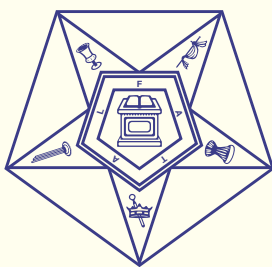


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WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S EMBLEM

EMBLEM

An Angel with outstretched arms, her Halo slightly tipped, her left wing has the Eastern Star and her right wing has an awareness ribbon.

The Angel represents the place of my birth, Los Angeles, California as well as my chosen profession, Nursing. Most importantly it represents the Angel in all of us. She has outstretched arms to remind us to be open to people and their ideas. The Halo is slightly tipped reminding you to never take yourself too seriously. In her wings she displays the Eastern Star reminding us to keep the vision of our Order alive and the Awareness Ribbon reminds us to be aware of those around us, in both easy and difficult times.

COLORS

Navy Blue, Royal Purple, Shades of Green with accents of Silver and Gold

The Navy Blue reminds us of our Patriotism, be true to your Country and your Countrymen, remember always the sacrifices that were made to keep you free. The Purple reminds us of our Loyalty to our family and friends, keep them in your hearts and lives always. Green reminds us of our Faith and Hope, keep a trustful Faith in all that you do. The Silver and Gold are precious metals and should remind us of the sparkling moments in our lives.

FLOWER

The Orange Blossom

WATCHWORDS

Humility—Optimism—Respect—Sincerity—Enthusiasm

Be Humble in attitude, Optimistic in spirit, Respectful in demeanor, Sincere in speech and whatever you do, do it with Enthusiasm!

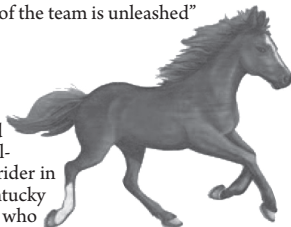
MOTTO

"With a clear Vision and the room to run the true power of the team is unleashed"

FUN EMBLEM

"Mz Bee Haven"

Our Mz Bee Haven is a playful horse, full of spirit and determination. You may catch her alone in the field or pulling the plow on the farm. She might be carrying the stunt rider in the circus or movies or even "running for the roses" at Kentucky Derby. Wherever she is her graceful power is felt by those who come in contact with her.





WORTHY GRAND PATRON EMBLEM

EMBLEM

The emblem is a fouled anchor with a shield superimposed on its shank. Sitting on top of the Anchor is found the Eastern Star. In the middle of the Anchor is the Masonic Square and Compass.

This emblem represents my service in the Navy, my love and affiliation with the United States Coast Guard and the Masonic Family. The anchor is emblematic of the Coast Guard Chief; it represents stability, security, and reminds us of our responsibility to keep those we serve, safe from harm's way. The chain is symbolic of the flexibility and strength that we must practice throughout our lives. Found on the imposed shield are the colors of our Flag and five stars, representing the Star Points of our Order. The Eastern Star and Square and Compass represent my Masonic Family.

COLORS

Red, White and Blue

The Red represents hardiness and valor, and symbolizes our love for one another. White represents purity and innocence. The Blue represents vigilance, perseverance, and justice. It reminds us of our Patriotism to our Country, and sacrifices that were made to keep us free.

FLOWER

Red, White and Blue Carnations

WATCHWORDS

Unity—Service—Navigation

Unity symbolizes fellowship of the Fraternity. Service symbolizes service to one's God, fellow man, and the Order. Navigation symbolizes true course before God and man.

MOTTO

Remember, Only You have the power to give each day a positive purpose.

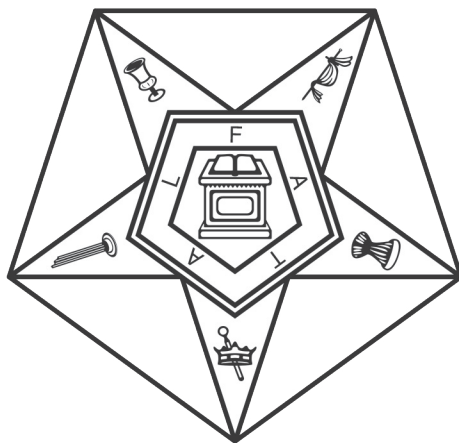
FUN EMBLEM

"Sparky"



Our Sparky is a Dalmatian or carriage dog, who symbolizes my 45 years with the Fire Service. Many of those years were spent serving as Fire Marshal for the City of Fairfield. In the days of horse-drawn fire engines, the Dalmatians cleared a path and quickly guided the horses and firefighters to the fires. During the fire, the dogs guarded the equipment and watched over the horses. Dalmatians are good watchdogs, very compatible with horses and serve as the universal firehouse mascot.

