOYE WYATT  
*Grand Ruth*



ERMA BURKE  
*Grand Esther*



KAYE RACKLEY  
*Grand Martha*



JEAN L. PEEBLES  
*Grand Electa*



BETTY W. HENDERSON  
*Grand Warder*



BOBBY JAMES  
*Grand Sentinel*

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<i>Associate Grand Patron</i> .....	Jacques E. Lefever.....	Barbara Bannister .....	Kenneth Reid.....	Bill Corbin
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<i>Grand Electa</i> .....	Jean L. Peebles.....	Jerry Holt.....	Marcia Frick.....	Mildred G. Webb
<i>Grand Warder</i> .....	Betty W. Henderson .....	Joseph Henderson.....	Mildred Hydrick.....	Evelyn Bridges
<i>Grand Sentinel</i> .....	Bobby E. James .....	Dorothy James.....	W.B. Thomason .....	Sam Winstead

**PERSONAL GRAND PAGES AND AIDES**

Worthy Grand Matron .....	Jennifer Powers, Ellen Woodall, Deborah Hinson, Jean McCaig, Geneva Padgett, Michele Meadows, Thomas Britt, Howard Coggins
Worthy Grand Patron .....	Laura Ratterree, Aretta Godbey, Eupha Carney, Forest Terry, Johnny Johnson, Joe Lubelsky, Mary Sesnauskas, Jo Long
Associate Grand Matron .....	Andrea Barry
Associate Grand Patron .....	Gale Rickert
Grand Secretary .....	Arthur Tracey
Grand Treasurer .....	Kathy Birge
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Associate Grand Conductress .....	Bobbie Kinard
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Grand Trustee .....	Nelda Corbin
Grand Trustee .....	Mary Donna Pinkston
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Grand Lecturer .....	Marlene Smith
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Grand Organist .....	Estela Reidy
Grand Adah .....	Jeannette Taylor
Grand Ruth .....	Mildred Weeks
Grand Esther .....	Mary Coggins
Grand Martha .....	Ferne Launius
Grand Electa .....	Sara Pritchard
Grand Warder .....	Billie Baltzegar
Grand Sentinel .....	William Clement

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4. Marjorie Campsen .....	Jack Thornton
5. Alma B. Reeves .....	Kim Carter
6. Evelyn Dixon .....	Edward Dixon
7. Christine Wates .....	James Black
8. Inez V. Wingate .....	Verlie Stonehocker
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24. Vertie C. Greer .....	Florence Carter

**EASTERN STAR TRAINING AWARDS  
FOR RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP  
(ESTARL)**

**SHERATON CONFERENCE CENTER  
June 14, 1998**

INSPIRATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE .....	Lois Watson, <i>Grand Organist</i>
PROCESSIONAL .....	ESTARL Committee ESTARL Scholarship Recipients
WELCOME .....	Elizabeth O. Barnett, <i>P.G.M.</i>
HYMN .....	"Amazing Grace" ..... Congregation
INVOCATION .....	Kevin Thompson
HYMN.....	"I Love To Tell The Story" ..... Congregation

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Lynda K. Pittman	Ira M. Parks
<i>Worthy Grand Matron</i>	<i>Worthy Grand Patron</i>

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AWARDS .....	Cheryl Caruso
OFFERTORY PRAYER .....	Charles A. Sprouse
OFFERTORY FOR ESTARL .....	Congregation
SPECIAL SONG .....	"To God Be The Glory" ..... Rebecca Campbell
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER .....	Elizabeth O. Barnett, <i>P.G.M.</i>
MESSAGE .....	Thomas "Tommy" Spotts
BENEDICTION .....	Congregation

ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE 1997-1998

Elizabeth O. Barnett, *P.G.M.*, *Chairman*

Bessie Mae Walsh, <i>P.G.M.</i>	Sarah Phillips, <i>P.M.</i>
Irma H. Perry, <i>P.G.M.</i>	Robert L. Pittman, <i>P.G. P.</i>

ESTARL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED .....	Nine Renewals Eight New
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(List of Recipients; see ESTARL Scholarship Report)

**"THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE"  
MEMORIAL SERVICE**

**Sunday Morning, June 14, 1998**

**NECROLOGY COMMITTEE 1997-1998**

**Mrs. Doris C. Johnson, *Past Grand Matron, Chairman*  
Mrs. Susan L. Johnson, *Past Grand Matron***

Assisted by

Kelly Pace	Kathy Johnson Gwynn
Andy Johnson	Caroline Johnson
Kristen Stevens	Phefeskea Hiers
Sondra Bennett	Lacie Ann Gwynn
Lawrence Johnson	and others

The focal point of "The Garden of Remembrance" Memorial Service was an empty Chair, a side table, basket laden with greenery, and a tree.

Scroll ties with silver ribbons with the names of our departed deceased members were passed out to all in attendance.

ORGAN PRELUDE .....	Mrs. Lois B. Watson, <i>Grand Organist</i>
NARRATION.....	Mrs. Doris C. Johnson, <i>P.G.M.</i> Mrs. Susan L. Johnson, <i>P.G.M.</i>
PRAYER.....	Mrs. Susan L. Johnson, <i>P.G.M.</i>
SOLO.....	"He Grew A Tree" ..... Mrs. Mary Louise Morgan, <i>P.M.</i> , Soloist
SCRIPTURE READINGS .....	Youth Leaders
	Job's Daughters—Kristen Stevens—Psalms 23
	Order of Rainbow—Sondra Bennett—I Corinthians 15:51-58
	Palmetto Demolay—Lawrence Johnson—John 14:1-4

**IN MEMORIAM**

Narrator ..... Mrs. Doris C. Johnson, *P.G.M.*

As we begin this service of Remembrance, let us reflect back on the Memory of our many loved ones who have left this earth and gone on to be with our Lord. He doesn't take only the small children, or the youth, or the old. He has no respect of persons when it comes time for us to leave. God's flowers are always wisely pulled. He takes the bud as well as the blossoms. He guides His hands willingly. He makes no mistakes. That lovely flower as dear to you as life itself is not left to wither and die. It is but transplanted to a sunnier land, to the King's own Palace Garden. Even the precious body has but fallen asleep in Christ "awaiting," as has been said, "the spring wind of the first resurrection." "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

We read in Ecclesiastes 3:1, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: a time to be born and a time to die."

For many of our loved ones and friends their time to die has come before ours and they have left their legacy with us. Many have served and made the way for us to be where we are today. As we reflect on their memory and good works, let us think fondly of the time we spent together.

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**Brother Donald Barnes—Michigan**

**Brother J. T. Sanders—Texas**

The ways of life are supremely mysterious and we must not have to fathom them this side of heaven.

One thing is certain—God does not permit a burden to come to us without having provided strength sufficient to carry it. Your life task is to demonstrate what miracles God can work through a man's triumph over the seemingly insurmountable. If your burden is supremely heavy, it is evidence that God has superior confidence in you and that He is permitting you to understand a task of particular significance. He trusts you to win.

The memory of the past is blessed. Proverbs 10:7. But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23.

Let us remember:

**MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS  
UNDER GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER**

An old legend relates that long ago some Monks had found a crown of thorns which the Savior wore on the day He was crucified. During Passion Week, it was laid onto the Altar of the Chapel and the people looked upon the sacred crown with great reverence, awed as they saw the cruel thorns bearing still the stains of blood.

Very early on Easter morning one of the Monks entered the Chapel to remove the relic which would be so out of harmony with the glad thoughts of that day. When he opened the door, he found the whole Chapel was filled with wondrous perfume. He could not understand it. As he went up to the Altar, the early sunlight coming through the eastern window showed him the crown still resting there, but it had become a crown of roses. Every rose was pouring out its marvelous fragrance.

The beautiful legend is a parable of what Christ does with earth's sorrows for all who love and trust Him, out of pain comes blessings. The crown of thorns must be worn by the Master's own, but the thorns burst into sweet flowers as the light of Heaven's morning touches them.

Let us now pause to remember:

**OUR PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS**

Weeping inconsolably beside a grave can never give back love's banished treasure. Nor can any blessing come out of such sadness. Sorrow makes deep scars, it writes its record ineffaceable on the heart which suffers. We really never get over our great griefs. We are never altogether the same after we have passed them as we were before. Yet, there is a humanizing and fertilizing influence in sorrow which has been rightly accepted, and bravely borne. Indeed they are poor who have never suffered and have none of sorrow's marks upon them. The joy set before us should shine upon our grief as the sun shines through the clouds glorifying them. God has so ordered that in pressing on in duty we shall find comfort in ourselves. If we brood over sorrow, our strength changes to weakness. But if we turn away from it, take up the tasks God has placed before us, the light comes again—and we will grow stronger. Press on with Hope—and hold on the Master's hand.

NARRATOR :..... Mrs. Susan L. Johnson, P.G.M.

However deep the shadows, however dark the way,  
God's love is always with us, day by day,  
And well we know He understands our sorrow,  
And will give us comfort for today, courage for tomorrow.

When the news of the death of a dear friend reaches us, there is a sadness which fills our lives, but too, our renewed faith takes us to the joy of receiving Heaven as our home. Jesus said he has prepared a place for us, and in faith we shall all receive this gift. Our Grand Jurisdiction, during this past year, has lost three faithful Past Grands. Our Sisters and Brother are no longer suffering the pain that had filled their bodies but walking on streets of silver and gold filled with Joy and Peace.

Brother THOMAS HENRY ALLRED, *Worthy Grand Patron, 1972-1973*, was called by his Master on February 6th, 1998. Brother Tom gave strength to all he knew. He not only stood tall in statute with a broad smile that always brought joy to those around him. His love, support and dedication to our Order was acknowledged by Sister Mable Mackereth as she appointed Brother Tom to serve as a member of the Appeals and Grievance Committee for the General Grand Chapter in 1976. God made man in His own image. He placed in man's heart a compassion for others. A compassion which moves men to stretch forth their hands to the people of the world. Brother Tom was always willing to stretch out his hand to work for our Order and to help in whatever manner necessary. Today we place in our Garden of Remembrance this pair of work gloves to represent the many untiring ef-

forts Brother Tom gave to our Order and its members. Brother Tom reminded us of the scripture, "By their works ye shall know them." I truly believe our Heavenly Father welcomed him home and touched his shoulders and said, "Well done, my good and faithful Servant." (Margaret Bishop, *P.G.M.*, places gloves in a chair.)

Sister MAE JEANETTE ASHFORD McLEMORE, *Worthy Grand Matron, 1969-1970*, answered God's call home on February 23rd, 1998.

Sister NANCY RUTH McLEMORE, *Worthy Grand Matron, 1984-1985*, also slipped into God's arms on February 23rd, 1998.

As a tribute to these Sisters, we all realize that we never think of one, we always think of them together. Sister Mae and Nancy were together in both life and death. Their lives were filled with a true dedication to service. Sister Mae in both her profession of service to others through her nursing and her continued support of our Order. As well as Sister Nancy in her profession of service to her country in the United States Marines and as a civilian employee with the Department of the Army and her love for the Order of the Eastern Star. Their service to our Order was recognized and each received General Grand Chapter Committee appointments. Sister Mae served on the Credentials Committee for Sister Thelma Bailey; Sister Nancy served as Chairman of the Our World of Youth Committee for Sister Lois Newman. We all felt the special job that Mae and Nancy shared through Eastern Star. We realized that our loss is Heaven's gain and they are surely rejoicing with their loved ones gone before. Their departure from the earthly life is but the fulfilling of the Master's words: "And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of Hosts in that day when I make up my Jewels. . . ." Today as we gather at this Garden of Remembrance, we place this beautiful basket in memory of Sister Mae cherishing the memories of a Mother devoted to her family and our Order. We now place these beautiful roses in our basket in memory of Sister Nancy reminding us of her love for nature and the Order of the Eastern Star. The basket filled with roses again symbolizes the harvest and the joy it brings just as Sisters Mae and Nancy gave their all to our Order and its members. (William "Bill" Johnson, *P.G.P.* and H. David Brown, *P.G.P.*, place roses.)

NARRATOR..... Mrs. Doris C. Johnson, *P.G.M.*

Hide your cross in the rose, bury your sigh in the song. Keep your cross if you will, but keep it under a wreath of flowers. It is the singing of your heart that will make you forget your sorrows. He will give you a "song in your desert night." It may be that your loved ones in glory will hear and be glad.

Farther on, you will find thorns, but in every step you tread out the fragrance of the sweetest flowers. Farther on, you will meet no foe, but kindred spirits with their great thoughts, wise and loving will cheer you on the way. Farther on, and no dark cloud will throw its gloomy shadow over you—you shall have the brightest stars at night, and naught but sunshine in the day. Farther on, the prospect improves, the valleys are more rich and the mountains are more grand. Flowers are lovelier, trees more statelier, deck the landscape and rivers and lakes more beautiful and more majestic—refresh and beautify the scene. Take courage—it is better farther on.

### MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

We have chosen to give you a list of the names of our departed Sisters and Brothers—so you can remember them and reflect on the memories of the many times that were shared. Some were closer to some of us than others—hold on to these precious memories and keep them close in your heart. Three hundred thirty-nine have answered the Master's call. Recently Brother Mack Gilreath, husband of Sister Virginia, and Sister Mabel Varnes have left us. Our love and sympathy is extended to each family.

We learn many lessons in the "loss of Loved Ones." Death is a bridge that leads to the living God. Those we have not seen for many years—their presence will be like goodness

and mercy. Thinking on this helps soothe the ache of our hearts and helps to bear our sorrow and one day we will heal.

So if family members and friends can surround us in our time of sorrow—then God's love must be even greater. We feel God's touch through the touch of our friends. We see our loved ones who have gone on free from pain and problems—spared of all distress we can be enriched by this loss, our faith can be renewed and make us better.

"I have prayed that your faith may not fail." Luke 29:32

Serving as Church Organist, I attend and participate in many funerals. Lots of emotion, different approaches, some even seem strange. A good friend, Patricia Enzor, died recently—she said "It is not dying that is hard, but the leaving."

Andy's Special Friends Foundation was founded in our area by David and Jessica Vaught as a living memorial to their son, Andy, who was healed of cancer. They met many parents who had terminally ill children while they spent so much time in the hospital.

Their main purpose is to give support to these families by bringing them to the beach for an all-expense-paid weekend. The rewards we receive for seeing the happiness in these children's eyes are unbelievable. The death of the young is hard to understand. Sometimes their mission on earth can be accomplished in a very few years. Remember Jesus did not live long either. Isn't it possibly that the work they were sent to do had been finished. A short life can be a sweet one, almost sweeter and purer than a life prolonged. You sorrow for the Joys of the life the child has missed, but you recognize the pain and problems that have been spared. It goes back to its maker unembittered, unscared, leaving only the most beautiful memories behind. We know life does not stop. Whatever its stage of interruption, it continues to develop into perfection far happier than it could be here—Separation—yes—loss—never—for His spirit will always be with us.

As we now remember:

### **MEMBERS FROM OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS**

Our Blessed Lord Jesus walks among the roses and lilies in His garden. When He sees a wintry storm coming upon some tender plants of righteousness, He hides them in the earth to preserve life in them, that they may bloom with new glories when they shall be raised from the bed.

We now remember:

### **FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF OUR SUBORDINATE CHAPTER MEMBERS**

Our God acts as a tender Father—He protects His children and often takes children— young, middle age and older—when He desires. We that are Christians know that they are not "gone forever" but just gone a little sooner than the rest of us. "Peace be to that bed of dust when they are hidden by the hand of their God, from unknown dangers! Blessed be our Lord Jesus, who has keys to the graves and never opens it for his favorites but in wisest season." "When I die, give what is left of me to the children. If you need to cry, cry for your brother walking beside you. Put your arms around anyone and give them what you need to give me. I want to leave you something, something better than words or sounds. Look for me in the people I have loved and known. And if you cannot live without me, then let me live in your eyes, your mind, your acts of kindness. You can love me most by letting hands touch hands and by letting go of children that need to be free. Love does not die, people do. So when all that is left of me is love—give me away." Author unknown

You're Still His Child ..... Kathy Johnson Gwynn

(Children including Rainbow, Job's Daughters and Demolay walk up and place humming-birds on tree in memory of departed loved ones.)

Let us Pray:

Dear God, thank You for giving us comfort in our times of sorrow. Thank You for this time we have spent reflecting on the memory of our loved ones that have left us. Help us to hold fast and realize that You did not take them away—but that You received them. Thank You for the hope we have in Christ Jesus. Amen.

(Leave in Silence)

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION**

What a beautiful scene greeted the members and visitors attending the Ninety-first Annual "To God Be The Glory" Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. The Conference Center of the Sheraton was transformed into a setting of elegance and beauty.

The background drape of royal purple was accented by mirror columns with arrangements of calla lilies and red roses. The East was decorated with a swag of calla lilies and beautiful white lights accented the stage. The highlight of the East was a lovely cross draped with purple. The cross was made by Brother Harold Salley, Past Grand Patron. On the floor in front of the stage was an array of ferns and other greenery.

The interior of the beautiful lighted Altar was enhanced with purple fabric displaying a wooden cross, calla lily, red rose and the family Bible of our Worthy Grand Matron.

A very large and beautiful oil painting of the original Eastern Star Home was displayed on the back wall in the West. The painting was given to the Worthy Grand Matron by the late Sister Mildred Garrington, Past Grand Matron.

At each Star Point Station stood a beautiful lit pedestal and back of each chair was a mirror column accented with a hurricane globe and a white candle. During the emblem presentation each Star Point Officer was presented the emblem of their station which they placed on the pedestal.

The impressive and lovely decorations set the atmosphere of elegance and simplicity as the Ninety-first Annual "To God Be The Glory" Session began.

**INFORMAL OPENING**

**Monday Evening, June 15, 1998**

**Sister Frankie C. Wynne, Past Grand Matron  
and Mistress of Ceremonies**

MUSICAL PRELUDE ..... Lois B. Watson, *Grand Organist*

*Sister Wynne:* The hour has arrived for us to begin the activities of our Informal Opening and we ask everyone to please be seated.

The Ninety-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star will now come to order.

Grand Marshal, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, and other Distinguished Guests to the East.

**ENTRANCE OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

Mrs. Lynda K. Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Ira M. Parks, Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron

Mrs. Glenda G. Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of South Carolina

Mr. Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron

Mr. Robert Coble, Mayor of the City of Columbia

Mr. Gilbert Martin, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina  
 Mrs. Dedra Hart, Supreme Deputy in the State of South Carolina, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls  
 Miss Sondra Bennett, Grand Worthy Advisor of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in South Carolina  
 Mr. Robert J. Bean—Executive Officer in South Carolina and Active Member of the International Supreme Council Order of Demolay  
 Miss Sandra Dunbar, Miss Carolina Job's Daughters of the Jurisdictional Guardian of the Carolinas of the International Order of Job's Daughters  
 Mrs. Nelva Lindler, District Deputy Grand Matron, District No. 10  
 Miss Olivia Young, Director of Marketing, Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center  
 Mrs. Martha H. Barry, Associate Grand Matron

*Sister Wynne:* Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers, Family Members and Dear Friends, we have looked forward to this occasion with much excitement and great anticipation. I am most grateful for the privilege of serving as the Mistress of Ceremonies for the opening festivities of this particular "TO GOD BE THE GLORY" session.

It is also my pleasure to extend to each one present a very hearty welcome and to thank you for sharing with us the joys of this memorable event.

In the Order of the Eastern Star it is our custom to always seek the blessings and guidance of our Heavenly Father in all our actions and deliberations. And at this time I am happy to invite Brother Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron, to bring the Invocation.

### INVOCATION

#### **Brother Fred R. Caldwell, *Past Grand Patron***

Our Heavenly Father,

We once again come to you with love and praise for all that you do for us. To thank you for another wonderful day and for your presence here with us. Father, stay with us throughout our entire session because we know that with you here, we can be assured of a most harmonious and productive session. Our meeting could never be complete without you. Father, we pray that you will lead, guide and direct us in all of our thoughts and actions as we begin this informal "*To God Be The Glory*" session.

We pray your blessings upon our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron as they lead us through the next several days and, that, their judgments and decisions will come from your teachings.

Bless all who could not be with us, whatever the reasons, and may they have the peace and comfort that can be theirs from loving you.

Thank you, dear Father, for your continued Blessings and we always praise you and glorify your Holy name. Amen and Amen.

### PRESENTATION OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON

*Sister Wynne:* Over the past year, our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have rendered exemplary leadership to our Beautiful Order. They have demonstrated great faithfulness and dedication in the fulfillment of their duties and obligations. It is most fitting that they chose the GOLDEN RULE as their THEME for the year. And now at this time I am honored to present Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Ira M. Parks, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. Please join me in extending Grand Honors to them. (The Grand Chapter was called up and Grand Honors were extended to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.)

**PRESENTATION OF THE  
PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
AND PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON**

*Sister Wynne:* We are most fortunate to have with us this evening two of our international leaders of the Order, Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron. These two distinguished leaders have traveled throughout the world to further and strengthen the noble and charitable endeavors of the Order of the Eastern Star. I am now most happy to present Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of West Virginia and Brother Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee. Please join me in extending Grand Honors to them. (The Grand Chapter was called up and Grand Honors were extended to our Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron.)

**GREETINGS FROM THE GOVERNOR OF  
THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

*Sister Wynne:* We deeply regret that Governor David Beasley could not be with us this evening. However, I would like to read a letter of Greetings from the Governor of South Carolina.

**GREETINGS**

On behalf of the State of South Carolina, I welcome you to the Grand Chapter of South Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star. It is my pleasure to send greetings to you this evening from the citizens across our great State.

The Order of the Eastern Star continues to be a civic-minded and community-focused group. You continue to promote a society that affords opportunity and equal changes to all citizens. Your assistance allows those who are less fortunate to have their chance of reaching the "American Dream." I continue to be appreciative of all that you are doing to ensure happiness across the Palmetto State.

Best wishes for a successful meeting. Please feel free to call on me if I may ever be of assistance.

David M. Beasley  
Governor

*Sister Wynne:* At the time we are delighted to have the Mayor of the City of Columbia, the Honorable Robert D. Coble, to bring greetings to our members from throughout the State of South Carolina, many other States and some Canadian Provinces. Please join me in giving him a Hearty Welcome. (Loud Applause)

**CIVIC GREETINGS  
The Honorable Robert D. Coble  
Mayor of the City of Columbia**

Gosh, I believe that beautiful song cured the microphone, that was wonderful. Let me say it is my pleasure to be here today; I believe that since I have been Mayor I have missed only one or two of these. It is always a pleasure to come and welcome everyone here with the Order of the Eastern Star. This organization does a lot of wonderful work and I do congratulate everyone of you. I would like to particularly welcome those who are not just from the Midlands but those from all throughout South Carolina and indeed the world. We are delighted that you are here and delighted that you are here with us here in our community and we deeply appreciate your presence.

I would, at this point, like to ask Lynda Pittman, the Worthy Grand Matron and Ira Parks, the Worthy Grand Patron if they would come forward. The key to the City is a symbol for recognition for a job well done, or recognition of an honored guest. And in this case I would like to present the Worthy Grand Matron, Lynda Pittman and the Worthy Grand Patron, Ira Parks for the tremendous job they have done in leading this fine organization, and on behalf of all the citizen of Columbia I would like to present these keys as a token of affection and thank you for the work you have done. (Keys presented). (Loud Applause) Thank you very much.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Around Columbia we call him Mayor "Bob." So, Mayor "Bob," I would like to thank you very much for the Key to the City and I am from right here in the city, as a matter of fact, I'm right downtown on Main Street. We certainly are delighted to have you with us this afternoon and most especially thank you for the Key to the City.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Mayor "Bob" Coble, thank you so much for this fine honor here and yes I'm from Columbia. I live near Blue Cross and Blue Shield, so I'm not far from here. This is a great honor and I shall treasure it for a long time. Thank you so much for this great honor. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* The Order of the Eastern Star is closely related to the Masonic Fraternity and we hold these ties very dear. We are very fortunate to have with us Mr. Gilbert Martin, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina to bring Greetings. Please give him a Hearty Welcome. (Loud Applause—Standing Ovation)

## MASONIC GREETINGS

### **Brother Gilbert Martin, Deputy Grand Master The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina**

Thank you, so very, very much.

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Brethren of Eastern Star:*

I am going to quote a politician that many of you may remember from several years ago; he was a Vice President and it was Hubert Humphries, and he said, "I'm just as pleased as punch to be here."

It is my pleasure to be here to represent our Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina, Most Worshipful Brother D. Samuel Tennyson and some fifty-four thousand and a half Masons in this great and wonderful state of ours.

I bring you their greetings and I wish for you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the grandest of grand sessions and I pledge to you on behalf of our Most Worshipful Grand Master and our Grand Lodge our continued support to every one of your endeavors in any way that we can and the mutual cooperation that this fraternity is famous for. And on his behalf, I don't have a key, but I do have a coin from our Most Worshipful Grand Master, if you would come forward. He asked me, on his behalf, to present to you his Grand Master's Coin. And to wish for you, he's in Florida, and to wish to you from the Sunshine State and South Carolina, the grandest of Grand Sessions. (Coins presented)

It is my pleasure to be here. Thank you. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* We also share a close relationship with a number of very fine youth organizations, one of which is the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. I am now pleased to present Mrs. Dedra Hart, Supreme Deputy in the State of South Carolina, and with her is Sondra Bennett, the Grand Worthy Advisor. Please give them a Hearty Welcome. (Loud Applause)

## GREETINGS FROM THE ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Mrs. Dedra Hart, Supreme Deputy, in South Carolina.

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

Thank you for the privilege of addressing the Grand Chapter of South Carolina on behalf of our Youth Order. The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls is a character-building organization for girls between the ages of eleven and twenty. Its purpose is to teach young girls fraternal life and leadership, as well as service to humanity. Members of Rainbow are active in their churches, schools and communities. Our Rainbow assemblies meet twice each month to conduct business; to plan fund-raisers, service projects, and fun activities; and to forge lifelong friendships. Any Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star Chapter or Amaranth Court may sponsor an assembly and appoint the advisory board to oversee its activities.

The primary objective of our Order is the development of young girls into responsible women. Our ceremonies teach lessons that exemplify the fact that the Bible and its purpose are the foundation upon which to build character. We believe that our Rainbow Girls are our hope for the future, and there can be no better example of how bright that future is than our own Grand Worthy Advisor, Sister Sondra Bennett. She is the elected leader of our South Carolina Rainbow Girls and she will speak on their behalf at this time.

*Sondra Bennett, Grand Worthy Advisor of South Carolina:* Worthy Grand Matron, and Worthy Grand Patron, I would like to give you this small token (made presentation—in-audible).

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Supreme Deputy, Distinguished Guests, members of the Order of the Eastern Star and Friends:*

Good evening! My name is Sondra Bennett and I am the Grand Worthy Advisor of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in South Carolina. It is a great honor for me to bring greetings to your "To God Be The Glory" Grand Session on behalf of all the Rainbow Girls in South Carolina. Rainbow is very proud to be sponsored by such a beautiful organization. The Love and Support that you give throughout the state are greatly appreciated. This year we will be concluding the 75th anniversary of Rainbow in St. Louis, Missouri. The first Rainbow assembly was instituted on April 6, 1922 in McAlester, Oklahoma by South McAlester Chapter #149, OES and they initiated 179 girls. This just shows how close our organizations are. Many girls who are in Rainbow also join Eastern Star. They see how loving and caring you are and they want to be a part of that. I am not only a Rainbow Girl but I am also an Eastern Star Sister. I joined Berkeley Charter #112 on May 1, 1997 and am currently holding the station of Adah.

Rainbow teaches a girl how to grow into a young lady, where Eastern Star teaches her how to be a good woman.

This year, our theme in Rainbow is "With God All Things Are Possible" and we believe just that. Our service project this year is to help the children's emergency shelters throughout the state. Each assembly is designated to the shelter closest to them. One assembly took the children skating, another assembly had a bear drive and took 70 bears to the shelter for the present and future children. I had the honor of speaking at the grand opening of the Callen-Lacey Children's Shelter in Moncks Corner, S.C., which is the shelter that my assembly, Berkeley Assembly and Goose Creek Assembly have been helping.

We have also been raising money for the Grand Assembly fund and the Edna D. McLaurin Scholarship fund. In February we held a statewide bowl-a-thon and we raised a whole lot of money. Each year at Grand Assembly, the Executive Committee presents as

many girls as possible with the scholarships. I have been a recipient in the past and it has helped me out tremendously.

Our watchwords this year are four very important ingredients of life: Laughter, Joy, Happiness and Courage. Laughter is God's medicine for the soul. Joy is ours when we know Jesus. Happiness is a heart full of Rainbows, and Courage allows us to follow our dreams and to serve God.

This year we have mascots and Precious Treasures. Our mascots are the majestic sea creatures of the oceans, especially orcas, dolphins and white seals. Our Precious Treasures are Precious Moments, which remind us of all the precious joys of life.

In March, the Grand Officers and I went to the aquarium in Myrtle Beach and we had a blast. The beautiful rainbow-colored fish, the seahorses and oh the stingrays. As we were petting the rays all I could think about was jumping into the water and swimming with them.

This year has been an exciting year for all of us and next month it will all come to a close. I would like to extend to each of you an invitation to be present at the "With God All Things Are Possible" Grand Session on July 10-12 at Erskine College in Due West, S.C.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to take part in the "Garden of Remembrance" memorial service yesterday morning. My father, Howard Bennett, who was a Mason and one of Sister Doris Johnson's District Deputies, would have been pleased to see me take a part in such a beautiful ceremony.

I also want to thank Brother Dave Brown for initiating me into the Turtle Club. I will always remember the high moral standards of this elite club.

Thank you again, for allowing me this time to share Rainbow with you and always remember that no matter what happens on your journey through life, "With God All Things Are Possible." Thank you. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* We are equally proud of the excellent leadership provided by and for the young men of the Demolay. We are pleased to present Mr. Robert J. Bean, Executive Officer in South Carolina and Active Member of the International Supreme Council Order of Demolay to bring greetings. Please give him a Hearty Welcome. (Loud Applause)

## **GREETINGS FROM THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY FOR BOYS**

**Mr. Robert J. Bean**

*Executive Officer in South Carolina and Active*

*Member of the International Supreme Council Order of Demolay*

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters, Brothers, Future Demolays, Future Rainbows, Job's Daughters and Friends:*

It is a pleasure to be here tonight. I believe this is my sixth trip, always a distinct honor to address this body.

We just finished up our fourth consecutive year of net growth for Demolay in South Carolina. I'm rather proud of that. I now represent some 220 young men around the state, which is about 100 more than it was when we started six years ago. Demolay continues to grow. Just last Thursday there was an organizational meeting of Colonel Claude M. Sawyer Chapter in Aiken, South Carolina. I still don't have the paper work and we all know that no job is ever finished until the paper work is done, but that seed is germinating and starting to grow. We've also got a seed germinating in Beaufort, South Carolina and I fully expect the Eastern Star ladies to make sure that the Brothers in the Masonic Lodge sponsor their Chapter in the near future. I have been assured as much. We did have one little step backward this year in Moncks Corner. The Chapter down there was unable to complete their registration process on time and has been declared inactive. They are still somewhat alive and the Worshipful Master keeps assuring me that they are going to be back in the active category very shortly. In fact, we have a new minister down there in Moncks Corner that is an advisor from another state and he is working right now trying to get that Chapter back

going. We also have one very distinct need here in the Columbia area. We have a lot of young men in Columbia that want to be Demolays. We have the Scottish Rites Bodies in Columbia that are sponsoring a Demolay Chapter. Unfortunately we don't have any advisors that are able to work with the young men here in Columbia. What we need is Master Masons that are young at heart, I said young at heart, I didn't say young in years, there could be snow on the roof as long as there's still a little fire in the furnace. I would ask all the Brothers to consider serving as a advisor for the Demolay Chapter here in Columbia. If you know of another Master Mason that you think would be a good advisor, refer him to us, twist his arm or do whatever you need to do and get hold of Francis Lee over at the Scottish Rite Temple and let's get going.

There is now other changes that has come about in the last year and that is Demolay International. I am an active member of Supreme Council of Demolay International, but I'm also a class 1 member, whatever that means, I suppose that is better than being a class 2 member of Demolay International. We changed our name—why did we change our name? Because we are now a 501C3 Corporation under the laws of the government of the United States of America, the tax law. This means that Demolay is now tax-deductible contributions.

Demolay is growing—Demolay continues to grow and will continue to grow, and I hope to come back year after year and make a very similar report to you about our progress.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been a pleasure to be with you this evening. Thank you. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* We are also very happy to include in the youth group the young ladies of the International Order of Job's Daughters. With us is Miss Sondra Dunbar, Miss Carolina Job's Daughters of the Jurisdictional Guardian of the Carolinas, who will bring greetings. Please give her a Hearty Welcome. (Applause)

## **GREETINGS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS**

Miss Sondra Dunbar, Miss Carolina Job's Daughters of the Jurisdictional Guardian of the Carolinas.

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Members and Visitors of the Order of Eastern Star:*

It is my pleasure as Jurisdictional Guardian of the Carolinas to bring greetings from the Jurisdictional Guardian Council and to introduce to you our Miss Carolina Job's Daughter, Miss Emily Dean.

She has been an active member of Bethel #2 in Raleigh, North Carolina for the past seven years. She has been honored Queen of our Bethel four different times, she is a rising freshman at USC and will be competing in our Miss International Pageant in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, the first week in August. It is my pleasure to introduce Miss Emily Dean.

Miss Emily Dean, Miss Carolina Job's Daughter.

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, Members and Friends:*

Good evening!!

Again my name is Emily Dean and I am Mistress of Daughters of the Carolinas. I have come here this evening to let you know what Job's Daughters and Eastern Star can do for each other. Also to bring greetings on behalf of the members of Job's Daughters of the Jurisdiction the Carolinas.

Most important this evening I want to tell you about Job's Daughters. Job's Daughters is an international Masonic youth organization for young girls between the ages of 11 and 20.

Just like Eastern Stars we must have Masonic heritage to join our organization, so this means when Job's Daughters have grown from young women to mature adults they are eligible for membership in Eastern Star. Many women use Job's Daughters as a stepping-stone to Eastern Star. Good Job's Daughters always make wonderful Eastern Stars and I am proud to say that currently I am petitioning the Millbrook Chapter #293 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Job's Daughter and Eastern Star have many similarities. First of all what you call Chapter we call our Bethel and there are four Bethels in the Carolinas, unfortunately only one in South Carolina and it is located in North Myrtle Beach at the Grand Strand Masonic Lodge. As you can see there is plenty of room to start new Bethels and we are looking for places to expand and there is need for as much help as possible. We hope to have at least one more Bethel in South Carolina before the year is out. Our second similarity is our presiding officer. Your Worthy Matron is like our Honored Queen; she runs the meetings and plans the events. Many of you, I am sure, have been Worthy Matrons and know the hard work, organizational and responsibility it takes to do a good job. Now just imagine your daughters, granddaughters or niece doing the same job for a Bethel that you have been doing for your chapter. Job's Daughters are guided by the advice of our Council of adults where they learn how to work themselves. Each task given them provides a sense of accomplishment and gives us a stepping-stone into maturity. Just as Eastern Star has the five points to relay Biblical lessons to their initiates, Job's Daughters have the five messengers who relates the story of Job to our pilgrims. The Bible verse that we were founded on is Job 42:15: "And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job; and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren." Job's Daughters teaches young women to live up to this passage and strive to be worthy of being called one of the fairest in all the land.

The main principles taught in Job's Daughters are patience, reverence to God, loyalty to our country and obedience to our parents and guardians. These are much like the principles that are taught in Eastern Star. This guarantees that we all have the same values and morals. But the things that I am the most proud of about Job's Daughters is that we are the only International Masonic Youth Organization that has their own perpetual project. It is called "HIKE" which stands for HEARING IMPAIRED KIDS ENDOWMENT FUND. Job's Daughters all over the world work together to raise money for less fortunate children so they will be able to have the gift of hearing. Here in the Carolinas we have helped a 15-year-old boy to have an operation to improve his hearing. He can now hear much better due to the hard work of many young women. Just recently we found out on July 11th we will be traveling to Spartanburg, South Carolina, to present another check for money to help a child hear.

While the jurisdiction of the Carolinas is still in its first couple of years it's a very exciting time for us. We are looking for ways to grow both in North and South Carolina.

As Miss Dunbar said, August 1st I will be traveling with Miss Dunbar and Irene Burback, our Junior Miss Job's Daughter of the Carolinas, to Canada to compete for the honor of Miss International Job's Daughters and while there I hope my dreams will come true and I will do my best to represent both North and South Carolina.

Now if we all work together here in the Carolinas we could do some great things and with your support Job's Daughters could grow even stronger. This will be an investment into your future since Job's Daughters of today are the Eastern Stars of tomorrow. With the right leadership now these young women could take Job's Daughters and Eastern Stars to new heights in the Carolinas. Job's Daughters have done so much for so many and we are looking forward to doing a lot more in the future. So if you know of girls between the ages of 11 and 20 with the proper Masonic relationship that are interested in starting a Bethel we would like to talk, feel free to talk to me later tonight. Finally I urge each one of you who haven't had the pleasure of seeing a Bethel meeting to find a Bethel nearest you and learn more about us. For those of you that have attended and know about Job's Daughters please share that with others so we will be able to grow and work together.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I would like to present you with a pin

from the Jurisdiction of the Carolinas. (Pin presented) I thank you for your support, for this time and Godspeed. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* We are holding our Grand Session this year in the center of the State, which also happens to be the Home District of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. This District is known as District No. 10 of which Nelva Lindler is the District Deputy. Sister Nelva, we invite you to come and bring greetings and your welcome. Please give her a hearty welcome. (Loud Applause)

## **GREETINGS AND WELCOME FROM DISTRICT NO. 10** **Sister Nelva Lindler, *District Deputy Grand Matron***

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

"To God Be The Glory," great things He hath done. He brought each of us here safely and I pray He will take us safely home.

Welcome friends to the Tenth District Order of the Eastern Star of South Carolina. This is the home District of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Linda K. Pittman and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira M. Parks and the Ninety-first "To God Be The Glory" Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina.

I call you friends because a friend is laughter, going places, doing new things, and having the best time ever. We have planned for our out of state visitors, friends who are not members of the "Star," and our entire membership these things: fun, laughter, going places, new things and a great time of fellowship. Grace Easley describes a friend this way:

"A friend is someone tried and true,  
That you can tell your troubles to.  
A gentle smile, a happy face  
That makes the world a better place.  
A friend is someone that is yours  
As long as times and life endures.  
Sharing cherished moments when  
You know *you never need pretend.*"

Again, WELCOME! Thanks to each of you for coming. Sit back, relax and enjoy. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for the privilege of extending these greetings to all of our distinguished guests. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* For a number of years we have been fortunate to hold our Annual Sessions in the very fine facilities here at the Sheraton Conference Center in Columbia. We have appreciated the excellent manner in which the management and staff have taken care of all our needs and requirements.

We are pleased to recognize Mrs. Olivia Young, Director of Marketing of the Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center, who would also like to extend her greetings. (Applause)

## **GREETINGS AND WELCOME** **Mrs. Olivia Young, *Director of Marketing*** ***Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center***

Good evening ALL!!

I would like to say this evening on behalf of the entire management and staff here at the Sheraton Hotel it is indeed an honor for us to host this conference.

It has been a pleasure for me over the course of many months working and planning with many of you on the details of this conference. It is our goal for you to have an enjoyable and memorable 1998 conference here with us. Our office is right by the front desk

and if there is anything that my staff can do for you while you are here don't hesitate to come by.

We look forward to working with you for many years to come. Welcome back and thank you again. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* In our Order it is our custom to invite our Associate Grand Matron to give the Response to all greetings on behalf of the Grand Chapter, and now I am pleased to present Sister Martha H. Barry, Associate Grand Matron, to respond.

## RESPONSE TO ALL GREETINGS

### Sister Martha H. "Marty" Barry, *Associate Grand Matron*

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Distinguished Sisters and Brothers, Guests, Families, and Friends:*

We have many traditions in our Order, one of which is affording the Associate Grand Matron the privilege of responding to such gracious welcomes as we have just heard.

While the Governor could not be here, we appreciate the letter of welcome he sent.

The Honorable Robert Coble, Mayor of the City of Columbia, you were with us as the new mayor-elect when we first came to the Sheraton. We are always grateful for your warm welcome to our state capital and look forward to coming each year.

Gilbert Martin, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina, it is with pleasure that we listen each year to remarks from our Masonic Brothers, for without you, our order would not exist.

To our youth organizations:

Sister Dedra Hart, Supreme Deputy of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in South Carolina and Sister Sondra Bennett, Grand Worthy Advisor of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in South Carolina, thank you for your kind words. Sister Sondra, you know you have a very special place in my heart.

Robert J. Bean, Executive Officer in South Carolina and active member of the International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay, we appreciate the work your organization does to prepare young men—and Sandy Dunbar, Jurisdictional Guardian of the Carolinas of the International Order of Job's Daughters and Emily Dean, Miss Carolina Job's Daughter. Job's Daughters is experiencing a rebirth in our state and we look forward to watching you prosper and grow.

Our future is in our youth. We thank you for the leadership you have shown in your respective organizations and for the training your organization provides for our future members.

To our Eastern Star host, the Tenth District represented by Sister Nelva Lindler, District Deputy, we know you have had a rich and rewarding, but also hardworking and, we hope, fun time planning for us to join you. We thank you for all your efforts on our behalf.

Olivia Young, Director of Marketing, Sheraton Hotel, how time does fly. I served as a Grand Officer at our first session held here in 1990, Now nine years later, I am able to tell you how much we have all enjoyed the time we have spent at the Sheraton. We appreciate all of your, as well as your staffs', efforts to ensure we complete our business, have a good time at our social events, and, yes, even relax. It has been a pleasure working with you and getting to know you. I look forward to working closer with you in the coming year.

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, the opening pages of the Ninety-first Grand Session of South Carolina, the "To God Be The Glory" session are unfolding before you. As your year of service to our beloved order comes to closure, we remember you have encouraged us to work together this year as a team to accomplish more. We have been inspired to let our light shine as someone is always watching us. May all your hopes and dreams come to completion as the candle of your Eastern Star lives burns brightly for all to see. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* At this time we will have some presentations by our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

### PRESENTATION OF GRAND CHAPTER MONETARY GIFTS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Frankie, thank you very much for the beautiful job that you have done as our Mistress of Ceremonies this afternoon. We always appreciate all the hard work that you put into an effort in everything that you do and certainly do appreciate everything that you have done for our enjoyment this afternoon. Thank you.

At this time Brother Ira and I would like to make some presentations. I would like to ask at this time if the representative of the Rainbow Assembly would come forward.

Sister Sondra, it is always a pleasure to have you visit with us and bring greetings on behalf of the Order of the Rainbow for Girls. It is certainly our pleasure to present to you on behalf of this Grand Body a small token of our appreciation and we hope you will put it to good use in your Scholarship Fund for the betterment of your organization.

*Sister Sondra:* Thank you very much.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Mr. Dean, on behalf of the Grand Body of South Carolina I am pleased to present to the Palmetto Demolay Association a check to also go into your Scholarship Fund and I hope the Demolay will continue to prosper in the State of South Carolina. Yes, you have seen some young men on the sidelines tonight and maybe someday they will also grow up and be a member of Demolay. We certainly do appreciate your bringing greetings tonight as well.

*Robert J. Dean:* Thank you very much.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Job's Daughters. Sister Emily, it certainly is a pleasure to have you with us tonight as well and to bring greeting from Job's Daughters and I know that you do work hard for your organization. We would also like to present you with a gift from the Grand Body to go toward your scholarship fund as well.

*Emily Dean:* Thank you very much.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Mrs. Debbie Seal, Director of Clinical Programs, Palmetto Richland Memorial Hospital Cancer Center, please come forward. Sister Debbie, it is certainly our pleasure to welcome you and as you know in the Order of the Eastern Star we do work very hard for our Order as well as for the support of organizations throughout the city. On behalf of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina we are delighted to be able to present a check to the Cancer Center this afternoon and we hope that you will put it to good use for your foundation.

I am a little bit partial to your Hospital because I have a daughter working there; it is a very special place in my heart. Would you like to bring some remarks?

*Mrs. Debbie Seale:* On behalf of the Palmetto Richland Memorial Hospital Cancer Center for cancer treatment and research, our patients, families, employees and staff, we wish to thank you very much for this.

Being here tonight has a special personal significance to me. I remember going to events like this as a small child. My grandmother, Essie Singley . . . (Laughter) . . . oh, you recognize Miss Essie . . . (Loud Applause) . . . I don't guess I have to say a frog liver of Prosperity. She held several offices and I think the recognition is just great and it has special significance to be with you this evening because of Miss Essie's activities in the Eastern Star. Fairey Louise and James Black are here this evening and they are cousins of mine so the family legacy runs deep with the Eastern Star.

I'm just tickled pink to be here tonight and also to be representing the Richland Memorial Hospital Cancer Center and wish to thank you very much for this. Again thank you very much. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Also from Palmetto Richland Memorial Hospital Heart Center we have Mr. Eugene Allen, Executive Director of Richland Memorial Hospital Heart Center. Will you please come forward at this time?

Mr. Allen, it is certainly my pleasure to also present to the Heart Center of the Palmetto Richland Memorial Hospital a check on behalf of the Grand Body and we hope you also will put it to good use for the benefit of the hospital and patient care. We certainly appreciate your being here and I invite you to bring remarks as well.

*Eugene Allen:* Thank you, I need a hug too. (Laughter)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Okay.

*Eugene Allen:* You can shake my hand over there. (Loud Applause)

*Eugene Allen:* First of all I would like to clear up a point and answer a question I'm sure has been floating around the audience ever since I came up here. No, I was not a basketball player, I have been a midget wrestler. (Loud Applause) I'm a stand in for Tom Kleinhazel who is the Vice President of the Heart Center and I will say that, I'm sure he would say if he were here the fact that we thank you very much for this, of course, but also we will use this as a way to fuel the engine that's driving the Palmetto Richland Hospital on our journey towards excellence; you know a journey toward excellence is a never-ending journey. We are striving to get there because of the fact that the thinking throughout the hospital with the leadership and the staff is that we want to provide the highest quality medical care for the people that we serve in this community. We want to be in a position where people don't have to go outside this community to get the high-level and quality health care that you, your neighbors and your families deserve. So it's with great pleasure that I accept this on behalf of the leadership, the staff, the employees and the patients that we have over at the Palmetto Richmond Memorial Hospital, and again thank you very much. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Wynne:* On behalf of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina I would like to express our appreciation for your presence and we are very grateful for your kind attention to our Distinguished Guests. Would you please stand now as the Grand Marshal escorts the Distinguished Guests from the East and may we give them another applause of appreciation as they leave. (The Distinguished Guests were escorted from the Chapter Room). (Loud Applause)

The introduction of Grand Officers will be under the direction of Sister Mary B. Fogle, Past Grand Matron. I now invite her to preside.

### **INTRODUCTION OF GRAND OFFICERS 1997-1998** ***Grand Escorts, Deputy Grand Marshals, Special and Personal*** ***Grand Pages and Aides to the Grand Officers***

*Sister Mary:* May I also greet each of you with my personal salutation and say what a joy it is for me to participate in this program this evening. I am grateful to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for inviting me once again to share their pride in presenting their Grand Family—both elected and appointed!

Permit me first to publicly express my gratitude to those so ably assisting me this evening: Sisters Celia Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron, Betty Lou Burrows, Carol Coker, Flonise Brown, Kay Arant; also Brothers Harold Munn, Ted LeBlanc and Tommie Britt, as well as Brothers Billy Joe Graves and Lucius Todd, Past Grand Patrons. Creating our musical mood—Sister "Dot" Kneece at the organ.

Let us now welcome our Deputy Grand Marshals, Special and Personal Grand Pages and Aides, under the direction of our special Grand Marshals. (The above-appointed groups entered in formation and were seated.)

It is now a joy to present our Grand Officers for 1997-98 again as a TEAM—as well as a FAMILY! Each Grand Officer will be accompanied by their Escort, Deputy Grand Mar-

shal, Special and Personal Grand Pages and Aides. They will be presented in this respective title order.

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Lynda K. Pittman
Escorted by (her husband).....	Robert L. Pittman, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Accompanied by .....	Sarah Phillips Dorothy Campbell Jennifer Powers Ellen Woodall Deborah Hinson Jean McCaig Geneva Padgett Michele Meadows Tommy Britt Howard Coggins
Worthy Grand Patron.....	Ira M. Parks
Escorted by (his wife).....	Mary Ann Parks, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Accompanied by .....	James Ballard Fred Klein Laura Ratterree Aretta Godbey Eupha Carney Forrest Terry Johnny Johnson Joe Lubelsky Jo Long Mary Sesnauskas
Associate Grand Matron.....	Martha Barry
Escorted by .....	Eugene Burrows
Accompanied by .....	Cathy Belangia Mable Varnes Andrea Barry
Associate Grand Patron .....	Jacques Lefever
Escorted by .....	Barbara Bannister
Accompanied by .....	Bill Corbin Kenneth Reid Gale Rickert
Grand Secretary.....	Anna Schulz, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Escorted by .....	Vernon Force, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Accompanied by .....	Shirley Tracey Etta Ruth Arant Arthur Tracey
Grand Treasurer .....	Judy Caldwell, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Escorted by .....	Jack Coker
Accompanied by .....	Nancy Copeland Vienna Teal Kathy Birge
Grand Conductress.....	Ethel Rimes
Escorted by (her husband) .....	Jake Rimes
Accompanied by .....	Lucy Trump Sandra Rhinehart Shirley Martin

Associate Grand Conductress .....	Linda Lamb
Escorted by .....	Jack Hydrick, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Accompanied by .....	Ann Thompson Joanne Palshan Bobbie Kinard
Grand Trustee, Chairman .....	James Roddy, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Escorted by (his wife) .....	Hilda Roddy
Accompanied by .....	Paddy Vaughn Terry Trump
Grand Trustee .....	Celia Bradshaw, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Escorted by (her husband) .....	Charles Bradshaw
Accompanied by .....	Sara Klein Adgie Blackman Nelda Corbin
Grand Trustee .....	Elizabeth Barnett, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Escorted by (her husband) .....	P. G. Barnett, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Accompanied by .....	Billie Pearce Marcie Malone Mary Donna Pinkston
Grand Chaplain .....	Earl Shields
Escorted by (his wife) .....	Merle Shields
Accompanied by .....	J. W. Terry Earnest Campbell Darrell Gerner
Grand Lecturer .....	Fred Caldwell, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Escorted by .....	Joanne Palshan
Accompanied by .....	Donna Owens Willie Laney Marlene Smith
Grand Marshal .....	Richard Meadows
Escorted by (his wife) .....	Michele Meadows
Accompanied by .....	Tom LaFavor Cecil Dix Vickie Meadows
Grand Organist .....	Lois Watson
Escorted by .....	Jonnie Fowler
Accompanied by .....	Myra Ballard Evelyn Southerland Estela Reidy
Grand Adah .....	Jane Munn
Escorted by (her husband) .....	Harold Munn
Accompanied by .....	Dorothy James Frances LaFavor Jeanette Taylor
Grand Ruth .....	Louise Wyatt
Escorted by (her husband) .....	Albert Wyatt
Accompanied by .....	Mary Ann Faircloth Ethel Whisenant Mildred Weeks

Grand Esther .....	Erma Burke
Escorted by .....	Doug Carlson
Accompanied by .....	Nancy Ann Ritchie Ruby McLaughlin Mary Coggins
Grand Martha .....	Kaye Rackley
Escorted by .....	Pete Sluder
Accompanied by .....	Kathy Gerner Mary Lois Britt Mary Launius
Grand Electa.....	Jean Peebles
Escorted by .....	James D. Perry, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Accompanied by .....	Marcie Frick Mildred Webb Sara Pritchard
Grand Warder .....	Betty Henderson
Escorted by (her husband).....	Joseph Henderson
Accompanied by .....	Mildred Hydrick Evelyn Bridges Billie Baltzegar
Grand Sentinel.....	Bobby James
Escorted by (his wife).....	Dorothy James
Accompanied by .....	Bill Thomason Sam Winstead Bill Clement

As I meditated on this Ninety-first Annual Session of our Grand Chapter and the Presentation of this Grand Family, Elective and Appointive, I pondered to myself—"What can I say that would appropriately express the efforts and sacrifices that they have made to leave a legacy of their services to this Great Order?"

My thoughts repeatedly returned to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's emphasis they placed on two of their Emblems: the Cross and the Candle!

THE CROSS is a symbol of many things—  
One of which is God's Love of Mankind.  
It is true that each one of us is a Special Creation,  
As well as, a dream of God!  
In Response—we lovingly proclaim—  
"TO GOD BE THE GLORY!"

THE CANDLE—is a Symbol of Light—  
In the Scriptures it is written—  
"You are the Light of the World!"  
As we Radiate Light we encircle the world  
With Love and Become "Beacons of Light"  
For each other.

(House Lights were dimmed and Past Grand Patrons entered with Candelabrum.)

Our Past Grand Patrons enter our presence now bearing illuminated Candelabrum into this darkened room as a symbol of God's presence and the dispensing of His Light. These myriad Tapers are symbolic of the reality that—"A Candle loses nothing of its light by Lighting another Candle."

(They moved to the East through the Labyrinth and placed them on pedestals illuminating the room with Light where there had been darkness.)

When the Day is Dark and Dreary—  
 And your way is hard to find,  
 Don't let your heart be weary—  
 Just keep this thought in mind:  
 It is better to light just one little candle  
 Than to stumble in the dark,  
 Better far that you light just one little candle,  
 All you need is a tiny spark.  
 If we'd all say a prayer that the world would be free,  
 The wonderful dawn of a new day we'll see,  
 And if everyone lit just—one little candle,  
 What a bright world this would be!

*Sister Mary:* I now invite Sister Irma Perry, Past Grand Matron, to preside for our Bible and Emblem Presentation.

### **PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE** **Sister Irma H. Perry, Past Grand Matron**

(Kyle enters from Sentinel's station carrying the Bible—followed by Brandon, Brother Bobby and Alaina. They meet Sister Lynda, Worthy Grand Matron, at the Chaplain's station. All then proceed to the Altar. Kyle gives the Bible to Sister Lynda and she places it on the Altar and opens it. Brandon, Brother Bobby and Alaina take position behind Kyle and Sister Lynda.)

Tonight the Bible is reverently placed upon the Altar by Sister Lynda Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron, escorted by her husband, Brother Robert L. Pittman, Past Grand Patron, and her three grandchildren—Kyle A. Helton, Grand Bible Bearer, Brandon A. Helton and Alaina M. Summer, Escorts to the Grand Chapter Bible Bearer.

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was God. Down through the ages the Word of God has shed its Holy Light upon the pathway of mankind. It has illuminated the pages of history and has brought to the human heart comfort and consolation not found in any other book. We also find how mankind has destroyed themselves when they forgot God and His Word.

Just as the open Bible upon the Altar symbolizes the sacrifice of Christ for the sins of the world, so may we lay upon the Altar all the unworthy things of our lives, that we may become more pure and true in the service of Him whose Star we follow. We should go out into the world and meet our duties in the spirit of Brotherhood. The Word of God is the Light of the world.

When the Bible is open upon our Altar, it symbolizes the Spirit of God in the human heart. May the teaching of our Holy Bible give to our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers and all members the strength and courage to carry on their duties for this "To God Be The Glory" Session. We pray that the light of God's love and truth will shine in each of our hearts and be reflected in our words and deeds.

(Sister Lynda closes the Bible, all turn to the left and exit between Esther and Martha. On reaching the marching line, Sister Lynda turns to her right and proceeds to her station in the East. Kyle, Brandon, Brother Bobby and Alaina continue outside through the preparation room exit.)

*Sister Irma:* The presentation of the emblems will follow immediately.

### **PRESENTATION OF EMBLEMS** **Sister Irma H. Perry, Past Grand Matron**

The Grand Emblem Bearers will enter the Grand Chapter Room. The Grand Star Point will rise and remain standing.

Behold the emblems of our beautiful Star around God's Holy Altar. Let us strive to be like Him and seek His help, lest we should falter.

In the midst of our beautiful Star, the Emblem Bearers stand. They will place their emblems, each lovingly held in their hands, into the hands of each Star Point.

Sister Mary Donna Pinkston, Grand Adah 1994-1995, represents the first point of our emblematic Star. The emblem of Adah's station is the sword and veil united. To Eastern Star members this emblem denotes self-sacrifice and fidelity to a spoken vow. Into your hands I place this emblem.

Sister Geneva Padgett, Grand Ruth 1976-1977. The emblem of Ruth's station is the golden sheaf of wheat. This emblem of plenty teaches us to glean carefully the very best from each day so that we might bind together the elements of our lives into a sheaf of plenty, and in turn, be gleaned for Heaven during God's final harvest. I now give into your keeping this sheaf of wheat.

Sister Mildred "Mille" Hydrick, Grand Esther 1989-1990, represents the third point of our Star. The emblem of Esther's station is the crown and scepter united. By uniting the crown and scepter it becomes symbolic of the great authority and power invested in one person, reminding us to be unwavering in our loyalty to our kindred and friends. Esther, the humble and noble queen, saved her people in their hour of need. I give into your keeping this emblem.

Sister Mary Lois Britt, Grand Martha 1985-1986, represents the fourth point of our Star. The emblem of Martha's station is the broken column, an emblem of the uncertainty of human life. It reminds us that God's love can overshadow all grief if we, as Martha did, remain steadfast in love, hope and trust. Into your keeping I give this emblem—the broken column.

Sister Alma Force, Grand Electa 1982-1983, represents the fifth and last point of our Star, the station of the elect lady. Electa's emblem is the cup, an emblem of charity and hospitality, reminding us to be generous to victims of poverty and distress, whether the need be spiritual or physical. Into your keeping I give this emblem, the cup.

Our distinguished Heroines exemplify those rare and beautiful Virtues of Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love. The Grand Star Points and the Grand Emblem Bearers are altogether lovely and certainly they are the Fairest among Thousands.

While we try to follow the flickering Star that led the Wisemen and the Shepherds on, we know by Thy Word it shall one day guide us into a glorious dawn.

We should give thanks to our Lord and realize that to be a members of the Eastern Star is a precious privilege. May our lives as Eastern Star members radiate by precept and example the teachings and obligations of our Order: so that the world looking on may see that it's good to belong to an Order that has as its symbol the Star in the East and the Holy Bible as it's source of teachings and principles.

As this "To God Be The Glory" Session points out to us, we will find "Thy Word, O Lord, is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" all the way.

The Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Officers will now sign the Worthy Grand Matron's Bible. (Each signed the Bible and stepped back into their position. The Worthy Grand Matron closed her Bible and the Grand Officers retired.) (Applause)

SPECIAL MUSIC ..... Sister Lois Watson,  
*Grand Organist*

**INFORMAL OPENING**  
**Monday Evening, June 15, 1998**

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina was called to order by Sister Doris C. Johnson, Past Grand Matron and Brother Robert "Bobby" Pittman, Past Grand Patron.

*Brother Bobby:* Sister Lynda, does that show you how we feel in South Carolina about you? We love you so much and thank you for the hard work you are doing and will continue to do.

*Sister Doris:* If it looked like I was guarding this microphone and wouldn't turn it loose to Brother Bobby, it was because he was standing on my dress and I could not move. (Laughter)

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

(The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter Room. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were presented at the Altar.)

*Sister Doris:* Grand Officers, I want to congratulate each of you on a wonderful year of service and wish you my very best as you continue to serve our Order.

Sister Lynda, Worthy Grand Matron of the State of South Carolina, It seems only a short while ago that you came into our lives and our hearts. You came into our Order so eager to learn, so eager to serve, so eager to give of yourself and look at you now girl. You've given your very best and we are so proud of you, all of your accomplishments, and I appreciate all of your plans and everything you have done, especially this year when General Grand Chapter was thrown in on top of you. Thank you for your planning and all the support that you gave us during that time. God bless you and "To God Be The Glory."

Brother Ira, you've traveled long and hard for many years and you've given of yourself and served in many, many different capacities. We appreciate your service and especially this year all that you have given. May God bless you both as you preside over this, your session. I could talk on and on but we will do it later.

Sister Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress . . . Oh! Brother Bobby, did you want to say something? Oh! you'll tell her something later when you get home.

(The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Sister Doris:* You won't believe this but Sister Lynda is standing on my dress now. (Laughter)

*Brother Bobby:* Sister Lynda, Sister Doris has given me the honor of presenting to you the gavel of which you and Brother Ira will preside during this session. It is with all my love that I present you your gavel.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you.

Sister Doris, Brother Bobby, this is going to be, is the hardest thing that I'm going to have to do this whole session and that is to address this Sister and Brother. When I first was initiated into this Order this Sister took me under her wing; she told me a lot, she told me how to do things right, she told me how not to do them wrong, but she has always been there for me—all I had to do was to pick up the telephone and call her. I couldn't think of anybody that I would want to open this first session of the "To God Be The Glory" Session but you. I appreciate it from the bottom of my heart and you will never know how much love and how much admiration I have for you now and have always had for you. Thank you. Thank you so much.

Brother Bobby, this gavel that you have presented to me, as some of you may already know, was a gavel that you used as Worthy Grand Patron and his years as a Line Officer. So it is indeed my privilege to use this gavel to preside over this Grand Chapter Session. Bobby, without your love and dedication in support of me this year this certainly would not have been possible. You have done just about everything possible you could possibly do this year and a little bit more, a lot of things that I didn't even have to ask you to do. Thank you very much for all your love, dedication and support.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Doris and Brother Bobby, thank you so much for calling to order this Ninety-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter and I just cannot thank you two enough for what you've done for the Order and what you have meant to the Order. I have worked with both of you for many years and I have known you both for as long as I have been in the Star. It is just my greatest honor to have ever stood here before my Sisters and Brothers and I thank you so much for that.

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have our Prayer of Dedication by Brother Jack Hydrick, Past Grand Patron.

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### Brother A. Jack Hydrick, *Past Grand Patron*

Our Father in heaven, we stand before You to thank You for the many blessing bestowed upon us and for Thy love in caring and providing for our needs.

This Ninety-first "To God Be The Glory" Session is dedicated to You and we pray that we may gather here in peace and harmony to promote the good of our Order. May all that we accomplish be a reflection of Your love.

Give us strength, Father, to perform at our best, even though our bodies may tire. Give us clear minds and a love for each other as we make the decisions that will be required of us as we conduct the business of this session.

We thank You, Father, for Thy watchful care in guiding and protecting our leaders in all the travels made to carry out their duties. We pray Thy continued care over our officers as they begin a New Year at the close of this session.

Forgive us our many transgressions and help us in our daily walk to serve You. Prepare us to work with each other in a spirit of love.

In Thy Holy Name I pray. Amen.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* It is now my pleasure to recognize Brother Jack Coker, Past Patron, who will have our Flag Presentation

### PRESENTATION OF FLAGS

#### Brother Jack Coker, *Past Patron*

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

It is indeed my pleasure to post the colors for this "To God Be The Glory," the Ninety-first Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star.

### THE AMERICAN FLAG

Flag of the United States of America! Old Glory! The Stars and Stripes. It does not matter what we call it, it is the flag of our country! long may it wave over a free nation. Our flag has gone to war many times and never gone down in defeat. In some places today, even in our own beloved country, although in time of peace, our flag is not shown the respect that it deserves. Therefore, let us as Americans consecrate ourselves anew to defend it in the conflict of war as well as in the tranquility of peace, in the combined spirit of Americanism and Freemasonry, which stand for one and the same thing. We salute the banner of peace. Sister and Brothers, Old Glory! (Flag is presented at the Altar)

Your flag and my flag, and how it flies today  
in your land and my land, and half the world away.  
Rose-red and blood-red, its stripes forever gleam,

Snow-white and soul-white, the good father's dream.  
 Sky-blue and true-blue, with stars that gleam aright,  
 The glorified guidon of the day, a shelter thro' the night.  
     Your flag and my flag, oh how much it holds,  
     Your land and my land secure within its folds.  
     Your heart and my heart, beat quicker at the sight,  
 Sun-kissed and wind-tossed, the red, the blue, the white.  
     The one flag, the great flag, the flag for me and you.  
 Glorified the whole worldwide—the red, the white, the blue.

(Flag is grounded in the East)

Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in pledging allegiance to our flag after which we will sing one verse of the national anthem.

The flag of our country was presented by M/Sgt. and Sister Gale Rickert, Past Matron of John L. Flynn Chapter #277. Sister Gale is a flight engineer on the C-141B and is chief engineer at Charleston AFB.

### THE CANADIAN FLAG

The Canadian flag is a distinguished flag. It is a symbol of dignity and grace, of independence and destiny, in a nation filled with great opportunities and culture to make it a great nation. The two red bands represent blood spent by Canadians in two world wars in hopes of bringing peace and freedom to people of the world. The white band represents the purity in heart of all Canadians and the maple leaf, whose eleven points represent ten provinces and one territory, is a familiar emblem. (Flag is presented at the Altar)

May the maple leaf and the Stars and Stripes ever fly side by side, as a testimony of the ties that bind the two great nations together. (Flag is grounded in the East)

The Canadian flag was presented by Brother Stan Calvert, Meadow Lake Chapter #121, Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan.

### THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FLAG

The South Carolina state flag, with its royal blue background, white crescent and palmetto tree, is classic in its simplicity.

In 1775 the Revolutionary Council of Safety asked Colonel William Moultrie to design a flag to be used by South Carolina soldiers in the inevitable war with the British. For this flag, Colonel Moultrie chose the blue color of his soldier's uniforms and a white crescent similar to the silver emblem on their caps. The palmetto tree was added to honor the palmetto log fort on Sullivans Island that warded off the British attack in 1776.

The flag, adopted in 1777, is one of the oldest state flags in continuous use, with its design unchanged. It has remained an honored symbol of South Carolina for over two hundred years, in spite of secession, the Civil War, and reconstruction. On May 23, 1778, South Carolina became the eighth state to ratify the Constitution of the United States and be admitted to the union. For that reason, the South Carolina flag flies proudly in eighth place among the flags of the original thirteen states, wherever they are displayed.

Sisters and Brothers, the flag of the great state of South Carolina. (Flag is presented at the Altar)

• Three things there must always be,  
     If a state would ever be free,  
     First a fireside shining bright,  
 For men to come home to at night.  
     Second a place to kneel and pray,  
 Where cares and troubles melt away.  
     Lastly a flag to proudly wave,

O'er people whose hearts are strong and brave.  
 God grant us then, these gifts so rare,  
 A home, a flag, and a place of prayer.

(Flag is grounded in the East)

The flag of South Carolina was presented by Brother Doug Lawhead, Past Patron of St. Andrews Chapter No. 271, home chapter of the Worthy Grand Matron.

### THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

The Christian flag is the banner of the Prince of Peace, and is the only flag to which the national ensign shows submission. It is the symbol of hope and faith. It bears no symbol of warfare, it stands for no creed or denomination. This flag, symbolic of our faith in God, holds an honored place in this Grand Chapter Room. The ground is white, representing peace and purity, the blue field, the color of the unclouded sky, the symbol of fidelity and truth. Its chief device, the cross of red, is the emblem of Christian sacrifice and reminds us that upon the cross Christ made the supreme sacrifice that we might have the assurance of immortal life. Sisters and Brothers, the Christian flag. (Flag is presented at the Altar)

Live it, love it, and follow the flag that flies in the fore of that holy man of Galilee.

Come ye disconsolate wherever ye languish,  
 Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.  
 Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish  
 Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.  
 Oh Lord, my God, how great thou art.

(Flag is posted in the East)

Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in giving the pledge to the Christian flag.

The Christian flag was presented by Brother Seth Davis, Past Patron of Shandon Chapter No. 193, the home chapter of our Worthy Grand Patron.

### THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR FLAG

Many decades ago, a New Star was born, the Order of the Eastern Star. It was conceived as an organization of sublime inspiration, dedicated to the highest concept of spiritual faith, and the noblest aspirations in the affairs of those who follow its flag. When one by one, we have slipped the surly bonds of earth, we pray we may join hands with those who have followed this flag, the fairest adornment of the heavens. (Flag is presented at the Altar)

To our beloved red, white and blue  
 Was added green and yellow too.  
 And every color is the key  
 To signs between you and me.  
 Our open Bible holds the creed  
 For all mankind, fills every need.  
 And from its holy pages are,  
 The precepts of our Eastern Star.

(Flag is grounded in the East)

The Eastern Star flag was presented by Brother Jimmy Scarborough, Past and Present Patron of Lower Richland Chapter No. 295.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, the banner of our Beloved United States of America, our neighbor Canada, the great state of South Carolina, Christianity, and the Order of the Eastern Star are duly posted. Again, I thank you for this honor. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jack, we do appreciate this beautiful flag ceremony that you have presented for us this evening. You know I have always been told that in order to look good and be successful you had to surround yourself with good people and successful people and I think Brother Jack has done a beautiful job. Thank you very much. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I don't think I can expound on that too much what Brother Jack Coker does for the Eastern Star. I have known him for many, many years and anything he does is par excellence; there's little more you can say than that. He is a good worker for this Order and I thank you, my Brother.

### PRESENTATION OF FAMILIES

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Well now it says it is time for the presentation of families. All of my family had to leave. I have a four-year-old granddaughter but it was passed her bedtime, so she had to go home and get ready for bed. My two grandsons had to leave, they didn't want to, but their mother is a police officer with the St. Mathews Police Department and she is on call tonight so she had to get back to St. Mathews. Brother Bobby, this young man certainly needs no introduction to this Grand Family. As I have said earlier, Brother Bobby has done everything he possibly could do for me this year. I think he has done things for me before I even thought about them needing to be done. You know, he retired about four years ago or he thought he retired. Well I told him when he retired, I said, "I give you permission to run the house" and that's what he's doing, running the vacuum cleaner, the dishwasher, washing machine and anything that needs to be done, but I have a feeling after Wednesday that is going to change. Thank you, Brother Bobby, I love you. Brother Ira. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. To say my family is small is almost an understatement. Now my oldest son is probably out with his girl friend tonight and I have a feeling that he is doing different than what we are doing. He is a guy that is a treasure in our lives because he does a lot of things that keeps my business going when I'm not well or we need something done. Now to the one member of my family that is here and the most important to me is my wife, Mary Ann, who has been with me in almost every effort that I have been involved in since we have been married. She is as strong as a rock and a most caring person and I never could have served in this job without her help. Now, needless to say, my Sisters and Brothers out on the sidelines, you really contributed much to my success in this organization for what little I have been able to do because it could not have been accomplished without you. To my wife, Mary Ann, you are the greatest person in my life and I love you, lady. Thank you very much, you have made my day. (Applause)

### INTRODUCTION OF THE MATRON, ASSISTANT MATRON AND RESIDENTS OF THE EASTERN STAR HOME

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following in the West:

Sister Mother Isla Baker, Charleston Chapter #56

Sister Winona Shultz, Mary Montgomery Chapter #231

Sister Miriam Regensburg, Beuclare Chapter #20

Sister Jeanette King, Matron

Sister Marie Ard, Assistant Matron. Brother Lerans had to stay home so we could come.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I know someone had to stay home and take care of the home fires. To our beautiful residents, you don't know what a joy it is to have each one of you here tonight. I cherish the support you have given me this year. Sister Jeanette and Sister Marie, thank you so very much for bringing Sister Isla, Sister Winona and Sister Miriam

and tell brother Lerans that we did miss him. I do hope to be with you often after this Grand Chapter Session. To our out-of-state guests that are visiting with us tonight, I would like to tell you that one of the young ladies standing back there is in excess of 100 years old. Let's give them a very hearty welcome. (Applause)

Brother Ira, would you like to address our Matron, Assistant Matron and Residents?

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I will just be very brief. It is always a pleasure to see our residents of the home. The little lady who is 100 years old, now if I ever live half as long as you have already I'll think the Lord is just smiling on me something terribly nice. We trust that everything is going well in your life there and if anything is wrong just call my number and it's not 911 either and I'll get right down there and see if I can't straighten something out. Welcome to your Grand Chapter Session and we are honored by your presence here this evening. We wish for you the best and we thank you for your many contributions to our Order. (Applause)

(The Matron, Assistant Matron and Residents were seated in the Chapter Room.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* You know I have said on many occasions that sometimes when you want to go to the Eastern Star Home you think I'm too busy, just don't have the time, but every time you go down there and visit with these beautiful Sisters and Brothers you always come away feeling so much better. I have enjoyed every opportunity I have had to visit the home this year. I haven't been there as often as I would like but hopefully I will soon be down there on a regular basis and I look forward to visiting with each one of you while I'm there.

Now I want to know how many of you have walked on the new driveway? Oh! Sister Isla, I thought so; she said she was going to be the first. We have just put in a new driveway in the back of our Eastern Star Home and they said they were going to use it to roller blade on. (Laughter)

## INTRODUCTION OF THE PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron at the Altar.

Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of the State of West Virginia.

Brother Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron of the State of Tennessee.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Maxine, thank you for being here for our Session. You have always been a part of my Eastern Star life. Maybe one day we will be able to go back to the beach and relax and go shopping.

Brother Ray, I wasn't sure whether you and Sister Louise would be here for our Session and we are just delighted that you made that special effort to come. I know you have to go home in the morning, but we are happy that you could stay here through today. One of my first trips was to your Grand Jurisdiction and as I told you this afternoon, I was introduced to you in the elevator by Sister Doris. She introduced me as Worthy Matron of St. Andrews Chapter and I just thought that was the biggest thing in the world to have met you at that particular time. You were so gracious. Thank you and Sister Louise very much for being here.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Maxine and Brother Ray, we welcome you to South Carolina again and we hope that your time with us here will be just great for we have come to know you both almost as well as our own members. Brother Ray, we are sorry you and Sister Louise have to leave tomorrow morning. We wish you safe traveling and hope you will come again soon. Thank you for being here.

(The Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

### **INTRODUCTION OF OUR ELECTED GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICER**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced Sister Glenda G. Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of South Carolina at the Altar.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Glenda, one of the highest honors that could be bestowed upon me this year was when you asked me to nominate you at the General Grand Chapter in Orlando. It was certainly my pleasure to do so and to know that I could be such an active part in that election. The State of South Carolina loves you, we support you and we will be behind you one hundred percent . . . all the way. Thank you for being at home to be with us for this "To God Be The Glory" Session.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Glenda, we welcome you to your own Grand Chapter Session and hope that everything is going well in your new job in the General Grand Chapter and we love you and wish you the very best.

(The Elected General Grand Chapter Officer was escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time we will have our courtesy honoring Sister Glenda G. Winchester, our Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, and I invite Sister Marlene Wilds, Past Grand Matron and Brother James Roddy, Past Grand Patron to preside.

*Sister Marlene:* Sister Hilda Roddy, will you present Sister Glenda Winchester behind the altar?

Sister Lynda Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for this opportunity to do this courtesy for Glenda, but most of all to stand in the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jimmy, and I welcome Sister Maxine and Brother Ray, our own Installing Grand Officer.

### **COURTESY HONORING OUR OWN WORTHY GRAND TREASURER**

**Presented by: Sister Marlene Wilds, *Past Grand Matron*  
and Brother James Roddy, *Past Grand Patron***

Sister Glenda, how thrilled we were when Sister Lynda asked us to do a courtesy for you and we have done a little research and found out a few very important facts about you. With all I know about you, I could write on this paper.

On February 24, 1963 you became the wife of Brother Harold Winchester and we think that was one of your best decisions. (Laughter)

In August you were initiated into the Order of the Eastern Star at Dunean Chapter. This started you on a journey you never dreamed of.

In 1967-68 you were installed as Worthy Matron. You have held this station many times and you are presently serving as Worthy Matron. Some years ago I gave Sister Evelyn Parks a plaque that read, "Being Worthy Matron too long will cause brain damage." (Laughter) I think I will have to make you one.

In 1971-72 you served as Grand Marshal for Sister Margaret Bishop and Brother Tom Allred.

(Sister Hilda escorted Sister Margaret to stand with Sister Glenda.)

Sister Margaret, will you present Sister Glenda with a FROG? (Frog presented)

In 1975 you were elected to the office of Grand Conductress and in 1978-79 you served

our State as Worthy Grand Matron with Brother Harold Salley. I'm sorry that Brother Harold could not be here tonight because of illness, but Sister Hilda Roddy served as your Grand Marshal that year and she would like to give you TWO FROGS.

(Sister Hilda escorted Brother Harold Winchester to stand with Sister Glenda.)

Sister Glenda, I think Brother Harold has a FROG for you. (Frog presented)

Sister Glenda, most people may not know that FROGS were your fun emblem. Brother Jimmy and I have been trying to figure out why did you use FROGS. If you have ever been to Glenda's house there are FROGS everywhere with a few teddy bears thrown in. Sister Glenda, sometimes we wonder if you picked one of those FROGS thinking maybe it would turn into a Prince Charming and maybe this is what you have been trying to do all these years—find a Prince Charming. I want you to take that FROG "HERMIT" and kiss it and see if we can turn it into a Prince Charming. Well kiss it again. Well you know sometimes when we kiss a FROG it don't always turn into a Prince Charming, so we just keep trying. This is what my mother told me when we tried it. (Laughter)

Sister Glenda, in 1991-94 you served as Worthy Grand Chaplain of the General Grand Chapter for Brother Ray Osborne and Sister Virginia Painter and he was your Prince Charming, never dreaming that some day that would lead you to where you are today. You have traveled the world over and made many friends.

In November 1997 you were elected Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of the General Grand Chapter and South Carolina stands very proud. We, as the "Friends of Glenda Committee" and all the members of South Carolina worked very hard to have that beautiful reception for you, and nobody worked harder than Brother Ray and Brother Harold and nobody was any prouder than your Brother Ray and Brother Harold and we love you.

*Brother Jimmy:* Sister Glenda, as a member of your chapter, Dunean Chapter #194, I'm very proud of you and the members of your chapter are also very proud of you.

Sister Glenda, your MOTTO when you were Worthy Grand Matron was, "Let us be grateful for our blessings and show goodness in our actions and wisdom in our judgment." Sister Glenda, you are still living this today. Sister Glenda, the members of South Carolina are very proud of you; remember God loves you and so do we and no one reaches out and touches someone everyday as much as you do.

*Sister Marlene:* I would like for this Grand Body to stand and show Sister Glenda how very proud we are of her. (Loud Applause)

Sister Glenda, we hope this is just the first of many, many courtesies that will be extended to you and just know that you are surrounded with love and I will ask your Grand Marshal to seat you all.

(Sister Glenda was escorted to the East and others were escorted to their seats.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Marlene and Brother Jimmy, thank you very much for doing that special courtesy for Sister Glenda, we appreciate that very much.

## **INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following General Grand Chapter Committee Members at the Altar:

Sister Anna R. Schulz, International Peace Garden Chapel Committee of the General Grand Chapter, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary

Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr., Chairman of Payroll Committee of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Anna and Brother P. G., South Carolina is also very proud of the two of you. You are two very deserving Sister and Brother and I know that Sister Florence is very, very pleased with the work that you are doing for General Grand Chapter and again you both have the complete support of South Carolina's Sisters and Brothers as

you travel around representing South Carolina for the General Grand Chapter in other Grand Jurisdictions. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. General Grand Chapter Committee Members of South Carolina, we welcome you to your own Grand Chapter Session and just trust that if there is anything that we can do for you just let us know and we will see that it is done.

(The General Grand Chapter Committee Members of South Carolina were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time I recognize Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of West Virginia, who will bring our response.

*Sister Maxine:* Thank you, Sister Lynda.

### RESPONSE

#### **Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of the State of Tennessee**

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, all Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers and Friends:*

I thank you Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, for this great honor that you have bestowed upon me this evening of speaking in behalf of those who have served in General Grand Chapter and those who are serving.

We have certainly enjoyed your hospitality, we have enjoyed your decorations, we have enjoyed all the banquets, and everything that has been done for our comfort and our pleasure and we do thank you. Your welcome was most gracious.

I want to tell you how much we enjoyed the performance by our Sisters Frankie, Irma and Mary; they always do such a beautiful job and we enjoyed that. Our own Worthy Grand Organist, Sister Doris, and Brother Bobby did the Informal Opening and it was just heartwarming, and I do thank you for that. We do thank you for everything.

To see your residents of your home, to hear the fraternal leaders, the civil leaders, all of this we thank them for the time that they take to come and bring their greetings to us and let us know more about them.

Thank you again for all that you have done. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time we will have the courtesy honoring our South Carolina Committee Members. At this time I recognize Brother Vernon Force and Sister Alma Force for the presentation of the courtesy for Sister Anna.

### COURTESY HONORING

#### **Sister Anna R. Schulz, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary Presented by: Brother Vernon D. Force, Past Grand Patron and Sister Alma T. Force, Grand Representative**

*Brother Vernon:* Webster defines "destiny" as the inevitable or necessary lot to which a particular person is destined: Fortune; the predetermined or inevitable course of events considered beyond the power or control of people; the power held to predetermine events; fate. William Jennings Bryan disagreed with Webster when he stated that destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, but something to be achieved. The life of Anna Schulz tends to support Mr. Bryan rather than Mr. Webster.

Dr. William Menninger wrote that there are six essential qualities that are the key to success: Sincerity, Integrity, Humility, Courtesy, Wisdom and Charity. Dr. Menninger either knew Anna Schulz or someone just like her.

George Lorimer said that the foundation of every noble life are the principles that have fashioned it and Thomas Jefferson believed that in matters of principle, stand like a rock; in matters of taste, swim with the current. Anna Schulz again.

William James, American psychologist and philosopher, believed that the deepest principle of human nature is the craving to be appreciated. I believe that this is true about most people.

Most people do want to be appreciated. But look back to Dr. Menninger's six essential qualities that are the key to success to find the real Anna Schulz. Her Sincerity, Integrity, Humility, Courtesy, Wisdom and Charity more than compensate for her lack of craving to be appreciated.

Sister Ann, please accept this gold disk inscribed with the letter "A" from our family given in behalf of all your Eastern Star family. "A" for Anna. "A" for Achiever. "A" for Appreciated. (Sister Alma gave the beautiful necklace to Sister Anna and fastened the gold chain.)

*Brother Vernon:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for allowing us this privilege to honor Sister Anna. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Vernon and Sister Alma. At this time I would like to recognize Brother C. R. "Mac" McLaughlin, Past Patron, who will do the courtesy honoring Brother P.G. Barnett.

## COURTESY HONORING

### **Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr., *General Grand Chapter Committee Member and Past Grand Patron***

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

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, thank you for the opportunity to introduce our General Grand Chapter Committee Member and Past Grand Patron, Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr. It is easy to honor an individual who is so deserving of recognition for his accomplishments and service.

Brother P. G. cannot simply be introduced as an individual, because his entire life has been one of sharing and giving of himself, so that his life is interwoven with the lives of many others.

To mention all of his notable accomplishments would take more time than can be allotted to this portion of today's program, so I submit the following summary:

He is the son of Paul Glen and Lillian C. Barnett, born June 5, 1923.

On June 10, 1948 he married Elizabeth Belle Owens.

They have four children: Carole, Linda, Paul Glenn III, and Luther Owens.

He was made a Master Mason in Aiken Lodge #156 in 1948.

He also joined the Order of the Eastern Star that same year.

He has served as Worshipful Master of his Lodge and Worthy Patron of his Order of the Eastern Star Chapter.

He has served as District Deputy Grand Patron twice, and has held numerous other offices and appointments.

He was elected Worthy Grand Patron in 1961. He has remained active in the Order, having served eight years as Grand Trustee, and serving on most of the standing committees of Grand Chapter. During 50 years as a member, he has missed only three Grand Chapter Sessions.

He served in World War II as First Lieutenant in the 10th Armored Division.

He has admirably and unselfishly served his country, his family, his Masonic fraternity, and the Order of the Eastern Star.

He has been a:

Husband .....	50 years
Father .....	182 years (4 children)
Mason .....	50 years
OES.....	50 years
TOTAL .....	332 years

This is a small number of years compared to the number of years he has been a true and trusted friend and Brother to many of you here. He and his lovely wife, Lib, have been friends and mentors to Ruby and me for more than 40 years.

Sisters and Brothers, will you stand with me in honor of an outstanding man and Mason, Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother "Mac," thank you very much for the presentation in honor of Brother P. G. Barnett.

It is quickly approaching our 9:00 o'clock hour which we will have to start preparation for our formal opening so I am going to ask that our Sisters and Brothers that are standing and preparing for introductions if you would just have a seat, bear with us and we will pick right up after the formal opening.

At this particular time I would like to recognize Sister Mary Fogle, Sister Frankie Wynne, and Sister Irma Perry. You know when we were preparing for the opening of this Ninety-first Annual Session it didn't take me long to realize who I would like to be a part of these very special responsibilities.

Sister Mary, you certainly have conducted the Introduction of Grand Officers in a beautiful manner and I'm most appreciative of everything that you have done for me. I don't think that I have ever gone to you for anything that you were not right there ready and willing to help. I thank you so very much for everything that you have ever done for me.

Sister Frankie Wynne, thank you for serving as our Mistress of Ceremonies. Here again it another Sister that I have been able to call on just about anytime and she has always been there to advise me, to guide me and to assist me. Thank you very much for being an active part in this Informal Opening tonight and for everything that you have done for me.

Sister Irma Perry, this sweet young lady has planned for so many months and everytime she thought she had it about right she would call me and say, "Is this what you want?" and I would say, "Yes, with the exception of a couple of things." So she just said, "Okay, we will start over." Well you got it perfect, it was beautiful, presentation of the Bible, presentation of the Emblems and the signing of the Bible. The Grand Star Points this year have used their own emblems throughout the year so I thought it would be very special if the Grand Emblem Bearers would hand them to the Grand Star Points and give them the opportunity to place them on their pedestals for this Grand Session. It has been a beautiful presentation and I thank you very much for that.

If you are visiting with us and not a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, we thank you for coming and regret that we must ask you to leave after the Grand Officers retire. We do invite you to come back next year and hope you have enjoyed our Informal Opening.

Sisters and Brothers, we must close the informal opening to prepare for the formal opening at 9:00 o'clock.

At this time Brother William T. Johnson, Past Grand Patron, will bring the Benediction. Brother "Bill."

**BENEDICTION****Brother William T. Johnson, Past Grand Patron**

Let us Pray.

Heavenly Father, we pause at this time to give Thee thanks for the many mercies and blessings Thou has bestowed upon us.

We thank Thee especially for our health and the health of our loved ones.

We pray for those that can't be with us during our annual session because of sickness, death or other misfortunes.

Please guide and direct those in positions of authority during this session and the year ahead.

And now may the Lord watch over each of us. May He cradle us in the comfort of His Holy presence. May He cause His face to shine upon us and give us peace both now and forevermore. Amen.

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal declared the Informal Opening of the Ninety-first Grand Chapter Session closed for the preparation of the Formal Opening.)

(The Grand Officers retired.)

**FORMAL OPENING**

**Monday Evening, 9:00 p.m., June 15, 1998**

The Ninety-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina was called to Order by Sister Jacqueline H. Fowler, Past Grand Matron and Brother J. Ray Wilds, Past Grand Patron of South Carolina.

*Sister Jacqueline:* It is my privilege to extend greetings to this the Formal Opening of the Ninety-first Grand Chapter Session of South Carolina, the "To God Be The Glory" Session. I am happy to share the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ray. To all of our distinguished guests who have traveled many miles to be with us, we hope you will enjoy your stay. We greatly appreciate each of you being with us. Brother Ray.

*Brother Ray:* Good evening, Sisters and Brothers, and welcome to the Ninety-first Annual Session, the "To God Be The Glory" Session. A special welcome to all our out of state visitors. I know each of you will enjoy the next few days and I hope you have a wonderful time. Thanks to all for coming to visit our beautiful state and I wish for this session that everything will be pleasing to God.

*Sister Jacqueline:* Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

(The Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter Room; the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the Altar.)

*Sister Jacqueline:* Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, thank you for this honor you bestowed upon me in allowing Brother Ray and me to open this Formal Session of the "To God Be The Glory" Session. I commend you on a wonderful year of service to our beautiful Order. Your dedication and love for our members have been evident in your actions. May all of your dreams and plans be fulfilled. We look forward to having both of you join the rank of Past Grands. Brother Ray.

*Brother Ray:* Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira, welcome to this Ninety-first Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star. My prayers are with you and I thank you for allowing me to call this session to order with my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister "Jackie" Fowler.

(The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Sister Jacqueline:* Sister Lynda and Brother Ray, thank you once again for allowing Brother Ray and me the honor of calling to order your Formal Session. It is with pleasure that I present to you your gavel.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister "Jackie" and Brother Ray, thank you for calling the Ninety-first Annual Grand Chapter "To God Be The Glory" Session to order. I know you are having wonderful memories tonight. You left big footprints for me to follow and to fill and I have enjoyed and learned so much this year. I hope God will bless you and Ray in all of your undertakings. Brother Ray, thank you for everything you did for Grand Chapter last year and your continued hard work. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you very much, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Jacqueline Fowler, Past Grand Matron and Brother Ray, Past Grand Patron, we do thank you so very much for calling this Ninety-first Session to order and thank you for what you are doing for the Order and wish you the very best.

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

(The doors were secured.)

(The Grand Secretary affirmed that there was a constitutional number of Chapters represented to officially open the Grand Chapter.)

(The Associate Grand Matron reported that through the assistance of the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress she found all present members of the Order.)

(The Grand Officers performed the ritualistic opening of the Grand Chapter in short form and in an impressive manner.)

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the American Flag.)

(The first verse of the National Anthem was sung.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Grand Secretary, you will read the minutes of the last Grand Chapter Session.

## MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL SESSION

The Grand Secretary affirmed that the proceedings of the 1997 Grand Chapter Session were printed and mailed to the subordinate chapters and others entitled to receive them as prescribed in our Constitution and Bylaws. She moved they be accepted as printed. The motion was seconded and carried.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will have the report of the Appeals and Grievances Committee by Sister Glenda Winchester.

Sister Glenda: Brother Harold and Sister Margaret, you may just stand there if you do not want to come to the East.

## REPORT OF THE APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES COMMITTEE

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

We, the members of the Appeals and Grievances Committee, have received grievances. These grievances have been resolved or withdrawn.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we thank you for appointing us to this committee.

We move this report be received and referred to the proper committee.

Fraternally submitted,

GLEND A. G. WINCHESTER, *Chairman,*

*R. W. G. T. of G. G. C. and P. G. M.*

MARGARET BISHOP, *P. G. M.*

D. HAROLD WINCHESTER, *P. G. P.*

Accepted/Carried  
Monday, P.M.  
June 15, 1998

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Grand Secretary, I believe it is time to read the proposed Grand Chapter Bylaw changes.

### **PROPOSED GRAND CHAPTER BYLAW CHANGES**

Worthy Grand Matron, the proposed changes to the Grand Chapter Bylaws were disseminated to each chapter and others entitled to receive them in the allotted time as prescribed in our Constitution and Bylaws. Also, they were printed in the Addresses and Reports and each delegate and nonvoting member registered have been given a copy. I move they be accepted as printed and referred to the proper committee. The motion was accepted, second and carried.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will take up the matter of our proposed bylaw changes as the first order of business on Tuesday morning.

We will now have the report on Unfinished Business by Brother Harold Keasler, Past Grand Patron. Brother Harold.

### **REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

The Committee on Unfinished Business has reviewed the proceedings of the 1997-1998 Session and we are pleased to report that we find no unfinished business requiring action at this session.

We thank you for the privilege of serving on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. KEASLER, *Chairman and P.G.P.*  
JEWEL MCJUNKIN, *P.G.M.*

We move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried  
Monday, P.M.  
June 15, 1998

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time we will continue with our introductions.

### **INTRODUCTION OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced Brother Robert G. Stineman, Jr., Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware at the Altar.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Robert, it is certainly a pleasure to welcome you to South Carolina and I hope you will enjoy your stay at our session.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Brother Robert, welcome to our State and we hope that you will have one of the best times that you have ever had and will want to return again and again. Thank you for coming.

(The Worthy Grand Patron of other Grand Jurisdictions was escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have the response by Sister Helen Westmoreland, Past Grand Matron of the State of Florida. Sister Helen.

## RESPONSE

### **Sister Helen J. Westmoreland, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Florida**

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Elected Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Other Distinguished Guests and my Sisters and Brothers:*

It is indeed an honor and privilege to respond on behalf of the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions. We thank you for the lovely welcome and the many courtesies extended to us since our arrival. It is truly great to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star when we can join in sweet fellowship with "special" people like you, Sister Lynda and Brother Ira. We especially appreciate the warm welcome of Sister Doris Johnson and have shared many happy times from 1981 when I was the Grand Marshal of Florida and first met Sister Doris. Sister Doris's Grand Esther Marcie Frick was initiated in my chapter of Niceville #254.

We are impressed with the beauty of the "To God Be The Glory" Session. The decorations are beautiful and the "Melody of Love" Banquet was wonderful last night and the entertainment was great.

The first time I met you, Sister Lynda, we were attending the Grand Chapter of Georgia in Macon and we formed a friendship then that I knew will last forever. I am proud of you and the wonderful work that you have done for the Grand Chapter of South Carolina and the way in which you have represented its members in other Grand Jurisdictions. I have attended many other Grand Chapters when you and Brother Ira were also there.

We are delighted to be in the home state of Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer and South Carolina can be proud of her as well as the other General Grand Chapter appointments of Sister Anna R. Schulz and Brother Paul G. Barnett, Jr. We are confident that they will have a successful term of office.

We sincerely wish for you a successful and harmonious Grand Chapter Session, and know it will be one of the many joys and pleasures of your years of service. May all of your dreams and your plans for this session be fulfilled and may God bless you and keep you safe always as you preside over your Grand Chapter Session this week.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, again I do appreciate the honor that you have given me, and the Grand Jurisdiction of Florida, for allowing me this privilege to be a part of your session. Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, on behalf of these Sisters and Brothers, I would like to present you with this gift of love. (Gift presented)

I would like to present each of you a personal gift from my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert D. Fiedler and myself. (Gifts presented)

Thanks for the memories of this beautiful night. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Helen, thank you very much for being here, and yes we do have a very special friendship.

## INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductresses introduced the following Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions at the Altar:

Sister Jane B. Sadler, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut and Grand Treasurer Emeritus

Sister Helen J. Westmoreland, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Florida

Sister J. Montine Mise, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Georgia  
 Sister Nancy W. Crismond, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Virginia  
 Brother Robert D. Fiedler, Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Florida  
 Brother Bobby J. Townsend, Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Georgia  
 Brother George W. Ganter, Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Virginia

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions, thank you very much for taking the time from your busy schedules to attend the South Carolina Grand Chapter Session. We are most delighted to have each one of you visiting with us. I know Sister Montine just finished with her Grand Session and she is Junior and I am delighted that you could come up and rest a little.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions, welcome to South Carolina and we just hope you will have a wonderful time while you are visiting with us. We have visited with many of you and thank you for coming.

(The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.)

### **INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of South Carolina at the Altar:

Sister Mary B. Fogle  
 Sister Nada F. Williams, Past Grand Matron and President of the O.E.S Home Board  
 Sister Bessie Mae Walsh, Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer Emeritus  
 Sister Margaret Bishop  
 Sister Hannah L. Malphrus  
 Sister Irma H. Perry  
 Sister Frankie C. Wynne  
 Sister Doris C. Johnson  
 Sister Peggy C. Tucker  
 Sister Susan L. Johnson  
 Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron, Elected Home Board Member and Escort  
     to Brother Ira M. Parks, Worthy Grand Patron  
 Sister Virginia Gilreath  
 Sister Marlene S. Wilds  
 Sister Dorothy H. Mitchum  
 Sister Jacqueline H. Fowler  
 Brother Vernon B. Kiser  
 Brother James D. Perry  
 Brother William T. Johnson  
 Brother Lucius A. Todd  
 Brother Robert L. Pittman, Past Grand Patron, Elected Home Board Member and  
     Escort to Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron  
 Brother Billy Joe Graves  
 Brother H. David Brown  
 Brother Vernon D. Force, Past Grand Patron and Grand Escort to Sister Anna R.  
     Schulz, International Peace Garden Chapel Committee of the General Grand Chap-  
     ter, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary  
 Brother Charles A. Peterson  
 Brother Walter H. Keasler  
 Brother D. Harold Winchester  
 Brother A. Jack Hydrick, Past Grand Patron and Escort to Sister Linda Lamb, Associate  
     Grand Conductress

Brother Thomas W. Swindler, Past Grand Patron and Elected Home Board Member,  
 Brother Gerald E. Stobby  
 Brother J. R. "Ray" Wilds

*Worthy Grand Matron:* To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of South Carolina, the honored group of this year, you have certainly done us proud and as we continue we thank you very much for all the support you give to Grand Chapter. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* We welcome this special group to their own Grand Session, and we thank you for all the paving you have done on this highway prior to our going down it, for you laid a good road. Thank you very much for coming tonight.

(The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

### **INTRODUCTION OF ELECTIVE AND APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Elective and Appointed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions in the West:

Sister Shirley Bozeman, Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Alabama  
 Sister Brenda T. Stineman, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and  
 Grand Representative of South Carolina in Delaware  
 Sister Vivian S. Teasley, Associate Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Georgia  
 Sister Sue Mason, Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Georgia  
 Sister Patricia Snow, Grand Adah of the Grand Chapter of Georgia  
 Sister Jean Davis, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter of Illinois  
 Sister Joyce K. Moore, Grand Esther of the Grand Chapter of Washington

*Worthy Grand Matron:* It is our pleasure to welcome you to the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. This year is a wonderful experience for you and I know you are having and will continue to have a wonderful time. Thank you for visiting with us and we hope we will see you again soon. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Elective and Appointed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions, welcome to South Session. We thank you for coming to our session and we hope this trip will prove to be one of the best you have ever taken. Please come again soon.

(The Elective and Appointive Grand Officers were escorted to the East and given a Grand Bow.)

### **INTRODUCTIONS OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Grand Representatives of South Carolina in Other Grand Jurisdictions at the Altar:

Sister Kathy Miller of Alabama  
 Sister Hazel L. Larson of Arizona  
 Sister Sharon Daniels of Illinois  
 Sister Carolyn Janik of Indiana  
 Sister Bobbi Kapusto of Michigan  
 Sister Sandra S. Panzer of Nebraska  
 Sister Carol J. Johnson of New Jersey  
 Sister Cindy O'Dell of Ohio  
 Sister Lisa S. Gardner of Tennessee  
 Sister Shirley Shaffer of Utah

Sister Judith Knox of Virginia  
 Brother Lowell Nichols of California  
 Brother William E. Gordon of Mississippi

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Grand Representatives of South Carolina in other Grand Jurisdictions, we welcome you to South Carolina and we hope you are having fun and making new friends. You are representing your state in a beautiful manner and we hope you will come again and again.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sisters and Brothers, thank you for coming to South Carolina; you are the ones who link our State to the other corners of the world and we wish you much happiness as you travel place to place.

(The Grand Representatives of South Carolina in other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.)

### **INTRODUCTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions at the Altar:

Sister Elizabeth J. Thompson of Delaware in Maryland  
 Sister Mildred L. McLivaine of Florida in New Jersey  
 Sister Jean Raulerson of Nebraska in Florida  
 Brother O. Dean Snow of Nevada in Georgia

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We welcome you to our "To God Be The Glory" Grand Chapter Session and hope you are having a good time at our social functions and other activities. Please extend our best wishes to the members of your Grand Jurisdictions and we would like to see you back in South Carolina next year.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sisters and Brother, you are the friendship link in the Eastern Star chain that truly does link the world and we hope you are enjoying your travels. Welcome to our session.

(The Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sisters Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in South Carolina.

### **INTRODUCTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in South Carolina at the Altar:

Sister Sara Dent of Australia and Page to the O.E.S. Home District 19  
 Sister Jacqueline Sluder of California and Page to the Worthy Grand Marshal of the General Grand Chapter  
 Sister Mary Coggins of Colorado and Personal Grand Page to Grand Esther, Sister Erma Burke  
 Sister Alma Force of Connecticut and Chairman of Special Grand Pages and Aides to the General Grand Chapter Committee Members in South Carolina  
 Sister Virginia Prince of Delaware and Chairman of the Grand Nurses

Sister Dorothy Gerner of District of Columbia and Chairman, ESTARL Fund, District  
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Sister Merle Shields of Indiana and Escort to Brother Earl Shields, Grand Chaplain

Sister Mary Wilson of Iowa and Chairman, General Fund, District 23

Sister Marian Blackman of Kentucky

Sister Lorraine Lambert of Maryland and Chairman, General Fund, District 18

Sister Dorothy James of Massachusetts, Deputy Grand Marshal to Sister Jane Munn,  
Grand Adah and Escort to Brother Bobby E. James, Grand Sentinel

Sister Catherine Pellum of Minnesota

Sister Willie Mae Shealy of Mississippi and Chairman, O.E.S. Home Endowment Fund,  
District 6

Sister Fannie Silvia of Montana

Sister Carolyn Brown of Nebraska and Chairman of the Grand Pages

Sister Joyce Jarrod of New Brunswick

Sister Arlene Beal of New York and Assistant to Sister Alice Cox, District Deputy Dis-  
trict 2

Sister Mary Donna Pinkston of North Dakota and Personal Grand Page to Sister Eliza-  
beth Barnett, Past Grand Matron and Grand Trustee

Sister Ella Mae Fulmer of Scotland

Sister Aretta Godbey of Tennessee and Personal Grand Page to Brother Ira M. Parks,  
Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Mary Etta Helms of Texas

Sister Nancy Svagerko of Utah and Chairman, Benevolence Fund, District 18

Sister Mary Ann Faircloth of Virginia

Sister Rachael K. Wellons of Washington and Page to Right Worthy Grand Conductress  
of the General Grand Chapter

Brother Carl Kaney of Idaho and Chairman, ESTARL Fund, District 10

Brother Jerry Garris of Kansas and Assistant to Sister Mary Lee Garris, District Deputy,  
District 16

Brother Edward S. Hershberger of Michigan and Chairman, O.E.S. Home Operating  
Fund, District 24

Brother Oscar McLeod of New Jersey and Chairman, O.E.S. Home Operating Fund,  
District 3

Brother C. R. "Mac" McLaughlin of Ontario and Special Grand Aide to General Grand  
Chapter Committee Member in South Carolina

Brother Herman Lepore of Saskatchewan

Brother Tom LaFavor of South Dakota and Deputy Grand Marshal to Brother Richard  
Meadows, Grand Marshal

Brother Earl Green of West Virginia

*Worthy Grand Matron:* To South Carolina Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdic-  
tions, thank you very much for being here and to all our visiting Grand Representatives, we  
certainly know that you are a hardworking group of Sisters and Brothers. As you travel out  
of your State to other Grand Jurisdictions you are the spokesman for South Carolina as  
well as other Grand Jurisdictions. It is a very special commission as a Grand Representative  
and I hope each one of you have enjoyed it to the utmost. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you very much Worthy Grand Matron, and I would like to  
say a word or two to this special group. Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions in  
South Carolina, to you our own, you are a critical link in the chain of links of other Jurisdic-  
tions. You are truly the Ambassadors of South Carolina and welcome to your own session.

(The Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in South Carolina were es-  
corted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time we will have the response by Sister J. Montiné Mize, Junior Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Georgia.

## RESPONSE

### **Sister J. Montine Mize, Past Grand Matron of Georgia**

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Elective and Appointive Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Sisters, Brothers, and Friends:*

I am honored to respond to your most gracious welcome on behalf of the Sisters, Brothers, and friends of the Members of South Carolina.

We, your guests, are delighted to be with you this evening and to share in your Informal Opening of the Ninety-first Annual "To God Be the Glory" Session. We bring greetings from our respective areas and Grand Jurisdictions. We, your friends, are happy that we could share this important occasion with you. I know the excitement you feel tonight as you open the "To God Be the Glory" Session. This is a special memory that will last a life time.

As you begin your deliberation of this ninety-first session, we sincerely wish you a very successful and harmonious session. One filled with peace and harmony.

We know that it takes many people to arrange and prepare for a Grand Chapter Session. We appreciate each and every plan that has been made for our comfort. Thank you to those who have spent their time and efforts for our enjoyment and pleasure. Your hospitality and the various functions planned have certainly made us feel welcome.

From a personal point of view, Georgia and South Carolina share a special relationship. We, Sisters and Brothers from bordering states, have worked closely together. We have supported each other and attended special activities and functions for many years. Worthy Grand Matron, I cherish the friendship we have developed as we traveled parallel paths in our respective jurisdictions during these last four years. We sincerely enjoyed visiting with you during your official visit in your home chapter, St. Andrews, and for my official visit in my home chapter, Richmond, this year.

I have attended your Informal Opening of Grand Chapter for at least the last 10 years. During these many years, I never anticipated that I would one day be asked to bring the response on behalf of our Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for this honor and privilege. It will be one of my treasured memories in my storybook of life.

On behalf of all the visitors I represent tonight, I would like to extend to each of you a personal invitation to visit with us in our various Grand Jurisdictions and attend our Grand Chapter Sessions. We, too, enjoy having visitors and would love to show you some of our special hospitality.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for this special privilege to speak on behalf of these Sisters and Brothers. Sister Lynda and Brother Ira.

"May good fortunes smile upon you,  
May all your dreams come true,  
And may your paths cross ours many times,  
Because we like being friends with you."

Thank you. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you so very much, Sister Montine.

Sisters and Brothers that are waiting to be introduced, please just wait a few minutes. At this time I would like to recognize Brother Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, for his remarks.

*Brother Ray:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

## REMARKS

**Brother Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron  
and Past Grand Patron of Tennessee**

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, Other Distinguished Members of the Eastern Star which includes everyone in this room:*

I know you'd rather have these other people in the room introduced than listen to me, but Louise and I are leaving in the morning for home. We have been gone from home a couple of weeks and we are returning from the Grand Chapter Session in Vermont by way of South Carolina and it worked out pretty good. I made a resolution and a promise, I think, to Louise one time that when we got through with the General Grand Chapter Assembly in Memphis in 1994 we'd quit running around so much. We sorta have, but then we haven't; we go when we feel like it and make the trip and we are happy to be here today and I'm sorry that we have to leave, but we do, so this is what I have to say to you.

It is always a great pleasure for us to return to South Carolina. We have been coming a number of years and we know most of you now by sight if not by name. We try to remember names but we are not always accurate with them; sometimes we call the wrong people by the right name and the right people by the wrong name; nevertheless we feel at home here and I guess some of you have the same problem remembering names, but we are all Eastern Stars.

Would all the fifty (50) year members please stand for just a moment. Thank you so much, I know you are going to be introduced some other time, but I just wanted you to stand with me. I thank you. I knew I wasn't alone tonight; this means something to all of us and this is something for the rest of you to work for, to serve in our Order of the Eastern Star. (Applause)

I want to thank this Grand Chapter and the Grand Officers and those who are in charge of the arrangements for the courtesies extended to us, for the delicious meals that we have had, for our excellent accommodations. Both Louise and I have gotten too old to use a whirlpool, but we had one, looked at it and then we used the shower. That's alright. (Laughter) I'll say this, there was a little change this time from one other time, we did not have a ceiling mirror. Somebody has it though, I'm pretty sure.

I'm particularly pleased to be here tonight when this Grand Chapter received for the first time the newly elected Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of the General Grand Chapter. I wanted to be here for this because this is the first Elective Grand Officer that this Grand Jurisdiction has ever had. This is the first and I have said this before, but I'm saying this to the entire group tonight, I thank South Carolina for endorsing Sister Glenda Winchester for this position in General Grand Chapter for the support you gave her in the election in Orlando last November. She is a very capable person as you know, I don't have to tell you about her capabilities. Sister Virginia Painter and I were very happy when she served as our Worthy Grand Chaplain of the General Grand Chapter for the forty-first Triennium. We know that she has a great deal to offer to the General Grand Chapter, not only her knowledge of financial matters, but in her love and devotion for the Order of the Eastern Star. I am happy to pay that tribute to her tonight. Now you have paid a great deal of tributes to her and you even let me be a part of that tonight, the first time I have ever been a Prince Charming too. (Laughter) There is a first for everything, isn't there, in this world? Sister Glenda, I wish you nothing but the best as you serve the General Grand Chapter, nothing but the best.

I was very proud to see all the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who were introduced here tonight and to have shared some time with them today at the annual luncheon of the Past Grand's Association and to know that among that group I have known most of you for many years. Now three were missing from that group and I want to say tonight that I was very impressed, as I said this at the luncheon today, with the beautiful

memorial service in memory of Brother Tom Allred, Sister Mae J. McLemore and Sister Nancy Ruth McLemore. All three of these were very special friends of mine and I'm happy to be here when you paid that tribute to them. You will miss them in South Carolina, like you miss many others in the past and I will miss them too when I come and do not see them here. But this is the way of life, we do what we have to do and the good Lord knows what we shall do.

Now I could talk quite a bit but I'm not going to, I'm going to tell you a little story then I'm going to sit down and you can get on with the rest of what has to be done so you will get out of here before tomorrow.

There's a story which I heard recently and I think you might appreciate it. This was an encounter in the courtroom between a farmer who had filed a lawsuit against a man who had hit the farmer with his automobile. The attorney for the driver of the automobile said to the farmer, "At the scene of the accident did you tell the officer that you had never felt better in your life?" And the farmer said, "That's right." The attorney said, "Well why is it that you are now claiming you were seriously injured when my client's auto hit your wagon?" The farmer said, "Well when the officer arrived he went over to my horse who had a broken leg, looked at him, pulled out his pistol and shot him; then he went over to Rover, my dog, who was all banged up and shot him too and when he asked me how I felt I just thought under the circumstances that it was a wise choice of words to say I've never felt better in my life." (Loud Applause)

Sisters and Brothers, I've never felt better than to be here with you tonight to share this time and to thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for this opportunity to greet my friends in South Carolina. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Ray.

## **PRESENTATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRONS**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following District Deputy Grand Matrons and District Deputy Grand Patrons in the West for introduction:

Claudette R. McKinney, District #1  
 Alice Cox, District #2  
 Camelia C. McLeod, District #3  
 Marjorie Campsen, District #4  
 Evelyn Dixon, District #6  
 Inez V. Wingate, District #8  
 Mary Mason, District #9  
 Nelva Lindler, District #10  
 Mary Lee Garris, District #16  
 Mildred Law, District #21  
 Broadus H. Poole, District #23

*Worthy Grand Matron:* You have traveled many miles and we thank you very much for all your hard work this year. We hope this year has been a rewarding experience for you.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* District Deputies, we thank you for all your hard work in your District this year; this is not an easy job but it gives you the opportunity to work with the members in a way that few other jobs do. Welcome to your Grand Chapter session.

(The District Deputy Grand Matrons and District Deputy Grand Patrons were escorted to the East and given a very hearty welcome.)

## INTRODUCTION TO THE EDITOR OF THE PALMETTO STAR NEWS

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced Sister Ruth Mathewes, Editor of the *Palmetto Star News* in the West.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Ruth, welcome and thank you for the hard work you are doing.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Ruth, Editor of the paper, you just did a splendid job this year. Thank you.

(The Editor of the *Palmetto Star News* was escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.)

## PRESENTATION OF THE GRAND APPOINTEES AND ESCORTS TO THE GRAND OFFICERS

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following Grand Appointees and Escorts in the West for introduction:

Sarah Phillips, Deputy Grand Marshal to Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron and also Worthy Matron of St. Andrew's Chapter 271, the home chapter of our Worthy Grand Matron

Dorothy Campbell, Special Grand Page to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Grand Representative of Alberta in South Carolina and Worthy Matron of James Island Chapter #284

Ellen Woodall, Personal Grand Page to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Grand Representative of Georgia in South Carolina and Worthy Matron of Lower Richland Chapter #295

Deborah Hinson, Personal Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman, also Worthy Matron of Golden Glow Chapter #76

Jean M. McCaig, Personal Grand Page to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman, and Worthy Matron of Simpsonville Chapter #90

Geneva Padgett, Personal Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman, and Grand Emblem Bearer for Grand Ruth

Michele Meadows, Personal Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman, also Escort to the Grand Marshal Brother Richard Meadows

Mary Senauskas, Personal Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira M. Parks and member of his home Chapter

Eupha Carney, Personal Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira M. Parks

Laura Ratterree, Personal Grand Page to the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira M.

Parks

Kathy Belangia, Deputy Grand Marshal to the Associate Grand Marshal, Sister Martha "Marty" H. Barry

Andrea Barry, Personal Grand Page to my Mom the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Martha "Marty" H. Barry

Barbara Bannister, Escort to the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Jacques E. Lefever, also District #18 Chairman, ESTARL Fund

Shirley Tracey, Deputy Grand Marshal to Sister Anna R. Schulz, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary, also Worthy Matron, Beuclare Chapter #20

Etta Ruth Arant, Special Grand Page to Sister Anna R. Schulz, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary

Nancy Copeland, Deputy Grand Marshal to Sister Judy B. Caldwell, Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer

- Vienna L. Teal, Special Grand Page to Sister Judy B. Caldwell, Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer
- Kathy Birge, Special Grand Page to Sister Judy B. Caldwell, Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer
- Lucy Trump, Deputy Grand Marshal to our Grand Conductress, Sister Ethel K. Rimes
- Sandra Rhinehart, Special Grand Page to our Grand Conductress, Sister Ethel K. Rimes
- Shirley Martin, Personal Grand Page to our Grand Conductress, Sister Ethel K. Rimes
- Ann Thompson, Deputy Grand Marshal to our Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Linda Lamb, also Grand Representative of Illinois in South Carolina, and Worthy Matron of Roebuck Chapter #216
- Joanne K. Palshan, Special Grand Page to our Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Linda Lamb, also Grand Escort to Brother Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron and Grand Lecturer
- Bobbie Kinard, Personal Grand Page to our Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Linda Lamb
- Hilda Roddy, Grand Escort to Brother James D. Roddy, Past Grand Patron and Chairman of the Grand Trustees, also Special Grand Page to the Jurisprudence Committee
- Ruth Branyon, Deputy Grand Marshal to Brother James D. Roddy, Jr., Past Grand Patron and Chairman of the Grand Trustees
- Paddy Vaughn, Special Grand Page to Brother James D. Roddy, Past Grand Patron and Chairman of the Grand Trustees
- Sara Klein, Deputy Grand Marshal to Sister Celia Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron and Grand Trustee
- Nelda Corbin, Personal Grand Page to Sister Celia Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron and Grand Trustee
- Donna Owens, Deputy Grand Marshal to Brother Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron and Grand Lecturer
- Willie Laney, Special Grand Page to Brother Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron and Grand Lecturer
- Myra Ballard, Deputy Grand Marshal to Sister Lois Watson, Grand Organist
- Estela Reidy, Personal Grand Page to Sister Lois Watson, Grand Organist
- Name and title not recorded, only Worthy Matron
- Jeannette Taylor, Personal Grand Page to Sister Jane Munn, Grand Adah
- Mildred Weeks, Personal Grand Page to Grand Ruth, Sister Louise Wyatt
- Nancy Ann Ritchie, Deputy Grand Marshal to Grand Esther, Sister Erma Burke
- Kathy Gerner, Deputy Grand Marshal to Grand Martha, Sister Kaye Rackley
- Mary Lois Britt, Special Grand Page to Grand Martha, Sister Kaye Rackley
- Marcie Frick, Deputy Grand Marshal to Grand Electa, Sister Jean Peebles
- Mildred Webb, Special Grand Page to Grand Electa, Sister Jean Peebles
- Sara Pritchard, Personal Grand Page to Grand Electa, Sister Jean Peebles
- Mildred Hydrick, Deputy Grand Marshal to Grand Warder, Sister Betty Henderson
- Billie Baltzegar, Personal Grand Page to our Grand Warder, Sister Betty Henderson
- Thomas Britt, Personal Grand Aide to Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda Pittman
- James Ballard, Deputy Grand Marshal to our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira M. Parks
- Fred Klein, Special Grand Aide to our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira M. Parks and Worthy Patron of Fort Jackson Chapter #253
- Bill Corbin, Special Grand Page to the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Jacques Lefever and Worthy Patron of Alhambra Chapter #60
- Arthur Tracey, Personal Grand Aide to Sister Anna Schulz, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary, also Worthy Patron of Beuclare Chapter #20
- Jake Rimes, Escort to the Grand Conductress, Sister Ethel Rimes
- Terry Trump, Personal Grand Aide to Brother Jimmy Roddy, Past Grand Patron and Chairman of the Grand Trustees

J. W. Terry, Deputy Grand Marshal to our Grand Chaplain, Brother Earl Shields  
 Ernest Campbell, Special Grand Aide to the Grand Chaplain, Brother Earl Shields, also  
 Worthy Patron of James Island Chapter #284  
 Darrell Gerner, Personal Grand Aide to our Grand Chaplain, Brother Earl Shields, also  
 District #2 Aide to the Eastern Star Home.  
 Pete Sluder, Grand Escort to Sister Kaye Rackley, Grand Martha, also Home Operating  
 Fund Chairman of District #2—the Peanut Man

*Worthy Grand Matron:* To the Grand Appointees and Grand Escorts of the Grand Officers, you have definitely been workhorses this year. You have always been there in support of your Grand Officer throughout the schools and as we entered into Grand Chapter Session. We appreciate all the hard work that you have put out this year and all the work you have done throughout your Eastern Star lives. You have definitely been an asset to the Grand Officers this year. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* You know I won't miss a chance to speak to this group. Grand Appointees and Grand Escorts, we thank you so much for your dedication and loyalty this year. By your actions and help to your Grand Officer you made a difference that will be a shining example for all to see. I just wish you God's richest blessings upon each of you.

(The Grand Appointees and Grand Escorts to the Grand Officers were given a hearty welcome and escorted to the East to receive a gift from the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.)

### **PRESENTATION OF ALL OTHER GRAND APPOINTEES (Audio cut out several names not recorded)**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following Grand Appointees in the West for introduction:

Margie Shealy, Special Grand Page to Worthy Grand Esther  
 Dorothy T. Baker, Special Grand Page to Out-of-State Distinguished Guests  
 Nell O'Shields, State Chairman of the Grand Pages  
 Annie McCroskey, Chairman of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's  
 Special Project, District #23  
 Margaret Todd, Special Grand Page to Sister Florence Adair, Most Worthy Grand Ma-  
 tron and Past Grand Matron of Michigan  
 Sara Rampsey, Special Grand Page to Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr., Chairman of the Payroll  
 Committee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron  
 Faye Bowser, Grand Page  
 Wilma Davis, Chairman, Home Endowment Fund District #15  
 Margaret Baize, Chairman, Home Pounding Fund District #15  
 Jean Terry, Assistant District Deputy, District #18  
 Mary Cartwright, Grand Nurse  
 Janie Austin, Chairman, Home Pounding District #18  
 Joyce Estes, Chairman, Home Endowment Fund District #18  
 Winnie Smith, Special Grand Page to Sister Anna Schulz, International Peace Garden  
 Chapel Committee Member of General Grand Chapter, Past Grand Matron and  
 Grand Secretary  
 Shirley Shipp, Page to the Eastern Star Home District #18  
 Betty Lou Burrows, State Chairman of the Pages and Aides to our Eastern Star Home  
 Mary P. Norman, State Chairman, Home Endowment Fund  
 Jane Wilson, Chairman, ESTARL Fund District #9  
 Joyce Ann Erwin, Visitation Committee Member of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee  
 Virginia Ashley, Assistant District Deputy, District #1  
 Leonette Ford, State Chairman, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's  
 Special Project

Ruby Bishop, Chairman, Home Pounding District #4  
 Doris Arnett, State Chairman, *Palmetto Star News*  
 Jean Duckworth, Special Grand Page to Sister Anna Schulz, International Peace Garden Chapel Committee Member of General Grand Chapter, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary  
 Geraldine Morris, Chairman, ESTARL Fund District #6  
 Sarah Thomas, Chairman, Home Pounding District #24  
 Helen V. Thomas, Grand Page  
 Laura Castles, Assistant District Deputy District #10  
 Betty Davis, Chairman, Home Endowment Fund District #16  
 Margaret Kiser, Chairman, ESTARL Fund District #12  
 Dorothy Black, Chairman, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project District #17  
 Lucile Mattison, Special Grand Page to Out-of-State Distinguished Guests and Chairman, Benevolence Fund District #21  
 Miriam Walker, Chairman, *Palmetto Star News* District #9  
 Mickey Clark, Special Grand Page to Sister Anna Schulz, International Peace Garden Chapel Committee Member of the General Grand Chapter, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary  
 Lucille Humphries, Chairman, Home Endowment Fund District #8  
 Cecile Dietrich, Chairman, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project District #8  
 Dartha Peterson, State Chairman, General Fund (all sold out . . . Applause)  
 Helen Morgan, Chairman, General Fund District #8  
 Jacquelynne Nave, Page to the Eastern Star Home District #3  
 Betty Adams, Chairman, ESTARL Fund District #3  
 Macie K. McCoy, Special Grand Page to Out-of-State Distinguish Guests  
 Lucille Dyches, Special Grand Page to Out-of-State Distinguished Guests  
 Peggy Lott, Page to the Eastern Star Home District #11  
 Ellen Simmons, Chairman, Benevolence Fund District #11  
 Flonise Brown, Special Grand Page to Sister Barbara White, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of West Virginia  
 Aaron Thornton, Assistant District Deputy District #4  
 James Black, Assistant District Deputy District #7  
 Archie Davis, Chairman, ESTARL Fund District #15

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sisters and Brothers, you are indeed a group of hardworking Sisters and Brothers and as Sister Dot said, she "is all sold out." I think there are several other projects that are completely sold out. I certainly congratulate each one of you on that if you had a selling job in any way. Brother Ira has said all year it takes you selling the projects and the Sisters and Brothers purchasing the projects to make this a complete success. You all have been good hardworking Sisters and Brothers this year. Thank you. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* You really are the rest of the really hard workers and like Sister Lynda said I don't think anymore can be added to that. You have our sincere thanks because you really are the rudder on this boat and we thank you so much, my Sisters and Brothers, for all your many hours of selling, running around, going up and down the road, because you folks make the money that we need so badly in the Grand Chapter. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for a job well done.

(The Other Grand Appointees were given a very hearty welcome and escorted to the East to receive a gift from the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.)

**PRESENTATION OF THE 1997-1998  
WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following 1997-1998 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons in the West for introduction:

Barbara Smith, Fairfax #65, also Chairman, Home Endowment Fund District #11 and Grand Representative of Maine in South Carolina  
 Alice Laman, Oliver #274 and Assistant Grand Warder  
 Eleanor Thompson, Vance #287 and Grand Page  
 Bette Henslee, Jessie Belle Shonk #269  
 Margueriette Thomason, Fork Shoals #204, also Chairman, Home Pounding District #3  
 Louise Moon, Pelzer #84  
 Samantha Fowler, Whitney #190  
 Louise Martin, Fair Play #235 and Grand Page  
 Helen Tate, Ridgeville #290  
 Mary Eddie Lindley, Mine #179, also Chairman, Home Pounding District #1  
 Macie McCoy, Queen City #147  
 Edith Sayer, Tyger #242  
 Donna Crosby, Fidelity #281  
 Pat Conner, Corinthian #297, also State Chairman, Benevolence Fund  
 Ethel Whisenant, Clover #138, also Personal Grand Page to Grand Ruth, Sister Louise Wyatt  
 Barbara Jean Warner, Segall #169, Grand Chapter of Michigan  
 Gale Rickert, John L. Flynn #277, also Personal Grand Page to Jacques Lefever, Associate Grand Patron  
 Beverly Horle, Faith #167, also Chairman, Home Pounding District #14  
 Donna Baker, Harido #161  
 Margie Coleman, Bethlehem #129  
 Leona Deloach, Lillie #27  
 Texa Fortner, Cayce #260, also Chairman, Home Endowment Fund District #22  
 Kay Arant, Heath Springs #259  
 George Mckinney, Hodges #272, also Chairman, Home Operating Fund District #1 . . .  
 Peanut Man  
 Jonnie Fowler, Sam Poe #123, also Up-State Co-chairman, Home Operating Fund  
 Horace Tate, Ridgeville #290  
 Richard Pllum, Fidelity #281  
 Bill Thomason, Fork Shoaks #204, also Deputy Grand Marshal to Brother Bobby James, Grand Sentinel  
 Albert Wyatt, Clover #138, also Grand Escort to Louise Wyatt, Grand Ruth  
 Ronnie Smolowsky, Constellation #97 and Grand Guard

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I want to say to each one of you that I have been with some of you for the last four years and we have had a wonderful time as we progressed up the line. I just hope each one of you have had as much enjoyment out of your four years as I have had out of mine. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Sister Lynda. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, we thank you so much for being the leaders of your Chapters this year. We know you have several other titles; you are the hard workers out there supporting the Order and Grand Chapter. I know this will be a year of service that you will treasure for a long time. Just keep on being the good leaders that I know you are and keep on working for Grand Chapter; we need you.

(The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons were given a most hearty welcome and escorted to the East to receive a gift from the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.)

## RECOGNITION OF STAR TRAVELERS' CLUB

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Will all the members of the Star Travelers' Club please stand wherever you are?

At the beginning we started out as Associate Grand Conductress, we worked hard and we had four very successful years. For all of your hard work we can never repay you, you know that; the only thing that we can say is thank you from the very bottom of our hearts for everything that you have done for Ira and I the last four years. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I won't say much on that. What can be said to a group like you that have worked so hard for the past four years. I appreciate everything so much because you know we could not have made it without the help that you my Sisters and Brothers rendered. Thank you so much and just "hang" in there.

(The members of the Star Travelers' Club were extended a very hearty welcome.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I was asked if I would like to have Sister Mildred Garrington's proceedings and I said, "Yes, I would be honored to have them." Well the afternoon that Brother Bobby went down there to pick them up they had this oil painting wrapped and we had no idea what it was until this past Sunday a week ago. We knew that it was a painting that she had used and they were going to throw it away. She asked Brother Bobby if he thought I would like it and he said, "I'm sure she would." So that is an oil painting from Sister Mildred Garrington's year and I would say it is approximately 35 years old. We hung it in the West in Memory of Sister Mildred Garrington so take a real close look at it before you leave because that is the original painting. (Applause)

## ANNOUNCEMENT

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I have a beautiful little angel pin that was left at the out-of-state registration desk; if anybody is missing a little angel pin we have it up here.

Sisters and Brothers, some of you indicated last night that you would like to have a tape from John Gardner; he was our entertainment last night, and he brought some this afternoon. Brother Bobby has those, so if you are interested in getting a tape by John Gardner we do have those available up here if you would like to pick one up.

Are there any other announcements that we need to make at this time?

We will now have the Benediction by Brother Lucius A. Todd, Past Grand Patron.

## BENEDICTION

**Brother Lucius A. Todd, Past Grand Patron**

Let us Pray!

Our Father, as we raise our voice in prayer, it is with grateful hearts we thank You for the many blessings You have bestowed on us and most sincerely for the fellowship we have enjoyed this day, for allowing us to assemble in this place as Eastern Stars. Free to meet as Eastern Stars and to honor You, our God.

We ask for Your special blessing on our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira, and all the Grand Officers. May all their actions be led by Thy Holy Spirit.

Now we retire to refresh and rest for our return at the appointed time, hopefully to labor for the good of the Eastern Star and to accept Your guidance and will for all things said and done.

In the strong name of Jesus Christ, I pray. Amen.

*Sister Maxine Flint Justice:* Your guests will be leaving and I don't know whether many of you have heard that my Worthy Grand Marshal was in Peru with a group instituting a chapter there and she became ill; she is now our Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Sister Barbara White.

She became ill and had to have emergency surgery; her husband and son flew down to be with her and they left her down there. I found out today that she did have a gallstone which got loose and entered her colon and ruptured her colon and the surgery supposedly helped her. She has no fever, so that means there was no infection. She was supposed to have gotten out of intensive care yesterday, but Sister Betty hadn't heard. I am sure the Grand Chapters will be getting out an announcement and just as soon as she is able, they will charter a jet to bring her back to Charleston, West Virginia. I thought a lot of the guests may not have heard this and I'm sure she would appreciate the prayers and cards from each of you.

(The Grand Conductress attended the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal declared the Ninety-first "To God Be The Glory" Session from labor to refreshments to reconvene Tuesday morning at 9:00 o'clock a.m.)

(The Grand Officers retired.)

## TUESDAY MORNING, 9:00 A.M. June 16, 1998

The Tuesday morning session was called to order by Sister Celia F. Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron and Brother W. Glen Cox, Past Grand Patron.

*Sister Celia:* Don't let it be said that Brother Glen and I held up the Grand Chapter this morning. I have one minute after nine.

Good morning, my Sisters and Brothers. I am delighted to be afforded the honor to stand in this place at this time with Brother Glen Cox, my Worthy Grand Patron, for the purpose of calling to order this Tuesday morning of the "To God Be The Glory" Session. This is the Ninety-first Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers, for your continued support and dedication to our beautiful Order. Brother Glen, I know you also have greetings.

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

We welcome you to the Ninety-first Annual Grand Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. Thank you.

*Sister Celia:* Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers of South Carolina to enter the Grand Chapter room.

(The Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter room; the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the Altar.)

*Sister Celia:* Sister Lynda, our Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Ira, our Worthy Grand Patron: The end is just around the corner, but the road does not stop there. Opportunities await you on every corner. Sister Lynda, you were elected as Associate Grand Conductress the year Brother Glen and I served as Worthy Grand Patron and Worthy Grand Matron. You were so well organized, I was impressed. Your Scripture this year has been Isaiah 30:15, "In quietness and trust is your strength." And you have exemplified these qualities this year.

Brother Ira, you served as my Personal Grand Aide. I thank you so much for the miles you traveled to support me. It was always a pleasure to see you. Your Scripture this year has been Psalms 16:1, "Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust." You have put your trust in God and he has preserved you. Another gift God has given you is the gift of speech. You can say the most with least amount of words of anyone I know. Thank you for your "Did You Know?" and other words of wisdom. Brother Glen.

*Brother Glen:* Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, we wish you the very best as you preside over this Grand Session. Sister Lynda, thank you for allowing me to share the East again with my very own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Celia. It was a pleasure to have you serve as Associate Grand Conductress during our year in the East. You and Brother Ira

have served well. May God's Blessings rest upon you.

(The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Sister Celia:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for allowing us this honor. Worthy Grand Matron, it is an honor to present to you your gavel.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Celia and Brother Glen, thank you very much for opening this morning session on Tuesday. It is your continued support, since I was elected into the line officers, that has been very much appreciated. I always look forward to seeing the both of you on the sidelines at the Schools of Instruction as well as the Official Visits. I only pray that God will continue to bless both of you with good health and happiness.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Celia and Brother Glen, I thank you so much for calling this session to order. I think maybe it may even have a calming affect on myself, because I have worked with you two for many years and I have had much respect and admiration for the good work that you have done for this Order. I thank you so much for all of your labors of love and for your support of myself. Thank you so much.

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

(The doors were secured.)

(The Associate Grand Matron with the assistance of the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress reported that all present were members of the Order.)

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Ninetieth-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina from refreshments to labor.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have our morning devotional by Sister Sara Phillips.

## DEVOTIONAL

### Sister Sarah Phillips, *Past Matron*

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

Good Morning! *"Truly this is a day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."* Sisters and Brothers, I would like to share with you this morning some thoughts that I feel are very appropriate for members of the Order of the Eastern Star and for each of us who love our Lord, Jesus Christ. In John 3:16 we find these words, *"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whoever believes in Him should never perish, but have eternal life."*

The important word is "Love," and in John 15:12 Jesus says, *"My command is this, love each other as I have loved you."* Now in our daily lives we may not always find this easy; however, we should truly seek to be faithful to God and to also be faithful to the teachings of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Paul in his letter to the Galatians gives us a list of virtues in chapter 5:22, *"But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."* Notice that Paul does not say "fruits"; he used the word "fruit." So the fruit of the spirit is really one, and that is love. The rest of the list is merely a description of love in its various manifestations. But what is joy? It is love getting happy. What is peace? It is love in repose. What is patience? It is love in waiting. What is kindness? It is love in response. What is gentleness? It is love in behavior. What is faithfulness? It is love in trust. What is self-control? It is love in control. Having love, we have all the fruit of the spirit. Without love we are nothing. *"So, faith, hope, love abide, these three. But the greatest of these is love."* I Corinthians 13:13.

During this Grand Chapter Session, let us reach out in love and make a difference in our

life and in the lives others. It will help us to be shining stars where ever we are and "To God Be the Glory." Several years ago, as I thought of the wonders of God's love I was inspired to compose a very simple poem, which I think has a lot of meaning for me:

"Oh how great is God's love, He gave his Son for you and me.  
Sing, rejoice with all your heart, with God we have victory.  
God's love is always with us, He lives within our heart.  
When we accept Him, He never will depart.  
He bids us to love others, as He first loved us.  
Each of His promises, we can fully trust."

And now I would ask that the blessings of our Heavenly Father would rest upon this Grand Chapter Session and "To God Be the Glory."

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Dave Brown, our Past Grand Patron, will now have our invocation.

### INVOCATION

#### **Brother Dave Brown, Past Grand Patron**

Please join with me in prayer as we invoke God's blessing upon this day.

Our gracious heavenly Father, we come to you with thanksgiving, we thank you for this brand-new glorious day. May we use it wisely and glorify you by our actions. We thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ. For the salvation He provided for us through His death and His resurrection. We thank you for the Order of the Eastern Star, for the fellowship that we have, and for what we are able to accomplish in Your Name. May we never forget that the star that we follow is the one that heralded the birth of Your Son.

As we begin our deliberations today in earnest, may we be reminded of Your commandment to us to "Love One Another." Father, may we always remember that we can disagree without being disagreeable, we can argue without fighting, and when the vote has been taken, help us to remember that we are still sisters and brothers in Christ and in the Order.

Lord, we pray for our leaders. May they know your guiding hand and remember our dependence upon you. We pray for our membership, while we are here and when we return to the world at large, help us to remember each other in our daily prayers. We pray diligently for those of our own who cannot be here. Father, comfort them where they hurt and give them Your peace. And Lord, whatever we have to say and do, may it be to Your honor and Your glory. At the close of this session, may we truly be able to say, "To God Be the Glory." I offer this prayer in the name of our Lord and Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(The Opening Ode "Jesus Loves Me" was sung.)

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the American flag.)

(The first verse of the National Anthem was sung.)

(The Pledge to the Christian flag was given.)

(The first verse of "Onward Christian Soldiers" was sung.)

### INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MATRON AND PAST GRAND PATRON

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron at the Altar:

Sister Elaine McAlister Burgess

Brother Earl McAlister

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Elaine and Brother Earl, it is certainly a pleasure to have the two of you with us this morning. Thank you very much for being here. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron, what a joy to see you. Especially a father and daughter combination who served together. I've known you all for many years and I keep thinking how nice it is every time I see you all. Thank you for all the good work you have done for the Order of the Eastern Star.

(The Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

### **INTRODUCTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

The Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced the following Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in South Carolina at the Altar:

Sister Evilene Jones of Oregon and Chairman of ESTARL in District 16  
Brother Ed Bigleman of Louisiana and Chairman of the Grand Guards

(The Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in South Carolina were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

### **PRESENTATION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRON**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following District Deputy Grand Matrons and District Deputy Grand Patron in the West for introduction:

Alma B. Reeves, District 5  
Mary Mozelle Baker, District 15  
Vertie C. Greer, District 24  
Jerry A. Holt, District 17, also Grand Escort to Grand Ruth, Sister Jean Peebles and  
Worthy Patron of Hillcrest Chapter 263

*Worthy Grand Matron:* To the District Deputies, thank you very much for all the hard work that you have performed this year. We have appreciated everything that you have done for Brother Ira and me throughout the year. Thank you very much for being here.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you so much, District Deputies. Right now I am going about three directions, so if I haven't said a lot to you, don't think that I haven't been much appreciative of what you have done.

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

### **INTRODUCTION OF THE ELECTED HOME BOARD MEMBER**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress introduced Sister Darlene Smith, Elected Home Board Member in the West.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Darlene, thank you for the hard work that goes into being an Elected Home Board Member. You have been very faithful to your duties and we do appreciate all of your hard work.

(The Elected Home Board Member was escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.)

### PRESENTATION OF GRAND APPOINTEE TO THE GRAND OFFICER

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following Grand Appointee to the Grand Officer in the West for Introduction:

Walter Croft, Assistant to the Grand Warder

(The Grand Appointee to the Grand Officer was escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.)

### PRESENTATION OF THE GRAND APPOINTEES

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the following Grand Appointees in the West for Introduction:

Mae Croft, Special Grand Page to Brother P. G. Barnett, Chairman of Payroll Committee of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron

Florence Carter, Assistant to District Deputy, District 24

Lillian Rymer, Chairman, Home Endowment, District 24

Linda Hoover, Chairman, *Palmetto Star News*, District 4

Jo Anne Atwood, Chairman, *Palmetto Star News*, District 14

Linda Wehner, Chairman, Home Endowment, District 14

Rebecca Hardee, Grand Page

Roxie Derrick, Grand Page

Dorothy Metts, Chairman, W.G.M.'s and W.G.P.'s Special Project, District 6

Valerie Jollie, Chairman, Home Endowment Fund, District 20

Marie Carlson, Chairman, General Fund, District 16

(The Grand Appointees were escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.)

### PRESENTATION OF THE WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS 1997-1998

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress presented the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons 1997-1998 in the West for Introduction:

Reba Gardner, Woodruff #54, and ESTARL Chairman, District 4

Evelyn Hicks, Lyman #299

Barbara Brun, Socastee #301

Ike Reid Coats, Newberry #226, and Chairman Home Endowment, District 6

Ethel Haynes, Boyd Bobo #144

Delma Lamb, Roy O. Adams #289

Mary Ruth Rhinehart, Circle #241

Iona Perry, Little Mountain #276 and Chairman *Palmetto Star News*, District 6

Doris Gregory, Martha #79

Melba Bolt, New Ellenton #247 and Chairman Home Pounding, District 7

Jim Conners, Corinthian #297, Grand Representative of Vermont and Assistant to the Grand Sentinel

Marvin Pearson, Reidville #46

Doug Carlson, Lugoff-Elgin #298, Grand Representative of Puerto Rico

Jim Scarborough, Lower Richland 295

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, thank you very much for all the hard work that you put into your chapters. Not just on a monthly basis, but every day. Thank you very much for being here at the "To God Be the Glory" Session. We do appreciate it very much.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, thank you so much for being the great leaders of your chapter. I wish that I had more time to say a whole lot to you and I will if I make it to Wednesday night. I'm sure going to get around to saying something to you, you can be sure that I am. Thank you for being the good leaders that you are.

(The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons were escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Do we have any members of the Star Traveler Club that are here this morning? If you would, please stand. Sisters and Brothers, would you please join me in extending a hearty welcome to our Star Travelers Club. (Applause)

Are any of the members of the Grand Choir here? Could you entertain us for just a few minutes, please? Thank you, Grand Choir.

## APPOINTMENTS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this particular time there are some vacancies and change of appointments that I need to make at this time, and I will make the following changes.

Susan Johnson, Past Grand Matron, Benevolence Committee  
 Sister Doris Johnson, Past Grand Matron, Necrology Committee  
 Susan Johnson, Past Grand Matron, Necrology Committee  
 Brother Jack Coker, Bylaw Committee  
 Brother P. G. Barnett, Past Grand Patron, Bylaw Committee  
 Jack Hydrick, Past Grand Patron, Bylaw Committee  
 Sister Eunice Rogers, \$100.00 Home Endowment Club  
 Brother Eugene Robins, District 5, Home Operating Fund  
 Sister Rose Beiner, District 3, Home Endowment Fund  
 Megan Belangia, District 19, Home Endowment Fund  
 Sister Sara Thomas, District 24, Home Pounding  
 Sandra Heffner, District 5, Page to the Eastern Star Home  
 Sister Connie Edwards, District 9, General Fund  
 Sister Margaret Kiser, District 12, ESTARL  
 Judith Weslocskie, District 17, ESTARL  
 Lucile Mattison, District 21, Benevolence Fund  
 Sister Lucille Plaisance, District 17, *Palmetto Star News*  
 Brother Albert Thomas District 24, *Palmetto Star News*  
 Sister Kay Arant, District 16, W.G.M.'s and W.G.P.'s Special Project  
 Sister Betty Lou Borrows, Special Grand Page to the Associate Grand Matron

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time I have some additional changes that we need to make temporarily, and this is on the Jurisprudence Committee. And I would like to ask the following Sisters and Brothers if you would join Jurisprudence and report to this table immediately.

Sister Marlene Wilds, Past Grand Matron, Chairman of Jurisprudence  
 Brother Harold Munn  
 Sister Doris Johnson  
 Brother Bill Johnson

We are going to make a temporary change here since we have had to reappoint some of our Jurisprudence Committee and they are not quite ready with their report. So at this time we are going to ask for the report of the Grand Secretary. Excuse me, Sister Anna, we are going to go ahead with mine instead. Seems like when we start making changes, everything gets a little bit confusing.

Sisters and Brothers, it says it is time for my Address to this Grand Body. And it is printed in the Addresses and Reports, but if you will bear with me I would like to read some of it to you, and I will get to it just as quickly and through it just as quickly as I can.

(The Worthy Grand Matron read pages 36 through 39, her "IN APPRECIATION" as printed in the Address and Reports and pages 84 through 87 of the proceedings.)

### ADDRESS AND REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

What a wonderful adventure this has been! It has been one that I will never forget.

Sisters and Brothers, I have not tried to accomplish great and wonderful things, only to make a difference. The goals which I set have been accomplished and I am proud of that. Without each of you working as a TEAM, nothing would have happened but it did. This year has given me a greater respect for the Sisters and Brothers that have served before me.

I thank the Grand Body of South Carolina for allowing me to serve you and the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star as Worthy Grand Matron. The decisions I have been called upon to make were based on the Constitution and Rules and Regulations of Grand Chapter. I have tried to temper my answers with justice for all. The theme for this year has been the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," and that is what I have tried to live by and I hope you will remember me as such.

For four years I have used the same poem and that is:

Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow.

Don't walk behind me, I may not lead.

Just walk beside me and be my FRIEND.

Sisters and Brothers, I hope you will always have the joy and happiness that you have so freely given me this year.

Always work for the good of the Order and remember, "To God Be the Glory."

### WELCOME

It is with pleasure I welcome you to the Ninety-first Session of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of South Carolina.

*"To God Be the Glory" Session*

It is an honor to extend to each of you a warm welcome to South Carolina if you are a visitor to our State. I hope you will enjoy your visit and come back often.

To the Sisters and Brothers of South Carolina, I pray this will be a session of Love and Harmony and everything will be to the Glory of God.

### DEDICATION

*"To God Be the Glory" Session*

*is lovingly dedicated*

*by*

**The Worthy Grand Matron**

*To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, to the memory of the loved ones that have predeceased us. You will never be forgotten. To the honor of the loved ones with us, thank you for continuing to serve our beautiful Order.*

*Most of all thank you for the love and the support you have always given me.*

*To my children, Tammy and Rhonda, and their family, I have not always been there for you the last four years but I look forward to being home soon.*

*Thank you for your understanding and loving me throughout.*

To Bobby, without you this would not have been possible.  
Thank you for your faith in me and for your love.  
To the Grand Body, thank you for your confidence in allowing me to lead this  
year and for your faith by following. But best of all you are my "Friend."

And

**By the Worthy Grand Patron**

To my wife Mary Ann and to my son Robert, whose love and  
support have inspired and sustained me throughout this year.  
To Shandon Chapter members who supported, stood by me and  
were always there to make my years of service worthwhile.  
To all those Eastern Stars who through their service  
to our Order has kept our Star Bright.

**IN LOVING MEMORY**

In loving memory of Mae J. McLemore, Past Grand Matron and Nancy R. McLemore,  
Past Grand Matron, whose love and vision of our Order have inspired all of us.

We are so thankful God has granted safe travel to the Grand Officers this year and the  
circle has not been broken.

This year God has chosen three Past Grands to be at Home with Him.

Brother Thomas H. Allred, PGP 1972-1973

Sister Mae J. McLemore, PGM 1969-1970

Sister Nancy R. McLemore, PGM 1984-1985

Our hearts are saddened at the death of the Sisters and Brothers from the Subordinate  
Chapter.

The loss of these Sisters and Brothers will leave a void that can never be filled.

**SYMPATHY**

As we mourn the passing of our loved ones, let us pause for a moment to reflect the  
many happy memories we have and the good times we shared with them. On Sunday, we  
will pay a tribute to these loved ones who have gone to the Great Beyond.

**OFFICIAL ACTS**

Upon your election of Associate Grand Conductress you know that you will face many  
exciting and responsible challenges over the next four years. One of those challenges will  
be that of selecting the appointed officers to serve your year as Worthy Grand Matron.  
Each officer is selected with much thought and prayer and with the welfare of Grand  
Chapter foremost is your mind. The ten which were selected by Brother Ira and me have  
been BRIGHT and SHINING STARS and I thank each of them for accepting the  
challenge and honor of serving as a Grand Officer. Each time I see the Grand Officers  
serve any capacity my heart overflows with pride.

*Appointed Grand Officers*

<i>Grand Chaplain</i> .....	Earl Shields
<i>Grand Lecturer</i> .....	Fred R. Caldwell, P.G.P.
<i>Grand Marshal</i> .....	Richard J. Meadows
<i>Grand Organist</i> .....	Lois B. Watson
<i>Grand Adah</i> .....	Jane B. Munn
<i>Grand Ruth</i> .....	Louise J. Wyatt
<i>Grand Esther</i> .....	Erma Burke
<i>Grand Martha</i> .....	Kaye Rackley
<i>Grand Electa</i> .....	Jean L. Peebles
<i>Grand Warder</i> .....	Betty W. Henderson

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

One of the most gratifying privileges the Worthy Grand Matron has is that of honoring the worthy and deserving members with the opportunity of serving as Grand Representatives. It was my pleasure to appoint the following commissions:

Australia .....	Sarah Dent
British Columbia.....	"Sam" Sutherland
Colorado .....	Mary Coggins
District of Columbia.....	Dorothy Gerner
Georgia.....	Ellen Woodall
Idaho .....	Carl Kaney
Illinois.....	Ann Thompson
Louisiana.....	Ed Bigleman
Maine .....	Barbara Smith
Maryland.....	Lorrain Lambert
Michigan.....	
Mississippi .....	Willie Mae Shealy
Nebraska.....	Carolyn Brown
Nevada .....	Mary Kohli
New Brunswick.....	Joyce Jarrod
New Mexico .....	Ed Witte
Ontario .....	"Mac" McLaughlin
Oregon .....	Evelene Jones
Pennsylvania .....	Marjorie Cobun
Puerto Rico.....	Doug Carlson
Rhode Island .....	Ronald Blevins
South Dakota.....	Tom LaFavor
Tennessee.....	Aretta Godbey
Utah.....	Nancy Svagerko
Vermont .....	Jim Conners
Virginia.....	Mary Ann Faircloth
Washington.....	
West Virginia .....	Earl Green

## DISTRICT DEPUTIES GRAND MATRONS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRON

It takes a special person that is always willing to serve and be of service to others. That is the person who has served as a District Deputy this year. Thank you for giving up so much of your time to assist the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron this year in the business of Grand Chapter. Each one of you with the assistance to your Assistant Deputy has made a great TEAM.

District 1 .....	Claudette McKinney
District 2 .....	Alice Cox
District 3 .....	Camelia McLeod
District 4.....	Marjorie Campsen
District 5 .....	Alma Reeves
District 6 .....	Evelyn Dixon
District 7 .....	Christine Wates
District 8.....	Inez Wingate
District 9 .....	Mary Mayson
District 10.....	Nelva Lindler
District 11.....	Tessie Jo Morris
District 12.....	Dorothy Bozard

District 13.....	Joanne Foulds
District 14.....	Anne O'Quinn
District 15.....	Mary Baker
District 16.....	Mary Lee Garris
District 17.....	Jerry Holt
District 18.....	Joyce Powell
District 19.....	Gayle Morrison
District 20.....	Julie Prince
District 21.....	Mildred Law
District 22.....	Betty Martin
District 23.....	Broadus Poole
District 24.....	Vertie Greer

### CHANGES AND ADDITIONS IN APPOINTMENTS

Benevolence.....	Susan Johnson, PGM
Necrology.....	Doris Johnson, PGM, Chairman Susan Johnson, PGM
Bylaws.....	Jack Coker P. G. Barnett, PGP Jack Hydrick, PGP
\$100.00 Home Endowment Club.....	Eunice Rogers
Home Operating Fund.....	Eugene Robbins, District 5
Home Endowment Fund.....	Rose Beiner, District 3 Megan Belangia, District 19
Home Pounding.....	Sarah Thomas, District 24
Pages and Aides to OES Home.....	Sandra Heffner, District 5
General Fund.....	Connie Edwards, District 9
ESTARL.....	Margaret Kiser, District 12 Judith Wesloskie, District 17
Benevolence Fund.....	Lucille Mattison, District 21
<i>Palmetto Star News</i> .....	Lucile Plaisance, District 17 Albert Thomas, District 24
WGM and WGP Special Project.....	Kay Arant, District 16

### ITINERARIES

The Itineraries were a listing of all special functions of Grand Chapter, including the School of Instructions, Official Visits, Grand Chapter Appointments and Committee Appointments. The itineraries went on sale on Tuesday, with the permission of Sister Jackie, WGM and Brother Ray, WGP. Brother Ira Parks was in charge of the sale and distribution of the itineraries. Each District Deputy was presented with itineraries which were to be sold in their district. The price of \$2.00 each was charged. The usual courtesy copies as prescribed in the Constitution and Bylaws were given out.

### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

A School of Instruction was held in each of the 24 districts. The first being District 10, the home district of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and ended in District 3. The schools were under the direction of Brother Fred Caldwell, PGP and Grand Lecturer. The Grand Officers and/or Deputy Grand Marshals served in each school. The District Deputy was responsible for setting up the place of the schools. All of the decorations were beautiful and carried out the theme and colors of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The schools were informative and well attended. I wish to thank Brother Fred for a job well done.

## OFFICIAL VISITS

According to the Constitution and Bylaws of Grand Chapter an Official Visit was held in all chapters with the exception of Mine Chapter #179, District 1. Due to problems beyond the control of anyone, we were not able to inspect this chapter. To the Line Officers, Sister "Marty," Sister Ethel and Sister Linda, you have my sincere appreciation for the beautiful way you conducted the Official Visits. To each member, thank you for accepting each of us as we came into your chapters. I wish that I could have attended each Official Visit but will only allow so much. The Official Visit in each chapter was a celebration of all of the hard work in your Chapter for 1997-98 and you are to be congratulated on your accomplishments.

### ABBREVIATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING ITINERARIES

HR —Honor Roll—Emblematic Star

G —Gold Star—100% attendance of installed officers

S —Silver Star—Exemplification of work without Ritual

B —Blue Star—Contributions to the Grand Chapter Projects

PSN —Green Star—Five new subscriptions to the *Palmetto Star News*

SA —Hummingbird Award—Line Officers having 1995 Rituals and Bylaws

### ITINERARY OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

**Lynda K. Pittman**

<i>Date</i>	<i>School or Chapter</i>	<i>Dist</i>	<i>HR</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>PSN</i>	<i>B</i>
June 1997								
June 21	School — Grand Officers	10						
June 27	School — Grand Officers	17						
June 28	School — Grand Officers	15						
June 28	School — Grand Officers	18						
July 1997								
July 5	School — Grand Officers	4						
July 11	School — Grand Officers	11						
July 12	School — Grand Officers	14						
July 12	School — Grand Officers	13						
July 18	School — Grand Officers	22						
July 19	School — Grand Officers	23						
July 19	School — Grand Officers	24						
July 22	School — Grand Officers	5						
July 25	School — Grand Officers	16						
July 26	School — Grand Officers	20						
July 26	School — Grand Officers	19						
July 29	School — Grand Officers	9						
July 31	School — Grand Officers	12						
August 1997								
Aug. 2	School — Grand Officers	8						
Aug. 8	School — Grand Officers	6						
Aug. 9	School — Grand Officers	21						
Aug. 9	School — Grand Officers	1						
Aug. 15	School — Grand Officers	7						
Aug. 16	School — Grand Officers	2						
Aug. 16	School — Grand Officers	3						

Aug. 18	Heath Springs #259	16	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Aug. 23	Hartsville #91	19	HR				PSN	B
Aug. 29	Fair Play #235	2	HR	G		SA	PSN	B
Aug. 30	Dunear #194	3	HR		S	SA		B

## September 1997

Sept. 2	Glendale #175	4	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 3	Richburg #213	5	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 6	Inman #169	24	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 8	Kershaw #94	16	HR	G		SA		B
Sept. 11	Calhoun Falls #182	1	HR			SA		B
Sept. 15	Roebuck #216	4	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 18	Leslie Zemp #111	16	HR			SA	PSN	B
Sept. 23	Indian Land #286	16	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 25	Travelers Rest #205	23	HR		S			B
Sept. 26	Mary Heyward #124	14	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 27	Fidelity #281	15	HR		S	SA	PSN	B

## October 1997

Oct. 2	Dentsville #273	10	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 4	Sam Poe #123	23	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 6	Starlight #243	8	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 8	Circle #241	7	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 10	Hodges #272	1	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 11	New Brookland #104	22	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 13	Alhambra #60	15	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 17	Anderson #130	21	HR		S	SA		B
Oct. 18	Courtenay #184	2	HR		S			B
Oct. 21	Callie Self #199	1	HR		S	SA		B
Oct. 24	Lillie #27	13	HR		S			B
Oct. 25	Harmony Hope #229	11	HR			SA	PSN	B

## November 1997

Nov. 8	Queen City #141	9	HR		S	SA		B
Nov. 10	Great Falls #211	5	HR		S	SA		B
Nov. 11	Sandy Run #230	22	HR		S	SA		B
Nov. 14	Ballentine #280	10	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 15	Beuclare #20	17	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 17	Saluda #8	7	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 18	Belvedere #248	9	HR		S	SA		B
Nov. 21	James B. Parrot #9	6	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 22	Columbia #59	10	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 24	Newberry #226	6	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 25	Cheraw #158	16	HR		S		PSN	B

## December 1997

Dec. 1	Hillcrest #263	17	HR		S		PSN	B
Dec. 2	Lower Richland #295	10	HR	G	S		PSN	B
Dec. 4	Leonora #30	19	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Dec. 6	Golden Glow #276	9	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Dec. 9	Edgefield #236	7						
Dec. 12	Summerville #143	13	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Dec. 13	Iris #149	17	HR		S		PSN	B
Dec. 15	Lexington #176	22	HR		S		PSN	B
Dec. 16	Ticoma #140	23	HR		S	SA		B

## January 1998

Jan. 3	Winyah #148	18	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 5	Fort Jackson #253	10	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 6	Carolina #25	15	HR	S	SA		B
Jan. 9	Loris #106	20	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 10	Myrtle Beach #180	20	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 12	Constellation #98	9	HR	S	SA		B
Jan. 16	Elizabeth McDaniel #115	10	HR				B
Jan. 17	Clover #138	8	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 19	New Ellenton #247	9	HR		SA	PSN	B
Jan. 22	Bethune #96	16	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 23	Greer #151	3	HR	S		PSN	B
Jan. 24	Shandon #193	10	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 26	Pageland #258	16	HR	S			B
Jan. 27	Oliver #274	22	HR	S	SA		B
Jan. 31	Morning Star #121	18	HR	S	SA	PSN	B

## February 1998

Feb. 2	Woodruff #54	4		S	SA		B	
Feb. 5	Lancaster #146	16	HR	S	SA	PSN	B	
Feb. 7	Cayce #260	22	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Feb. 9	Eutaw #162	12	HR	S		PSN	B	
Feb. 10	Lugoff-Elgin #298	16		S		PSN	B	
Feb. 12	Bethlehem #129	10	HR	S	SA		B	
Feb. 19	Eugene #137	18	HR	S	SA	PSN	B	
Feb. 21	Hemingway #156	18	HR	S	SA	PSN	B	
Feb. 24	James Island #284	15	HR	S	SA	PSN	B	
Feb. 27	Wagner #38	9	HR				B	

## March 1998

Mar. 7	St. Andrews #271	10	HR	S	SA	PSN	B
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## ITINERARY OF THE ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON

## Martha (Marty) Hursey Barry

Date	Chapter	Dist	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
September 1997								
Sept. 2	Little Mountain #276	6	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 8	Easley #200	2	HR	G		SA	PSN	B
Sept. 11	Harido #161	13	HR			SA		B
Sept. 19	Ora #153	4	HR		S			B
Sept. 23	Tyger #242	23	HR		S	SA		B
October 1997								
Oct. 2	Berkeley #112	18	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 6	Pelion #225	22	HR		S	SA		B
Oct. 7	Downey #275	3			S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 9	Clemson #191	2	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 13	Martha Page #233	24	HR		S	SA		B
Oct. 16	Faith #167	14	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 21	Camp Creek #285	16	HR			SA		B
Oct. 27	John Francis Grey #219	21	HR		S	SA		B
Oct. 28	Hopewell #238	9	HR		S	SA		B
November 1997								
Nov. 11	Stella Vitae #99	15	HR	G	S	SA		B

Nov. 13	Wade Hampton #288	3		G	S			B
Nov. 14	Catawba #131	8	HR		S	SA		B
Nov. 18	John Flynn #277	18	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 21	Hart #300	16	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 24	Brandon #92	23		G				

December 1997

Dec. 1	Coleman #262	5	HR		S	SA		B
Dec. 2	Pamplico #170	19			S			B
Dec. 4	Boyd Bobo #144	1	HR		S	SA		B
Dec. 8	Pelzer #84	21	HR		S	SA		B
Dec. 11	North Charleston #100	15	HR		S	SA		B
Dec. 15	Mary Pinckney Outzs #1	1	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Dec. 16	Ridge #222	7	HR	G	S	SA		B

January 1998

Jan. 2	Tallulah #16	4	HR		S			B
Jan. 12	York #145	8	HR			SA		B
Jan. 13	Crocketville #240	13	HR		S			B
Jan. 14	Ackerman #198	11	HR		S	SA	PSN	B

**ITINERARY OF THE GRAND CONDUCTRESS**

**Ethel K. Rimes**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Dist</i>	<i>HR</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>PSN</i>	<i>B</i>
September 1997								
Sept. 2	Antioch #291	16	HR		S		PSN	B
Sept. 4	Agsoloma #127	12	HR			SA		B
Sept. 8	Beaufort #133	14	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Sept. 16	Community #206	13	HR		S	SA		B
October 1997								
Oct. 6	Brewerton #29	6		G	S	SA		B
Oct. 7	Corinthian #297	8	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 9	Tradesville #257	16	HR		S			B
Oct. 10	Charleston #56	15	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Oct. 13	Fork Shoals #204	3	HR		S	SA		B
Oct. 16	Benton #172	19	HR					B
Oct. 21	St. George #166	13						B
November 1997								
Nov. 10	Frances E. Harrison #155	1	HR			SA	PSN	B
Nov. 13	Rosemary #195	18	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 17	Empire #251	3	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Nov. 25	Keowee #128	2						B
December 1997								
Dec. 2	Ruffin #142	13						B
Dec. 4	Keith W. Seyle #268	5						B
Dec. 8	Reidville #46	4	HR		S	SA		B
Dec. 11	Bishopville #74	17	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Dec. 15	Hanahan #250	18	HR			SA	PSN	B
January 1998								
Jan. 6	Chester #15	5					PSN	B
Jan. 8	St. David's #163	19	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 13	Walhalla #134	2	HR		S			B

Jan. 15	Azalea #192	15	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 19	Martha #79	5	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Jan. 20	Dillon #249	20	HR		S			B
Jan. 22	Fort Mill #4	8			S			B
Jan. 27	Greenville #31	3			S			B

## February 1998

Feb. 3	Swamp Fox #87	20	HR		S			B
Feb. 12	Fairfax #65	11	HR		S	SA	PSN	B
Feb. 16	Palmetto #2	20	HR		S			B
Feb. 19	Westminister #103	2	HR		S			B
Feb. 24	Roy O. Adams #289	1	HR		S	SA		B
Feb. 27	New Prospect #207	24	HR		S	SA		B

## ITINERARY OF THE ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS

Linda Lamb

<i>Date</i>	<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Dist</i>	<i>HR</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>PSN</i>	<i>B</i>	
August 1997									
Aug. 22	Mary Montgomery #231	4	HR		S			B	
September 1997									
Sept. 5	Edgar Mole #239	14	HR		S			B	
Sept. 9	Ruth #12	8	HR		S			B	
Sept. 15	Vance #287	12	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B	
October 1997									
Oct. 6	Lake View #237	20	HR		S	SA		B	
Oct. 14	Adah #6	6	HR		S	SA		B	
Oct. 16	Monaghan #82	23	HR		S	SA		B	
Oct. 20	Iva #221	21			S			B	
Oct. 21	Lyman #299	24	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B	
Oct. 23	Mecca #278	19	HR	G		SA		B	
Oct. 28	Queen Esther #139	8	HR		S	SA		B	
November 1997									
Nov. 8	Boiling Springs #283	24	HR	G	S			B	
Nov. 11	Simpsonville #90	3	HR		S	SA		B	
Nov. 13	Waccamaw #89	20	HR		S	SA	PSN	B	
Nov. 18	Seneca #5	2	HR		S	SA	PSN	B	
Nov. 20	Ridgeville #290	13		G	S	SA		B	
December 1997									
Dec. 1	Piedmont #108	3						B	
Dec. 4	Betsy Ross #189	15	HR		S	SA		B	
Dec. 8	Batesburg-Leesville #174	22			S	SA	PSN	B	
Dec. 9	Whitney #190	24			S	SA		B	
Dec. 16	Jesse Belle Shonk #269	15	HR		S	SA		B	
Dec. 18	Walterboro #147	13			S	SA	PSN	B	
January 1998									
Jan. 5	Williamston #81	21	HR		S			B	
Jan. 8	Honea Path #159	21	HR			SA		B	
Jan. 15	Aynor #279	20	HR		S			B	
Jan. 20	Sumter #188	17	HR		S	SA		B	
Jan. 22	Mine #179	1	NOTE: No Official Visit Held						
Jan. 26	Socastee #301	20	HR		S			B	

## February 1998

Feb. 3	Belton #105	21	HR	S	SA	PSN	B	
Feb. 5	W.S. Richbourg #80	2	HR	S	SA	PSN	B	
Feb. 12	Lone Oak #208	24	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B
Feb. 15	Loyalty #136	15	HR	G	S	SA	PSN	B

## DISPENSATIONS

## August—1997

- 10—Granted a dispensation to Inman Chapter #169 to move their charter to Bailey Lodge, Greer, SC for the purpose of Official Visit.
- 17—Granted a dispensation to Sam Poe Chapter #123 to move their charter to Scottish Rite Lodge, Greenville, SC for the purpose of Official Visit.
- 20—Granted a dispensation to Dunean Chapter #194 to move their charter to Empire Masonic Lodge, Mauldin, SC for the purpose of Official Visit.

## September—1997

- 1—Granted a dispensation to Circle Chapter #241 to move their charter to Travis Masonic Lodge, Saluda, SC for the purpose of Official Visit.
- 16—Granted a dispensation to Batesburg-Leesville Chapter #174 to elect an Associate Patron October 13, 1997, their next monthly meeting.

## October—1997

- 11—Granted a dispensation to Harmony Hope Chapter #229 to move their charter to Guinyard Bulter School, Barnwell, SC for the purpose of Official Visit.

## November—1997

- 16—Granted a dispensation to Hartsville Chapter #91 to initiate seven candidates at their December 8, 1997 meeting.

## December—1997

- 26—Granted a dispensation to Shandon Chapter #193 to move their charter to Dutch Fork Masonic Lodge, Columbia, SC for the purpose of Official Visit.

## March—1998

- 3—Granted a dispensation to Hemingway Chapter #151 to initiate six candidates at a special meeting in March 1998.
- 16—Granted a dispensation to Pelion Chapter #225 to elect and install chapter officers at their April 1998 meeting.  
Granted a dispensation to Fork Shoals Chapter #204 to elect and install a Worthy Master at their April 1998 meeting.  
Granted a dispensation to Tyger Chapter #242 to elect and install chapter officers at their April 1998 meeting.
- 19—Granted a dispensation to Bethlehem Chapter #129 to elect and install chapter officers at the April 9, 1998 meeting.  
Granted a dispensation to Starlight Chapter #243 to elect an Associate Patron at a stated meeting on April 6, 1998.
- 23—Granted a dispensation to Sumter Chapter #188 to elect and install chapter officers at the April 21, 1998 stated meeting.
- 25—Granted a dispensation to Lone Oak Chapter #208 to elect an Associate Patron at the April 9, 1998 stated meeting.

## April—1998

- 2—Granted a dispensation to Wade Hampton Chapter #288 permission to elect and install 1998-99 officers at the stated meeting, April 1998.  
Granted a dispensation to Hodges Chapter #272 permission to elect and install an Associate Patron at the stated meeting, April 6, 1998.

Granted a dispensation to Piedmont Chapter #108 permission to elect and install 1998-99 officers at the next stated meeting.

Granted a dispensation to Edgefield Chapter #236 permission to elect an Associate Matron and Associate Patron at the April 1998 stated meeting.

27—Issued a dispensation to Shandon Chapter #193 to elect and install an Associate Patron at the stated meeting on May 11, 1998.

Issued a dispensation to Vance Chapter #287 to elect and install a Worthy Matron and Associate Matron at the stated meeting in May 1998.

### IRREGULARITIES

1. Chapter elected a Worthy Patron without a dispensation.
2. Chapter officers not marching into the Chapter.
3. Chapter officers not learning the work.
4. Improper raps by Warder and Sentinel.
5. Incorrect draping of the sword and veil.
6. Secretary not having a cash book.
7. The use of out-of-date Rituals and Bylaws.
8. Secretary not reading the names of officers and stations they served in at a previous meeting.
9. Chapter Bylaws submitted to the Worthy Grand Matron, which are incomplete.
10. Improper use of the Chapter Seal.
11. Secretary not reading all signed correspondence.
12. Chapter requests a dispensation to elect Conductress and Associate Conductress.
13. Conductress giving the wrong signs at the Altar.
14. Worthy Matron receiving funds of the Chapter.
15. Officers not being elected at the stated meeting in March.
16. Discussing Chapter business outside the Chapter.
17. Star point signs given incorrectly.
18. Conductress and Associate Conductress making the wrong turns in the West during introductions.
19. Sentinel handling the door.
20. While attending the Altar the Conductress opens the Bible to the wrong chapter and lifts the Bible from the Altar.
21. Chaplain walking with hands clasped.
22. Pedestal did not have the points toward the West.
23. Chapter giving an honorary membership to a Chapter member.
24. Warder opens the door without raps and without reporting the alarms to the Worthy Matron.
25. When the Worthy Patron, Associate Conductress and Associate Patron leave the Altar the Worthy Patron went through Adah and Ruth's station.

### DECISIONS

1. Q. If a ballot is supposed to be done the night of official visit, can/may the ballot be held over for a month?
  - A. Yes, do not encourage a ballot to be held at official visit meeting.
2. Q. Can you read a petition before the waiver of jurisdiction has been received?
  - A. Yes, you may read the petition but you can not refer to the investigating committee or ballot before the waiver is received. Page 98 section 5
3. Q. Are the proposed bylaws of a chapter legal before being approved by the Worthy Grand Matron?
  - A. No, page 96 section 4 of the Constitution and Bylaws.
4. Q. Does a chapter need a dispensation to elect a treasurer?

- A. No, page 68 section (K), dispensation is needed to elect Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron.
- 5. Q. The Worthy Matron assigned the investigating committee for a petition and the ballot was taken. Two days before the initiation the Worthy Matron realized she assigned two Brothers and one Sister. Is this legal and can the chapter go ahead with the initiation?
  - A. Yes, page 99 section 2, the investigating committee is to consist of three, of which one shall be a Brother. It does not restrict the committee to one Brother.
- 6. Q. Can a woman without Masonic affiliation become a member of the Order?
  - A. No, page 161 of the Ritual.
- 7. Q. Can a dual member hold an office in both chapters, elected or appointed?
  - A. No, page 102 (3) of the Constitution and Bylaws.

**WARRANTS**

As the warrants were received from the Grand Secretary, they were signed and sent to the Grand Treasurer for payment.

**SURRENDER OF CHAPTER CHARTER**

In November 1997, I received a letter from the Secretary of Abe Wyman Chapter #265 stating the intentions of the Chapter to vote at their December 1997 meeting to surrender their Chapter Charter. They were given the proper procedures, which had to be followed by the District Deputy, Sister Alma Reeves. At the December meeting the Chapter voted to surrender the Charter to Grand Chapter.

**WAIVER OF GRAND JURISDICTION**

A waiver of Grand Jurisdiction was received from Mrs. Montine Mize, Worthy Grand Matron, OES of Georgia requesting a waiver for Miss Kimberly Farr, Box 748, Jackson, SC. This request was sent to Hopewell Chapter #238, Jackson, SC. The request was granted and returned to the Worthy Grand Matron, Montine Mize, in August 1997.

A waiver of Grand Jurisdiction was received from Montine Mize, Worthy Grand Matron, OES of Georgia requesting a waiver for Debbie Sue Goodwin, Rt. 1, Box 376, Trenton, SC. This request was sent to Edgefield Chapter #236, Edgefield, SC. The request was granted and returned to the Worthy Grand Matron, Montine Mize, in September 1997.

**SUBORDINATE CHAPTER BYLAWS**

There were many Chapters Bylaw changes submitted for approval. Each one was carefully studied for correctness according to Grand Chapter Bylaws. Several were returned to the Chapters with recommendations. Each Bylaw was returned to the Chapter either approved or disapproved. After the Jurisprudence Committee reviews and makes a ruling on each change, a copy will be given to the Grand Secretary.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
1997-1998**

Mileage—28,212 @ 14.5 .....	\$4,090.74
Telephone .....	460.00
Postage .....	320.00
Appropriated by Grand Chapter .....	2,000.00
Expenses in excess of appropriation .....	2,870.74

I do not wish to be reimbursed for my expenses in excess of Grand Chapter allowance. It has been my honor to serve our Sisters and Brothers in South Carolina.

## RAINBOW GRAND ASSEMBLY

One of the most rewarding weekends of this year was attending the Rainbow Grand Assembly in Fort Mill, South Carolina. The Assembly was held at the Radisson Inn at Regent Square the weekend of August 1-3, 1997. I was honored to bring greetings on behalf of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. I, along with Brother Vernon Force, PGP and Sister Evelyn Bridges, had the responsibility and tremendous task of judging the competition. How do you select from such a talented group of young people? I was so impressed with everything these young girls did. But on Sunday, I attended the Grand Cross of Colors, and was presented with a Cross. This was a very touching ceremony. Only recipients of the Grand Cross of Colors may attend the ceremony and the luncheon that follows. This was a weekend I will never forget. The Order of the Rainbow is certainly worthy of the support of the Order of the Eastern Star of South Carolina. For these young women we can truly say, "To God Be the Glory."

## GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER ORLANDO, FLORIDA HELD NOVEMBER 1-7, 1997

On October 30, 1997, a bus loaded at the terminal of Capital Tours for a trip to Orlando, Florida for the purpose of attending General Grand Chapter. We had a group of 36 stars and we were under the guiding hand of Sister Mary Fogle, PGM. We had a wonderful trip to Florida, with a lot of fun and fellowship along the way.

On Sunday, November 2nd, a reception was held for Sister Glenda Winchester, PGM. Sister Glenda was a candidate for Worthy Grand Treasurer. The reception was well attended and we all received very good comments about the "Southern Garden" setting. On Monday, November 3rd, the South Carolina Brunch was held. The brunch was under the chairmanship of Sister Dorothy Mitchum, PGM. The following were honored at the brunch, Sister Doris Johnson, PGM and Worthy Grand Organist, Elizabeth Barnett, PGM, Susan Johnson, PGM, Judy Caldwell, PGM, General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Brother Lucius Todd, PGP and Ambassador of the Most Worthy Grand Matron. There were approximately 150 Stars from South Carolina in attendance. Sister Maxine Justice, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was able to join us for a few minutes and gave remarks. The decorations for this brunch were beautiful and everyone enjoyed the serenity of the setting.

The sessions of General Grand Chapter were well attended by the delegates from South Carolina and we all learned a lot. On Wednesday the election of officers was held. I had the honor of placing the name of Sister Glenda Winchester, PGM in nomination for Worthy Grand Treasurer of General Grand Chapter. Brother Ira placed the second of the nomination. South Carolina had one of the largest groups of voting delegates with 37. I am pleased and honored to have been a part of Sister Glenda's election.

On Thursday, November 7, we loaded the bus to head back to home sweet home, South Carolina. We all had a wonderful trip and learned so much about one another, which will only serve to make the bonds of fraternal love and friendship stronger. Thank you, Sister Mary Fogle, for a wonderful trip to General Grand Chapter.

## CHRISTMAS LUMINARIES

We decided to try a new project for Christmas this year. In case you don't know what a luminary is, it is a small white bag with sand in the bottom and then you place a candle on top of the sand. Then they are lighted. A total of 350 luminaries were placed around the driveway and on the front wall. Thank each of you for participating in this beautiful project. If you did not stay long enough to see the luminaries lighted, you missed a wonderful sight.

**CHRISTMAS 1997**

We have all heard the phrase, there is no place like home for the holidays and I will be home for Christmas, and that is where the Sisters and Brothers gathered on December 7, 1997. We were together at the Eastern Star Home in Sumter to share the beginning of the holiday season with the residents of the home.