PROCEEDINGS
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Order of the Eastern Star



One Hundred Thirty-Ninth Annual
“THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION

October 17–20, 2012

Fresno Convention Center
700 M Street
Fresno, California 93721

**2012 “THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION
WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 17, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

INFORMAL OPENING

The backdrop in the East had a banner with the Session Theme “The Winner’s Circle” and the fun emblems of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. There were “Win” banners on the podium in the East. Twinkling lights lined the floor of the stage; the bottom of the stage showed stands with spectators; and on the floor in the East was the Winner’s paddock, with a trophy and columns; the fun emblems were guarding the paddock.

The stations in the West, North and South were decorated with “Place” and “Show” banners and twinkling lights, as were the West entrances to the Grand Chapter Room. Behind the West was a large horseshoe labeled “Grand Chapter Paddock.”

6:45 PM Musical Prelude:

Ruth Wahpecome, PM (358)

California Singing Stars: “*The Sound of Music*”

7:00 PM Formation and Drills:

NARRATION

(by Cherri Whiteley, PM (59/62))

First to enter The Winner’s Circle are the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons who have served their chapters with enthusiasm, carrying forth a clear vision and demonstrating the true power of unity and teamwork, making sure their home turf was always ready for the race.

Following closely behind we see our Grand Representatives, those who have shared the gait of their friendship in their various jurisdictions, winning examples of the widespread fraternal bonds we served with our Sisters and Brothers in many parts of the world.

Spirit and determination are the winning attributes shown by our Deputy Grand Matrons. These “watchdog” leaders have navigated throughout their districts, sharing the presentation of our beautiful ritual and floor work. The odds were always favorable for these dedicated ladies.

The support they have given to their Grand Officers has placed these Sisters and Brothers in The Winner’s Circle as Grand Pages. They have provided service with a sense of humility and sincerity that is to be truly admired. Their all-out efforts during these Grand Chapter Sessions will certainly put them at the front of their field.

Running the track up and down California and even across state borders, this year's Grand Officers and their escorts have certainly been winners. They have gone the distance, often doing a daily double, but were never were dark horses. This is no photo finish; they are all winners. Their subordinates have learned the right stride, and all of them will have cherished memories of the races they have won.

Last to enter The Winner's Circle are our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Linda Bernhard, with her sister Teri Beaman; and Worthy Grand Patron Steve Johnson, with his wife Glenda. They have been the front runners all year. Smart money has been on them and they have never faltered. Never wearing blinders, they have always had their eyes on the members of California; and now they have come through the home stretch as the winners of the sweepstakes. Our bets were on them and they have made us proud.

Therefore, I have the honor of presenting the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Grand Representatives, Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Pages, Grand Officers and their escorts, and the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and their escorts.

Welcome to the 2012 Winner's Circle.

EMBLEM CEREMONY

Honorary Marshals:

Karen Fletcher, GGCCM

Janet Robinson, PGM

Emblem Bearers:

Adah: Sheri Weisser, PGM

Ruth: Kathleen MacDonald, PGM

Esther: Kim Hegg, PGM

Martha: Sue White, PGM

Electa: Doris May Parrish, PGM

Cherri Whiteley, PM (59/62): Self-sacrifice, integrity and obedience are ideals of Adah, our star point of blue. Her sense of duty and devotion so guided her actions that by her deeds, she exemplified the highest type of filial obedience.

Loyalty is the ideal of Ruth, our star point of yellow. Only by being loyal to the furthering of the best interests of our fellow man and by being loyal to the tenets of our faith do we merit the giving or gaining of friendship.

Purity and self-sacrifice are the ideals of Esther, our star point of white. Although she was feted and crowned, beautiful and wealthy, she succeeded in remaining pure, upright, and simple. Her life and actions were free from blemish in every way.

Faith and a belief in eternal life and immortality of the soul are the ideals of Martha, our star point of green. We can strive to achieve these ideals in our lives by so familiarizing ourselves by the teachings of the word of God, that our faith of eternal life may become as unshakable as was the faith of Martha.