On November 29, the appointed Grand Offices, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and friends got together to decorate the home for Christmas. We started the day about 9:00 A.M. and finished around 4:00 P.M. The residents watched in eager anticipation as each decoration was put in place. They were very pleased with the front door with the flickering lights and wreath. They asked a lot of questions about the luminaries that were to be used at the drop-in.

Well, December 7, 1997 finally arrived and the drop-in is today and the announcement was written on the bulletin board in the dining room. The Sisters and Brothers started gathering early and that was a joy to the residents. The decorations of the home were lovely and the gifts were piled under both Christmas trees. The residents enjoyed the Christmas Carols, which were sung, but they anticipated the visit of the Jolly Old Man and helper Mrs. Santa.

Each of the Grand Officers had an opportunity to introduce themselves and bring greetings to the residents.

Hark, I hear, HO HO HO, that must be the Jolly Old Man himself. Yes, it is Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa, and they had a chance to visit the residents and share in giving the gifts out. The gifts were wrapped in beautiful gold, red, white and green paper and the Sisters and Brothers wasted no time getting into them. The residents were also presented with a monetary gift.

After the gifts were given out everyone was invited to enjoy the refreshments which had been prepared. The reception table was beautiful with decorations of silver and red and all of the food. The residents and guests certainly enjoyed everything.

At last it was starting to get dark; that meant the Christmas luminaries were going to be lit. What a beautiful sight! There were luminaries on both sides of the driveway from gate to gate as well as on the front brick fence. The luminaries were placed in Honor or in Memory of a loved one. They were certainly enjoyed by each person at the home as well as the people passing by.

Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for making the Christmas drop-in such a wonderful and joyous celebration for the residents of the home. Without each of you and each Eastern Star Chapter, this day would not be possible.

By now the visitors to the home were starting to depart to their home to continue preparation for the holidays.

"Merry Christmas to all" was extended to the residents as we departed.

CHRISTMAS, you cannot have Christmas without CHRIST.

**"SWEETHEART WEEKEND" AT MYRTLE BEACH**

The weekend of February 14, 1998 the Eastern Stars of South Carolina made their way to Myrtle Beach for a weekend of fun and fellowship. The weather was beautiful but cold. This was the first time we made a trip to the Carolina Opry at the new theater. We had a group of 274 plus two residents from the home attend the show and we had a wonderful time.

There is so much to do in Myrtle Beach; some of us went shopping, and some played a little golf and some just visited with one another.

The accommodation for the weekend at the Myrtle Beach Martinique was great. I wish everyone could have stayed there.

It was a bit cold to be on the beach but some of the brave ones went for walks.

Thank you for being a part of this special weekend. Occasions such as this give us an opportunity to get to know one another on a more personal basis.

Thanks again for your support of this endeavor.

### **GRAND YORK RITE OF FREEMASONRY**

On Monday, March 9, 1998, Brother Bobby and I were invited to attend the Annual Grand York Rite Banquet at the Landmark Resort Hotel in Myrtle Beach. It was a formal banquet and we certainly enjoyed the fellowship. This was a terrific learning experience and I got to talk with so many of our fraternal brothers.

### **TENNESSEE GRAND CHAPTER**

April 11-13, 1998, I was in Nashville for "The Reflections on the Boulevard" Session of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee. It is amazing to see the work of other Grand Jurisdictions; we are alike but yet so different. We were able to visit with old friends and make many new ones. South Carolina was well represented at the sessions and the banquets.

### **THE GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE MASONS IN SC**

On April 22, 1998, I had the wonderful opportunity of attending the Grand Masters Banquet at the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons in SC in Rock Hill. Brother Bobby and I was the guest of the Most Worshipful Sam Tennyson and his wife Donnalene. The fellowship was wonderful. The ties we share with the Masons must continue to bind us as each group strives to grow and be of service.

### **HOMECOMING**

This is the day the Lord hath made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. What a wonderful day!!! All week we worried about the weather but everything turned up sunny and we could be outside all day. Thank you for coming to the picnic on the ground.

As you know, the number-one priority of the Order is the support of the Eastern Star Home and your attendance today indicated exactly that. The residents look forward to our visits through the year but homecoming is special. Do you remember as a child going to Grandmama's house for Sunday lunch? That is homecoming to me.

To the Homecoming Committee, you did a wonderful job in organizing the event of the day. To the Line Officer's Club, thank you for furnishing the supplies for today. Sisters and Brothers, thank you for sharing the fun and fellowship with the residents and staff of our Eastern Star Home.

### **PROJECTS**

To each State Chairperson and District Chairperson, you have our sincere appreciation for a job well done. When you accepted these positions, you also accepted much responsibility. It takes each of us working together as a TEAM to make the projects successful and that has been accomplished. Each project was carefully selected and I hope you have enjoyed using each item that you purchased. Thank each of you for your continued support. Each one has "Let their little light shine."

### **"DOLLAR A MONTH" CONTRIBUTIONS**

Again this year, we have encouraged all members to contribute to this worthwhile project. This is one of the extra ways to support the home. We requested the members send their donations to the Chapter Secretary who would record and send them to the Grand Secretary. We thank each Sister and Brother for your faithful support of the Eastern Star Home.

## DRIVEWAY OF THE STARS

This year the Grand Officers of South Carolina took on a project that was needed very badly at the Eastern Star Home. At one of the Home Board meetings, we discussed the need for a paved drive in back of the home. I took this request to the Grand Officers and they decided that would be the special project of the officers for this year. They were about six weeks late in getting started, but it did not take long for the membership to get behind this project and off we went. The star points sold feet in the color of their station and the object was to collect all five colors. Several of the officers had special projects which they held in their districts. All in all, it was a very rewarding project. We were in hopes of having the driveway completed by Homecoming, but weather would not permit. To each Sister and Brother that contributed to this project in any way, the Grand Officers thank you. It is my pleasure to tell you this project will be completed and a marker placed in honor of the Grand Officers of 1997-1998.

## HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

The highest honor a Chapter can bestow upon a Sister or Brother is the presentation of an Honorary Membership. I am very honored to have received this tribute from so many of the Subordinate Chapters over the four years as a Line Officer. I hope I will always be worthy of this high honor.

## MY HOMECOMING

Every Worthy Grand Matron looks forward to her homecoming with bittersweet emotions. She knows that will be the last Official Visit she will perform as Worthy Grand Matron. My homecoming was everything I could have hoped or dreamed it would be. To all of the Sisters and Brothers from South Carolina and Georgia, thank you for being there. To the Grand Officers, "Let's get a little bit rowdy," you are wonderful. The Worthy Matron, Sarah Phillips, presented each Grand Officer from South Carolina and Georgia an Honorary Membership. The courtesy was excellent and a lot of fun. The decorations in the Chapter and dining room were beautiful, as the colors, emblem and theme of the Worthy Grand Matron were used.

St. Andrew Chapter, you have been there for me throughout my years as a Line Officer and I thank you for that support.

My Homecoming was a special day as Worthy Grand Matron and one I will never forget. The support of each of you has been a blessing all year and truly showed that by attending the Official Visit of St. Andrews Chapter and my homecoming. God Bless each of you.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP

How do you express your feeling to your home chapter when they have voted to bestow upon you the highest honor a chapter can give, a Life Membership? To St. Andrews members, you have my sincere appreciation. I will always cherish this honor.

## MY GAVEL

The gavel is an emblem of authority and should never be used in a dictatorial manner and always for the good of the Chapter. This gavel was first presented to Brother Bobby in 1980 when he served as Worthy Grand Patron. The gavel was made by Brother Hudson Harrelson from the wood of a magnolia tree from his front yard. Bobby presented the gavel to me the first time I served as Worthy Matron in St. Andrews Chapter #271 and I also used it as I served a second term as Worthy Matron. At that time I never dreamed I would use this gavel to preside over the affairs of Grand Chapter. It will be with much pride and humility that I use Bobby's gavel to preside over the Grand Session "To God Be

the Glory" in June 1998 and complete my duties as Worthy Grand Matron of South Carolina.

### MY BIBLE

St. Andrews Chapter #271 presented this beautiful book to me right after I was elected as Associate Grand Conductress. My Bible has traveled to every Official Visit that I served as inspecting officer and at all 24 Schools of Instruction. Each Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron has signed the pages of my Bible. The journey will be complete when the Bible is placed on the altar at Grand Chapter for the session "To God Be the Glory."

### GIFTS

Thank you is such a small way of expressing my appreciation for each gift that has been presented to me over these years I have served this Grand Chapter. Each gift is special in its own way. I was not able to send each of you a thank you note, but I hope you see my note of thanks in the *Palmetto Star News*. For all of the notes of encouragement and the prayers for my safety as I traveled, I thank you also. The BIGGEST thank you of all is for allowing me to serve you and the State of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star as Worthy Grand Matron.

### CORRESPONDENCE OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

What a wonderful labor of love it is for the Worthy Grand Matron to be able to communicate with the Grand Body in this manner. Many hours are spent in the preparation and answering letters to you, but come June when the mailbox is empty, I will miss this task. I wonder sometimes what my mailman must think every day when he filled that mailbox!

Thank you so much for the notes of thanks, birthday cards, holiday greetings, invitations and newsletters. Just to know you were thinking of me was very encouraging and heart-warming. I have enjoyed reading your correspondence and I will miss it.

### CORRESPONDENCE

July 15, 1997

TO: General Grand Chapter Appointed Officer, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Grand Officers, District Deputies, Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

It is hard to believe another Grand Chapter year, 1997-1998, has begun. As I stated in my acceptance remarks at installation, I am honored to serve this Grand Jurisdiction as Worthy Grand Matron. The task and responsibility are great and I pray that I will be able to serve you with a positive attitude and always with encouragement. I ask for your continued support for this wonderful Order.

The schools of instruction are well on their way and the Grand Officers are serving in the schools. The schools are for your district and I encourage you to attend. If you cannot go to your school please attend your neighbor district. Sisters and Brothers, this is a time for you to ask questions.

Sisters and Brothers, we ask for your support of all Grand Chapter projects. As you know, this is the only way we have to raise funds needed to operate the Grand Chapter as well as our beloved Eastern Star Home. Look at your itinerary and become familiar with the Project Chairman in your district. If you do not have a chairman, call me and suggest a name of someone who will serve. We will continue to support and promote the \$1.00 per

month per member for Home Operating. The projects and the items for sale are as follows:

- Home Operating ..... Peanuts and Picture Badges
- Home Endowment..... Candle Pins
- General Fund ..... White Shirts with Palmetto Tree
- ESTARL ..... Cross Pin and Scholarship Benefit
- Benevolence ..... Steering Wheel Covers
- WGM/WGP Special Project ..... Hummingbird Pin and SC Patch
- Home Pounding ..... will be done monthly
- Pages and Aides..... will be going to the Home monthly with activities

Additional functions listed in the itinerary for your enjoyment and support are:

- September 20 ..... ESTARL Scholarship Benefit
- November..... General Grand Chapter in Orlando, Florida
- December 7 ..... Christmas Drop-in at the Home
- February 1998 ..... Carolina Opry at Myrtle Beach
- May 1998 ..... Homecoming at the Eastern Star Home

This will be a busy year but we do not want you to miss out on a single thing! We want to see you at each function. Don't forget you have Line Officers the 3rd Sunday in July, November, January and March.

Sisters and Brothers, always work for the good of the Order. We are very fortunate to be able to belong to such a beautiful Order. Remember our theme this year, the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

God Bless.

To God Be The Glory!

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

ATTESTED:  
 ANNA R. SCHULZ, P.G.M.  
*Grand Secretary*

July 27, 1997

Linda Smith, Sec.  
 Martha Page Chapter 233  
 Order of the Eastern Star  
 Wellford, S.C. 29385

Dear Linda:

In reference to your letter requesting a dispensation for the election of a treasurer, see page 67, Article III Section 3 (g), a dispensation is needed to the election of Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron only. You may elect your treasurer without a dispensation.

With this comes my very best wishes to you and your chapter for a happy and prosperous year.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

October 14, 1997

Dear Deputy Grand Marshals and Assistant District Deputies:

For the Christmas drop-in at the home on December 7, 1997, Brother Ira and I would like to line the driveway with luminaries, white bags with candles inside. We will be selling them for \$5.00 each. We are requesting your groups sell the luminaries. Please announce this project every time you go into a chapter. We will have about a month to promote this project. We have never used the luminaries and I think they will be beautiful around the drive. The luminaries may be purchased in Honor of or in Memory of a loved one. Someone may like to purchase one in Honor of a Grand Officer. We will not be able to accomplish this beautiful project without your help.

I have appointed Mrs. Laura Castles, 632 Queenland Court, Lexington, SC 299072-7979 as chairperson of this project. Please send your completed orders, which are enclosed, with checks to Sister Laura as soon as you sell them, therefore we can prepare the bags as the orders are received.

Thank you for being a part of this project. The residents of the home and members attending the drop-in on the 7th will enjoy the display of luminaries.

To God Be the Glory.

Fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

October 20, 1997

Mrs. Nada F. Williams  
Past Grand Matron  
Rt. 1, Box 68A  
Yemassee, SC 29945

Dear Sister Nada:

I will be out of the state October 30 through November 7, 1997 attending General Grand Chapter in Orlando, Florida. I am leaving the affairs of the Grand Chapter in your hands while I am away.

I will be staying at the Hampton Inn, 7110 South Kirkman Rd., Orlando, Florida 32819, telephone 407-345-1112 or 1-800-426-7866 if you need to get in touch. Please call me if the need arises.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

December 26, 1997

Mrs. Nancy Copeland  
312 White Fox Lane  
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Dear Sister Nancy:

I am hereby granting you permission to contact each of the 1997-98 District Deputies for the purpose of obtaining current maps and direction to the chapter in the district.

Thank you for the manner in which you have undertaken this proposed project. Good Luck!

Fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN

*Worthy Grand Matron*

Christmas 1997

Now when JESUS was born in BETHLEHEM of JUDAEA in the days of Herod the King, behold there came THREE WISE MEN from the EAST to JERUSALEM,

Saying, where is HE that is born KING of the JEWS, for we have seen HIS STAR in the EAST and have come to worship HIM. Matthew 2(2).

CHRISTMAS is more than a day at the end of the year,  
 More than a season of JOY and good CHEER,  
 CHRISTMAS is really GOD's pattern for living  
 To be followed all year by unselfish giving,  
 For the holiday season awakens good CHEER  
 And draws us closer to those we hold DEAR.  
 And we open our HEARTS and find it is GOOD  
 To live among men as we always should.

But as soon as the tinsel is stripped from the trees  
 The SPIRIT of CHRISTMAS fades silently into the background  
 Of daily routine and is lost to the whirl of life's busy scene,  
 And all unawareness we miss and forego the greatest blessing  
 That Mankind can know, for if we lived CHRISTMAS each day as we should,  
 And made it our aim to always do good we'd find the lost key to  
 Meaningful living that comes not from GETTING but from GIVING,  
 And we'd know the great JOY of PEACE on EARTH.  
 Which was the real purpose of our SAVIOUR's BIRTH  
 For in the glad tiding of the first CHRISTMAS NIGHT,  
 GOD showed us the WAY and the TRUTH and the LIGHT.

May the warmth of this CHRISTMAS SEASON fill your heart all year through. Life is a gift from GOD and treat it with tender care. May PEACE and JOY be with YOU each day of the year.

"TO GOD BE THE GLORY"

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

IRA M. PARKS  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

ANNA R. SCHULZ, P.G.M.  
*Grand Secretary*

January 1998

To: All Members of Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina:

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

We are busy making plans for our "To God Be the Glory" Grand Chapter session to be held in June and look forward to each of you being there and sharing this time with us. Headquarters will be the Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center, Bush River Road, Columbia, SC. We will start with fellowship at Fun Night on June 13th and conclude with installation on June 17th, 1998.

All room reservations must be made by using the enclosed form and mailed directly to the HOTEL. Reservations will be made on a "FIRST COME FIRST SERVED" basis and no reservations will be accepted by phone. Please make your reservation by May 14, 1998. Once the Sheraton is filled other accommodations will be arranged by the Sheraton at other hotels nearby.

Your rooms will not be available until 3:00 p.m. on your date of arrival. Please do not arrive early and try to check in. In other years early arrivals have created serious problems and we do not want this to occur. Be aware check-in time is 3:00 p.m. not before.

Do not send this form to out-of-state guests. Another form will be used for them. The Grand Secretary will handle all out-of-state reservations. She will send tentative programs and forms to the Grand Secretaries in other Grand Jurisdictions in February.

Secretaries, please read this at several meetings and inform your members that the reservation forms are available. This form may be copied.

We look forward to having each of you at Grand Chapter in June. This will be an opportunity for each of us to work together as a TEAM and accomplish so much for our beautiful Order.

"To God BE the Glory"

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

IRA M. PARKS  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

ATTESTED:

ANNA R. SCHULZ, P.G.M.

*Grand Secretary*

\*\*NOTE: No Telephone Reservations Will Be Accepted\*\*

January 25, 1998

Mrs. Eddie Mae Moore  
2280 Johnsonville Hwy.  
Lake City, S.C. 29560

Dear Eddie Mae:

This letter is in reference to Chapter property that belonged to Lake City Chapter #110 which surrender the Chapter Charter in 1996. It is my understanding you are in possession of the Chapter Bible and Flag. According to the Constitution and Bylaws of SC Grand Chapter, page 63 and 64, Article III (f) Disposition of Charter and Chapter property, all property and effects are to be turned over to Grand Chapter.

I have spoken with Sister Anna Schulz, Grand Secretary, and she will contact you about picking up the Bible and Flag.

Thank you for your help in getting this resolved.

Fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

Copy:

ANNA R. SCHULZ, P.G.M.

*Grand Secretary*

February 24, 1998

Miss Retta Linton, President  
 District 19 Club  
 P.O. Box 209  
 Florence, South Carolina 29503

Dear Sister Retta:

It has come to my attention that the District 19 Club, composed of some Eastern Star Members of Chapters in District No. 19, has been soliciting funds from each Chapter on a pro rata basis to be used for Receptions at Grand Chapter.

First, let me state that requesting funds from the Chapters on a pro rata basis is entirely out of order and there is no legal basis for doing so for the purpose as stated in your letter of October 21, 1996 to the Chapters in District 19.

Since this action has also resulted in some unpleasantness and dissension in District 19, I am therefore requesting you to cease in the soliciting of funds from the Chapters in District 19 and also to return any funds collected in this manner to the Chapters paying them to the District 19 Club fund. I will appreciate your advising me when this has been done.

Let me also add that I do commend you and the members of District 19 in your desire to assist those who serve in appointed and elected positions of our Order. However, all of the Receptions you mentioned in your letter are not necessarily the responsibility of your District's Chapter members and there is no requirement that any of these must be held.

Should you wish to find another method to be of assistance and support to those serving in our Grand Chapter from your District, I trust it will be one that will bring your members together in a spirit of peace and harmony, unity and love in accomplishing your purpose.

If you have any questions on this matter please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

Copies:

BROTHER IRA M. PARKS, W.G.P.  
 All Chapter Secretaries in District No. 19  
 to be read at next Chapter Stated Meeting  
 All members of the Jurisprudence Committee

February 20, 1998

Frances B. Monroe  
 2289 Sparrow Swamp Road  
 Hartsville, SC 29550

LINDA K. PITTMAN, W.G.M.  
 3930 Broad River Road, Apt. D-2  
 Columbia, South Carolina 29210-4710

To Whom it May Concern:

As a member of Hartsville Chapter #91, Order of the Eastern Star, I feel aggrieved by the decision of Grand Chapter of the State of South Carolina to disregard a grievance that was determined illegal by the Appeals Grievances Committee at the 1997 Grand Chapter Session. To my knowledge, omitting the reading of the grievance on the floor at the Grand Chapter Session was a first in the history of the Order of the Eastern Star, State of South Carolina.

Sister Martha H. Berry was tried in Hartsville Chapter #91, Order of the Eastern Star and found guilty of slander, was reprimanded and was declared ineligible to serve as an officer in our chapter for two (2) years. On September 8, 1997 she demitted on continuous membership to St. David's Chapter #163 in Darlington, SC. My question is how can she serve in a grand office when she has been barred from serving in an office in our local chapter?

When I came into the Order of the Eastern Star thirty-four (34) years ago, I believed it to be a fraternal organization with Christian leadership based on Christian principles from the Holy Bible. The star in Eastern Star is His Star of the East. Now I find that this great organization can and has been infiltrated by a professing Mormon, whose belief is that the Trinity constitutes three (3) gods instead of ONE Supreme Being, as our petition, that has the signature of Sister Martha H. Berry, states that she believes in One Supreme Being therefore creating a false statement from the petitioner.

This Sister Martha H. Berry has been allowed to serve offices in our chapter, in Grand Chapter and is now serving as Associate Grand Matron desiring to advance to Worthy Grand Matron and lead this Grand Order.

It is common knowledge and I personally have verified that Sister Martha H. Berry is an active member of the Mormons, The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latterday Saints, which is a cult.

I find that she and all cult members should be suspended from our Grand Order. I also feel a more careful investigation should take place with future petitions.

Fraternally,

FRANCES B. MONROE  
Member of Hartsville  
Chapter #91

Copies:

Worthy Grand Matron  
Jurisprudence Committee  
Appeals and Grievance Committee

February 25, 1998

MRS. FRANCES MONROE  
2289 Sparrow Swamp Road  
Hartsville, SC 29550-6711

Dear Sister Frances:

This is in reference to your letter dated February 20, 1998, which is the second letter you have sent to my address, and to the members of the Jurisprudence Committee and the members of the Appeals and Grievances Committee, which seems to be identical to the letter you had already mailed to each of these with the exception of the Chapter Seal which was affixed to each copy of your previous letter.

Since your letters were addressed "To Whom it May Concern" I do not feel that it justifies an answer from me as Worthy Grand Matron. However, at this point and time, I am not sure what action will have to be taken because of the illegal use of the Chapter Seal on your original letters but this will be forthcoming.

Just as a matter of information to you, and any other members who may feel as you do, let me explain to you some things that need clarification with reference to the Rules and Regulations of our South Carolina Constitution and Bylaws and the Ritual of our Order of the Eastern Star.

1—The Grievance concerning Sister Martha Barry which was submitted at our Grand Chapter Session in June of 1997 was ruled as not a valid grievance because Sister Martha

Barry was indeed a member in good standing at that time. There is no provision in our rules and regulations whereby you can declare a member ineligible to serve as an officer in a Chapter for any period of time. In the section covering Trials in our Black Book you will note that the only Penalties that can be imposed following a Trial are—1-Reprimand, 2-Suspension or 3-Expulsion.

2—I understand that Sister Martha Berry was given a Reprimand (which is a verbal or written rebuke) but let me state again that you cannot legally add to a Reprimand that she be declared ineligible to serve as an officer in any Chapter or the Grand Chapter.

3—It is also my understanding that she is now a member of another Chapter. Since she is no longer a member of your Chapter you and your Chapter members should cease from further discussion of this matter.

4—Reference your criticisms of her religious beliefs, please note that in our Ritual, prior to the Initiation, each candidate must give an affirmative answer that they believe in the existence of a Supreme Being who rules the Universe for good in order to proceed with the Initiation. Had Sister Martha Barry not answered this in the affirmation she would not be in the Order today and it is my personal belief that no one should criticize others' religious belief or church affiliation. Please remember that this Nation was founded on the right of individuals to religious freedom. Our Order is not a byproduct of any religious denomination. We are a fraternal organization with one of our prerequisites being that a petitioner must believe as stated above. I also feel that you, or any others, who have attacked this issue should cease.

Please let me remind you that I called you to request you to meet with the Worthy Grand Patron and me and the Chairman of both the Jurisprudence Committee and the Appeals and Grievance Committee to help you to understand the position of the Grand Chapter and to put this issue to rest. Since you declined the meeting I suggested, I trust that this information contained herein will help to accomplish this purpose. Whatever controversy that has been going on concerning this matter should be stopped immediately so that everyone can get busy doing all the good things for which our Order stands.

We need to forgive and forget so that each of us will be worthy of the respect and love and the support of our Sisters and Brothers and all that our Beautiful Order affords.

As you know, Sister Martha Barry was elected on a majority vote of our membership to the office she holds in our Grand Chapter. This, in itself, constitutes our duty to support her, and certainly to support her in our prayers, as she strives to serve our Order to the best of her abilities. With everyone seeking to mend hurt and ill feelings that have been existing in your Chapter and District, I believe that God, in His own way, will help us to overcome the problems that have been created. May we all be reminded to be kind, forbearing and forgiving one toward another.

I would appreciate hearing from you and I trust that you, and any other members who feel as you do, will seriously consider your personal reconciliation on this matter, for your own best interest and for the good of the Order.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN

*Worthy Grand Matron*

Copies to:

BROTHER IRA M. PARKS, *Worthy Grand Matron*

SISTER MARTHA H. BERRY, *Associate Grand Matron*

Members of the Jurisprudence Committee

Members of the Appeals and Grievance Committee

February 25, 1998

MRS. MARTHA H. BARRY  
*Associate Grand Matron*  
Route 5, Box 215  
Hartsville, South Carolina 29550

Dear Sister Marty:

As you can see in the copy of my attached letter, I am doing all that is within my power to alleviate the hurt, ill will and animosity that has resulted since the trial that was held last year.

It is my hope and prayer that everyone involved in that occurrence will do everything in their power to end all controversy connected with that matter and make every effort toward working for the welfare of our Order and for the well-being and happiness of all our members.

We desperately need to put this matter behind us, and to get on with the business of accomplishing all the good things that Eastern Stars should be concerned with.

So, I am also asking you for a special and personal favor to do your utmost in whatever way you can to help mend any hard feelings or problem situations that are within your ability and power and to encourage all those who are close to you to assist in this effort.

I sincerely hope that with the cooperation of all involved, we can eliminate this problem and replace it with our full efforts toward working for the good of our Order as we renew our Obligations to our God and to our Sisters and Brothers.

Please know that I am always available if I can help you in anyway. With all of us putting our energies together to work for the benefit and betterment of our great Order surely God will bless our efforts to increase the happiness of ourselves and others.

With this comes my very best wishes for much success in all of your plans and endeavors for the coming year.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*  
Halifax, N.S.

*For Worthy Grand Matron*

Dear Sister:

I have been appointed as one of the General Grand Chapter Members on the Heart Committee. Since your Grand Chapter is one Jurisdiction to which I have been assigned, I am writing to you to ask your help and cooperation in promoting projects that will benefit Heart Research and care in your Jurisdiction.

I trust you will be willing to assist this program.

Yours fraternally,

HAROLD F. SPENCER,  
G.G.C.C.M.

March 23, 1998

MRS. MARTHA H. BARRY  
*Associate Grand Matron*  
 Route 5, Box 215  
 Hartsville, South Carolina 29550

Dear Marty:

I think this will be for your year, that way you can go ahead and appoint someone to serve as a chairman for South Carolina.

Take care and see you soon.

Fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

April 8, 1998

MRS. MARTHA H. BARRY  
*Associate Grand Matron*  
 Route 5, Box 215  
 Hartsville, South Carolina 29550

Dear Sister "Marty":

This letter is to inform you I will be attending the Grand Chapter of Tennessee and will be out of town April 11-14, 1998.

I am leaving the affairs of Grand Chapter in your hands. If you need to contact me I will be staying at the Best Western Suites, 201 Music City Circle, Nashville, TN 37214, 913-902-9940.

Please feel free to call me if necessary.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

April 16, 1998

MRS. DOROTHY G. SHEARER  
 12400 South 74th Avenue  
 Palos Heights, IL 60463

Dear Sister Dorothy:

I would like to receive information about the special recognition which Sister Florence is awarding this year for bringing in new members. It is my understanding the member signing on the first line of a petition received 100 points and for signing on the second line you receive 50 points. The object is to reach 300 points. If you have additional information on the details please send them to me. If I need to address this request to some one else let me know.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

## IN APPRECIATION

Dear Sisters and Brothers of South Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star. How do I express my feelings and emotions to you for having served as Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star in South Carolina? Words cannot describe all of the emotions I have experienced. I have had good, bad, happy and sad times and sometimes a feeling of helplessness. The one redeeming fact was always present; you Sisters and Brothers are the key. Together we have had a Good Year. Thank each of you for your encouragement and support. Most of all thank you for electing me to serve you as Worthy Grand Matron. We have walked side by side as friends and as a TEAM. I will never forget this year or the three years as a line officer. I only wish the years had not gone by quite so quickly.

*Worthy Grand Patron*, Brother Ira, thank you for traveling this wonderful path with me. We have learned so much this year. You have served the station of Worthy Grand Patron with honor and for the welfare of the Order. Things were not always easy, but we kept a positive attitude as we served our Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for your support and dedication to this wonderful Order.

*Right Worthy Grand Treasurer*, Sister Glenda, what a wonderful pleasure and honor it was to nominate you for Right Worthy Grand Treasurer. You have served this Order in many capacities and being elected is your reward for the many years of dedicated service. I pray God will keep you safe and give you good health as you travel and serve. You always "Let your little light shine."

*General Grand Chapter Committee Members*, Sister Anna and Brother PG, you are both very deserving of the high honor that has been granted you. I know you will serve with honor and pride as you represent South Carolina throughout your travels. You have the support of your Sisters and Brothers and we will be with you in Detroit in 2000.

*Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons*, the Honor Group for 1997-98, thank you for your advice, guidance and support not just this year but all four years. As I have said before you have been there and done that and you have been excellent leaders. I find it hard to believe I will soon join you as a Past Grand. Thank you for your continued contributions to the Order. I hope you will accept me and find me worthy to walk beside you.

*Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron*, Sister Marty and Brother Jacques, my advice is relax and enjoy the ride because it will be over before you know it. You will learn so much as you serve your Sisters and Brothers. Every Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron want to make a difference and I know you and Jacques have the same desire. I hope all of your dreams come true and you have safe travel and good health as you serve.

*Grand Secretary*, Sister Anna, you are a sweetheart and a jewel. Thank you for all the hours you give to this Order and most especially to the Worthy Grand Matron. You were never too busy to stop and help me. Thank you for keeping me out of trouble! God bless you.

*Grand Treasurer*, Sister Judy, what a tremendous responsibility you have, that of keeping the finances of Grand Chapter in order. Thank you for your dedication and service. You have always been there to help.

*Grand Conductress*, Sister Ethel, I look forward to seeing you perform your work at Grand Chapter. The duties of the Grand Conductress are beautiful and I know you will do a wonderful job. Thank you again for the Bible marker. I hope your travels to the Grand East will be smooth.

*Associate Grand Conductress*, Sister Linda, you have served your station with honor and I hope your trip to the Grand East will be filled with pleasant dreams.

*Grand Sentinel*, Brother Bobby, thank you for all of your hard work this year. I hope you and Sister Ethel have a great time as you travel to the Grand East. The road seems long and hard and sometimes I think there will never be enough time to get everything done, but somehow it does.

*Grand Trustees*, Brother Jim, Sisters Celia and Lib, thank you for the extra effort you

have made to assist the line officers this year. The information has been very helpful. I hope the Grand Trustees will continue this line of communication in the future.

*Grand Lecturer*, Brother Fred, thank you for sharing the knowledge you have gained in your service to the Order. The schools were well attended and I hope everyone enjoyed them. It takes many hours to prepare for the schools, to say nothing of the work that goes into the preparation for the practice sessions. Brother Fred, I hope your load will always be a light one.

*Appointed Grand Officers*, each of you were selected and appointed because of your excellent qualities and the service to the Order and your Sisters and Brothers. Each of you has served in many capacities throughout the years. My hope is you will cherish and remember this year as being very special. We have worked very hard and we set some high goals for ourselves this year and I hope you are pleased with our accomplishments. The driveway was a goal and working as a TEAM that has been completed. I look forward to seeing some of you go on to elected offices. You are my "Bright and Shining Stars" and I love you.

Each of you has exemplified your work with grace, dignity and pride and I am very proud of the Grand Family. The bond we have formed will always be special. Remember, "Someone is always watching you."

*Grand Representatives*, one of the greatest pleasures as Worthy Grand Matron is appointing Grand Representatives. I encourage you to visit the Grand Jurisdiction you represent and communicate with your counterpart. It is your responsibility to represent South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star as you travel.

*District Deputies*, your job is one of tremendous responsibility and thank you for accepting your appointment. You serve as the "go between" from Grand Chapter to our district and that is not always easy to do. You hear the good remarks as well as the bad, but you continue to serve your district with the watchful eye of a mother/father. I hope you have enjoyed your year as district deputy. Thank you for the excellent preparations that were made for the schools of instructions and your help to each chapter at the official visits.

*Elected Home Board Members*, it has been a pleasure and learning experience serving with each of you these four years. There is so much that goes into keeping our home in great condition and you have always been there to perform any task. South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star is so fortunate to have our home and to be able to assist in the maintenance of our Sisters and Brothers. To each Home Board member, "Thank you."

*Palmetto Star News Editor*, Sister Ruth, what a wonderful job you have done. The paper has grown under your direction. Thank you for all of the traveling you have done to promote the paper. You have always had positive comments to the chapters and encouraged each member to subscribe to the *Palmetto Star News*. Of course, you always have change in your pocket.

*Appointees to the Grand Officers*, you have performed your duties well and I thank you. Your jobs were also ones of great responsibilities; you had to take care of a Grand Officer for a year. You had to be ready to step in at the last minute and fill a station or tote and carry whatever needed to be done. You were always there and ready to assist in any way. Each one was an asset to the Grand Officers. Thank you and God bless.

*State Chairperson and Grand Appointees*, how would Grand Chapter operate without you? You have been wonderful workers; you are the "shakers and the movers." Thank you for the many hours of hard work that goes into serving in these positions. From your work comes the support of the projects, which supports the home and Grand Chapter. Thank you.

*Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons*, we have served four years with many of you. To the ones that joined along the way, we welcome you. I hope your years of service to your chapter have been as wonderful and fulfilling as mine have been to Grand Chapter.

*Staff of the Eastern Star Home*, Sister Jeanette and Brother Lerans. Thank you for everything you do for the residents of the home. Thank you for working so close with the Home Board Members.

*To my Deputy Grand Marshal, Sister Sarah Phillips,* words cannot express my appreciation for everything you have done for me, not just this year but since I have known you. Sarah, you are a faithful friend, sister and confidant. Thank you for all of the miles you have traveled with me. We have shared some wonderful moments: laughter, tears, good and bad but you have always been there for me. For the many hours preparing for the schools and for the schools themselves, you were always well prepared. Sarah, I would never be able to list the many things you have done for me; for instance, memory books, flowers, cards, notes and gifts. I know I have not always said thank you, but please know I appreciate everything and I love you.

*My Special Grand Page, Sister Dot Campbell,* thank you for all of your kindness and support. You were always there and ready to help.

*My Personal Grand Pages and Aides,* you have always been special in my Eastern Star life and I am proud to call each of you my friend, sister and brother. Thank you for the gifts throughout the year. I pray God will continue to bless each of you.

*My Grand Escort, Brother Bobby,* there are not enough words to express my love and gratitude to you and for you. I could not have done this without you. You have always been there for me. I love you.

*To my grandchildren, Kyle, Brandon and Alaina,* thank you for being a part of grandmama's installation and the informal opening of Grand Chapter. I love you and I look forward to being a full-time grandmama real soon.

*To the Grand Emblem Bearers,* each of you served the star point station which you are representing and I know that year was special to you. Thank you for being a part of this year also.

*District 10,* what a great group of Sisters and Brothers! Your support since I was elected Associate Grand Conductress has been unwavering. You have stepped up to each challenge. At each official visit, members of District 10 were always there. This year has been twice as hard with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron being from the Big 10. I am very proud to be from District 10 and I have tried very hard to represent the district with pride. Thank you, members of District 10.

*Shandon Chapter #193,* each of you has supported me as I traveled the path to the Grand East and I appreciate all of the acts of kindness. Brother Ira was away from the Chapter on many occasions and you never complained. Thank you for the generous monetary gift you presented me.

*St. Andrews Chapter #271,* thank you for allowing me to be a member of this Chapter. This Chapter has always performed the work of the Order in a beautiful and proficient manner and the official visits since I have been elected have exemplified that fact. Two of the most wonderful gifts I have ever received come from the members of this Chapter, my Bible and Life Membership. They will always be cherished. Thank you for electing me to serve as Worthy Matron, therefore making me eligible to serve as Worthy Grand Matron. I pray this Chapter will always grow and prosper.

*To the Star Travelers Club,* what a wonderful group of Sisters and Brothers. We have become a big family over the last years. You have worked so hard to raise funds for the club and boy what a big success. You have by far exceeded all of the goals we set for the club. We have been as busy as hummingbirds and flown all over the State representing "The Star Travelers." Each time I see one of you wearing the club shirt or a hummingbird pin, it makes me proud to be a part of this wonderful group. Thank you for all of the gifts, cards, birthday cakes and STAMPS. But most of all thank you for "Being my Friend." I love you, Sisters and Brothers.

*Arrangements Committee,* what a beautiful job you have done. You have taken my dreams and ideas and turned them into a reality. The installation last June and now the Grand Session, what a beautiful setting. Thank you for all of the hard work.

*To Sister Frankie Wynne,* chairperson of the ESTARL Benefit, God bless you. You took one of my ideas and molded it into a dream come true. The ESTARL Benefit was one of the highlights of this year and I give you all the credit. To the Sisters and Brothers, thank you for supporting this project in such a wonderful way.

*To Sister Mary Coggins*, thank you for your constant support and the many hours at the computer and fax machine. I would never be able to repay for the hours of work, so please accept my thank you for a job well done. You are a true Eastern Star Sister. I love you.

### IN CLOSING

Sisters and Brothers, with the closing of this "To God Be the Glory" Session of Grand Chapter, I will close a chapter of my life that can never be relived; only remembered. I have so many wonderful memories I will forever hold in my heart. Thank you for your confidence in allowing me to serve this Grand Body as Worthy Grand Matron. Sisters and Brothers, I have tried to make a difference and I hope you will remember the good times and the things we have accomplished. Each of us must remember "to let your little light shine"; one candle doesn't give much light, but as a TEAM, we can light the world. Thank you for "being my friend."

All year I have closed each official visit with the same proclamation and I will close my remarks the same way.

"TO GOD BE THE GLORY"

Sincerely and fraternally,

LYNDA K. PITTMAN

*Worthy Grand Matron*

I move my Address and Report be accepted as printed and referred to the proper committee. (Applause)

Accepted/Carried

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron*: We will now hear the Address of Brother Ira, your Worthy Grand Patron.

*Worthy Grand Patron*: Since I will be talking to you just about the rest of the morning I'm going . . . you know I never speak like I write. Somebody one time asked me to say a prayer and he said, "Then give me two copies of it." I said, "Do you want me to write a story or do you want me to say a prayer." I said, "Make up your mind which one you want." So, usually I speak a little different than I write, but I can do this whole report here, I've got eight pages here, and if you listen real quick, I'll do the whole thing in above five and a half minutes. And if I miss anybody, just remember this here, I've condensed this thing down, but it sure's not because I don't have any great respect for every person who has rendered service to this organization, whether it's the Sisters and Brothers sitting here or whether it's the smallest person in this outfit here who has absolutely no appointment other than just working on the sidelines. I thank you so much for that. I shall now read my report and then we'll get at the rest of it.

### ADDRESS AND REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

*Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Elected Officer and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, Members and Visitors:*

My Sisters and Brothers, it has been an honor for me to serve you this year and I welcome you to this Ninety-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina.

I shall always treasure the honor of serving as Worthy Grand Patron. I thank you for your friendship and the fine manner in which you received me at your Chapters.

We held the first of twenty-four schools at St. Andrews Chapter on June 21st, 1997 with

the Grand Officers performing at all schools and they performed their work in an outstanding manner.

Sisters and Brothers, what a great honor you gave me this year by presenting me with so many Honorary Memberships and I especially thank those Chapters that honored me even though my schedule would not permit me to come to your Chapter during my year. I shall come at a later time and thank the Chapter in person.

It was my honor and pleasure to attend Rainbow Grand Assembly at Rock Hill on August 2nd and 3rd, 1997 where I was presented with the Grand Cross of Color in a very impressive ceremony.

We started our Official Visits this year beginning at Heath Springs No. 259 on August 18th and finishing at St. Andrews Chapter on March 7th, 1998.

During the year we had several special events which were well attended by many of our Sisters and Brothers beginning on Saturday, September 23rd. At Jamil Temple we had an Estral BENEFIT consisting of a Christian musical show with dinner. Several hundred Sisters and Brothers were present at this event. We thank Sister Frankie Wynne who chaired this project, which was most successful and a lot of fun for all.

On October 30th through November 7th, 1997, we journeyed to General Grand Chapter in Orlando, Florida, and at this beautiful convention it was my honor to present the South Carolina flag at the cavalcade of flags ceremony. It was also my honor to be asked to second the nomination of Sister Glenda Winchester for the office of Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, to which office she was elected and we congratulate her on her election and wish her well.

We had a Christmas drop-in at the OES home for the residents and visiting Sisters and Brothers on December 7, 1997. It was a very nice event and was enjoyed by many of our members.

On February 14, 1998 we journeyed to Myrtle Beach for the Carolina Opera, which was attended by many Sisters and Brothers.

Sisters and Brothers, the Peanut Sale, which is one of our main projects, was just super and they were gone in record time all by the efforts of you, my hardworking Sisters and Brothers, and I just thank you so much for your devotion to our Order. And many thanks to our State Chairman of this project, Brother Andy Peigler, who has worked many times for this project over the years.

*Worthy Grand Matron*, Sister Lynda, I wish you well in whatever you select to do in Grand Chapter in the future. I hope you have enjoyed your year of service.

*To the Elected Grand Officers* of this year, we thank you for all that you are doing for our Order and we wish you well as you continue your trip along in the Grand Chapter.

*To the Appointed Grand Officers*, I hope that you have enjoyed your year of service. It was a pleasure to work with you and I wish you only the best as you continue to serve the Order.

*Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer*, Sisters Anna and Judy, thank you so very much for all the many long hours that you put in for Grand Chapter. I thank you both for all the help and little tips you have given me during my year. It is with much pleasure that I congratulate you, Sister Anna and Brother P. G. Barnett, on your appointments in General Grand Chapter and I wish you the best.

*Deputy Grand Marshal*, Brother Jim Ballard, I thank you so much, my friend, for your hours of labor to do all you could in whatever it took to do the job. You are a real STAR.

*Special Grand Aide*, Brother Fred Klein, what a nice person you are and such a great attitude all the time and always willing to take on any task which will help our Order.

*Personal Grand Pages and Aides*, what can I say to a group like you, for you have been with me all the way and you have done so many nice things that pleased me much and you have worked hard in so many ways to help out this year. I could never thank you enough for your devotion to our cause and your friendship toward myself; you folks are just a great bunch.

*Project Chairmen, State and District*, what a fine job you have done with our projects this year and we thank you so much for your labor of love. We could never forget to thank

all the many Sisters and Brothers on the sidelines who are the Army behind our efforts to keep the Star Bright.

*Shandon Chapter Members*, thank you for all that you have done this year to help me on my trip to the Grand East. I have missed being with you this year since I have been on the road most of the year. I will be back soon.

*District Ten Members*, I wish to thank you for all you have done this year and it has been plenty, because it is a real task to support two GRAND Officers through the East and I can never thank you enough for what you have done on my behalf.

*Star Travelers Club*, what a great bunch of nice folks you have been and you have done so many nice things for so many members and you really are a bunch of shining Stars, so keep on shining.

It is with much regret that we have to report that Abe Wyman Chapter #265 voted to surrender their Charter, with all members present voting to do so at their stated meeting on December 1, 1997.

It was my pleasure to attend Tennessee Grand Chapter in Nashville April 11th through April 13, 1998. Sister Mary Ann and I were also privileged to go to Grand Representatives Luncheon, with our own Grand Representative to the State of Tennessee, Sister Aretta Godbey, who was accompanied by Sister Mary Coggins, Grand Representative to Colorado, and Sister Mary Sesnauskas, P.M.

*My Family*, Mary Ann, my wife, what a strong supporter and hard worker you have been during my year. I know that by your efforts my load was made so much easier and I could never thank you enough for your love and support. You are a Super Star; I love you very much. Robert, my son who has worked in the background to do so many things at our business as well as personal things to help keep things going, many thanks, my buddy and son.

District Schools of Instruction.....	24
Official Visits .....	73
Line Officers Meeting.....	5
Home Board Meetings.....	8
Rainbow Grand Assembly.....	1
OES Home Visits .....	12
General Grand Chapter at Orlando, Florida .....	1
Tennessee Grand Chapter at Nashville.....	1
Christmas Drop-in OES Home Sumter.....	1
Carolina Opera at Myrtle Beach.....	1
Grand Masters Banquet at Grand Lodge, Rock Hill.....	1

The total mileage that I have traveled is approximately 21,500 miles.

Sisters and Brothers, it has been a real honor to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron this year and I thank you so much for this privilege, and as I close this chapter in my Eastern Star life, I say to you this last time from the East, may the Lord take a liking to you and may He make His LIGHT to shine upon your face.

God bless each of you,

IRA M. PARKS  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

I move my Address and Report be accepted as printed and referred to the proper committee. (Applause)

Accepted/Carried  
 June 16, 1998  
 Tuesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Ira. I need to go back and make one explanation before we proceed. The reason for the changes on the Jurisprudence Committee is because several members serving on the Jurisprudence Committee have signed a proposed Bylaw and this is just a temporary change.

Sister Grand Secretary, do you have your report ready?

*Grand Secretary:* Good morning. Before I give my report there is . . . I have a special thank you to two special people that are really my family. Last night I was presented this necklace by Brother Vernon and Sister Alma Force and I would like to tell you something about it. Brother Vernon had this made with my initial "A" from a gold ring that Sister Alma's Dad gave her and a pair of fourteen carat gold earrings that her sons gave her. This went into the disk and Brother Vernon bought the gold chain. I know of no words to express how I feel, how to say I thank you but I do with all my heart.

Each of you have a copy of my report and it is very, very long so I will not read it. I urge you to read it and should you find anything incorrect or your contributions not listed, please after the session is over write me and tell me what it is—it is most important that our proceedings are correct. Every receipt was checked three times, but that doesn't mean a mistake wasn't made.

Sisters and Brothers, I know time is of the essence, but I would like to read a part of my report.

(The Grand Secretary read pages 76 and 77, her "In Appreciation" as printed in the Addresses and Report and pages 122 and 123 of the proceedings.)

## REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, other Distinguished Guests, my Sisters and Brothers:*

This past year has gone by so swiftly, it doesn't seem possible that it is almost time for our Grand Chapter Session. Maybe this is due in part to the calendar . . . the formal opening is June 15th, the middle of the month.

It is my pleasure and honor to present to you the following report of the official business transactions of the office of the Grand Secretary for the fiscal year May 1, 1997 through April 30, 1998.

### IN MEMORIAM

"The Lord knoweth the days of the upright:  
and their inheritance shall be forever." Psalm 37:18

Death has claimed 341 of our dear and dedicated members, including two of our most beloved Past Grand Matrons and one Past Grand Patron.

Mrs. Mae Jeanette Ashford McLemore, who served as Worthy Grand Matron in 1969-1970 with Mr. William T. Johnson, died February 23, 1998.

Miss Nancy Ruth McLemore, who served as Worthy Grand Matron 1984-1985 with Mr. H. David Brown, died February 23, 1998.

Mr. Thomas Henry Allred, who served as Worthy Grand Patron in 1972-1973 with Mrs. Margaret Bishop, died February 6, 1998.

To our Sisters and Brothers who have lost loved ones and the Chapters who have lost dear and devoted members, we extend to you our sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

Also, we extend our sincere sympathy to the members of other Grand Jurisdictions who have lost faithful and beloved members.

They have seen the sunrise with the MASTER  
In that land of great joy and endless love;  
They are looking down and watching over us,  
Waiting to welcome us to our eternal Home above.

All memorials of Grand Officers, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons received from other Grand Jurisdictions were promptly acknowledged by messages of sympathy.

### **PROCEEDINGS**

The proceedings of the 1997 Grand Chapter Session were printed and distributed to those entitled to receive them as prescribed in the Grand Chapter Bylaws.

The proceedings from other Grand Jurisdictions were received, courteously acknowledged and distributed as prescribed in our Bylaws. (In some cases only one copy was received due to the cost.)

### **GRAND REPRESENTATIVE COMMISSIONS**

All commissions as stated in the report of the Worthy Grand Matron were received and recorded.

All recommendations for Grand Representative Commissions from other Grand Jurisdictions were promptly prepared with the approval of the Worthy Grand Matron, recorded and mailed.

### **CHARTER SURRENDERED**

Abe Wyman Chapter No. 265 surrendered their charter December 1, 1997. Disposition of all records and property was processed in accordance with Grand Chapter Bylaws.

I sincerely appreciate the hard work of those that assisted in this endeavor and deeply regret that the chapter chose to surrender their charter rather than consolidate with another chapter. It is my understanding that some of the members have affiliated with another chapter . . . I do commend you.

### **GRAND CHAPTER DEMITS ISSUED**

The following members of Abe Wyman Chapter No. 265 were issued demits: Callie Knox, James Knox, Johnny Moore, Paulette Moore, Tom Blackwood, Catherine Smith, Betty Blackwood, Juanita Blackwell, Martha Queen, William H. Foster, Margaret Gault, Janie Hyatt, Margaret Moss, Dennis Robinson, Martha Robinson and Ann Sorley.

### **TENTATIVE PROGRAMS**

Tentative Programs for our 1998 Grand Chapter Session were prepared and mailed to the General Grand Chapter Officers, Grand Chapter Secretaries of other Grand Jurisdictions for distribution. Several best wishes for our session and regrets have been received.

Tentative programs from other Grand Jurisdictions were courteously acknowledged and distributed as requested.

### **SECRETARY-TREASURER SCHOOL**

The annual Secretary-Treasurer School was held March 29, 1998, at Columbia Chapter #59 in Columbia. We were honored to have our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, several Past Grands, our Line Officers and over 130 members in attendance.

The school was opened with prayer by Brother Ira M. Parks, Worthy Grand Patron. Brief welcomes were extended by Sister Judy B. Caldwell, Grand Treasurer and Sister Anna R. Schulz, Grand Secretary. Brief remarks were made by our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda K. Pittman. The fellowship, enthusiasm and participation by our members made the school a SUCCESS . . . thank you.

Mere words of mine are not adequate to express my sincere appreciation to Sister Carol and Brother Jack Coker for their hard work to make the facility a great place to meet and

for the light refreshments. Many thanks to Brother Fred Caldwell, Sister Shirley and Brother Arthur Tracey for always doing anything Judy and I ask. God bless you all.

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO GRAND CHAPTER BYLAWS**

All proposed changes to the Grand Chapter Bylaws received in this office were prepared and forwarded to Jurisprudence Committee, all Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, elective Grand Officers, District Deputies and each subordinate chapter as stipulated on page 139, Grand Chapter Bylaws.

**PREREGISTRATION GRAND CHAPTER SESSION**

Copies of the programs, badges with inserts and envelopes were given to the chairperson of each Committee on Registration May 3rd, to assist them in accomplishing their duties and responsibilities during the session.

**CREDENTIAL CARDS—PROGRAMS**

Credential Cards for the chapter voting delegates and one copy of the Grand Chapter Program will be distributed to the Secretary of each subordinate chapter next week.

**STATISTICAL SUMMARY**

I sincerely thank my special group—Chapter Secretaries—for accepting the most demanding yet thankless station in your chapters. Those of you that are serving in this capacity for the first time . . . WELCOME . . . WELCOME. Please call or write to me ANYTIME you feel necessary. Remember we are all working together to achieve our goals . . . this is a job of teamwork.

Overall the preparation of the annual returns were improved over prior years . . . some were beautiful . . . several had to be returned for signatures and the chapter seal. I encourage the Worthy Matron of every chapter to carefully review the return prior to signature since it is one of the most important historical documents maintained by the Chapter Secretary. I would like to encourage "my co-workers" to study Grand Chapter Bylaws and the instructions I forward to you during the year . . . please attend our annual school.

The statistical data reflected in the subordinate chapters' annual returns follows:

Total membership as of March 31, 1997 . . . . .	12,564
Initiated . . . . .	299
Reinstated . . . . .	41
Affiliated . . . . .	86
Omitted from former years . . . . .	7
Total Increase . . . . .	433
Died . . . . .	341
Demitted . . . . .	145
Withdrawn (refused demits) . . . . .	4
Suspended (nonpayment of dues) . . . . .	362
Charter Surrendered . . . . .	19
Total Decrease . . . . .	871
Total Membership . . . . .	°12,126

I have not received the annual report from two chapters—the above data is subject to change—adjustments will be made in the proceedings.

Summerville #143 continues to remain the largest with 281 (initiated 9—net increase of 3), Anderson #130 second with 214, Myrtle Beach #180 third place with 174 and Columbia #59 fourth with 173.





Chapter	ESTABL	Cancer	Heart	Benevolence	General	WGM/SP	Operating	Endowment	Building
North Charleston #100	25.00	12.50	12.50	..	..	..	25.00	..	..
Oliver #274	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ora #153	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Pageland #258	10.00	..	5.00	..	..	..	5.00	..	5.00
Palmetto #2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pamplico #170	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Pelton #225	5.00	..	5.00	..	..	..	5.00	..	5.00
Pelzer #84	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Piedmont #108	10.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prosperity #77	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Queen City #141	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Queen Esther #139	25.00	..	25.00	..	..	..	25.00	..	25.00
Relifville #46	12.00	..	12.00	..	..	..	12.00	..	12.00
Richburg #213	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Ridge #222	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Ridgeville #280	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Roebuck #216	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Rosemary #195	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Roy O. Adams #289	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Ruff #254	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ruffin #142	5.00	..	5.00	..	..	..	5.00	..	5.00
Ruff #12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Andrews #271	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. David #163	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
St. George #166	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Saluda #8	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Sam Poe #123	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sandy Run #230	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Seneca #5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shandon #193	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Simpsonville #90	25.00	..	25.00	..	..	..	25.00	..	25.00
Socastee #301	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
South #243	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Stella Vine #99	5.00	..	5.00	..	..	..	5.00	..	5.00
Summerville #143	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Summer #188	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Swamp Fox #87	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Tallah #16	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Ticom #140	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Tradesville #257	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Traveler Rest #205	25.00	..	25.00	..	..	..	25.00	..	25.00
Tyger #242	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Vance #287	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Waccamaw #89	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Wade Hampton #288	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Wagner #38	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Walhalla #134	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Waltherboro #147	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Westminster #103	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. S. Richbourg #80	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Whitney #190	10.00	..	10.00	..	..	..	10.00	..	10.00
Williamston #81	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Wingah #148	50.00	..	50.00	..	..	..	50.00	..	50.00
Woodruff #54	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
York #145	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	\$2,196.00	\$413.50	\$355.50	\$1,181.00	\$851.00	\$1,025.00	\$2,548.00	\$1,683.00	..

GENERAL FUND

Mary Mayson, St. Chmn. (96-97)	\$ 500.00
Vendor	350.00
Mary Mayson, St. Chmn. (96-97)	157.22
Grand Chapter Tuesday Collection	1,000.00
Honor Timothy Russell	148.00
Registration Fee	500.00
Nonvoting Members	500.00
Registration Fee	2,580.00
Out-of-State Visitors	1,111.00
Registration Fee Delegates	8.65
Immeraries	10.00
Ira Parks	..
Refund Grand Officers Flower Fund	..
Neille Poole	..
Dave Brown	..

Dave Brown.....		10.00
Ira Parks .....	Itineraries .....	474.00
Busy Bee Breakfast .....		50.00
Ira Parks .....	Itineraries .....	304.00
Dave Brown .....	Honor Linda Lamb .....	20.00
Saluda #8.....	Honor 1997-1998 Grand Officers .....	25.00
Circle #241.....	Honor 1997-1998 Grand Officers .....	25.00
Ridge #222 .....	Honor 1997-1998 Grand Officers .....	25.00
Edgefield #236.....	Honor 1997-1998 Grand Officers .....	25.00
Harmony Hope #229.....	Honor Ethel Rimes .....	20.00
John L. Flynn #277.....	Honor Martha "Marty" Barry .....	50.00
John L. Flynn #277.....	Honor Billy Joe Graves and Grand Chapter Appointees.....	50.00
Beuclare #20 .....	Honor Anna Schulz.....	10.00
James D. Perry.....	Honor Shirley Shipp .....	15.00
James D. Perry.....	Honor Harold Salley .....	5.00
Dartha Peterson, St. Chmn..... (1995-1996)	Carousel Horse Sweatshirts .....	642.00
Carolina #25.....	Memory Bessie Redman .....	25.00
Sumter #188.....	Honor Linda Lamb .....	20.00
Dartha & Pete Peterson .....	Memory Jeanette Baker .....	30.00
Ira Parks .....	Itineraries .....	281.00
Ira Parks .....	Itineraries .....	56.00
Hanahan #250.....	Honor Ethel Rimes & Chapter Appointees.....	50.00
Genie Wright .....	Honor Sara Klein & Ben Reaves .....	25.00
Robert L. Pittman.....	Golf Shirts.....	2,342.26
Ira M. Parks .....	Itineraries .....	14.00
Ruth's Designs .....	Vendor .....	350.00
Dartha Peterson, St. Chmn.....	District #10 (R. L. Pittman).....	24.00
	District #20 (Marie Lepore) .....	36.00
	District #22 (Yevonne Barefoot).....	144.00
Dartha Peterson, St. Chmn.....	District #2 (Betty Washnok) .....	12.00
	District #10 (Dartha Peterson).....	36.00
	District #22 (Yevonne Barefoot).....	48.00
TOTAL .....		\$11,608.13

**HEART & CANCER FUND**

Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Honor Betty Davis & Robert E. Campbell.....	\$ 10.00
General Grand Chapter..... 1994-97 Triennium	Profit Pin Sale—Cancer.....	162.75
General Grand Chapter..... 1994-97 Triennium	Profit Pin Sale—Heart .....	296.70
Callie Self #199 .....	Memory Carlton Davis (Heart) .....	5.00
Callie Self #199 .....	Honor Mildred D. Bosse (Heart) .....	5.00
Iris #149 .....	Honor Mercedes Brunson (Cancer).....	15.00
Lexington #176 .....	Honor Lynda Pittman, Ira M. Parks, Betty Martin, Mary Scalf, Valerie Taylor & Flo Snelgrove (Cancer).....	80.00
Sumter #188.....	Honor Mildred Ramey (Cancer) .....	10.00
Callie Self #199.....	Memory Mother of Doris Rambo (Heart) .....	10.00
Vance #287 .....	Memory Howard Kemp (Heart) .....	15.00
Charles & Dot Peterson .....	Memory Darby Anderson (Heart).....	30.00
Randal Singleton.....	Heart Fund.....	25.00

Randal Singleton.....	Cancer Fund.....	25.00
Charles & Dot Peterson .....	Memory Max Rowland & Nancy Ruth McLemore (Cancer) .....	60.00
Charles & Dot Peterson .....	Memory Maxie Shipp (Heart) .....	30.00
Marion Blackmon .....	Memory Darby Anderson (Heart).....	25.00
Vienna Teal .....	Memory Darby Anderson (Heart).....	15.00
Charles A. & Dot Peterson.....	Memory Mae J. McLemore (Cancer) .....	30.00
Iris #149 .....	Love Gift (Heart) .....	25.00
Iris #149 .....	Love Gift (Cancer).....	25.00
Dartha & Pete Peterson .....	Memory James McLane (Heart) .....	30.00
Waccamaw #89 .....	Memory Hoyt Grainger .....	10.00
Total.....		\$939.45

**BENEVOLENCE FUND**

Earnest Campbell, St. Chmn. (96-97).....		\$ 15.00
Earnest Campbell, St. Chmn. (96-97).....		87.00
Earnest K. Campbell, St. Chmn. (96-97).....		6.00
Patricia Conner, St. Chmn. ....		129.00
Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Honor Betty Davis & Robert E. Campbell.....	10.00
Faith #167 .....	Memory Golda M. Furr.....	10.00
Patricia Conner, St. Chmn. ....	District #8 .....	316.00
	District #16 .....	10.00
	District #19 .....	61.00
	District #23 .....	32.00
Seneca #5 .....	Honor Alice Cox & Arlene Beale .....	10.00
Iris #149 .....	Honor Jerry Holt.....	15.00
New Brookland #104.....	Honor Ted LeBlanc, Julia McCartha, Marcia Gardner & Linda Lamb .....	40.00
Marjorie G. Graves .....	Honor Camelia & Oscar McLeod, Mary & George Clapp.....	20.00
York #145 .....	Honor Martha "Marty" Barry & Inez Wingate..	5.00
Oliver #274.....	Honor Pro tems .....	15.00
Patricia Conner, St. Chmn. ....		242.00
	District #10 .....	155.00
	Joe Lubelsky .....	10.00
	Betty Donahue .....	4.00
	District #20 .....	40.00
	District #21.....	60.00
	District #24.....	72.00
Betty & Mike Willing.....	Honor Virginia Gilreath, Anna Schulz & Vernon Force.....	10.00
TOTAL .....		\$ 1,374.00

**ESTARL FUND**

Hazel C. Smith.....		\$ 20.00
Reidville #46 .....	Memory Gertie Watt.....	20.00
Pelion #225 .....	Honor Installing Officers—Frankie Wynn, Betty Martin, Mabel Varnes, Mary Ann Faircloth, Linda Lamb, Carolyn Brown & Ed Begelman.....	35.00
Walhalla #134.....	Memory Lillian Sloan.....	10.00
Greer #151 .....	Honor Kenneth Reid .....	20.00

Virginia B. Medlin, St. Chmn. (96-97) .....		50.00
Betty Lou Burrows .....		30.00
Cheraw #158 .....	Memory Myrl Barnes & Juanita Gandy .....	70.00
ESTARL Worship Service .....		701.00
Gladys Banister .....	Memory Ann Jones .....	50.00
P. G. & Elizabeth Barnett .....	Memory Darrel "Bud" Horne & Edward Blackmon .....	50.00
Past Matrons & Patrons' Club .....	Memory Martin Smith .....	15.00
District #4		
Heath Springs #259 .....	Memory Rev. Ernest Kendrix .....	10.00
Loris #106 .....	Memory Myrtle Lyerly .....	77.00
Marcella M. Frick .....	Honor Roxie & Sam Derrick's 40th Wedding Anniversary .....	10.00
Helen Lindler .....	Honor Roxie & Sam Derrick's 40th Wedding Anniversary .....	20.00
Darrell & Dorothy Gerner .....	Memory Helen Marshbanks .....	10.00
Bobby James, St. Chmn. ....	District #1 .....	24.00
	District #6 .....	24.00
	District #7 .....	12.00
	District #9 .....	48.00
	District #10 .....	24.00
	District #13 .....	36.00
	District #14 .....	48.00
	District #15 .....	48.00
	District #16 .....	40.00
	District #17 .....	24.00
	District #20 .....	52.00
	District #22 .....	60.00
	District #23 .....	28.00
	District #19 (Donation Hartsville #91 Honor Gayle Morrison) .....	50.00
	Less Funds forwarded to WGM .....	(28.00)
Cheraw #158 .....	Memory Lera Davis .....	35.00
Cheraw #158 .....	Memory Burnestine Goins' Husband .....	20.00
Clemson #191 .....	Memory Minnie Crooks .....	10.00
Cheraw #158 .....	Memory Bob Varner .....	20.00
Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Honor Betty Davis & Robert E. Campbell .....	10.00
Faith #167 .....	Honor Chapter's Past Grand Matrons & 1997-98 Grand Appointees .....	35.00
Donna Crosby .....	Honor Installing Officers .....	25.00
Greer #151 .....	In lieu of flowers—Honor Leroy Hendricks .....	20.00
Laura D. Castles .....	Honor Laura Ratterree .....	12.00
Edna Hunter .....	Honor Lucius & Margaret Todd, Alice & Glen Cox & Memory of Roy Hunter .....	15.00
Mary Heyward #124 .....	Scholarship .....	800.00
Sam Poe #123 .....	Denver Lyles—Kathleen Smith .....	40.00
Clemson #191 .....	Memory Pearl Philyaw .....	10.00
General Grand Chapter .....	Profit Pin Sale .....	303.27
1994-97 Triennium		
Heath Springs #259 .....	Honor Lynda Pittman, Ira Parks, Kay Arant, Ted Arant, Mary Lee Garris, Jerry Garris, Etta Ruth Arant & Max Rutledge .....	60.00
Frankie Wynn, Chmn. ....	ESTARL Scholarship Benefit .....	5,200.00

Pelion #225 .....	Honor Lynda Pittman, Ira Parks, Martha Barry, Jacques Lefever, Linda Lamb, Jane Munn, Betty Martin & Mary Scalf .....	50.00
James Island #284 .....	Memory H. Willard Lampe, Jr. & Rev. H. Willard Lampe, Sr. ....	25.00
Monaghan #82 .....	Honor Linda Lamb & Broadus Poole .....	60.00
Mae & Nancy McLemore .....	Honor Mary Fogle & her bus group for being so helpful at the General Grand Chapter.....	25.00
Beuclare #20 .....	Honor Glenda Winchester & Jean Peebles .....	20.00
Irma H. Perry.....	Honor Jackie Sluder.....	15.00
Seneca #5 .....	Honor Linda Lamb .....	10.00
James Island #284 .....	Memory H. Willard Lampe .....	10.00
Callie Self #199.....	Honor Myrtis Crouch, Myra & Jim Ballard, Ruth Gregory & Nita Linnenkohl .....	25.00
Gerald Stobby .....	WGP Special Project.....	18.00
Alma P. Chastain.....	Memory Helen Marchbanks.....	20.00
Bobby James, St. Chmn.....	District #3 .....	92.00
	District #5 .....	40.00
	District #6 .....	36.00
	District #7 .....	8.00
	District #10.....	61.00
	District #16.....	10.00
	District #19.....	40.00
	District #20.....	4.00
	District #22.....	36.00
Bobby James, St. Chmn.....	District #1 .....	48.00
	District #7 .....	12.00
	District #10.....	224.00
	District #13.....	36.00
	District #15.....	90.00
	District #16.....	4.00
	District #18.....	144.00
	District #23.....	32.00
Bobby James, St. Chmn.....	District #2.....	64.00
	District #4 .....	60.00
	District #7 .....	8.00
	District #8 .....	48.00
	District #10.....	48.00
	District #12.....	48.00
	District #15.....	72.00
	District #21.....	48.00
	District #24.....	32.00
Leonora #30 .....	Memory Ray Sunderland.....	10.00
Carolina #25.....	Silver Drill .....	15.36
Iris #149 .....	Honor Anna Schulz.....	100.00
Florence H. Steele.....	Honor Nita M. Cain—Pamplico #170 50-year member .....	50.00
Leroy & Mary C. Hendricks .....	ESTARL Scholarship Benefit.....	25.00
Walhalla #134.....	Memory Agnes Jones .....	15.00
Walhalla #134.....	Honor Ethel Rimes, Alice Cox & Arlene Beale.	45.00
New Brookland #104.....	Honor Ethel Greer, Jake Rawl, Mary Ann Faircloth, Margaret Rawl.....	40.00
Marjorie G. Graves .....	Honor Anna Schulz.....	10.00
Marjorie G. Graves .....	Honor Camelia & Oscar McLeod, George & Mary Clapp.....	20.00

Marjorie G. Graves .....	Honor Albert & Vivian Hoppee's 50th Wedding Anniversary .....	10.00
Marjorie G. Graves .....	Honor Elaine & Bill Burgess, Gaynelle & Earl McAlister, Peggy & Wayne Tucker .....	30.00
Ruth C. Gregory .....	Memory Everette E. Ouzts .....	10.00
York #145 .....	Honor Martha "Marty" Barry & Inez Wingate .....	5.00
John W. Grady III .....	Honor Camelia McCloud & Mary Clapp .....	10.00
Jean R. McCaig .....	Memory Lois Roddy .....	10.00
Betty J. Adams .....	Memory Lois Roddy .....	10.00
Oliver #274 .....	Honor Worthy Grand Matron .....	20.00
Loris #106 .....	Memory Arthur Vereen .....	10.00
Loris #106 .....	Memory Rev. Burroughs Carter .....	25.00
Heath Springs #259 .....	Memory Jeanette Baker & William Couch .....	20.00
Wade Hampton #288 .....	Honor Camelia McLeod & Mary Clapp .....	10.00
Hanahan #250 .....		296.54
Douglas & Nell O'Shields .....	Memory Darby Anderson .....	15.00
Lucretia O. Adams .....	Honor District Deputy & Page—District #3 .....	30.00
Dot & Darrell Gerner .....	Memory T. T. James, Beth Brock's Sister & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	30.00
Elizabeth Vinson .....	Memory Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	25.00
Anna R. Schulz .....	Memory Thomas Allred .....	15.00
Anna R. Schulz .....	Memory Grace T. Bryant .....	10.00
Anna R. Schulz .....	Memory Adelia McMurtrey, Helen Marshbanks & Eunice Barrineau .....	20.00
Anna R. Schulz .....	Honor Marjorie Graves, Edna Hunter & Matilda Crooks .....	15.00
Evelyn & Arthur McPherson .....	Memory Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	25.00
"Ted" Arant Family .....	Honor Mary Lee & Jerry Garris & Anna Schulz .....	30.00
"Ted" Arrant Family .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	20.00
Mary Louise Morgan .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	20.00
Loris #106 .....	Memory Maude Edge .....	10.00
Installing Officers .....	Honor Wagener #38 .....	25.00
Frankie Wynne, Yevonne Barefoot, Mildred Webb, Harold Munn & Gordon Darmody		
Doris & Maryland Johnson .....	Memory Tom Allred, Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	30.00
Ethel & Jake Rimes .....	Honor P. G. Barnett .....	10.00
Julia Mae Wood .....	Honor David & Flonise Brown, Ann Bigleman, Betty Martin & Mary Scalf .....	50.00
Marjorie Graves .....	Honor Faye & Wayne Bowser—Glenda & Harold Winchester .....	20.00
Marjorie Graves .....	Memory Jimmy & Hilda Roddy's Mothers .....	10.00
Marjorie Graves .....	Honor Rose & Al Beiner, Paul & Sara Rampey, Bill & Marguriete Thomason .....	15.00
Marjorie Graves .....	Honor John W. Grady III .....	5.00
Irma & James D. Perry .....	Memory Thomas H. Allred, Mae J. McLemore & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	45.00
Irma & James D. Perry .....	Memory Hoyt Grainger & Maxie Shipp .....	10.00
Iva #221 .....	Donation .....	155.00
Monaghan #82 .....	Memory Minor Galloway .....	25.00
Sam & Yevonne Barefoot .....	Memory Mae J. McLemore, Nancy Ruth McLemore & Marie Hankinson .....	50.00
Heath Springs #259 .....	Memory Bobby McManus .....	10.00

Dorothy & Darrell Gerner .....	Memory Mae J. McLemore .....	10.00
Installing Officers— .....	Honor 1998-1999 Officers—Richburg #231.....	25.00
Frankie Wynne, Virginia Gilreath, Delores Small, Kim Carter & Harold Munn		
Alma B. Reeves .....	Honor Frankie Wynne & Kim Carter —Installing Officers .....	20.00
Installing Officers .....	Honor Carolyn Bocock & Chapter Officers 1998-1999 .....	35.00
Pelion #225		
Mary Clapp .....	Honor Mary Ellen Cooper, Al Wood, Carter Ann Nix, Walter Burnett, John Roper, Gayle Gossett, Will Yeager, Betty Davenport, Sam Thompson, Irene Owens, John W. Grady III, Betty Henderson & Jean McCaig & Anna Schulz.....	70.00
Mary Clapp .....	Honor Mr. & Mrs. Bill Thomason, Mr. & Mrs. David Cummingham & Mr. & Mrs. Oscar McLeod .....	30.00
Mary Clapp .....	Memory Cecil Terrell .....	5.00
Mary Clapp .....	Honor Marjorie Graves.....	10.00
Fairfax #65 .....	Donation Melsa Rhea Forrest .....	7.50
Fairfax #65 .....	Memory Jason Limehouse .....	25.00
Fairfax #65 .....	In lieu of flowers of Chapter Sick.....	60.00
Greer #151 .....	In lieu of flowers honor Mary Hendricks & George Clapp .....	42.00
Aynor #279 .....	Honor Mae J. McLemore .....	25.00
Greer #151 .....	Honor Oscar B. McLeod, Kenneth & Betty Reid, Mary Hendricks & Merita Sarrett .....	25.00
Hanahan #250 .....	Honor Installing Officers 1998-1999— William Rourk, Celia Bradshaw, Bobby James, Maureen Atkinson, Dorothy James, Mildred Gross, Nancy Svagerko & Jacques Lefever.....	50.00
Installing Officers— .....	Honor Regena & LaVon Shealy & 1998-1999 Chapter Officers .....	28.00
Lexington #176		
Ticoma #140.....	Honor Installing Officers.....	40.00
Bobby E. James, St. Chmn.....	District #5 .....	56.00
	District #11 .....	50.00
	District #15 .....	62.00
Aleine S. Burton .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	25.00
Pelion #225 .....	Honor Installing Officers—Frankie C. Wynne, David & Flonise Brown, Millie & Jack Hydriek, Sue Hallman, Linda Lamb & Betty Martin ....	35.00
Cayce #260 .....	Honor 1998 Installing Officers chapter year 1998-1999 .....	50.00
Mary B. Fogle .....	Memory W. Greer Fogle & George H. Parks....	500.00
Mary B. Fogle .....	Honor P. G. Barnett, Jr. & Anna R. Schulz .....	50.00
Mary B. Fogle .....	Honor ESTARL Committee Members 1997-1998 .....	25.00
Empire #251 .....	Honor Betty Adams .....	15.00
TOTAL .....		<u>\$12,823.17</u>

**PALMETTO STAR NEWS**

Andrea Barry, Editor.....	June Remittance.....	\$ 75.00
Andrea Barry, Editor.....	July Remittance.....	169.88
Andrea Barry, Editor.....	Souvenir closeout.....	1,802.97
Hartsville #91.....	Honor Andrea Barry.....	50.00
Pageland #258.....		5.00
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		174.00
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		1,330.94
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		1,027.86
Harmony Hope #229.....	Honor Doris B. Arnett.....	12.00
Reidville #64.....		12.00
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		1,259.88
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		1,241.82
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		733.76
Oliver #274.....	Honor H. David Brown & Jack A. Hyrick.....	15.00
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		783.84
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		414.01
Ruth Mathewes, Editor.....		594.88
TOTAL.....		\$ 9,701.14
General Grand Chapter.....	Profit—Pin Sale.....	\$ 1,853.79
1994-97 Triennium		
TOTAL.....		\$ 1,853.79

**WORTHY GRAND MATRON & WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S  
SPECIAL PROJECT**

Joanne Palshan, St. Chmn. ....	Wind chimes.....	\$ 90.00
(96-97)		
Jackie Fowler (96-97) .....	Tags.....	60.00
Joanne Palshan, St. Chmn. ....	Wind chimes.....	60.00
(96-97)		
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....	Pins.....	1,280.00
Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Honor Betty Davis & Robert E. Campbell.....	10.00
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....	District #1.....	10.00
	District #2.....	230.00
	District #3.....	40.00
	District #4.....	20.00
	District #5.....	20.00
	District #6.....	60.00
	District #7.....	60.00
	District #9.....	80.00
	District #10.....	50.00
	District #11.....	150.00
	District #12.....	100.00
	District #13.....	110.00
	District #14.....	90.00
	District #15.....	20.00
	District #16.....	100.00
	District #17.....	70.00
	District #18.....	40.00
	District #19.....	100.00
	District #21.....	150.00
	District #22.....	40.00

Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....	District #5 .....	10.00
	District #14 .....	30.00
	District #15 .....	130.00
	District #17 .....	20.00
	District #22 .....	40.00
	District #23 .....	110.00
	District #24 .....	90.00
Harmony Hope #229 .....	Honor Lynda Pittman & Ira Parks .....	40.00
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....	District #5 .....	10.00
	District #18 .....	80.00
	District #22 .....	30.00
Iris #149 .....	Honor Dorothy Black .....	5.00
Aynor #279 .....	Honor Elise & Cecil Dix .....	10.00
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....		20.00
	District #4 .....	40.00
	District #8 .....	80.00
	District #13 .....	110.00
	District #19 .....	30.00
	District #22 .....	10.00
	District #24 .....	60.00
Camelia C. McLeod .....		16.00
Oliver #274 .....	Honor Worthy Grand Patron .....	20.00
Betty Reid .....	Donation .....	45.00
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....		20.00
	Worthy Grand Matron .....	120.00
	District #1 .....	20.00
	District #4 .....	40.00
	District #8 .....	30.00
	District #9 .....	60.00
	District #14 .....	10.00
	District #18 .....	40.00
Past Matrons/Patrons Club .....	Memory Wes Dietrich .....	25.00
District #8		
Francis Eugene Harrison #155 .....	Honor Ethel Rimes & Pro Tem	
	Officers at Official Visit .....	50.00
Officers—Loyalty #136 .....	Love Gift .....	18.00
“Ted” Arant Family .....	Honor Lynda K. Pittman & Ira M. Parks .....	25.00
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....	District #2 .....	40.00
	District #11 .....	120.00
	District #14 .....	20.00
	District #18 .....	80.00
	District #19 .....	20.00
	District #20 .....	70.00
	District #22 .....	50.00
	District #24 .....	40.00
Mary Clapp .....	Honor Lynda K. Pittman & Ira M. Parks .....	10.00
Leonette Ford, St. Chmn. ....	District #2 .....	50.00
	District #7 .....	50.00
	Lynda K. Pittman .....	100.00
Pamplico #170 .....	Honor Installing Officers .....	25.00
TOTAL .....		<u>\$ 5,209.00</u>

## HOME OPERATING FUND

Homecoming Collection .....		\$ 359.00
Glendale #175 .....		84.00
William and Elizabeth Kirven .....	Memory Catherine T. Garland .....	25.00
Piedmont #108 .....	Honor 1997 Installing Officers—Jim & Hilda Roddy, Bill & Marguriete Thompson, Betty & Kenneth Reid, Lucretia Adams, Mazel Stone & Mary Clapp .....	40.00
Reidville #46 .....	Memory Paul C. Rogers .....	20.00
Leona Godwin, Claudia Douglas ....	Honor Moneta Grantham on Mother's Day .....	60.00
& Anita Hagen		
Starlight #243 .....	Memory T. W. Lavender .....	20.00
Installing Officers .....	Monor Mae Wood .....	35.00
Hartsville #91 .....	Memory Ella Hayes .....	15.00
Florence Carter .....	Honor Jackie Fowler & Ray Wilds .....	20.00
Sumter #188 .....	Memory Sophie A. Wolski .....	40.00
Suzette & Harold Lovelace .....	Memory Darol "Bud" Horne .....	25.00
Terry & Lucy Trump .....	Memory Beulah "Boots" Sineath .....	100.00
Westminister #103 .....	Memory Lilal Burley Phinney & Onita Burgess ..	20.00
Hemingway #156 .....	Honor Bobby James—"Pot of Honey" .....	1,000.00
Star Angels Club .....	Memory Margaret Poston, Honor Jackie Fowler & each Club Member .....	295.00
Mary Eddie Lindley .....	Love Gift .....	80.00
Regina Shealy .....	Honor Installing Officers .....	15.00
York #145 .....	Memory Samuel Howe .....	10.00
Clemson #191 .....	Memory Zelma R. Henderson .....	20.00
Harmony Hope #229 .....	Honor Jo Morris .....	50.00
Williams, Lucille, Gene, .....	Memory Ira Lee Hinson .....	110.00
Nellie, Wilbur, Ernestine, David, Eufaula, Robert & Helen Couch		
Betty, Floyd, Al, Lou, Ronnie .....	Memory Vera Couch Barrett .....	100.00
& Vicky Cauthen; Della & Earl Adams; Marie & O'Neal Phillips		
Callie Self #199 .....	Memory Husband of Jennie Stagner .....	10.00
Norman & Lily Davis .....	Honor Versie Lewis .....	50.00
Faith #167 .....	Memory Edmond M. DeMar .....	50.00
1996-97 Grand Officers .....	Pot of Honey .....	525.00
Hopewell #238 .....	Memory Georginia Zirkle .....	25.00
Hilda Roddy .....	All-Member Banquet Overage .....	365.25
Jackie Fowler (1996-97) .....	Pot of Honey .....	45.00
Golden Glow #76 .....	Honor Ann Kay .....	25.00
Freda L. Connell .....	Memory Mrs. John E. Smallwood .....	25.00
Adair & Betty Jeffords .....	Memory Alice Boyd .....	25.00
Oscar & Dot Bundy .....	Memory Fay Black .....	25.00
Leona Godwin .....	Memory T. A. Grantham—Father's Day .....	25.00
Dorothy N. Olson .....	Honor Maggie Kirkpatrick's Birthday .....	200.00
Waccamaw #89 .....	Memory Lucille Davis .....	10.00
Mary Clara Blackmon .....	Memory Alice Boyd .....	10.00
Stanley C. Alfrod .....	Memory Fay Black .....	50.00
Edwin, Leona & .....	Memory Fay Black .....	25.00
Wayne DeLoach		

Cecil & Betty Greene .....	Memory Fay Youmans Black.....	20.00
James & Dorothy Hager.....	Memory Fay Youmans Black.....	25.00
Adah #6 .....	Memory Doris Whitmore .....	10.00
Patricia & Steven Bundy .....	Memory Fay Y. Black.....	25.00
Bessie & David Dean, .....	Memory Alice Boyd .....	50.00
Diane J. Burkhard		
William Y. Edens, Sr.....	Memory Fay Black .....	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel DeLoach .....	Memory Fay Black .....	25.00
Fairey Louise & James Black .....	Memory Thomas G. Quarles .....	25.00
Gale A. Rickert.....	Honor Installing Officers—Nancy Copeland & Bobby James.....	20.00
Gale A. Rickert.....	Honor Installing Officer—Vickie Mitcheom .....	5.00
Harold & Irene Keasler.....	Memory Frances Weber .....	20.00
Nellie Poole.....	Honor 1996-997 Grand Officers in lieu of Gifts .....	50.00
Terry & Lucy Trump .....	Memory John Smallwood .....	25.00
Terry & Lucy Trump .....	Honor Forrest & Jean Terry's 50th Anniversary .....	15.00
Hartsville #91 .....	Memory Alice Boyd .....	15.00
Francis Eugene Harrison #155 .....	Memory Billie Greene .....	25.00
Lucy Trump & Jo Ann Foulds .....	Having most banners end of 1996-97.....	25.00
Lois Watson .....	Memory Thomas Quarles .....	10.00
Cecil & Deborah Lester .....	Memory Fay Black.....	25.00
Jewel Bundy .....	Memory Fay Black.....	15.00
Jessie O. Adams .....	Memory Alice Boyd .....	25.00
American Legion Auxiliary.....	Memory Alice Boyd .....	20.00
Frank & Bettie M. Alford.....	Memory Fay Black.....	50.00
Martha C. Edens.....	Memory Fay Black.....	50.00
Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Memory Mabel K. Teal.....	35.00
Pauline S. Bundy.....	Memory Fay Black.....	25.00
Dr. L. R. Shelley, Jr. ....	Memory Thomas Quarles .....	25.00
Jay & Lori A. Von Kannel.....	Memory Fay Black.....	50.00
Elizabeth & Bruce A. Hiller.....	Memory Fay Black.....	15.00
Jeanette & Tony Walker.....	Memory Fay Black.....	25.00
Belinda A. Revel-Addus .....	Memory Fay Black.....	50.00
Doris Rambo.....	Memory Erich Tuenge.....	10.00
Kathryn P. Riley.....	Memory Worthe Baker .....	5.00
Adah #6 .....	Memory James Broom .....	10.00
Texa C. Forner & Harold D. ....	Honor Installing Officers—Frankie C. Wynne, Munn David Brown, Mazie Martin, Lynda Pittman, A. Jack Hydrick, Betty Martin & Ruth Coull..	30.00
Lillie #27 .....	Memory Ruby Mae Loftis.....	18.00
L. S. & Ella Mae Green.....	Memory Lois L. Breene & Helen Marshbanks .....	50.00
Martha Jean Boyd.....	Memory Alice B. Boyd.....	30.00
Benton #172.....	Memory Erline J. Hopkins .....	15.00
Newberry Chapter #226.....	Honor Lanel C. Crawford, A. P. Boozer, Matilda Crooks & Irma H. Perry in lieu of flowers while in hospital .....	20.00
Newberry #226 .....	Memory Horace Dehart, Brooks Johnson, Joe Norman Beck, Ryan Curtis Baker, Georgia Mae & R. C. Wilson & Ruth Livingston.....	70.00
Little Mountain #276.....	Honor Irma & James D. Perry, Vernon Force, Elizabeth Barnett, Ed & Evelyn Dixon,	

	Marcie Frick, Janet Lindler, Mary F. Epting, Roxie Derrick, Dorothy Metts, Iona Perry & Don Finlayson .....	85.00
Little Mountain #276.....	Honor Martha "Marty" Barry & Jacques Lefever	20.00
Prentiss & Kim Bundy.....	Memory Fay Black .....	25.00
Earl & Reba Weisner.....	Memory Erich C. Tunege.....	12.00
Susan Weisner Broom .....	Memory Erich C. Tunege.....	12.00
Earl & Reba Weisner.....	Honor Jacques Lefever .....	12.00
Laura Ratterree .....	Honor Ira Parks.....	100.00
Myrtle Beach #180.....		21.00
Queen Esther #139.....	Honor Linda Lamb & Inez Wingate .....	50.00
Bishopville #74 .....		36.00
Winyah #148 .....	In lieu of Star—Memory Reese Hart.....	42.00
Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Honor Betty Davis & Robert E. Campbell.....	10.00
Adah #6 .....	Memory Loraine Lanford's Daughter.....	10.00
Hartsville #91.....	Memory James E. "Buddy" Nicholas .....	15.00
Newberry #226 .....	Memory Fred D. Cortner .....	25.00
Newberry #226 .....	In lieu of flowers—Honor Paul N. Shealy, Sr....	5.00
Queen City #141 .....	Memory Harold A. Rudnick .....	10.00
Queen City #141.....	Honor Elizabeth O. Barnett .....	25.00
Azalea #192 .....	Memory Barbara F. Spaulding.....	15.00
Azalea #192 .....	Memory William J. Parker .....	15.00
Inez & Leland Barrineau.....	Memory Eunice C. Barrineau .....	35.00
Hartsville #91 Past Matrons .....	Memory "Buddy" Nicholson.....	5.00
& Patrons		
Fort Mill #4.....	Memory Paul Blair .....	25.00
Woodruff #54.....	Memory Helen Rhodes.....	10.00
Mary Heyward #124 .....	Honor Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron .....	50.00
Celia Bradshaw .....	In lieu of Gift—Honor Linda Lamb .....	10.00
William A. McGrath, Jr. ....		75.00
Wade Hampton #288.....	Memory J. M. Saylor .....	20.00
Queen City #141 .....	Honor Mildred G. Webb, Macie McCoy, Mae Croft, Miriam Walker, Reba Weisner & Walter Croft .....	25.00
Rosemary #195.....	Memory W. R. Roberts.....	3.00
Alhambra #60.....	Honor Bobby James & Charles "Andy" Peigler .	50.00
Harmony Hope #229.....	Honor Jo Morris, Joan Paschall, L. C. Collins & Charles Lott.....	40.00
Florence & Hampton Metts, Jr.....	Memory Eunice Barrineau .....	25.00
Reidville #46 .....	Memory Bennie Harold Hadden .....	20.00
Lillie #27 .....	Memory Helen Broadway.....	18.00
Agsaloma #127.....		25.00
L. C. & Adell Collins .....	Honor Ethel K. Rimes .....	30.00
Beaufort #133 .....	Memory John H. Dyches.....	35.00
Robert Currence.....	Memory Mozelle Douglas .....	75.00
Eutaw #162 .....	Memory Mamie Geotz.....	25.00
Sumter #188.....	Memory Velma K. Brown.....	50.00
Helen & J. Allen Brooks.....	Honor Residents & Staff of Eastern Star Home —Luminaries.....	10.00
Bueclare #20 .....	Honor Shirley & Arthur Tracey.....	40.00
Beuclare #20 .....	Honor Lerans Welch & Anna Nunnery .....	20.00
Metta & Jerry Holt .....	Honor Anna Schulz.....	10.00
Adah #6 .....	Memory Carrie Davis.....	10.00

Bethune #96.....	Memory Wilma Taylor.....	25.00
Benton #172.....	Memory Rosa McGee.....	15.00
James Island #284.....	Memory John Q. Johnson.....	25.00
James Island #284.....	Memory John Q. Johnson.....	50.00
Thespina B. Lenehan.....	Memory John Q. Johnson.....	35.00
Lynda K. Pittman.....	Luminaries—O.E.S. Home Driveway.....	1,544.00
Newberry #226.....	Memory Bessie M. Stone.....	10.00
Newberry #226.....	In lieu of flowers while in hospital— Honor Ellen W. & William G. Dickert, Herbert Lee Gilliam, Gaynelle B. MacFarlane & Edith W. Sterling.....	25.00
Star Travelers' Club— W.G.M. & W.G.P.....	Christmas Offering—Line Officers.....	215.00
Joy Club—A.G.M. & A.G.P.....	Christmas Offering—Line Officers.....	121.00
Hop Along Club— G.C. & A.G.C.....	Christmas Offering—Line Officers.....	175.00
Winnie Nolte.....	Gift received from Leonora Chapter #30— Organist Pro tem.....	100.00
Lynda K. Pittman.....	Luminaries—O.E.S. Home Driveway.....	10.00
Edward & Viola Defourneaux.....	Memory John Q. Johnson.....	25.00
Jacques E. Lefever.....	Honor 1997-98 Grand Officers.....	100.00
Leonora #30.....	Honor Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matron in Leonora Chapter, Grand Officer in District #19 & Chapter Grand Appointees & G.C.C. Committee Member.....	100.00
Golden Glow #76.....	Memory Al Valois.....	40.00
Little Mountain #276.....	In lieu of exchanging Christmas Gifts.....	89.00
Iris #149.....	Honor Jean Peebles & David Purvis.....	500.00
James Island #284.....	In Lieu of Christmas Gifts.....	26.25
North Charleston #100.....	Honor Chapter Grand Appointees.....	25.00
Great Falls #211.....	Honor Jackie Alexander, Inex Williams, Sandra Heffner, Brad Smith, Virginia Gilreath & Florence Brannen.....	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. Ray Coker.....	Memory Della Bowers.....	25.00
Lois Watson.....	Honor 1997-98 Grand Officers.....	100.00
Sara, J. C. & Kitty Mahon.....	Memory Faye Black.....	25.00
Callie Self #199.....	Memory Dora D. Jacques' husband.....	10.00
Harmony Hope #229.....	In lieu of exchanging Christmas Gifts.....	110.00
Azalea #192.....	Honor Grand Chapter Appointees.....	50.00
Allendale County Schools..... Board of Education	Memory Della Bowers.....	100.00
Allendale County Schools.....	Memory Della Bowers.....	35.00
Charles Bowers, Jr.,..... David H. Bowers, Dorothy B. Turbeville, Cardine B. Willis, Helen C. Bowers (her children)	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	1,350.00
Allendale-Fairfax Middle School....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	42.00
Allendale Elementary School.....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	30.00
Allendale Primary School.....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	25.00
Joan Stanhope.....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	10.00
Officers of Trident Technical..... College Dept. of Public Safety	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	50.00
Walter L. & Bernice Tobin.....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	10.00

Susan C. Baker.....	Honor Myrtle Beach #180 .....	50.00
Mrs. Sam A. George .....	Honor Carrie Flowers' Birthday.....	10.00
John E. Black.....		200.00
Crawford Long Hospital.....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	65.00
Finance Department		
Columbia Scottish Rite Bodies .....	Annual Gift.....	100.00
Pauline R. Smith .....	Honor Ruth Christmas.....	100.00
Eutaw #162 .....	Love Gift.....	55.00
Edward R. Generette .....	Memory Della Bowers .....	15.00
Low County Association .....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	25.00
Office of Education		
Professionals		
Clella Leppanen.....	Memory Della H. Bowers.....	15.00
Ridgeville #290 .....	In lieu of exchanging Christmas Gifts .....	45.00
Harido #161.....		25.00
Elizabeth McDaniel #115 .....		50.00
Sumter #188.....	Honor Carolyn Ramsey, Jerry Holt, Mercedes Brunson & O'Neal Baker.....	40.00
Richburg #213 .....		243.00
Ackerman #198 .....	Christmas Love Gift.....	52.50
Marie L. Ard .....	Memory Della Bowers, Moneta Grant & Margarite Davis.....	25.00
Starlight #243.....	Memory Daniel H. Walker .....	20.00
Fort Jackson #253 .....	Memory Moneta Grantham.....	25.00
Adah #6 .....	Memory Eula Penland .....	10.00
Lexington #176 .....	Memory Madelyn Matthews.....	20.00
New Brookland #104.....	Honor Betty Martin, Mary Scalf, Yvette Wrightson, Gale LeBlance & Ann Thornley...	50.00
Claude & Marcella A. Frick .....	Memory James Roddy's Mother.....	15.00
Louise & Ray Osborne .....	Memory James Roddy's Mother.....	25.00
Robert & Caroline Attaway .....	Memory Della Bowers .....	25.00
Berkeley #112 .....	Friendship Night Love Offering.....	20.00
Little Mountain #276.....	In lieu of Christmas Gift Exchange.....	5.00
Eutaw #162 .....	In lieu of Gift to Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron .....	50.00
Alhambra #60.....	Wish List for the Home .....	25.00
Terry & Lucy Trump.....	Memory Lois Roddy .....	25.00
Harmony Hope #229.....	Memory Danny E. Atkins & Trula Tarplay.....	30.00
Newberry #226 .....	In lieu of flowers—Honor Matilda H. Crooks, Edith W. Sterling & Tensie P. Stone .....	15.00
Patricia Caldwell.....	Honor Richard Meadows.....	25.00
St. Andrews #271 .....	Memory Jacob "Jake" Homer Arnold.....	25.00
Antioch #291 .....	Honor Charles & Jean Knight .....	250.00
Loyalty #136.....	Memory Mary M. McBeth .....	20.00
York #145 .....	Honor Martha "Marty" Barry & Inez Wingate..	5.00
Eutaw #162 .....	In lieu of Members' Christmas Gifts.....	10.00
Eugene #137 .....	Memory Esther Moneta S. Grantham .....	40.00
Gerald & Libby Mitchum.....	Memory Esther Moneta S. Grantham .....	25.00
Vance #287.....	Memory Eleanor Mines.....	15.00
Allendale County School .....	Memory Della Bowers .....	25.00
Dist. #1		
Anderson #30 .....	Memory Mr. & Mrs. N. McGuire .....	10.00
Carol A. Fore .....	Memory Della Bowers .....	25.00
Beuclare #20 .....	Memory Grace T. Bryant.....	50.00

Loris #106 .....	Memory C. P. Brewer .....	25.00
Westminster #103 .....	Honor Ethel Rimes, Alice Cox & Arlene Beale.	50.00
Margaret B. Hamilton .....	Memory Madelyn W. Matthews .....	25.00
Harmony Hope #229 .....	Memory John D. Rutland, Sr. ....	15.00
Wade Hampton #288.....	Honor Martha "Marty" Barry & Jacque Lefever.	10.00
Carolina #25 .....	In lieu of Gifts Friendship Night.....	36.80
Adah #6 .....	Memory Don Tumblin.....	10.00
Newberry #226 .....	In Lieu of flowers while ill—Honor A. P. Boozer, Alma T. Force, Geraldine A. Morris, Sudie H. Perry, Howard E. Coats, Elsie D. Heller & Wilma W. Mack .....	35.00
Fairfax #65 .....	Honor Tessie Jo Morris, Joan Paschall, Barbara Smith, Robert Smith, Maye Smith, Ellen Simmons and Betty Hughey .....	70.00
Anderson #30 .....	Memory Adelia McMurtrey, Lillie Morris & Lizzie Mae Fowler .....	75.00
Lucille McDonald.....	Memory Thomas H. Allred.....	25.00
& Bill Handberrys		
Alhambra #60.....	Friendship Night Silver Drill.....	91.53
Mary Evans .....	Friendship Night.....	10.00
Mary Evans .....	Honor Mary Thomas.....	10.00
Mary Thomas .....	Friendship Night.....	10.00
Billie Y. Baltzegar .....	Memory Mae & Nancy McLemore.....	35.00
Helen Bouvier.....	Honor Warders—District #23 in lieu of Gifts Friendship Night.....	10.00
Hal & Irene Keasler .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	30.00
James Island #284.....	Love Gift.....	30.25
Frances S. Murray .....	Memory Madelyn Wingard Matthews .....	25.00
Marie L. Ard .....	Honor Maggie Kirkpatrick & Isla Baker .....	20.00
Installing Officers .....	Honor Beuclare #20 1998-99 Worthy Matron & Worthy Patron .....	30.00
Hannah Lee Malphrus .....	Memory Tom Allred, Mae J. & Nancy McLemore & Derby Anderson .....	60.00
Lake View #237.....	Memory Hoyt Grainger .....	25.00
Hal & Irene Keasler .....	Memory Derby Anderson.....	15.00
Charleston #56.....	Silver Drill .....	23.23
Rosemary #195.....	Memory Carroll Barrineau .....	3.00
Adah #6 .....	Memory Patsy Schultz .....	10.00
Patricia Caldwell, St. Chmn. ....	Carolina Opry (weekend).....	1,687.43
Eupha & Ira Carney .....	Memory Mae J. and Nancy Ruth McLemore....	20.00
Eupha & Ira Carney .....	Honor Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons & all Members of District #10 .....	60.00
Downey #275 .....	Honor Installing Officers—Betty & Kenneth Reid, Merita Sarrett & Lucretia Adams .....	50.00
Richard & Catherine Pellum.....	Memory Donald Legge.....	25.00
Bishopville #74.....	Honor Mercedes Brunson, Sara Pritchard, Florence Adams, Metta & Jerry Holt, Lorena Geddings, O'Neal Baker & Luther Brunson.....	50.00
Ethel & Jake Rimes .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	25.00
Ethel & Jake Rimes .....	Memory Maxie Shipp.....	10.00
Ethel & Jake Rimes .....	Honor Elizabeth Barnett & Lynda K. Pittman..	20.00
Julia Mae Wood .....	Honor Jack & Millie Hydrick, Carolyn Brown, Linda Lamb, Rosa Kaminer & Sylvia Matthews	

Fairfax #65 .....	Donation.....	142.40
Ballentine #280 .....	Memory Julia Eleazer & Herbert Sites.....	50.00
Aileen H. Holland.....	Memory Cora Lee Hays.....	100.00
Lynda K. Pittman.....	In lieu of Gifts at O. V. of Grand Officers.....	100.00
Newberry #226 .....	In lieu of Flowers Honor Amelia H. Beck, Jonell & Shirley H. Rinehart.....	15.00
Frances & Sam Gaillard .....	Memory Frances Duncan.....	15.00
Lerans Welch .....	Memory Thomas Allred.....	25.00
Lerans Welch .....	Memory Nancy Ruth & Mae J. McLemore.....	20.00
Constellation #97 .....	Love Gift.....	52.08
Gayle Gossett & Will Yeager.....	Honor Empire Chapter's Officers 1997-1998 ...	50.00
Gleaners Sunday School Class .....	Memory Frances P. Duncan.....	25.00
Buncombe Rd. Baptist Church		
Jonnie, Jackie Fowler & Family .....	Memory Frances Duncan.....	25.00
10th District Deputy Club .....	Memory Mae J. McLemore.....	10.00
Alma B. Reeves .....	Honor Delores Small—Installing Officer.....	10.00
Roy & Carolyn M. Earnest.....	Memory Frances P. Duncan.....	25.00
Mary Pinckney Ouzts #1.....	Memory Jacqueline R. Gossett.....	20.00
Summerville #143.....	Honor our 1997-1998 Grand Chapter Appointees.....	100.00
Carolina #25.....	In lieu of monetary Gifts for Installation of Officers.....	25.00
Sam Poe #123.....	Honor Installing Officers.....	60.00
Idelle T. Peden .....	Honor Camelia McLeod, Betty Reid, Frances Robinson, Jean McCaig, Lucretia Adams, Nell Thompson, Betty Adams & Kenneth Reid .....	50.00
Barney Altman .....	Glendale #175 .....	35.00
Eutaw #162 .....	In lieu of Gifts—Honor installing officers— Charles & Mary Lee Parker, Loreen & Woody Simpson, Nora & Ed Aultman, Shirley Via & Virginia Long.....	50.00
Queen City #141 .....	Memory James McLane.....	10.00
Hartsville #91 .....	Memory Pearl Gibbons.....	15.00
Barbara & Robert Smith .....	Honor 1997-1998 Fairfax #65 Officers in lieu of Gifts.....	50.00
Allendale County School .....	Memory Della Bowers .....	25.00
District #1		
Installing Officers .....	Honor Mary Ann Parks and Ira M. Parks .....	25.00
Shandon #193		
Nada F. Williams .....	Memory Mae J. McLemore, Nancy McLemore, Thomas Allred, Sara Walker, Alice Boyd, Faye Black, Della Bowers & Moneta Grantham.....	100.00
Eugene #137 .....	Honor Installing Officers in lieu of Gifts— Celia F. Bradshaw, Dorothy James, Joyce B. Powell, Bobby E. James, Jean & Forrest F. Terry, Clara Smith & Thomas M. Kellahan, Jr. ....	50.00
Community #206 .....	Honor Installing Officers.....	30.00
Tessie Jo Morris .....	Love Gift—Harmony Hope #229.....	100.00
Charles Lott .....	Love Gift—Harmony Hope #229.....	50.00
Hemingway #156 .....	Honor Installing Officers.....	80.00
TOTAL .....		<u>\$18,019.72</u>

### HOME OPERATING FUND

#### \$1.00 Per Month Each Member

Bishopville #74 (no name).....\$	12.00	Nancy Anne Ritchie.....	12.00
Ruby Reaves.....	2.00	Virginia & Cecil Long.....	24.00
Annie Campbell.....	100.00	Barbara Hetrick.....	12.00
Gladys K. Chandler.....	12.00	Ella M. Bird.....	12.00
Shirley & Arthur Tracey.....	24.00	Lucretia Adams.....	12.00
Agnes & John Johnson.....	24.00	Gladys Hinson.....	12.00
Maggie Traylor.....	12.00	Betty T. Jordan.....	12.00
Max & Sarah Burrell.....	24.00	Mary Heyward #124—100%.....	756.00
Jean L. Peebles.....	12.00	Jean Norman.....	12.00
Judy Prescott.....	12.00	Helen Lindler.....	12.00
Terry & Lucy Trump.....	24.00	J. W. & Ida Terry.....	24.00
Sandra G. Barrett.....	12.00	William & Margueriete Thomason.....	24.00
Etta V. Martin.....	15.00	Bonnie L. Robertson.....	12.00
Jeannette Parnell.....	15.00	Iris B. Tolson.....	12.00
Roxie & Sam Derrick.....	25.00	Freda H. Britt.....	12.00
Marcie & Claude Frick.....	25.00	Estella Hanson.....	12.00
Joann M. Thompson.....	12.00	Paul G. & Elizabeth Barnett.....	24.00
Kathryn P. Riley.....	12.00	Louise P. Kurtze.....	12.00
Andrew & Dorothy R. Bozard.....	24.00	Aretta Godbey.....	12.00
LaDelle Dukes.....	12.00	Clarice "Peggy" D. Avery.....	12.00
Mack & Virginia Gilreath.....	24.00	Eva B. Boan.....	12.00
Margaret Barnett.....	12.00	Evelyn G. Lott.....	12.00
Frieda Goff.....	12.00	Roy & Eloise Medlin.....	12.00
Gene & Carolyn Brown.....	24.00	Vera June Smith.....	12.00
Barbara & Robert Smith.....	24.00	Darlene Smith.....	12.00
Elaine Ferguson.....	12.00	Randy Smith.....	12.00
Loraine Williams.....	12.00	Alice Boyd.....	12.00
Ruby C. Nelson.....	12.00	Julia Kerr.....	12.00
Sharon Neel.....	15.00	Ruby Reaves.....	2.00
John & Eloise Delk.....	24.00	Mary Grace Morgan.....	12.00
Angela Burns.....	12.00	Elizabeth Culpepper.....	25.00
Frank E. Brown.....	12.00	Doris & Laurie Hogan.....	25.00
Janet Justesen.....	12.00	Jo Ellen C. DeLuca.....	12.00
Audrey & Charles Casaer.....	24.00	Betty & Ben Jeffcoat.....	24.00
Ocknee Lindler.....	12.00	Claudis Drake.....	5.00
Katie Slice.....	5.00	Nancy Medlin.....	12.00
Patty & Dean Vaughn.....	24.00	Grace Daye.....	12.00
Elizabeth Lanford.....	12.00	Virginia & Charles Earle.....	24.00
Ferne & Doyle Launius.....	24.00	John T. Dickson.....	12.00
Joe & Billie Jean Pearce.....	24.00	Erline B. Bledsoe.....	12.00
Vicki L. Ballard.....	12.00	Patsy B. Pugh.....	12.00
Mildred Weeks.....	12.00	Gayle P. Werts.....	12.00
Jane Wilson.....	12.00	Evia M. Quarles.....	12.00
Martha Poston.....	12.00	Callie R. Scurry.....	12.00
Kathy & Richard Gerner.....	24.00	J. A. Padgett.....	12.00
Merle & Earl Shields.....	24.00	William D. Butler.....	24.00
Alta Mack.....	12.00	Lula & Thomas Merchant.....	24.00
Jo McCurry.....	12.00	Elbert & Betty Edwards.....	24.00
Harry & Mary Cummings.....	24.00	Robert Wilson.....	12.00
Harold & Jane Munn.....	24.00	Nancy Thames.....	12.00
Alice & Glen Cox.....	24.00	Jean Duckworth.....	12.00
Catherine C. & Richard P. Pllum..	25.00	Lórene Long.....	12.00

Dorothy & Darrell Gerner .....	24.00	Beatrice S. Ayers .....	12.00
Dorothy & Tommy Lee Metts .....	24.00	Katie Slice.....	2.00
Glady's Kroll.....	12.00	Florence Ussery .....	12.00
Dorothy Hill .....	12.00	Lucille McDonald.....	12.00
G. A. "Sam" Sutherland .....	12.00	Billie Baltzegar .....	12.00
Mary Bigham .....	12.00	Leona DeLoach .....	12.00
Helen Dawkins.....	12.00	Dorothy & George Mitchum.....	24.00
Marie Gregory.....	12.00	Alma T. & Vernon D. Force.....	24.00
Paulette Lee .....	12.00	Irma H. & James D. Perry.....	24.00
Dewey & Lula Traylor .....	24.00	Gaynelle B. MacFarlane .....	15.00
Betty W. Henderson .....	12.00	Tom & Frances LaFavor .....	24.00
Deborah K. Hinson.....	12.00	Sandy Webb .....	12.00
Mary P. Norman .....	12.00	Linda Burnside.....	12.00
Iona L. Perry .....	12.00	Jackie & Pete Sluder .....	24.00
Willard L. "Billie" Meyers .....	12.00	Elbert & Mary G. Mayson.....	24.00
Mary H. Pelletier .....	12.00	Gale A. Rickert.....	12.00
Doris H. Shealy.....	12.00	Ruth E. & Stephen Mathewes .....	24.00
Inez V. Wingate.....	12.00	Helen Carpenter .....	12.00
Ruby Reaves .....	1.00	Bishopville #74 (no name) .....	24.00
John R. Thomas.....	12.00	Elinor Crews .....	12.00
Nancy, Bobby & Brenda Wells.....	36.00	Nan Richadson .....	25.00
Annie Laurie George .....	12.00	Lugenia Mack.....	25.00
Connie Wessinger .....	12.00	Sarah Knight.....	12.00
Willard Wessinger .....	12.00	Eddie Cooper.....	12.00
Lillian Rhyner .....	12.00	Marie & Douglas Carlson .....	24.00
C. L. & Ruby McLaughlin.....	24.00	Mary Whitehouse.....	12.00
Eunice L. Rogers .....	12.00	Katherine & Stanley Hamiter.....	12.00
Earnest & Dorothy F. Campbell....	24.00	Lillie B. Lindler.....	12.00
Diane Singleton.....	12.00	William B. Rauch .....	12.00
Patricia Caldwell .....	12.00	Wanda R. Son.....	12.00
Horace & Mildred Law .....	24.00	Fae Swittenberg.....	5.00
Ruby McKinney .....	1.00	Mrs. Roy H. McGraw .....	12.00
Brenda Harvey .....	12.00	Hill & Clara McGrath.....	24.00
Louise B. Sawyer.....	12.00	Florence Fridolin .....	25.00
Wayne & Marceline Malone .....	24.00	Evelyn B. Cook .....	12.00
Tom & Lois Swindler.....	24.00	Shirley & Maxie Shipp .....	24.00
Honea Path #159 (no name).....	24.00	Robert & Betty Filiault.....	24.00
Marie L. Ard.....	12.00	Susan Weaver .....	12.00
Beulah Cromer.....	15.00	Mary E. R. Evans .....	12.00
William & Mildred Small.....	24.00	Margaret Oglesby.....	12.00
Lenora W. Kelly.....	12.00	Arthur Hicks .....	12.00
William H. & Connie Thomas.....	24.00	Charles Ellison .....	12.00
Gerald D. Mitchum .....	12.00	Debbie Cooley .....	12.00
Malivia C. Mitchum .....	12.00	John Edens .....	12.00
L. A. & Eunice Smith .....	12.00	Dot Davis .....	12.00
Mary K. & H. K. Heins.....	24.00	Ray Davis .....	12.00
Frances S. Owens.....	12.00	Faye Peak .....	12.00
Earl & Virginia Roark .....	24.00	Frankie C. Harden.....	12.00
Catawba #131 (no name).....	12.00	Ossie & Thomas James .....	24.00
Mary Mellichamp.....	12.00	Doris J. Moss.....	12.00
R. D. & Mary Baker.....	24.00	Van Sanders.....	12.00
Archie & Wilma Davis .....	25.00	Grace Turrentine .....	12.00
Harold & Mary D. Thomas .....	25.00	Chlois "Betty" Shedivy.....	12.00
Betty B. Smith.....	12.00	Nita Prater.....	12.00

Joyce Brewer .....	12.00	Jean R. McCaig .....	12.00
Beth Brock .....	12.00	Julia Mae Wood .....	12.00
Betty L. Quarles .....	12.00	Eloise & Frank Brown .....	24.00
Lois G. Atkinson .....	12.00	Wilma W. Mack .....	12.00
Mary & William W. Lowery .....	24.00	Elsie M. McCall .....	12.00
Betty Davis .....	25.00	Jonelle P. Rinehart .....	12.00
Claud & Sara Pritchard .....	24.00	Marilyn E. & Thomas L. Crumpton .....	24.00
Michael & Betty Graham .....	24.00	Frances & William Handberry .....	24.00
Doris B. Arnett .....	26.00	Trudy Brinkley .....	12.00
Elizabeth G. Mayo .....	12.00	Delores Lawrence .....	12.00
Cassie Mayo .....	12.00	Eugene & Hazel Blakeley .....	24.00
Polly Sanders .....	20.00	Nellie & Jim Hiers .....	24.00
Alice M. Creech .....	24.00	A. Ray Sanders .....	12.00
Linda & C.W. Bragg, Jr. ....	25.00	Rachel B. Kraska .....	12.00
Christine F. Brown .....	12.00	Marie Chatlos .....	10.00
Marian & Ben Creech, Jr. ....	24.00	Anna Becker .....	12.00
L. C. Collins .....	12.00	Genia Burgess .....	12.00
Adell W. Collins .....	12.00	Zefare Hall .....	12.00
Lillie W. Dolin .....	12.00	Hazel Howell .....	12.00
Oliver Dickinson .....	12.00	Sara F. Gaines .....	10.00
Betty G. Keel .....	12.00	Edna Davis .....	19.00
Gladys E. Long .....	12.00	Grover Davis .....	19.00
Peggy & Charles B. Lott .....	24.00	Lynn Bunch .....	12.00
Ethel K. & Jake O. Rimers .....	24.00	Louise Hagins .....	14.00
Diane Hiers .....	12.00	Jean Davis .....	12.00
Nora Riley .....	12.00	Doris L. McCarty .....	24.00
Beulah Snell .....	12.00	Carolina & Randolph Alexander ...	24.00
Shelby Jean Smoak .....	12.00	John & Frances Becknell	
Audrey Templeton .....	12.00	Memory Mae J. &	
Beverly & Amos Horle .....	24.00	Nancy McLemore .....	24.00
Amelia & Joe Waters .....	24.00	Grace & Olin Manley .....	24.00
Ellen Wilson .....	12.00	Mary B. Shipes .....	12.00
Georgia Mullinax .....	12.00	Mary Lee & Jerry Garris .....	24.00
Pauline & Verlie Stonehocker .....	24.00	Etta Ruth & John "Ted" Arant .....	24.00
Shirley & Arthur Tracey .....	24.00	Kay Arant .....	12.00
Ruth G. Stone .....	12.00	Mary Etta Taylor .....	12.00
Lowell & Connie S. McDaniel .....	24.00	Sheryl Thomas .....	12.00
Bishopville #74 .....	36.00	Pat H. Brown .....	12.00
Anna R. Schulz .....	15.00	Melba Lomax .....	12.00
Annie Linder Saylor .....	12.00	Horace & Mildred B. Law .....	24.00
Jean Blackmon .....	12.00	Dorothy W. Padgett .....	12.00
R. L. Riley, Jr. ....	12.00	Frances Faires .....	12.00
Sandra Riley .....	12.00	Helen Medlin .....	12.00
Edith P. Nettles .....	12.00	Alice Evans .....	12.00
Bessie Mae Walsh .....	12.00	Sadie Cissom .....	12.00
Winifred R. Black .....	12.00	Helen B. King Brookes .....	12.00
Sarah C. Dent .....	12.00	Gladys Haselden .....	12.00
Louise S. Owens .....	12.00	Sally Robertson .....	12.00
Avonne D. Lyles .....	12.00	Sam & Mildred Ramey .....	24.00
Sarah C. Phillips .....	12.00	Bonnie C. Sweat .....	12.00
Estela L. Reidy .....	12.00	Joe & Sherry Casey .....	25.00
Willie C. Laney .....	12.00	Ruby Bishop .....	6.00
Bobby & Lynda Pittman .....	24.00	Marie Brant .....	12.00
Alistar & Patricia Forman .....	24.00	Betty N. Hughey .....	12.00
Clarette Bagwell .....	12.00	Mrs. Donald Ferguson .....	12.00

David M. Lantz .....	12.00	Kenneth Nivens .....	2.00
Arliss I. Lantz .....	12.00	Louise Robbins .....	15.00
Frank B. & Ruth S. Bledsoe .....	24.00	Norma Davis .....	10.00
Joyce W. Burger .....	12.00	Mollie & Doyle Baynard .....	24.00
Wilson Hartley .....	10.00	Mary Dixon .....	12.00
C. B. & Henrietta Floyd .....	24.00	Jean Dixon .....	12.00
Havetta Sineath .....	12.00	Carla Meredith .....	2.00
Betty & John Morris .....	24.00	Robin Payton .....	2.00
Linda Lamb .....	12.00	Ruth Eaker .....	5.00
Margaret Jayroe .....	12.00	Elsie Dellinger .....	12.00
Marilyn Talkington .....	12.00	Faye Clark .....	12.00
Billy & Connie Thomas .....	24.00	Jean Wray .....	12.00
Ruby Shirley .....	12.00	Margaret Pendleton .....	5.00
Martha E. Todd .....	12.00	Dale Mull .....	12.00
K. D. Gunter .....	12.00	Max Burrell .....	2.00
Rachel Boyd .....	14.00	Sarah Burrell .....	2.00
Bill Goforth .....	24.00	Ethel L. Hilderbrand .....	2.00
Christine Goforth .....	24.00	Betty Bailey .....	12.00
Edna Watts .....	5.00	Tossie Harkey .....	2.00
Sally Corn .....	15.00	Betty Cooke .....	2.00
Jennie Wynn Bartee .....	24.00	Darlene Killian .....	12.00
Jean McCarter .....	12.00	Dwight Reynolds .....	12.00
Kathy Hall .....	24.00	Zelma Reynolds .....	12.00
Albert & Louise Wyatt .....	24.00	Susan Mathews .....	12.00
Susan Caldwell Killian .....	12.00	Frieda Goff .....	12.00
Ethel & Jack Whisenant .....	24.00		
Mary Nivens .....	2.00	TOTAL .....	\$ 6,483.00

### HOME OPERATING FUND—PEANUTS

Jonnie M. Fowler, <i>Upper State Chairman</i> .....		\$ 180.00
District #1 .....	Boyd Bobo #144 .....	324.00
	Calhoun Falls #182 .....	72.00
	Callie Self #199 .....	360.00
	Francis Eugene Harrison #155 .....	180.00
	Hodges #272 .....	504.00
	Mary Pinckney Ouzts #1 .....	288.00
	Roy O. Adams #289 .....	252.00
District #2 .....	Clemson #191 .....	756.00
	Courtenay #184 .....	540.00
	Easley #200 .....	540.00
	W.S. Richburg #80 .....	540.00
	Seneca #5 .....	1,620.00
	Fair Play #235 .....	936.00
	Keowee #120 .....	180.00
	Walhalla #134 .....	720.00
	Westminster #103 .....	720.00
District #3 .....	Downey #275 .....	360.00
	Dunearn #194 .....	252.00
	Empire #251 .....	360.00
	Fork Shoals #204 .....	432.00
	Greenville #31 .....	216.00
	Greer #151 .....	360.00
	Piedmont #106 .....	144.00

	Simpsonville #90 .....	360.00
	Wade Hampton #288 .....	540.00
District #4 .....	Glendale #175 .....	108.00
	Mary Montgomery #231 .....	396.00
	Ora #153 .....	108.00
	Reidville #46 .....	144.00
	Roebuck #216 .....	144.00
	Tallulah #16 .....	144.00
	Woodruff #54 .....	144.00
District #5 .....	Chester #15 .....	144.00
	Great Falls #211 .....	360.00
	Martha #79 .....	360.00
	Richburg #213 .....	612.00
District #6 .....	Adah #6 .....	864.00
	Brewerton #29 .....	108.00
	James B. Parrott #9 .....	360.00
	Little Mountain #276 .....	360.00
	Newberry #226 .....	324.00
District #7 .....	Edgefield #236 .....	360.00
	Circle #241 .....	360.00
	Ridge #222 .....	180.00
	Saluda #8 .....	360.00
District #8 .....	Catawba #131 .....	144.00
	Clover #138 .....	396.00
	Corinthian #297 .....	360.00
	Fort Mills #4 .....	900.00
	Queen Esther #139 .....	540.00
	Starlight #243 .....	180.00
	York #145 .....	288.00
District #9 .....	Belvedere #248 .....	288.00
	Constellation #97 .....	360.00
	Golden Glow #76 .....	468.00
	Hopewell #238 .....	216.00
	New Ellenton #247 .....	612.00
	Queen City #141 .....	396.00
	Wagener #38 .....	180.00
District #21 .....	Anderson #130 .....	720.00
	Belton #105 .....	360.00
	Honea Path #150 .....	360.00
	Iva #221 .....	360.00
	John Francis Gray #219 .....	432.00
	Pelzer #84 .....	360.00
District #23 .....	Brandon #92 .....	288.00
	Monaghan #82 .....	432.00
	Sam Poe #123 .....	360.00
	Ticoma #140 .....	576.00
	Travelers Rest #205 .....	360.00
	Tyger #242 .....	360.00
District #24 .....	Boiling Springs #283 .....	144.00
	Inman #169 .....	468.00
	Lone Oak #208 .....	360.00
	Lyman #299 .....	180.00
	Martha Page #233 .....	108.00
	Whitney #190 .....	36.00

District Chairman .....	Pete Sluder (District #2) (Donation \$5.00).....	705.00
	William Butler (District #7).....	432.00
Individuals, Dist. #23 .....	Sam Poe #123—Evelyn Ashley.....	36.00
	Thomas Ballenger.....	216.00
	Jackie & Jonnie Fowler .....	180.00
	Rebecca Cassell .....	36.00
Charles "Andy" Peigler, <i>Lower State Chairman</i> .....		
District #10.....	Ballentine #280.....	360.00
	Bethlehem #129 .....	360.00
	Columbia #59 .....	504.00
	Dentsville #263.....	360.00
	Fort Jackson #253.....	180.00
	Lower Richland #295.....	180.00
	Shandon #193 .....	360.00
	St. Andrews #271.....	612.00
District #11 .....	Ackerman #198.....	360.00
	Fairfax #65.....	360.00
	Harmony Hope #229 .....	360.00
District #12.....	Eutaw #162.....	180.00
	Vance #287 .....	252.00
District #13.....	Community #206.....	360.00
	Crocketville #240.....	900.00
	Harido #161.....	360.00
	Lillie #27 .....	360.00
	Ridgeville #290.....	360.00
	Ruffin #142 .....	108.00
	St. George #166.....	576.00
	Summerville #143 .....	432.00
	Walterboro #147.....	360.00
District #14.....	Beaufort #133.....	288.00
	Edgar Mole #239.....	360.00
	Faith #167.....	432.00
	Mary Heyward #124.....	360.00
District #15.....	Alhambra #60 .....	612.00
	Azalea #192.....	1,440.00
	Betsy Ross #189.....	144.00
	Carolina #25 .....	432.00
	Charleston #56 .....	144.00
	James Island #284 .....	540.00
	Jessie Belle Shonk #269 .....	360.00
	Loyalty #136 .....	360.00
	North Charleston #100 .....	468.00
District #16.....	Antioch #291.....	144.00
	Camp Creek #285 .....	108.00
	Cheraw #158.....	360.00
	Hart #300.....	144.00
	Heath Springs #259.....	432.00
	Indian Land #286 .....	360.00
	Kershaw #94 .....	216.00
	Lancaster #146 .....	180.00
	Leslie Zemp #111.....	144.00
	Lugoff-Elgin #298 .....	180.00
	Pageland #258 .....	540.00
District #17 .....	Beuclare #20 .....	360.00
	Bishopville #74 .....	360.00

	Hillcrest #263 .....	216.00
	Iris #149 .....	360.00
	Sumter #188 .....	1,152.00
District #18 .....	Berkeley #112 .....	360.00
	Eugene #137 .....	360.00
	Hanahan #250 .....	72.00
	Hemingway #156 .....	432.00
	John L. Flynn #277 .....	360.00
	Morning Star #121 .....	576.00
	Rosemary #195 .....	360.00
	Winyah #148 .....	360.00
District #19 .....	Benton #172 .....	360.00
	Hartsville #91 .....	360.00
	Leonora #30 .....	252.00
	Mecca #278 .....	144.00
	Pamplico #170 .....	216.00
	St. David's #163 .....	216.00
District #20 .....	Aynor #279 .....	720.00
	Dillon #249 .....	72.00
	Lake View #237 .....	216.00
	Loris #160 .....	432.00
	Myrtle Beach #180 .....	360.00
	Palmetto #2 .....	144.00
	Socastee #301 .....	252.00
	Waccamaw #89 .....	540.00
District #22 .....	Batesburg-Leesville #174 .....	360.00
	Cayce #260 .....	396.00
	Lexington #176 .....	360.00
	New Brookland #104 .....	360.00
	Oliver #274 .....	324.00
	Pelion #225 .....	72.00
	Sandy Run #230 .....	360.00
District Chairman .....	Cecil Long (District #12) .....	108.00
Individuals .....	Mary Lee Garrison (District #11) .....	72.00
	Eva Wilson ((District #13) .....	36.00
	Joe Lubelsky (District #15)—Donation .....	10.00
	Fidelity #281—Donation .....	200.00
	Min Steigler (District #15)—Donation .....	50.00
	Bethune #96—Donation .....	50.00
	Berkeley #112—Past Matrons/Patrons —Donation .....	35.00
	Hanahan #250—Donaton .....	25.00
TOTAL .....		\$ 60,295.00
LESS COST .....		32,125.50
NET PROFIT .....		\$ 28,169.50

\*If you mailed your contribution to the Grand Secretary—please look under the Home Operating Fund.

### HOME POUNDING

Janice E. Berry, Distr. #4 (96-97) .....	\$	25.00
Cayce #260 .....		50.00
Great Falls #211 .....		25.00
Martha #79 .....		25.00

Batesburg-Leesville #174 .....	100.00
Rosa S. Kaminer .....	50.00
Memory Gloria Thomas .....	
Hartsville #91 .....	10.00
New Brookland #104 .....	50.00
Coleman #261 .....	10.00
Sandy Run #230 .....	20.00
Boyd Bobo #144 .....	50.00
Little Mountain #276 .....	10.00
Lexington #176 .....	50.00
Oliver #274 .....	20.00
Beaufort #133 .....	5.00
District #22 Past Matrons .....	10.00
Memory Gloria Thomas .....	
& Patrons' Club .....	
District #22 Past Matrons .....	50.00
For Laundry & Medical Supplies .....	
& Patrons' Club .....	
Eutaw #162 .....	100.00
Chester #15 .....	25.00
Roy O. Adams #289 .....	20.00
Starlight #241 .....	10.00
Hart #300 .....	20.00
Lillie #27 .....	50.00
Aynor #279 .....	100.00
Circle #241 .....	57.00
Edgefield #236 .....	25.00
Saluda #8 .....	25.00
Cheraw #158 .....	8.00
District #1 .....	10.00
Corinthian #297 .....	10.00
Frances Farmer .....	10.00
Hannah Herlong .....	10.00
Anna Dominick .....	5.00
Maxine Cooley .....	10.00
Leonette Ford .....	15.00
Julian Garrett .....	5.00
Great Falls #211 .....	10.00
Harmony Hope #229 .....	15.00
Memory Pearl Ulmer .....	
Harmony Hope #229 .....	20.00
Honor Jake O. Rimes, Jr. & Peggy Lott .....	
Heath Springs #259 .....	50.00
John Francis Gray #219 .....	10.00
Hart #300 .....	5.00
Camp Creek #285 .....	30.00
Lugoff-Elgin #298 .....	25.00
John L. Flynn #277 .....	25.00
Community #206 .....	25.00
Saluda #8 .....	10.00
Ridgeville #290 .....	25.00
Summerville #143 .....	200.00
Pageland #258 .....	10.00
Beuclare #20 .....	10.00
Honor Agnes Johnson .....	
Leonora #30 .....	5.00
Hopewell #238 .....	10.00
Myrtle Beach #180 .....	10.00
Metta Holt, St. Chmn. .....	20.00
Palmetto #2 .....	
Herman & Marie Lepore .....	10.00
Charles & Audrey Casaer .....	100.00

	C. E. & Virginia Roark .....	15.00
	Celia Hopkins .....	10.00
Honea Path #159 .....		5.00
District #22 .....	For Medical & Laundry Supplies .....	25.00
Josephine L. Debruhl .....	Memory Madelyn Matthews .....	20.00
Bethlehem #129 .....		5.00
Constellation #97 .....		25.00
Cayce #260 .....		10.00
Columbia #59 .....		10.00
Lugoff-Elgin #298 .....		10.00
Hemingway #156 .....		20.00
Ticoma #140 .....	In lieu of can goods .....	20.00
Tallah #16 .....		15.00
Reidville #46 .....		25.00
Woodruff #54 .....		20.00
Ora #153 .....		25.00
Glendale #175 .....		25.00
Roebuck #216 .....		25.00
Mary Montgomery #231 .....		10.00
Ann Thompson .....		20.00
Boyce & Ruby Bishop .....	Honor Pamela Hoover .....	5.00
District #9 Chairman .....	Queen City #141 (Everett & Ruth Dietz) .....	5.00
	Belvedere #248 .....	10.00
	New Ellenton #247 .....	75.00
	Wagener #38 (James & Aletha McLane) .....	10.00
TOTAL .....		<u>\$2,145.00</u>

**HOME BUILDING—MAJOR REPAIR FUND**

William A. Roark, Jr. & .....	Honor Hanahan Chapter Officers—1996-1997 ..	\$ 250.00
Shirley Shipp .....	(Carpet) .....	
Constellation #97 .....		250.00
Mary Heyward #124 .....	Carpet .....	250.00
Louise S. Hunt .....	Carpet .....	250.00
District #15 .....	Carpet .....	82.05
Golden Glow #76 .....	Carpet .....	250.00
Gale A. Rickert .....	Honor Shirley Shipp & Lois Swindler— Installing Officers .....	20.00
Calvin B. Floyd .....	Refurbish Rooms & Chair for Beauty Shop .....	1,000.00
John L. Flynn #277 .....	Honor Our Friends—Friendship Night .....	80.00
Indian Land #286 .....		50.00
Edgar Mole #239 .....		10.00
Empire #251 .....	Carpet—Memory Jack Coyle .....	15.00
Richburg #213 .....		10.00
Hanahan #250 .....	Honor Our Friends on Friendship Night .....	120.00
Loyalty #136 .....	Landscape—Shrubbery .....	50.00
Anna R. Schulz .....	Shrubbery—Honor Home Board Members .....	50.00
Beuclare #20 .....	Honor Jerry Holt .....	10.00
Beuclare #20 .....		10.00
New Ellenton #247 .....		5.00
Fort Jackson Chapter #184 .....	Annual Gift .....	50.00
National Sojourners		
Lexington #176 .....		20.00
Azalea #192 .....		12.00
Greenville #31 .....		20.00

Eutaw #162 .....	10.00
Belton #105 .....	5.00
Martha #79 .....	10.00
Appointive Grand Officers .....	17,883.15
Driveway to the Stars .....	
TOTAL .....	\$20,772.20

### HOME ENDOWMENT FUND

Horace & Mildred Law .....	Honor Louise Moon & Dorothy Hill .....	\$ 20.00
Hummingbird Club (85-86) .....	Honor all Members .....	701.15
(closed account)		
Roebuck #216 .....	Memory Nannie Ridings .....	15.00
Ruby & Ed Witte .....	Honor Mack & Dorothy Bullock .....	25.00
Officers Mary Heyward #124 .....	Honor Sharon B. Walle & Winfred Tuten in lieu of Gifts .....	50.00
Roebuck #216 .....	Memory Nannie Ridings' Brother .....	15.00
Gale A. Rickert .....	Honor Installing Officers—Billy J. and Frances Graves .....	20.00
Terry & Lucy Trump .....	Memory Frankie Weber .....	100.00
Louise P. Kurtze .....	Memory Erich Tuenge .....	10.00
Louise P. Kurtze .....	Memory Ruth L. McKinley .....	500.00
Eunice Rogers, St. Chmn. ....	\$100 Endowment Club .....	400.00
Eunice Rogers, St. Chmn. ....	O.E.S. Home Replica .....	100.00
	Donations .....	225.00
	Interest .....	2.52
Louise P. Kurtze .....	Memory Harold Rudnick .....	10.00
Karen Barber & Family .....	Memory Erich A. C. Tuenge .....	15.00
Walter & Mae Croft .....	Memory Harold Rudnick .....	15.00
Walter & Mae Croft .....	Memory Erich Tuenge .....	15.00
Batesburg-Leesville #174 .....	Honor Wilson Hartley .....	100.00
John & Erlette Owens .....	Memory Erich Tuenge .....	20.00
Kimberly L. Wyszynski .....	Memory Erich Tuenge .....	20.00
Louise P. Kurtze .....	Memory Monty Kurtze Gavaletz .....	500.00
Virginia Wilcox .....	Honor Lorene Long & Mary Norman .....	100.00
Mary Turner .....	Honor Mary Norman .....	30.00
Winyah #148 .....	Memory Pearl Mobley & Sandra Collins Stickel ..	10.00
Callie Self #199 .....	Memory Erich A. C. Tuenge .....	25.00
Arlecia Tuenge .....	Memory Erich A. C. Tuenge .....	25.00
Leslie Zemp #111 .....	Honor Betty Davis & Robert E. Campbell .....	10.00
Winyah #148 .....	Memory Eva Duncan .....	5.00
Anderson #150 .....	Memory Margie Lee Crawford .....	25.00
Vernon & Alma Force .....	Memory J. Norman Beck .....	10.00
Gaynelle MacFarlane .....	Memory J. Norman Beck .....	15.00
Shandon #193 .....	Memory Elsie L. Estes .....	50.00
Anderson #130 .....	Memory Evelyn Sanders .....	50.00
Anderson #130 .....	Memory Virginia Ruth Garrison .....	50.00
Beuclare #20 .....	Honor Marie Ard & Mercedes Brunson .....	20.00
Iris #149 .....	Honor Sara Pritchard .....	15.00
Myrtle Beach #180 .....	Honor Dick & Michele Meadows, Vicki Meadows Dittmer, Herman Lepore, Patricia Caldwell, Audrey & Charles Casaer, Marie Lepore & Charlie Bullock .....	45.00
Sumter #188 .....	Honor Sadie Cissom .....	10.00
Agnes B. Campbell .....	Honor Betty Davis .....	50.00

Anderson #130 .....	Memory Adelia McMurtrey .....	50.00
New Brookland #104 .....	Honor Mabel Varnes, Joanne Palshan, Bill & Yvone Clement .....	40.00
Mary E. R. Evans .....	Memory Margaret Garrison & John Buos .....	20.00
Cayce #260 .....	Memory John M. Padgett, Sr. ....	10.00
Barbara & Joe Lubelsky .....	Honor Ira M. Parks .....	100.00
Oliver #274 .....	Honor District Deputy Grand Matron & Page ...	15.00
Greenville #31 .....	Memory Pearl J. Pittman .....	30.00
Jacqueline O. Alexander .....	Memory Thomas Allred, Nancy Ruth McLemore & Mae J. McLemore .....	100.00
Louise Kurtze .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	50.00
Ruby & Boyce Bishop .....	Honor Linda & Dale Hoover .....	10.00
Mildred & Horace Law .....	Honor Linda K. Pittman .....	20.00
Mary W. Wilson .....	Honor Installing Officers—Golden Glow #76 ...	25.00
Joe Cothran .....	Donation .....	20.00
Archie C. Prevatte .....	Memory W. Hoyt Grainger .....	25.00
Belton #105 .....	Memory Max Rolland .....	15.00
Mary P. Norman .....	Memory Mozelle Darmody's Daughter, Erich Tuenge & Dorothy Mitchum's Father .....	30.00
Mary P. Norman, <i>St. Chmn.</i> .....	Pins .....	215.00
Golden Glow #76 .....	Honor Sharon Gilliam .....	15.00
Frances & Barney Altman .....	Memory Elsie Longshore .....	100.00
Mary P. Norman .....	Honor Lois Watson, Mary Mayson, Virginia Wilcox, Deborah Hinson & Jane Wilson .....	50.00
Betty Baskins Davis .....	Honor Beth Miller and Mr. & Mrs. Robert Campbell .....	25.00
Past Grands' Association .....	Memory Thomas Allred .....	35.00
Past Grands' Association .....	Memory Mae J. & Nancy Ruth McLemore .....	70.00
Anderson #130 .....	Memory Floride R. Prince .....	25.00
Mary P. Norman, <i>St. Chmn.</i> .....	Pins .....	210.00
R. L. Pittman .....	Pins .....	805.00
Betty Jordan .....	Love Gift .....	12.00
Mary P. Norman, <i>St. Chmn.</i> .....	Pins .....	85.00
Alma B. Reeves .....	Honor Virginia Gilreath, Installing Officer .....	10.00
Mack & Virginia Gilreath .....	Memory Thomas H. Allred .....	15.00
Mack & Virginia Gilreath .....	Memory Mae J. McLemore, Nancy R. McLemore, Flossie C. Miller, Shirley Stuart and Margaret Poston .....	50.00
Mack & Virginia Gilreath .....	Honor Lynda K. Pittman and Ira M. Parks .....	10.00
Mack & Virginia Gilreath .....	Honor 1992-1993 Grand Officers .....	25.00
Winyah #148 .....	Honor Installing Officers .....	30.00
Dave & Flonise Brown .....	Memory Mae & Nancy McLemore .....	25.00
Dave & Flonise Brown .....	Memory Thomas Allred .....	15.00
Caroline #25 .....	In lieu of monetary gifts for installation of officers .....	25.00
Mary P. Norman, <i>St. Chmn.</i> .....	Pins .....	65.00
Regina D. Shealy .....	Honor Installing Officer & Officers— Lexington #176 .....	50.00
TOTAL .....		\$ 2,057.00

## IN APPRECIATION

Is it with an humble heart that I stand before you today to thank you for the opportunity to serve another year as your Grand Secretary. The hours are long and the work a challenge, which I enjoy. The bond of friendship that we share would not have been possible had you not given me this special privilege and I thank you for your trust, kindness and support through the years. I thank my Heavenly Father for giving me good health and the stamina to perform my duties and responsibilities to the best of my ability. To please you I have given you "my all." As the curtain draws to a close on this year of service, again I thank you for the honor to serve you in this capacity.

*Sister Lynda, Worthy Grand Matron*, you are a JOY to work with, always early with the data required for the effective operation of this office and I commend you on a JOB WELL done. Lynda, should you have any losses this year just write them off and write the PROFITS into your HEART; this will give you a lifetime of happy memories. It is my prayer that peace and harmony will prevail during your session and all your hopes and dreams come true. My best wishes and love to you and Bobby. Can you believe you will soon be a PAST GRANDPPP

*Brother Ira, Worthy Grand Patron*, we have been friends many years and it is always a joy to see you and Sister Mary Ann serving our Grand Chapter in any capacity deemed necessary. I have enjoyed your remarks at the schools and official visits and commend you for your kindness to our members and a job well done. I would like to be the first to welcome you to the ranks of Past Grand. We are delighted to have you join us and I look forward to serving this Grand Body with you and Mary Ann in future years. My love and best wishes.

*Sister Judy Caldwell, Grand Treasurer and my dear friend*, your commitment to our Grand Chapter and Order is second to none and I am most blessed to have the privilege of serving with you again this year. Our duties are closely related and I know personally what a GREAT JOB you do monitoring and investing our financial resources. Thank you for your notes, calls and assistance; you lighten my work in so many ways. I love you.

*Sister Shirley Tracey, Sister Etta Ruth Arant and Brother Arthur Tracey, my Deputy Grand Marshal, Special Grand Page and Personal Grand Page respectively*, thank you for the schools you participated in when I unable to attend (in fact it was most of the 24), for traveling with me, driving your car, the gifts, cards, kindness, patience and loving hearts. Sister Etta Ruth, I regret I was unable to attend your official visit . . . you know what you and your family mean to me. I plan to adopt Kay one day. Shirley and Art, no words of mine are adequate to express the love I have in my heart for you. Never have I asked you to do anything that you did not do during the past twenty-five years. Thank you for the manner in which you preside over our chapter and serve in the Grand Chapter. You are my FAMILY and I LOVE you dearly.

*Sister Celia Bradshaw*, my trusted Christian FRIEND. Thank you for the many, many times you have driven from Georgetown to help me regardless of the day or hour. You have so willingly worked with me until the early morning hours to finish a special task, to meet suspense dates, proofread, etc. then go home and perform your duties as a surgical nurse the same day. You are a devout Christian, my trusted faithful FRIEND and no "STAR," not even Lillian Smith, could love you more than I DO. Always pray for me . . . I LOVE YOU and your dear family.

*My Other Special Pages*, thank you so much for being my friends and I look forward to sharing our session with you. Each of you for different reasons through the years have endeared yourself to me and I thank you for every kindness, your love and support. Mickey, you do good with CANDY . . . love and best wishes wishes always.

*Chapter Secretaries and Treasurers*, my friends, you are the workers serving in the two most important positions in your Chapter. The records that you keep are invaluable to your membership and the historical files in the Grand Chapter. I commend you and thank you for your dedication and untiring efforts. Your phone calls, notes and hugs light up my days. I am never too busy to take time for you. Please stop by my room or desk at Grand

Chapter so I can at least speak to you. My love and best wishes always.

*Sisters and Brothers*—Again, my humble appreciation for every kindness extended to me and for the privilege to serve as your Grand Secretary another year. God bless you. (Applause)

Fraternally,

ANNA R. SCHULZ, G.G.C.C.M. & P.G.M.  
*Grand Secretary*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move my report as printed in the Addresses and Reports be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried  
June 16, 1998  
Tuesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron*: Thank you, Sister Anna.

At this time we will have a report from the Jurisprudence Committee by Sister Marlene Wilds, Past Grand Matron and Chairman.

*Sister Marlene*: First of all, I want to tell Sister Anna that I get Chairman pay temporarily. (Laughter)

## JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1

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

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the following reports and find them legal if adopted:

Proposed changes to Grand Chapter Bylaws.

Respectfully submitted,

MARLENE WILDS, *P.G.M., Chairman*  
ELAINE M. BURGESS, *P.G.M.*  
DORIS C. JOHNSON, *P.G.M.*  
WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, *P.G.P.*  
HAROLD E. MUNN, *P.P.*

I move the adoption of this report.

*Worthy Grand Matron*: A motion has been made and second to adopt the proposed changes to the Bylaws, is there any discussion?

Worthy Grand Matron, Dave Brown.

*Worthy Grand Matron*: I recognize Brother Dave.

*Brother Dave*: I do have a question concerning the legality of one of the proposed amendments. The very first proposed amendment by this group says, "any present or past matron or past patron of any subordinate chapter of the Grand Chapter and residing in this Grand Jurisdiction is eligible to hold any office" . . . if you will look on page 12 of our Constitution, in the blue pages, it gives the qualifications for office. If you have your black book look on page 12, at the top of the page it says, "any present or past matron or past patron in good standing in a subordinate chapter residing in this jurisdiction shall be eligible for any office in the Grand Chapter." That may seem insignificant, but it changes a lot of the meaning of what that is. Our constitution cannot be changed without an amendment being proposed at one Grand Chapter Session and then held over until the next Grand Chapter Session and voted on. This would change the meaning of the constitution and I object to it as being legal if adopted.

*Sister Marlene:* Worthy Grand Matron, may I ask one member of the Bylaw Committee that signed this to explain this proposal?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes. The chair recognizes Brother Fred Caldwell.

*Brother Fred:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I'd like to respond to that objection. First of all, Brother Dave, I realize that, I know that, and I agree that it is in there, it is in black and white, it is in the constitution, but it is also a bylaw. Since it is already in our bylaws, can that not be changed even though it is in the Bylaws and Constitution? As we refer to it here we are referring to the bylaw change not a constitutional change, so your objecting to the bylaws as they exist right now they are already in there, we are not proposing to add a bylaw that says the same thing. We are only trying to change a bylaw that now exists, on page 20, Article II, in the Bylaws and Constitution.

*Brother Dave:* Worthy Grand Matron, may I speak again?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes you may.

*Brother Dave:* Brother Fred, the bylaw that is in our rules and regulations, our bylaws, now agree with the constitution, if you change it as it has been proposed to be changed it will disagree with the constitution and that is my objection.

*Brother Fred:* It would disagree with it. Yes, it would disagree from the standpoint that unless we had what we are trying to attempt to do here is nothing more than to say that the people that want to aspire to a Grand Officer should have served their own state, should have served in their own chapter; they should have been available to the membership in South Carolina before they are eligible to walk in the state and run for a Grand Officer. I would think that is something that needs to be changed. Don't you agree that somebody should serve their own chapter and serve their own state?

*Grand Parliamentarian:* Brother Dave, you have already spoken twice.

*Brother Dave:* I have already spoken twice and I realize that, but I can speak again to clarify a question. The question is that this needs to be addressed, then it needs to be addressed in the proper manner by proposing an amendment to our constitution not bypassing the constitution.

*Brother Fred:* May I speak one more time?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes you may.

*Brother Fred:* I did not make this, I did not sign a constitution change, I signed a bylaw change; that makes it perfectly legal if it is a bylaw, I don't care what you want to get out of the front of . . . I'm only talking about a bylaw.

*Grand Parliamentarian:* Please direct your remarks to the East not an individual.

*Sister Marlene:* May I say one thing? If we are in conflict with the constitution, then we are in conflict with the way we are meeting because on page 8 it says, "to meet on the third Tuesday of June of each year" and on page 15 of your Grand Chapter Bylaws it says, "the annual session of this Grand Chapter shall be held on the third Monday," we are meeting illegal to start with. (Applause)

I call for the question that the motion that the proposed changes to Grand Chapter bylaws are legal if adopted, second.

Worthy Grand Matron, I'm Frankie Wynne.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Sister Frankie.

*Sister Frankie:* You are voting on the report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* That is correct, you are not voting on a bylaw change at this time,

you are voting on whether we will accept the report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

All those in favor of accepting the report of the Jurisprudence Committee, please stand. You may be seated. All nays, please stand. The motion is CARRIED.

At this time we will go into our proposed bylaw changes, that will be handled by Brother Ira. Worthy Grand Patron, I invite you to preside.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you. I am going to try to do this . . . first let me tell you that we are not trying to get any confrontation here. My only job here, is to referee this (laughter.) No, no, don't look at it like that, Sisters and Brothers; I'm not talking about no football game, but my job is to make sure that everyone is staying in his own territory. I'll try to do the very best I can. I'm not a school-trained lawyer. Somebody asked me one time, "How do you know whether you are going to do this right or wrong?" I said, "This is kind of like when you first got married, you didn't get a trial run. So just do the best you can. Now you endure with me and give me a little leeway and I'm going to get it down to simple language and I'm going to tell you, to the best of my God-given ability, what we are asking you to vote on or what you do not want to vote on. It's as simple as that and I'll try to break it down to that. I'll read the proposals and I will ask that we have debate.

According to "Rules of Roberts," that we accept. Sister Lynda and I along with Brother P. G. Barnett, who was on another committee, will not be debating on any of the bylaws. Brother P. G. did sign some of the bylaws, but he will not be debating.

On page 276 of this book, if there is a division or question, that is if you have a question on the vote, you can ask. We do need a two-thirds vote to adopt any changes to these bylaws. I will be asking you to stand up to be counted. If you don't understand, you can stand up and ask for a clarification. You can speak, according to this book, twice. If you come back to speak a second time, you cannot give a speech. You can only clarify your point. Don't be intimidated by anyone and vote your conscience. Do what you think is in the best interest of this organization. I will not be commenting or interject my own feelings on any of this. Brother P. G. will be pulling on my shirt if I do.

We have two sets of bylaws submitted. One by the committee Sister Lynda and I appointed, the other by another group of Sisters and Brothers. The book says that the makers and givers of a proposal are allowed to speak on the issue first. We have set a limit that three of these people who have proposed a bylaw will be allowed to come to the microphone and debate the issue first, for a period of three minutes. I will keep time. When you have spoken two minutes, I will tell you. You can come back a second time for another three minutes.

Worthy Grand Patron, I am Mary Ann Parks.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I recognize Sister Mary Ann.

*Sister Mary Ann:* Brother Ira, I would like a clarification. Do you mean that three people can speak for on one side and three people against on the other side or anybody in the room can speak?

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Yes, three of the proposers will be allowed to speak, regardless of what group they are from, and anyone else from the floor. I have only set a limit of three for those who made the proposal, being able to speak.

*Sister Mary Fogle, Past Grand Matron:* Worthy Grand Patron, I have a question of clarification.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Yes, Sister Mary.

*Sister Mary:* If one of these three is speaking as a manner of clarifying the reason, is that considered one of the three? Is clarification on an issue in consideration of one of the three that are eligible to speak? In other words, not debating.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I don't see any problem with clarifying. I'm just asking you folks to be brief.

*Sister Mary:* It was just a question I had. If someone just wants to make a clarifying statement it will not be considered debating.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Oh yes, I'll allow that. I'll listen to whatever you've got to say within reason.

*Brother Charles Peterson, Past Grand Patron:* Are these proposed amendments subject to amendments by this Body?

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Any bylaw, Brother Pete, would be subject to an amendment as far as I can see. You can amend a motion.

Sisters and Brothers, you have a copy of the Addresses and Reports and I hope that you have taken the time to look between pages 92 and 100. We're getting ready to start. When I read the bylaw proposals, I'll be quoting from the black book and looking back and forth. Sister Lynda and Brother P. G. will be watching, to make sure that the first person that comes to the mike is able to speak first. Are there any questions?

Sisters and Brothers, please close your eyes.

### PRAYER

God in Heaven, I pray that everything will be fine here. When I have left this stage, I Pray that this Order will be in good shape and that nothing will happen that will cause us to be divided in any way, shape, fashion or form. I ask for Your help for me and Sister Lynda, Brother P. G. and the people we have asked to help us to do this in a most outstanding manner that will be pleasing to You and to all our Sisters and Brothers. Thank You. Amen.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sisters and Brothers, we will start on page 97 and I will read each proposal one at a time.

*Brother Dave Brown:* I would like to make a motion that we adopt all of these amendments referring to the increase in fees and such from \$5.00 to \$6.00 in one block, second, discussion . . . difference between per capita tax, fees and dues. Carried.

### PROPOSED CHANGES TO GRAND CHAPTER BYLAWS

Proposed by Appointed Bylaws Committee—H. David Brown, P.G.P. and Chairman; P. G. Barnett, Jr., P.G.P.; Thomas L. Coker, P.P. and A. Jack Hydrick, P.G.P.

The Bylaws Committee recommend that the following fees be changed:

In the "Rules and Regulations for the government of Subordinate Chapters," under Article IV, Section 1, the example for establishing chapter bylaws, Art. IV, (a) (2) on page 94, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article VI, Section 5. Petition for Affiliation—Paragraph (3) on page 101, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article VI, Section (6) Petition for Reinstatement—on page 102, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article VIII, Section (2). Voluntary Nonaffiliation—on page 105, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article IX, Section 2. Privileges of Members of Extinct Chapters—on page 106, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article X, Section 1, Annual Dues—Section 1 on page 106, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article X, Section 8, Fees for Reinstatement—on page 108, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

Article X, Section 10, Fees for Affiliation by Demit—on page 109, change \$5.00 to \$6.00. Carried.

The Bylaws Committee further proposes the following amendments to our Grand Chapter Bylaws and Rules and Regulations.

Article I, Section 8. Revenue of the Grand Chapter—Paragraph (f) Registration Fee—on page 19, change \$4.00 to \$5.00. Carried.

Article VI, Section 8. Dual Membership—Page 102, be renamed Dual Membership Other Grand Jurisdictions.

Section 9, Page 103, be renamed Dual Membership Within Our Grand Jurisdiction.

Paragraph (1) Dual membership is permitted for any member in good standing in any chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction with any other chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction.

(2) The procedure in receiving and acting upon any petition for dual membership shall be the same as that of any petition for affiliation, provided that:

Prior to accepting a petition for dual membership the chapter secretary must obtain from the secretary of the primary chapter written certification that the petitioner is a member in good standing and no indebtedness or charges are pending against her/him. Upon receipt of the certification, under seal of the primary chapter, the petition may be accepted with the fee and read at the first stated meeting. (Current dues card will not be accepted as proof of membership.)

(3) (a) Dual members must pay dues in each chapter and shall be entitled to all the rights and privilege of membership of each except that dual members shall not hold an elected office in more than one chapter at the same time.

(b) Each Chapter shall pay Grand Chapter per-capita tax for dual members. Dual members entitled to voting privileges in Grand Chapters are limited to one (1) vote, provided they may carry proxy votes properly assigned to them.

(4) The secretary of a secondary chapter must write to the primary chapter each year requesting certification of good standing before accepting dues and issuing new dues cards.

(5) The loss of membership by suspension for nonpayment of dues in the primary chapter, expulsion or suspension for cause in either chapter, carries with it loss of membership with any chapter with which the member is affiliated. Restoration of membership in the suspending chapter restores membership in each chapter, provided all dues and/or fees have been paid.

(6) Dual members shall be reported on the Annual Return. Each chapter shall include a list of dual members with the Annual Return.

(7) Should a dual member desire to terminate their membership in a secondary chapter they must submit a request for a Demit. When the Demit is granted the secretary of the secondary chapter must notify the primary chapter immediately.

(8) A dual member that wishes to terminate their membership in the primary chapter and retain membership in a secondary chapter must submit a written request with a Demit to the Chapter to change their membership from "secondary" to "primary." At the first stated meeting, the request is read and if there is no objection, the Worthy Matron makes a declaration that the request is granted. A vote of the chapter or processing an application for affiliation is not required. The individual is already a member through proper affiliation. All records are then posted accordingly.

Previous Section 9, be renumbered Section 10.

Previous Section 10, be renumbered Section 11.

Article III, Section 5, (a) Page 7, add at the end of the paragraph titled Quorum.—Dual Members shall be counted for the purpose of establishing a quorum. Defeated.

## SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTIONS

Article III, Section 1. Paragraph (c)—page 23—Delete the last complete sentence in this paragraph—"She shall, with the assistance of the District Deputy, conduct a School of Instruction in each District."

Article III, Section 1, Paragraph (d) Add new Paragraph (d) as follows:

Article III, Section 1, Paragraph (d). She shall, with the assistance of the Grand Lecturer, if appointed, conduct schools of instruction in nine (9) areas of the state with the districts grouped as follows:

- Area 1—Districts 1, 6, 7, and 9 (24 chapters, 1533 members)
- Area 2—Districts 2 and 21 (16 chapters, 1272 members)
- Area 3—Districts 3 and 23 (15 chapters, 1003 members)
- Area 4—Districts 4, 5, and 24 (18 chapters, 1260 members)
- Area 5—Districts 8 and 16 (21 chapters, 1397 members)
- Area 6—Districts 10 and 22 (16 chapters, 1660 members)
- Area 7—Districts 11, 13 and 14 (16 chapters, 1193 members)
- Area 8—Districts 12, 15 and 18 (22 chapters, 1753 members)
- Area 9—Districts 17, 19 and 20 (20 chapters, 1494 members)

(All numbers taken from proceedings of 1997 Grand Chapter year. Number of chapters and members in the areas not to be printed in the bylaws.)

All work exemplified may be done by the officers in the selected districts, or the Worthy Grand Matron may use the Grand Officers as she sees proper to do so.

Introductions at the schools should be limited to the demonstration of the three styles. E.g.: The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the Grand Officers, and the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons in the area, provided that proper honors should be given to General Grand Chapter Officers and appointees on all occasions.

The presence of a charter or dispensation is not required at a School of Instruction. Reletter existing paragraph (d) and succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

Article V, Section 1. Duties of District Deputies—Section (c), page 39. Delete the entire paragraph and add the following in its place.

The Worthy Grand Matron shall designate one District Deputy in each area as the coordinator for a School of Instruction in that area. The coordinator shall, with the assistance of the other deputies in the area and, with the advice and consent of the Worthy Grand Matron, select a site and arrange for a meal to be served for the school. They shall meet with representatives in the area and decide on the expenses of the school which shall be borne by the chapters in the area in proportion to their membership. An itemized statement shall be prepared by the area coordinator and sent to the chapters in the area. Defeated.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sisters and Brothers, we will continue with the bylaws after lunch. the rest should go a bit quicker. Enjoy your lunch and I will turn the gavel back over to the Worthy Grand Matron at this time.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sisters and Brothers, we have not been dismissed yet. At this time we will have our Benediction by Brother Earl Shields.

## BENEDICTION

**Brother Earl Shields, *Grand Chaplain***

Please pray with me.

Dear Lord, we want to thank You for being here today. Lord, we ask Your guidance, as Brother Ira has said, in the rest of this day. We thank You for giving us each day, for giving us Your Son.

Lord, be with us now as we go have our lunch. Help our hearts to slow down and just think about how much we love one another and appreciate how much You do for us. Lord, we thank You for the Order of the Eastern Star where we can love our Sisters and Brothers. Wherever we go, we thank You for this beautiful Order.

We pray for the ones that are concerned about the changes to be made. Lord, most of them are smarter than I, but Lord we look to You for wisdom in the rest of this day. We turn it over to You, Lord; help our hearts to be right. Help us to have that love that Sister

Sara mentioned and all else will fall into place. Lord, thank You for this day.

Thank you for Jesus and in His name I pray. Amen.

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Ninety-first Annual Session from labor to refreshments to reconvene at 2:00 in the afternoon.)

(The Grand Officers retired.)

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON 2:30 P.M.

June 16, 1998

The Tuesday Afternoon Session was called to order by Sister Dorothy H. Mitchum, Past Matron and Brother Gerald E. Stobby, Past Grand Patron.

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests of other Grand Jurisdictions, Members of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina:*

*Sister Dorothy:* Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. It is my happy privilege to welcome you to the afternoon portion of the "To God Be the Glory" session. What a glorious day in June in which to give thanks to God for splendor which is ours to behold, for blessings too numerous to count and for friends who joyfully sing with us when we are on the mountaintop and silently walk beside us through the valley. Oh, how good it is to leave the hustle and bustle of business and mundane cares to live and love and rejoice in harmony with our friends. In the New Testament we learn that true friendship is one of God's greatest blessings.

Thomas Hughes has said it this way and I share these words with you. "Blessed are they who have the gift of making friends for it is one of God's best gifts, and it involves many things, but above all, the power of going out of one's self and appreciating what is noble and loving in another person."

As we continue to review the accomplishments of this year and as we make plans for the future, may we walk to the beat of the Master and follow his direction and our guiding principles will continue to shine as a beacon to enlighten our path and strengthen our hope. Brother Gerald.

*Brother Gerald:* It is with pleasure that I welcome each of you and I am pleased to add my personal greetings to those expressed by Sister Dot. It is in that spirit that we greet you and hope that your stay with us will always remain a treasured memory.

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

(The Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter; the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the Altar.)

*Sister Dorothy:* Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda Pittman, thank you for the privilege of opening your session this afternoon, allowing me once again to share the East with my dear friend, my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Gerald E. Stobby.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, this has been an exciting and enjoyable year—but it passed so quickly. Time cannot be possessed, you know; it slips between our fingertips like grains of sand upon a beach—and we must use it before it slips! This you have done. This year has been filled with love and friendship—friendship and love from you and for you. In addition to beautiful and instructive messages, your friendship and love have filled our chapter rooms so that those of us in attendance felt that the dust of everyday life had been washed away from our souls. Who is there that, in logical words, can express the effect friendship has on us? Perhaps Ralph Waldo Emerson said it best. "The meaning of friendship goes deep. Do exactly as you wish, and freely say what is on your heart. No put on. No cover-up. Just be yourself. The freedom to be your full and complete self—no more, no less.

You both . . . have that enviable talent that God gives to a few and you have used this talent to bring happiness and enjoyment to others.

*Sister Lynda:* As you have moved among the membership of South Carolina, we have seen reflections of "your little light" and, my dear, you have truly let it shine. You have traveled this state over spreading the light and friendship and love for our Order. We gratefully acknowledge the service you have so graciously rendered and the wonderful love you have shown for all of us. Your dignity, beauty and sincerity in every act and deed is an inspiration to us. We recognize your faith and feel your love. Faith is a belief in God. And once again to use the apostles' creed, "I believe." Faith and belief are the foundation of wisdom and humility, and upon this foundation you have and are performing the duties of your office as Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you, my precious friend, for allowing me to be a part of your world.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira Parks, we have been proud of you as our Worthy Grand Patron, and the service you have given to this Grand Chapter. You have always worn the badge of a Christian gentlemen as you have traveled extensively over the state, supporting the Worthy Grand Matron in her projects. Your knowledge, your wise council and your untiring service have gained you the love and friendship of the members of this Order. You have reached the mountaintops and walked through the valleys, and you have left your footprints in the sands of time with your own unique markings.

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, I consider among my many blessings our friendship tried and true. May God continue to richly bless and guide you both throughout the remainder of your "To God Be the Glory" session as you bring to a close a year of faithful service. I love and respect you both.

Brother Gerald, I know you are anxious to address our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

*Brother Gerald:* Brother Ira, someone once said that time is one thing that money can't buy and it is one commodity that we never seem to have in excess. As a businessman you are acutely aware of the need to use time wisely. Our Masonic heritage admonishes us to use that time not set aside for rest and vocation for those pursuits that will be of value to our fellowman. We can use our allotted time to pursue many different activities but the true test of their worthiness will be how they are perceived by our Heavenly Father. We must always strive to accomplish those deeds that will affect our Sisters and Brothers in a positive way and to guard against the intolerance and indifference that could cause needless pain or suffering among those that look to us for guidance and counsel.

Three years ago you were elected to serve this Grand Body and in so doing you committed yourself to exemplify for all to see those virtues of fidelity, constancy, faith, and love that define our reason for being. You were willing to commit a significant portion of your quality time to ensure that the Order of the Eastern Star would continue its long and illustrious heritage of caring one for the other. The road may have seemed long and the journey difficult but you responded with zeal and dedication and have left a record worthy of emulation. As your term of office nears completion you have cause to rejoice and to take pride in a job well done.

Thank you, Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, for the honor to stand once again in the East with Sister Dot, my Worthy Grand Matron. We welcome you and your distinguished guests to this Tuesday afternoon session of your "To God Be the Glory" Grand Chapter session.

(The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Dot and Brother Gerald, it is so appropriate, I think, that you open this Tuesday afternoon session for this "To God Be the Glory" session. It was certainly my honor to serve as your Grand Conductress and I learned so much under your leadership. And I thank you for that and I thank you for being here to open this session.

Brother Gerald, thank you very much for being here as well and opening this afternoon session with Sister Dot. It is our pleasure to have you. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I think I am almost taken aback by, with this cough drop deal here. I really didn't know what to say about that; I don't think I am even going to say anything.

I think you two are two shining examples of what Eastern Star should be. If I even get close to tying the mark on what you two have accomplished and what you have stood for and your outward demeanor and respect of other individuals, then I will feel that maybe I have at least made a little mark in the sand, if nothing else. I thank you for all that you have done for Grand Chapter and thank you for opening this afternoon session.

*Sister Dorothy:* Sister Lynda, you are a gracious and wise lady. I give you no words of admonition on how to use this gavel because where there is wisdom and graciousness and kindness in the heart, there is no unfairness. It gives me much pleasure to present to you your gavel. I love you.

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

(The Associate Grand Matron with the assistance of the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress reported that all present were members of the Order.)

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the "To God Be the Glory" session from refreshments to Labor.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have the Invocation by Brother Charles "Pete" Peterson, Past Grand Patron.

*Brother Pete:* I always feel that the Lord here doesn't matter what position we're in, so please remain seated.

## INVOCATION

### Brother Charles A. "Pete" Peterson, *Past Grand Patron*

We thank Thee, O God, for life, and light and love. For the light of Thy mercy shining across our path, revealing to us Thy infinite love without beginning or end. May we so trust Thee this day, that when the day is done, our trust shall be firmer than ever.

May all covetousness, bitterness, wrath and anger be put away from us. Deliver us from the spirit of retaliation. Help us to make peace.

Enable us to live our lives in such a way that when the toil and labor of this life is ended, we may each hear the words, "WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT, THOU HAS BEEN FAITHFUL IN A FEW THINGS . . . ENTER INTO THE JOY OF THY LORD." Amen

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Pete. I think at this time we are going to deviate for just a few minutes, rather than getting immediately back into our proposed bylaws. At this time I would like to recognize Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of the State of West Virginia, for her remarks.

*Sister Maxine:* Thank you, Sister Lynda.

## ADDRESS OF THE PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officer, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, all Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:*

How happy I am again to return to this very, very special Grand Jurisdiction—South Carolina. You know how much each of you mean to me and it is truly like coming home again.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, my thanks for your kind greeting last

evening; for your hospitality shown by your committees. Everything has been done for our enjoyment and comfort. Lynda, I have enjoyed the friendship and kindness of you and Bobby for many years. Brother Ira, thank you for carrying the South Carolina flag at General Grand Chapter in Orlando. Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, I appreciate it all and I want to thank you both for the way you preside. We have certainly enjoyed listening to both of you. You make us very proud that we are members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

My congratulations to you again, Sister Glenda, on your election as Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of our General Grand Chapter. What a great future you have to look forward to. There is nothing more rewarding than working for the good of our Order. My best to you. Thanks for the kindness you and Harold have shown to me, not only this time, but many, many times that we have been together. I have enjoyed your company in the East and your company during the banquets. We have had a great time, and I congratulate you.

To Sister Anna and Brother P. G., I want to congratulate both of you all again on your respective Committee Appointments in General Grand Chapter. I know the Most Worthy Grand Matron was delighted when you accepted these very important committees, because both of you are very deserving. Thank you, Sister Anna, for your service at General Grand Chapter. We appreciate you.

Sister Doris Johnson—my Worthy Grand Organist—there is not enough words for me to try to express my love, thanks and gratitude to you. You remind me of the Pied Piper, you made so many friends and loved by all of them. There isn't a time that someone is not remarking about your kindness. You are such an inspiration. Your encouragement saw me through many, many trying times. Your constant notes are so uplifting as was the tremendous choir that you had at General Grand Chapter. Your impressive Memorial Service, Sunday, was something that I am sure each of us will remember. I want you to know that I had the best choir that any Most Worthy Grand Matron ever had! Because most of them were from South Carolina. Sister Lois Watson, what a fantastic job, and I want you to know, there isn't a day passes that Sister Doris isn't telling how wonderful, wonderful you are. But that music, I said, "I never knew what shouting was until they played, 'When the Roll is Called Up Yonder.'" That's the only thing that I actually remember of what went on at the General Grand Chapter. But I thank you, Doris, for that.

I was watching Sister Doris during the Memorial Service on Sunday. Brother Ray Osborne was sitting there beside me, and I know I'm prejudiced, but she just reminded me of an angel. Because I had just been to her home and all of you know, I'm sure, how hard she does work. I got up early one morning at her home. It was so refreshing to be on the farm. I was just getting up and I looked out the window, and there she was out at the barn in her jeans and her whatever, just working away. In a few minutes you look out the window and she's sitting under the tree with her Bible. And then the next thing you know, she's in cooking lunch, and then she's off to play for a wedding. Then her many, many other tasks. All of this went through my mind as I sat there watching her do this Memorial Service. How much love that she gives to all of us. You are so organized, Sister Doris. There is no way anyone could do as much as you do if you were not organized. I was moved by your selection of music at General Grand Chapter. My thanks to you, my dear friend, for all of these. I'm so glad you came into my life. Thank you for being my friend.

I want to say special thanks. You know the success of an assembly or a session really depends upon the business that you conduct and whether you finish it or not. And as most of you know that went to General Grand Chapter, you saw the business that was brought before the Assembly. And at this time, I want to recognize Sister Susan Johnson.

We were called to the Temple for a meeting prior to the Assembly—the Chairman of Unfinished Business, the Jurisprudence Chairman and our Distribution Chairman. We went for three days of working and we finished in just a little over one day. Because we had two people, the Jurisprudence Chairman and the Unfinished Business Chairman, that were right together from the beginning. I have never seen a lady come to a meeting so organized as Sister Susan was; along with my Jurisprudence Chairman from California. Now can you imagine from one coast to the other. These two, the fine work that they did. and when I hear the General Grand Chapter Session was a success, I give credit to Sister June

Barnum and Sister Susan Johnson. Because you certainly made us look good. And we left that Assembly with no unfinished business! And it's the first time in years and years that we have never had unfinished business. And I know that you are proud and I was so proud of you. Thanks to you and your dear husband for being such nice friends to me.

To Sister Judy (Caldwell)—Sister Judy isn't here is she? Judy, oh here she is. You and Brother Fred have meant so very much to me for many years, because you two were friends of Sister Doris and that's how I met you. I thank you both for your kindness. And I want to thank you, Judy, for the tremendous job that you did, because the Payroll Committee is also a very important position.

To Sister Lib (Barnett), I thank you for serving as a member of the Youth Committee of General Grand Chapter. This is a most important and rewarding appointment because the sole purpose is to support our youth—leaders of tomorrow. I thank you and Brother P. G. for the many, many miles you traveled representing South Carolina and the General Grand Chapter. I know you made many lasting friendships. I commend you for raising over \$12,000.00, more than any other member on your committee. Thank you for the friendship we have shared at the beach and other social activities. Thank you for being my friend.

To Brother Lucius (Todd), I thank you for serving as one of my personal Ambassadors. The trip you and Sister Margaret made to the Grand Jurisdiction of Scotland certainly made a lasting impression upon their membership. You made South Carolina and the General Grand Chapter proud. I thank you for the many, many years of friendship we have shared. I wish you and Sister Margaret the best and thank you for accepting your appointment to once again serve in the General Grand Chapter. Thank you for being my friend.

To those who accepted appointments at the Assembly—Sue Savage, Vera Cundiff, Theo Odom, Robert Pinkston and Byrd Fowler, thank you.

To Sister Marcie Frick for the corsage, birthday cake, for serving as my Personal Page at your Grand Chapter, for serving at General Grand Chapter and for proteming for the bellman in Georgia last week.

To Vienna Teal for serving as a Personal Page and for going that extra mile last week to drive me from Columbia to Loris with Sister Laura. I appreciate that so much.

My deep and lasting love to all who permit me to share that special time at the beach each year. See you in September. I always look forward to that restful week.

To Nena (Hash), Worthy Grand Ruth, Nancy Crismond and Lou Ann, thank you for your help and friendship through the years. I especially thank you for everything you did for me at General Grand Chapter. Thank you for being my friends.

To Carolyn for serving as my Page during this season. You have certainly been attentive. I shall never forget my visit with you and Brother Ron in your lovely home. I've never seen so much food. My thanks to you both.

To all the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of South Carolina, thank you for your support and encouragement these many years we have been together. At General Grand Chapter you never fail to invite me to share your luncheon. Couldn't last November and I'm sorry. I'm remembering your Sister Cora Lee Hays at this time. We miss her so much.

To all members of South Carolina—thanks for your part in making my visits to this State and the many chapters, so enjoyable and for the big part you played in helping me in Orlando. Your support, kind words, hugs and kisses make for beautiful memories when I return home. Thanks for those memories that I now have time to enjoy. (Standing Ovation)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Maxine. We always look forward to your visits every year. We feel you belong to South Carolina too.

At this time we will have the report of the Grand Treasurer, Sister Judy B. Caldwell, Past Grand Matron.

*Sister Judy:* Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, the report of the Grand Treasurer is printed in the Addresses and Reports on page 77-87 and all members who registered at Grand Chapter have a copy of the report. I will read only pages 83-84 my "In Ap-

preciation." (Read) I would like to move that this report be accepted as printed unless there are questions or discussions and referred to the proper committee.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

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

The following is a report of the Grand Treasurer for the fiscal year May 1, 1997 through April 30, 1998.

Detailed quarterly reports were sent to each of the Grand Trustees as required by S.C. Grand Chapter Bylaws. Separate reports were also provided to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress. The firm of Benson, Bultman, King and Palmer, Certified Public Accountants, Sumter, South Carolina was given all the financial records of the Grand Treasurer for audit. Their report will be printed in the 1998 Grand Chapter Proceedings.

On March 29, 1998, in accordance with S.C. Grand Chapter Bylaws, the Grand Secretary and I held a School of Instruction for subordinate Chapter Secretaries and Treasurers at the Masonic Temple, on Hampton Street in Columbia, SC. Invitations were sent to each chapter inviting the Secretary, Treasurer, line officers and any interested member. We were delighted to have our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress with us. Approximately 130 officers and members attended for an enjoyable, and we hope informative, afternoon. Our many thanks go to Sister Carol and Brother Jack Coker who again helped with the preparations, setup and serving the light refreshments.