Love and hospitality are the ideals of Electa, our star point of red. These characters may be emulated by consistently acting with love toward our fellow man, and by loving God with all of our mind and heart.

ENTRANCE OF THE HOLY BIBLE

Bible Bearer:

Norma Stilwell, GGCCM

Bible Escorts:

Barbara Scott, PGM

Beverly Wade, PGM

Cherri Whiteley, PM (59/62): All of these ideals are taught within the pages of the Holy Bible. These sacred pages have been preserved so that we may know the will of God for our lives. We should regard these divine truths as the very fundamentals by which we live.

PRAYER

(by William J. Bray, III, PGP, Past Grand Master (338/651))

Our Heavenly Father, we come before Thy throne in this moment of prayer with humble thanks for the many blessings received at Thine hands since our last Grand Chapter Session. We thank Thee for the blessings of being citizens of a nation which allow such an Order to exist, and for the privileges we enjoy in being members of this beautiful Order. May its teachings play an important part in making the world a better place to live.

Father, be with all of us this week and help each of us to contribute in his or her own way to make this Winner's Circle session one of harmony and goodwill so that much can be achieved from our labors.

We are thankful for the protection Thou has given our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Linda, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Steve, in their travels about the state. Bless and guide them as they preside over this Grand Chapter Session.

We are grateful to be in the presence of so many distinguished guests who have come from so near and far to be with us. May God's blessings rest upon those who could not be with us. And we especially pray for the families of our young people who have given their lives in serving our great nation and for those who continue to serve our great country.

These things we ask in Thy holy name. Amen.

(Musical Selection: "The Ascot Gavotte" — Evelyn de la Rosa, PM (96); Rebecca Miller, PM (96/300); Don Snyder, PGP (21/651); Howard Freelove (96))

CALL TO ORDER

(By Don Farris, Jr., PP (347) and Kat Farris, PM (347), General Chairmen)

Don: I have the honor to call "The Winner's Circle" 139th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, to Order.

Kat: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored Members, Sisters and Brothers:

What a great honor to be able to welcome our delegates, members and visitors to The Winner's Circle, Grand Chapter Session 2012, on behalf of our Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron.

To quote Henry Ford: "Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, and working together is success." Having a great team to work with is the only way to have a successful session and we have hit the trifecta with such an awesome team, starting with those group chairmen who came before us and laid the groundwork, especially last year's team leaders, Sister Debra and Brother Jay Learn, who have been such great mentors to the General Chairmen and their committees. We knew that racing to the finish line together was the only way this session would hit the daily double.

Starting on the backstretch a few years ago as novices, we were given the test so that we could be favorites in the race of 2012. Calling the purebreds from 2008 and 2011 from the paddock was a stroke of genius. The Grand Chapter Week Committee Members are to be commended for not working with blinders on and for being upfront members in all your efforts, even when we had no tracks to run on. Sisters and Brothers, please give these members a pat on the back when you see them working throughout this race. They are the reason this week will be a success.

Having a trainer that allowed the Eastern Star line to continually be blurred helped us make sure that the finish line was clearly in sight. Sister Collette Serio Gole, PGM. adviser to this great team and to all the Grand Chapter Week committees, you have made winning this race a shoo-in. Thank you for guiding the reins and letting us gallop as needed. Thank you for being a true trainer and for not just sitting in the grandstands.

Sister Linda and Brother Steve, our pacesetters, we're not sure that thanks are even enough. Our goal for this session is to have everyone out of the starting gate safely at the beginning and winners across the board for you, your 2012 Grand Officers, and all the race goers including those in the infield.

So stay away from the fence, don't falter, and enjoy your race. The winning post is in sight, the spectators have taken their seats, post time has been announced, and this team is done warming up.

Sisters Honorary Grand Marshals, you will escort the Hostess and Host to the East.

ENTRANCE OF HOSTESS AND HOST

Honorary Marshals:

Karen Fletcher, GGCCM

Janet Robinson, PGM

Hostess:

Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651)

Host:

James Whiteley, PGP (59/62)

Kat Farris, PM (347): Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor of presenting Sister Collette Serio Gole, Past Grand Matron; and Brother Jim Whiteley, Past Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will unite with me in extending Grand Honors to our distinguished members.

(Grand Honors extended)

Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651): Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the pleasure of presenting Sister Kat Farris, Past Matron and Brother Donnie Farris, Jr., Past Patron, General Chairmen of Grand Chapter Week. Let's show them how much we appreciate them.