The Grand Chapter Safe Deposit Box in First Citizens Bank, Columbia, SC contains the following items:

1. All current certificates of deposits in local banks belonging to the Grand Chapter
2. Winn-Dixie Common Stock Certificate #SDA102138; 21 shares dated 10/31/90
3. Winn-Dixie Common Stock Certificate #WDA79973; 21 shares dated 3/6/91
4. Winn-Dixie Common Stock Certificate #SDF64550; 42 shares dated 11/30/95
5. Trust Agreement—Rose F. Heiden, P.G.M. & William J. Lawrence, Jr., P.G.P., Grantors the Grand Chapter of S.C., O.E.S., Trustee
6. Title, Deed and Plot of Lots, O.E.S. Section; Evergreen Memorial Park, Sumter, SC
7. Title to Real Estate and Plot Plan; O.E.S. Home Property, Sumter, SC

All monies received from the Grand Secretary have been deposited in separate federally insured FDIC checking or investment accounts in the name of the Grand Chapter of SC., O.E.S., and paid out upon receipt of properly executed warrants. The Home Operating Funds and Home Endowment Funds are in accounts at Merrill Lynch. The Home Operating Funds are held in a checking account and Certificates of Deposits. The Home Endowment Funds are invested in various Certificate of Deposits, U.S. Treasury Notes and Mutual Funds. All other funds are held in local banking institutions in checking, savings and Certificate of Deposits accounts. A report of receipts, disbursements and current balances are as follows:

#### GENERAL FUND

Balance May 1, 1997.....	\$ 78,932.85
Receipts.....	69,693.38
Interest Added.....	587.55
Disbursements.....	<u>-60,151.65</u>
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$ 89,062.13

(Accounts in General Fund)

**BENEVOLENCE FUND**Income:

Balance May 1, 1997 .....	\$ 12,478.30
Donations .....	1,578.00
Projects .....	1,141.00
Total .....	\$ 15,197.30

Expenses:

Financial Assistance .....	\$ -1,600.00
Total Expenses .....	\$ -1,600.00
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$ 13,597.30

**CANCER FUND**Income:

Balance May 1, 1997 .....	\$ 11,402.21
Donations .....	647.50
G.G. Chapter Pins Sold.....	214.75
Total .....	\$ 12,264.46
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$ 12,264.46

**GENERAL FUND**Income:

Balance May 1, 1997 .....	\$ 43,195.94
District Deputy Fees .....	1,550.00
Donations .....	1,384.34
Itineraries .....	2,542.00
Miscellaneous .....	3,000.00
Per Capita .....	33,875.10
1996-1997 Projects.....	657.22
1997-1998 Projects.....	3,284.56
PSN Payroll Tax .....	183.60
Registration .....	3,228.00
Socials .....	415.25
Supplies .....	11,926.10
Mental Health—Scottish Rite .....	230.97
WGM/WGP 1996-1997 .....	420.00
Youth.....	1,853.79
Vendors.....	350.00
Interest—Checking.....	587.55
Total Receipts.....	\$ 108,684.42

Expenses:

Line Officers Expenses .....	\$ -2,900.00
District Deputy Fees .....	-1,710.00
G.G. Chapter Triennium .....	-750.00
Itineraries .....	-2,100.00
Love Gift (Grand Chapter).....	-1,000.00
Operating.....	-11,277.11
Printing .....	-12,143.39
Rent .....	-1,519.98
Resale Items .....	-6,284.55
Salaries .....	-4,858.16
Session .....	-3,398.77
Printing 1997 Session.....	-7,474.87

Treasurers Expenses .....	-143.02	
WGM Advance.....	-2,000.00	
Youth.....	-600.00	
Mental Health—Scottish Rite .....	-230.96	
Bank Charges (Checks).....	-160.84	
Total Expenses .....	\$ -58,551.65	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 50,132.77

**HEART FUND**

<u>Income:</u>		
Balance May 1, 1997 .....	\$ 10,652.40	
Donations .....	605.50	
G.C. Chapter Pins.....	326.70	
Total Receipts.....	\$ 11,584.60	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 11,584.60

**INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE FUND**

<u>Income:</u>		
Balance May 1, 1997 .....	\$ 1,204.00	
Receipts—Dues .....	279.00	
Total Receipts.....	\$ 1,483.00	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 1,483.00
Balance General Fund, April 30, 1998 .....		\$ 89,062.13

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997..... \$  
26,899.42

<u>Income:</u>		
Donations .....	\$ 6,812.66	
1997 Grand Chapter ESTARL Service.....	661.00	
Grand Representatives Club .....	200.00	
Pins sales (G.C. Chapter) .....	303.27	
Projects 1996-1997.....	80.00	
Projects 1997-1998.....	1,934.00	
ESTARL Benefit.....	5,200.00	
Interest .....	227.90	
Total Income .....	\$ 15,418.83	

<u>Expenses:</u>		
ESTARL Committee Expenses.....	\$ -200.00	
Scholarships.....	-14,825.00	
Total Expenses .....	\$ -15,025.00	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 27,293.25

**PALMETTO STAR NEWS FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997..... \$ 1,848.44

<u>Income:</u>		
Donations .....	\$ 87.00	
Receipts Editor .....	7,811.17	
1997 Souvenir Issue .....	1,802.97	

<u>Expenses:</u>	
Bulk Service Charge.....	\$ -11.00
Editor's Salary .....	-1,108.80
Printing .....	-7,487.26
Supplies .....	-110.22
Payroll Taxes.....	-183.60
Total Expenses .....	\$ -8,900.88
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$ 2,664.69

**HOME ENDOWMENT FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997.....	\$ 626,898.25
<u>Income:</u>	
Donations .....	\$ 5,008.00
\$100 Club .....	727.52
Hummingbird Club.....	701.15
Projects 1996-1997.....	20.00
Projects 1997-1998.....	1,180.00
Dividends.....	9,128.38
Interest .....	30,541.76
Total Income .....	\$ 47,306.81
<u>Expenses:</u>	
Annual Fee—Merrill Lynch .....	\$ -150.00
Total Expenses .....	\$ -150.00
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$ 674,055.06

**HOME OPERATING FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997.....	\$ 312,902.11
<u>Income:</u>	
Transferred—Guest Trust Fund .....	\$ 5,463.81
Interest Transferred—Eastern Star Home Trust Fund.....	193.50
Interest Transferred—Guest Trust Fund .....	715.54
Transferred—Home Building Fund .....	2,002.00
Interest and Dividends .....	13,476.17
\$1.00 Month/\$12.00 Year.....	6,381.00
Luminaries.....	1,894.00
Carolina Oprey.....	1,687.43
Donations—Regular .....	15,519.56
Donations—Star Angel Club .....	295.00
Meals/Pensions/Compensations .....	321,177.10
Peanuts 1997-1998.....	59,818.00
Per Capita .....	33,782.50
Pot of Honey 1996-1997 .....	1,570.00
Pounding 1996-1997 .....	132.00
Pounding 1997-1998 .....	2,008.00
Total Income .....	\$ 466,115.61
<u>Expenses:</u>	
Fees & Checks .....	\$ -155.76
Interest Paid on Initial Investment .....	-224.58
OES Home Monthly Supplements .....	-444,000.00

Peanuts .....	-32,125.50	
Total Expenses .....	\$-476,505.84	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 302,511.88

**GUEST TRUST FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997.....		\$ 20,822.45
<u>Income:</u>		
Resident Trust.....	\$ 5,102.43	
New Resident Trust .....	\$ 6,172.87	
Interest .....	829.64	
Total Income .....	\$ 12,104.94	
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Interest Transferred to Home Operating Fund .....	\$ -715.54	
Guest Trust Transferred to Home Operating Fund.....	\$ -5,463.81	
Total Expenses .....	\$ -6,179.35	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 26,748.04

**EASTERN STAR HOME TRUST FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997.....		\$ 3,000.00
<u>Income:</u>		
Interest Added.....	\$ 193.50	
Total Income .....	\$ 193.50	
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Transferred to Home Operating Fund .....	\$ -193.50	
Total Expenses .....	\$ -193.50	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 3,000.00

**HOME BUILDING, MAINTENANCE & MAJOR REPAIR FUND**

Balance May 1, 1997.....		\$ 10,197.96
<u>Income:</u>		
Donations .....	\$ 572.00	
Fowler/Wilds Fund—Carpet.....	7,537.77	
Carpet Fund.....	2,332.05	
Driveway—Donations.....	6,787.34	
Driveway—Foot-Concrete .....	11,085.71	
Mitchum/Stobby Fund—Ice Maker .....	3,798.59	
Interest .....	630.12	
Total Income .....	\$ 32,743.58	
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Curtain Grand Chapter.....	\$ -420.00	
Beauty Shop .....	\$ -349.00	
Carpet .....	\$ -5,138.58	
Home Operating Fund (Medicine Cart).....	\$ -2,002.00	
Ice Maker .....	\$ -2,411.50	
Landscaping.....	\$ -100.00	
Repairs .....	-760.00	
Total Expenses .....	\$ -11,181.08	
Balance April 30, 1998.....		\$ 31,760.46

**MITCHUM-STOBBY SPECIAL PROJECT**

Balance May 1, 1997.....	\$	3,771.40
<u>Income:</u>		
Interest .....	\$	27.19
Total Income .....	\$	27.19
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Account Closed—to Home Building.....	\$	-3,798.59
Total Expenses .....	\$	-3,798.59
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$	00.00

**FOWLER-WILDS SPECIAL PROJECT**

Balance May 1, 1997.....	\$	7,245.79
<u>Income:</u>		
Donations .....	\$	30.00
State Projects.....		210.00
Interest .....		51.98
Total Income .....	\$	291.98
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Account Closed—to Home Building.....	\$	-7,537.77
Total Expenses .....	\$	-7,537.77
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$	00.00

**PITTMAN-PARKS SPECIAL PROJECT**

Balance May 1, 1997.....	\$	00.00
<u>Income:</u>		
Donations .....	\$	1,349.00
State Projects.....		4,700.00
Interest .....		57.79
Total Income .....	\$	6,106.79
Balance April 30, 1998.....	\$	6,106.79

**APPRECIATION**

*Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron*, Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, it has been a pleasure being a part of your Grand Family. I appreciate all the love and support you have given me. My prayer is that your "To God Be the Glory" session will be all that you hoped it would be.

*Sister Glenda Winchester, Worthy Grand Treasurer*, my congratulations to you on your recent election. I, as well as all the members in South Carolina, are very proud of you and know you will serve our Order with dignity, pride and a lot of hard work.

*Sister Anna, Grand Secretary*, my fellow officer, my sister and my dear friend, I was thrilled when I learned that our Most Worthy Grand Matron had selected you to be a G.G.C. Committee Member. Now, as we share you with the rest of the world, they will learn why we love you and feel so fortunate to have you as our "GRAND" Secretary!

*Grand Trustees, Brother Jimmy and Sister Celia and Sister Lib*, the three of you have been terrific to work with. Each of you has shown a deep interest in, and concern for, our Grand Chapter finances. On behalf of all our members, "Thank you." I feel fortunate to be able to call you "my friends."

*Sister Nancy Copeland, Sister Vienna Teal and Sister Kathy Birge*, the three of you are terrific! No matter where I have been, one of you is there. Thank you for all that you have done for me and our Order. I love you.

*Chapter Treasurers*, you have been a great group to work and serve with. Thank you for all that you do for your Chapters and our Order.

*Brother Fred, Grand Lecturer and the love of my life*, I am so proud of the way you conducted the schools this year. You did a splendid job. And, although you had your own commitments, you always were there when I needed you. God really blessed me when He brought you into my life. I love you.

Fraternally submitted,

JUDY B. CALDWELL, Past Grand Matron,  
Grand Treasurer

Accepted/Carried

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron*: Thank you, Sister Judy. Brother Jimmy, are you ready with the Grand Trustee Report?

*Brother Jimmy*: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. I would like for the Grand Trustees to stand with me. The Report of the Grand Trustees is printed on pages 84-88 of the Addresses and Reports. I will read our report and highlight the projected General Fund financial requirements contained in the proposed budget 1998-99.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES

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

We, the Grand Trustees are pleased to give this report on the financial condition of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. We salute Sister Anna Schulz, Grand Secretary and Sister Judy Caldwell, Grand Treasurer, for the magnificent service they perform for this Grand Jurisdiction. Their ceaseless efforts to find ways to save money and the dedication they give to this Order is greatly appreciated. They have been very easy to work with and have tried to answer all of our many questions. Please take a minute to say thank you to these hardworking sisters. (Applause)

The responsibilities of being a Grand Trustee are much more than just being introduced as a Grand Officer. This year, the Trustees have met with the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer to discuss matters important to Grand Chapter and to put together the budget for the coming year. We feel that to do a budget correctly, we must have input from both the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. The Trustees also have met with the Line Officers to explain procedures and policies concerning a wide range of subjects. These sessions were a highly effective method of exchanging information and learning how to communicate with each other. We feel that these meetings with the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and the Line Officers should be a permanent and necessary function of being a Grand Trustee.

This report will be a lengthy one, but we believe our report should be a true report of the financial condition of Grand Chapter.

The General Fund is in better shape now that the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have included a General Fund project along with the other projects. However, the fund is still far from where we would like to see it. The Benevolence, Cancer, and Heart Funds are still included under the General Fund. The Trustees should have approval of all funds coming out of the Cancer and Heart Funds. These funds were collected for this purpose and legally cannot be used for any other purposes. We feel that these funds should be used to aid Sisters and Brothers in this state who have cancer and

heart problems and need financial assistance. Any funds given to agencies such as the Cancer Society and American Heart Foundation should require approval of the Grand Trustees.

Our operating expenses come under the General Fund also, and of course, that is composed of all income and expenses of Grand Chapter such as salaries, per capita, session expense, printing, phones, etc. Those items are budgeted and do not require approval of the Trustees. However, we do receive a full accounting each quarter of all activity in this account. Any miscellaneous items such as gifts, hotels bills for out-of-state guests, etc. should have approval of the Grand Trustees. As a note about the General Fund Budget, you will notice that there is no money budgeted for the General Grand Chapter Session for the luncheon, courtesies or delegate per diem. These amounts should be included in the budgets prepared for that year. Contrary to what you may think, money is not put into these accounts every year. The Grand Secretary has a miscellaneous expense category, and we cannot put \$800.00 a year into an account for this purpose. Our income level just won't allow us to do this.

The Trustees, the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer all agreed on one point. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer should have sole authority for opening any checking or savings accounts with Grand Chapter money. All monies collected for Grand Chapter shall be remitted to the Grand Secretary.

In discussions with the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, we all agree that the Home Operating Fund should be at least \$400,000.00 to provide a safe cushion for operating the Home. We continue to operate the Home with a deficit, which means we must contribute between \$10,000.00 and \$15,000.00 per month to meet expenses. This is over and above the amount that the guests contribute. Sisters and Brothers, we believe there are too many projects in our state. We continue to ask for money at every occasion and almost every meeting. During the last Grand Chapter year, 1996-1997, we raised very close to \$199,000.00, an absolutely amazing amount. This money came from all sources such as per capita, all projects, fund-raisers, individual contributions, chapter contributions, memorials, and honorariums. Of this amount \$144,000.00 went to the Home Operating Fund, and \$10,857.00 to the Home Endowment Fund. As we continue to lose more members each year, this amount will become more difficult to attain. During the past 10 years we have lost an average of 804 members. Can you guess how many members we will have in 10 years if we only lost an average of 500 members? That is a net loss of 5,000 members which is a very conservative estimate. Our Home Budget for the past ten years has grown by 40%, which is an average of 4% a year. Realizing that the economy is in very good shape and inflation is under 1%, we still recognize that the Home Budget will increase. Where will we be in 10 years given the rate of loss in members and income and the rate of increase in operating the Home? Do you want to continue operating the Home? The Trustees firmly believe that we should, and we are of the opinion that the majority of you agree with us. Then, what can we do? We believe there is a way, but only if we begin now.

First, as regrettable as it may be, we believe that a bylaw should be passed to limit the projects of Grand Chapter. We do not relish the thought of forcing a Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron into this position, but we cannot rely upon the hope that future Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons will voluntarily limit these projects. This is not put forth as a motion, recommendation, or resolution, just a simple statement of our beliefs.

Second, we must continue a General Fund Project. Our income continues to fall and it becomes increasingly difficult to balance our income with expenses. The Trustees wanted to include in the budget funds to purchase a computer for the Grand Secretary. We realize that a computer was donated to Grand Chapter a few years ago, but that computer is now obsolete. All financial records of this Grand Jurisdiction should be placed on computer. At present only the Grand Treasurer's records are on a computer. A computer is an essential ingredient in performing the tasks that are required of a Grand Secretary. You cannot

begin to imagine the amount of work done by Sister Anna. We should not continue to place this burden on anyone. Just imagine, Sister Secretaries, the ease of doing your Chapter Returns. The information would come to you as a computer printout. You then bring that sheet up to date and send it back; no more bundlesome long typing or printing two forms. However, due to the projected loss of income, we were not able to budget any money for a computer.

Third, we feel that the Home Endowment Fund is the most important. To those who may not know, this fund was begun for the purpose of someday operating the Home solely from the interest made on the fund, together with the contributions from the guests. This was an extremely good idea, theoretically. However, in reality this will never occur, not at the present rate of return and rate of contributions. Nearly all of the fund is invested in Money Market funds and Certificates of Deposit. Sister Judy does a remarkable job of searching for the best rates and moves our money around to attain the highest rates possible, which is seldom above 5%. Consequently, the fund realizes less than 40,000.00 per year in dividends and interest, far short of the necessary amount.

Some of you may think, "Well, what is the problem? We've got over \$670,000.00 in the fund. Why not just withdraw it all?" We can only withdraw the total interest and dividends realized on the fund. All interest and dividends not withdrawn become a permanent part of the fund. Refer to Article II paragraph 5(a) of the bylaws governing the Home. Sisters and Brothers, we simply must get a better return of this money. We feel it is absolutely essential if we are committed to keeping the Eastern Star Home open. Therefore, the Grand Trustees have instructed the Grand Treasurer to begin a program consisting of a broad range of investments including Mutual Funds, Bond Funds, and other investment vehicles as advised by representatives of Merrill Lynch. This will help us reach the goal for which the fund was established. The Grand Treasurer is already investing the interest we earn on the fund into Mutual Funds. These funds are performing quite well. At present we have a very large portion of our money with Merrill Lynch. Most of this money is in Money Market Funds and Certificates of Deposit. The remainder is invested in Mutual Funds. The Trustees and Grand Treasurer should meet with Merrill Lynch to receive advice on our investment choices. This would be constantly monitored by the Grand Trustees who with the Grand Treasurer will make all decisions concerning the investments, with the advice of representatives of Merrill Lynch. The Trustees feel that the maximum investment in Mutual Funds, Bond Funds, and other Nonsecured Investments should be 60% with 40% remaining in Money Markets and Certificates of Deposit. This is only a suggestion.

Sisters and Brothers, this is a very large step for us. We know there is a risk in investing and that some funds may drop in value, but we feel that the long-term performance of the stock market gives us a very good chance of realizing the rate of return that we must have. Wouldn't it be great to be able to realize this goal? Imagine what other amazing things we could do with other projects. We could then purchase a computer for our Grand Secretary. We could increase our Estarl Scholarship amounts. Whatever may be your feelings about this matter, remember that our Eastern Star Home is a worthwhile project and we must do all in our power to keep it open because the alternative is not attractive.

Sisters and Brothers, as Chairman, I have tried to perform this duty to your satisfaction. I believe that a Grand Trustee must study the financial statements and quarterly reports of this Grand Chapter. A Trustee should always think, "Is there a better way? Is there something else we can do? Can we make wise decisions? Can we justify our actions and do our actions promote the welfare and prosperity of our Order? Will we survive?" We must!

My thanks to Sisters Celia F. Bradshaw, P.G.M. and Elizabeth O. Barnett, P.G.M., for all their suggestions, criticisms, questions, and just plain fraternal love. We three have been in total agreement of all things mentioned in this report. My prayer is that those wishing to hold this office will give careful and prayerful attention to the responsibilities of being a Grand Trustee. We thank you for giving us the opportunity of serving the Grand Chapter of South Carolina.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES D. RODDY, JR., P.G.P., *Chairman*

CELIA F. BRADSHAW, P.G.M.

ELIZABETH O. BARNETT, P.G.M.

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

June 14, 1998

Tuesday, P.M.

### PROPOSED BUDGET FOR GRAND CHAPTER GENERAL FUND 1998-1999

#### INCOME

Per Capita.....	\$35,299.00
Registration and Vendors .....	3,400.00
Sale of Supplies .....	15,500.00
Interest .....	600.00
Sale of Itineraries .....	2,600.00
District Deputy Fees .....	1,700.00
Gen. Fund Projects and Miscellaneous.....	<u>8,000.00</u>
Total Income .....	\$67,099.00

#### EXPENSES

Salary—Grand Secretary .....	\$ 4,500.00
Salary—Grand Treasurer.....	<u>1,800.00</u>
Total Expenses .....	\$ 6,300.00

#### EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Worthy Grand Matron.....	\$ 2,000.00
Worthy Grand Patron .....	900.00
Associate Grand Matron .....	400.00
Grand Conductress .....	400.00
Associate Grand Conductress .....	<u>400.00</u>
Total Expense Accounts.....	\$ 4,100.00

#### OPERATING EXPENSE

Grand Secretary, Rent & Utilities .....	\$ 1,120.00
Grand Secretary, Telephone.....	600.00
Grand Secretary, Postage & Supplies.....	2,139.00
Grand Treasurer, Rent & Utilities.....	400.00
Grand Treasurer, Phone and Supplies .....	400.00
Past Grand Matron & Past Grand Patron Jewels.....	2,500.00
District Deputy Fees .....	1,700.00
Auditing .....	4,500.00
Payroll Taxes.....	750.00
Post Office Box Expense.....	100.00
Maintenance Contract, Office Equipment .....	300.00
Bond, Secretary and Treasurer .....	325.00
Chapter Supplies.....	<u>14,000.00</u>
Total Operating Expenses.....	\$28,834.00

## PRINTING

Proceedings .....	\$12,000.00
Addresses and Reports.....	5,000.00
Itineraries .....	2,000.00
Letterheads and Envelopes .....	1000.00
Memorial Letters .....	200.00
Bylaws, Amendments, Binders .....	500.00
Total Printing.....	<u>\$20,700.00</u>

## GRAND CHAPTER EXPENSES

Rent, Audio Equipment and Staging .....	\$ 2,100.00
Programs.....	2,100.00
Invitations, Out-of-State .....	125.00
Session Decorations .....	300.00
Installation Decorations .....	100.00
Delegates/Visitors Badges.....	200.00
Credential Cards .....	400.00
Ballots .....	350.00
Floral Memorials and Tributes .....	300.00
Hotel Accommodations.....	250.00
Organ .....	300.00
Memorial Service .....	50.00
Miscellaneous Expenses .....	590.00
Total Grand Chapter Expenses .....	<u>\$ 7,165.00</u>

Total Expenses .....

	\$67,099.00
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June 16, 1998

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Jimmy.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR' S REPORT**  
**BENSON, BULTMAN, KING & PALMER**  
**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**  
**SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA**

To the Grand Trustees

Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star

Sumter, South Carolina

We have reviewed the accompanying statements of assets, liabilities, and net assets—cash basis of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star as of April 30, 1998, and the related statements of support, revenue, expenses, and other changes in net assets—cash basis, and cash flows—cash basis for the year then ended, in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star.

A review consists principally of inquiries of organization personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an

opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note 1.

Our review was made for the purpose of expressing limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note 1. The data in the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements is presented only for supplementary analysis purposes. Such information has not been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, but was compiled from information that is the representation of management without audit or review. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.

Benson, Bultman, King & Palmer

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS  
CASH BASIS  
APRIL 30, 1998**

ASSETS:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 330,887
Certificates of Deposit	672,946
Worthy Grand Matron advance	2,000
Inventory	825
Investments	188,491
Land, building, and equipment:	
Land	4,884
Building	756,240
Furniture and equipment	141,967
Automotive equipment	15,318
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(453,127)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$1,660,431</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:

Funds held for others:	
International Temple	\$ 1,483
Charities	37,446
Payroll taxes	<u>128</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 39,057</u>

NET ASSETS, as restated:

Unrestricted	\$ 863,834
Temporarily restricted	53,111
Permanently restricted	<u>704,429</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$1,621,374</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$1,660,431</u>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
STATEMENT OF SUPPORT, REVENUE, EXPENSES, AND  
OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS  
CASH BASIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

## UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

Support:	
Sales	\$ 44,015
Membership dues	67,658
Contributions	63,913
Interest	15,170
Subscriptions	9,701
Registration	3,228
Unrealized gain on investments	18,795
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT	<u>222,480</u>

## Net assets released from restrictions:

Home Operating support	<u>327,471</u>
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED SUPPORT AND RECLASSIFICATIONS	549,951

## Expenses:

Program services:	
Home Operating	468,144
<i>Palmetto Star News</i>	8,900
Home Building Fund	520
Supporting services:	
Management and general	<u>54,436</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>532,000</u>

INCREASE (DECREASE) IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS 17,951

## TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

Support:	
Contributions	347,944
Interest	<u>1,058</u>
TOTAL TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED SUPPORT	349,002

## Net assets released from restrictions:

Home Operating support	<u>(327,471)</u>
TOTAL TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED SUPPORT AND RECLASSIFICATIONS	21,531

## Expenses:

General Scholarships:	<u>15,425</u>
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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN TEMPORARILY  
RESTRICTED NET ASSETS 6,106

## PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

Support:	
Contributions	7,637
Interest	<u>39,415</u>

INCREASE (DECREASE) IN PERMANENTLY  
RESTRICTED NET ASSETS 47,052

INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	71,109
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, as restated	<u>1,550,265</u>
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$1,621,374</u>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**CASH BASIS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:**

Increase in net assets:	\$ 71,109
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	28,486
Unrealized gain on investments	(18,795)
Increase in funds held for others	<u>3,192</u>

NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES 83,992

**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:**

Purchase of Certificates of Deposit	(93,835)
Redemption of Certificates of Deposit	92,131
Purchase of fixed investments	(48,189)
Purchase of fixed assests	<u>(13,318)</u>

NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES (63,211)

**NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND**

CASH EQUIVALENTS	20,781
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>310,106</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 330,887</u>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**APRIL 30, 1996**

*NOTE 1—NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES*

*Nature of Operations*

Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star (the Order) was organized as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the state of South Carolina in 1916. The organization was formed for fraternal, social, and religious purposes.

In carrying out this basic purpose, the Order has established facilities for a retirement home located in the Sumter, South Carolina, that it supports and maintains for the use of its qualified members.

The policy of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star is to prepare its financial statements on the cash basis of accounting; consequently, certain revenues are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenses and purchases of assets are recognized when cash is disbursed rather than when the obligation

is incurred. The accounting records are maintained on a fiscal year ending April 30th. The significant accounting policies followed by the Eastern Star are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements.

#### *Cash and Equivalents*

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

#### *Investments*

Investments consist of U.S. Treasury notes and mutual funds. Investments are carried at fair value. Interest is included as an increase in permanently restricted net assets in the accompanying statement of support, revenue, expenses and other changes in net assets.

#### *Land, Buildings and Equipment*

Land, buildings and equipment are stated at original cost. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the related asset.

#### *Inventory*

Stores and supplies are valued at lower of cost (primarily first-in, first-out) or market.

#### *Income Taxes*

The Eastern Star is a nonprofit organization exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(10) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### *Use of Estimates*

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **NOTE 2—CONTRIBUTED SERVICES**

A substantial number of unpaid volunteers have made significant contributions of their time to help defray the cost of Eastern Star's operations. No amounts have been reflected in these financial statements for donated services inasmuch as no objective basis is available to measure the value of such services.

#### **NOTE 3—INVESTMENTS**

Investments are stated at fair market value and consist of U.S. treasury notes and mutual funds. The fair value and unrealized gain (loss) at April 30, 1998 is summarized as follows:

	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Fair Value</i>	<i>Unrealized Gain (Loss)</i>
Investments restricted to:			
Permanent endowment			
U.S. Treasury notes	\$ 51,056	\$ 57,498	\$ 6,442
Mutual funds	109,885	130,993	21,108
	<u>\$161,390</u>	<u>\$188,491</u>	<u>\$ 27,550</u>

The unrealized gain reported in the statement of support, revenue, expenses, and other changes in net assets for the year ended April 30, 1998 is \$18,795.

**NOTE 4—INSURANCES**

The insurance coverage on the property of the Eastern Star Home at April 30, 1998 is as follows:

<b>PROPERTY</b>	<b>COVERAGE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Home Building	Fire and extended	\$863,902
Garage Building	Fire and extended	8,160
Storage Building	Fire and extended	7,140
Contents of Home	Fire and extended	119,340
Contents of Garage Building	Fire and extended	1,530
Automobile	Liability	300,000
Automobile	Property damage	50,000
Grand Secretary Office		
Supplies and equipment	Fire and extended	4,080

Fidelity bond coverage of \$500,000 on the Grand Treasurer, \$100,000 on the Grand Secretary, \$25,000 on the President of the Home Board, \$25,000 on the Administrator, \$1,000 on the Chairman of the Grand Trustees and \$ 1,000 on the Worthy Grand Matron is carried. These bonds expire in July, 1998.

**NOTE 5—CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK**

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star to concentration of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalent accounts in financial institutions. Cash and cash equivalents exceeding federally insured limits totaled \$15,004 at April 30, 1998.

**NOTE 6—RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS**

Net assets released from restrictions during 1998 were comprised of the following:

Funds available for 1998	<u>\$ 327,471</u>
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Temporarily restricted net assets at April 30, 1998, are available for the following purposes:

Available for future periods	\$ 26,218
Available for scholarships	<u>26,893</u>
	<u>\$ 53,111</u>

Permanently restricted net assets consist of the following at April 30, 1998:

Endowment funds	<u>\$ 704,429</u>
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**NOTE 7—PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS**

Net assets at the beginning of the year have been adjusted for an unrealized gain that should have been reported in the prior year. The unrealized gain is the result of mutual funds that should have been recorded as an investment at fair value. Inadvertently, the mutual funds were included in cash and recorded at cost on the prior year. Permanently restricted net assets as of April 30, 1997, were increased by \$4,112, which represents the unrealized gain not previously recognized.

Also, beginning cash has been restated in order to reflect proper balances for certificates of deposit and investments.

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS  
APRIL 30, 1998**

	<i>Current Funds</i>					<i>Total</i>	<i>Plant Fund</i>	<i>Quasi-Endowment Fund</i>	<i>Trust Fund</i>	<i>Total All Funds</i>
	<i>General Operations</i>	<i>Palmetto Star News</i>	<i>Home Operating</i>	<i>Home Building &amp; Repairs</i>	<i>General Scholarship</i>					
<b>ASSETS</b>										
Cash and equivalents.....	\$95,169	\$2,665	\$134,360	\$31,760	\$26,893	\$290,847	\$ —	\$ 12,992	\$27,048	\$ 330,887
Certificates of Deposit .....	—	—	170,000	—	—	170,000	—	502,946	—	672,946
Worthy Grand Matron advance .....	2,000	—	—	—	—	2,000	—	—	—	2,000
Due from Trust Fund.....	—	—	830	—	—	830	—	—	—	830
Due from Home Operating Fund .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	341,383	—	—	341,383
Inventory.....	825	—	—	—	—	825	—	—	—	825
Investments.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	188,491	—	188,491
Land, building and equipment:										
Land .....	—	—	4,884	—	—	4,884	—	—	—	4,884
Building.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	756,240	—	—	756,240
Furniture and equipment.....	5,584	—	—	—	—	5,584	136,383	—	—	141,967
Automotive equipment.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	15,318	—	—	15,318
Less: accumulated depreciation.....	(5,246)	—	—	—	—	(5,246)	(447,881)	—	—	(453,127)
<b>TOTAL ASSETS .....</b>	<b>\$98,332</b>	<b>\$2,665</b>	<b>\$310,074</b>	<b>\$31,760</b>	<b>\$26,893</b>	<b>\$469,724</b>	<b>\$801,443</b>	<b>\$704,429</b>	<b>\$27,048</b>	<b>\$2,002,644</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>										
Funds held for others:										
International Temple .....	\$ 1,483	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,483	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,483
Charities.....	37,446	—	—	—	—	37,446	—	—	—	37,446
Payroll taxes .....	128	—	—	—	—	128	—	—	—	128
Due to Home Operating Fund.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	830	830
Due to Plant Fund.....	—	—	341,383	—	—	341,383	—	—	—	341,383
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES .....</b>	<b>\$39,057</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$341,383</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$380,440</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ 830</b>	<b>\$ 381,270</b>
Fund Balances, as restated										
Unrestricted:										
Designated Midwest Flood Victims .....	\$ 75	—	—	—	—	\$ 75	—	—	—	\$ 75
Designated Wonderful World of Youth ..	30	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	—	30
Designated Worthy Grand Matron.....	2,988	—	—	—	—	2,988	—	—	—	2,988
Designated Other .....	—	2,665	(31,309)	31,760	26,893	30,009	—	704,429	—	734,438
Undesignated.....	56,182	—	—	—	—	56,182	—	—	—	56,182
Restricted.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26,218	26,218
Net Investment in Plant.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	801,443	—	—	801,443
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES .....</b>	<b>59,275</b>	<b>2,665</b>	<b>(31,309)</b>	<b>31,760</b>	<b>26,893</b>	<b>89,284</b>	<b>801,443</b>	<b>704,429</b>	<b>26,218</b>	<b>1,621,374</b>
	<b>\$98,332</b>	<b>\$2,665</b>	<b>\$310,074</b>	<b>\$31,760</b>	<b>\$26,893</b>	<b>\$469,724</b>	<b>\$801,443</b>	<b>\$704,429</b>	<b>\$27,048</b>	<b>\$2,002,644</b>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES  
DISBURSED AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

	<i>Current Funds</i>					<i>Total</i>	<i>Plant</i>	<i>Quasi- Endowment</i>	<i>Trust</i>	<i>Total All Funds</i>
	<i>General Operations</i>	<i>Palmetto Star News</i>	<i>Home Operating</i>	<i>Home Building &amp; Repairs</i>	<i>General Scholarship</i>					
<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>										
Sale of chapter supplies.....	\$11,926	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 11,926	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	11,926
Sale of itineraries .....	2,542	—	—	—	—	2,542	—	—	—	2,542
Sale of peanuts.....	—	—	27,693	—	—	27,693	—	—	—	27,693
Sale of pins.....	1,854	—	—	—	—	1,854	—	—	—	1,854
Membership dues.....	33,875	\$ —	\$ 33,783	—	—	67,658	—	—	—	67,658
Contributions.....	13,509	—	29,487	20,917	15,191	79,104	—	7,637	332,753	419,494
Interest.....	725	16	13,799	630	228	15,398	—	39,415	830	55,643
Subscriptions.....	—	9,701	—	—	—	9,701	—	—	—	9,701
Registration.....	3,228	—	—	—	—	3,228	—	—	—	3,228
Unrealized gain on investments.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18,795	—	18,795
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>	<b>\$67,659</b>	<b>\$9,717</b>	<b>\$104,762</b>	<b>\$21,547</b>	<b>\$15,419</b>	<b>\$219,104</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$ 65,847</b>	<b>\$333,583</b>	<b>\$ 618,534</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>										
<b>Program services</b>										
Home Operating.....	—	—	468,144	—	—	468,144	—	—	—	468,144
Palmetto Star News .....	—	8,900	—	—	—	8,900	—	—	—	8,900
General Scholarships.....	—	—	—	—	15,425	15,425	—	—	—	15,425
Home Building Fund .....	—	—	—	520	—	520	—	—	—	520
	—	\$8,900	\$468,144	520	\$15,425	\$492,989	—	—	—	\$ 492,989
<b>Supporting services</b>										
Salaries—Grand Secretary.....	4,500	—	—	—	—	4,500	—	—	—	4,500
Salaries—Grand Treasurer .....	1,800	—	—	—	—	1,800	—	—	—	1,800
Expense of Worthy Grand Matron.....	2,000	—	—	—	—	2,000	—	—	—	2,000
Expense of Worthy Grand Patron .....	900	—	—	—	—	900	—	—	—	900
Grand Chapter expenses .....	45,236	—	—	—	—	45,236	—	—	—	45,236
	54,436	—	—	—	—	54,436	—	—	—	54,436
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> .....	<b>\$54,436</b>	<b>\$8,900</b>	<b>\$468,144</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>\$15,425</b>	<b>\$547,425</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$ 547,425</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES</b> .....	<b>13,223</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>(363,382)</b>	<b>21,027</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(328,321)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>65,847</b>	<b>333,583</b>	<b>71,109</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, as restated</b> .....	<b>57,248</b>	<b>1,848</b>	<b>7,259</b>	<b>10,198</b>	<b>26,899</b>	<b>103,452</b>	<b>788,125</b>	<b>638,582</b>	<b>20,106</b>	<b>1,550,265</b>
<b>Transfers</b>										
Home Operating support.....	—	—	327,471	—	—	327,471	—	—	(327,471)	—
Equipment acquisitions.....	—	—	(2,657)	(10,661)	—	(13,318)	13,318	—	—	—
Special projects.....	(11,196)	—	—	11,196	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR.</b>	<b>\$59,275</b>	<b>\$2,665</b>	<b>\$31,309</b>	<b>\$31,760</b>	<b>\$26,893</b>	<b>\$89,284</b>	<b>\$801,443</b>	<b>\$704,429</b>	<b>\$ 26,218</b>	<b>\$1,621,374</b>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS—CASH BASIS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

	<i>Current Funds</i>					<i>Plant Fund</i>	<i>Quasi-Endowment Fund</i>	<i>Trust Fund</i>	<i>Total All Funds</i>	
	<i>General Operations</i>	<i>Palmetto Star News</i>	<i>Home Operating</i>	<i>Home Building &amp; Repairs</i>	<i>General Scholarship</i>					<i>Total</i>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>										
Excess (deficiency) of support and revenue over expenses .....	\$13,223	\$ 817	(\$363,382)	\$ 21,027	\$ (6)	(\$328,321)	\$ —	\$ 65,847	\$333,583	\$ 71,109
Adjustments to reconcile excess (deficiency) of support and revenue over expenses to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:										
Depreciation.....	—	—	28,486	—	—	28,486	—	—	—	28,486
Unrealized gain on investments .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	(18,795)	—	—	(18,795)
(Increase) in amount due from trust fund .....	—	—	(114)	—	—	(114)	—	—	—	(114)
Increase in funds held for others.....	3,192	—	—	—	—	3,192	—	—	—	3,192
Increase in amount due Home Operating Fund.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	114	114
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities .....	\$16,415	817	(\$335,010)	\$21,027	\$ (6)	(\$296,757)	\$ —	\$ 47,052	\$333,697	\$ 83,992
<b>CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>										
Purchase of Certificates of Deposit.....	—	—	(170,000)	—	—	—	—	(93,835)	—	(93,835)
Redemption of Certificates of Deposit .....	—	—	170,000	—	—	—	—	92,131	—	92,131
Purchase of investments .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(48,189)	—	(48,189)
Purchase of fixed assets.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	(13,318)	—	—	(13,318)
Net cash used in investing activities .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	(13,318)	(49,893)	—	(63,211)
Net increase (decrease) in cash before transfers .....	\$16,415	817	(\$335,010)	\$21,027	\$ (6)	(\$296,757)	(\$13,318)	(\$2,841)	\$333,697	\$ 20,781
<b>TRANSFERS:</b>										
Restricted fund to Designated fund.....	—	—	327,471	—	—	327,471	—	—	(327,471)	—
Equipment acquisition by Designated funds .....	—	—	(2,657)	(10,661)	—	(13,318)	13,318	—	—	—
Special projects .....	(11,196)	—	—	11,196	—	—	—	—	—	—
Net transfers.....	(11,196)	—	324,814	535	—	314,153	13,318	—	(327,471)	—
Net increase (decrease) in cash and equivalents.....	5,219	817	(10,196)	21,562	(6)	17,396	—	(2,841)	6,226	20,781
Cash and equivalents at beginning of year .....	89,950	1,848	144,556	10,198	26,899	273,451	—	15,833	20,822	310,106
Cash and equivalents at end of year .....	\$95,169	\$2,665	\$134,360	\$31,760	\$26,893	\$290,847	\$ —	\$ 12,992	\$ 27,048	\$330,887

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES  
DISBURSED AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE HOME OPERATING  
FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

*Revenue:*

Membership dues	\$ 33,783
Contributions	29,487
Interest & dividends	13,799
Sale of peanuts	27,693
	<u>104,762</u>

*Expenses:*

Program Services	
Salaries	245,549
Payroll taxes	22,219
Groceries	46,234
Supplies—household	13,638
Supplies—yard	484
Heating fuel	8,526
Electricity and water	20,221
Telephone	886
Auto expense	505
Office supplies and postage	1,154
Pest control	1,135
Medical expense of guests	49,076
Insurance	12,014
Monthly allowance for guests	1,390
Uniforms	2,452
Repairs and maintenance	9,367
Miscellaneous	3,284
Garbage collection	1,524
Depreciation	28,486
	<u>468,144</u>

Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expense	(363,382)
Fund balance at beginning of year	7,259
Transfers from Trust Fund—Social Security payments	327,471
Transfer to Plant Fund—equipment acquisitions	<u>(2,657)</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ (31,309)</u>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUES COLLECTED AND EXPENSES  
DISBURSED AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
PALMETTO STAR NEWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

<i>Revenue:</i>	
Subscriptions	\$ 9,701
Interest	<u>16</u>
	9,717
 <i>Expenses:</i>	
Bank—charges	11
Salary—editor	1,200
Payroll taxes	92
Printing	<u>7,597</u>
	8,900
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	817
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>1,848</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 2,665</u>

**GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
GRAND CHAPTER EXPENSE  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1998**

Payroll taxes	\$ 619
Hall and music rent	1,313
Professional fees	4,450
Printing	21,704
Office rent and utilities	2,967
General and office supplies	1,119
Grand Treasurer rent and expense	400
Insurance and fidelity bond	324
Insurance and equipment and safe	541
Miscellaneous and gifts, etc.	3,748
Cost of chapter supplies sold	6,285
Grand Secretary telephone	551
Identification badges	653
Hotel room accommodations	<u>562</u>
	<u>\$45,236</u>

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Maybe we can have a couple more reports before we get back to the proposed bylaw changes. Sister Nada are you ready with your report? The Home Board Report will be given by Sister Nada Williams, Past Grand Matron and President.

*Sister Nada:* Will all Home Board Members please come to the East? Okay if you can't come to the East please stand where you are while I give our report.

## HOME BOARD REPORT

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Members of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina:*

This report is to highlight the "Happening at the Home" for the past year to bring you up-to date on *your OES HOME* Sumter.

The first meeting of the year was held at the Sheraton Hotel immediately following the morning session after election of officers on wednesday. Newly elected members were brother Thomas W. Swindler, P.G.P. and Brother Bobby Pittman. P.G.P. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the new year. Those elected were: President—Nada Williams, PGM; Vice-President—Darlene R. Smith. P.M.; Secretary—Bobby Pittman, PGP. This next scheduled meeting was on July 13, 1998 at the OES Home.

The Board has met monthly with most of the meetings held at the Home and several special meetings were called as needed for applications, etc.

Committees were appointed to the following:

Annual Record Review and Family Contact:  
 Internal Review and Budget:  
 Applications/East and West Areas:  
 Home Maintenance Records and Recommendations:  
 Public Relations:  
 Homecoming:  
 Cora Lee Hays Trophy.

Each Chairman worked diligently with their committees to carry out their responsibilities—always keeping in mind what our Home means to our residents, to us and to Grand Chapter as this is our "#1" project in South Carolina.

We had the pleasure of welcoming five new residents to the Home during the 1997-98 year and have a couple of applications pending. During July we received Sisters Lavina Coan, Corinne Jackson and Ruth Crowson; Sister Annie Dell Graham came to us in August and Sister Gladys Abercrombie came in March 1998. Apparently they are happy here and we are pleased to have them.

Unfortunately, we were saddened by the death of five of our ladies: Sisters Faye Black, Alice Boyd, Della Bowers, Moneta Grantham and Sarah Walker. They are greatly missed by all of us, as they were a part of our Eastern Star Home Family and each has a special place in our hearts. Sister Sarah Walker had been at the Home since October, 1954 (longer than anyone else since we've had the Home).

We are extremely fortunate to have our dedicated Administrator and Management staff continuing to supervise all phases of the needs of our residents and Home and assist the Home Board when called upon.

Brother Lerans Welch, Administrator, and Sister Jeanette King, Matron, are doing an excellent job for us with the dependable assistance of Mrs. Patricia Nelson, Secretary/Bookkeeper, Sister Marie Ard, Assistant Matron, the cooks that prepare the delicious meals, the housekeeping staff that keeps the Home clean and the health aides that look after our residents day and night with loving care. We love you all and pray God's richest blessings upon each of you. We truly appreciate YOU!

We are proud to report that the carpet project started by Sister Jackie Fowler and Brother Ray Wilds has been completed. They also paid for a 48-patient cart that had been needed badly. We are still getting information about a generator and look forward to completion of this purchase next year.

The Wishing Well garden at the front of the Home has been completed.

A new shadow box was designed to hold 48 Past Grand jewels to be placed in the foyer of our Home. This is in place now and the Past Grands Association voted to pay for the materials and Brother Tom Swindler supervised the construction per his design and it is

recessed in the wall in the foyer for all to enjoy.

We are pleased to report that jewels from Sister Ruth Reynolds, P.G.M. and Ralph Horton, P.G.P have been received by the Board and have been placed in the new shadow box. This generous gesture on their part is appreciated and many can enjoy looking at them among the others on display.

For several years we have discussed a paved driveway at the rear of the Home and early in the year, we started the ball rolling to have this project become a reality. The 1997-98 Grand Officers chose this as their project and it is now a reality using some of the funds donated by the WGM and WGP to complete the costs. Isn't it great what can be done when we pull together for the same purpose. We extend a special "THANK YOU" to Sister Lynda, Brother Ira and their officers. Our hats are off to Brother Fred Caldwell, PGP, our Plans and Project Manager.

It is just impossible to include each person that contributes to making our Home run smoothly, so I will have to generalize—but you know who you are and we truly love you for all that you do for us and our Home and residents. The new astro-turf carpeting on the front porch was donated by C.B. Floyd who also comes almost every week to work outside and wherever needed. The special group of ladies—The Merrymakers—are with us every Wednesday and do whatever our ladies need toward hair-care and manicures, if time allows. A new hairdo makes all of us feel better and we feel these are angels sent to us to brighten our day!

The Pages and Pounding Chairman from each district have been active at the Home and your support thru them is truly a blessing, as we cannot operate our Home without the donations we receive all thru the year. Your time, talents, money and love will always be appreciated by your Home Board. If you have time to give, let us know, as we always have something that needs some help.

Sister Eunice Rogers worked faithfully this year as Chairman of the Home Endowment \$100 Club and has done a good job. We do appreciate her efforts and the donations are appreciated by Sister Eunice and all of us. THANK YOU, Sister Eunice!

The Home Board (Brother Jacques Lefever, Chairman) completed a brochure about the Home with pictures, miscellaneous information, etc. to be distributed to any chapter or individuals that might be interested in knowing more about the Home.

Brother Fred Estep, a resident at our Home, deserves a "pat on the back" for all his work around the Home on a volunteer basis and really seems to enjoy doing it. Sister Louise loves you and so do we!

It has been a pleasure working together as your Home Board. Each member performed their duties to the best of their abilities and we want to express our gratitude to our management and their staff for the professional way our Home is operated and the "TLC" shown to our residents. YOU ARE THE GREATEST!"

Thank you , Grand Chapter, for all the confidence you placed in us as Home Board members. (Applause)

Respectfully submitted,

NADA F. WILLIAMS, P.G.M.

*President*

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Nada and Home Board Members, for all you have done and are doing for our Home. It certainly has been my pleasure to serve on the board for the last four years. For me it has been a learning experience and a lot has been accomplished during this time. I do want to thank the members of the Home Board, particularly the Grand Officers and membership, that made it possible this past year to pave the driveway. (Applause)

At this time Sister Nada will present the proposed Eastern Star Home Budget. Sister Nada.

*Sister Nada:* Sisters and Brothers, you have a copy of the proposed budget as printed in the Addresses and Reports and I hope you have taken the time to carefully review the cost of

operating our Eastern Star Home. Our first priority is to provide a comfortable home for the happiness and welfare of our residents and this takes the monetary support of our entire membership.

Each month we carefully reviewed the disbursements of our home in all areas and this was a valuable tool to formulate the 1998-1999 proposed budget. The minimum wage increase (Federal Law) generated an additional requirement for salaries and payroll taxes.

I move the 1998-1999 proposed budget for our Eastern Star Home be accepted as printed and referred to the proper committee.

### PROPOSED BUDGET 1998-1999 EASTERN STAR HOME

PAYROLL .....	Monthly.....	Annual
Dept. 11 Administration .....	\$ 1,166.66.....	\$ 14,000.00
Dept. 12 Matron.....	1,100.00.....	13,200.00
Assistant Matron.....	272.08.....	3,265.00
Dept. 13 Secretary.....	800.00.....	9,600.00
Dept. 14 Cooks.....	4,730.00.....	56,760.00
Dept. 15 Aides.....	13,750.00.....	165,000.00
6121 Soc. Sec.....	1,669.16.....	20,030.00
6122 St. Unemployment.....	250.00.....	3,000.00
6123 Fed. Unemployment.....	150.00.....	1,800.00
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSE.....</b>	<b>\$ 23,887.90.....</b>	<b>\$ 286,655.00</b>

#### HOUSEHOLD

6201 Household Supplies.....	\$ 900.00.....	\$ 10,800.00
6202 Kitchen Supplies.....	250.00.....	3,000.00
6203 Laundry Supplies.....	150.00.....	1,800.00
6204 Other.....	16.67.....	200.00
6211 Groceries.....	4,541.67.....	54,500.00
6215 Furn/Fix.....	20.83.....	250.00
6216 Dumpster.....	135.00.....	1,620.00
6217 Fire Inspection.....	29.17.....	350.00
6218 Pest Control.....	104.17.....	1,250.00
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLD.....</b>	<b>\$ 6,147.51.....</b>	<b>\$ 73,770.00</b>

#### UTILITIES

6311 Electricity.....	\$ 1,800.00.....	\$ 21,600.00
6312 Water/Sewer.....	400.00.....	4,800.00
6313 Natural Gas.....	683.33.....	8,200.00
<b>TOTAL UTILITIES.....</b>	<b>\$ 2,883.33.....</b>	<b>\$ 34,600.00</b>

#### ADMINISTRATIVE

6501 Auto Expense.....	\$ 100.00.....	\$ 1,200.00
6511 Office Supplies.....	100.00.....	1,200.00
6512 Copy Machine Warranty.....	23.00.....	276.00
6513 Telephone.....	85.00.....	1,020.00
6514 Cable TV.....	35.00.....	420.00
6515 Subscriptions.....	30.00.....	360.00
6530 Uniforms.....	225.00.....	2,700.00
6550 DHEC Licenses.....	20.00.....	240.00
6551 Administrator Lic.....	12.50.....	150.00
6552 Staff Training.....	25.00.....	300.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE.....</b>	<b>\$ 655.50.....</b>	<b>\$ 7,866.00</b>

## INSURANCE

6561 Ins. Bldg./Contents.....	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,400.00
6562 Ins. Auto.....	75.00	900.00
6563 Workman's Comp.....	1,000.00	12,000.00
6564 Gen. & Prof. Liability.....	250.00	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL INSURANCE.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,525.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,300.00</b>

## FACILITIES/BLDG.

6412 Yard Maintenance .....	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,200.00
6414 Bldg. Maintenance .....	750.00	9,000.00
6415 Capital Improvements.....	300.00	3,600.00
6416 Equip./Equip. Repair.....	150.00	1,800.00
<b>TOTAL FACILITIES/BLDG. ....</b>	<b>\$ 1,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,600.00</b>

## MEDICAL

6661 Drugs/Residents .....	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 31,200.00
6662 Drugs/Home.....	50.00	600.00
6663 Doctor/Res.....	220.00	2,640.00
6664 Doctor/Home .....	100.00	1,200.00
6665 Hospital.....	500.00	6,000.00
6666 Med. Supplies/Res.....	100.00	1,200.00
6667 Med. Supplies/Home .....	600.00	7,200.00
<b>TOTAL MEDICAL.....</b>	<b>\$ 4,170.00</b>	<b>\$ 50,040.00</b>

## MISCELLANEOUS

6711 Money/Res.....	\$ 130.00	\$ 1,560.00
6713 Clothing/Res.....	16.67	200.00
6714 Beauty Shop.....	8.33	100.00
Burial Exp.....	275.00	3,300.00
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS .....</b>	<b>\$ 430.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,160.00</b>

**TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 1998/1999.** \$ 40,999.24 ..... \$ 491,991.00

**CONTINGENCY FUND .....** \$ 10,000.00

**TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET .....** \$ 501,991.00

Accepted/Carried

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you Sister Nada and Home Board Members for a job well done.

## MEMBERS \$100 ENDOWMENT CLUB

**May, June, July**

1—Mary Pinckney Ouzt #1 Honoring 100th Birthday.....	100.00
2—Boyce & Ruby Bishop & Pamela Hoover Honoring Linda B. Hoover, Grand Martha 1996-97 .....	100.00
3—Linda F. Lamb, A.G.C. Honoring 1997-98 Elected Gr. Officers.....	100.00
4—Linda F. Lamb, A.G.C. Honoring 1997-98 Appointed Gr. Officers .....	100.00
**5—Hanahan #250 Honoring Shirley Shipp, W.M. 1996-97.....	100.00
**6—Hanahan #250 Honoring William Rourk, W.P. 1996-97.....	100.00

\*\* This money was sent directly to the Grand Secretary, Sister Anna.

**DONATIONS**

O.E.S Home Replica .....	100.00
Katherine G. Callahan & Betty G. Mizell Honoring Ray Wilds, W.G.P. and Marlene Wilds, P.G.M.....	100.00
Ruby Witte Honoring James Island #284 .....	25.00
Eunice L. Rogers Honoring Judy Boedecker, W.M.; Mabel Hill, W.M.; Lennette Porter, W.M.; Dorothy Campbell, W.M. in lieu of gifts as their Installing Officer .....	100.00

**August, September, October, November, December,  
January, February, March, April**

1—Hartsville Chapter #91 Honoring 1996-97 Chapter Officers.....	100.00
2—Easley #200, Memory of Helen Marchbanks .....	100.00
3—Honor of North Charleston #100 by a friend .....	100.00
4—Dorothy & Ernest Campbell, Memory of John Q Johnson .....	100.00
5—Lydia Johnson's Family, Memory of John Q Johnson .....	100.00
6—Louise Hunt, Memory of Keith W. Seyle, P.G.P. 1962-63 .....	100.00
7—Ferne M. Launius, Honor of Linda K. Pittman W.G.M. 1997-98.....	100.00
8—Ferne M. Launius, Honor of Ira M. Parks W.G.P. 1997-98 .....	100.00
9—Barbara & Joe Lubelsky, Honor William "Bill" Wall, Home Board.....	100.00
10—Jane Lee Hall, Memory of Susan G. Arnold.....	100.00
11—Her Grand Appointees, Honor Kaye Rackley, Gr. Marth 1997-98 .....	100.00
12—Dorothy & Earnest Campbell Honor 1887-98 Chapter Officers .....	100.00
13—Dist.# 22 P.M. & P.P. Club, Memory of Nancy R. & Mae J. McLemore .....	100.00

**DONATIONS**

Hartsville Chapter #91 Honoring Lynda K. Pittman W.G.M. 1997-98.....	50.00
Hartsville Chapter #91 Honoring Ira Parks W.G.P. 1997-98 .....	50.00
James Island #284 Florence Barwick, Eunice L. Rogers .....	50.00
Memory of Opal Davis, Sylvia Ivie's Mother .....	25.00
James Island #284 in lieu of Gifts, Christmas .....	26.25
James Island #284 in lieu of Gifts, Friendship Night .....	30.25
Eunice L. Rogers P.M. as Installing Officer honoring Alice Turner, W.M.; Judy Boedecker, W.M. and Mary Cartwright, W.M.....	100.00
Eunice L. Rogers, W.M. honoring our Chapter's Installing Officers: Mary Ford, Installing Officer; Sandra Smith, Installing Marshal; Wilma Herring, Installing Secretary; Andy Peigler, Installing Chaplain; Ken Russ, Installing Organist; Wilma Davis, Installing Conductress and Sylvia J. Ivie, Director.....	100.00
O.E.S. Notes.....	78.00
O.E.S. Home Replica.....	250.00

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will have the Report of the *Palmetto Star News* by Sister Ruth Mathewes, Editor.

**REPORT OF THE PALMETTO STAR NEWS**

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guest, Sister and Brothers:*

This last year has been a wonderful learning experience and I have just learned how wonderful and supporting all the Stars of South Carolina can be. You have made the PSN what it is. You sent the articles, pictures and star grams, and I just put them together. You sent in your subscription, the new ones and the renewal, and I just recorded them. Whenever I showed up, you welcomed me and made me feel special.

We had our ups and downs this year. Our subscriptions went up by 64. Last August, in my first "From the Editor's Desk," I asked each of the districts to try and obtain 10 and 11 new subscriptions. I realize that all the districts did not come up with this number, but the other districts sure made up the difference and that goal was met. In fact, if you multiply 24 by 11, you get exactly 264! But then we had our downs. We lost 277 subscriptions for one reason or another. So we had an overall lost of 13 subscriptions and we are almost back in the same position we started. So, I am going to ask each district again for 10 to 11 new subscriptions. Or if each chapter could get just 2 new subscriptions we could again have a great year.

The accounting I present is for 11 months, as Andrea handled the July issue last year. I am not going to read all the figures attached, but present a synopsis. We took in \$9764.84 and spent 9899.11 for a deficit of \$134.27. That does not include any funds for the souvenir issue or any moneys directly sent to Anna Schulz, Grand Secretary.

There are several people I need to acknowledge and thank at this time. First, Andrea Barry, for getting out the July issue last year and all the moral support she has offered. Second, Doris Arnett, State Chairman for the PSN and the 24 District Chairmen. You did a great job representing the PSN across the state. There were new subscriptions in each district. If you will see me sometime during this session, I have a little thank you for each one of you. Last, but not least, I want to recognize my proofreader, Donna Crosby. An editor gets all the glory, and the proofreader gets all the blame. Donna has done a great job this year catching almost all my typos and grammatical errors and I hope she will continue to be my right hand.

I would be remiss if I did not make an appeal for your subscriptions and renewals. You will find forms out at the PSN desk. There are also copies of the souvenir issue available for \$6.00 each.

Thank you for your time and support. And remember—keep sending in those star grams and articles!

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH E. MATHEWES, *Editor*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper Committee.

Accepted/Carried  
June 16, 1998  
Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Ruth. I commend you on the fine job you are doing with our paper.

Sister Doris Johnson, Past Grand Matron, will give the Necrology Report at this time.

*Sister Doris:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

## REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

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

A Garden of Remembrance Memorial Service was held Sunday Morning, June 14 1998 in the Conference Center at the Sheraton Hotel, Columbia.

Sister Lois Watson, Grand Organist, accompanied by Sister Mary Louise Morgan, Grand Choir Director, as she sang "He Grew The Tree." Sister Lois provided beautiful music throughout the Ceremony.

The service was witnessed by many out of state Guests and members as we remembered Brother Donald Barnes, Michigan—Brother J.T. Sanders—Texas, General Grand Chapter Members.

Beautiful tributes were given by Sister Susan L. Johnson, Past Grand Matron, In memory of Brother Thomas J. Allred, Past Grand Patron, after which Sister Margaret Bishop, Past Grand Matron, who served with Brother Tom in 1972-1973, placed a pair of work gloves in an empty chair. Sister Mae J. McLemore, Past Grand Matron—pink roses were placed in a basket by Brother Bill Johnson, Past Grand Patron, who served with Sister Mae in 1969-1970. Sister Nancy Ruth McLemore, Past Grand Matron—yellow roses were placed in the basket by Brother Dave Brown, Past Grand Patron, who served with Sister Nancy in 1984-1985.

A Scroll with the names of the deceased members of South Carolina was given to all in attendance as we remembered 339 who have answered the Master's call. We extend our sympathy to all the families and friends of those we honored.

Taking part in the service were:

Kristen Stevens—A Representative of Job's Daughters

Sondra Bennett—Grand Worthy Advisor of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls

Lawrence Johnson—Order of Palmetto Demolay

Kathy Johnson Gwynn—Sang "You're Still His Child"

After which a host of God's Children placed hummingbirds on a tree in memory of our loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,

DORIS C. JOHNSON, P.G.M.

SUSAN L. JOHNSON, P.G.M.

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper Committee.

Accepted/Carried

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Doris, that was a beautiful Memorial Service Sunday. We will have the report of the *Palmetto Star News* Publication Committee by Brother Peter Peterson, Past Grand Patron.

*Brother Pete:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Would the members of this Committee please stand with me?

### **REPORT OF THE PALMETTO STAR NEWS PUBLICATION COMMITTEE**

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

Your Publication Committee met three (3) times over the past year (at every other meeting of the Line Officer Clubs). Our Editor did an outstanding job in publishing our paper for the entire year. Thus eliminating the need for any more meetings. We just didn't believe in having a meeting just for the purpose of having a meeting.

We did decide to publish commercial type ads to help offset publication costs. No ads ever were developed though. We still think it's a good idea.

We would again remind the subordinate chapters of the requirement of our bylaws that "The Worthy Matron of each Chapter shall, each year, appoint a committee on subscriptions and one on publicity to the *Palmetto Star News*." We envision the various District Chairmen for the *Palmetto Star News* working closely with their chapter counterparts in increasing our subscriptions and publicizing our paper.

We urge the continuing usage of the Star Grams and other paid articles as an aid in offsetting publication costs.

We recommend the following budget for our 1998-99 publications:

*Projected Income:*

1,000 Subscriptions.....	\$8,000.00
Star Grams & Articles.....	2400.00
Miscellaneous Donations .....	50.00
Souvenir Issue Profit .....	<u>1,200.00</u>
TOTAL.....	\$11,650.00

*Projected Expenses:*

Printing Cost .....	\$ 8,100.00
Postage .....	1,750.00
Salary.....	1,200.00
Stamps.....	100.00
Miscellaneous (supplies) .....	<u>500.00</u>
TOTAL.....	\$11,650.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES "PETE" PETERSON, *P.G.P. CHAIRMAN*

Bobby Pittman, *P.G.P.*

MARIE CARLSON, *P.M.*

LINDA K. PITTMAN, *W.G.M. (Ex-Officio)*

IRA M. PARKS, *W.G.M. (Ex-Officio)*

RUTH MATHEWES, *P.M. Editor (Ex-Officio)*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be received and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

June 17, 1998

Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you Brother Pete. Sister Elizabeth Barnett will give the report of the ESTARL Scholarship Committee.

*Sister Elizabeth (Lib):* Thank you Worthy Grand Matron. I would like for the members of my Committee to stand with me. Okay, just stand where you are.

## REPORT OF THE ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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

We, the ESTARL Committee, appreciate the opportunity to have served this Grand Chapter on this Committee. It has been a very enjoyable and rewarding experience.

This is a wonderful project and gives us all an opportunity to participate in helping young men and women to further their education in fields of religious leadership.

Letters were sent to each student in December with an application blank and instructions for the renewal of the scholarships.

On April 19, the Committee met at the home of Sister Lynda & Bobby Pittman to review the applications which had been received and to make plans for the personal interviews to be held in Columbia. We awarded ten renewals for \$1,000 each and eight new awards for \$1,200 each—a total of \$19,600.

The Committee would like to thank all who assisted us during the year. Your continued support is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH O. BARNETT, *P.G.M., Chairman*

BESSIE MAE WALSH, *P.G.M.*

IRMA H. PERRY, *P.G.M.*

SARAH PHILLIPS, *P.M.*

ROBERT L. PITTMAN, *P.G.P.*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper Committee.

Accepted/Carried  
June 16, 1998  
Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Lib and your Committee. I was able to attend some of the interviews and talking with the applicants is a very rewarding experience.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Maybe we can finish a couple more reports. Is Brother Jack Hydrick here? Brother Jack Hydrick, Past Grand Patron, will give the Benevolence Report.

*Brother Jack:* Thank you Worthy Grand Matron. I ask my Committee to please stand with me.

### REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

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

We received two written and two verbal requests for information concerning financial assistance. The amount of \$800.00 was disbursed to one member who made an actual request. We sincerely hope the lack of actual requests was a sign of a good economy and that no member failed to received funds in a time of need.

We would like to thank all the members for your contributions to this fund and for the many acts of love and concern for your fellowman that are never made known.

We suggest the following procedure be considered as a standard for all chapters to follow.

1. A member in need should make a request to their Chapter for assistance.
2. The Chapter should appoint a Benevolence Committee to investigate the need. The Committee reports its findings back to the Chapter.
3. The Chapter should then send the original request along with the report of the Benevolence Committee to the Chairman of the Grand Chapter Benevolence Committee.
4. The Grand Chapter Committee would then make a determination of assistance needed and forward to the Grand Chapter Secretary the name and address of the member for a check to be issued.

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for entrusting us to serve on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

A. JACK HYDRICK, *P.G.P., Chairman*  
SUSAN L. JOHNSON, *P.G.M.*  
PEGGY C. TUCKER, *P.G.M.*  
WAYNE TUCKER, *P.P.*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper Committee.

Accepted/Carried  
June 16, 1998  
Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jack, thank you very much for your hard work, and for the recommendation in your report.

Brother Earl McAlister, Past Grand Patron, will give the report on Returns of Chapters.

*Brother Earl:* Sister Nellie Pool will stand with me.

## REPORT ON RETURNS OF CHAPTERS

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

The committee on Returns of Chapters has reviewed the returns submitted by the 170 chapters. The Grand Secretary made corrections and/or assisted chapters with corrections where applicable. The required penalty for late submission of report was paid by respective chapters.

Caution and extreme care should be used in the following areas when preparing the annual returns:

1. A Past Matron or Past Patron having served in one chapter and affiliating with another chapter is reported as such (Past Matron/Past Patron) in the appropriate listing of the chapter in which she/he affiliated.
2. A member's complete given name (not shortened names or nicknames) should be used in filing chapter returns.
3. Complete dates that is: Month/Day/ and year should be reported for deceased, initiated, affiliated, etc. members when appropriate and applicable.
4. The Secretary and Worthy Matron must sign the report.
5. The chapter seal must be affixed on the report. To date all reports are correct and in order.

The Committee commends our Grand Secretary, Sister Anna, on her attention to detail and efficient manner in which she performs her duties. Her knowledge and assistance to the Subordinate Chapters is invaluable.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for the opportunity to serve on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL MCALISTER, *P.G.P., Chairman*  
NELLIE POOLE, *P.M.*

I move the acceptance of this report and that it be referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried  
June 16, 1998  
Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you Brother Earl and Sister Nellie. Do we have anything from Jurisprudence at this time?

I talked with Sister Hannah Lee Malphrus this morning, she called and said, "she did not have a report on Press."

At this time we will get back to our proposed bylaw changes. Brother Ira:

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Okay, everybody ready? I will read each proposal starting bottom of page 99, Article V, Section I.

Article V, Section 1. Duties of District Deputies—page 39. Add:

Section (d). "A charge may be made to those attending a School of Instruction to defray the cost of the meal." Carried

(This Amendment would not mandate that a charge be made, it would permit a charge to defray the cost of a meal.)

Article XXII—Alterations and Amendments—Section 2, page 138, now states "These Rules and Regulations may be amended or repealed every three years at the Annual Session of the Grand Chapter, by" etc.

It is proposed that this section be amended by deleting the words "every three years." Carried.

This would provide that these Rules and Regulations may be amended at any Grand Chapter Session. This does not mean that they must be amended each year, only that they may be amended.

Article X Dues and Fees—Section 5 Delinquent Dues.—Page 106. In the first sentence of the first paragraph, change “stated meeting of the next March, after having become due.” to read “on the next March 31st, after having become due,” and in the last sentence of the same paragraph, change “Stated Meeting in March” to “March 31st.” Carried.

This would provide that all members delinquent in their dues be erased on March 31st, rather than on the stated meeting night in March, providing uniformity in erasure date and providing conformity with the actual dates on the dues card.

At the General Grand Chapter Triennium Session in Orlando in 1997, changes were made to the Ritual which should be reflected in our Rules and Regulations.

The Ritual was amended to strike all instructions to the Installing Marshal in the installation ceremony, pages 102-122 of the Ritual pertaining to each officer to be installed. It is proposed that our Rules and Regulations be amended as follows:

Article XI—Installation of Officers—Section 8 (3) page 111, next to last paragraph be deleted and the following be inserted in it's place.

“As each officer is to be installed, that officer shall arise, proceed toward the Installing Marshal and bow as they reach her or him.” Carried.

Section (3) page 111, last paragraph, delete the words “when called.”

Article VI—Section 3, paragraph (4) page 100, after Step-daughter, delete the word “or” and after the word, “Step-sister” add the following, “, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-granddaughter, or daughter of a sister or brother (nieces) . . .” Withdrawn.

PROPOSED BY: Elizabeth Barnett, P.G.M., P.M. Queen City Chapter #141; Judy B. Caldwell, P.G.M., P.M., Columbia Chapter #59; Fred R. Caldwell, P.G.M., P.M., Columbia Chapter #59; Mary B. Fogle, P.G.M., P.M. Wagener Chapter #38; Billy Joe Graves, P.G.P., P.P. John L. Flynn Chapter #277; Virginia Gilreath, P.G.M., P.M. Great Fall Chapter #211; Bobby E. James, Grand Sentinel, P.P. Hemingway Chapter #156; Irma H. Perry, P.G.M., P.M. Newberry Chapter #226; James D. Perry, P.G.P., P.P. Newberry Chapter #226; Ethel K. Rimes, Grand Conductress, P.M. Harmony Hope Chapter #229; Anna R. Schulz, P.G.M., P.M. Beuclare Chapter #20; Margaret Todd, P.M. Anderson Chapter #130; Lucius A. Todd, P.G.P., P.P. Anderson Chapter #130 and Frankie C. Wynne, P.G.M., P.M. Cayce Chapter #260, Order of the Eastern Star.

*No. 1 Reference Page 20—ARTICLE II—Officers—Section 1. Eligibility for Office.—*

Change Heading and the first sentence in Section 1 to read as follows:

Article II—Officers and Appointments—Section 1. Eligibility for Office or Appointment—

Any present or Past Matron or present or Past Patron of any subordinate chapter of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina and residing in this Grand Jurisdiction is eligible to hold any elected or appointed office in Grand Chapter as outlined in Article II—Section 2 of the Constitution of Grand Chapter, and shall be eligible to hold any appointment as designated in Article III, Section 1, Paragraph (f), (g) and (h) as described on Page 23 of Grand Chapter By-Laws.

(Continue with remainder of paragraph as worded beginning with the word—Provided) Defeated.

*No. 2 Reference Page 23—ARTICLE III—Duties of Officers—Section 1. Powers and Duties of Worthy Grand Matron.—*

Delete Paragraph (f). (Please note that the reference to appointment of Grand Officers is already covered in Article II—Section 5 on Page 21.)

Move Paragraph (h) to be relettered as Paragraph (f) and entitled as—Appoint Grand Representatives—

The paragraph under this Section shall be worded the same down through the word—

Provided (which is in italics on the fourth line on Page 24) which shall be changed to read as follows:

Provided, that no member shall serve in any other elected or appointed capacity while serving as a Grand Representative and no member shall be commissioned as a Grand Representative for consecutive full terms. Defeated.

Paragraph (g) Appoint District Deputies.—

The paragraph under this Section shall be worded the same down through the word— Provided (which is in italics on the eighth line of this paragraph) which shall be changed to read as follows:

Provided, that no member shall serve in any other elected or appointed capacity while serving as a District Deputy. The Title of District Deputy shall not include the words “Grand Matron or Grand Patron” as there is no authority providing for such. (For duties of District Deputies, see Article 5, Section 1 of By-Laws governing Grand Chapter.) Withdrawn.

Paragraph (h) shall be replaced with the following Title and wording:

Paragraph (h) Other Appointments—She shall, with the approval of the Worthy Grand Patron, appoint all Standing Committees, all Special Committees and the following other appointments: One Deputy Grand Marshal and one Grand Page to each Grand Officer, one Grand Page to each General Grand Chapter Officer and General Grand Chapter Committee Members in South Carolina, one Grand Page from each District and one State Chairman thereof, one Grand Guard from each District and one State Chairman thereof, four Grand Nurses and one State Chairman thereof, one District Chairman and one State Chairman for each of the Grand Chapter Projects, and one Grand Parliamentarian, subject to provisions as outlined in Article II—Section 1—Eligibility for Office of Appointment, on page 20. Out of Order. (Illegal)

No. 3 Reference Page 25, ARTICLE II, Section 1.—ADD the following paragraphs:

Paragraph (v) She shall invite the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, elected and appointed General Grand Chapter Officers to be seated in the East when attending our Grand Session.

Paragraph (w) The Worthy Grand Matron who is serving during the second year of the General Grand Chapter Triennium shall appoint a Committee to plan a social to honor South Carolina members serving in the General Grand Chapter to be held at a convenient time during the second year of the Triennium with the cost to be appropriated by ticket sales. Carried.

No. 4 Reference Page 25—ARTICLE III—Section 1. Paragraph (r).—

Delete first paragraph under letter (r) and replace with the following:

(r) The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron shall promote the Eastern Star Home as their first PRIORITY project. All monies received from Eastern Star Home Projects shall not be consolidated with any other project funds. The only Projects to be supported by Grand Chapter shall be: Eastern Star Home Operating Fund, Eastern Star Home Major Repairs and Alterations Fund; Eastern Star Home Endowment Fund, ESTARL Scholarship Fund, Benevolence Fund, General Fund, *Palmetto Star News* and Special Project of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron which shall be for a designated purpose for the Eastern Star Home and must be approved by the Eastern Star Home Board. Should there be a need for any other fund raising project, such project must be approved by a two thirds vote of the members in attendance of the Grand Chapter prior to the establishment of such additional project. Funds received for any other purpose

and unless approved by the Grand Chapter for a specific cause, shall be placed in the Benevolence Fund.

(Continue with second paragraph under letter (r). Carried.

*No. 5 Reference Page 45—ARTICLE VII—Rules of Order for Conducting the Grand Chapter.—*

After Paragraph (j) at the bottom of Page 45—add the following paragraph to be entitled (k), and to read as follows:

(k) There shall be no introductions during the Wednesday morning session to allow adequate time for the Election of Officers. Carried.

*No. 6 Reference Page 83—ARTICLE III—Section 6—Introduction of Guests—Paragraph (c) Procedure for Introductions—Numbers (12) and (13).—*

Delete number (12) which reads: Others as instructed by the Worthy Grand Matron, and renumber (13) as (12) which shall be worded as follows:

(12) Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons.

Add to this Section Number (13) to be worded as follows:

(13) All other Appointees shall be recognized by having them stand and given a hearty welcome. Carried.

*No. 7 Reference Page 100—ARTICLE VI—Section 3—Paragraph (4) entitled—Degrees Conferred—on Whom.—*

Change Title and wording in Paragraph (4) to read as follows:

(4) Eligibility for the Degrees.—The eligibility for membership for those submitting Petitions for the Degrees of our Order shall be in accordance with the requirements as stated on Page 161 of our Ritual. Carried.

*No. 8 Reference Page 102—ARTICLE VI—Section 8—Dual Membership.—*

Delete Paragraph (1) in Section 8—and replace with the following wording:

(1) Dual Membership is permitted between members of this Grand Chapter and other Grand Jurisdictions which are under the General Grand Chapter or a Subordinate Chapter of General Grand Chapter, and including the Grand Chapter of New York and the Grand Chapter of New Jersey if the Masonic affiliation is in order with Page 161 of our Ritual and General Grand Chapter Decisions, page 1, paragraph 3, is complied with. Dual Membership shall not be permitted between Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina. Carried.

*No. 9 Reference Page 107—ARTICLE X—Dues and Fees—Section 5, Delinquent Dues.—*

Delete first paragraph in Section 5 and reword as follows:

Sect. 5. Delinquent Dues.—Any member not having paid the necessary dues that become due on April 1st, by the next March 31st, or whose dues have not been remitted, shall be automatically suspended and the Secretary of the Chapter shall advise the member accordingly. The Secretary shall remove the name of such member from the roll and make a report of such action to the Chapter at the next Stated Meeting; Provided, That the name of the delinquent member shall have been read at the Stated Meeting in February, the delinquency reported to the Chapter, entered into the minutes, and the member immediately thereafter notified in writing, addressed to the last known address, of the delinquency and of automatic suspension if dues are not paid on or before the 31st of March. (Withdrawn)

*No. 10 Reference Page 94—ARTICLE IV—Section 1—Example listed under ARTICLE IV—Fees and Dues.—*

Under the EXAMPLE as Article IV—Fees and Dues, paragraph (a) Fees.—(2), change the fee for affiliation from \$5.00 to \$6.00.

Also, under the EXAMPLE as Article IV, paragraph (b) Dues.—delete the words on line four which states—before the meeting date in March, and replace with the words:

On or before the 31st of March—with remainder of paragraph to be the same. (Withdrawn)

*No. 11 Reference Page 101—ARTICLE VI, Sec. 5 Petitions for Affiliation.—*

Change the last sentence of Paragraph (3) Continuous Membership—from a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) to six dollars (\$6.00) for affiliation. (Withdrawn)

Also add the following paragraph:

(a) General Grand Chapter decisions, page 1, paragraph 3 will be complied with at the time an affiliating New York or New Jersey member is elected to membership in this Grand Jurisdiction. (Carried)

*No. 12 Reference Page 102—ARTICLE VI—Petitions, Sec. 6. Petitions for Reinstatement.—*

Change the fee for reinstatement in this Section from \$5.00 to \$6.00. (Withdrawn)

*No. 13 Reference Page 105, ARTICLE VIII—Non-Affiliate, Sec. 2. Voluntary Non-Affiliate.—*

Change the last sentence—The re-affiliation fee shall be \$5.00 to \$6.00. (Withdrawn)

*No. 14 Reference Page 106, ARTICLE IX—Extinct Chapters, Sec. 2. Privileges of Members of Extinct Chapters.—*

Change Line 6 from a fee of \$5.00 to a fee of \$6.00 will be charged. (Withdrawn)

*No. 15 Reference Page 106—ARTICLE X—Dues and Fees—Section 1. Annual Dues.—*

In Section 1 under Article 10—Page 106—change the amount of Annual Dues as listed—to be not less than six dollars. (Withdrawn)

*No. 16 Reference Page 108—ARTICLE X—Sec. 8. Fees for Reinstatement.—*

Change the Fee for Reinstatement from \$5.00 to \$6.00. (Withdrawn)

*No. 17 Reference Page 108—ARTICLE X—Sec. 9. Fees for Conferring Degrees and Notification.—*

Change the first sentence in this paragraph to read as follows:

(1) Fees.—No Chapter shall confer the degrees for a less sum than six dollars, which amount shall accompany the petition.

(Remainder of paragraph to be the same.) (Carried)

*No. 18 Reference Page 109—ARTICLE X—Sec. 10.—Fees for Affiliation by Demit.—*

Change the amount of the Fee for Affiliation from \$5.00 to \$6.00. (Withdrawn)

*No. 19 Reference Page 31—ARTICLE III—Sec. 5.—Paragraph (n)—Furnish Secret Work and Diagram.—*

Delete the words Diagram and Diagram of the Labyrinth in all places mentioned in paragraph (n). Also—in the last sentence of paragraph (n) delete the words—either item's. (Carried)

*No. 20 Reference Page 31—ARTICLE III—Sec. 5—Paragraph (q)—Circulate Memorial Cards.—*

Change the last sentence top of Page 32 from thirty days to forty days or earlier. (Carried)

*No. 21 Reference Page 59—ARTICLE I—Sec. 7.—Fees for Dispensation and Supplies.—*

In the second paragraph of Section 7—delete the words Diagram of the Labyrinth. (Carried)

*No. 22 Reference Page 69—ARTICLE III—Sec. 4.—Paragraph (e)—Secretary.—*

In the third paragraph under letter (e) delete the words Diagram of the Labyrinth. (Carried)

*No. 23 Reference Page 110—ARTICLE XI—Section—Officers to receive Secret work and Diagram of the Labyrinth.—*

Delete the words Diagram of the Labyrinth in all places mentioned in Section 7. (Carried)

*No. 24 Reference Page 124—ARTICLE XIV—Paragraph (6)(a)—Property.—*

Delete the words Diagram of the Labyrinth. (Carried)

*No. 25 Reference Page 138—ARTICLE XXII—Alterations and Amendments—Section 2.—*

In Section 2—change the words in the first sentence to read as follows:

Section 2. These Rules and Regulations may be amended each year at the Annual Session of Grand Chapter. (Continue with remainder of paragraph to be the same.) (Withdrawn)

*No. 26 Reference pages 141 through 153—INDEX.—*

It is recommended that appropriate changes shall be made to the INDEX to conform with any changes to the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for the Government of Grand Chapter, and the Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters, as adopted by the Grand Chapter. (Carried)

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RECOMMENDATION: It is further recommended by those preparing the above Proposed Amendments, that in consideration of the incoming Worthy Grand Matron, who has made appointments for the coming year that the Section limiting Appointments be waived during her year, except that the Proposed Section limiting Introductions and Grand Chapter Projects will not be changed provided these proposals are adopted by the Grand Chapter. (Carried)

Reference Page 139, ARTICLE XXII, Section 3, recommend change to Fees and deletion of the words "labyrinth"—"Diagram of the Labyrinth" that may have been omitted through an oversight from these Proposed Changes to our Bylaws be considered housekeeping changes and amended accordingly. (Carried)

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Chapter #59; Mary B. Fogle, P.G.M., P.M. Wagener Chapter #38; Irma H. Perry, P.G.M., P.M. Newberry Chapter #226; and James D. Perry, P.G.P., P.P. Newberry Chapter #226.

*Reference Page 39—ARTICLE V—Section 1, Paragraph (c).—*

Delete the first two paragraphs under Paragraph (c) and reword as follows:

(c) A District School of Instruction shall be held in each District each year primarily for the benefit of the officers and members of the District. It shall be the duty of the District Deputy to hold such school.

Time and Place of School shall be determined by the Worthy Grand Matron and the District Deputy; Provided, that no two Schools shall be held on the same date. All work shall be exemplified by the Officers of the District as selected by the District Deputy; Provided, that the Worthy Grand Matron if she desires may have the Grand Officers to exemplify the work in the District Schools held in her home District, the home District of the Worthy Grand Patron and others that are deemed necessary. Prior to beginning the District Schools the incoming Worthy Grand Matron shall hold one or more Schools of Instruction for her upcoming District Deputies to assist them in being properly instructed in all phases of our work, their duties and responsibilities.

(The last paragraph under Paragraph (c) shall remain the same.) (Carried)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Worthy Grand Matron, if my calculations are right, my time has ended.

*Sister Martha Barry:* Worthy Grand Matron, I would like to make a motion, if I may at this time.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Just a minute I haven't returned the gavel. I'm not trying to rule you out, I just want to make sure that she knows I am finished.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Not quite, but you're finished with the proposed bylaws.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* We may have struggled quite a little bit, my Sisters and Brothers, but I think we all have profited from this. I believe in my own heart, that we became stronger for this. I believe we got a lot closer because of this and I don't think there's any dissension here. Thank you for all your labors, my Sisters and Brothers. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Ira, thank you for a job well done. I recognize Sister Marlene Wilds.

*Sister Marlene:* This goes into effect immediately. The way the Jurisprudence Committees rules it, there will only be one School a day. It goes into effect now.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Sister Marty Barry, Associate Grand Matron.

*Sister Marty:* Worthy Grand Matron, before I make my motion, I would like to make an announcement. Those of you who have already purchased itineraries for next year, they are totally incorrect. We are not reprinting them, because Grand Chapter can not afford to pay for reprinting them. However, there will be a sign posted listing when your new school will be. Your new District Deputy has a list of those new dates for the Schools already in her possession. I am well aware that there will be only one School of Instruction per day.

However, I would like to make a motion, if I may? I move that I have approval for the following projects for the next Grand Chapter year, money to be raised for the designated project that I am about to name and given to that designated project:

Spinal Cord Injury	Pages and Aides to the O.E.S. Home
Heart and Cancer Project	Home Pounding
Membership Project	

Motion second, no discussion, motion carried.

*Sister Marty:* Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Brother Ed Hershberger.

*Brother Ed:* Worthy Grand Matron, on the last proposed bylaw change, are we clear on that, was there a two thirds majority to change that? Did we have a count that was a two thirds, or is that required? I have a point of order I'm not clear on.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I made a ruling that here was two thirds.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* The Worthy Grand Patron had made a ruling that there was two thirds.

I recognize Sister Ethel Rimes, Grand Conductress:

*Sister Ethel:* Worthy Grand Matron, just to be sure, I do plan to continue the \$1.00 a month if I am installed as Worthy Grand Matron in 1999. I would like to have permission from this Grand Chapter now, to be sure that I have it. I make a motion that I be given that privilege. That's the \$1.00 per month per member for the Home Operating Fund.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I don't think we need a motion or second, since that is for the Home.

*Sister Ethel:* It's an extra project and I want to be sure I have that permission.

*Sister Marty:* Worthy Grand Matron, could I ask Sister Ethel to include the \$1.00 per month for next year too?

*Sister Ethel:* I certainly will, because to me that is a very important project that we have. I will include it for 1998-1999 and 1999-2000.

*Sister Marty:* I second that motion.

*Sister Linda Lamb, Associate Grand Matron:* Sister Ethel, please include the 2000-2001 year.

*Sister Ethel:* I would like to amend my motion and add 2000-2001. Sister Linda wants to continue this project.

*Worthy Grand Motion:* The Motion is Carried.

*Sister Ethel:* I thank you Sisters and Brothers, because the Home is our first priority and that's where my heart is.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sisters and Brothers, I know the hour is getting late and we have a Reception this evening at 7:30, but there is one point I would like to cover. I would like to get a report from the Jurisprudence Committee.

*Brother James D. Perry:* It looks like my Committee has stopped on me. Sister Marlene, would you bring the rest of them up please?

*Sister Marlene:* Okay, do you want me to physically pick them up? (Laughter)

*Brother James:* They thought they were going to back me up over there but that won't happen.

## **REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE NO. 2**

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

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the following Reports and find them legal if adopted.

1. Address and Report of the Worthy Grand Matron with the exception of Irregularities 2, 20, 22 and Decision 1. These are all found on page 19 of the Reports and will be discussed separately.

2. Address and Report of the Worthy Grand Patron.
3. Report of the Appeals and Grievance Committee.
4. Report of the Unfinished Business Committee.
5. Report of the Grand Secretary.
6. Report of the Grand Treasurer.
7. Report of the Grand Trustees and the General Fund Budget of the Grand Trustees.
8. Report of the Home Board and the Home Board Budget.
9. Report of the Publication Committee of the *Palmetto Star News*.
10. Report of the Palmetto Star News.
11. Necrology Report.
12. ESTARL Scholarship Awards Report.
13. Benevolence Committee Report.
14. Returns of Chapters Report.

Respectfully submitted,

MARLENE WILDS, *P.G.M.*

BILLY J. GRAVES, *P.G.P.*

FRANKIE C. WYNNE, *P.G.M.*

ELAINE M. BURGESS, *P.G.M.*

JAMES D. PERRY, *P.G.P. Chairman*

Now I move the adoption of this report.

Adopted

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, 6:15 P.M.

## REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE REPORT NO. 2

*The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the Reports as follows and wish to advise concerning the Report of the Worthy Grand Matron:*

### IRREGULARITIES

2. Chapter Officers not marching into the Chapter.

While the Worthy Grand Matron did not explain the circumstances of this remark, we wish to point out that on page 3, paragraph 2, of the Book of Instruction of General Grand Chapter that "When there are not sufficient officers present for the opening march, the officer present will take their station informally."

20. While attending the Alter the Conductress opens the Bible to the wrong chapter and lifts the Bible from the Altar. On pages 76-77 of our Constitution and Bylaws, Article III, Section 5 (g) gives our instruction for opening the Bible. It is our custom to open the Bible to Matthew 2:2 but nothing is written to say this is the only place to which it can be opened.

22. Pedestal did not have the points toward the West. Pages 166 and 167 of the Ritual and Page 21, Chapter VII, paragraph 4, General Grand Chapter Bylaws tells us where pedestals must be placed. Nothing tells us what design must be used. Some are square, some are round, would have no point.

### DECISIONS

1. Our bylaws under Article VI beginning on page 99 shows exactly when a ballot is to be taken. There is no provision to authorize delaying a ballot because of an official visit.

Respectfully submitted,

MARLENE WILDS, *P.G.M.*

BILLY J. GRAVES, *P.G.P.*

FRANKIE C. WYNNE, *P.G.M.*

ELAINE M. BURGESS, *P.G.M.*

JAMES D. PERRY, *P.G.P. Chairman*

I move the adoption of this report.

Adopted

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, 6:20 P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* To the Jurisprudence Committee, thank you, thank you. Sister Marty, do you want to do the Cora Lee Trophy real quickly?

### PRESENTATION OF THE CORA LEE HAYS TROPHY

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

The Coral Lee Hays Trophy is awarded each year by the Eastern Star Home Board to the Chapter that has done the most for our Eastern Star Home. A special thank you is due to Constellation Chapter for undertaking the continued presentation of this award. While I served as Chair of this committee, Sisters Ethel Rimes and Lynda K. Pittman and Brother Ira M. Parks also served with me. The entire Home Board participated in the selection criteria, based on number of chapter members and distance to our Home, which included two basic questions—first, why do you/should we support our Eastern Star Home and second, list what the Chapter did for the Eastern Star Home from April 1, 1997 to March 31, 1998 in donations including money, goods, time (hours contributed) and special events conducted or participated in.

We all appreciate the efforts all of us make for our residents. However sometimes a chapter goes the extra mile and is deserving of special recognition. I would like to share two portions of their nomination. I quote, "The main charge to our Order in South Carolina is to care for our elder Sisters and Brothers, in love providing a safe place for them to spend their golden years." While this chapter participated in many events and made numerous donations, one of particular interest was monthly pounding conducted in the chapter encouraged and delivered by one another. Now I hope the chapter has recognized themselves, but just in case and to make it official, would Sister Gayle Gossett, Worthy Matron; Brother Will Yeager, Worthy Patron; Sister Marcie Malone, Secretary; and Sister Paddy Vaughn the member responsible for the monthly pounding, and any other members of Empire Chapter No. 251, who wish to, please come to the east or stand. (Applause)

It is with extreme pleasure, on behalf of the Eastern Star Home Board, that I recognize your special efforts by presenting to you the Cora Lee Hays Trophy. (Applause)

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA (MARTY) H. BARRY,  
A.G.M., *Chairman*

Accepted/Carried

June 16, 1998

Tuesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Empire Chapter, congratulations!

*Sister Gayle:* On behalf of our members we thank the Committee for presenting this trophy to us. We enjoyed everytime we went to the home, everything we did for the home. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Is Sister Genie Wright still in here, where is that girl? Stand up, Short Cake. I want to thank you my sister for bringing me that nice beautiful rose. I want to tell you it cheered me up a whole bunch at a bad time, so I want to thank you for that. It really made my day; thank you, Lady. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We do have a number of reports that we have not finished but due to the hour and due to the fact that we do have a reception this evening, I think we will go ahead and cut off our reports and pickup in the morning. I would like to do one fun thing real quick.

I would like to ask the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress if you will present Sister Gayle Rickert to the west.

Sister Gayle, it is my pleasure to extend to you, a Commission for Grand Representative. It is my pleasure to commission you as Grand Representative of Washington State in South Carolina. (Applause.)

(The Grand Representative was escorted to the east, presented her commission, and extended Grand Honors.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Gayle, this was my honor to give this commission.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* It made you hair turn red didn't it? (Laughter)

You are a most deserving person, you are a good worker for your chapter and Grand Chapter.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* The East recognizes Brother Jacques.

*Brother Jacques:* Worthy Grand Matron, I would like to make an announcement if it's at all possible.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Brother Jacques:* I would like to announce that the Grand Offices for 1998-1999. Deputy Grand Marshals, Special Grand Pages and Aides, Personal Grand Pages and Aides and all those participating in the installation, Wednesday night. We will have a practice here, tonight at 9:30 p.m. Please be prompt, so we can get things lined up for Wednesday night.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* To the Grand Officers for 1997-1998. Immediately after the Reception please go to the Hospitality Room to have your pictures made for the proceedings.

I would like to extend an invitation to all of you to attend our all Member Reception tonight at 8:00 p.m. It is hosted by District 10, and We hope all of you will be there.

In case you haven't heard, Sister Margie Coleburn from Summerville Chapter, did fall yesterday in the hotel. She did have surgery this morning for a broken hip.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have our Benediction by Brother Earl Shields, Grand Chaplain.

## BENEDICTION

### Brother Earl Shields, *Grand Chaplain*

Dear Heavenly Father, You know what's on my paper, right here now, but, Lord, I want to talk to You and thank You for answering our prayers today. Lord, there were many prayers lifted up at lunch today,, You've certainly come through. You always know how to do it, Lord . . . Lord, there are many other concerns in our Chapter room today. We ask You, Lord, to take care of these concerns. Lord, there are some who may have family problems, or somebody sick; Lord, we just turn them over to You, right now. We thank You, Lord, for a good day. We know You have been here, we thank You. We know You love the Eastern Star, Lord, because You bless each one of us, so very much. We ask that You go with us now and the rest of this day. Lord, stay right close beside us in all we do. We thank You in Jesus name. Amen.

(The Grand Conductress attended the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Tuesday afternoon session of "To God Be the Glory" Session from labor to refreshments to reconvene Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m.)

(The Grand Officers retired.)

**WEDNESDAY MORNING 9:00 A.M.**  
**June 17, 1998**

The Wednesday morning session was called to order by Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron and Brother A. Jack Hydrick, Past Grand Patron.

*Sister Mary Ann:* Good morning Sisters and Brothers!! Welcome to the Wednesday morning, Ninety-first annual, "To God Be The Glory" Session. God has granted us one more beautiful morning and blessed us by letting us share it with you. We should look to see His beauty all around us, listen with our hearts to feel His love and to share with one another.

It is an honor to once again share the Grand East with you, Brother Jack, my own Worthy Grand Patron and for us to call to order this "To God Be The Glory" Session. Brother Jack.

*Brother Jack:* Sisters and Brothers, it is an honor to join with my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary Ann, to wish you a pleasant good morning. Let us make this "To God Be The Glory" Session a reflection of how we serve our God. This will be an eventful day for all of us. and our activities should remind us of our theme, "Love One Another." Sister Mary Ann.

*Sister Mary Ann:* Grand Marshal you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and the other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

(The Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter Room, the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, were escorted West of the Altar.)

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda, not long ago, I stood where you are standing beside my own Worthy Patron, Brother Jack, and I thank you for allowing me to stand by him again in this place of honor this morning. You have worked hard and traveled far, spreading the good will of our order, you are a Beautiful Lady.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira, my husband, my best friend, and the love of my life. All of these you are to me and you are my bright and shining star. You have labored hard this year to let each one of us know that we matter, that our work in the order is important and that, we the members of the order are the Order of the Eastern Star. Brother Jack.

*Brother Jack:* Sister Lynda, it is an honor to greet you, our Worthy Grand Matron, I am sure this year will hold many happy memories for you as you will now have time to pause and reflect. You have served our Order with the dignity of a true leader. I appreciate your friendship, and I will always remember that you gave God the glory for all you were able to accomplish this year.

Brother Ira, you have stood tall beside Sister Lynda all year and displayed true Star principles in all your actions. You served as Grand Chaplain with Sister Mary Ann and I. You have been a man who is true to his beliefs, and this year should hold many gold memories for you.

(The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Sister Mary Ann:* Sister Lynda, this gavel is a symbol of your authority, may you yield it with justice, tempered with love and understanding. It is my pleasure to present to you your gavel that you may proceed with the business of this Grand Chapter.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Mary Ann and Brother Jack, it is good to see the two of you in the Grand East again and thank you for calling the Wednesday Morning Session of the Grand Chapter, the "To God Be The Glory" to order. For your continued support for Grand Chapter we thank you, thank you, thank you.

*Brother Ira:* I think my remarks will be very few We have a lot of business to do today and I just want to say thank you so much for being so kind to me over the years. Sister Mary Ann and Brother Jack, I did work with you all and it was my honor and my pleasure to

serve as your Grand Chaplain. I think it was one of the finest jobs that I have ever had in the Eastern Star, what an honor it was for me to do that. It has been an honor to see you, Brother Jack and my own wife, Mary Ann, come back to the East and open this Session and I thank Sister Lynda, for having allowed these two to come back, they are special people. I have worked with them long and hard and I love them such. Thank you.

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

(The doors were secured.)

(The Associate Grand Matron with the assistance of the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress reported that all present were members of the Order.)

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have our morning Devotional by Sister Celia Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron.

## DEVOTIONAL

### Sister Celia F. Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron

Good Morning, my Dear Sisters and Brothers!

Today is another important page in the History of our Grand Chapter for today we select a new slate of officers to serve our beautiful Order.

The Holy Scriptures and the lessons of our Ritual are entwined.

In our Installation Prayer we place, into the Special care and guidance of our Heavenly Father, those who are elected. We ask God to provide them with a righteous, upright, honest appreciation for the responsibilities they are about to undertake.

We take an obligation to do everything in our power to contribute to the progress, development, and growth of our beautiful Order: to work to improve the social and economic conditions. That includes selecting the right people to serve as officers in our subordinate chapters as well as our Grand Chapter.

Some of us have held the station of Warder either as the Installed Warder or as Protém. I wonder if you are fully aware of the responsibility you have just assumed. You may have felt it was insignificant, not important enough to even learn your charge. If you had to set up the Chapter Room would you know which badge to leave at the Warder's station? All of us know the Dove is an emblem of peace. We also know that in the Bible the Dove represents the Holy Spirit.

When Jesus walked here on earth, He could only be in one place at a time. He realized we needed Someone to watch over us all the time. He said He would ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit.

When Jesus ascended to heaven after His crucifixion and burial. He took His rightful place at the Right Hand of God to ever make intercession for us.

Proverbs 15:3 says. "The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good." Don't you prefer that when God sees you. He sees only good?

I looked up the words "Peace" and Harmony" in the dictionary. Peace means the presence and experience of right relationships. Harmony means agreement or co-operation. I feel that peace and harmony are absolutely necessary if our Order is to be successful.

Our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have chosen as their Watchwords: Remember—"Someone is always watching you." I say be very careful for that "Someone" is God's Holy Spirit! As our Worthy Grand Patron said on many occasions "May the Lord taking a liking to you and may He make His light to shine upon your face."

To God be the glory for all that is accomplished here today!

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer and our Past Grand Matron, will give the invocation.

*Sister Glenda:* Good Morning!! To God Be The Glory! Let us stand as we hold hands and pray together.

## INVOCATION

### *Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron*

Dear Lord, hear our call and be merciful and answer us according to our needs. When You said, "Come Worship Me," we answered, "Yes." Lord, we are your servants. You have been our help; don't leave us, don't abandon us, Oh God, our Saviour.

Teach us, Lord, what You want us to do and lead us along the path of kindness and love for one another. Grant us the strength and ability to meet the task before us this day. Our trust is in Thee, Oh Lord. We shall not despair for our faith is in Thee. In Jesus name we pray. Amen and Amen.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Glenda.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the American Flag.)

(The first verse of the National Anthem was sung.)

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Christian Flag.)

(The first verse of the Onward Christian Soldiers' was sung.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Ninety-first "To God Be The Glory" Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina from refreshments to labor.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sisters and Brothers that are here this morning for the first time, I want to let you know the reason why we are not continuing with introductions is because of a bylaw that was passed yesterday. If we do have an opportunity we will continue with introductions later but we can't at this particular time.

We will now have the report of the Credentials Committee by Brother Vernon D. Force, Past Grand Patron and Chairman.

*Brother Vernon:* Before I begin the report I would like to ask that all who have not turned in the tops of their ballots to their District Deputy wherever you may be and if there are any outside who will be eligible to ballot, please make sure that your Deputy has the top of your ballot indicating your name and chapter number. Please do this quietly and quickly.

## REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Officers, Sisters and Brothers:*

Article IV, Section 2, sub-paragraph (4) of the Grand Chapter Bylaws this entitled Credentials and is quoted as follow: "The Committee on Credentials shall examine the Credentials of the members of the Grand Chapter, and the Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near this Grand Chapter, and report a list of the officers, members and representatives present."

The Credentials Committee consisting of the undersigned Ted Arant, Past Grand Patron, Jacqueline Fowler, Past Grand Matron; Ray Wilds, Past Grand Patron; Thomas W. Swindler, Past Grand Patron; Louise Moon, Carol Coker, Patricia Cox, Genie Wright, Shirley Shipp and Helen Thomas and ably assisted by the following volunteers: Jonnie Fowler, Jack Coker, Mary Curtis, Jean Duckworth, Elaine Burgess, Past Grand Matron; and Alma Force, has examined the credentials of the members of the Grand Chapter and will report the list of officers and members entitled to vote in the election of Grand Officers and issued ballots for that purpose in an attachment to this report which will be subject to public verification at the conclusion of this report. We would be remiss in our duty if we did not report to you that this committee has not examined the credentials of the members of other Grand Jurisdictions as stated above since a separate committee is provided for in our bylaws for this propose. When this committee, Register of out of State Guests Committee, was added to our laws the duties of the Credentials was not suitably amended to delete this duty.

A total of 357 members took advantage of preregistering. On Sunday June 14 from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M., Monday June 15 from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM and Tuesday June 16 from 8:30 AM to 12:00 noon a total of 912 ballots were issued to members presenting credentials or who were on the roster of Past Matrons and Past Patrons in each chapter of the Grand Chapter prepared by the Grand Secretary. The Total number of ballots issued as indicated on these rosters is 912. Of the 1,500 ballots issued to the committee 588 are being returned to the Grand Secretary which confirms the issue of 912 ballots.

A total of \$2,556.00 was collected in registration fees and will be turned over to the Grand Secretary at the conclusion of this report. A total of 27 chapters were not issued ballots.

My thanks to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the privilege of serving Grand Chapter with this committee. A difficult task was accomplished with relative ease and with much good fellowship and fun. Although all committee members could not serve those who could did a magnificent job. My special thanks to all who registered with the committee for their patience, understanding and good nature, especially when you asked for something that we could not do for you. Your courteous acceptance of our explanations were in direct contrast to some of the reports I had heard concerning your conduct during registration in the past.

A list of the number of ballots issued by district is inclosure #1 to this report and is a part of this report. Final figures will be verified by district when directed by the presiding officer.

#### DISTRICT BREAKDOWN OF BALLOTS ISSUED

DISTRICT	Officer	PROXY	PM	PP	TOTAL
1	6	8	9	2	25
2	9	24	14	5	52
3	8	19	15	5	47
4	7	15	9	2	33
5	5	15	9	1	30
6	9	7	12	2	30
7	5	3	4	2	14
8	2	17	11	2	32
9	10	12	20	7	49
10	18	8	36	11	73
11	7	4	7	1	19
12	3	6	8	4	21
13	8	7	14	3	32
14	2	13	11	0	26
15	13	23	28	8	72
16	6	3	12	1	22
17	7	12	9	2	30
18	15	17	20	5	57
19	7	13	19	4	43
20	7	21	17	6	51
21	7	20	7	1	35
22	9	15	22	5	51
23	5	13	10	3	31
24	7	10	16	4	37
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>912</b>

I move this report be referred to the proper committee.

VERNON D. FORCE, P.G.P. CHAIRMAN

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brothers Vernon, to you and your committee this is a hard working committee and we do appreciate all the effort that goes into this.

Before we get into our balloting there are a couple of appointments that I need to make as far as our District Deputies are concerned. In District #7 I am going to ask Brother James Black, Assistant District Deputy, if he would assume that duty. In District #13 I'm going to ask Sister Dorothy Mitchum, our Past Grand Matron, if she would assume the responsibility of District Deputy. In District #14 I'm going to ask Sister Nada Williams, our Past Grand Matron, if she would serve as District Deputy. Thank you Sisters and Brothers for accepting that responsibility this morning. Brother Ira, are you ready?

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Well I bet you today will be more fun. (Laughter)

At this time, before we do start balloting I will be giving you instructions very shortly. I do want to start out by telling you who the two head tellers are. The Chief Head Teller up here is Sister Glenda Winchester and her assistant is Sister Mary Ann Parks.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers, now the hour has arrived for the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year and I now have some instructions to give you prior to the election so everything may go as smooth as possible. So listen very carefully to the instructions.

There will be 3 tables set up to my left and 3 tables my right. The tables on my left are tables 1, 2 and 3 . . . . . the tables to my right are tables 4, 5 and 6. Now there will be 7 chairs at each table and when I call the names of the tellers at the tables the first name that I call will be the head teller at that table. Brother Jim Ballard, will the Brothers who has been selected to help him, would you please now set up those tables and chairs. Please, while you are setting those tables up do not go into the labyrinth and do not pass in between the Altar and the East while any of that is being set up. I want to caution everyone not to go into the labyrinth or pass in between the East and the Altar for any reason. When we do start if the Grand Officers would move your chairs up and in front of your pedestals that will give us more room for the tables.

District Deputies, you will now please stand at your area at this time so you can receive the ballot box for your District. Brother Jim, I want you to please see that those are also passed out and that the ballots are placed on the tables. Are there any questions so far?

Sisters and Brothers, during the balloting the restrooms will be considered and declared as part of the Chapter Room and if you need to go to the restroom please do it as quite as possible with little disturbance as possible. Sisters and Brothers, if you go to the restrooms there will be no smoking in the restrooms or the hallways, loud talking or congregating in the hallways. Please observe this rule because we can hear you. If you must use the restrooms those on my left may go by way of the Grand Sentinel and those on my right and other areas may use the door at the end of the Chapter Room. Caution, listen carefully, if you go up that ramp passed the restrooms or if you go out those double doors you will not be allowed to return to the building or chapter room. Now please, my Sisters and Brothers, do not make a big fuss about that the people at the doors have their orders not to let you back in. I'm telling you what the instructions are so there should be no question. Please observe these instructions and if you make a mistake that is too bad.

If you leave be sure you leave your ballot with the District Deputy or take it with you. do not give it to somebody else under any circumstances.

Brother Grand Sentinel and Sister Grand Warder, you will secure the doors for the election. Sister Grand Warder, you will see that there is a guard at all doorways that gain an entrance to the floor of this Grand Chapter Room. I want you to please give me an all secure when this is done and I will start the elections.

Sisters and Brothers, I will now announce the names of the tellers sitting at the tables counting the ballots. Remember the first name I call is the Head Teller at the table and let me know if there is any shortage at your table. Please use the Mike if you have any questions or there is a problem anywhere on the floor.

*Grand Warder:* Worthy Grand Patron, there are Guards and Sentinels posted outside the doors, Warder inside, the doors are secured.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you for that. Chairman of the Grand Pages, make sure you have designated someone to collect those ballots at the door so that every Sister and Brother regardless of where they are working will have a chance to see that they get to ballot. I want to caution you one more time, do not give your ballot to anybody. You are entitled to only one vote unless you have been assigned as a proxy.

At this time I will ask Brother Vernon Force, Chairman of the Credentials Committee, to come up and verify the count by Districts.

Brother Vernon: Thank you Worthy Grand Patron: We already had two changes, one off sets the other. We had issued two to many to a person who was good enough to turn that back in which put my count off and we had just found that when we found another ballot that we had not marked, hopefully this will balance. I knew it was too good to be true when we came up with 912 and 912 in both places. I will call the District and the total number of ballots. District Deputies, if you have a different count would you please go the microphone and tell us the number of ballots you do have that will be cast by your District.

(First roll call by District to determine the total of votes present.)

**VOTES BY DISTRICT**

District #01.....	23	District #14.....	23
District #02.....	52	District #15.....	69
District #03.....	46	District #16.....	20
District #04.....	31	District #17.....	31
District #05.....	30	District #18.....	56
District #06.....	28	District #19.....	43
District #07.....	13	District #20.....	49
District #08.....	32	District #21.....	35
District #09.....	49	District #22.....	48
District #10.....	71	District #23.....	28
District #11.....	19	District #24.....	37
District #12.....	21	(Authorized Vote) Total.....	884
District #13.....	30	Majority Vote to Elect.....	443

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Brother Vernon. Okay now, we will assign the tellers. please listen to your name and move along as quickly and quietly as possible.

**TABLE ONE (my left)**

- Head Teller, Sister Irma Perry, *P.G.M.*
- Brother Glen Cox
- Sister Barbara Bannister
- Sister Berry Lou Burrows
- Brother Pete Sluder
- Sister Ruth Branyon
- Sister Kathy Birge

**TABLE FOUR (my right)**

- Head Teller, Sister Gennie Wright, *P.M.*
- Brother Jack Coker
- Sister Betty Washnok
- Sister Texa Fortner
- Sister Becky Dorr
- Sister Nancy Ritchie
- Sister Macie McCoy

**TABLE TWO (my left)**

- Head Teller, Brother Dave Brown, *P.G.P.*
- Sister Iona Perry
- Brother Bill Burgess
- Sister Darlene Smith
- Sister Nellie Poole
- Sister Jennifer Powers
- Sister Marie Carlson

**TABLE FIVE (my right)**

- Head Teller, Brother Charles Peterson, *P.G.P.*
- Sister Mary Donna Pinkston
- Sister Lounette Ford
- Sister Mickey Clark
- Sister Sara Pritchard
- Brother Darrell Gerner
- Brother Terry Trump

**TABLE THREE (my left)**

- Head Teller, Brother Tom Swindler, *P.G.P.*
- Sister Jean Duckworth
- Brother Albert Wyatt

**TABLE SIX (my right)**

- Head Teller, Brother Bill Johnson, *P.G.P.*
- Sister Michael Meadows
- Sister Cathy Belangia

Sister Kay Arant  
 Sister Dorothy Campbell  
 Sister Mary Ann Faircloth  
 Brother Edward Hershsberger

Sister Marcie Frick  
 Brother Fred Kelin  
 Brother Bill Corbin  
 Sister Ethel Whisenant

Brother Grand Sentinel, are we all secured at every door and is everything is ready. Okay, Sisters and Brothers, I believe that all is ready, for the final instructions so please listen carefully. A Page will collect all ballots of those at the doors, hallways, tables of the people sitting on the floor. The bathrooms are designated as part of the chapter room, don't go up the ramp, don't go out the double doors and don't go out there smoking. If you do leave the building you may not, you may not give your ballot to anyone Sisters and Brothers. You are entitled to only one ballot and a proxy if you have one. no one can vote for you and if you are leaving give you ballot to your Deputy or take it with you. If you are not entitled to vote a ballot legally regardless of your title do not deposit a ballot in the box because it is illegal. Be careful when you mark your ballot, listen to the persons nominated. I will tell you which ballot to use and when to start and do not mark on anything until I say to. If you use the wrong ballot it will be discarded. The nominations will be for one minute per person nominated and I will keep the time in the East, if you go over the time that is allowed I will have to interrupt and cut you off. Those who are nominated for any position will make their way to the East as soon as possible when nominations are over. After that I will introduce you as a candidate for the office.

I recognized Brother Jim Perry.

*Brother Jim:* I have a Partial Report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

### REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE NO. 3

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

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the following reports and find them legal if adopted:

Report of the Credentials Committee (so we can have the election).  
 Cora Lee Hays Trophy.

Respectfully submitted,  
 MARLENE WILDS, P.G.M.  
 BILLY J. GRAVES, P.G.P.  
 Frankie C. Wynne, P.G.M.  
 ELAINE M. BURGESS, P.G.M.  
 JAMES D. PERRY, P.G.P.

I move the adoption of this report

Adopted  
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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you Brother Jim. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I now declare the nominations of the Grand Chapter for the year 1998-1999 for elections duly opened.

### GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS—MEMBERS NOMINATED 1889-1999

Worthy Grand Matron  
 Worthy Grand Patron  
 Associated Grand Matron

Sister Martha H. Barry  
 Brother Jacques E. Lefever  
 Sister Ethel K. Rimes

Associate Grand Patron	Brother Bobby E. James
Grand Secretary	Sister Anna R. Schulz, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Grand Treasurer	Sister Judy B. Caldwell, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Grand Conductress	Sister Linda Lamb
Associate Grand Conductress	Sister Vienna Teal
	Sister Ferne Launius
	Sister Shirley Shipp
	Sister Lucile Mattison
Grand Trustee (3 years)	Sister Donna Owens
	Brother James D. Perry, <i>P.G.P.</i>
Grand Sentinel	Brother Jonnie M. Fowler
	Brother Herman Lepore
	Brother John Cox
Home Board Member (3) years	Sister Kay Rackley
	Sister Nada Williams
	Sister Rebecca K. Dorr
Home Board Member (3 years)	Sister Rebecca K. Dorr

### GRAND OFFICERS—MEMBERS ELECTED

Worthy Grand Matron	Sister Martha Hursey Barry
Worthy Grand Patron	Brother Jacques E. Lefever
Associated Grand Matron	Sister Ethel K. Rimes
Associate Grand Patron	Brother Bobby E. James
Grand Secretary	Sister Anna R. Schulz, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Grand Treasurer	Sister Judy B. Caldwell, <i>P.G.M.</i>
Grand Conductress	Sister Linda Lamb
Associate Grand Conductress	Sister Shirley Shipp
Grand Trustee (3 years)	Sister Donna Owens
Grand Sentinel	Brother Jonnie M. Fowler
Elected Home Board Member (3 years)	Sister Kay Rackley
Elected Home Board Member (3 years)	Sister Rebecca K. Dorr

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Okay my Sisters and Brothers, this closes the election of the Grand Officers and Members for the ensuing year. I now release the tellers to go back to your chairs.

I now declare the election of Grand Officers and Members closed—all duly elected.

I now return the gavel to the Worthy Grand Matron. (Applause)

*Worth Grand Matron:* At this time we will have the report of the Benevolence Fund by Sister Pat Conner, Chairman.

*Sister Pat:* Would the District Chairpersons please stand while I give our report?

### REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE FUND

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

We would like to thank Sister Lynda and Brother Ira for allowing us to serve Grand Chapter this year.

Most districts did well with the sale of wheel covers. We had four hundred and twenty covers and from sales and donations we turned in to Grand Chapter to a total of \$1,141.00 as of April. In May I sent \$112.00 and have since collected \$40.00 for a total of \$1,293.00.

If you missed them in your district we have a few left.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA CONNERS, *State Chairperson*

I move that this report be accepted and referred to the proper Committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Pat, thank you very much for that report.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Pat, I now how hard you and your committee have worked not only this year but many, many past years and I really appreciate that. People like you keeps this Grand Chapter going and I really thank you for that.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Frankie, are you ready for your report? Sisters and Brothers, please be quiet and give respect to Sister Frankie Wynne, our Past Grand Matron, while she gives the ESTARL Benefit report.

*Sister Frankie:* Thank you Sister Lynda.

**REPORT OF ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT**

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

Our ESTARL Scholarship Benefit was held on September 20, 1997 at the Jamil Temple in Columbia. Serving as the Chairman of this project was one of the most enjoyable experiences of my life. The success of this benefit far exceeded our fondest expectations. It also proves that the AIM of TEAMWORK chosen for the year by Sister Lynda and Brother Ira really works when we all join together in a very worthy cause.

We were most fortunate to have working with us on this benefit the Grand Officers, District Deputies, ESTARL Chairmen, Grand Pages and Grand Guards as well as a host of other wonderful members who just volunteered because they wanted to help. Each of these groups rendered a great service in making this a very successful as well as an enjoyable endeavor.

I cannot adequately express my appreciated to so many extremely talented members who did so much to make this a very beautiful and and enjoyable event. I hope that each of you have that special feeling that comes when you have rendered your finest service in accomplishing something good and worthwhile for the welfare of others. Our Eastern Star Scholarship Program is truly one of our greatest charitable efforts and you have helped this cause tremendously.

From all reports the Dinner and the Concert were both wonderful. We were very happy to have Reverend Tony Crouch, Paster of Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church in Laurens, and a former ESTARL recipient, to bring greetings and ask the Blessing. Chet Andrews who is under our Scholarship Program at Gardner Webb Divinity College in North Carolina expressed his appreciation, and we were delighted to have Reverend Don Davis, Pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Cayce who brought some nice remarks and gave the Benediction.

The Gospel Concert featured Recording Artist John Gardner, a number of Soloist from Trinity and our own Sister Joyce Powell. We greatly appreciate all of these giving of their time and talents for this Benefit.

Again my sincere thanks to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for giving me the privilege and joy of serving as Chairman of this Project, and for all that we have accomplished—TO GOD BE THE GLORY.

702 Tickets were sold @ 12.00 each .....	\$8,424.00
Contributions received .....	1,314.60
	Total Receipts.....
	9,738.60
Paid to Caterer.....	4,538.60
TOTAL PROFIT ON PROJECT .....	\$5,200.00

A Cashier's Check fro \$5,200.00 from the Bank of Columbia, which is the Bank used for this Benefit, has been sent to the Grand Secretary with the Report.

Also included with this Report is a list of the Contributors and donations received for this Benefit.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKIE C. WYNNE, *P.G.M., Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Sister Frankie:* I asked Sister Lynda if I could have permission to say one other thing, that is I have been asked to serve as Chairman for this Scholarship Benefit again next year. But as most of you know I really am not up to par right now having surgery not long ago my energy level is very, very low. I have really forced myself to be here this week and to perform the duties that I felt like I should do. Sister Marty has been very gracious in accepting my recommendation to her to ask Brother Harold Munn to Chair this benefit and he will do an excellent job. I hope that you give him the same help and everything he needs as I was given this year. I told him and Sister Marty that I would not leave him by himself that I would certainly serve in an advisory capacity in any way I could because the ESTARL Project is one of the dearest things to me in this Order. I appreciate Sister Marty being so willing to let me say that and I thank Sister Lynda for being willing to let me say that. Thank you so much. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Frankie, thank you for a magnificent benefit which we had in September and I know everybody that was there enjoyed it.

*Worth Grand Patron:* I was back there and hugged. Her. (Laughter) Sister Frankie, we do thank you so much for that and that was a most successful project and we all enjoyed it much. I think it was one of the best events that I have seen in many, many years. Thank you so much. (Applause)

### LIST OF DONATIONS TO ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT HELD SEPTEMBER 20, 1997

Leona DeLoach .....	25.00
Paddy Vaughn .....	25.00
Betty Adams .....	25.00
Members of Circle Chapter No 241 .....	36.00
Evelyn & Ed Dixon .....	20.00
Sally Kirk .....	20.00
Min Steigler .....	20.00
Barbara Hetrick .....	5.00
Judy & Fred Caldwell .....	10.00
Virginia & Edwin Prince .....	10.00
Mary E.R. Evans .....	10.00
Nancy Copeland .....	10.00
Mary Lois & Tommy Britt .....	15.00
Ferne M. Launius .....	100.00
Jean Peebles .....	50.00
Mary P. Cartwright .....	50.00
Carolyn & John Edge .....	40.00
Barbara & Jimmy Scarborough .....	25.00

Helen B. King-Brookes.....	25.00
Marie & Herman Lepore .....	25.00
Ruby & Mack McLaughlin.....	25.00
In Memory Evelyn Parks, PGM	
Libby & Gerald Mitchum.....	25.00
Dot & Andy Bozard .....	25.00
Ethel K. Rimes.....	25.00
Jane & Harold Munn .....	25.00
Maxine T. Bass .....	25.00
Ludie S. Reid .....	15.00
Estelle S. Smitt.....	15.00
Angela Jones.....	10.00
Katheryn P. Riley.....	5.00
Beth Baltzgar & Mary Mellichamp.....	10.00
Shirley Noland .....	20.00
Shirley Shipp .....	20.00
Mary & R.D. Baker.....	5.00
Sarah Phillips.....	2.00
Dorothy Campbell .....	5.00
Sarah Dent .....	5.00
Willie Laney .....	5.00
Louise Hunt .....	5.00
Miriam Regensburg .....	5.00
Evelyn Reid.....	5.00
Martha & Alvin Bankhead .....	5.00
Ada Mae Gibson .....	5.00
Ruth Ulmer .....	5.00
Ken Laurens.....	10.00
Aneita Farmer .....	10.00
Martha Todd .....	12.00
Barbara & Joe Lubelsky.....	12.00
Margaret & Vernon Kiser .....	10.00
Aletha McLane & Mozelle Darmody.....	24.00
Pauline Stonehocker .....	20.00
Lois & Micha Warren & Shirley Warren Roberts.....	10.00
Debbie Mixon & Mary Coggins .....	10.00
Lois & Tom Swindler.....	10.00
Anne Hickman .....	10.00
Jeannie & Donny Burkett.....	50.00
Doris T. Stephens .....	75.00
in honor of Frankie Wynn, Mary Fogle & Louise Wynne	
Mary B Fogle .....	25.00
in honor of ESTARL Students	
Linda K. Pittman.....	14.00
Cash—No Names .....	194.60
Total Contributions.....	\$1,314.60

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jim Roddy will now give us the Supplemental Report of the Grand Trustees.

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worth Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, All my Distinguished Sisters and Brothers:*

The Grand Trustees are pleased to present this supplemental report. The Trustees have

met to consider a request from the Worthy Grand Matron that we approve a donation to the Cancer Center of Richland Memorial Hospital and the Heart Center of Richland Memorial Hospital. These funds to come out of the cancer and heart funds. We approved a donation of \$2,000.00 to each.

Further, the Grand Trustees also approved donations to our Youth Organizations specifically Rainbow, Demolay and Job's Daughters. This total donation was \$1,800.00, which was money returned to us from General Grand Chapter for sale of pins during the triennium.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES D. RODDY, JR., *P.G.P., Chairman*

CELIA F. BRADSHAW, *P.G.M.*

Elizabeth O. Barnett, *P.G.M.*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Jimmy, for that report; I really appreciate your help. Sister Mary Norman, do you have your report ready? Sister Metta Holt, if you have your report ready you might want to make your way up here.

While they are coming up here I've got a I guess this is wings with a pearl and a bow on it and a pin that has been found that is up here and we also have what looks like it might be an earring that has a white background with a blue bird in it, so if you have lost these please come up here.

### REPORT OF THE HOME ENDOWMENT FUND

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

Sister Eunice Rogers and the District Home Endowment Chairman, will you stand with me please? I would like to commend these and especially Sister Wilma Davis of District 15, Texa Fortner of District 22, and Lucille Humphires of District 8. They have really let their little light shine.

Of the 788 candle pins that I received at a cost of \$1,830.10, we sold \$3,225.00 worth of pins for a profit of \$1,394.90 before our Grand Secretary's deadline. Since that time we have added another \$365.00 which will be also added to our wisely invested amount of \$625,299.22 that we started with on April 30, 1997.

Our selling project is only one of several methods that we add to our fund each year. My grateful appreciation goes to all supporters of Home Endowment and to Sister Lynda and Brother Ira who entrusted me with this projects.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY P. NORMAN, *State Chairman*

I move the acceptance of this report and its referral to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Mary, thank you and your Committee for your hard work for our Home. At this time Sister Metta Holt will give the Home Pounding Report.

*Sister Metta:* Will the District Chairman for Home Pounding please stand with me?

## REPORT OF HOME POUNDING

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

It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve as State Chairman for Home Pounding this year. The success of this project is not mine. It belongs to you, the members of this State, who so generously donated items each month for our Home and to the District Chairman who really did all the work. Each district in the State had a specific month and specific items to donate. Sister Jeanette King, our Matron, has informed me that all went very well.

Some districts did not send me a report of their district donations so I can't give you complete totals of items donated. Paper products of all description, food items, bed linen, cleaning supplies, first aid items were all donated. A total of \$2,145.00 has been received by the Grand Secretary.

I must pay special recognition to Empire Chapter #251 in District Three. Each month this chapter collected items for the home. And then when it was District Three's time as a District, they still came through. Thank you, Empire Chapter, and thank you, Sister Marguerite Thomason, District Three Chairman, for always sending me your lists. I looked forward each month to your note. I am sure that there were other chapters that took items to the home at times other than their districts appointed month, but I was not informed of this.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira, thank you for entrusting me with this position. I hope my actions have been worthy of that trust.

Respectfully submitted,

METTA M. HOLT, *State Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Metta, to you and your committee thank you for a very commendable job our home appreciates all the hard work that goes into that project. Thank you. (Applause)

Sister Leonette Ford will give the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project Report.

*Sister Leonette:* Would the District Chairman of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project please stand while I give our report?

## REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S SPECIAL PROJECT

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

It has been my pleasure and honor to work with this dedicated group of Stars. I thank you for your hard work and timely reports. I would also like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for their vote of confidence in giving me this assignment.

We sold the beautiful hummingbird pins for \$10.00 each. After meeting our cost of \$3,237.50, I have forwarded to the Grand Secretary a total profit of \$4,950.00.

Top seller of this project was Marvis Polk of District 13. Other high sellers were Mary Louise Morgan of District 2 and District 10's own Lynda Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron.

A special thank you is extended to all members who helped us achieve these results.

To the District Chairman, I thank you sincerely for your love and support.

To Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, I thank you for allowing me to serve the Grand Body in this capacity this year.

Respectfully submitted,

LEONETTE FORD, *State Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Leonette to you and your Committee, thank you very much. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Leonette, we go back a long time and I do want to thank you. You have been one of Grand Chapter's best workers for so many years and I thank you for all your continued support. I know you will just keep on working for those that will be following behind Sister Lynda and me. I just appreciate that.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Bobby James, are you ready to give your ESTARL Report?

### REPORT OF THE ESTARL PROJECT

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

It has been an honor to serve as State Chairman of ESTARL for the 1997-1998 year. All monies from the cross pin project, and all monetary donations have been submitted to the Grand Secretary along with a full report from each district.

I would like to ask all District Chairman to stand at this time. I thank each of you for the work you have done to make this project a success. You have been most cooperative, I could not have asked for a better group to work with, team effort does pay off, thank you.

I believe ESTARL to be the second most important project of Grand Chapter, with the first being the support of our Eastern Star Home. It is a great joy to know we are helping to spread the word of God by helping with the Education of deserving students in the ministerial field.

Respectfully submitted,

BOBBY E. JAMES, *State Chairman*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Bobby, also to you and your Committee thank you for selling our crosses and it is good to look out and see so many of our Sisters and Brothers wearing our special cross.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I do thank you Brother Bobby James for your work and I wish you much success my Brother as you go down this road.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will have the report of the *Palmetto Star News* by Sister Doris Arnett.

*Sister Doris:* Good Morning Sisters and Brothers!!

I would like for all the *Palmetto Star News* District Chairman to please stand while I give this report.

## REPORT OF THE PALMETTO STAR NEWS PROJECT

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

I wish I could say that every Eastern Star family in South Carolina had subscribed to our *Palmetto Star News*—but I can't make that statement. I want to thank all the District Chairmen for their efforts this year. We have not met the goal I hoped we would reach, but another year is starting and with everyone's help I hope we will increase subscriptions.

Some how I feel I am saying the same thing over and over each year in my reports. I have been unable to travel for the past two years because of my husbands health. I do miss seeing more of you and hope each will continue to support our *Palmetto Star News*. I thank God that I am able to be here at this Grand Session.

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, thank you so very much for letting me have a part in your grand year. I love you both and am happy for you for a successful year.

May God continue to bless you in everything you do.

Respectfully submitted,

DORIS B. ARNETT, *State Chairman*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

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Wednesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Doris, I don't know of anyone that promotes our newspaper anymore than you and we do appreciate all of your efforts.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Doris, I have been knowing you for many, many years and I don't think I need to say much, you are a good worker and you have always done a good job. Thank you so very much. (Applause)

Worthy Grand Matron, may I approach the East?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes you may. Is this going to take very long?

*Sister Mary Sesnauskas:* Brother Ira, when you were nominated and elected as Sentinel I said, "well we got to do something for Brother Ira." I got out my crochet needle, and this check is from all who bought for ridiculous prices, things that I made. We thank you, Ira. I got my hug and kiss.

*Worth Grand Patron:* Thank you, I'll speak on this later. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Dot Peterson will give her report on the General Fund.

*Sister Dot:* Before I give my report I would ask those District Chairmen who are present who worked with me on this project to stand and be recognized.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL FUND

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

It has been my pleasure to labor in the fields with these members that you see standing at this time. Some are not here but they're probably off working on another project. I

would also like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the confidence they placed in me to head up this project.

We sold shirts again this year and as of the third of June we had a total sales count of \$8,439.50. I was not furnished information as to the cost of the shirts so I can't report on the total profit gleaned from these sales. Monies were sent to the Worthy grand Matron for most of the year. I see from the Address and Reports booklet that \$2,342.26 was sent to our Grand Secretary for the sale of golf shirts. Additional money was sent direct to our Grand Secretary from various sources, including memorials and honorariums, bringing us a sub-total for this project to \$11,608.13. Since arriving at the hotel we set up a table for our late shoppers in selling the few remaining shirts we had. I have an additional \$661.00 which I will send to Sister Anna as soon as I get home.

Our three top sellers were: District 20, Marie Lepore, 75 shirts; District 2, Betty Washnok, 61 shirts; and District 16, Marie Carlson with the help of Etta Ruth Arant, 84 shirts. I would like to thank each of our sales staff for their efforts. It has been a pleasure working with each of you.

Respectfully submitted,

DARTHA PETERSON, *State Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Sister Dartha:* I have a supplemental report that I would like to give at this time.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT GENERAL FUND 1995-1996**

Worthy Grand Matron, this supplemental report pertains to the report I made two years ago regarding the General Fund Project in selling of the carousel sweat shirts.

In that report I stated that the unsold shirts were to be turned back over to our then Worthy Grand Matron (Sister Dot Mitchum), who had indicated that she had a tentative sale for them.

These shirts remained in my house for a year and a half. The tentative sale never came about.

The opportunity presented itself with a willing buyer for a good portion of them. I received \$642.00 for most of the shirts. This money was forwarded to our Grand Secretary for credit to the General Fund.

There were 25 shirts remaining which were turned over to our now Past Grand Matron, Sister Dot Mitchum.

Respectfully submitted,

DARTHA PETERSON, *State Chairman (95-96)*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you Sister Dot, this young lady can sell anything. (Applause) The wonderful thing about that when she tries to sell it you buy it and that is the most important thing and we do appreciate that.

Brother Vernon Kiser, do you have your report on Chapters under Dispensation? He will make his report from the floor.

## REPORT OF CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION

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

I would like to report that we have no chapters under dispensation at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNON B. KISER, P.G.P.

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Brother Vernon.

Brother Andy Feigler, are you ready to give your report on the Home Operating Fund? Brother Jonnie Fowler is going to give the upper state report.

*Brother Jonnie:* Would the upper state Co-Chairman of each District please stand at this time?

## REPORT OF THE HOME OPERATING FUND —UPPER STATE

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

On October 25th, after a week delay because of bad weather and the truck going to Sumter first, the peanuts arrived. The upper state received 836 cases and sold 836 cases, collected \$30,096.00. District 2 sold 182 cases, District 3 sold 84 cases, and District 23 sold 82 cases. We received a \$5.00 donation and collected \$100.00 on the sale of peanut pins.

To each of you who helped unload, distribute, sell and collect for the peanuts, we say thank you. Without your help we could never have done this job. To Brother Andy, you are the best.

## REPORT OF THE HOME OPERATING FUND PROJECT (PEANUTS)

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

This is the report for the peanut sale for the lower part of the state which includes 12 districts, starting with District 10 through 20 and District 22 including 87 chapters. At this time I would ask all district chairmen to please stand. Brothers and Sisters, you had a big job to do and all of you did it well. We were to receive the peanuts on October 18, but due to the adverse weather conditions, we asked for delivery on the 25th. I also want to comment this is the first time in my five (5) years that every case was sold or requested for before delivery. Lower State received 812 cases and sold 812 cases and collected \$29,232.00. Lower State received six (6) donations for \$370.00.

I will now give the complete report for Upper State Districts 1 through 9 and Districts 21, 23 and 24 and Lower State Districts 10 through 20 and District 22: We ordered 1,650 cases—we received 1,648 cases or two (2) cases short at \$36.00 per case. The peanut money total was \$59,328.00. Upper State received 836 cases and sold 836 cases and collected \$30,096.00. Lower State received 812 cases and sold 812 cases and collected \$29,232. Upper State received one (1) donation for 5.00 and sold 100 peanut pins for \$1.00 each which amounted to \$100.00 Lower State received six (6) donations and received \$370.00. Our Grand Total for peanuts and donations is \$59,803.00.

On behalf of myself and our State Co-Chairman in the Upper State Brother Jonnie

Fowler and all our District Chairmen, I extend to all of you our most grateful appreciation for the manner you responded to this most important project for our O.E.S. Home.

I love each and every one of you and may God bless each of you.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES (ANDY) PEIGLER, *State Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Brother Andy:* Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity and privilege to do something for our home. I thank you so much. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Andy, to you and to Jonnie, this is probably one of the hardest jobs so far as our projects are concerned because it is a heavy job. To all of his Committee that worked with him, his district sales people, you have our sincere appreciation because this project gets larger and larger every year. I hope it will continue to grow with Sister Marty and Brother Jacques as they serve next year. Thank you very much. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Brother Andy and Brother Jonnie, thank you so much. You all know what a load you took off me since the Worthy Grand Patron sorta got involved in that peanut deal and it could give you some sleepless nights too. To see the peanuts go so quickly like you Sisters and Brothers sold them, I thank you so much because you are truly the ones that helped these Brothers get this job done in about record time. Thank you so much for everything.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jonnie Fowler has a presentation he would like to make.

*Brother Jonnie:* Brother Andy, in the Upper State we have a Brother who calls himself the peanut man. Well I would like to call you Mr. Peanut. For many years of hard work you have devoted to our Home Operating Project I present you MR. PEANUT. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Anna Schulz will give us the housing report.

## HOUSING REPORT

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

It is indeed a joy to report that the Sheraton Hotel was able to house all out-of-state distinguished guests and our South Carolina members that applied for reservations at the headquarters.

I have endeavored to talk with all those residing at the hotel and have been advised that they are pleased with the facility, delicious food and service.

I commend the Reservation Staff, particularly Mrs. Angelia Jackson, for the many hours of hard work and concern for our entire membership. Also, a big thank you to all the hotel personnel, they have been so willing to assist anyone at anytime . . . most kind.

Sister Lynda, I would like to thank you and Brother Ira for allowing me to serve you and our membership in this capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA R. SCHULZ, G.G.C.C.M. & P.G.M.

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Anna, thank you so much for accepting this additional responsibility.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Anna, if that didn't give you enough to do maybe we can find something else. Thank you so much for all you do for Grand Chapter because you have the hardest job I know, I wouldn't be Grand Secretary for double your pay. (Laughter)

*Sister Anna:* Well, everybody knows it is a labor of love. (Laughter)

I do have some announcements and I thank you Worthy Grand Matron for this time.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Secretaries and Treasurers, Sister Judy and I have a little love gift for you over on my desk, I put them there so I can get a hug when you pick them up.

I advised the Chapter Secretaries last April that I do have the new large print rituals or changes and the new tan rituals or changes made in Orlando. I would love to sell them, you must order them through your Chapter Secretary. Please never send funds to me until you get the bill because there is always postage.

Also, I have the General Grand Chapter Red Book and the changes made in Orlando. As soon as I receive the bill from General Grand Chapter, I will know the cost for each.

Sisters and Brothers, we have some extra programs and copies of the Addresses and Reports. If anyone would like a copy or copies to take back for a member or members that were unable to attend our Session, please see Brother Vernon Force, he has them. I do hope you will do this because I know you have members that were unable to come and would like a copy. Thank you.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* The hotel has extended the check out time until 2:00 p.m.

At this time we will have the report of the Hospitality Committee by Brother Doug Carlson.

*Brother Doug:* Would all the members of the Star Travelers Club please stand while I read the report.

### REPORT OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

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

The Hospitality Room was hosted by the "Star Travelers Club." I hope that each of you enjoyed the fellowship we shared in the hospitality room. I want to thank the Chapters, and the individual members, and the Star Travelers for your hard work, donations and support given this year. You have made my responsibilities as Chairman easier. The hospitality room was open for twenty hours to share our friendship and refreshments.

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, on behalf of the Star Travelers Club I present to each of you a guest book from the Hospitality Room. These books contain the signatures of those who visited our Hospitality Room.

Respectfully submitted,

DOUG CARLSON, *Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Doug, this is a tremendous responsibility taking care of our Hospitality Room. But it is one that I can honestly say he enjoys doing. I did not get the opportunity to go by and even have a coke or anything. Oh! please excuse me, but I hope everyone of you did have an opportunity to go by. From the response I have received from our South Carolina Membership as well as from our visitors the Hospitality Room was well attended and everything was A okay. Thank you and the Star Travelers Club for all your hard work in the Hospitality Room. Also, thank you for the register books as well. (Loud Applause)

Sister Betty Lou Burrows, do you have your report ready? Okay, Sister Michael Meadows, I believe you have the report for the weekend at the beach from Myrtle Beach Chairman. Okay, we will have a partial report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

*Brother Jim:* Okay I will give you another partial report of the Jurisprudence Committee so that we can speed up a little bit as to what we are doing.

### PARTIAL REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE NO. 4

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

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the following Reports and find them legal if adopted:

- The Benevolence Project Report
- The Report of the ESTARL Scholarship Benefit
- The Supplemental Report of the Grand Trustees
- The Home Endowment Project Report
- The Home Pounding Project Report
- The ESTARL Project Report
- The *Palmetto Star News* Project Report
- The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron's Special Project Report
- The General Fund Project Report
- The General Fund (95-96) Supplemental Project Report
- The Chapters Under Dispensation Report
- The Home Operating Report for the Upstate, Lower state and the complete report
- The Housing Report
- The Hospitality

Respectfully submitted,

BILLY J. GRAVES, P.G.P.

FRANKIE C. WYNNE, P.G.M.

ELAINE M. BURGESS, P.G.M.

MARLENE WILDS, P.G.M.

JAMES D. PERRY, P.G.P., *Chairman*

This is signed by the entire Jurisprudence Committee and I move the adoption of this report.

Adopted

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, Noon

## MOTION OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

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

This year the Jurisprudence Committee has had to deal with some serious problems and much dissention created by a District Club in one of the Districts of the Grand Chapter of the Order in our State.

The problems occurred because this Club was assessing the Subordinate Chapters in the District for funds on a pro rata basis and listed the amounts which the Chapters were expected to raise and pay to the Club.

As members of the Jurisprudence Committee, we wish to emphatically state that any type of soliciting our Subordinate Chapters by any outside organization, club or individuals is illegal and must cease.

This fact is also based on a decision in the Constitution and Bylaws of the General Grand Chapter.

Therefore, the members of the Jurisprudence Committee wish to make a motion that a letter be sent by the Grand Secretary as soon as possible to each Subordinate Chapter in our State advising them of this motion and the information as stated above.

This motion is made by the members of this Jurisprudence Committee as follows:

BILLY J. GRAVES, *P.G.P.*  
FRANKIE C. WYNNE, *P.G.M.*  
ELAINE M. BURGESS, *P.G.M.*  
MARLENE WILDS, *P.G.M., Co-Chairman*  
JAMES D. PERRY, *P.G.P. Chairman*

We move the adoption of this motion.

Adopted

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Sister Wilma Coward.

*Sister Wilma:* I was District 19 Chairman of the Home Pounding Fund and I didn't get my report in to our State Chairman and I am sorry, I do want her to know that. I did take \$35.00 from some members of my Chapter and one member from another chapter, plus some dish wash/soap over to the Home and I gave that money and a check. Brother Lerans asked me if they could go ahead and use that for some things they needed right then, and I told him whatever he thought best, so the check was made out to the Matron of the Home and she bought the things they needed right then. I do want her to get that in her report.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Okay, Sister Wilma, we do appreciate that and you see Sister Metta. Sister Nada Williams, Past Grand Matron, will give the report on Nonvoting Registration.

*Sister Nada:* Brother Glen asked that I read the report for us and I would like for Sister Kay Arant and also I am going to ask Beverly Horle to please stand; she assisted us in the registration.

## REPORT OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION (NONVOTING MEMBERS)

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

We, your Committee on South Carolina Membership Nonvoting registration, are pleased to report that we have registered 45 members at \$4.00 per member for a total of \$180.00, which is included in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

GLEN COX, *P.G.P., Co-Chairman*

NADA F. WILLIAMS, *P.G.M., Co-Chairman*

KAY ARANT, *P.M.*

I move the acceptance of this report and it be referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, A.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you, Sister Nada. Sister Doris Johnson I don't believe she is back this morning, but in her absence she has asked that we go ahead and present the Membership Trophy and I would like to do that at this time. Oh, here she comes. I will put it up here so everyone can see it, so that will make you a little envious, so that means when you get back to your chapters you will work a little harder so you can take it home with you next year.

### PRESENTATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP TROPHY

*Sister Doris:* What an honor today for me to present this Membership Trophy to the chapter who initiated the most new members this year. What a challenge for all of us to really get in there and work a little harder. We have four honorable mentions . . . Wagener with 7 . . . Beuclare with 8 . . . Antioch with 8 . . . Hemingway with 10. Is the Worthy Matron from Hartsville Chapter here? Would you approach the East please?

Hartsville Chapter gets to take the Membership Trophy to Hartsville with 14 new initiates. Let us give them all a big hand. (Applause)

It is my pleasure to present this to you to use for this year and bring it back to Grand Chapter next year and I challenge all of you girls and boys, members to get busy and win next year. (Laughter)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Virginia Gilreath, I recognize you for the report on the Out-of-State Registration.

*Sister Virginia:* Sister Dot Mitchum and those Sisters that helped so nicely on this committee I would like for you to please stand. We had some volunteers and I really appreciate this.

### REPORT OF OUT-OF-STATE VISITORS' REGISTER

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

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, Sister Dot and I, along with the Sisters that volunteered to help, we thank you for the opportunity of greeting and registering our out-of-state Sisters and Brothers. This was a most pleasant and enjoyable time for us.

There were 53 that pre-registered (One of these was gratis, compliments of the Worthy Grand Matron) and \$200.00 has already been sent to the Grand Secretary. During this session we have registered 24. The amount of \$104.00 will be turned over to the Grand Secretary before we leave. This makes a total of 76 at \$4.00 each registered and total funds received \$304.00.

Again, we thank the Committee who so willingly shared their time with us.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA GILREATH, *P.G.M., Chairman*

DOROTHY MITCHUM, *P.G.M., Co-Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Virginia, thank you and your committee for all your hard work.

At this time we will have the report on Fun Night by Sister Maggie Thomas.

*Sister Maggie:* I would like for those that helped us for the Fun Night to please stand.

### INTERNATIONAL FUN NIGHT OUT

June 13th was Fun Night for 246 Sisters, Brothers and friends. We had a number of out-of-state guests attend. Our menu carried out our them "International," even to and including the German chocolate cake and American apple pie. Decorations were very bright and festive along with the real "fruit baskets" created by the committee and awarded to one person at each table.

Ray Hardee and his wife Dale entertained us with a great "magic show." Celebrating the international them many participants seemed to enjoy the parade of costumes (cash prizes were given). Three of our out-of-state guests graciously acted as judges. The finale was so impressive as we were enthralled by the sweet voice of Stephanie Lamb, Past Worthy Advisor of Dentsville Assembly #40, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Columbia. Stephanie sang a beautiful German song.

In closing our Worthy Grand Patron, joined by our Worthy Grand Matron at the podium, closed the evening for us with a meaningful and sincere benediction.

Our special thanks to the best committee ever brought together (all Deputy Grand Marshals). We love you. It was a true pleasure to chair this Fun Night affair. We thank our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for extending us this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

SUE JOHNSON P.M., *Co-Chairman*

SUE SAVAGE, P.M., *Co-Chairman*

MAGGIE THOMAS, P.M. *Co-Chairman*

GENIE WRIGHT, P.M., *Co-Chairman*

I move the acceptance of this report and it be referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* To the Committee that worked on fun night, it was indeed that and we had a good time and you did a beautiful job. Thank you so very much.

We will now hear from Sister Michele Meadows on the weekend at the beach.

### MYRTLE BEACH WEEKEND PROJECT REPORT

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

This weekend at the beach was the second weekend of February, which included Valentine's Day, makes it a "Sweetheart" weekend.

The highlight of the weekend was the Carolina Opry show. This was the first time Eastern Stars, as a group, have been to the new theatre and believe it was enjoyed by all. Two hundred and seventy-four tickets were sold by the Grand Officers and the District Deputies. We received six dollars for each ticket sold for a total of \$1,644.00.

Donations were made to help defray the cost of bringing the residents of the home who were able to come. Brother Lerans Welch, Administrator of our home, and Sister Betty and Brother Jim Stange from Beuclare Chapter #20, came and brought Sister Ruth Ray and Sister Isla Baker. They enjoyed a seafood dinner prior to the show. Four other residents had planned on going, but unfortunately they got sick and were unable to make the trip. Those donating for these expenses were:

John L. Flynn #277 .....	\$23.00
Members of Iris #149.....	\$30.00
Beuclare #20.....	\$15.00
Sister Clara & Brother Bill McGrath of Myrtle Beach #180.....	\$16.00
Total Donated .....	\$84.00

The Carolina Opry donated the tickets for the residents. Expenses incurred were the dinners for a total of \$59.78, leaving a balance from the donations of \$24.22.

Total Proceeds:

Ticket Sales.....	\$1,644.00
Donations .....	\$24.22
Checking Account Interest .....	\$19.21
Net Profit.....	\$1,687.43

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for the privilege you have afforded me to serve this Grand Body of South Carolina. Sisters and Brothers, my deepest appreciation to all who sold or bought tickets to raise funds for our Eastern Star Home.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA CALDWELL, *Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Michele, thank you for giving that report for Sister Pat and tell her how much we appreciate that hard work.

I believe the Grand Trustees have a recommendation that they need to give. I recognize Brother James D. Roddy, Past Grand Patron and Chairman.

*Brother Jimmy:* With the urging of the Jurisprudence Committee in the duties of the Grand Trustees in our Bylaws and I quote, "The duties of the Grand Trustees are to exercise a general supervision over the financial affairs of Grand Chapter and carefully safeguard its funds, including all Home Funds." The Grand Trustees would like to make a motion that all State Chairman of this Grand Jurisdiction send a report to the Grand Trustees, just like they send a report to the Worthy Grand Matron or whoever they send a report to. The Trustees also would like to have a report of all the project chairman, this is my motion.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We have a motion that a copy of all State Chairman of this Grand Jurisdiction send a copy of their report to the Grand Trustees, second, no discussion, so moved (carried).

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Sister Marty.

*Sister Marty:* I would like to move that the Ninety-second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina be held in Columbia.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Where.

*Sister Marty:* Right now I still don't have a signed contract; I'm still negotiating with the Sheraton.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Marty has made a motion; do I hear a second that we come back to Columbia for the 1998-1999 session, motion second, no discussion, so moved. (Carried) Sister Marty, we'll see you in Columbia in 1999.

I recognize Brother Jacque Lefever, Associate Grand Patron.

*Brother Jacque:* I move that we hold the Sweethearts Brunch at Myrtle Beach in honor of Sister Glenda, Sister Ann and Brother P. G. in conjunction with the weekend at the beach.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sisters and Brothers, we have a motion that we hold the Sweethearts Brunch in conjunction with the Myrtle Beach weekend, second, discussion—when—it will be in February at our weekend at the beach, so moved (Carried).

*Brother Jacque:* Thank you.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Dorothy Campbell will give the report on the All Member Banquet.

Sister Dorothy: Would the members of the Melody of Love Banquet please stand that helped me in preparing all the arrangements in the room and everything else that you did. Sister Jennifer is going to read my report for me so please remain standing.

## **REPORT OF THE MELODY OF LOVE BANQUET (All Members)**

The Melody of Love Banquet was held at the Sheraton Conference Center on Sunday evening, June 14, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. The theme for this elegant occasion was Melody of Love which was reflected in the beautiful decorations, centerpieces and favors.

In the East, on lattice behind the head tables were two large hearts made of twinkling lights and ivy. A rose swag was centered in each heart. The head tables were lined with twinkling lights to help create our elegant amberina. Table decorations included beautiful flower arrangements with a candle in a glass chimney and wooden cross favors for all guests. The purple napkins helped the room reflect our Worthy Grand Matron's favorite color.

Honored Special Guests in addition to our own Grand Officers included Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron; Brother Ray Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron and his lovely wife Sister Louise; Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer and Gil Martin, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina.

Our 97-98 Grand Family members were escorted and introduced through a gateway in the West created from lattice and and trellis both embellished with gold fabric, calla lilies, red roses and ivy. It was the pleasure of the Grand Body to see our Grand Officers escorted the length of the banquet room and seated at the head table.

The welcome was given by Brother P.G. Barnett, General Grand Chapter Committee Member and Past Grand Patron. The invocation was offered by Brother Ray Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron and Past Grand Patron of the State of Tennessee. Mr Gil Martin offered remarks. Our Worthy Grand Matron introduced her Grand Officers and offered remarks. Also additional remarks were offered by Sister Maxine Flint Justine, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of the State of West Virginia, who lamented that she turned a year older each time she comes to South Carolina. She was presented with a small birthday cake and was serenaded with Happy Birthday. All 296 guests were delightfully entertained by Mr. John Gardner whose beautiful voice, instrumental professionalism and personable nature had all toes tapping. Guests were also entertained by an unexpected dancing exhibition by Brother Bobby Pittman, Past Grand Pa-

tron and Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Brother Dave Brown, Past Grand Patron and Sister Mae Watson and others who just couldn't sit still . . . ! !

Closing prayer was as offered by Brother Ira Parks, Worthy Grand Patron.

Special thank you must be extended to the Committee for the Melody of Love Banquet and everyone who helped make this special evening a success.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY CAMPBELL, *P.M. Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Dot to you and to your committee, as I said earlier what this young lady has done, she has taken a dream that I had and just a few ideas that I expressed to her and she turned it into a reality. The decorations were beautiful, our entertainment was fantastic. It is true very few of us could sit still but I did refrain myself and stayed in my chair. Thank you very much for all your hard work and for everything that you have done for me this year. (Applause)

At this time we will have the report of the Star Travelers' Club by Sister Jennifer Powers.

### REPORT OF THE STAR TRAVELERS' CLUB

For the last three years, it has been the privilege of the Star Travelers' Club to work with and support Sister Lynda K. Pittman and Brother Ira M. Parks as they journeyed to the Grand East. Part of our club's purpose has been to assist our sponsors, work closely together for the Good of the Order, and to make our sponsor's year in the Grand East as successful as possible. What a pleasure it has been to fulfill this purpose!

Star Travelers' Club officers are: President-Jennifer Power, Vice President and Membership Chairman-Frances LaFavor, Secretary-Mary Coggins, Treasurer-Deborah Hinson, Chaplain-Celia Bradshaw, PGM and Grand Trustee, Project Co-Chairmen-Dot Peterson and Willie Laney, Reporter-Iona Perry.

Most of this corps of officers has served together since 1995, and I take this opportunity to thank them each for the cooperative spirit that has enabled our success. Every member of our Grand Body knows how essential the Secretary and Treasurer are, and I compliment and thank Mary Coggins and Deborah Hinson for their consistency and diligence. My thanks to Andrea Barry and Mary Donna Pinkston for serving as Secretary and Treasurer our first year.

To Sister Celia Bradshaw, PGM and Grand Trustee, our most profound gratitude for your spiritual leadership as our Chaplain. Countless times I felt your words were meant just for me and I want to express to you on behalf of so many sisters and brothers how much we truly appreciate your fine Christian spirit and your tireless dedication to our Order.

Can any of us imagine Line Officer's Club without our Projects tables? To our wonderful Project Co-Chairmen, Dot Peterson and Willie Laney, and in 1995 Louise Wyatt, I know just who to call if I ever need to sell anything, including flip-flop shower shoes to Eskimos! Thank you for your dedication to the Star Traveler's Club. Thanks also to Dot for making the gift baskets for Sister Lynda and Brother Ira for three consecutive Grand Chapter Sessions.

Our Club articles in the Palmetto Star News have been informative and consistent, and for reporting faithfully for three years, I bring our thanks to Sister Iona Perry.

To Frances LaFavor my thanks for being our club Vice President, ready to run a meeting at any moment, and willingly helping with a variety of tasks. Although I never had to

miss a Line Officer's meeting, just knowing that you were serious about your office was reassuring to me. Thanks also to Frances and Bobbie Kinard for chairing our club membership, which averaged between seventy and eighty members annually. In addition to the support of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, as a club we have enjoyed participating in Christmas offerings for our OES Home, Christmas parties with the Carousel, Busy Bee, Joy and Hop-Along clubs, three Homecomings, and sponsoring the Hospitality Room and Star Travelers' Breakfast for this beautiful "To God Be The Glory" Session. On a personal level, Line Officers has for me been a true growth experience that afforded me the opportunity to really get to know so many Sisters and Brothers. Serving as President also enhanced my confidence to serve my own chapter in the East this past year.

To every member of the Star Travelers' Club, my thanks for your support and encouragement. To Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Ira M. Parks, Worthy Grand Patron, my unending gratitude for the confidence you've shown in me, the advise you've sent my way, the experience you've helped me to gain, and the love and friendship you've extended to me. These feelings are reciprocal and I know will continue, just as I am confident we will all always remain Star Travelers!

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIFER POWERS, *President*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee. Thank you Star Travelers.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* To Sister Jennifer, for serving as President of our Star Travelers Club for the last four years and to every member, you have done a superb job the last four years. in raising funds, just generally being there, always your constant support and for working so diligently in the Hospitality Room the last couple days, I thank you. you will always be a very special group of Sisters and Brothers to Ira and me and just know we will always cherish the relationships and the friendships. Most of all thank you for walking beside me and being my friend and I love you. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you for all that good work Jennifer and I don't think there is anymore that can be said to you and our Club you are good workers. Thank you so very much.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* At this time we will have the report of the General Chairman by Brother Pete Peterson.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL CHAIRMAN

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

The Chairmen of the various committees involved in this session have all done an outstanding job in handling their particular function and are to be commended for a job well done. They made my job a lot easier.

After working with Richard Secord and the hotel staff for so many years, we were a little apprehensive about changing horses in midstream, so to speak. Our fears were soon belayed however, when we met with Olivia Young and her capable staff. Any item of the agenda had to be mentioned just once, and we could rest assured that it would be taken care of. We had worked with Susan Ferguson last year and we knew we were in good hand in her department. One good example was the Secretary and Treasurer's Breakfast scheduled, we thought, for Tuesday morning. It turns out that all the paperwork with the hotel called for Wednesday morning. Ms Oren Hyong came through in the last minute and set

up for some forty people without a hitch. If we gave out any sort of proficiency medal, she would get my nomination. I have found the entire staff at the hotel to be really "People Oriented."

I wish to thank Chuck Stehle and Bill Gillespie for displaying their "Car Jacking" abilities in rescuing Sister Helen Thomas when she locked herself out of the car at the All Members Banquet.

We only had one vendor accept our invitation this year, but we are thankful for that one since we gleaned \$350 for our General Fund to help offset expenses for this session.

Sister Linda and Brother Ira, I appreciate the opportunity to be able to serve this Grand Body again.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES PETERSON, P.G.P.,  
General Chairman

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Pete, thank you for all your hard work, I appreciate it very much. (Applause)

Sister Mary Ann, are you ready to give your report on Arrangements?

*Alice Laman:* Worthy Grand Matron, if we are going to keep the tags you need to tell the people to give them to me if they are leaving and not coming back if we are going to keep them again for next year. A lot of people are leaving and not dropping these off.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* If you are leaving the Chapter Room please leave the plastic pouch with the guards at the doors because we would like to save those from year to year.

Sisters and Brothers, we do have some reports that we need to hear, we do have a couple presentations most especially that of the 50 year members and we can't do that until we finish the elections. Now I know the hour is getting late, the hotel has extended the check out time to until 2:00 o'clock and we don't particularly want to go into an afternoon session but we may have to or we may ask for your indulgence and see what you want to do. Please bear with us and be patient. We will now hear from Sister Mary Ann.

*Sister Mary Ann:* Is Sister Mary Lois Britt in the Chapter Room?

## REPORT OF THE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

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

First, we would like to thank all of you who worked so hard on the 1997-1998 Arrangements Committee there are many of you so please stand with us. The Committee has been so very helpful and it has been a pleasure working with you. Thank you for all your help on this "To God Be The Glory" Session, it could not have been completed without your helping hand.

On behalf of the Arrangements Committee, we would like to thank the Sheraton Staff and Management, particularly, Susan Ferguson, who made our job so much easier this year.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira, we hope the "To God Be The Glory" Session setting and the decorations are pleasing to you. Thank you for asking us to co-chair this committee for you. May God walk with you today and always.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY ANN PARKS, *P.G.M., Co-chairman*

MARY LOIS BRITT, *P.M., Co-chairman*

Worthy Grand Matron, I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

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*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Mary Ann, Sister Mary Lois, here again these two Sisters have taken a dream that I had. It started in June of last year at my installation. I told them what Brother Ira and I wanted to use as our emblems and they have taken a dream and an idea and turned it in a reality on two different occasions. I didn't want anything fancy because I am not a fancy person. I'm really very basic. They took my ideas and turned it into a beautiful setting for installation last year as well as our Grand Chapter Session. I hope that you have enjoyed your surroundings as much as I have and to these two Sisters (Applause) and their Committee and the Staff of this Hotel you have my sincere appreciation and I would never be able to repay you as far as money is concerned, but my appreciation I hope does a lot and I love you both dearly.

*Sister Mary Ann:* I just want to say one more word to the Committee. We were down here working Sunday night very late, everyone working so hard and everyone was so busy and I never heard anything but laughter, fun and happiness. It was such an enjoyable time and I want to thank you for that. We came back early the next day and it was that all over again you were a joy to work with. Thank you. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you very much Arrangements Committee, you did an excellent job and I don't think there is any more to be said about it than that. I thank the two of you who chaired it because they did a real good job.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have Fraternal Correspondence by Sister Ethel Rimes and Sister Linda Lamb.

*Sister Ethel:* In the essence of time and with the permission of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Linda and I are going to condense our report, hopefully you will get a copy of the proceeding and read the entire report.

## FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

The First Fraternal Correspondents' Committee was formed by Past Grand Matron, Sister Addie Bario from Connecticut in 1876. At that time only eight Grand Jurisdictions existed. She felt that no one person could visit each state and yet there could be an exchange of ideas and a shared fellowship through fraternal correspondence. That tradition has continued in our Order for the past one hundred twenty two years, the only exceptions being Georgia. In the proceedings we discovered that different sisters are the Fraternal Correspondent. Some states have the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress as we do, Other states have the Associate Grand Matron, or Past Grand Matron. In many Grand Chapters the Grand Representative also assist.

Sister Linda and I traveled to many different jurisdictions, it did not cost us anything but time. You see we did it while relaxing in our easy chair or as I did sometimes while traveling to another Official Visit in our own beautiful State. Of course Jake was doing the driving. This was all accomplished by our ever efficient travel guide Sister Anna Schulz, our Grand Secretary. Sister Anna furnished us with the Proceedings of the other Grand Jurisdictions. I found reading the proceedings very interesting and captivating.

We did not have a specific itinerary, we just picked our destinations at random. What a

joyous journey! Though there are many differences, we found that all Grand Chapters and Subordinate Chapters have the Holy Bible on the Altar, all meetings are opened with prayer, the flag of the country is acknowledged and introductions are held. It was exciting to find the many different activities and fund raisers in other jurisdictions. The many different titles for Grand Sessions was very interesting and so many included the word God, Love, Friendship, and Miracle. We learned many things about the International Peace Garden of which our own Sister Anna Schulz is the General Grand Chapter Committee Member. The restoration of the International Temple in Washington, D.C., a project of Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron.

Mary states support an Eastern Home and/or a Masonic Home. The states we had the privilege of visiting all offer ESTARL scholarships, and some States have scholarships for qualified applicants, have a student loan program to assist eligible candidates to further their education, raise monies for Eastern Star and Masonic Homes, Cancer, Heart, Children's Miracle Network, Alzheimer's, Diabetes and other worthy charities. The Masonic ties are very important to all Eastern Stars and all jurisdictions support the organizations for our youth consisting of Rainbow for Girls, Demolay for Boys and Jobs Daughters.

We read the names of our own General Grand Chapter appointees and some of our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons as they traveled to other Grand Jurisdictions and represented South Carolina.

The loss of members is of great concern in all jurisdictions as well as in our State. I chose not to focus on the negative, but the positive. Our Order is alive and well we still contribute millions of dollars to the different charities. Sisters and Brothers it is up to us, you and me, to see that our beautiful Order continues to thrive. We need to do all in our power to promote The Order Of The Eastern Star. Perhaps we could take a few lessons from some of the session titles I read.

With "Our Circle Of Friends" on "Wings Of Love," "Star Light" in our hearts, "Reflections Of God's Love," "Treasure The Spirit Of Love And Peace" in "Our Father's World," share "Friendship, Love And Loyalty" so we may have "Timeless Treasures" and "Together Everyone Achieves Miracles."

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for allowing us the joy of visiting so many other jurisdictions. Thank you Sister Anna for your assistance in our travels.

We will not read, but we have attached some gleaning of each jurisdiction we had access to. If space permits we request that they be printed in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL K. RIMES, *Grand Conductress*

LINDA LAMB, *ASSOCIATE Grand Conductress*

We move this report be accepted and forwarded to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

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Wednesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Ethel and Sister Linda, I'm sorry that you had to cut it short but I know everybody is eager to get out of here because it is quite late. I know that is an exciting venture that you take in doing Fraternal Correspondence. It is a lot of hard work though and it takes a lot of hours to do it but it is fun. Thank you for your report.

Sisters and Brothers, I ask that you be quite and please be patient because we are very quickly coming to a close. Would you rather close now or would you rather come back after lunch? You want to stay and finish? Please have a seat and at this time we will hear from Sister Betty Lou Burrows, State Chairman of our Pages and Aides to the Eastern Star Home. Also, Sister Linda Hoover and Sister Metta Holt, please come to the East so we can have your report shortly.

## REPORT OF PAGES AND AIDES TO O.E.S. HOME

*Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Elected Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:*

The residents of our home have had a wonderful year. Many birthday parties were given and cards sent for many occasions. The residents enjoyed devotions—sing along—skits—ice cream socials—fashion shows—watermelon—Halloween and Valentine parties—complete dinners of chicken and roast beef were enjoyed. On Mother's day a steak dinner was enjoyed and old fashioned poems were read. And of course lots of Bingo was played and enjoyed by our residents. These are a few of the events that were reported to me.

Each District Chairman was assigned two weeks out of the year. You, the District Chairman are the ones who deserve all the credit. The year could not have been a success without your effort.

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, on behalf of the District Chairman and myself thank you for the honor of serving Grand Chapter in this capacity and for allowing us to be a part of your Grand Family. May God Bless you as you close this chapter of your life and begin another.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY LOU BURROWS, P.M., *State Chairman*

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

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Wednesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Betty Lou, you know the Residents of the home look forward to the Pages and Aides coming down there on a monthly basis. For all those tremendous things that you and your committee have done throughout the year on their birthdays, holidays, or just being there thank you. We do appreciate your constant support of our home and for everything that you have done. Thank you so much.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you for all the hard work you've done, Sister Betty Lou. You have been a good worker for a long time every since I have known you.

*Sister Betty Lou:* This has been my pleasure, I love this Grand Body. Thank you.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have the History for 1996-1997, by Sister Linda Hoover and Sister Metta Holt.

*Sister Metta:* Will Sister Jacqueline Fowler, Worthy Grand Matron 1996-1997, please stand while we read this report?

## REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIANS

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

On Wednesday, June 19, 1996 as Guardian Angels watched over the East, the 1996-97 elected and appointed officers were installed with Sister Jacqueline H. Fowler as Worthy Grand Matron and Brother J.R. "Ray" Wilds as Worthy Grand Patron. Sunflowers, Honey Bears and Bees decorated the Sheraton Convention Center. A lovely lace angel in star point colors stood behind each Star Point station. With all officers dressed in white it was indeed a HEAVENLY REFLECTIONS.

Saturday, June 22nd was the start of the Schools of Instruction. The Grand Officers did the work at all schools under the very watchful eye of the Grand Lecturer, Sister Marlene

Wilds. By the time we arrived in District 24, the work had been fine tuned and the Grand Officers did a complete initiation. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were giving out "I was caught being good badges." It was amazing to see what extreme measures some of the Grand Escorts resorted to in hopes that they would be given one. One of those escorts is a Past Grand Patron. Imagine that!

Rainbow Assembly was held in Charleston in August with most of the Grand Officers in attendance. Our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron received the Grand Cross of Color.

By the end of August, official visits had started and the BUSY BEES really started swarming, attending official visits and doing all they could to be CARING and HELPFUL. From the mountains to the Sea, it was a common sight to see the appointed Grand Officers attending meetings carrying their basket of candy and seeking donations for the "Pot of Honey" project. With the help of our Sisters and Brothers across the state and with several individual fund raising activities, we were able to donate \$11,000.00 plus to the Home Operating Fund in honor of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

On November 2nd, members from across the State traveled to Myrtle Beach for a week-end of fun and fellowship. We attended the Ronnie Milshap Show on Saturday evening. During the day some played golf, some shopped, and other just enjoyed being lazy. The hospitality room was busy at all times. We never knew just what would happen. We even had a surprise visit from a so-called Sister who seemed to know only the Brothers. Late Saturday night the Holiday Inn became inundated with turtles. They seemed friendly enough so no one was greatly concerned.

Grand Officers attended the 75th anniversary of Constellation Chapter and then went on to Augusta, Georgia for an official visit there.

December 8 was the Christmas Drop-In at the Home in Sumter. This was a beautiful time of fellowship with our residents. Santa came with lots of beautifully wrapped presents for our residents. Our Worthy Grand Matron presented Santa with a BEING GOOD Badge, but it was only a temporary thing. The Grand Organist did a concert of beautiful Christmas Carols and JOYFUL noises were heard. The home was beautifully decorated by the Grand Officers. Members throughout the State showed their love for our home by purchasing Red and Silver glass balls. It took two trees to hang all the ornaments on. This money was donated to the Home Operating Fund. All projects for the year was very successful. For this we are GRATEFUL.

We closed out 1996 with a lovely Holiday Ball in Greenville to honor our General Grand Chapter Appointed Officer, Sister Doris Johnson; General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Sister Judy Caldwell, Sister Susan Johnson, Sister Elizabeth Barnett, and Brother Lucius Todd, Ambassador of The Most Worthy Grand Matron to Scotland.

Our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and several of the Busy Bees worked very hard at our Home during the year. Carpet was laid in several areas of the Home. The TV room is a beautiful example of the hard work.

Official visits ended in the Upstate with the official visit of our Worthy Grand Patron's chapter on February 15. Brother Ray certainly learned what "The Bear Essentials of Life" were when each Grand Officer presented him with bread, honey and bottles of water. Then it was on to Greenville on February 22, 1997 for the Homecoming of our Worthy Grand Matron. Jackie's angels circled the chapter room under "BATTERY OPERATED POWER," waving their Star Wands as they endeavored to show their love and support to Sister Jackie. She had chosen the BUSY BEE for her fun emblem. This truly exemplified her hard work and dedication to our Order. We were indeed HAPPY to see so many of our Georgia Sisters and Brothers in attendance.

March 8, 1997 we journeyed to Atlanta, Georgia for the Homecoming of Georgia's Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Carol Rudisill.

On Mother's Day, May 11, two bus loads of Busy Bees and Honey Bears left South Carolina for Nebraska Grand Chapter and points in between. We visited Casey Jones Village, Jackson, Tennessee; Branson, Missouri, where we attended a marvelous show, then on to Nebraska. We arrived in Lincoln just in time to quickly unpack our formal wear, get

dressed again, get back on the bus and get to a banquet. Then we attended the Opening Ceremonies of their Grand Session. The next morning we attended a Breakfast, then back on the bus. We stopped at Lambert's Restaurant, home of the "Thrown Rolls" for dinner and then on into Branson for the evening. Some attended another show. We arrived back in Columbia late Friday evening after a delay in North Carolina, which gave us time to BEE OURSELVES. It took several of us days to get out of the habit of getting up at 5:00 a.m., getting dressed, and putting our suitcases outside the door for pickup. You need to take a bus trip with your Sisters and Brothers if you want to really get to know them. We learned many surprising things about some of our Sisters and Brothers. A new club called the "Tooters" was formed by one of our Past Grand Matrons. Ask for further details. We learned that prayer is not the only thing our Grand Chaplain could handle. Confessions were sometimes given in a particular spot in the back of the bus. For his services, the Grand Chaplain was presented a Black Sheep tie.

On May 24th several Grand Officers attended a Dinner/Roast in Greenville honoring Samuel Tennyson, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina; "Champ" Champion, Potentate of Hejaz Temple, and our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Several Grand Chapters were attended by some of our Grand Officers. We understand that at all times Jackie and Ray's angels were on their best of behavior so they could keep their BEE-ING GOOD badges.

We were saddened this year to lose four of our Past Grands: Sister Cora Lee Hayes, Sister Thelma Todd Friday, Sister Evelyn Parks and Brother T. C. Kistler. Grand Officers also did the funeral services for Sister Catherine Garland of Darlington.

We could write a major best seller about this past year, but space will not permit. Lot's of things were learned as we traveled the roads this year. To learn more about: what not to use super glue for, ask Sister Jackie; disappearing snacks, ask Sister Jackie. Not only did time slip away, but someone lost a slip.

On June 13, we started the final swarm of Busy Bees as the Grand Officers began converging on the Sheraton for Grand Chapter. A Grand Officers' luncheon was held on June 14. That night at Fun Night, the Grand Officers put on the Pink Lodge for entertainment. In attendance were: Most Worshipful Grand Master, Sam Tennyson and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert Baker. Most of the Grand Officers became proficient in giving the Grand Honors sign that we believe is used in all Masonic meetings.

Sunday, June 15, all attended the church service where our ESTARL scholarships were awarded, followed by a touching Memorial Service for our members who had been called to their Heavenly Home during the past year. The All-Member Banquet was held on Sunday evening with the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Sam Tennyson, as guest speaker. This was truly a lovely Black and White affair.

Would the Grand Officers and Escorts to the Grand Officers 1996-1997 please stand?

Our "HEAVENLY REFLECTIONS" session started on Monday evening. On Wednesday evening, as the 1996-97 Grand Officers circled the Altar for the last time, we realized how truly blessed we had been this past year. It was a family affair of BEE-ing together. We had traveled many miles with our Grand Escorts and we knew that we would always continue to be part of THE FAMILY OF GOD together. As Sister Jackie lifted her Bible from the Altar for the retiring march, tearful but HAPPY AND JOYFUL, we pass the reins of the Grand Chapter on to the 1997-98 Grand Officers.

Respectfully submitted,

METTA HOLT, P.M.

LINDA HOOVER, P.M.

I move this report be accepted and referred to the proper Committee.

Accepted/Carried  
June 17, 1998  
Wednesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Jackie, where are you going? (Laughter) You are just getting started again. I just wanted to tell you one thing, move over, here I come. (Laughter)

Thank you for the history. I know that Jackie, most especially, enjoyed that and I don't believe Brother Ray is here. Thank you for all the work and the hours that went into preparing that report. I know it was fun too. Thank you very much.

*Sister Metta:* I would just like to say a personal thank you to everyone for all the prayers for me these past few days. That's why I'm here. (Applause)

*Sister Mary Ann:* To the Emblem Bearers that are going to be working with me, if you will meet with me right after this Session is over we'll take about five or ten minutes to go over that and we will be finished. Thank you.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Brother Fred Caldwell.

*Brother Fred:* Worthy Grand Matron, I don't actually have a report to make and in one sense it is a report. May I speak?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes, you may.

*Brother Fred:* Thank you. I know you wondered at a lot of the schools especially, you and Brother Ira, have wondered what that little noise was that comes out of the little private room, so I thought that with your permission I would ask our Star Points to show you actually what they do before the meetings and the bonds that they have formed; If they will meet behind Ester's station. Star Points, let's let her have privileged information, but show them what happens . . . that cute little noise you hear. They formed a very special bond this year and I have enjoyed so much working with them. (Applause) Now you know what happens, thank you so much Star Points.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* And that's my Grand Star Points. At this time I would like to ask Sister Anna, Brother P. G. and Sister Glenda if you would please come to the East? Sister Anna, you can come in your bedroom slippers, I wish I had mine on. (Laughter)

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* On behalf of the South Carolina Membership we would like to present to Sister Glenda, Sister Anna and Brother P. G. a love gift and we hope that you will use it for whatever you need it for. This is just a small token of our appreciation for all the hard work that you do in South Carolina as well as in General Grand Chapter. We hope that you will put it to good use.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Well, I don't really know what I can really say to this bunch here because I've worked with them so many years and my time goes way back with Glenda when she gave me my first, really my start in this organization almost, even though I had been in Eastern Star for a few years. She gave me my first best appointment, so I've always remembered her so well. When I had the privilege of nominating her for her job in the General Grand Chapter what a great pleasure it was for me.

Brother P. G. has just been like a rock all these years. I guess he is a little bit like myself, you just wind him up and give him something to do and he will give you his best effort, which always comes out real good.

Sister Anna has worked so many years for this Order there isn't nothing you can say about her, she is just one good person. I thank you all for everything you have done. (Applause)

*Brother P. G.:* I'm supposed to speak for the group. I didn't get wind up too tight and I didn't get to come up like I should have when you wind us up. We do appreciate this love gift and I'm sure each of us will use it in a way that will be pleasing for you to know and we thank you very much and God bless you. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jimmy, do you have a motion that you would like to make?

*Brother Jimmy Roddy:* Yes, Worthy Grand Matron. The Grand Trustees have another motion that we would like to make. This motion concerns, and I will explain what it is about, it concerns the money that is solicited each year from the chapters to be given to the Worthy Grand Matron to buy gifts for our Residents at the Home. In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws we would like to make the motion that this money be remitted to the Grand Secretary, that is my motion. Motion was seconded, no discussion, motion carried.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I have a supplemental report.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

I have a letter from a chapter stating they have not been able to meet for over twelve months.

I have a letter from another chapter regarding consolidation.

These two letters will be turned over to Sister Martha Barry, our Worthy Grand Matron-Elect.

LYNDA K. PITTMAN, W.G.M.

I move this supplemental report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Accepted/Carried

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, P.M.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Marty, we are going to get you off to a good start. (Applause)

We will have the report of the Jurisprudence Committee. Oh, not quite ready.

Sisters and Brothers, if you did not receive your gift when you were introduced the other night, please see either me or Brother Bobby, because we do have a gift that we want to give to each one of you as well as to the Grand Officers, I have a gift for each one of you. Please don't leave before you get your gift.

We will now recognize our fifty-year members.

### **PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS 1997-1998**

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress escorted the Fifty-year members to the East.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron extended a warm greeting to each member and presented them with a beautiful certificate of service to our Order. The '98-'98 Fifty-year Members were extended a very hearty welcome. (Loud Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* If we have others that have fifty-years plus that would like a certificate I have one up here and I'll be glad to present it to you. Come on down. Let us give Sister Mary Fogle a hearty welcome also. (Applause)

If you have anyone in your chapter that is not here to receive a fifty-year certificate, if you would tell me, I will be more than glad to give you one so you can take it back to your Chapter Members.

The Fifty-Year members were escorted to their seats.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jim, are you ready to give your Jurisprudence Report?

*Brother Jim:* This is a partial report of the Jurisprudence Committee. I hated to have to walk off again when I was getting ready to give this report, but I had to get some more initials because we got the Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron just before this.

**PARTIAL REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE  
COMMITTEE NO. 5**

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

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the following reports and find them legal if adopted:

South Carolina Membership Report Nonvoting Registration  
Out-of-State Visitor Registration Report  
Fun Night (International Night Out) Banquet Report  
Myrtle Beach Project Report  
All Member Banquet Report  
Star Travelers Club Report  
Grand Chapter General Chairman Report  
Arrangement Committee Report  
Fraternal Correspondence Report  
Pages and Aides to the OES Home Report  
History 1996-1997 Report  
Supplemental Report of the Worthy Grand Matron

Respectfully submitted,

BILLY J. GRAVES, P.G.P.

FRANKIE C. WYNNE, P.G.M.

ELAINE M. BURGESS, P.G.M.

MARLENE WILDS, P.G.M., *Co-Chairman*

JAMES D. PERRY, P.G.P., *Chairman*

I move the adoption of this report.

Adopted

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, 1:50 P.M.

*Brother Jim:* Now I hope this is going to be the last report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

**FINAL REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**

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

The Jurisprudence Committee now desires to move the adoption of all items of business coming before this Grand Session to be adopted in total. The entire committee has also signed this report.

Respectfully submitted,

BILLY J. GRAVES, P.G.M.

FRANKIE C. WYNNE, P.G.M.

ELAINE M. BURGESS, P.G.M.

MARLENE WILDS, P.G.M., *Co-Chairman*

JAMES D. PERRY, P.G.P., *Chairman*

I move the adoption of this report.

Adopted

June 17, 1998

Wednesday, 1:50 P.M.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I apologize for saying one more thing, but Sister Mary Seanuskas, I see you back out there and I'm worried about your health. I'm wondering if you might be coming back and since I don't know if you will or not, I want to tell you and all the folks, who made whatever is in the envelope, thank you so much for that. Also thank you so much for the nice little plaque, a sewing plaque. I'll put that on the wall in my home and I will always remember that you did that. Now for whoever bought or helped sell whatever you had for that project, I will remember and I thank you. Well, since I looked at that maybe there is enough for you to go to New Orleans and have your supper that you asked me about. (Applause)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Deputy Grand Marshals, Special Grand Pages and Aides, and Personal Grand Pages and Aides for 1997-98, when you march in tonight I want you to take the usual seat that you are in right now and I would like for you to wear your Grand Chapter dress.

*Sister Irma Perry:* I need to know . . . newly elected Grand Officers, if you would meet me back here right after you march out, or before, so I can get the name of your Grand Escort. Thank you.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* The Arrangements Committee for 97-98, we need to start taking some things down as soon as we are dismissed this afternoon. I will ask Sister Marty and Brother Jacques if you or one of your committee would stay in here so we make sure we leave the things you would like to have. Now tonight after the session is finished the two Arrangements Committees will work together to get everything removed so we can get out of here in a timely fashion. For the 97-98 committee if you would stay in here or come back just as quickly as you can so we can start taking the necessary things down, I would appreciate that.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Okay Brother Jacques, if you will meet with me for just a minute when we finish here it won't take me but just one minute to tell you what is your stuff.

*Brother Jacques:* What is that?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Everything. (Laughter)

We still have a couple pieces up here. A button that looks like it might have come off a Grand Officer's suite. We still have a pin and I have a set of car keys that I think belong to Sister Glenda. The button is Mary Donna's.

*Sister Irma Perry:* Worthy Grand Matron, I have an envelope for Shirley Martin. You better look me up. I was told that you were on a hunt and I'm tired of holding this. If you haven't gotten it by the time I leave to go home, I'm going to open it. (Laughter)

*Sister Darlene Smith:* Worthy Grand Matron, I apologize. We would like to invite the Grand Trustees over for just a quick minute just to explain to them when our next Home Board Meeting will be. Thank you.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I believe there will be a Home Board meeting immediately after the session and that includes all newly elected. Are there any other announcements that we need to make at this time.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* We will now have the Benediction by Brother Jim Ballard, Past Patron.

**BENEDICTION****Brother James T. Ballard, Sr., Past Patron**

Let us Pray.

Our most gracious Lord and Heavenly Father, we thank You for this opportunity for us to come together as Sisters and Brothers in Christ and as members of this great Order of the Eastern Star.

We thank You God for being the loving and caring Father You are, and I know that there have been many prayers lifted up this week to You. We thank You Lord, for hearing them and we know that You have been here among us during this Session of "To God Be The Glory." Your presence has been felt and we honor and praise You for this.

As we bring this session to a close we ask that You will be with the new corps of Grand Officers coming in for the ensuing year. We pray that You will lead them and guide them in a way that would be pleasing to You.

We thank You for loving us and let us love one another as You do love us.

All these things we ask in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Wednesday morning session of the "To God Be The Glory" session from labor to refreshments to reconvene at 7:00 o'clock this evening for the purpose of installing the 1998-1999 Grand Officers.)

(The Grand Officers retired.)

**WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:00 P.M.****June 17, 1998**

MUSICAL PRELUDE .....Sister Lois Swindler  
*Past Matron*

The Wednesday evening session was called to order by Sister Elizabeth O. Barnett, Past Grand Matron and Brother P. G. Barnett, General Grand Chapter Committee Member and Past Grand Patron.

*Sister Lib:* Good evening, Sisters and Brothers!!

We extend to each of you a hearty welcome to this final portion of our "To God Be The Glory" Session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina.

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

(The Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter room, the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted west of the Altar.)

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, I know that you are beaming with happiness at the culmination of this wonderful and happy year. I also believe that you are glad it is behind you, but let me remind you that the memories will last forever. You have performed the duties of your respective offices in a very commendable fashion having promoted many worthwhile projects and endearing yourselves in South Carolina and other Grand Jurisdictions. I believe that it can be safely said that the past year, under your leadership, was a great inspiration to all our members, and that your contribution to our Grand Chapter will be remembered for many years.

With the aid of your Sisters and Brothers, favor of God, you have accomplished many of your goals and have strengthened our Order.

I have enjoyed serving with you and wish for you both the happiness that God can give you for the rest of your life.

Thank you for giving me the privilege of opening this last session with my favorite Past Grand Patron, my husband, Brother P. G.

*Brother P. G.:* Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira, thanks for allowing Sister Lib and me to open this last meeting of the "To God Be The

Glory" Session that the two of you will preside over.

Tonight we come to the end of a wonderful and successful year. We, Lib and I, have had the pleasure of attending many of your official visits and at each one you brought a very timely message to all in attendance.

Soon you will join that ELITE group known as the Past Grands. May God bless each of you.

(The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended Grand Honors.)

*Sister Lib:* Sister Lynda, last June when I installed you as Worthy Grand Matron, I extended to your husband, Brother Bobby, the privilege of presenting you with your gavel and tonight I'm going to extend to him the same privilege, your last session.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Lib and Brother P. G., to two very special people in my life, both Eastern Star and personally. I love you both so very much. Sister Lib, for nominating me each year, thank you for your confidence and constant support. Both of you have been with me from the start and now the circle has been completed. I can not believe, I will soon join the ranks of Past Grand Matron. May God always bless you both with health and happiness.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Sister Lib and Brother P. G., we thank you so much for calling this Wednesday evening session to order. Thank you very much for your support these past three years and your dedication to our order.

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the ninety-first annual session of "To God Be The Glory" Session of the Grand Chapter from refreshments to labor.)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Thomas W. Swindler, Past Grand Patron, will give the invocation.

## INVOCATION

### Brother Thomas "Tom" Swindler, *Past Grand Patron*

Let us Pray!

We thank You Heavenly Father, for the privilege of prayer that never in vain do we call you You. Always You are strengthening us with a strength that will never let us down, always loving us with a love that will never let us go, leading us into paths which will never let us off bowing at the Altar of prayer. May we be united in high moral living, deep religious facts, great patriotic fervor, and genuine desire to do Your will. Help us to be courteous when courage is needed, strong when strength demands it, patient when patience is necessary and kind when kindness is essential.

We come now Father, to pray a special blessing upon those which much has been entrusted and which much is expected. Take from us father, all pride and vanity, boasting and arrogance for their election is more than to a place of privilege, but responsibility. Make them strong and secure that they will never be afraid to do what is right.

Give them the courage and wisdom for the facing of these challenging days. In the name of Jesus our Lord and Saviour we make this prayer. Amen.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Thank you Brother Tom. Now it's time for my Farewell Address.

## FAREWELL ADDRESS

### Sister Lynda K. Pittman, *Worthy Grand Matron*

Sisters and Brothers, how do I express my gratitude to each of you for the past four years? You have been so generous and supportative as I visited each chapter at a school of instructions or Official visit. Each station I have served as a line officer holds special mem-

ories and the year as Worthy Grand Matron is impossible to describe. It is impossible to express the emotions I have experienced throughout the year. I know it is not possible to please everyone, but I have tried to serve the station with pride and dignity and to always work for the good of the Order. I hope I have made a difference!

Brother Ira, this chapter of our Eastern Star life is quickly coming to a close. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to the Order. Your long planned vacation is about to begin. I hope your travels will be safe.

To the Grand Body of South Carolina, thank you for allowing me to lead and for your trust in me by following, but most of all thank you for "Being my Friend."

To the Appointed Grand Officers, I love you. Nothing would make me any happier than to see one or two of you serve as Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron. You are my BRIGHT AND SHINING STARS.

To the elected officers, as you prepare for your Grand Session I hope your plans go smoothly. Enjoy each day because it will be over before you can bring your plans full circle. Be kind and gentle to your Sisters and Brothers. "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

Thank you for the "To God Be The Glory" Session. I hope you have enjoyed the session and your accommodations at the hotel.

As the grand Chapter year closes I wish for Sister Marty and Brother Jacques a good year. I hope the Order will grow and prosper as they lead.

To the Sisters and Brothers of South Carolina, thank you for four wonderful years. For everything we have accomplished this year.

"TO GOD BE THE GLORY" (Standing Ovation)

We will now have the Farewell Address of the Worthy Grand Patron. Brother Ira.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you Worthy Grand Matron.

## FAREWELL ADDRESS

### Brother Ira M. Parks, *Worthy Grand Patron*

*Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Elected Officer, General grand Chapter Committee Members, and all my Distinguished Sisters and Brothers of Grand Chapter and Friends:*

I thank you for allowing me to serve you as Worthy Grand Patron and I shall treasure the memory for a long time. I feel my year has been good because of you who have worked so hard on the sidelines for so many years, you with the appointments or none at all, but most devoted to our Order.

During my year of service I always tried to make everyone know how important they are to the Order. My year is almost complete now and this chapter closes in my life, but I shall never forget how hard many of us worked trying to improve things for all the members and to make folks feel good about themselves.

To my wife, Mary Ann, thank you so much for all your help, love and support during these three years. It has been a difficult and long road and your help has been much needed. You are my all and I love you.

Sisters and Brothers, remember to walk tall, and do good for the Order, keep the STAR bright and you can be sure the LORD will take a liking to you and make HIS light shine upon your faces. thank you for the good year. (Standing Ovation)

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

There were many gifts presented to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Presentations were taped over by the Hotel Technician . . . Tape 1 Side A & B duplicated.)

## INTRODUCTION OF INSTALLING GRAND OFFICERS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* It is with pleasure to present Sister Peggy C. Tucker, Past Grand Matron and Installing Grand Officer who will introduce the Assisting-Installing Officers.

Installing Grand Officer:.....Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr.  
(For W.G.P.)      *General Grand Chapter Committee Member and Past Grand Patron*

Installing Grand Secretary.....Harold Salley  
*Past Grand Patron*

Installing Grand Conductress .....Bess Walsh  
*Past Grand Matron*

Installing Grand Chaplain .....James D. Perry  
*Past Grand Patron*

Installing Grand Marshals.....Virginia Gilreath  
*Past Grand Matron*

(For W.G.P.)  
Jack Hydrick  
*Past Grand Patron*

Frankie Wynne  
*Past Grand Matron*

Installing Grand Organist.....Doris Johnson  
*Past Grand Matron*

Winnie Nolte  
*Past Matron*

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(A recess was called for the preparation of Installation.)

## RETIRING OF THE 1997-1998 GRAND OFFICERS

The Grand Officers formed the cross at the Altar and sang "Near The Cross." The 1997-1998 Grand Chapter year began by receiving the badges at the Altar, and the year closed by returning the badges to the Altar. Before retiring the Officers repeated the Mizpah Benediction in unison. "To God Be The Glory" for the wonderful Grand Chapter year and Grand Chapter Session.

## INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Representing our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron-elect's session "Tis the Season and their aim—to see God's Bountiful Love in All Seasons" our Grand Chapter became a living room surrounded by a garden. This represented the rebirth of our Grand Chapter year as we celebrated the season of Spring with all of Gods bountiful love for us in His creations of flowers and fruits.

The East was a representation of a living room. On one side was a painted mural window scene (painted by Gayle Morrison) surrounded by white tulle curtains with a round table in front. On the table was a hand crochet table cover (made by Wilma Coward) and pictures of the WGM-elect's mother and father. The other side showed two chairs grouped around a fireplace with cats on a rug, an eagle rested on the edge of the fireplace, a JOY picture above, and JOY candles and a portrait of the WGM-elect's daughter on the mantle. The Grand Officers entered through the entry way topped by magnolia swags into the living room. Each Grand Officer carried a bouquet arranged around a star with an angel carrying a basket in which was a kitten (made by Jean McCaig). The edge of the stage was decorated with greenery with small white lights. Just below was a garden of plants and flowers. On two white pedestals were placed an angel doll dressed in purple and an eagle in flight. The podium was covered with an Eastern star afghan embroidered with the WGM-elect's

name, title, and date of service (a gift from her district) and baskets of purple tulips one each side.

Inside the beautiful lighted glass Altar on a three tiered raised platform of purple materials was an angel doll dressed all in white, an eagle in flight with the American flag, the Bible given to the Worthy Grand Matron-elect by her father at her birth, and a small hand crocket angel on a gold stand (made by Sister Eileen Calvert, Saskatchewan, prior to her death) for the Worthy Grand Matron-elect to use as decorations. On a note of interest, the Altar was made by Jack Mozingo for Nancy R. McLemore and Dave Brown, then given to the Grand Chapter. Brother Jack was a member of the WGM-elect's district.

Behind each star point chair was a white wicker basket full of one of the flowers chosen for this year. The blue Iris for Adah, the yellow Daffodil for Ruth, the white Magnolia for Esther, the green Fern for Martha, and the red Rose for Electra.

A white wooden arch threaded with greenery surrounded the stations in the North, West, and South. On the floor in the West was a scene of flowers, watermelons, Snoopy and cats.

The entire room showed God's bountiful love for us in the season of spring as flowers and fruits come forth after the long winter. All of God's creatures, represented by cats and eagles, share in His Bountiful Love.

MUSICAL PRELUDE .....Winnie Nolte

ENTRANCE OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

### MASTER OF CEREMONIES

**Brother Billy Jone Graves, *Past Grand Patron***

Welcome Sisters, Brothers and Friends. We are about to embark on a new year for the Grand Chapter of South Carolina and we hope that everything that is done here this evening is in a very pleasing manner and will be a benefit to the Order of the Eastern Star. We hope everyone here has an enjoyable evening and we ask your indulgence to be with us as we go through this program.

At this time we will have the parade of colors by Dave Keith and Barbara Boyd.

### PARADE OF COLORS

All 1998-1999 Grand Appointees participated in the beautiful parade of colors. The wonderful colors of God's beautiful RAINBOW was a joy to behold as the Grand Appointees entwined the red, yellow, lavender, green, white, purple and blue as they performed the parade reaching from East to West. Everything was beautiful.

*Brother Graves:* Sisters and Brothers, at this time we will have the introduction of 1998-99 Grand Officers, Grand Escorts, Deputy Grand Marshalls, Special Grand Pages and Aides, and Personal Grand Pages and Aides by Sister Irma H. Perry, Past Grand Matron, assisted by Sister Willie Mae Shealy and Sister Dorothy Metts.

### INTRODUCTION OF GRAND OFFICERS 1998-1999 GRAND ESCORTS, DEPUTY GRAND MARSHALS, SPECIAL AND PERSONAL GRAND PAGES AND AIDES TO THE GRAND OFFICERS **Sister Irma H. Perry, *Past Grand Matron***

Good Evening!

'Tis the season to put the stars into your heart. I am honored and privileged this evening to have been invited by our Worthy Grand Matron-elect and Worthy Grand Patron-elect to have this opportunity to present for the very first time, the newly elected and appointed

Grand Officers to serve this Great State of South Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star, for the ensuing year.

Let each of us be loving stars, in order to see God's bountiful love in all seasons, for with God all things are possible.

First, permit me to extend my gratitude and thanks to Sisters Willie Mae Shealy and Dorothy B. Metts who are assisting me this evening.

My thanks also go to Sister Lois Watson, Grand Organist, for the beautiful music.

I am most happy to present now our newly elected and appointed Grand Officers for the year 1998-1999. They will be accompanied by their respective Escorts, Deputy Grand Marshals, Special and Personal Grand Pages and Aides, in this order.

Worthy Grand Matron-Elect ..... Martha "Marty" Hursey Barry  
Escorted by: (Her brother) Andrew "Andy" H. Hursey, II  
Scott D. Morrison

*"Choose you this day whom ye will serve . . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."* Joshua 24:15

Accompanying her: ..... Jean Duckworth, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Becki Dorr, *Special Grand Page*  
Jannie C. Austin, *Personal Grand Page*  
Betty Lou Burrows, *Personal Grand Page*  
Wilma S. Coward, *Personal Grand Page*  
Lucille B. Dyches, *Personal Grand Page*  
Gladys Mozingo, *Personal Grand Page*  
Louise J. Wyatt, *Personal Grand Page*  
George Clapp, *Personal Grand Aide*  
Cecil G. Dix, *Personal Grand Aide*

Worthy Grand Patron-Elect..... Jacques E. LeFever  
Escorted by: Barbara H. Bannister

*"A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."* John 13:34

Accompanying him: ..... Albert J. Wyatt, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Gale A. Rickert, *Special Grand Page*  
Hazel M. Broyles, *Personal Grand Page*  
Joyce H. Estes, *Personal Grand Page*  
Estelle M. Moore, *Personal Grand Page*  
Edna C. Rutland, *Personal Grand Page*  
Jean W. Terry, *Personal Grand Page*  
Cliff Abbey, *Personal Grand Aide*  
Robert V. Pinkston, *Personal Grand Aide*  
Harold D. Munn, *Personal Grand Aide*

Associate Grand Matron-Elect..... Ethel K. Rimes  
Escorted by: (her husband) Jake O. Rimes, Jr.

Accompanying her: ..... Loraine S. Williams, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Frances D. LaFavor, *Special Grand Page*  
Betty W. Henderson, *Personal Grand Page*

Associate Grand Patron-Elect ..... Bobby E. James  
Escorted by: (his wife) Dorothy James

Accompanying him: ..... Eldridge C. "Pete" Sluder, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Bobbie Kinard, *Special Grand Page*  
Verlie D. Stonehocker, *Personal Grand Aide*

- Grand Secretary-Elect:..... Anna R. Schulz, *Past Grand Matron*  
Escorted by: Vernon D. Force, *Past Grand Patron*
- Accompanying her: ..... Kay Arant, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Alma T. Force, *Special Grand Page*  
Minnie Mae Pinson, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Treasurer-Elect..... Judy B. Caldwell, *Past Grand Matron*  
Escorted by: (her husband) Fred R. Caldwell, *Past Grand Patron*
- Accompanying her: ..... Nelda M. Corbin, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Shelby S. Ford, *Special Grand Page*  
Mary Curtis, *Personal Grand Aide*
- Grand Conductress-Elect..... Linda Lamb  
Escorted by: A. Jack Hydrick, *Past Grand Patron*
- Accompanying her: ..... Flonise R. Brown, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Constance "Ike" Reid Coats, *Special Grand Page*  
Lois B. Moore, *Personal Grand Page*
- Associate Grand Conductress-Elect... Shirley A. Shipp  
Escorted by: Billy Joe Graves
- Accompanying her: ..... Andrea E. Barry, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Lucy M. Trump, *Special Grand Page*  
Virginia L. Roark, *Personal Grand Page*
- Chairman, Grand Trustee..... Celia F. Bradshaw, *Past Grand Matron*  
Escorted by: (her husband) Charles Bradshaw
- Accompanying her: ..... Mae A. Croft, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Joyce B. Powell, *Special Grand Page*  
Barbara Bullock, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Trustee ..... Elizabeth O. Barnett, *Past Grand Matron*  
Escorted by: (her husband) P. G. Barnett, Jr., *Past Grand Patron*
- Accompanying her: ..... Lillian J. Rhymes, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Florence H. Steele, *Special Grand Page*  
Wilhelmina K. Calvitt, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Trustee-Elect ..... Donna Owens  
Escorted by: John Delk
- Accompanying her: ..... Paddy P. Vaughn, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Charlie Bullock, *Special Grand Aide*  
Harold L. Davis, *Personal Grand Aide*
- Grand Chaplain ..... Darrell J. Gerner  
Escorted by: (his wife) Dorothy M. Gerner
- Accompanying him: ..... Marjorie M. Campsen, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Terry Trump, *Special Grand Aide*  
William B. Huff, *Personal Grand Aide*
- Grand Lecturer ..... Mary Ann Parks, *Past Grand Matron*  
Escorted by: (her husband) Ira M. Parks, *Past Grand Patron*
- Accompanying her: ..... Sara S. Klein, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
Aretta Godbey, *Special Grand Page*  
Ellen M. Woodall, *Personal Grand Page*

- Grand Marshal ..... Edward S. Hershberger  
 Escorted by: (his wife) Mary Hershberger
- Accompanying him: ..... Kathy Birge, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Lucretia O. Adams, *Special Grand Page*  
 Elizabeth Putnam Brown, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Organist..... Reba H. Weisner  
 Escorted by: (her husband) L. Earl Weisner, Jr.
- Accompanying her: ..... Mary Louise Morgan, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Ruth E. Mathéwes, *Special Grand Page*  
 May Corley Watson, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Adah ..... Jean Ruth McCaig  
 Escorted by: (her husband) William Jay McCaig
- Accompanying her: ..... Cathy Belangia, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Marguriete C. Thomason, *Special Grand Page*  
 Dorothy Hill Reid, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Ruth ..... Evilene Jones  
 Escorted by: Douglas Carlson
- Accompanying her: ..... Marie Carlson, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Judy Pinckley, *Special Grand Page*  
 Betty Davis, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Esther..... Dorothy F. Campbell  
 Escorted by: (her husband) Earnest K. Campbell
- Accompanying her: ..... Gayle Morrison, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Rachel L. Hart, *Special Grand Page*  
 Lydia B. Johnson, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Martha..... Nancy Anne Ritchie  
 Escorted by: Richard P. Pellum
- Accompanying her: ..... Erma Burke, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Ruby Bishop, *Special Grand Page*  
 Barbara Lubelsky, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Electa..... Julie E. Prince  
 Escorted by: (her father) Edwin M. Prince
- Accompanying her: ..... Virginia E. Prince, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Marie Lepore, *Special Grand Page*  
 Ruth R. Branyon, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Warder..... Loreen B. Simpson  
 Escorted by: (her husband) John W. "Woody" Simpson
- Accompanying her: ..... John S. Cox, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Eleanor Thompson, *Special Grand Page*  
 Winnie Smith, *Personal Grand Page*
- Grand Sentinel-Elect..... Jonnie M. Fowler  
 Escorted by: (his wife) Jacqueline H. Fowler, *Past Grand Matron*
- Accompanying him: ..... Archie B. Davis, *Deputy Grand Marshal*  
 Calvin A. Russell, *Special Grand Aide*  
 Rufus W. "Dick" Smith, *Personal Grand Aide*

Sister Marty and Brother Jacques, I have valued and cherished your friendship for years. The word "Friendship" has so many meanings. My favorite is "love for God and one's fellowman; a general love and interest in the welfare of others." By placing Jesus first, others second, and yourself last, you have become an inspiration to others.

To the Grand Officers—both elected and appointed, the Grand Escorts, Deputy Grand Marshals, Special and Personal Grand Pages and Aides that have been presented this evening—to each of you, remember, "Others will look to you as their example, do not lead them astray."

God is beside us each step of the way,  
If only we lean on His arm as we pray,  
His love is eternal and help can be wrought,  
If faith is applied in each prayer and each thought.

"There may be peace without joy and joy without peace, but the two combined make happiness."

I have no need of yesterday,  
Tomorrow has not yet come,  
'Tis the challenge of today,  
That must be won.

*Brother Graves:* Thank you Sister Irma, that was a very good presentation of the Grand Officers.

At this time we will have our Bible Ceremony. This will be presented by Sister Celia F. Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron.

## BIBLE CEREMONY

### Sister Celia F. Bradshaw, *Past Grand Matron*

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.

Jesus gave us a New Commandment . . . we are to love each other as Jesus loves us . . . and by this all men shall know that we are His disciples.

We have been taught the Holy Scriptures from childhood and they have given us the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus.

We must remain faithful to the things we have been taught for we know they are true.

Isaiah 40:31 says, "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

Psalm 91:11 "For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways."

Acts 27:23 "for there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve."

Hebrews 13:2 "Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

(Bible Bearer, Andrea Barry, escorted by Crystal and Brittney Lefever; Angel Bearer, Gale Morris, and Eagle Bearer, Jacqueline Harrell, slowly circle the Chapter Room, enter the labyrinth between the stations of Ruth and Esther, march to the Altar, place the Bible thereon and stand silently.)

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right. It is God's way of preparing us in every way, fully equipped for every good thing God wants us to do.

(The Bible Bearer, Escorts, Angel Bearer and Eagle Bearer slowly march in formation toward the East . . . the Angle Bearer place the Angel on a pedestal at the left of the Worthy Grand Matron and the Eagle Bearer place the Eagle on a pedestal at the right of the

Worthy Grand Patron as they slowly retire from the South and North of the Chapter room.)

*Brother Graves:* Thank you Sister Celia. That was a very beautiful ceremony. At this time we will have the Presentation of Emblems by Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron.

*Sister Mary Ann:* Sister Martha Barry and Brother Jacques Lefever, thank you for giving me the honor to serve you and our Order in this capacity.

### **PRESENTATION OF THE EMBLEMS** **Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron**

Grand Star Points you will enter the Chapter Room.

Around the outer circle of our labyrinth are the star points who represent the five degrees in our ritual. In the Bible, we find words of wisdom. and our star points represent these words.

Adah's Emblem comes to us from St. David's Chapter No. 163 in District 19 and is carried by Sister Dorothy H. Mitchum, Past Grand Matron, who served as Grand Adah in 1989-1990.

Sister Adah, the letter "B," represented by scripture verse from John: 1 to 29. Behold, the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world.

Adah, too became a living sacrifice as her father fulfilled his vow to the Lord. She gave her life to preserve his honor and raised her eyes as he drew his sword. Adah represents the blue ray of our star and admonishes us to be true to our convictions of right and duty. We place this emblem of Adah to honor the fidelity of the Daughters of our Order.

Ruth's Emblem comes to us from Benton Chapter No. 172 in District 19 and is carried by Sister Patricia M. Duncan, Past Matron, who served as Grand Organist in 1989-1990.

Sister Ruth the letter "I" is represented by scripture verse from the twelfth chapter of John, verse 46. "I am come a light into the world that whosoever believeth in me should not abide in darkness." Ruth became the ancestress of Jesus who came into the world as our light. Ruth was faithful to Naomi in her needs and obedient to justice and right. Ruth represents the yellow ray of our star and symbolizes the golden harvest glean from fields of loving labor. We place this emblem to honor the constancy of the Widows of our Order.

Esther's Emblem comes to us from Leonora Chapter No. 30 in District 19 and is carried by Sister Mildred H. Hydrick, Past Matron, who served as Grand Esther in 1989-1990.

Sister Esther, the letter "B" is represented by scripture verse from Galatians, the sixth chapter, the second verse, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ.: Queen Esther bore the burdens of others as she was determined to live in the right by seeking the favor of her King, she brought to her people joy, gladness and light.

Esther represents the white ray of our star and teaches us to be steadfast and loyal in danger. Esther is an example of fidelity to kindred and friends. We place this emblem to honor the purity of the Wives of our Order.

Martha's Emblem comes to us from Mecca Chapter No. 278 in District 19 and is carried by Sister Glenda Winchester, Worthy Grand Treasurer and Past Grand Matron who served as Grand Lecturer in 1989-1990.

Sister Martha, the letter "L" is represented by scripture verse from the twelfth chapter of Hebrews, verse 2, "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him, endured the cross, despising the shame and he sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

Martha looked up to Jesus with faith, unshaken, and ran to him in her hour of sorrow. He comforted her with the promise of life and thus we may hope for an eternal tomorrow. Martha represents the green ray of our star and reminds us of nature's life and beauty and the hope of immortality. We place this emblem to honor the faith of the Sisters of our Order.

Emblem comes to us from Pamplico Chapter No. 170 in District 19 and is carried by

Sister Ethel F. Whisenant, Past Matron, who served as Grand Warder in 1989-1990.

Sister Electa, the Letter "E" is represented by a scripture verse from the fourteenth chapter of John, verse 17, "Even the spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him, for he dwelleth with you and shall be in you."

Electa knew the spirit of truth and her kindness was known through the land for she extended aid to those in need and love one another became her command. Electa represents the red ray of our star and symbolize warmth, fervency, and zeal and the practice of charity and hospitality. We place this emblem to honor the love of the Mothers of our Order.

We honor the flowing colors of these true degrees and extol the virtues which the star points give. The winding road of life is like a labyrinth. We come in a spirit of earnest purpose to review our yesterdays and to plan for our tomorrows. Let us thrive constantly in the hope that the shuttle of time may weave the glowing threads of blue, yellow, white, green and red into a splendid fabric of charity, truth, and loving kindness.

The Emblem Bearers served as Grand Officers with Sisters Martha Barry when she served as Grand Martha in 1989-1990 and Sister Mary Ann Parks served as Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Jack Hydrick served as Worthy Grand Patron.

*Brother Graves:* Thank you Sister Mary Ann, that was a very beautiful ceremony. We will now have special music by Sister Joyce Powell.

SPECIAL MUSIC ..... "Angels Among Us" ..... Joyce Powell  
Past Matron

*Brother Graves:* We will have the Prayer of Dedication by Brother Walter "Hal" Keasler, Past Grand Patron.

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**  
**Brother Walter "Hal" Keasler, Past Grand Patron**

Let us Pray.

Our heavenly Father we now come to Thee bowing our heads in honor to Thee asking Thee to accept our thanks for the many blessings You have given us over this session.

We accept Thy promise that if we believe in Thee we will have eternal life. We are now preparing to install the Grand Officers for the coming year. We pray that You will guide us in a way that will make this a very special time for these Grand Officers and for all those present. We ask that You give us special care to our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and all the Grand Officers as they enter into this year of leadership in the Order of the Eastern Star.

We dedicate this year of service to Thee knowing that we are under Your care. Forgive us for our mistakes, help us to forge ahead with vigor in our service to You and to our Sisters and Brothers.

All this we pray in Thy Holy Name. Amen.

**CALL TO ORDER FOR THE INSTALLATION**  
**OF GRAND OFFICERS 1998-1999**

**Sister Peggy C. Tucker, Past Grand Matron**

Brother P. G. Barnett, it is our honor and privilege to call to Order the Installation of Grand Officers for 1998-1999.

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Grand Officers to be installed to enter the Grand Chapter room.

**GRAND OFFICERS INSTALLED**

Sister Martha "Marty" H. Barry, Worthy Grand Matron  
 Brother Jacques E. Lefever, Worthy Grand Patron  
 Sister Ethel K. Rimes, Associate Grand Matron  
 Brother Bobby E. James, Associate Grand Patron  
 Sister Anna R. Schulz, GGCCM, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary  
 Sister Judy B. Caldwell, Past Grand Matron and Grand Treasurer  
 Sister Linda Lamb, Grand Conductress  
 Sister Shirley A. Shipp, Associate Grand Conductress  
 Sister Celia F. Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron and Chairman of Grand Trustees  
 Sister Elizabeth O. Barnett, Past Grand Matron and Grand Trustee  
 Sister Donna Owens, Grand Trustee  
 Brother Darrell J. Gerner, Grand Chaplain  
 Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron and Grand Lecturer  
 Brother Edward S. Hershberger, Grand Marshal  
 Sister Reba H. Weisner, Grand Organist  
 Sister Jean Ruth McCaig, Grand Adah  
 Sister Evilene Jones, Grand Ruth  
 Sister Dorothy E. Campbell, Grand Esther  
 Sister Nancy Anne Ritchie, Grand Martha  
 Sister Julie E. Prince, Grand Electa  
 Sister Loreen B. Simpson, Grand Warder  
 Brother Jonnie M. Fowler, Grand Warder

*Sister Peggy:* Sister Marty, it is with a great deal of pride and pleasure that I present to you your gavel. I trust that you will use it remembering the obligation and the words given to you this evening and that your year will be a wonderful one.

(The Installing Grand Officers performed the installation ceremony in a most inspiring and impressive manner.)

*Worth Grand Matron:* Thank you Sister Peggy.

**ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS****Sister Martha "Marty" H. Barry, Past Grand Matron**

To paraphrase Charles Dickens it was the best of times and the worst of times. The valleys were deep, then rivers were wide, and the mountains were high and steep but I stand before you tonight on the pinnacle of the mountain and I look out over the Sisters and Brothers who loved, supported, and encouraged me through my journey. Sisters and Brothers, who forgive imperfections in those they care for as Christ taught and as our order teaches. When my faith grew dim there was always someone to build me up and tell me to hang on, the end would be worth the means.

To every season there is a purpose. We have chosen "Tis the Season for our session title, not only to celebrate God's Bountiful Love in All Seasons, but to also emphasis our need for Jesus and His response to us in all seasons. This beginning of a new year in our Grand Chapter represents a rebirth or the spring of our year. This year we will view the changing of our seasons as our year progresses.

There are many people who shared in the dream of tonight who are no longer with us. On the day I was initiated into our order my mother, who was the Worthy Matron, said, I want you to be Worthy Grand Matron one day. I think most of you know my father shared in this dream. Sisters Vivian Turnage, Susie West, Ella Hays, Louise Twitty, Catherine Garland shared in the dream. I learned from them what it meant to be an Eastern Star member, a Worthy Matron and yes, I hope, a Worthy Grand Matron. They are here in spirit. I promise to their memory and to you that with your continued support and the

favor of our Father in Heaven to be the very best Worthy Grand Matron I can be. I humbly and sincerely thank you for the honor and privilege of allowing me to complete the dream.

Thank you is such a small word for those who do so much to help. From beginning to end the installation of officers was picture perfect. Would all those participating in the Installation of Officers please stand? In the interest of time, I will save my personal remarks to you for later. Each of you know what a special place you hold in my heart and in my growth in Eastern Star. I thank each of you for agreeing to participate tonight and for the effort you gave to make this installation a true rebirth of our Grand Chapter year. The season of spring is an awaking from the cold of winter, with a renewed hope in the future. You all have shown by words and deeds your faith in our rebirth. Thank you for the example you have been in my life. A special word to our Grand Soloist—I am not very musical but I do appreciate such beautiful talents. And Sister Joyce thank you for singing my Tennessee Alabama song. You'll have to ask Joyce to explain that story.

Now just a word to those in elected and appointed positions. To the Grand Officers I thank you for agreeing to serve with us this year. Each of the appointed Grand Officers were chosen by us together. We looked for Sisters and Brothers who had the special quality of being loving stars. The elected Grand Officers were chosen by vote of our membership. I thank the membership for having chosen so wisely for this is one of the finest groups of our Eastern Stars there could be. We are going to have a wonderful trip exploring God's Bountiful Love in all Seasons.

Brother Jacques—Grand Chapter selected you to be my advisor and walk beside me on this, the grandest of all trips. I thank them for I could not have chosen better. You have encouraged and supported me in all we have tried to accomplish. We have worked together to plan and implement every part of our year. I thank you for all your hard work for I could not have done it without you.

Members of St. David's Chapter—Words never can express how much your love and support has meant to me. You came through in one of my darkest hours. You're the greatest HOME CHAPTER I could have.

District 19—Every Worthy Grand Matron thinks their district is the best but I know you are the best. You have stood by me and supported me in every aspect of my Eastern Star life. You have assumed the responsibility of an elected line officer with pleasure and excitement. I thank you for all you have done. You have contributed time and money to each and every aspect of my preparation for our year in the "Grand East." I thank you for all you have done.

Members of Morning Star Chapter—I apologize for all the times Brother Jacques will be absent and I thank you for loaning him to me and to all of us for this time. I appreciate the way you have made me a part of you.

District 18—My adopted district—I appreciate the way all of you have accepted me. I look forward to many years of pleasant associations.

JOY Club—Thank you for the special place you will always hold in my heart. Each of you puts Jesus first, others second, and yourself last.

Barry Bunch—my strawberries. I thank you for your support, for the extra things you have provided, and for just being there.

Andrea—a very special daughter. You've been such a wonderful help to me, not only these last few years but all your life. I am very proud of the extraordinary woman you've become, even through, you will always be my little girl.

Arrangements Committee—Sisters Debbie, Gale, Cathy, and all the rest both appointed and draft, we gave you a broad idea of what we would like and you have outdone all my expectations. It is exactly perfect.

STATE CHAIRMAN of projects, appointed groups, special events. Thank you for accepting these important responsibilities for our Grand Chapter. I thank you for the hours you have put in and the ones you will complete. Each of you were especially chosen for your talents and the way you exemplify the STAR in your heart.

ALL GRAND APPOINTEES—You are the people who make Grand Chapter work and go forward. Without you, all of what we dream and plan would be impossible.

Sisters and Brothers, in conclusion, my faith in God has seen me through for I have turned all things over to Him and as we all know With God All Things Are Possible. (Loud Applause)

We will now have the address of the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jacques Lefever.

### ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS

#### **Brother Jacques Lefever, Worthy Grand Patron**

*Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Elected Officer and Committee Members, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends:*

Good evening. It is with great joy and an humble heart that I stand here tonight, very proud and highly honored to have been elected to serve this Grand Body as your Worthy Grand Patron. I accept this great honor with deep humility, knowing that the task which lays ahead is awesome. Yet, I know that with God's blessings and your continued love and support, together we can accomplish great things and have a very successful and rewarding year.

I pledge to each of you to use all my God-given talents to serve in a manner that will justify the faith you have placed in me by my election to this high position. When this year comes to an end in June of 1999, it is my prayer that I will have been able to make the order and each sister and brother's life better for having served.

Sister Marty Barry, Worthy Grand Matron, it is an honor and a pleasure to have been elected to serve this year at your side. I thank this Grand Body for the opportunity to serve with such a knowledgeable and caring person. I shall assist you in any way that I can for the betterment and welfare of the order and each sister and brother.

To the Installing Grand Officers and everyone who has worked so hard to make this night so very special—I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Each of you are very special to me.

To my Family—You are my life and guiding stars. I love you more than you will ever know. God has truly blessed me a thousand times over by allowing me to have each of you. May God continue to bless you and keep you the same wonderful loving creatures you are.

To the Eighteenth District—I thank each of you for all the work you have done over the years and for the love and support you have given and I know you will continue to give. I am very honored to be a member of the 18th district. I won't say it is the best, but I haven't seen any better.

To Sister Peggy Tucker, Past Grand Matron and Brother P. G. Barnett, Past Grand Patron—I thank each of you for the beautiful installation ceremony.

To Brother Pete Peterson, Past Grand Patron; Sister Bessie Mae Walsh, Past Grand Matron; Brother A. Jack Hydrick, Past Grand Patron; and Sister Doris C. Johnson, Past Grand Matron—Thank you for accepting the offices of Assisting Installing Grand Officers. Your work this evening was wonderful, as it always is. Each of you were selected because you are very special in our lives and we love you.

To Sister Irma Perry, Past Grand Matron and her staff—for the outstanding manner that you presented the 1998-99 Grand Officers, well done and I thank you.

To Sister Celia Bradshaw, Past Grand Matron and those who assisted you—Thank you for a most impressive Bible presentation. It was very special to me because you are from my district.

To Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron and those who assisted you—Thank you for the beautiful emblem ceremony.

To Brother Billy Joe Graves, Past Grand Patron—Thank you for being our Master of Ceremonies tonight. You are also very special to me and I am proud we are from the same district.

To Sisters Deborah Hinson, Past Matron, Cathy Belangia, Past Matron and Gale LeBlane, co-chairpersons of the Arrangements Committee, and all the other Sisters and Brothers who worked so very long and hard to make this night so very special—we thank you for all you have done to make the chapter room so beautiful. I love each of you.

To the Members of Morning Star Chapter #121—Thank you for all the hard work, love and support you have given to me on my journey so far. I shall continue to need your help and support. I love each of you more than I can express.

I dedicate this year in honor of my family, who has supported me, loved me and has been so very understanding of the fact that I must be away from them so much; also to the memory of Sister Shirley Stuart, PGM, who supported me all the way, and to my chapter, Morning Star #121 and the 18th District. I love you.

In closing, I would like to say what a great honor it is to serve you. I thank you for your confidence and the privilege you have extended to me. Let us continue to love one another. My prayer is that God will continue to bless, guide and protect you always.

Thank you and good evening. (Loud Applause)

### INTRODUCTION OF FAMILIES

My family is not very large and many could not be with us tonight. I appreciate the efforts made by those who were able to come.

First, my daughter, who I am sure needs no introduction to most of you. Sister Andrea Elizabeth Barry, the light of my life. Andrea, you've been there to do many tasks for me and also, sometimes, just to listen. You've grown into a fine young woman. You are the light of my life. I love you very much.

Andrew (Andy) Henry Hursey, II, my brother. Thank you for all you do for me. He cuts my grass, a very large yard every week, and watches over the house while I'm gone. Andy may sit in a wheelchair but he is the most unhandicapped person I know. Andy, I love you and I appreciate the effort you made to be here and to serve as one of my Grand Escorts.

Sister Bessie Braddock is not able to be with us tonight but I would like to read what I have written for Bessie.

Bessie Braddock, God knew I would need a Mother and so He brought you into my life, nourished our friendship, and assured it would grow knowing I would need you. I thank Him for you, for you truly stand in my Mother's place. Sister Bessie could not be with us as she is still recovering from several major operations in a three day period.

I have two other members of my family here with me tonight. My only girl cousin Jenny Harrison, my sister, well she's like a sister to me and her mother, my Aunt, Grace Blackman. Thank you for the effort you made to be here with me tonight.

Please give my family a round of applause. (Loud Applause)

Brother Jacques, would you please introduce your family at this time?

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

God has truly blessed me by giving me a large family. He has blessed me like He has promised to bless all of those that are faithful to Him, live in His way and in His faith.

Many of my family could not be here tonight but those that are I want to introduce them to you then I'll mention the others.

First I have my youngest son, Worshipful Master, Joseph Lefever, and his beautiful wife, Diane. My youngest daughter who was my Eagle Bearer, Jacqueline Harrell and her beautiful daughter Tiffany Harrell. Now my two little angels who are here, the daughters of my middle son and his wife, and they are Crystal and Brittney Lefever. I think Brittney is getting a little tired now but they did a beautiful job and I'm very proud of them.

My other family had to work and could not be here this evening, and they are one daughter and two sons. My oldest son is the Assistant Fire Chief at the Naval Weapons Station in the Goose Creek Area . . . he is also an EMT Technician and his duties would not allow him to be here tonight. He has many, many children. I have an older daughter,

Peggy Golden and her family. She works taking care of a Holiday Inn in North Charleston and could not get off work either.

I have a beautiful loving family and every since they were born and I have taken them anywhere, I have always been complimented on them. They have honored me highly and I love each one of them so very much.

I do have two other people that I want to introduce tonight, that is Brother Robert McKee, and he came all the way from Scotland just for this installation. Brother Robert was elected the District Grand Sentinel last February and he will be assuming the station of Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Jurisdiction of Scotland in about four and one half years. I promised Brother Robert that I would be there for his installation. With him, accompanying him, is a very, very fine Lady and she visits with us around the Goose Creek and Hanahan areas and Morning Star Chapter everytime they come over. These are two very dear friends and they know how much they mean to me. I thank you so very much for coming and being with us tonight.

I have been blessed with three sons, two daughters, ten granddaughters, one grandson and one great grandson. The Lord has truly blessed my family, we all love Him, we stay together, and no one has ever loved anybody more than I love you. This is my family, this is my life and my guiding star. Thank you (Loud Applause)

Worthy Grand Matron: Would both families please stand? Brother Jacques and I have chosen a special song to attempt to show you how we feel about our families. One of our Grand Soloist, Sister Louann Moore Tippens, will now sing "You Light Up My Life" to our families.

SPECIAL SONG..... "You Light Up My Life"..... Louann Moore Tippens,  
*Grand Soloist*

## INTRODUCTION OF DISTRICTS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* A district is a special group of Sisters and Brothers brought together by boundaries of space. I have already spoken inadequate words to my district but I would like for them to stand now. Would the members of District 18 please join them? You are my adopted district and no words of mine can adequately express how much you have gathered me into and made me a part of you. I thank you for being so accepting. Brother Jacques.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* There is one thing that I omitted this evening and I would like to correct that now. I failed to mention District 19 and I do apologize deeply. Each one of you mean as much to me as my own District. You have supported me which is very appreciated and I could not let this night pass without telling each one of you how much you mean to me. (Loud Applause)

*Retta Linton:* Worthy Grand Matron may we approach the east?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes you may.

Andrea Barry, Retta Linton and Cathy Belangia approached the east.

*Sister Andrea:* The words to her mother, Worthy Grand Matron, were not audible and this is sad because they were so heartfelt and loving. This was a beautiful tribute Andrea and her uncle Andy Hursey, III, presented Sister Marty, her mother and his sister, a monetary gift to purchase and install french doors in her home. (Loud Applause)

*Sister Retta Linton, President of District #19 Club:* Worthy Grand Matron we are proud of you and we know you are going to have a super year and on behalf of the good works and deeds we've done we would like to give you this gift and we would like for you to open it.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Oh! it's a watch, it's gorgeous. Thank you. (Applause)

*Sister Retta:* Also Worthy Grand Matron, we would like to present to you this monetary gift and we hope you will use it in a good way and we know you will. We love you. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Oh! thank you so much, I will.

*Sister Retta:* Worthy Grand Patron, we have a monetary gift that we would like to present to you at this time. We love you and thank you for all you do.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I wasn't expecting anything from you all tonight but it never ceases to amaze me the love, the fellowship and support that each one of you give to me. I do appreciate this very much and I will never forget anyone of you because you all are so dear to me. (Applause)

Worthy Grand Matron may I approach the East?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Sister Peggy Tucker, Past Grand Matron and Brother P. G. Barnett, Chairman of the Payroll Committee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron.

*Sister Peggy and Brother P.G.:* Worthy Grand Matron, tonight will always be a very special night in your life and we, the Installing Grand Officers (would you all please stand) would like to present to you a gift so that when you look at this you will remember how honored and pleased we were to have a part of your special night.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I thank each of you. I'm sure it's something that I've always wanted.

Worthy Grand Matron may I approach the East?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Shirley Shipp, our newly installed Associate Grand Conductress, yes you may.

*Sister Shirley:* Would all members of the Joy Club please stand? Sister Marty and Brother Jacques, I'm sorry that Sister Judy our President could not be with us tonight because her mother is in the hospital. As Vice President and on behalf of the Joy Club it is an honor and with much pleasure that I present to each of you a monetary gift. Now Brother Ed wants to start you on your way and hope this will help you get back. We love you all. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you all so much I'm sure we will be able to put it to good use.

Worthy Grand Matron may I approach the East?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Joyce Powell and Sister Joyce Estes from District 18 you may approach the east.

*Sister Joyce Powell:* Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron I would like to just ditto what Andrea said. I grew up with you and Mama in the Eastern Star. I know how you feel tonight Andrea, because I had the same experience, joy and privilege a few years ago when my mother was installed as Worthy Grand Matron. You will have some good times.

Sister Marty, Worthy Grand Matron, I love you, you are very special to us and on behalf of Eugene Chapter and District 18 we would like to give you this little card to say how much we love you and appreciate you.

Brother Jacques, what can I say to you? You are like a Father to me, you have watched me grow up, my children love you and couldn't love you better than if you were Pa-Pa. I asked everyone what to get you but since you just go out and buy whatever you want or need it is our pleasure to present to you this monetary gift. We hope you know how much we love you. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* That's kinda a hard act to follow. I want to tell everyone of you my Sisters and Brothers that are here tonight there's nobody that has ever come from a better

district than I have. District 18 has always stood behind everyone and I have been adopted just like a family member by many of you and you all seem like a member of my family. When this little lady sings I just sit in awe and she is one of our Grand Soloist this year, we have three of them. I thank everyone of you, it really wasn't necessary because like you said if I need anything I usually go out and get it. Thank you and God Bless you all. (Applause)

*Sister Joyce Estes:* I'm here tonight as President of the Past Matron and Past Patron's Club of District 18 and I don't know what I'm going to do with you either. Now on behalf of District 18 Past Matrons and Past Patrons' Club this is a token of our love to buy you a pepsi for your trip. (Laughter)

*Worthy Grand Patron:* Thank you so much Sister Joyce and District 18 Past Matrons and Past Patrons' Club. I love each and everyone of you so very much and I will always be at our meetings unless I'm on the road. Thank you and God bless each of you.

Worthy Grand Matron may I approach the East?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes you may Brother Scott Morris, Worthy Patron of my chapter.

*Brother Scott:* Sister Marty, we are proud of you and on behalf of St. David Chapter, your chapter, we are honored and very pleased to present you this monetary gift. Also a gift from Sister Gladys Maginzo. We love you, support you and know you will have a wonderful year.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I thank you, the members of my chapter and Sister Gladys very very much. (Applause)

Worthy Grand Matron may I approach the East?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Yes you may, Sister Barbara Bannister and Brother Teddy "Pete" Phillips.

*Sister Barbara:* Brother Jacques, as your Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron we want to give you a little love gift from Morning Star Chapter. We hope you can take some pictures so you will remember us all.

*Worthy Grand Patron:* I come from what I consider one of the greatest chapters that you can have. You've heard me speak about how good Morning Star Chapter #121 is and I love each and everyone of you very much. They have always been behind me, supported me, and loved me. You just can't do without the love you get from Eastern Star, it's worth much more than anything you can buy. I thank my good Lord that I can share their love and they share mine. If we will get back to the basic and do what is right by each other we can accomplish great and wonderful things. Thank you, Brother Pete.

*Sister Barbara:* Would all the members of Morning Star Chapter please stand? There are just a few of us here tonight supporting you and those that could not come are supporting you and we just want you to know that we love you and will be here all year long. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Jimmy, just so you know what's going on we kinda got side tracked some if its alright with you we will have you sing we march out. Okay? Thank you.

Now I do have some other introductions that I would like to make.

## OTHER INTRODUCTIONS

Brother Stan Clavert and his daughter Pam. Brother Stan was Sister Cathy Belangia's counterpart as Grand Representative. He is from Saskatchewan, Canada. His wife, Sister Eileen was Grand Adah during Sister Jackie and Brother Ray's year and they came to several official visits. They were to be here together but Sister Eileen passed away recently. She made me 50 crochet angels to use next year. One is in the Altar tonight in memory of

her. I do appreciate you all making the effort to come and be with us and I want you to come back next year.

I also have a school family and I guess they are here tonight because I kinda threatened them finally with dire punishment if they didn't get here. They have been supposed to be coming the whole time and they just never made it. I said, "this is your last chance," so they finally made it and I called one of them and said, "don't forget" and she wanted to know how come she was the only one that got a phone call. Please stand while I call your names—Dr. Naomi Player, Judy McFarland, Cathy Jeffords, Wendy Stephens, Pam Cummins, Rita Poole and the very best secretary anywhere, and Rita Bell.

Now they may not be Eastern Star Sisters but I could not love them anymore than if they were. You know it says that if you have friends that you can call at 3:00 A.M. and know that they will talk to you and come and get you if you need it then you are lucky. Well these lovely ladies that you see standing each and everyone of them if I needed to call them at 3:00 A.M. I could call them and if I could wake them up I could talk to them and they would come and get me.

Thank you all and I promise that when June 1999 comes around I'll be back and we will go to lunch, dinner and everything else. Thank you all so much for coming. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Now I know that Sister Lynda and Brother Ira are about to think that we are never going to get their Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron pins on them, but we are going to do that right now.

Sister Mary Ann Parks, Past Grand Matron and Grand Lecturer and Brother Robert "Bobby" Pittman, Past Grand Patron and Elected Home Board Member, would you please come to the East?

Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, this is a time I know you have looked forward to with much anticipation and may-be a little sadness. You have served us well and you now join the ranks of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. I recognize Brother Bobby.

## PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

*Brother Bobby:* Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Lynda, this very same day 17 years ago I was standing in the same shoes you are standing tonight. However at that time I did not have a spouse to present my jewel to me. Tonight you have probably the proudest spouse that ever walked on the face of the earth. Sister Lynda, your road for the last four years in your Eastern Star travels has many rose buds on the side. however there has been some pebbles in the road and I'm most proud that you were able to overcome these obstacles being the same Lynda that you are today. With much pride and much feeling I present to you your Past Grand Matron Jewel. (Applause)

*Worthy Grand Matron:* I recognize Sister Mary Ann.

*Sister Mary Ann:* Brother Ira, I remember standing here in 1990 you did the same thing for me you pinned my Past Grand Matron on me. It is with great pleasure and joy tonight that I pin his Past Grand Patron Jewel on him. He is a Gentleman, he is loving and caring and with God's grace and God's help we have spent 44 years together. Brother Ira, I love you. (Applause)

(The chapter was called up by the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Honors were extended to Sister Lynda, Junior Past Grand Matron and Brother Ira, Junior Past Grand Patron.)

*Brother Ira:* Worthy Grand Matron, now that my successor is installed and with your permission I will now take leave of the East.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Brother Ira, you are excused if you will come back. I want to do one little thing with you at the end.

## DISTRICT DEPUTIES COMMISSIONED

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Would the District Deputies please begin making their way to the East in numerical order? A District Deputy is so important to the chapters in their districts as well as to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. We are certainly looking forward to sharing the upcoming year with each of you. We hope this will be a year you will always treasure and remember. You are the link between the Chapters and Grand Chapter.

It is now our pleasure to present you with your commission as a District Deputy and your badge of office.

Would you please come to the microphone and give your name and district?

## RECOGNITION OF ASSISTANT DISTRICT DEPUTIES

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Would the Assistant District Deputies please stand at their seats?

Many of our districts are large in number or in size. Sometimes chapters within a district meet on the same night. Sometimes illness or other Grand Chapter business will keep a District Deputy away from an Official Visit. Therefore, we perceived it to be our duty and it was our pleasure, in consultation with your District Deputy, to appoint an Assistant in each district.

Now, Assistants don't receive a commission and you have no duties listed in any book. However, your duties are many and varied. You are the help to the Deputy. You assist in any way possible. This includes traveling, assisting in demonstrating the work of our order, lending a listening ear, and if necessary filling in for the deputy at a practice, meeting, or official visit. We thank you for your service in this important task.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Are there any announcements for the good of the order? I recognize Sister Lynda Pittman, Junior Past Grand Matron.

*Sister Lynda:* You have been duly installed and you have received the badge of your office, but there is one other thing that you've got to have or it won't quite work, so I have a presentation that I would like to make. You didn't think you would get it did you?

I have nicknamed this "Have Bag Will Travel." (Laughter) The contents of this bag is the seal of your office and I hope you will use it wisely.

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Lynda, if I use this seal as wisely as you did, I will have done okay. (Applause)

The first school of instruction will be held this Saturday at Leonora Chapter in Florence. The school will begin at 2 p.m. with supper served after the school. Day dress is appropriate. Grand Officers will you please be there at 10 for a practice. Newly elected Grand Officers will you please be there one hour earlier—at 9, so we can have a little quiet time and we can talk with you.

There will be a reception immediately following in the Lexington Ballroom. In the closing march, the Grand Officers will march out of the Grand Chapter Room directly to the Reception.

Brother Jimmy Daley, our other Grand Soloist, is going to sing the song that he was to sing to our family "Wind Beneath My Wings" as we march out. Okay Brother Jimmy?

*Worthy Grand Matron:* Sister Lynda and Brother Ira, would you please stand beside Brother Jacques and me?

There being no further business we will go into the closing.

(The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.)

(The Mizpah Benediction was repeated in unison.)

(The Grand Marshal proclaimed the ninety-first annual session of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina Order of the Eastern Star, the "To God Be The Glory" Session closed to reconvene the third Monday in June 1999 at the Shearaton Conference Center, Columbia, South Carolina.)

(The Grand Officers Retired.)

MARTHA H. BARRY, *Worthy Grand Matron*  
JACQUES E. LEFEVER, *Worthy Grand Patron*

ATTESTED BY:



*Anne R. Shultz*

*Grand Secretary*

*In Memoriam*  
**THOMAS HENRY ALLRED**  
**Worthy Grand Patron of South Carolina**  
**1972-1973**

With saddened hearts and tender memories we pause to pay tribute to Brother Thomas Henry Allred, one of our most admired Past Grand Patrons. Brother Tom was born October 31, 1918 and was called to his Eternal Home on February 6, 1998. One of the strongest links in our golden chain has been taken, and our Order, his family, his community and many friends have suffered a great loss in his passing.

By birth, Brother Tom was a North Carolinian—by choice he placed his roots in South Carolina. He was born in Greensboro, N.C., a son of the late Henry and Bessie Lambert Allred. He graduated from high school in Greensboro and was class valedictorian, and continued his education through vocational and technical courses. On September 23, 1940 he married Mozelle Michaus and from this union they have three daughters, Patricia, Frances and Tommi. He was a member of Carolina United Methodist Church.

Brother Tom served his country in the U.S. Navy aboard the U.S.S. Amsterdam. Upon completion of his service in World War II he was first employed at Cone Mills, then Carlisle Finishing Company from which he retired as a Development Engineer.

Brother Tom's love and devotion to Masonry and the Eastern Star were exemplary. He was a member of Santuc Lodge #227, and served as Worshipful Master and various other offices. He was also a member of the Union York Rite Bodies and served as High Priest, Illustrious Master and Commander, and was a 32nd degree Mason, and a member of the Hejaz Shrine Temple. In addition, he served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth Masonic District.

In the Order of the Eastern Star he was a Charter member and a life member of Coleman Chapter No. 261, where he served in many offices and as Worthy Patron a number of times. In the Grand Chapter he served as District Deputy of District 5, Deputy Grand Marshal to the Grand Sentinel, after which he was elected Grand Sentinel. Progressing through the chairs he served as Worthy Grand Patron in 1972-1973 with Sister Margaret Bishop as Worthy Grand Matron. He also served our Order as Grand Lecturer and on many important Grand Chapter Committees. In the General Grand Chapter he served on the Appeals and Grievances Committee during the 1973-1976 Triennium. His excellence for memory work earned him a diploma with both Stars for reciting the entire Ritual from memory. Brother Tom not only stood tall in stature but he stood tall in character and capabilities as well.

As we remember the life of our dearly departed Brother, we might ask, "By what did he pattern his life? And what did he use as a scale for a true man?" We might look to Edgar A. Guest because his creed so well symbolized the life of Brother Tom and we quote:

"To live as gently as I can - To be, no matter where, a man, To take what comes of Good - or ill - and cling to Faith and Honor still - To do my best, and let that stand - the record of my brain and hand - And then - should failure come to me - Still work and hope for victory! To leave some simple mark behind - To keep my having lived in mind - if enmity to aught I show - To be an honest generous foe - To play my part, with no whine - that greater honors are not mine - this I believe is all I need - for my philosophy and My Creed!"

May we all rejoice that our dear friend has now entered the portals of Heaven and dwells with the Good Shepherd whom he served so faithfully while here on this earth.

We offer our sincere sympathy to Sister Mozelle, his wife, his daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

ANNA R. SCHULZ, *Past Grand Matron*  
*Grand Secretary*

IRA M. PARKS  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

*Memorial prepared by Virginia C. Gilreath, Past Grand Matron and  
 Mary B. Fogle, Past Grand Matron*

## In Memoriam

### MAE JEANNETTE ASHFORD MCLEMORE Worthy Grand Matron of South Carolina 1969-1970

*"Beyond the grave, the loved ones gone before  
are waiting to welcome us to our Eternal home."*

Thus in the solitude of her home, Mae Jeanette Ashford McLeMores slipped away to join her loved ones on February 23, 1998 at 6:25 p.m. In our sorrow, we pause to pay tribute to the memory of one of South Carolina Grand Chapter's outstanding Past Grand Matrons, "Sister Mama."

Mae entered this life on December 23, 1910. Born in Columbia, South Carolina, she was one of three daughters born to the late Sudie Gertrude Ashford and Leslie Bryant Ashford. Mae began her adult life by taking the hand of her childhood sweetheart, Archie Furman McLeMores, on December 1, 1928. From this union, they were blessed with three children, Nancy Ruth McLeMores, Joanne McLeMores Moore and Archie Melton McLeMores.

After raising her children, Mae embarked on a career in nursing. She obtained her license after completing the Practical Nursing School Program at Columbia Hospital. She was dedicated and loved her work—retiring from Moncrief Army Hospital at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Her faith in God was deep and abiding. She was a member of Greenlawn Baptist Church and enjoyed attending services each Sunday.

Sister Mae was a Life Member of Columbia Chapter No. 59. She was initiated on November 22, 1947 and served as Worthy Matron in 1958-1959. Her loyalty was *always* to her Chapter *first*. When she passed away she was holding the office of Adah. The climax of her Eastern Star life came on November 22, 1997 when she received her 50-year pin from her Chapter. It was proudly presented to her by her daughter, Nancy, in a touching courtesy. As we look back, it was the last meeting either were able to attend.

Sister Mae also took an active part in Grand Chapter. She served as District Deputy in the Tenth District, Grand Representative of Virginia in South Carolina, Grand Ruth, was elected Associate Grand Conductress in 1966 and moved up the line, serving as Worthy Grand Matron in 1969-1970 with Brother William T. Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron. In 1971 she was elected to a three-year term on the board of Grand Trustees. Sister Mae also held positions on numerous Grand Chapter Committees. In 1979 Sister Thelma Bailey, Most Worthy Grand Matron, appointed her to the Credentials Committee in General Grand Chapter.

"RUTH'S GOLDEN LIGHT SESSION" at Grand Chapter in June 1970 concluded a successful and happy year for Sister Mae as Worthy Grand Matron. Truly her theme "to light the lamp of human kindness wherever we may go so that all might feel the warmth of love" was exemplified through the labyrinth of her life. She used "the Holy Bible" as her Guide, "the Lighted Lamp" as her Symbol and "to do good and help others, especially our Sisters and Brothers" as her aim.

The last few years of her life were devoted to caring for her daughter Nancy, during her prolonged illness. As they lived together for so many years, so their final days, at home together they waited with their family, for God's call. . . . On the last day, when Nancy took wing for her Eternal Home in a wink of God's eye, Mae followed.

To her daughter, JoAnne, her son Archie, her granddaughters Stephanie and Melissa, her grandson Archie and her sister Margaret, we extend our deepest sympathies and the hope that the words from her "Prayer" will be of some comfort. . . .

*"I do not know how long I'll live,  
But while I live, Lord, let me give."*

Be it resolved that: As a tribute to her memory, this Memorial be read at the first stated meeting in each Subordinate Chapter after it is received; and that the Altar be draped for thirty days.

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
Worthy Grand Matron

ANNA R. SCHULZ, *Past Grand Matron*  
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*Memorial prepared by Judy B. Caldwell, Past Grand Matron and  
Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron*

*In Memoriam*

**NANCY RUTH MCLEMORE**  
**Worthy Grand Patron of South Carolina**  
**1984-1985**

*"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation in my heart,  
 Be acceptable in THY sight, Oh LORD, my Strength, and my Redeemer" —Psalms 19:14*

On February 23, 1998, at 9:05 a.m., Nancy Ruth McLemore took the hand of her Savior and He led her Home. So we pause . . . to reflect and pay tribute to the memory of a Past Grand Matron that will be long remembered and greatly missed.

Nancy Ruth McLemore was born in Columbia, South Carolina on July 5, 1930. She was the first of three children born to the late Mae Jeanette Ashford McLemore and Archie Furman McLemore. She grew up in Columbia and after finishing high school, left home to attend Winthrop College and the University of South Carolina. After finishing college she became a secretary with Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co. On an impulse, Nancy enlisted in the United States Marine Corp. She was stationed at Camp Pendleton, California, promoted to Sergeant, and was selected to attend school in Rhode Island. There she qualified as a court reporter and served with the JAG Unit. After completing her tour of duty, she returned to Columbia and became a civilian employee with the Department of the Army. She was chosen to go to France for three years to fill a position in their Legal Office. She spent the remainder of her career at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, retiring from the Inspector General's Office.

Nancy was a member of Greenlawn Baptist Church in Columbia. She loved her church and was highly regarded by her Pastor and church family.

Sister Nancy was initiated into Columbia Chapter No. 59 on November 12, 1949 and served as Worthy Matron in 1976-1977. She received a Life Membership in 1981, held several appointed offices, and was always eager to pro tem whenever she was asked.

Her first appointment in Grand Chapter was Grand Bible Bearer for her Mother, Sister Mae J. McLemore, Worthy Grand Matron in 1970. She also had appointments as Grand Photographer, Grand Representative of Missouri in South Carolina, served on many Grand Chapter Committees, and was active in the Grand Representative Club. In 1981, she was elected Associate Grand Conductress. Moving up the line, she was elected Worthy Grand Matron in 1984-1985, serving with Brother H. David Brown, Worthy Grand Patron. In 1988, Sister Lois J. Newman, Most Worthy Grand Matron appointed her Chairman of the *Our World of Youth Committee* in General Grand Chapter. Sister Nancy and her committee did an extraordinary job, raising over \$180,000.00 during those three years. For her outstanding efforts, the International Supreme Council of the Order of the Demolay awarded her the "MEDAL OF APPRECIATION," presenting it to her at South Carolina's 1991 Grand Chapter Session. She was the third person and *first woman* in South Carolina to ever receive that award! She also received the Grand Cross of Colors from the Rainbow Girls at their Grand Assembly in 1984.

As Worthy Grand Matron, her "FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP SESSION" in June 1985 climaxed a wonderful year of "Faith . . . Friendship . . . Truth . . . Love." The "Holy Bible" and the "Ritual" were her constant guides and "Psalms 19:14" was her daily prayer.

Although years of declining health was taking its toll, Nancy's faith and determination was strong, allowing her to achieve one last goal. On November 22, 1997, the last meeting she was able to attend, she proudly presented her Mother a 50-year pin.

And then . . .

*"God saw that the road was getting rough, the hills were hard to climb.  
 He gently closed her loving eyes, and whispered, peace be thine."*

Now, as we close the book of her life, we extend to her sister and brother JoAnn and Archie, her nieces Stephanie (her godchild) and Melissa, and her nephew "Mac," our love and deepest sympathies.

Be it resolved that: As a tribute to her memory, this Memorial be read at the first stated meeting in each Subordinate Chapter after it is received; and that the Altar be draped for thirty days.

LYNDA K. PITTMAN  
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 1984-1985 and Fred R. Caldwell, Past Grand Patron*

In loving memory of of our  
BELOVED  
Sisters and Brothers who have gone  
to live with GOD  
from other Grand Jurisdictions  
we extend our sincere sympathy.

“And Lo! above the shadow of night  
The Star in the EAST shines bright.  
And FAITH lights up the Mourner’s heart  
whose eyes are dimmed with tears,  
So a moment . . . a little while . . . we too  
Shall learn all the love of CHRIST  
At his feet in Paradise.

## In Memoriam

April 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998

A door swings open and our DEAR MEMBERS-FRIENDS slip away,  
 From life's shadows into a bright ETERNAL DAY,  
 'Tis not goodbye, 'Tis only just farewell a little while,  
 So we dry our tears because we know CHRIST IS near.

- Ackerman #198—Sisters Lynette Beck, Gale Randolph and Brothers James Earl Barker and Preston Bonds.
- Adah #6—Sisters Ena A. Brownlee, Virginia M. McPerson, Eula H. Penland, Patsy Schultz, Doris S. Whitmore and Brother James C. Broom.
- Alhambra #60—Sister Margaret Garrison and Brothers John Buss, Leslie T. Garbett and Adelbert J. Conrad.
- Anderson #130—Sisters Margie Lee Crawford, Lizzie Mae Fowler, Virginia Ruth Garrison, Adelia H. McMurtrey, P.M., Lillian M. Morris, Floride R. Prince, Evelyn Sanders, Anna B. Smith and Oveline H. Smith.
- Antioch #291—Sisters Jeannette Baker, P.M. and Margaret E. James.
- Aynor #279—Brothers Barry Depew, P.P., Charlie Moore, W.P. and Henry Neal Smith.
- Azalea #192—Sisters Essie DeRoss, Lorena Lewis, W.M., Elizabeth Ruddock, Corine Yurinko and Brother Lloyd Ramsey.
- Ballentine #280—Sisters Julia Pearl Eleazer, Lugenia Mack, Nannie Richardson, P.M. and Brother J. Herbert Sites.
- Beaufort #133—Sisters Juanita Berry, P.M., Eveline Phillips, P.M. Ethel Rabinowitz and Brother Derby D. Anderson.
- Belton #105—Sister Ruth Harnesburger.
- Benton #172—Sisters Erline Hopkins, Rosa L. McGee, Miriam M. Watford and Brother Frank Bleignier.
- Bethlehem #129—Sister Cora A. Brazell.
- Bethune #96—Sister Louise T. Lee.
- Betsy Ross #189—Sister Thelma Spear and Brother Peter M. Chup.
- Beuclare #20—Sisters Grace T. Bryant, P.M., Louise Haley and Mary Elizabeth Zollars.
- Bishopville #74—Sisters Olive E. Bramlett, Clairmonde P. Shirley and Brother James R. Bradham, Sr.
- Boiling Springs #283—Sister Maythel A. Robbins and Brother Raymond C. Terrell.
- Boyd Bobo #144—Sisters Frances N. Babb and Sara B. Bell.
- Brandon #92—Sister Dot Turner.
- Calhoun Falls #182—Sisters Eula Bell Hall and Martha Helms.
- Callie Self #199—Brothers Everette E. Ouzts, P.P., and Erich Tuenge, P.P.
- Carolina #25—Sisters Mamie Lou Gatch, Bessie Redman, P.M. and Beulah Sineath, P.M.
- Catawba #131—Sisters Wilda B. Evans, Mildred Godfrey, Mary M. Walters and Brothers Grady Rawls and Samuel Smith, P.P.
- Cayce #260—Brother Lester C. Lucas.
- Charleston #56—Sisters Lola P. Kaiser and Marie A. Skow, P.M.
- Cheraw #158—Sisters Myrl Barnes, Lera Davis, Juanita Gandy and Brother Louis Mercer.
- Chester #15—Sister Mary Johnson, P.M.
- Clemson #191—Sister Pearl Philyaw.

- Clover #133—Sister Ina Faris and Brothers Robert Les Faris, P.P. and Jack Wray, P.P.
- Coleman #261—Sister Lossiep M. Holland and Brother Thomas H. Alled, P.G.P.
- Columbia #59—Sisters Helen E. Arndt, Bobbie Sue Carroll, Sara A. Ellis, Rhoda N. Freeman, P.M., Mae J. McLemore, P.G.M., Nancy Ruth McLemore, P.G.M., Mildred Russell and Brothers George W. Goodson, P.P., Stewart F. Lind, P.P., Donald L. Ross, and Gary F. Vinson, P.P.
- Community #206—Sister Sarah Walker.
- Constellation #97—Sister Hattie W. Baker.
- Corinthian #297—Brothers Wesley Dietrich, P.P. and James Martin.
- Courtenay #184—Sisters Ruby Blackston and Meta Johnston.
- Crocketville #240—Sisters Josephine Harter and Iva Lee Stewart.
- Dentsville #273—Sisters Marcelle Hinson, P.M., Hildegard McCollum, P.M., Teresa B. West and Brother George W. Kistler.
- Dillon #249—Sister Leila Reaves, P.M.
- Dunear #194—Sisters Anna R. Jones and Lois Roddy.
- Easley #200—Sisters Ruby Collins, P.M., Nellie Hood, Nina Kelley, Helen Marshbanks and Brother Dud S. Couch, Jr.
- Edgefield #236—Sister Roxie Hughes.
- Elizabeth McDaniel #115—Sister Thelma Mars and Brother Earle Pleasant.
- Empire #251—Sister Lois Greene and Brothers James P. Clyde and C. Aaron Leopard.
- Eugene #137—Sisters Eunice C. Barrineau, P.M., Esther Moneta Grantham and Janie C. Williams.
- Eutaw #162—Sisters Worthe R. Baker and Mamie Geotz.
- Fairfax #65—Sister Christine Hankins, P.M. and Brother Owen F. Blakeney.
- Faith #167—Sister Madlyn W. McElveen and Brothers Edmond M. DeMar, Daral R. Horne and Randolph M. Smith.
- Fidelity #281—Sister Ethel H. Zittrauer.
- Fort Jackson #253—Sisters Elfrieda E. Shaw, Maria S. Ward and Brothers Dale G. Samide and Howard R. Webb.
- Fort Mill #4—Brother Paul D. Blair, P.P.
- Frances Eugene Harrison #155—Sister Billie Greene, P.M.
- Glendale #175—Sister Elsia Longshore.
- Golden Glow #76—Sisters Kate Box, P.M. & Life Member, Edna Grimes, Arlene Layman and Brothers Alexander Valois and Reese Wheelchel, P.P.
- Great Falls #211—Sister Elva Timmons and Brother B. F. Hudson, P.P.
- Greenville #31—Sisters Louise M. Campbell, Nancy Ellis, Pearl J. Pittman, Elizabeth Wright, P.M. and Brother Frank Perry, P.P.
- Greer #151—Sister Agnes Vaughn.
- Hanahan #250—Brother Maxie Shipp, P.P.
- Harido #161—Sister Mary Cauthen and Brother Bunell Martin.
- Harmony Hope #229—Sisters Mattie Cheek, Elsie H. Minor, P.M. and Brother Nathan M. Brown.
- Hart #300—Brother Walter Theo Lane.
- Hartsville #91—Sisters Alice Boyd, Pearl Gibbons, Ella Hayes, P.M. and Brother James E. Nicholson.
- Hemingway #156—Sisters Alda P. Hanna and Birdie J. Rogers.
- Hillcrest #263—Sister Nellie Allen.
- Honea Path #159—Sister Mildred Brooks.
- Hopewell #238—Sister Georgina Zukle, P.M. and Brother Carles Langson, P.P.
- Indian Land #286—Sister Margaret Keefee and Brother Walter S. Griffin, Sr.

- Inman #169—Sisters Mildred Boyce, Tressie Cartee and Lucille Roper.  
Iris #149—Sisters Wanda Hinson and Margaret Morgan.  
Iva #221—Sister Ronnie G. Hanks, P.M.  
James B. Parrott #9—Sisters Mable C. Davis and Lucile S. Trammell.  
Jessie Belle Shonk #269\_Sister Mary R. Braswell and Brother Bobby Couch.  
John L. Flynn #277—Sister Patricia Klymshyn, P.M. and Brother Adams O. Austin,  
P.P.  
Keowee #128—Sister Francis Banks, P.M.  
Kershaw #94—Sisters Lula Mae Faulkenberry, P.M., Lucille Scott, Wilma Taylor,  
P.M. and Anna Maye Truesdale.  
Lake View #237—Sister Ann H. Hayes.  
Lancaster #146—Brother Ira Lee Hinson, P.P.  
Leonora #30—Sisters Zelma A. Bell, Elma G. Hatfield, Mildred R. Saverence. Alma  
Shaw, and Brothers Percy B. Anderson and Ray Sunderland.  
Leslie Zemp #111—Sisters Louise McCoy and Mabel K. Teal.  
Lexington #176—Sisters Madelyn W. Matthews and Gloria C. Thomas.  
Lillie #27—Sisters Faye Black and Rita Chisolm.  
Little Mountain #276—Sister Annie Laura Harmon.  
Lone Oak #208—Brother Home Allen.  
Loris #106—Sister Eugenia Keighley and Brothers Carnigie P. Brewer and Rev.  
Burroughs Carter.  
Lower Richland #294—Sister Sue Beckham and Brothers Harry Clark and Leonard  
"Woody" Woodall.  
Loyalty #136—Sister Virginia Cooper.  
Lugoff-Elgin #298—Sisters Sallie O'Quinn and Elizabeth Williams.  
Lyman #299—Sisters Meriam Jean Berry, Catherine Bright, Omazelle Hendereson  
and Daisy Hicks.  
Martha #79—Sister Helen O'Dell Martin.  
Mary Heyward #124—Sister Jewel R. Smith.  
Mary Montgomery #231—Sister Annie Faye Genobles and Brothers William Hall,  
Clyde Moore and Martin Smith, P.P.  
Mary Pinckney Ouzts #1—Sisters Kaye Campbell, Vannie Garrett, Jacqueline  
Gossett, Evelyn Kinney, P.M. and Brothers David Crofts, John W. Edwards and  
Quincy Hollingsworth.  
Mine #179—Brother Julius R. Hendrix.  
Monaghan #82—Sisters Georgia Cook, Williadene Jones, Harriette F. Mintz,  
Cornelin Thomas and Brothers Wallace Bishop, Preston Cash and Harvey C.  
Jenkins.  
Myrtle Beach #180—Sisters Lorraine F. Johnson, Dorothy H. Newby and Brothers  
Wilbur T. Baker and Arthur B. Vereen.  
Newberry #226—Sister Annette Jones Ray and Brother Frederick Dale Comter.  
New Brookland #104—Brother H. J. Jackson.  
New Prospect #207—Sister Margaret M. Wingo.  
North Charleston #100—Sisters Della Bowers, P.M., Frances F. Bryant, Ruby P.  
Donnelly and Martha H. Peters.  
Oliver #274—Sister Alice B. Hutto.  
Ora #153—Sister Eva Mae Lindsey and Brothers Harold E. Cordell and Belton  
Thomas.  
Pageland #258—Sister Gwendolyn W. Miles.  
Pelzer #84—Sisters Sara McClellion and Beulah Chapman.  
Piedmont #108—Sisters Frances G. Allen, Jessie Cox, Novella Davenport, Willie C.  
King, P.M., and Evelyn Simmons.

- Queen Esther #139—Sisters Marie Gutherie and Vada Wood.
- Reidville #46—Sisters Ruth B. Bennett, P.M. and Mildred S. Pearson, P.M. and Chart and Member.
- Richburg #213—Brother Charles Cameron, P.P.
- Ridge #222—Sister Elizabeth Cato, P.M. and Brother Thomas G. Quarles, W.P.
- Roebuck #216—Brother Wilbert Foster, P.P.
- Rosemary #195—Sister Ella Henry, P.M. and Brother Isaac Brunson, P.P.
- Roy O. Adams #289—Sisters Winnoa P. Adams and Ruth B. Inman.
- Ruth #12—Sister Ruby Gaffney.
- St. Andrews #271—Sisters Margie Drafts, Beth A. Sparks and Brother Jake H. Arnold, P.P.
- St. David's #163—Sisters Catherine Garland, P.M., Edna Ruthven and Dolly Stokes, P.M.
- St. George #166—Sisters Miriam C. Lott, P.M. and Ersie H. Patrick, P.M.
- Saluda #8—Sister Claudia Setzler.
- Sam Poe #123—Sisters Hazel Cannon, Frances Duncan, Kathleen Smith and Brother James Claude Mangun, P.P.
- Shandon #193—Sisters Elsie L. Estes, sBeulah McManus and Flossie Yongue.
- Simpsonville #90—Sisters Marilyn Bowman, Emma Lee Garrett and Brother Fred Carlisle.
- Socastee #301—Sister Camille Bartow.
- Starlight #241—Brother Daniel Walker, P.P.
- Stella Vitae #99—Sister Augusta Kinard.
- Summerville #143—Sisters Barbara Bryant, Mildred Malone, Frances Weber and Brothers Harry J. Croom and Louis A. Klauber.
- Sumter #188—Sisters Velma K. Brown, Marguerite D. Davis, Elizabeth (Janie) T. Mims, Hattie B. Mooneyhan, P.M., Sophie A. Wolski and Brother David Kee Mobley.
- Swamp Fox #87—Sister Dorothy B. Atkinson.
- Tallulah #16—Sisters Irene Ferguson, Kate McDowell and Brother George Tucker.
- Travelers Rest #205—Brother Eugene Hogan, P.P.
- Tyger #242—Sister Maggie Edwards.
- Vance #287—Sister Susie Blount.
- W. S. Richbourg #80—Sister Mable C. Cartee.
- Waccamaw #89—Sister Lucille Davis and Brother Hoyt W. Grainger.
- Wagener #38—Brother James A. McLane.
- Walhalla #134—Sisters Agnes Green Jones and Lillian Kelley Sloan.
- Walterboro #147—Brother Charles Grace.
- Westminster #103—Sisters Maudie Smith, Ella Mae Todd and Brother Jesse R. Dickson,
- Williamston #81—Sisters Ruby Frasier, P.M. and Annie Stone, P.M.
- Winyah #148—Sisters Selena Marie Camlin, P.M., Mary Rampey, Miriam Thomas and Brothers John Camlin and Wilson Reese Hart.
- Woodruff #54—Sisters Antonia Fowler, Nellie Pike, Helen Rhodes, P.M., and Brother Amos Nodine, P.P.
- York #145—Sister Edith Jones.

*"Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows."* Isaiah 53:4

TOTAL (includes our three Past Grands)

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- Most Worthy Grand Matron ..... Flsorence A. Adair (Mrs. Robert F.)  
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- Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron ..... Harles I. Creech (Estelle)  
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- Right Worthy Grand Secretary ..... Betty J. Briggs (Mrs. William R. "Bill")  
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- Right Worthy Grand Treasurer ..... Glenda G. Winchester (Mrs. D. Harold)  
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- Right Worthy Grand Conductress ..... Pat (Patricia) B. Rasmusson (Mrs. Gary N.)  
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- Worthy Grand Marshal ..... Evelyn C. Frye (Mrs. George H.)  
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- Worthy Grand Esther ..... Dawn E. Wilson (Ms.)  
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- Worthy Grand Martha ..... Helen E. Milbourne (Mrs. Louis V.)  
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Helen D. Roguemore Cox (Mrs. Kirby W.), ° 1985-1988  
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## GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

Most Worthy Grand Matrons and Most Worthy Grand Patrons  
Since Organization

Year	Worthy Grand Matron	Year	Worthy Grand Patron
1876	•Mrs. Elizabeth Butler, Illinois	1876	•John D. Vincil, D.D., Missouri
1878	•Mrs. Elmira Foley, Missouri	1878	•Thomas M. Lamb, Massachusetts
1880	•Mrs. Lorraine J. Pitkin, Illinois	1880	•Willis Brown, Kansas
1883	•Mrs. Jennie E. Matthews, Iowa	1883	•Rollin C. Caskill, California
1886	•Mrs. Mary A. Flint, California	1886	•Jefferson S. Conover, Michigan
1889	•Mrs. Nettie Ransford, Indiana	1889	•Benjamin Lynds, Missouri
1892	•Mrs. Mary C. Snedden, Kansas	1892	•James R. Donnell, Arkansas
1895	•Mrs. Hattie E. Ewing, Massachusetts	1895	•H. Harrison Hinds, Michigan
1898	•Mrs. Laura B. Hart, Texas	1898	•Nathaniel A. Gerhart, Minnesota
1901	•Mrs. Madeline B. Conkling, Oregon	1901	•L. C. Williams, Washington, D.C.
1904	•Mrs. Ella E. Washburn, Wisconsin	1904	•Dr. W. F. Kuhn, Missouri
1907	•Mrs. M. Alice Miller, Oklahoma	1907	•Wm. H. Norris, Iowa
1910	•Mrs. Rata A. Mills, Pennsylvania	1910	•Rev. Willis D. Engle, Indiana
1913	•Mrs. Emma C. Ocobock, Michigan	1913	•George A. Pettigrew, South Dakota
1916	•Mrs. Ellie Lines Chaplin, Connecticut	1916	•George M. Hyland, Oregon
1919	•Mrs. Cora R. Frants, Florida	1919	•Alfred C. McDaniel, Texas
1923	•Mrs. Clara Hendrick, Kentucky	1923	•Dr. Will W. Grow, Missouri
1925	•Mrs. Emma P. Chadwick, Washington	1925	•J. Ernest Teare, Ohio
1928	•Mrs. Mildred K. Schanbacher, Ontario	1928	•Philip A. Jerguson, Massachusetts
1931	•Mrs. Francis Haun, Tennessee	1931	•Hon. John Hommill, Iowa
1934	•Mrs. Anna W. Smalley, Montana	1934	•William A. Duwall, Maryland
1937	•Mrs. Effie Easton, California	1937	•Frank W. Lynn, Texas
1940	•Mrs. Mamie Lander, Florida	1940	•Charles H. Townsend, Wyoming
1943	•Mrs. Olga Phillips, Kansas	1943	•Harold T. Landeryon, Nebraska
1946	•Mrs. Eva H. Hamilton, Illinois	1946	•R. Donald Stewart, New Brunswick
1949	•Mrs. Abbie Hanson, Indiana	1949	•Franklin W. L. Miles, Massachusetts
1952	•Mrs. Ruth A. Jones, Connecticut	1952	•Wilbur H. Cramblet, West Virginia
1955	•Mrs. Florence A. Plummer, Pennsylvania	1955	•Lloyd K. McRae, Oregon
1958	•Mrs. Juanita D. Kilpin, Oklahoma	1958	•Hugh J. Tamisiea, Iowa
1961	•Mrs. Mildred H. Harris, Texas	1961	•George F. Hastings, Colorado
1964	•Mrs. Josephine H. Browning, Kentucky	1964	•Walter L. Fowler, Washington, D.C.
1967	•Mrs. Sayda Pettersen, Wisconsin	1967	•Mr. Edward V. Long, Missouri
1970	•Mrs. Mae Michelson, Wyoming	1970	•Mr. Robert Clark, Virginia
1973	•Mrs. Marguerite Kennerdell, Ohio	1973	•Mr. Laverne Courtney, Michigan
1976	•Mrs. Mabel Mackereth, Ontario	1976	•Mr. William E. George, Arkansas
1979	•Mrs. Thelma Bailey, California	1979	•Mr. Everett Newman, Louisiana
1982	•Mrs. Carol Strizek, Washington	1982	•Mr. David J. Miller, Indiana
1985	Mrs. Helen D. Roquemore Cox, Georgia	1985	Mr. Ray W. McRoberts, Arizona
1988	Mrs. Lois T. Newman, Missouri	1988	Mr. Edward F. McDonald, Mississippi
1991	Mrs. Virginia M. Painter, Connecticut	1991	Mr. Ray G. Osborne, Tennessee
1994	Mrs. Maxine Flint Justice, West Virginia	1994	Mr. Robert L. Baker, Virginia
1994	Mrs. Florence A. Adair, Michigan	1997	Mr. Lennart A. Johnson, Illinois

## GRAND CHAPTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons  
Since Organization

Year	Worthy Grand Matron	Year	Worthy Grand Patron
1907	•Mrs. Mary P. Ouzts, Greenwood	1907	•H. P. Boggs, Seneca (Suspended)
1908	•Mrs. Mary P. Ouzts, Greenwood	1908	Rev. L. R. Cahall (Expelled)
1909	•Mrs. Annie Lee Anderson, Chester (Suspended)	1909	•D. A. G. Ouzts, Greenwood
1910	•Mrs. Tallulah L. Cudd, Spartanburg	1910	•D. A. G. Ouzts, Greenwood
1911	•Mrs. Tallulah L. Cudd, Spartanburg	1911	•D. A. G. Ouzts, Greenwood
1912	•Miss Nancy L. Bennett, Greer	1912	•W. C. Davis, Manning (Demitted)
1913	•Mrs. Nancy L. Bennett, Greer	1913	•W. C. Davis, Manning (Demitted)
1914	•Miss Leilah F. Attaway, Saluda	1914	•Kenneth Baker, Greenwood
1915	•Mrs. Lou Hughes Monk, Campobello	1915	•Kenneth Baker, Greenwood
1916	•Mrs. Lou Hughes Monk, Campobello	1916	•Julius E. Cogwell, Charleston
1917	†Miss Annie H. Manning, Clio	1917	•Julius E. Cogwell, Charleston
1918	•Mrs. Hattie J. Breuer, Charleston	1918	•Delane C. McAlister, Columbia
1919	•Mrs. Hattie J. Breuer, Charleston	1919	•Fred C. Hatchett, Spartanburg
1920	•Mrs. Naomi R. Hunsinger, Greenville	1920	•Fred C. Hatchett, Spartanburg
1921	•Mrs. Elizabeth F. McDaniel, Columbia	1921	•Lucius L. Baker, Bishopville
1922	•Miss Lucia H. Barksdale, Laurens	1922	•Robert Lee Ramsey, Saluda
1923	•Mrs. Mamie M. Dodd, Greenville	1923	•C. Aubrey Gilbert, McCormick
1924	•Mrs. Carolyn N. Wynn, N. Augusta	1924	•Thomas Lane Monroe, Laurens
1925	•Mrs. Clady M. Griffin, Arcadia	1925	•Feton Bayard Culley, N. Augusta
1926	•Miss Maida W. Westmoreland, Greer	1926	•Enoch S. C. Baker, Conway
1927	•Mrs. Margaret L. Evans, Marion	1927	Robert L. Plaxico (Demitted)
1928	•Mrs. Ruth DuBose Lawrence, Sumter	1928	•Charles F. Mercer, Columbia
1929	•Mrs. Ruth Bigby Danielson, Columbia	1929	•C. Lloyd Ford, Conway
1930	•Mrs. Pearl M. Monroe, Laurens	1930	•Dr. Edgar P. DuRant, Sumter
1931	•Mrs. Sara E. Hill, Greenville	1931	Perry T. Hawkins, Spartanburg
1932	•Mrs. Emmie B. Edmondson, Charleston	1932	•Thomas W. Hornsby, Columbia
1933	•Mrs. Mattie S. Creed, Camden	1933	•Lewis G. Fultz, Moncks Corner
1934	•Mrs. Ruth R. Easterling, Columbia	1934	•J. Herbert Powell, Waterloo
1935	•Mrs. Kathryn H. Carter, Greenville	1935	•O. Pennington, Columbia
1936	•Mrs. Edith B. Clarke, Florence	1936	•Boyd B. Bobo, Tacaqu
1937	•Mrs. Mae Belle L. Clark, Greeleyville	1937	•G. I. Knobloch, Charleston
1938	•Mrs. Thelma R. Cuttino, Sumter	1938	•Howard H. Eleazer, Columbia
1939	•Mrs. Blanche S. Starnes, Rock Hill	1939	•Clyde R. Duckett, Greenville
1940	•Mrs. Eva B. Land, Buffalo	1940	•Marion A. Todd, Charleston
1941	•Mrs. Elma B. Rodgers, Beaufort	1941	•Lawrence M. Peebles, Bishopville
1942	•Mrs. Vivian Turnage, Hartsville	1942	•J. E. Ross, Camden
1943	•Mrs. Christine F. Powell, Waterloo	1943	R. F. Mitchell, Greenville
1944	•Mrs. Eleanor Evans, Columbia	1944	•J. F. Lyndon, Sumter
1945	•Mrs. Alice Wyman, Greenville	1945	•Hugh N. Layne, Roebuck
1946	•Mrs. Cora Lee Hays, Graniteville	1946	•L. A. Turnage, Hartsville
1947	•Mrs. Minnie H. Caudle, Columbia	1947	•Thomas E. Christenberry, Greenville
1948	•Mrs. Lillian H. Long, Charleston	1948	•J. C. Reade, Walterboro
1949	•Mrs. Flossie C. Miller, Union	1949	•Abe Wyman, Greenville
1950	•Mrs. Thelma Todd Friday, Charleston	1950	•A. P. Harris, Darlington
1951	•Mrs. Nelleene M. Alley, Glendale	1951	•Derald H. McMillan, Charleston
1952	•Mrs. Rose F. Heiden, Lake City (Demitted)	1952	•W. J. Lawrence, Jr., Sumter
1953	•Mrs. Mary B. Fogle, Pelion	1953	•George H. Parks, Sr., Woodruff
1954	•Mrs. Alif B. Shaw, Florence	1954	•J. R. Hays, Sr., Graniteville
1955	•Mrs. Bettie W. Garrenton, Sumter	1955	•Arthur E. Garrenton, Sumter
1956	•Mrs. Rean C. Yarborough, Timmonsville	1956	Vernon B. Kiser, Bowman
1957	•Mrs. Eva H. Long, Georgetown	1957	•Arthur H. Burton, N. Charleston
1958	•Mrs. Irene Whittington, Ware Shoals	1958	William B. Hunnicutt, Seneca
1959	•Mrs. Evelyn C. Parks, Woodruff	1959	•T. C. Kistler, Darlington
1960	•Mrs. Cecil M. Corley, Greenwood	1960	•J. Roy Alley, Glendale
1961	•Mrs. Ruby B. Manly, Greenville	1961	P. G. Barnett, Jr., Aiken
1962	•Mrs. Mildred B. Garrington, Sumter	1962	•Keith W. Seyle, Charleston
1963	•Mrs. Zoie M. Padgett, Hampton	1963	•Ceil E. Mason, Hampton
1964	•Mrs. Beatrice M. Kay, Belton	1964	•Robert P. Kurtze, Aiken
1965	•Mrs. Grace R. Harrelson, Mullins	1965	•Hudson H. Harrelson, Mullins
1966	•Mrs. Lounette V. Cudd, Charleston	1966	•J. Colin Whittington, Ware Shoals
1967	•Mrs. Nada Williams, Yemassee	1967	James D. Perry, Newberry
1968	•Mrs. Elizabeth Barnett, Aiken	1968	•Mr. Charles McKinney, Belton
1969	•Mrs. Mae McLemore, Columbia	1969	Mr. William T. Johnson, Columbia
1970	•Mrs. Willie Mae Batson, Charleston	1970	Mr. Lerans Welch, Sumter
1971	•Miss Bess Mae Walsh, Florence	1971	•Mr. Harold Crouch, Graniteville
1972	•Mrs. Margaret Bishop, Spartanburg	1972	•Mr. Thomas H. Allred, Carlisle
1973	•Mrs. Frances Burgess, Rock Hill	1973	•Mr. Lucius Todd, Anderson
1974	•Mrs. Hannah Lee Malphrus, Ridgeland	1974	•Mr. Donald Titus, Charleston
1975	•Mrs. Jewel McJunkin, Seneca	1975	•Mr. R. H. Clemmer, Jr., Orangeburg

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**Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons  
Since Organization—Continued**

Year	Worthy Grand Matron	Year	Worthy Grand Patron
1976	Mrs. Irma H. Perry, Newberry	1976	Mr. Robert E. Cudd, N. Charleston
1977	Mrs. Ruth Reynolds, Burton	1977	Mr. Ralph Horton, Rock Hill (Expelled)
1978	Mrs. Glenda Winchester, Six Mile	1978	Mr. Harold Salley, Hodges
1979	Mrs. Frankie Wynne, W. Columbia	1979	Mr. John D. Arant, Heath Springs
1980	Mrs. Doris Johnson, Loris	1980	Mr. Robert L. Pittman, Columbia
1981	•Mrs. Lillian Smith, Myrtle Beach	1981	Mr. Caldwell Hinson, Lancaster
1982	Miss Elaine M. Burgess, Travelers Rest	1982	Mr. J. Earl McAlister, Travelers Rest
1983	Mrs. Peggy Tucker, Rock Hill	1983	Mr. Billy J. Graves, N. Charleston
1984	•Miss Nancy R. McLemore, Columbia	1984	Mr. H. David Brown, Cayce
1985	Mrs. Anna Schulz, Sumter	1985	Mr. Vernon D. Force, Prosperity
1986	Mrs. Susan L. Johnson, Loris	1986	Mr. Charles "Pete" Peterson, Columbia
1987	•Mrs. Margaret Poston, Florence	1987	Mr. Walter H. "Hal" Keasler, Summerton
1988	Mrs. Katie J. Benjamin, Aynor	1988	Mr. D. Harold Winchester, Six Mile
1989	Mrs. Mary Ann Parks, Columbia	1989	Mr. A. Jack Hydriek, Gaston
1990	•Mrs. Shirley M. Stuart, Ladson	1990	Mr. George R. Leighton, Mt. Pleasant
1991	Mrs. Judy B. Caldwell, Columbia	1991	Mr. Fred R. Caldwell, Columbia
1992	Mrs. Virginia C. Gilreath, Great Falls	1992	Mr. Thomas W. Swindler, Charleston
1993	Mrs. Marlene S. Wilds, Inman	1993	Mr. James D. Roddy, Jr., Taylors
1994	Mrs. Celia F. Bradshaw, Georgetown	1994	Mr. William Glen Cox, Fair Play
1995	Mrs. Dorothy H. Mitchum, Hampton	1995	Mr. Gerald E. Stobby, Clemson
1996	Mrs. Jacqueline H. Fowler, Greenville	1996	Mr. J. R. "Ray" Wilds, Inman
1997	Mrs. Lynda K. Pittman, Columbia	1997	Mr. Ira M. Parks, Columbia

• Deceased  
† Chapter Defunct

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PAST GRAND MATRONS  
AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA**

Mrs. Eva B. Land, 512 Academy St. ....	Clinton 29325
Mrs. Mary B. Fogle, 460 Main St. ....	Pelion 29123
Mrs. Rean C. Yarborough, Route No. 3, Box 192 .....	Timmonsville 29161
Mr. Vernon B. Kiser, P.O. Box 445 .....	Bowman 29018
Mr. William B. Hunnicutt, 825 Shiloh Rd. ....	Seneca 29678
Mrs. Cecil M. Corley, 210 E. Sproles St. ....	Greenwood 29646
Mrs. Ruby B. Manly, 413 Leyswood Dr. ....	Greenville 29615
Mr. P. G. Barnett, Jr., 124 Savannah Lane .....	West Columbia 29169
Mrs. Nada Williams, Rt. 1, Box 68-A .....	Yemassee 29945
Mr. James D. Perry, 2110 Adelaide St. ....	Newberry 29108
Mrs. Elizabeth Barnett, 124 Savannah Lane .....	West Columbia 29169
Mr. William T. Johnson, 1915 Long Shadow Ln. ....	Columbia 29223
Mrs. Willie Mae Batson, 17 Stocker St. ....	Charleston 29407
Mr. Lerans Welch, P.O. Box 245 .....	Sumter 29150
Miss Bessie Mae Walsh, 1016 Alton Cir. ....	Florence 29501
Mrs. Margaret Bishop, 7534 Valley Falls Road .....	Spartanburg 29303
Mrs. Frances L. Burgess, 2164 Poinsett Dr. ....	Rock Hill 29730
Mr. Lucius A. Todd, 614 Heyward Rd. ....	Anderson 29621
Mrs. Hannah Lee Malphrus, P.O. Box 246 .....	Ridgeland 29936
Mr. Donald R. Titus, P.O. Box 509 .....	Edisto Island 29438
Mrs. Jewel McJunkin, 519 Seneca Dr. ....	Seneca 29678
Mr. Russell H. Clemmer, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 724 .....	Orangeburg 29116
Mrs. Irma H. Perry, 2110 Adelaide .....	Newberry 29108
Mr. Robert E. Cudd, 5238 Parkside Dr. ....	North Charleston 29406
Mrs. Ruth Reynolds, Rt. 2, Box 67B .....	Adrian, Georgia 31002

Mrs. Glenda Winchester, Box 70 .....	Six Mile 29682
Mr. Harold Salley, Rt. 1, Box 10A .....	Salley 29137
Mrs. Frankie C. Wynne, 2736 Platt Springs Rd .....	West Columbia 29170
Mr. John D. (Ted) Arant, 4443 Kershaw Camden Hwy. ....	Heath Springs 29058
Mrs. Doris Johnson, 511 Hulls Island Road .....	Loris 29569
Mr. Robert L. Pittman, 3930 Broad River Rd., Apt. D-2 .....	Columbia 29210
Mr. Caldwell Hinson, 1115 Chesterfield Ave. ....	Lancaster 29720
Mrs. Elaine M. Burgess, 2900 Hwy. 414 .....	Taylors 29687
Mr. J. Earl McAlister, 13 South Pointset Hwy. ....	Travelers Rest 29690
Mrs. Peggy C. Tucker, 1658 Estes Drive .....	Rock Hill 29732
Mr. Billy J. Graves, 7720 Northaven Drive .....	North Charleston 29420
Mr. H. David Brown, 1800 Dunbar Rd. ....	Cayce 29033
Mrs. Anna R. Schulz, 627 Baldwin St. ....	Sumter 29150
Mr. Vernon D. Force, P.O. Box 366 .....	Prosperity 29127
Mrs. Susan L. Johnson, 1 Seahorse Lane .....	Loris 29569
Mr. Charles A. "Pete" Peterson, 9804 Chelsea Road .....	Columbia 29223
Mr. Walter H. "Hal" Keasler, 220 Chuker Drive .....	Summerville 29483
Mrs. Katie J. Benjamin, P.O. Box 248 .....	Aynor 29511
Mr. D. Harold Winchester, P.O. Box 70 .....	Six Mile 29682
Mrs. Mary Ann Parks, 1644 Overhill Rd. ....	Columbia 29223
Mr. A. Jack Hydrick, 943 Meadowfield Rd. ....	Gaston 29053
Mr. George R. Leighton, 744 Powhatan Ave. ....	Mt. Pleasant 29464
Mrs. Judy B. Caldwell, 1024 Eastmont Dr. ....	Columbia 29209
Mr. Fred R. Caldwell, 1024 Eastmont Dr. ....	Columbia 29209
Mrs. Virginia C. Gilreath, 112 Lybrand St. ....	Great Falls 29055
Mr. Thomas W. Swindler, 5310 Albert St. ....	Charleston 29418
Mrs. Marlene S. Wilds, 511 Windmill Hill Rd. ....	Inman 29349
Mr. James D. Roddy, Jr., 1208 Brushy Creek Rd. ....	Taylors 29687
Mrs. Celia F. Bradshaw, P.O. Box 226 .....	Georgetown 29442
Mr. William Glen Cox, P.O. Box 238 .....	Fair Play 29643
Mrs. Dorothy H. Mitchum, Rt. 1 Box 98 .....	Hampton 29924
Mr. Gerald E. Stobby, 202 Lancelot Drive .....	Clemson 29631
Mrs. Jacqueline H. Fowler, 40 Montis Drive .....	Greenville 29617
Mr. J. B. "Ray" Wilds, 511 Windmill Hill Road .....	Inman 29349
Mrs. Lynda K. Pittman, 3930 Broad River Rd., Apt. D-2 .....	Columbia 29210
Mr. Ira M. Parks, 1644 Overhill Road .....	Columbia 29223

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF GRAND SECRETARIES  
WITH MONTHS OF GRAND CHAPTER SESSIONS**

Alabama (October) .....	Jacqueline B. Motley, P.G.M. P.O. Box 3067, Montgomery 36109
Alberta (June) .....	Mrs. Linda Groot 7936 Huntwick Crescent N.E., Calgary, AB Canada T2K 4N8
Arizona (March) .....	Billee Heberling P.O. Box 26941, Phoenix 85068
Arkansas (December) .....	Mrs. Theda Ezell, P.G.M. 15453 Ezell Rd., Siloam Springs 72761
Australia (June) .....	Mrs. Elaine O'Brien, P.M.W.G.M. 92 First Avenue, Berala NSW 2141
British Columbia (May) .....	Mrs. Lillian Massey 33537 Blueberry Dr., Mission, B.C. V2V 6J1
California (October) .....	Mrs. Shirley Orth 722 Flood Bldg., 870 Market St., Suite 722, San Francisco 94102

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF GRAND SECRETARIES  
WITH MONTHS OF GRAND CHAPTER SESSIONS—continued**

Colorado (September) .....	Mrs. Donna Haas 2445 South Quebec St. Suite B, Denver 80231
Connecticut (April) .....	Mrs. Meryon S. Miner, P.G.M. Vernon Prof. Bldg., G-4 281 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon 06066
Delaware (May) .....	Mrs. Vickie J. Nicklas 124 Oak Road, Manticoke Acres, Seaford 19973
District of Columbia (May) .....	Mrs. Helen C. Martin 122 C. Street N.W. 20001
Florida (April) .....	Mrs. Bobbie P. Davidson, P.G.M. P.O. Box 1056, Havana 32333
Georgia (June) .....	Mrs. Wilda B. Smith, P.G.M. P.O. Box 1585, Griffin 30224
Idaho (June) .....	Mrs. Pauline Grant P.O. Box 307, Horsehoe Bend 83629
Illinois (October) .....	Mrs. Eileen Cole P.O. Box 317, Macon 62544-0317
Indiana (April) .....	Mrs. Beulah Jones P.O. Box 86, Franklin 46131
Iowa (October) .....	Mrs. Donna Hodge, P.G.M. P.O. Box 158, Marion 52302
Kansas (April) .....	Mrs. Nancy A. Wentling 1109 South Topeka Avenue, Topeka 66612
Kentucky (October) .....	Mrs. Peggy Black 102 Washington St., P.O. Box 7, La Grange 40031
Louisiana (March) .....	Mrs. Margie A. Whelchel, P.G.M. P.O. Box 603, Westlake 70669-0603
Maine (May) .....	Mrs. Barbara C. Russell P.O. Box 99, Lincoln 04457
Manitoba (May) .....	Ms. Elizabeth Evans 52-525 Cathcart Street, Winnipeg, MB R3R 0S6
Maryland (April) .....	Mrs. Leona F. Vincent, P.G.M. Mt. Nebo Masonic Temple, 9420 Belair Rd., Baltimore 21236
Massachusetts (May) .....	Mrs. Joanne H. Langevin, P.G.M. Box 325, 302 Walnut Street, Newtonville 02160
Michigan (October) .....	Mrs. Geraldine Roe P.O. Box 26, Comstock 49041
Minnesota (May) .....	Mr. Glen Carlson, P.G.P. 6121 Excelsior Blvd., Suite 210, Minneapolis 55416-2772
Mississippi (April) .....	Mrs. Louise W. Putt, P.G.M. P.O. Box 142, Booneville, MS 38829-0142
Missouri (October).....	Mrs. Muriel D. Jannusch 3681 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis 63108
Montana (June) .....	Mrs. Norma Berry P.O. Box 306, 107 N. Main, Bridger 59014
Nebraska (May) .....	Mrs. Shirley Frink Box 156, Fremont 68026
Nevada (October) .....	Mrs. Barbara L. Redmond 1825 Pocono Court, Sparks 89434
New Brunswick (July) .....	Mrs. Laura Swift 701 Blythwood Ave., Riverwood Ave., Riverview, N.B. E1B 2H3
New Hampshire (September) .....	Mrs. Emily M. Johnson, P.G.M. P.O. Box 215, Tilton 03276-0215

- New Jersey (May) ..... Mrs. Anita R. Erickson  
111 FINDERNE AVENUE, BRIDGEWATER 08807
- New Mexico (October) ..... Mrs. Mary Frances Whitlock, P.G.M.  
P.O. Box 52, Hatch 87937-0052
- New York (October) ..... Mrs. Elizabeth L. Pounder  
71 West 23rd Street, New York 10010
- North Carolina (June) ..... Gwendolyn M. Oakley, P.G.M.  
P.O. Box 1398, Mooresville 28115
- North Dakota (June) ..... Mrs. Betty N. Bold, P.G.M.  
P.O. Box 473, Carrington 58421
- Nova Scotia (July) ..... Mrs. Hilda M. Powroz  
26 Redbank Road, Bedford B4A 2V2
- Ohio (October) ..... Mrs. Jean Beck  
P.O. Box 309, Mt. Blanchard 45867
- Oklahoma (October) ..... Mrs. Theda Wise  
4515 South Western, Oklahoma City 73109-3829
- Ontario (September) ..... Mrs. Carol Featherstone  
253 Dominion Street, Strathroy, N7G 3G9
- Oregon (June) ..... Mrs. Gracie Armstrong  
1507-B S.W. MORRISON STREET, PORTLAND 97205
- Pennsylvania (June) ..... Mrs. DeLores M. Hartland  
518 Main Street, Suite 201, Irwin 15642-3432
- Puerto Rico (May)..... Mrs. Maria P. Mulero, P.G.M.  
Villa Fontana, Via 17 LR1, Carolina PR 00983
- Quebec (October) ..... Miss Hazel Alexander, P.G.M.  
2460 Benny Crescent #414, Montreal H4B 2P9
- Rhode Island (October) ..... Mrs. Kathryn A. Newman, P.G.M.  
19 Preston Drive, Warwick 02886
- Saskatchewan (April) ..... Miss Grace Montague  
7-708 Avenue R, North, Saskatoon S7L 3A3
- Scotland (April)..... Mr. James I. Smith  
113 West Regent Street, Suite 201, Glasgow G2 2RU
- South Carolina (June) ..... Mrs. Anna R. Schulz, P.G.M.  
P.O. Box 1251, Sumter 29151
- South Dakota (October)..... Mrs. Norma Deadrick  
Box 487, Platte 57369
- Tennessee (April) ..... Mrs. Bonnie Poindexter, P.G.M.  
1928 Abbott Cove, Cordova 38018
- Texas (October)..... Mrs. Marjorie Errington  
1111 East Division St., Arlington 76011
- Utah (October) ..... Mrs. Ruth E. Lay  
6320 Van Cott Road, Salt Lake City 84121
- Vermont (June) ..... Mrs. Christine Bigelow  
P.O. Box 81, Dandolph Center 05061
- Virginia (May)..... Mrs. Lillian D. White  
P.O. Box 6633, Richmond 23230
- Washington (June)..... Mrs. Jean Sundet  
212 Wells Ave. So., Suite D, Renton 98055-2142
- West Virginia (October) ..... Mrs. Tillie Marcum, P.G.M.  
1037 B Street, P.O. Box 1097, Ceredo 25507
- Wisconsin (May) ..... Mrs. Lois A. Nyman  
36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman 53118-9349
- Wyoming (August) ..... Mrs. Betty Duncan, P.G.M.  
1212 Turkey Track Ln., Gillette 82716

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Jurisdiction	Name and Address	Commission Expires
ALABAMA	Mrs. Kathy Miller, 110 Lake Drive, Blountsville 35031.....	June 22, 1999
ALBERTA	Mr. Joe Sargent, 5201-51 Street, Olds T4H 1H1 .....	May 15, 1999
ARIZONA	Mrs. Hazel Larson, 1425 East 2nd Pl., Mesa 85203 .....	January 01, 2000
ARKANSAS	Mrs. Pamela Cannada, HC 80 Box 59, Marshall 72650.....	March 10, 1999
AUSTRALIA	Mrs. Joan Webster, 41 Selwyn St., Adelong, NSW 2729 .....	Dec. 31, 1999
BRITISH COLUMBIA	Mrs. Grace Weatherhead, Box #814 Nakusp, VOG 1R0 .....	March 31, 1999
CALIFORNIA	Mr. Lowell L. Nichols, 10272 Aurelia Ave., Cypress 90630 .....	September 15, 1998
COLORADO	Mrs. Marie Rousch, 1122 N. 15th St. #612, Cannon City 81212.....	March 10, 1999
CONNECTICUT	Mrs. Eleanor Lianos, 35 Orcutt Ct., North Haven 06473.....	Oct. 01, 1999
DELAWARE	Mrs. Brenda Stineman, 11 Penny Lane, Bear 19701.....	February 01, 1999
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Mrs. Sandra Rosenblatt, 14800 Penfield Cr., Silver Springs 20906.....	Dec. 31, 1998
FLORIDA	Mrs. Frances M. White, 529 W. Devane St., Pensacola 32534.....	April 15, 1999
GEORGIA	Mrs. Merle Lewis, 5508 Bowers Rd., Stone Mountain 30087 .....	February 01, 2000
IDAHO	Mrs. Wanda Hinrichs, 7195 South Meridian Rd., Meridian 83642 .....	Dec. 31, 1999
ILLINOIS	Mrs. Pat Goodman, 25060 Johnson Dr., Oakland 61943.....	May 01, 2001
INDIANA	Mrs. Carolyn Janik, 5841 S. County Road 600 East, Plainfield 46168 .....	January 31, 1999
IOWA	Mrs. Janice Keller, 413 Emerald Street, Onawa 51040 .....	January 01, 1999
KANSAS	Mrs. Mary Glad, P.O. Box 177, Weskan, 67762-0177 .....	April 01, 1999
KENTUCKY	Mr. Tex Sims, 10013 Old Third Street, Louisville 40262.....	January 01, 1999
LOUISIANA	Mrs. Bessie Palmer, 8351 Highway 68, Jackson 70748 .....	Apr. 01, 2000
MAINE	Mrs. Lorraine Casey, 41 Main St., Lubec 04652.....	June 07, 2000
MANITOBA	Mr. Merv Stimpson, Box 181, Strathclair MB ROJ 2C0.....	January 01, 1999
MARYLAND	Mrs. Clara W. Sykes, 2802 Cricklewood Dr., Ft. Washington 20744 .....	March 19, 1999
MASSACHUSETTS	Mr. Charles Peterson, 17 Elizabeth Ave., Westfield 01085.....	March 10, 2000
MICHIGAN	Mrs. Bobbi Kapusto, 202 Jay Street St. Charles 48655-1738 .....	March 01, 1999
MINNESOTA	Mrs. Elizabeth Will, Rt. 2 Box 194, Cohasset 55721 .....	December 31, 1998
MISSISSIPPI	Mr. William Gordon, 7 Palm Drive, Carriere 39426 .....	February 01, 1999
MISSOURI	Mrs. Juanita Copeland, 2284 Louie Drive, Arnold 63010-1850 .....	April 01, 1999
MONTANA	Mrs. Ruth Franks, Box 151, Terry 59349.....	February 15, 1999
NEBRASKA	Mrs. Sandra Panzer, 7201 S. 33rd Street, Bellevue 68147 .....	May 18, 1999
NEVADA	Mrs. Madolyn Tabor, HCR 77, Box 44450, Pahrump 89041.....	July 02, 1999
NEW BRUNSWICK	Mrs. Lynn Hatt, St. George, EOG 2Y0.....	December 31, 1999
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Mr. Russell Wilson, 7027 School St., Loudon 03301 .....	March 01, 2000
NEW JERSEY	Mrs. Carol J. Johnson, 320 Hawkins Road, New Egypt 08514.....	May 01, 1999
NEW MEXICO	Mrs. Sue Hart, P.O. Box 766, Tatum 88267-0766 .....	January 01, 1999
NEW YORK	Mrs. Weldena L. Jenny, 10 Bennett Street, McGraw 13101 .....	February 01, 1999
NORTH CAROLINA	Mr. Frank Foster Davidson, 845 Asbury Rd., Candler 28715 .....	Jan. 01, 2000
NORTH DAKOTA	Mrs. Bonnie Carroll, RR 1, Box 56, Forest River 58233 .....	February 02, 1999
NOVA SCOTIA	Ms. Vera Jean Cavicchi, RR #1, Boutilliers Pt.....	February 01, 2000
OHIO	Mrs. Cinday O'Dell, 712 Boyd Avenue, West Union 45692.....	June 30, 1999
OKLAHOMA	Mrs. Frances George, 400 Riverbluff Road, Idabel 74745 .....	January 01, 1999
ONTARIO	Mrs. Meril Cunningham, P.O. Box 113, Thornton, LOL 2N0 .....	March 12, 2000
OREGON	Mrs. Jean Waite, 2259 Arthur Dr., Reedsport 97467.....	February 01, 2000
PENNSYLVANIA	Mrs. Josephine R. Benjamin, 18 Kingsburg Ave., Towanda 18848 .....	January 01, 1999
PUERTO RICO	Mrs. Margarita Acosta, Calle 2 #17, Panorama Estates, Bayamon .....	April 01, 2000
QUEBEC	Mrs. Ethel Teague, 165 Evelyn Street, Greenfield Park J4V 2S6.....	April 04, 1999
RHODE ISLAND	Mrs. Douglas Connell, 142 Wood Haven Road, Woonsocket 02985 .....	January 05, 1999

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS—Continued

Jurisdiction	Name and Address	Commission Expires
SASKATCHEWAN	—Mrs. Muriel Choma, Box 83, Woodrow SOH 4MO	.....March 01, 1999
SCOTLAND	—Mrs. Ethel Sarti, 15 Grovebury Road, Abbey Wood, London SE2	.....Dec. 31, 2000
SOUTH DAKOTA	—Mrs. Mary Cazer, Box 487, Plankinton 57368	.....July 02, 1999
TENNESSEE	—Ms. Lisa Gardner, 140 Evergreen Dr., Kingsport 37660	.....March 01, 2000
TEXAS	—Mrs. Wanda Hachenbert, 11110 Tom Adams A-3, Austin 78753	.....July 15, 2000
UTAH	—Mrs. Shirley M. Shaffer, 103 East 4th Ave., Dugway 84022	.....February 01, 2000
VERMONT	—Mrs. Barbara Loomis, P.O. Box 72, Hydeville 05750	.....May 14, 2000
VIRGINIA	—Mrs. Judy Knox, 5400 Coventry Cr., Virginia Beach 23462	.....February 06, 2000
WASHINGTON	—Mrs. Julia Johnson, P.O. Box 126, Chinook 98614	.....February 15, 2000
WEST VIRGINIA	—Mr. William Foster, P.O. Box 387, Pratt 25162	.....January 01, 1999
WISCONSIN	—Mrs. Duane Dopkins, N7703 920th St., River Falls 54022	.....January 01, 1999
WYOMING	—Mrs. Imo Harned, 600 N. 5th #5, Douglas 82633	.....Dec. 31, 1999

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Jurisdiction	Name and Address	Commission Expires
ALABAMA	—Mrs. Patricia Trammell, 117 Avery Street, Greenville 29611	.....July 01, 1998
ALBERTA	—Mrs. Virginia G. Wilcox, 1917 Hickory Hill Dr., N Augusta 29841	.....Dec. 31, 1998
ARIZONA	—Mrs. Ruth Gooch, 300 Fairforest Road, Spartanburg 29301	.....January 01, 1999
ARKANSAS	—Mrs. Sarah K. Dixon, 5056 Richburg Road, Richburg 29729	.....June 03, 1999
AUSTRALIA	—Mrs. Lois Watson, c/o Jannie Holland, P. O. Box 2256, Greenwood 29646	.....Dec. 31, 1999
BRITISH COLUMBIA	—Mrs. Arlene Sutherland, P.O. Box 806, Hardeeville 29927	.....Dec. 31, 1999
CALIFORNIA	—Mrs. Jacqueline Sluder, P.O. Box 545, Seneca 29679	.....December 31, 1999
COLORADO	—Mrs. Mary F. Coggins, 1405 Meadowview Ln., Lugoff 29078	.....Oct. 19, 1999
CONNECTICUT	—Mrs. Alma T. Force, P.O. Box 366, Prosperity 29127	.....December 31, 1998
DELAWARE	—Mrs. Virginia Prince, 956 Tram Road, Loris 29569	.....December 31, 1998
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	—Mrs. Dorothy Gerner, 111 King James Rd., Seneca 29678	.....Dec. 31, 1999
FLORIDA	—Mrs. Mattie "Tootsie" Gatlin, 1247 Greenfield Place, Hanahan 29406	.....August 14, 1998
GEORGIA	—Mrs. Ellen Woodall, 953 Veteran Road, Columbia 29209	.....January 01, 2000
IDAHO	—Mr. Carl Kaney, 1221 Decatur St., Cayce 29033	.....Dec. 31, 1999
ILLINOIS	—Mrs. Ann Thompson, 4000 West Pine Rd., Roebuck 29376	.....Aug. 09, 1999
INDIANA	—Mrs. Merle Shields, 135 Valleyhigh Drive, Inman 29349	.....October 10, 1998
IOWA	—Mrs. Michele Meadows, 31 Islander Ct., Garden City 29576	.....April 01, 1999
KANSAS	—Mr. Jerry A Garris, 2901 Lyndell Way, Lancaster 29720	.....Jan. 01, 1999
KENTUCKY	—Mrs. Marion Blackmon, 3572 Flat Creek Road, Lancaster 29720	.....May 01, 1999
LOUISIANA	—Mr. Edward Bigleman, 2108 Londonberry Ln., Cayce 29033	.....May 24, 2000
MAINE	—Mrs. Barbara Smith, P.O. Box 544, Allendale, 29810	.....March 01, 2000
MANITOBA	—Mrs. Patricia M. Caldwell, 3813 Masters Court, Myrtle Beach 29577	.....June 30, 1999
MARYLAND	—Mrs. Lorraine Lambert, 3789 Walker Rd., Georgetown 29440	.....Sept. 30, 1999
MASSACHUSETTS	—Mrs. Dorothy James, P.O. Box 267, Hemingway 29554	.....December 31, 1998
MICHIGAN	—Mr. James T. Ballard, Sr., 102 Coventry Dr., Greenwood 29649	.....June 17, 2000
MINNESOTA	—Mrs. Catherine Pellum, 2978 Cain Slash Road, John's Island 29455	.....December 31, 1998
MISSISSIPPI	—Mrs. Willie Mae Shealy, 3110 Charles St., Newberry 29108	.....December 31, 1999
MISSOURI	—Mrs. Patricia Duncan, 495 Hammett Store Road, Lyman 29365	.....July 01, 1998
MONTANA	—Mrs. Fannie M. Silvia, P.O. Box 95, Gaffney 29342	.....July 15, 1999
NEBRASKA	—Mrs. Caroline S. Brown, 2979 Emmanuel Church Rd., W. Columbia 29170	.....October 01, 1999

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<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Name and Address</b>	<b>Commission Expires</b>
NEVADA	Mrs. Mary Kohli, 211 Old Cedar Point, Chapin 29036	December 31, 1999
NEW BRUNSWICK	Mrs. Joyce Jarrod, Box 1116, Iva 29655	December 31, 1999
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Mrs. Rhonda W. Bryant, 491 Geddis Road, Inman 29349	January 01, 1999
NEW JERSEY	Mr. Oscar McLeod, 402 Drewry Road, Taylors 29687	January 01, 1999
NEW MEXICO	Mr. Edward E. Witte, Jr., 1820 Pebble Rd., Charleston 29407	January 01, 2000
NEW YORK	Mrs. Arlene Beals, 390 Lake Point Road, Fair Play 29643	January 01, 1999
NORTH CAROLINA	Mr. Dale Hoover, 198 Lee Road, Spartanburg 29306	January 01, 1999
NORTH DAKOTA	Ms Mary Donna Pinkston, 834 Ribaut Road, Beaufort 29902	January 01, 1999
NOVA SCOTIA	Mrs. Elizabeth Harper, 105 Chancelor Dr., Simpsonville 29681	December 31, 1998
OHIO	Mr. Harold L. Davis, Route 2 Box 27, Hemingway 29554	January 31, 1999
OKLAHOMA	Mr. Bobby Kemp, 300 Thurston Road, Taylors 29687	July 01, 1998
ONTARIO	Mr. C. McLaughlin, Rt. 1, Box 446B, Cross Hill 29332	January 31, 2000
OREGON	Mrs. Joyce H. Estes, 1130 College Park Rd., Summerville 29483	January 01, 2000
PENNSYLVANIA	Mrs. Marjorie Cobun, 597 Crestview Dr., Summerville 29485	August 15, 1999
PUERTO RICO	Mr. Douglas Carlson, 125 Robin Hood Rd., Elgin 29045	August 31, 1999
QUEBEC	Mrs. Betty Jo Wheeler, 410 Harmony Road, Anderson 29624	May 01, 1999
RHODE ISLAND	Mrs. Ronald Blevins, P.O. Box 25, Marietta 29661	January 01, 2000
SASKATCHEWAN	Mr. Herman Lopore, 822 Flicker Place, Murrells Inlet 29576	December 31, 1998
SCOTLAND	Mrs. Ella Mae Fulmer, 1604 Augusta Road, Warrenville 29851	December 31, 1998
SOUTH DAKOTA	Mr. Tom L. LaFavor, 533 Siskin Cr., North Augusta 29841	April 01, 2000
TENNESSEE	Mrs. Aretta Godbey, 112 David Dr., Lexington 29073	October 15, 1999
TEXAS	Mrs. Mary Etta Helms, 716 Ridgedale Drive, Spartanburg 29301	July 28, 1998
UTAH	Mrs. Nancy Svagerko, 1100 Sterling Oaks Dr., Moncks Corner 29461	December 31, 1999
VERMONT	Mr. James R. Conner, 2771 Dogwood Cr., Rock Hill 29732	January 01, 2000
VIRGINIA	Mrs. Mary Ann Faircloth, 215 Beverly Dr., West Columbia 29169	May 01, 2000
WASHINGTON	Mrs. Gale Rickert, 509 Bayshore Blvd., Goose Creek 29404	June 01, 2000
WEST VIRGINIA	Mr. Earl Green, 122 Moreland Ave., Laurens 29360	January 01, 2000
WISCONSIN	Mr. C. Wilson Coggins, 5281 Bible Church Rd., Spartanburg 29303	January 01, 1999
WYOMING	Mr. Willard F. Bond, Jr., 20 Roslyn Circle, Aiken 29803	December 31, 1998

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS, 1997-1998

Number	CHAPTER	Membership April 1, 1997	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Omitted from former years	Total Increase	Died	Demitted	Suspended	Total Decrease	Membership April 1, 1998
265	Abe Wyman	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	19	0
198	Ackerman	79	1	...	...	1	2	4	1	4	9	72
6	Adah	115	...	4	1	...	5	6	2	...	8	112
127	Agsaloma	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	23
60	Alhambra	133	4	1	1	...	6	4	...	3	7	132
130	Anderson	227	6	3	...	...	9	9	7	6	22	214
291	Antioch	73	8	...	1	...	9	2	...	...	2	80
279	Aynor	61	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	5	8	54
192	Azalea	122	4	...	...	...	4	5	...	4	9	117
280	Ballentine	102	1	...	...	...	1	4	...	2	6	97
174	Batesburg-Leesville	48	7	...	2	...	9	...	3	3	6	51
133	Beaufort	67	2	...	...	...	2	4	1	...	5	64
105	Belton	63	3	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	65
248	Belvedere	47	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	48
172	Benton	61	...	...	...	...	7	4	...	11	15	46
112	Berkeley	95	7	...	...	...	...	1	4	4	2	100
129	Berthelem	92	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	...	9	83
96	Bethune	39	2	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	2	39
189	Betsy Ross	62	3	2	...	...	5	2	...	4	6	61
20	Beuclare	125	8	1	1	...	10	3	1	2	6	129
74	Bishopville	56	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	3	6	50
283	Boiling Springs	40	...	...	1	...	1	2	1	2	5	36
144	Boyd Bobo	75	1	...	...	...	1	2	1	1	4	72
92	Brandon	50	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	5	11	39
29	Brewerton	44	...	2	...	...	2	...	1	2	3	43
182	Calhoun Falls	49	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	47
199	Callie Self	77	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	6	8	69
285	Camp Creek	42	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	44
25	Carolina	59	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	2	5	55
131	Catawba	78	1	...	3	...	4	5	...	...	5	77
260	Cayce	158	2	2	...	...	4	1	...	1	2	160
56	Charleston	63	3	...	3	...	6	2	...	2	4	65
158	Cheraw	70	2	...	...	...	2	4	...	1	5	67
15	Chester	56	2	...	...	...	2	1	1	2	4	51
241	Circle	29	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	31
191	Clemson	73	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	3	70
138	Clover	89	4	...	...	...	4	3	...	2	5	88
261	Coleman	30	...	1	...	...	1	2	4	...	6	25
59	Columbia	183	3	...	...	...	3	11	1	1	13	173
206	Community	37	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	37
97	Constellation	91	4	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	1	94
297	Corinthian	48	3	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	2	49
184	Courthian	41	4	1	...	...	5	2	...	...	2	44
240	Crocketville	28	1	1	...	...	2	2	...	...	2	28
273	Dentsville	150	4	...	1	...	5	4	...	3	7	148
249	Dillon	34	3	...	...	...	3	1	3	...	4	33
275	Downey	65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	64
194	Duncan	36	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	34
200	Easley	129	3	...	...	...	3	5	...	8	13	119
239	Edgar Mole	52	3	...	3	...	6	...	1	3	4	54
236	Edgefield	33	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	31
115	Elizabeth McDaniel	109	2	...	2	...	4	2	...	8	10	103
251	Empire	87	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	4	83
137	Eugene	53	3	...	1	4	8	3	...	2	5	56
162	Eutaw	58	3	...	...	...	3	2	1	2	5	56
65	Fairfax	71	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	69
235	Fair Play	56	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	2	55
167	Faith	133	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	5	9	124
281	Fidelity	28	3	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	30
204	Fork Shoals	32	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	33
253	Fort Jackson	152	1	...	1	...	2	4	2	3	9	145
4	Fort Mill	98	2	...	...	...	2	1	...	2	3	97
155	Francis E. Harrison	54	2	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	55
175	Glendale	77	1	2	2	...	5	1	2	8	11	71
76	Golden Glow	103	2	...	4	...	6	5	1	1	7	102
211	Great Falls	91	1	...	...	...	1	2	1	1	4	88
31	Greenville	95	2	...	...	...	2	5	...	...	5	92
151	Greer	94	6	...	1	...	7	1	...	...	1	100

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250	Hanahan .....	106	1	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	3	104
161	Harido.....	42	1	...	3	...	4	2	...	1	3	43
229	Harmony Hope.....	95	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	5	90
300	Hart.....	31	4	...	...	...	4	1	3	...	4	31
91	Hartsville.....	117	14	...	...	...	14	4	8	9	21	110
259	Heath Springs.....	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44
156	Hemingway.....	83	10	...	2	...	12	2	...	3	5	90
263	Hillcrest.....	72	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	5	6	67
272	Hodges.....	57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	7	50
159	Honea Path.....	55	2	1	...	...	3	1	...	1	2	56
238	Hopewell.....	61	5	...	...	...	5	2	...	8	10	56
286	Indian Land.....	94	6	...	...	...	6	2	...	4	6	94
169	Inman.....	80	4	...	1	...	5	3	4	3	10	75
149	Iris.....	109	5	...	...	...	5	2	...	2	4	110
221	Iva.....	43	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	4	39
284	James Island.....	72	2	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	4	70
9	James B. Parrott.....	82	3	...	1	...	4	2	...	5	7	79
269	Jessie Belle Shonk.....	98	1	1	1	...	3	2	1	10	13	88
219	John F. Gray.....	52	...	1	1	...	2	...	1	...	1	53
277	John L. Flynn.....	110	4	...	...	...	4	2	...	4	6	108
268	Keith W. Seyle.....	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	54
128	Keowee.....	37	2	...	1	...	3	1	...	2	3	37
94	Kershaw.....	90	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	5	85
237	Lake View.....	32	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	3	29
146	Lancaster.....	111	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	5	9	102
30	Leonora.....	132	2	...	...	...	2	6	1	3	10	124
111	Leslie Zemp.....	93	2	...	...	...	2	2	...	2	4	91
176	Lexington.....	77	1	...	2	...	3	2	3	1	6	74
27	Lillie.....	49	...	1	...	...	1	2	...	4	6	44
276	Little Mountain.....	110	2	1	1	...	4	1	1	1	3	111
208	Lone Oak.....	68	2	...	2	...	4	1	...	...	1	71
106	Loris.....	90	2	...	1	...	3	3	...	2	5	88
295	Lower Richland.....	81	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	1	4	78
136	Loyalty.....	92	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	1	2	91
298	Lugoff-Elgin.....	64	2	...	...	...	2	2	...	1	3	63
299	Lyman.....	78	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	...	7	71
79	Martha.....	95	3	...	5	...	8	1	...	4	5	98
233	Martha Page.....	26	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	1	26
124	Mary Heyward.....	56	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	5	51
231	Mary Montgomery.....	100	1	...	2	...	3	4	3	4	11	92
1	Mary Pinckney Ouzts.....	105	...	2	...	...	2	7	...	2	9	98
278	Mecca.....	58	4	1	1	...	6	...	1	1	2	62
179	Mine.....	39	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	38
82	Monaghan.....	121	4	1	3	...	8	7	1	...	8	121
121	Morning Star.....	73	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	72
180	Myrtle Beach.....	178	2	...	...	...	2	4	...	2	6	174
226	Newberry.....	131	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	7	11	120
104	New Brookland.....	189	2	...	...	...	2	1	3	6	10	181
247	New Ellenton.....	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
207	New Prospect.....	47	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	4	43
100	North Charleston.....	145	3	1	...	...	4	4	1	3	8	141
274	Oliver.....	19	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	18
153	Ora.....	82	...	...	2	...	2	3	...	3	6	78
258	Pageland.....	68	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	67
2	Palmetto.....	28	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	2	29
170	Pamplico.....	22	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	23
225	Pelion.....	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44
84	Pelzer.....	84	10	...	...	...	10	2	...	1	3	91
108	Piedmont.....	30	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	5	25
141	Queen City.....	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	78
139	Queen Esther.....	56	4	1	...	...	5	2	2	2	7	54
46	Reidville.....	36	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	34
213	Richburg.....	39	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	2	38
232	Ridge.....	16	2	...	...	...	2	2	...	2	4	14
290	Ridgeville.....	23	...	1	...	...	1	...	3	1	4	20
216	Roebuck.....	72	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	4	68
195	Rosemary.....	54	1	...	...	...	1	2	...	1	3	52
289	Roy O. Adams.....	20	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	3	17
142	Ruffin.....	28	...	2	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	28
12	Ruth.....	49	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	49

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271	St. Andrews.....	90	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	2	5	86
163	St. David's.....	46	...	...	4	...	4	3	1	2	6	44
166	St. George.....	48	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	3	5	44
8	Saluda.....	34	2	...	...	...	2	1	1	2	4	32
123	Sam Poe.....	102	...	1	4	...	5	4	2	3	9	98
230	Sandy Run.....	60	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	60
5	Seneca.....	132	2	...	...	...	2	...	7	1	8	126
193	Shandon.....	106	...	1	1	...	2	3	3	8	14	94
90	Simpsonville.....	63	...	...	...	...	...	3	7	...	10	53
301	Socastee.....	45	1	1	2	...	4	1	3	1	5	44
243	Starlight.....	83	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	2	3	81
99	Stella Vitae.....	50	1	1	...	...	2	1	2	1	4	48
143	Summerville.....	278	9	...	...	...	9	5	...	2	7	280
188	Sunter.....	92	2	...	...	...	2	6	1	...	7	87
87	Swamp Fox.....	37	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	36
16	Tallah.....	73	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	6	12	61
140	Ticoma.....	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	45
257	Tradesville.....	44	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	2	45
205	Travelers Rest.....	60	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	60
242	Tyger.....	72	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	71
287	Vance.....	86	1	...	1	...	2	1	1	11	13	75
89	Waccamaw.....	99	1	1	...	...	2	2	...	3	5	96
288	Wade Hampton.....	47	...	...	...	1	1	...	4	4	8	40
38	Wagener.....	47	7	...	1	...	8	1	1	...	2	53
134	Walhalla.....	94	1	...	1	...	2	2	3	2	7	89
147	Walterboro.....	107	5	1	...	...	6	1	4	9	14	99
103	Westminster.....	83	4	...	4	...	8	3	...	1	4	87
190	Whitney.....	52	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	2	2	53
81	Williamston.....	54	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	5	49
148	Winyah.....	87	1	...	1	...	2	5	...	...	5	84
54	Woodruff.....	43	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	4	8	35
80	W. S. Richburg.....	48	2	...	...	...	2	1	...	5	6	44
145	York.....	33	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	32
	Total.....	12,564	299	41	86	7	433	341	168	362	871	12,126

NOTE: (1) Membership April 1, 1997 overstated one in previous report—not noted until April 1, 1998 reports audited.  
 (2) Column demitted includes Abe Wynan member charter surrendered.  
 (3) Column suspended includes one expelled.

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Mrs. Alice Winfield, Secretary, 221 Bridge St., Branchville 29432  
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**Alhambra No. 60, Mt. Pleasant**

Mrs. Alice C. Turner, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Mary M. Baker, Secretary, 1035 Planters Curve, 29464  
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**Anderson No. 130, Anderson**

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Mrs. Brenda McCants, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Libby K. Oliver, Secretary, 2388 Continental Dr., 29720  
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Mrs. Frances S. Tucker, Worthy Matron  
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**Ballentine No. 280, Ballentine**

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Mrs. Linda Lou Dygert, Secretary, 124 Wychwood Rd., Irmo 29063  
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Mrs. Arliss I. Lantz, Worthy Matron  
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Mrs. Linda Ouzts Cook, Worthy Matron  
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Meets first Tuesday. 8:00 p.m.

**Belvedere No. 248, Belvedere**

Mrs. Billie Harris, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Barbara Creed, Secretary, 110 Sterling Drive, 29841  
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**Benton No. 172, Timmons ville**

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**Bethlehem No. 129, Columbia**

Mrs. Margie B. Coleman, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Laura D. Castles, Secretary, 632 Queenland Ct., Lexington 29072  
Meets second Thursday.

**Bethune No. 96, Bethune**

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Mrs. Catherine H. Ebright, Secretary, 1705 Wappoo Road, 29407  
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Mrs. Shirley A. Tracey, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Anna R. Schulz, PGM, Secretary, 627 Baldwin St., 29150  
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**Bishopville No. 74, Bishopville**

Mrs. Mary Ann Broadway Baker, Worthy Matron  
Mr. Boyd Alexander, Secretary, 112 Davis Street, 29010  
Meets second Thursday. 7:30 p.m.

**Boiling Springs No. 283, Boiling Springs**

Mrs. Virginia W. Albus, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Nancy C. Sproles, Secretary, 551 Mudd Creek Rd., Inman 29349-8176  
Meets second Saturday. 7:30 p.m.

**Boyd Bobo No. 144, Ware Shoals**

Mrs. Ethel D. Haynes, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Margaret S. Shaver, Secretary, 26 Saluda Ave., 29692  
Meets first Thursday.

**Brandon No. 92, Greenville**

Mrs. Jeanne B. Rogers, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. William B. Rogers, Secretary, 3 Anacoca Lane, 29611  
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**Brewerton No. 29, Honea Path**

Mrs. Judy Dorn, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Nancy Jordan, Secretary, Rt. 3, Box 107, 29654  
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**Calhoun Falls No. 182, Calhoun Falls**

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Mrs. Janet Hall, Secretary, Rt. 3, Box 190B, Abbeville 29620  
Meets second Thursday.

**Callie Self No. 199, Greenwood**

Mrs. Helen Kimmerle, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Mildred Bosse, P.O. Box 583, 29648  
Meets third Tuesday. 7:30 p.m.

**Camp Creek No. 285, Lancaster**

Mrs. Jewel D. Neal, Worthy Matron  
Mr. Jasper R. Taylor, Secretary, 1908 Potter Rd., 29720  
Meets third Tuesday except second Tuesday in June, dark July & August, 7:30 p.m.

**Carolina No. 25, Meggett**

Mrs. Mary Cartwright, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Wilma Herring, Secretary, P.O. Box 7, Ravenel 29470  
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**Catawba No. 131, Rock Hill**

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Mrs. Lucile R. Humphries, Secretary, 1624 Tillman St., 29730-3828  
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**Cayce No. 260, Cayce**

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Mrs. Jane B. Munn, Secretary, 2531 Windsor Dr., 29033  
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**Charleston No. 56, Charleston**

Mrs. Vivian E. Sorensen, Worthy Matron  
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**Cheraw No. 158, Cheraw**

Mrs. Carol L. Hall, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Theo J. Odom, Secretary, 109 S. Everett St., Bennettsville 29512  
Meets fourth Tuesday.

**Chester No. 15, Chester**

Mrs. Karen F. Stevens, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Lula P. Traylor, Secretary, 1958 Boyd Rd., Blackstock 29014  
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**Circle No. 241, Route 4, Leesville**

Mrs. Mary Ruth Rhinehart, Worthy Matron  
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 Meets second Wednesday.

**Clemson No. 191, Clemson**

Mrs. Betty G. Washnok, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Carolyn U. Stobby, Secretary, 202 Lancelot Rd., 29631  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Clover No. 138, Clover**

Mrs. Susan Caldwell Killian, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Mollie Baynard, Secretary, 246 Rainbow Circle, 29710  
 Meets third Tuesday.

**Coleman No. 261, Blair**

Mrs. Ola Shugart, Worthy Matron  
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**Columbia No. 59, Columbia**

Mrs. Carol Coker, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Judy B. Caldwell, Secretary, 1024 Eastmont Dr., 29209  
 Meets fourth Friday.

**Community No. 206, Islandton**

Mrs. Loraine Breland, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Grace K. Lyons, Secretary, Rt. 4, Box 250, Walterboro 29488  
 Meets third Tuesday. 8:00 p.m.

**Constellation No. 97, Graniteville**

Mrs. Judy Padgett, Worthy Matron  
 Mr. L. C. Jones, Secretary, P.O. Box 99, Langley 29834-0099  
 Meets second Tuesday.

**Corinthian No. 297, Newport**

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 Mrs. Joan S. Barnes, Secretary, 1021 Sloan Ave., Rock Hill 29732  
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**Courtenay No. 184, Newry**

Ms. Kaye Rackley, Worthy Matron  
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 Meets third Monday.

**Crocketville No. 240, Crocketville**

Mrs. Mary S. Rivers, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Harriett P. Johnson, Secretary, Rt. 1, Box 91, Hampton 29924  
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**Dentsville No. 273, Columbia**

Mrs. Vienna Lundy Teal, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Ruth Baker, Secretary, 2528 Glenwood Dr., 29204  
Meets first Thursday. 8:00 p.m.

**Dillon No. 249, Dillon**

Mrs. Sarah H. Pullie, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Christine M. Carmichael, Secretary, 1112 Old Hamer Rd., Hamer 29547  
Meets third Tuesday.

**Downey No. 275, Taylors**

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Mrs. Peggy V. Howitt, Secretary, 204 Sheffield Ln., 29687  
Meets first Tuesday.

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Meets first Thursday.

**Easley No. 200, Easley**

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Mrs. Faye H. Bowser, Secretary, 110 East Hill Dr., 29640  
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**Edgar Mole No. 239, Hardeeville**

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**Edgefield No. 236, Edgefield**

Mrs. Christine H. Wates, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Blondell Trotter, Secretary, 77 Flat Rock Rd., Modoc 29838  
Meets second Tuesday.

**Elizabeth McDaniel No. 115, Columbia**

Mrs. Dorothy Davis, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Margaret Arnold, Secretary, 1108 Cullusaga Cir., 29223  
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**Empire No. 251, Mauldin**

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Meets third Monday.

**Eugene No. 137, Kingstree**

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Meets third Thursday.

**Eutaw No. 162, Orangeburg**

Mrs. Dorothy Bozard, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. LaDell Dukes, Secretary, 1173 Uncle Bud Rd., 29115  
Meets second Monday. 8:00 p.m.

**Fairfax No. 65, Fairfax**

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Mrs. Louise Johns, Secretary, Rt. 1, Box 74, 29827  
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**Fair Play No. 235, Fair Play**

Mrs. Louise Martin, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Betty R. Blocher, Secretary, P.O. Box 96, 29643-0096  
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**Faith No. 167, Port Royal**

Mrs. Mary E. Kozak, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Beverly J. Horle, Secretary, 3005 Oakview Dr., Burton, 29902  
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**Fidelity No. 281, Johns Island**

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**Fork Shoals No. 204, Pelzer**

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**Fort Jackson No. 253, Columbia**

Mrs. Judy Krummich, Worthy Matron  
Mr. Charles A. Peterson, Secretary, 9804 Chelsea Rd., 29223-2011  
Meets first Monday, 8:00 p.m.

**Fort Mill No. 4, Fort Mill**

Mrs. Patricia Short, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Patricia J. McCarthy, Secretary, 4089 Winward Dr., Tega Cay, 29715-8509  
Meets fourth Thursday.

**Francis Eugene Harrison No. 155, Abbeville**

Mrs. Mary S. Bradberry, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Barbara Hines, Secretary, 1533 Hwy. 201, 29620  
Meets second Monday.

**Glendale No. 175, Glendale**

Mrs. Suzanne F. Padgett, Worthy Matron  
Miss Janice Berry, Secretary, 4630 S. Pine St., Spartanburg 29302  
Meets first Tuesday.

**Golden Glow No. 76, North Augusta**

Mrs. Mary Jane Wilson, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Mary P. Norman, Secretary, 1823 Mountside Road, 29841  
Meets second Thursday.

**Great Falls No. 211, Great Falls**

Mrs. Cassandra Chappellear, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Virginia C. Gilreath, Secretary, 112 Lybrand St., 29055-1139  
Meets second Monday.

**Greenville No. 31, Greenville**

Mrs. Irene Owens, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Rose M. Beiner, Secretary, 103 Sturbridge Dr., 29615-4443  
 Meets Fourth Tuesday. 7:30 p.m.

**Greer No. 151, Greer**

Mrs. Robin D. Johnson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Betty Reid, Secretary, 731 S. Buncombe Rd., 29650-2208  
 Meets third Thursday.

**Hanahan No. 250, Hanahan**

Mrs. Roberta Kinard, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Judith Pinckley, Secretary, P.O. Box 9816, N. Charleston 29419-9816  
 Meets third Monday except second Monday in June.

**Harido No. 161, Harleyville**

Mrs. Donna Baker, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Pigate, Secretary, 188 Mill St., 29448  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Harmony Hope No. 229, Barnwell**

Mrs. Tessie Jo Morris, Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Jake O. Rimes, Secretary, 151 Richardosn St., 29812  
 Meets second Tuesday.

**Hart No. 300, Lancaster**

Mrs. Joel L. Hayes, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Sybil Sellers, Secretary, 611 Creekside Park Lane, 29720  
 Meets first Saturday except third Saturday in November.

**Hartsville No. 91, Hartsville**

Mrs. Jessie B. Creech, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Joanne Scarborough, Secretary, 209 Wakefield Dr., 29550  
 Meets second Monday. 7:30 p.m.

**Heath Springs No. 259, Heath Springs**

Mrs. Mary Lee Garris, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Etta Ruth Arant, Secretary, 4443 Kershaw Camden Hwy., 29058-9133  
 Meets third Monday except fourth Monday in June.

**Hemingway No. 156, Hemingway**

Mrs. Lois Davis, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Toini P. Lambert, Secretary, P.O. Box 133, Johnsonville 29555  
 Meets first Tuesday.

**Hillcrest No. 263, Dalzell**

Mrs. Metta Holt, Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Jerry A. Holt, Secretary, 3150 Eydie St., 29040  
 Meets first Monday. 7:30 p.m. except Jan., July & Sept. the second Monday, 7:30 p.m.

**Hodges No. 272, Hodges**

Mrs. Louise Fountain, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Claudette R. McKinney, Secretary, 1223 Dixie Dr., 29653  
 Meets first Monday.

**Honea Path No. 159, Honea Path**

Mrs. Lou Ann Sears, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Katherine Austin, Secretary, 435 Bill Kay Rd., Belton 29627  
 Meets second Thursday. 7:30 p.m.

**Hopewell No. 238, Jackson**

Mrs. Karla Avery, Worthy Matron  
 Ms. Karen Todd, Secretary, P.O. Box 273, Beach Island 29842  
 Meets fourth Tuesday, except December meets the third Tuesday.

**Indian Land No. 286, Fort Mill**

Mrs. Minnie Mae Wilson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Margaret Morris, Secretary, 7680 Green Pond Rd., 29715  
 Meets fourth Tuesday except third Tuesday in November and December.

**Inman No. 169, Inman**

Mrs. Rhonda Bryant, Worthy Matron  
 Ms. Nell O'Shields, secretary, 440 Ballenger Rd., 29349  
 Meets first Monday.

**Iris No. 149, Sumter**

Mrs. Debbie Hauptman, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Sara L. Pritchard, Secretary, 716 Cardinal St., 29150  
 Meets fourth Tuesday.

**Iva No. 221, Iva**

Mrs. Joyce Jarrard, Worthy Matron  
 Miss Virginia Manning, Secretary, 1439 Manning Rd., 29655  
 Meets third Monday.

**James B. Parrott No. 9, Clinton**

Mrs. Lois Smith, Worthy Matron  
 Miss Jorja Simpson, Secretary, 400 Magnolia St., Joanna 29351  
 Meets third Friday.

**James Island No. 284, Charleston**

Mrs. Eunice L. Rogers, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Joyce Wiggins, Secretary, 1268 Honeysuckle Lane, 29412  
 Meets fourth Tuesday except second Tuesday in December. 8:00 p.m.

**Jessie Belle Shonk No. 269, Charleston**

Mrs. Bette W. Henslee, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Sandra B. Smith, Secretary, 1145 Brookside Drive, Hanahan 29406  
 Meets fourth Thursday.

**John Francis Gray No. 219, Antreville**

Mrs. Helen Medlin, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Dorothy G. McCarter, Secretary, 775 Hwy. 184 E  
 Meets fourth Monday except third Monday in December.

**John L. Flynn No. 277, Goose Creek**

Mrs. Joyce Estes, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Winifred W. Smith, Secretary, 154 Keenan Ave., 29445  
 Meets third Tuesday except first Tuesday in June.

**Keith W. Seyle No. 268, Winnsboro**

Mrs. Joyce Brice, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Darlene Dean, Secretary, 102 Cathcart Cir., 29180  
 Meets first Thursday. 7:30 p.m.

**Keowee No. 128, Pickens**

Mrs. Patricia Gilstrap, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Sara Crowe, Secretary, 210 Amberwood Rd., 29671  
 Meets fourth Tuesday.

**Kershaw No. 94, Kershaw**

Mrs. Joyce R. Faulkenberry, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Louise B. Coates, Secretary, 209 S. Minor St., 29067  
 Meets second Monday.

**Lake View No. 237, Lake View**

Mrs. Julia Johnson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Barbara Bullock, Secretary, 1165 Little Mill Loop, 29563  
 Meets first Monday.

**Lancaster No. 146, Lancaster**

Mrs. Fredericka W. Phipps, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Janet Gwin, Secretary, 1329 Traillkill Rd., Fort Lawn, 29714  
 Meets first Thursday except dark July & August.

**Leonora No. 30, Florence**

Mrs. Miram Wilkinson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Pauline S. Miller, Secretary, 2360 Delmee Dr., 29501  
 Meets first Thursday.

**Leslie Zemp No. 111, Camden**

Mrs. Queen D. Byrd, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Agnes Campbell, Secretary, 1041 Cassatt Rd., Cassatt 29032  
 Meets third Thursday. 7:30 p.m.

**Lexington No. 176, Lexington**

Mrs. Regina D. Shealy, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Carolyn S. Brown, Secretary, 2979 Emmanuel Church Rd., W. Columbia 29170-3013  
 Meets third Monday except June Thursday before third Monday.

**Lillie No. 27, Hampton**

Mrs. Dorothy H. Mitchum, Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Charlie I. Crews, Secretary, P.O. Box 307, Estill 29918  
 Meets third Monday except June. No meeting. 8:00 p.m.

**Little Mountain No. 276, Little Mountain**

Mrs. Dorothy B. Metts, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Marcella Frick, Secretary, 316 Dreher Island Rd., 29075-9525  
 Meets first Tuesday.

**Lone Oak No. 208, Spartanburg**

Mrs. Ruby McLaughlin, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Virginia Sanders, Secretary, 8055 Asheville Hwy., 29303-1560  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Loris No. 106, Loris**

Mrs. Vickie Cooper, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Byrd M. Fowler, Secretary, 942 Fowler Rd., 29569  
Meets second Monday.

**Lower Richland No. 295, Eastover**

Mrs. Ellen Ferrara, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Barbara Scarborough, Secretary, 1513 Caroline Rd., Columbia 29209  
Meets first Tuesday.

**Loyalty No. 136, Charleston**

Mrs. Florence Frail, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Rachael K. Wellons, Secretary, 1877 Ashley Hall Rd., 29407  
Meets third Friday.

**Lugoff-Elgin No. 298, Lugoff**

Mrs. Lisa Vaughn, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Marie Carlson, Secretary, 125 Robin Hood Rd., Elgin 29045  
Meets second Tuesday.

**Lyman No. 299, Lyman**

Mrs. Shirley Henderson, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Annie Ivie, Secretary, 314 New Woodruff Road, Greer 29651  
Meets third Tuesday.

**Martha No. 79, Union**

Ms. Doris C. Gregory, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Jane Ledford, Secretary, 204 Davis St., 29379  
Meets third Monday.

**Martha Page No. 233, Wellford**

Mrs. Sarah Smith, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Linda Kay Smith, Secretary, 1045 Holly Springs Church Rd., Inman 29349  
Meets second Monday.

**Mary Heyward No. 124, Ridgeland**

Mrs. Sharon B. Wall, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Nada F. Williams, Secretary, P.O. Box 425, 29936-0425  
Meets fourth Monday except second Monday in December.

**Mary Montgomery No. 231, Spartanburg**

Mrs. Susan C. Selner, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Anna D. Smith, Secretary, 111 Peachwood St., Moore 29369-9642  
Meets second Saturday.

**Mary Pinckney Ouzts No. 1, Greenwood**

Mrs. Maxine Q. Cooley, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Leonette Ford, Secretary, 214 Elm Court N., 29646-2281  
Meets third Monday except fourth Monday in June. 7:30 p.m.

**Mecca No. 278, Florence**

Mrs. Linda H. Harris, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Carolyn H. Hayes, Secretary, P.O. Box 12021, 29504  
Meets fourth Thursday except third Thursday November and December.

**Mine No. 179, McCormick**

Mrs. Mary Eddie Lindley, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Kathy Hollingsworth, Secretary, Rt. 2, Box 244-A, 29835  
Meets third Thursday.

**Monaghan No. 82, Greenville**

Mrs. Rhonda Hall Ellison, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Annie McCrosky, Secretary, 8 Ray St., Piedmont 29673  
Meets third Thursday.

**Morning Star No. 121, St. Stephen**

Mrs. Barbara B. Bannister, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Clara W. Smith, Secretary, 1684 Hwy. 35, 29479  
Meets fourth Monday.

**Myrtle Beach No. 180, Myrtle Beach**

Mrs Vicki L. Dittmer, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Michele L. Meadows, Secretary, P.O. Box 3384, 29578  
Meets fourth Tuesday except third Tuesday in December. 7:30 p.m.

**Newberry No. 226, Newberry**

Mrs. Angela K. Livingston, Worthy Matron  
Mr. James D. Perry, Secretary, 2110 Adelaide St., 29108-4528  
Meets third Monday except fourth Monday in June 7:30 p.m.

**New Brookland No. 104, West Columbia**

Mrs. Debra Ann Thornley, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Joanne Palshan, Secretary, 140 Burlie Dr., 29169  
Meets first Tuesday.

**New Ellenton No. 247, New Ellenton**

Mrs. Melba Bolt, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Connie Edwards, Secretary, 714 Wooland Dr., 29809  
Meets third Monday.

**New Prospect No. 207, New Prospect**

Mrs. Fran Davis, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Amanda H. Parris, Secretary, 1451 Rainbow Lake Rd., Inman 29349  
Meets first Saturday.

**North Charleston No. 100, North Charleston**

Mrs. Mim E. Steigler, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Mary M. Ford, Secretary, 1401 Iroquois St., 29405-4100  
Meets second Thursday.

**Oliver No. 274, Swansea**

Ms. Alice Laman, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Betty J. Cook, Secretary, 124 Goose Lane, North 29112  
Meets fourth Tuesday.

**Ora No. 153, Converse**

Mrs. Sara Cleo Loftis, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Myrtis Pope, Secretary, 3503 S. Church St., Ext. Roebuck 29376  
Meets third Friday.

**Pageland No. 258, Pageland**

Mrs. Mildred P. Plyler, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Pat M. Byrd, Secretary, 116 South Cedar St., 29728  
Meets fourth Monday except August. 7:30 p.m.

**Palmetto No. 2, Mullins**

Mrs. Jody Blume, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Lillian McCathern, Secretary, 206 Proctor St., 29574  
Meets third Monday.

**Pamplico No. 170, Pamplico**

Mrs. Joan C. Williams, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Florence H. Steele, Secretary, Rt. 1, Box 712, Summerton 29148  
Meets first Tuesday.

**Pelion No. 225, Pelion**

Mrs. Carolyn F. Boccock, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Yevonne Barefoot, Secretary, 967 Windy Wood Rd., Lexington 29073  
Meets first Monday.

**Pelzer No. 84, Pelzer**

Mrs. Grace Manley, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Louise C. Moon, Secretary, 1002 Anderson Dr., Williamston, 29697  
Meets second Monday.

**Piedmont No. 108, Piedmont**

Mrs. Betty Sue Davenport, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Martha Sue Garrett, Secretary, 32 Butternut Dr., Greenville 29605-4624  
Meets first Monday.

**Queen City No. 141, Aiken**

Ms. Mae A. Croft, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Mildred Webb, Secretary, 3138 Wagener Rd., 29801-9620  
Meets second Friday.

**Queen Esther No. 139, Gaffney**

Mrs. Pauline Stonehocker, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Wilma Self, Secretary, 704½ Thompson, 29340  
Meets fourth Tuesday.

**Reidville No. 46, Reidville**

Mrs. Dorothy L. Pearson, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Hellan Mitchell, Secretary, 130 Lakeland Ave., Moore 29369  
Meets second Monday.

**Richburg No. 213, Richburg**

Mrs. Alma Reeves, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Mary S. Robbins, Secretary, 4181 Edgeland Rd., Edgemoor 29712  
Meets first Wednesday.

**Ridge No. 222, Ridge Spring**

Mrs. Tammye Quarles, Worthy Matron  
Mrs. Evelyn S. Quarles, Sr., Secretary, 81 Hillyer Branch Rd., Johnston 29832  
Meets third Tuesday except June.

**Ridgeville No. 290, Ridgeville**

Mrs. Helen Tate, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Mary Cummings, 825 Hwy. 78, 29472  
 Meets third Thursday.

**Roebuck No. 216, Roebuck**

Mrs. Barbara Sutton, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Helen Kirby, Secretary, 381 Woodside Lane, Spartanburg 29302  
 Meets third Monday.

**Rosemary No. 195, Andrews**

Mrs. Jenny Strickland, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Jean W. Terry, Secretary, 515 S. Rosemary Ave., 29510-2937  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Roy O. Adams No. 289, Kirksey**

Mrs. Delma Lamb, Worthy Matron  
 Mr. B.P. "Pat" Lamb, Secretary, 415 Mt. Creek Rd., Troy 29848-9727  
 Meets fourth Tuesday except second Tuesday in December.

**Ruffin No. 142, Smoaks**

Mrs. Eloise L. Robertson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Bonnie S. Holmstrom, Secretary, Hickory Hill Rd., 29481  
 Meets first Tuesday.

**Ruth No. 12, Blacksburg**

Miss Irene Harding, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Polly M. Moore, Secretary, 102 Glenwood Dr., 29702  
 Meets second Tuesday.

**St. Andrews No. 271, Columbia**

Mrs. Virginia M. Miller, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Alistair M. Forman, Secretary, P.O. Box 210916, 29221-0916  
 Meets fourth Thursday except third Thursday November and December.

**St. David's No. 163, Darlington**

Mrs. Megan Belongia, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Freda H. Britt, Secretary, 208 Belvin St., 29532  
 Meets second Thursday.

**St. George No. 166, St. George**

Mrs. Ruby D. Johnston, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Emma Mae Murray, Secretary, 1962 Hwy. 15 South, Grover 29447  
 Meets third Tuesday except fourth Tuesday in June.

**Saluda No. 8, Saluda**

Mrs. Patsy Pugh, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Callie Rae Scurry, Secretary, Rt. 5, Box 286, 29138  
 Meets third Monday.

**Sam Poe No. 123, Greenville**

Mrs. Mary Curtis, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Jacqueline H. Fowler, Secretary, 40 Montis Dr., 29617  
 Meets first Tuesday 8:00 p.m.

**Sandy Run No. 230, Gaston**

Mrs. Elizabeth Hallman, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, Secretary, P.O. Box 6, 29053  
 Meets second Tuesday.

**Seneca No. 5, Seneca**

Mrs. Carolyn B. Hartwell, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Jackie Sluder, Secretary, P.O. Box 545, 29679-0545  
 Meets third Tuesday except second Tuesday in June.

**Shandon No. 193, Columbia**

Mrs. Mary Ann Parks, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Aretta B. Godbey, Secretary, 112 David Dr., Lexington 29073  
 Meets second Monday.

**Simpsonville No. 90, Simpsonville**

Mrs. Jean McCaig, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Clarette Bagwell, Secretary, Rt. 3, Box 190, Gray Court 29645  
 Meets second Tuesday.

**Socastee No. 301, Myrtle Beach**

Mrs. Barbara Brun, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Margaret Poole, Secretary, 2201 Skimmer Ct., Murrells Inlet 29576  
 Meets fourth Monday except third Monday in December and May.

**Starlight No. 243, Rock Hill**

Mrs. Frances L. Burgess, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Billie Myers, Secretary, P.O. Box 4293, 29732  
 Meets first Monday.

**Stella Vitae No. 99, Charleston**

Mrs. Ruth S. Wilson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Miriam D. Bauer, Secretary, 5808 Canterbury Drive, Hanahan 29406  
 Meets second Tuesday.

**Summerville No. 143, Summerville**

Mrs. Judith C. Boykin, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Patricia R. Cox, Secretary, 65 University Dr., Ladson 29456  
 Meets fourth Tuesday.

**Sumter No. 188, Sumter**

Mrs. Caroline M. Ewart, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Helen B. King Brookes, Secretary, 1010 Golferest, 29154  
 Meets third Tuesday. 7:30 p.m.

**Swamp Fox No. 87, Marion**

Mrs. Jimmie P. Thames, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Virginia L. Roark, Rt. 3, Box 2421, 29571-9461  
 Meets first Tuesday.

**Tallulah No. 16, Spartanburg**

Mrs. Patricia Arthur, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Ruth Gooch, Secretary, 300 Fairforest Rd., 29303  
 Meets first Friday.

**Ticoma No. 140, Slater**

Mrs. Christine Bruce, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Nellie B. Poole, Secretary, 333 Kathryn St., P.O. Box 312, Marietta 29661  
 Meets third Tuesday.

**Tradesville No. 257, Lancaster**

Miss Jane Catoe, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Ruth Mahaffey, Secretary, 1447 N. Rocky River Rd., 29720  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Travelers Rest No. 205, Travelers Rest**

Mrs. Elaine McAlister Burgess, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Aleta S. McAlister, Secretary, 7 Plano Dr., Greenville 29609-1116  
 Meets second Monday. 8:00 p.m.

**Tyger No. 242, Tigerville**

Mrs. Susie Smith, Worthy Matron  
 Miss Lynette S. Kemp, Secretary, 300 Thurston Rd., Taylors 29687  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Vance No. 287, Vance**

Mrs. Eleanor Thompson, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Nora W. Aultman, Secretary, 130 Aultman St., Eutawville 29048  
 Meets third Monday except second Monday in June.

**Waccamaw No. 89, Conway**

Mrs. Valeria Jollie, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Clara P. Hardee, Secretary, P.O. Box 751, 29526  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Wade Hampton No. 288, Greenville**

Mrs. Betty Cunningham, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Jane Raven, 312 Nature Trail Dr., Greer 29651  
 Meets second Thursday.

**Wagener No. 38, Wagener**

Mrs. Mozelle Y. Darmody, Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Koster R. Brown, Secretary, P.O. Box 949, 29164  
 Meets first Tuesday.

**Walhalla No. 134, Walhalla**

Mrs. Jodean Alexander, Worthy Matron  
 Ms. Ruth Phillips, Secretary, 204 Malinda St., 29691  
 Meets first Tuesday except July. 7:30 p.m.

**Walterboro No. 147, Walterboro**

Mrs. Eleanor L. Wright, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Mildred M. Cummins, Secretary, 1242 Sandy Springs Cr., 29488  
 Meets third Thursday. 8:00 p.m.

**Westminster No. 103, Westminster**

Mrs. Barbara Campbell, Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Betty B. Smith, Secretary, 438 Edgewater Dr., 29693  
 Meets third Thursday.

**Whitney No. 190, Spartanburg**

Mrs. Sarah Thomas, Worthy Matron

Mrs. Bessie H. Hobbs, Secretary, 660 Greenhill Rd., 29303

Meets second Tuesday.

**Williamston No. 81, Williamston**

Mrs. Gladys Kroll, Worthy Matron

Mrs. Dorothy Hill, Secretary, 306 E. Main St., 29697

Meets first Monday.

**Winyah No. 148, Georgetown**

Mrs. Alberta Gainey, Worthy Matron

Mrs. Celia F. Bradshaw, Secretary, P.O. Box 226, 29442-0226

Meets second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m..

**Woodruff No. 54, Woodruff**

Mrs. Joyce McBee, Worthy Matron

Mrs. Grace Couch, Secretary, 330 Black Rd., 29388

Meets first Monday.

**W. S. Richburg No. 80, Liberty**

Mrs. Rebecca K. Dorr, Worthy Matron

Mrs. Greta Fields, Secretary, P.O. Box 546, 29657

Meets First Thursday

**York No. 145, York**

Mrs. Gayle Noe, Worthy Matron

Mrs. Ellen Jones, Secretary, P.O. Box 206, Sharon 29742

Meets second Monday.

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## SOCIALS

### INTERNATIONAL NIGHT OUT Fun Night Banquet

June 13th was a Fun Night for 246 sisters and brothers and friends. We had a number of out-of-state guests attend. Our menu carried out our theme "International," even to and including the German chocolate cake and American apple pie. Decorations were very bright and festive along with the real "fruit baskets" created by the committee and awarded to one person at each table.

Ray Hardee and his wife Dale, entertained us with a great "magic show." Celebrating the international theme many participants seemed to enjoy the parade of costumes (cash prizes were given). Three of our out-of-state guests graciously acted as judges. The finale was so impressive as we were enthralled by the sweet voice of Stephanie Lamb, Past Worthy Advisor of Dentsville Assembly #40, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Columbia. Stephanie sang a beautiful German song.

In closing our Worthy Grand Patron, joined by our Worthy Grand Matron at the podium, closed the evening for us with a meaningful and sincere benediction.

GENIE WRIGHT, *Co-Chairman*

## “MILES OF SMILES” Grand Representatives Luncheon

On Sunday afternoon, June the 14, Sisters and Brothers from all over the globe gathered at our “Miles of Smiles” Grand Representatives Luncheon. The tables were beautifully decorated with black tablecloths, yellow napkins, Smiley Faces, vases of spring flowers, Grand Representatives Club of South Carolina coffee cups, and lots of small gifts. The Smiley Faces were the centerpieces that were given to a lucky person at each table. The flower vases were given to the hostesses and host of each table. Everybody received a coffee cup.

Sister Nada F. Williams, Past Grand Matron of South Carolina, president of the Home Board, and Matriarch of our club gave our welcome. Sister Roberta “Bobbie” Kapusto, Grand Representative of South Carolina in Michigan, gave the response. And Brother James D. Perry, Past Grand Patron of South Carolina, and Patriarch of our Club offered the blessing.

Brother Lerans Welch, Past Grand Patron of South Carolina, and Administrator of our Eastern Star Home brought two of our lovely residents to the luncheon—Sister Isla Baker and Sister Winona Shultz. We were very honored to have them with us. They each received their own Smiley Face.

Sister Irma Perry, Past Grand Matron of South Carolina, introduced all of our dignitaries. We were privileged to have our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda Pittman, our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira Parks, Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of West Virginia, Brother Ray Osborn, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron and Past Grand Patron of Tennessee, and our own Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer and Past Grand Matron of South Carolina.

As those of you who have had the honor of being commissioned as a Grand Representative know, it is the greatest appointment there is. No matter where you travel you are always welcomed with open arms. I hope all of our visitors felt the love we had for them and will leave South Carolina, now knowing what Southern Hospitality really is. All of the Grand Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions were presented with an Honorary Membership to our Club. Sister Bernice McSweyn, International Grand Representatives Association Pin Chairman was also presented with an Honorary Membership.

Our joining hands and repeating the Mizpeh Benediction led by Sister Ferne Launius, our Club Chaplain, closed our luncheon.

SHIRLEY A. SHIPP, *President*

## “CANDLELIGHTERS” BREAKFAST DISTRICT DEPUTIES AND ASSISTANTS

The “Candle-Lighters” Breakfast was held at the Sheraton Hotel in the Richland Room at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, June 15th, with thirty-three in attendance.

Our special guests were Sister Lynda Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Ira Parks, Worthy Grand Patron. We were sorry their spouses could not be with us.

To carry out the theme for our breakfast, the centerpieces on each table, as well as the head table, was a lighted colored candle inside a hurricane lamp. A votive candle in lovely glass holders was at each place as a gift from Sister Nelva Lindler and her assistant, Sister Laura Castles.

The welcome was given by the Chairman, Sister Nelva Lindler, District Deputy of the 10th District. After the invocation by Sister Betty Martin, District Deputy of the 22nd District, a delicious southern breakfast was served.

Following introduction of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, each one present gave her/his name and title.

Remarks of love and appreciation were given by Sister Lynda and Brother Ira. A gift was presented to each of these fine folks from the District Deputies and Assistants.

Names were drawn for the centerpieces as door prizes. And, then came the end of a year of secrecy and fun when Secret Pals were revealed.

To close this time of fun and fellowship, everyone stood and the Mizpah Benediction was repeated by all.

NELVA LINDLER, *Chairman*

## PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS ANNUAL LUNCHEON

The Past Grands' Association and their guests joined together for a time of fellowship and camaraderie at their annual luncheon in the Sheraton Hotel on Monday, June 15, 1998 at 12:30 p.m.

Those entering the dining room found the head table adorned with magnolias, and the dining tables decorated with mirrors and bud vases. "Flower Seed" bird house favors completed the decorations. In the background, delightful organ music was played during the prelude and lunch by Brother Charles Marthers.

Sister Judy B. Caldwell, President and Mistress of Ceremonies warmly welcomed everyone as they entered. After all were assembled, Brother Fred R. Caldwell, Vice President returned thanks for a delicious buffet lunch.

Seated at the head table with Sister Judy and Brother Fred were Sister Lynda K. Pittman, Worthy Grand Matron; Brother Ira M. Parks, Worthy Grand Patron; Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Past Grand Matron of West Virginia; Brother Ray G. Osborne, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron and Past Grand Patron of Tennessee and his wife, Sister Louise Osborne; Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of South Carolina and her husband D. Harold Winchester, Past Grand Patron of South Carolina; Sister Anna R. Schulz, International Peace Garden Committee Member of General Grand Chapter, Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary of South Carolina; Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr., Chairman of the Payroll Committee of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron of South Carolina and his wife Sister Elizabeth Barnett, Past Grand Matron of South Carolina.

After lunch, Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer extended a very cordial welcome. Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, in turn, gave a heartfelt response on behalf of those present.

Sister Anna R. Schulz, General Grand Chapter Committee Member conducted the Introductions, introducing the head table; visiting Past Grand Matrons, Sisters Montine Mize, of Georgia; Helen T. Westmoreland of Florida; Nancy N. Crismond and Nena H. Hash of Virginia; Past Grand Matrons, Brothers Bobby J. Townsend of Georgia; Robert D. Fiedler of Florida; and South Carolina's own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, their husbands and wives.

Brother D. Harold Winchester gave a loving *tribute* to his wife, Sister Glenda Winchester, our Right Worthy Grand Treasurer. He surprised her with a dozen red roses. Brother Robert L. Pittman reflected over the years in a *tribute* to Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr. our General Grand Chapter Committee Chairman. Brother Vernon D. Force, paid *tribute* to his Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Anna R. Schulz, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, concluding by having Sister Judy and Brother Fred present her with his special "Badge of Office!"

We were honored to have remarks from our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer and our two General Grand Chapter Committee Members. Each sincerely expressed their appreciation.

It was announced that Sister Lynda K. Pittman and Brother Ira M. Parks were unanimously elected to membership in the Past Grands' Association. Their initiation will take place at the January, 1999 Business Meeting.

Sister Judy again thanked everyone for attending. She paid a special thanks to Brother Fred for all his help. And to Brother Charles Marthers for coming and playing the organ. he is a new member in her Chapter, Columbia No. 59, and was just installed as Organist in April.

Brother P. G. Barnett, Jr., General Grand Chapter Payroll Committee Chairman and Past Grand Patron closed the meeting with the Benediction. Sixty-six members and guests then retired, with "Smiling Faces," to prepare for the Informal Opening of the "To God Be The Glory" Session at 5:00 p.m.

JUDY B. CALDWELL, *President*

### **"TO GOD BE THE GLORY" RECEPTION**

On Tuesday evening, June 16, the "To God Be The Glory" reception was held in the Lexington Ballroom of the Sheraton Hotel Convention Center.

The beautiful reception was hosted by District 10 in honor of our Worthy grand Matron, Sister Lynda Pittman and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ira Parks and all members of South Carolina. Other honored guests were: Sister Maxine Flint Justice, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron; Sister Glenda Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer; General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Grand Officers of the State of South Carolina. All of these formed a receiving line and personally greeted all Sisters, Brothers and Out-of-State guests.

Two beautiful strawberry trees, surrounded by pineapples, other fruit and chocolate fondue were our delicious center pieces. The tables were laden with huge trays of finger foods and fresh fruits. Pineapple punch and coffee were served from two lovely decorated tables. Another table held a large sheet cake with the Eastern Star in appropriate colors on top.

The evening was very successful and enjoyed by over 400 members and visitors. Thank you BIG 10!

NELVA LINDLER, *Chairman*

SANDRA RHINEHART, *P.M., President*

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