ENTRANCE OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651): Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor of presenting Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

It is also my pleasure to present Sister Teri Beaman, sister of our Worthy Grand Matron; and Sister Glenda Johnson, wife of our Worthy Grand Patron, a Past Matron of Suisun Chapter. Please extend to them a warm welcome.

Sister Linda, I present to you your gavel to use at this Informal Opening session. Use it wisely. I give it to you with love.

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to present:

Sisters Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron, Valley Star Chapter, Los Altos, and her escort David Anderson;
Brothers Art Weiss, Associate Grand Patron, Conejo Valley Chapter, Thousand Oaks, and Dr. Rob Morris Chapter, Santa Monica, and his escort, his wife Barbara;
Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary, Hollywood Chapter, South Pasadena, and her escort Carole Gaston;
Tacy Lee, Grand Treasurer, San Clemente Saddleback Chapter, Lake Forest, and her escort, Beverly Cratsenburg, who is also a Past Grand Treasurer;
Debbie Maiman, Grand Conductress, Ocean Park Chapter, and her escort, her daughter, Lauren Derryberry;
Martha Peters, Associate Grand Conductress, Silver Spray Chapter, Napa, and her escort, Sister Pat Caceres, who was my big sister and a former Grand Martha.
David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain, Ferndale Chapter, and his wife Laurie;
Chris Dias, Grand Marshal, Riverside Chapter, and her husband, Simon;
Tina Spriggs, Grand Organist, Evangeline Chapter, Nevada City, and Penrhyn Chapter, and her husband Gary;
Margaret Foley, Grand Adah, Unity Chapter, Burlingame, and Linden Chapter, and her escort Michael Padilla;
Käthe Larick, Grand Ruth, La Paloma Star and Harbor Lights Chapters, San Diego, and her escort Kathie Theener;
Jan McPherson, Grand Esther, El Camino Chapter, Sacramento, and her escort Pat Stokes;
Deb Baker, Grand Martha, Upland Chapter and Concordia Chapter, Clovis, and her husband Jon;
Terri Ewing, Grand Electa, Rose Valley Chapter, Santa Rosa, and her husband Gary;
Richard Marsh, Grand Warder, Emerald Star Chapter, Norwalk, and his escort Jan Butler;
Al Jazwiecki, Grand Sentinel, Scepter Chapter, Orange, and his wife Sharon;

I now call this Wednesday Evening Informal Opening Session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, to order. Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

ENTRANCE OF DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present the 2012 Deputy Grand Matrons, our “Watchdogs.”

Already introduced, but standing over in the North is our chairman of our Deputy Grand Matrons, Sister Sharon Jazwiecki, from Scepter Chapter, Orange;

From District 8, the president of our Northern Deputies, Sister Sandy Morrey, from Harmony Chapter in Sacramento;

From District 29, the president of our Southern Deputies Association, Sister Meg Gaston from Hollywood Chapter, South Pasadena;

District 1: Karen Parlato, Rohnerville-Redwood Chapter, Fortuna;

District 2: Jean Krueger, Evening Star Chapter, Etna;

District 3: Dale Russell, Plumas Chapter, Quincy;

District 4: Karen Skeleton, Molino Star Chapter, Los Molinos;

District 5: Beth Massengill, Friendship Chapter, Marysville;

District 7: Cyndi Dawson, El Dorado Foothills Chapter, El Dorado;

District 10: Laura Bouwens, Yolano Chapter, Vacaville;

District 12: Vivian Bens-Hower, Gold Ridge Star Chapter, Sebastopol;

District 13: Elaine Lake, Concord Chapter;

District 14: Gayle Hamilton, Lake Chabot Chapter, Castro Valley;

District 15: Margie Burke, Pacific Star Chapter, San Francisco;

District 16: Sandy Rosenberg, Valley Star Chapter, Los Altos;

District 17: Reba Gibson, Mother Lode Chapter, Murphys;

District 18: Darlene Cross, Escallonia Chapter, Escalon;

District 20: Cynthia Young, Carmel Chapter;

District 21: Dotty Ducret, Yosemite Gateway Chapter, Merced;

District 22: Debbie Sanborn, Concordia Chapter, Clovis;

District 24: Gerri Sproul, Bakersfield Chapter;

District 25: Debi Lorden, Atascadero Chapter;

District 26: Rose Anne Cooley, Conejo Valley Chapter, Thousand Oaks;

District 28: Kathryn Cole, Van Nuys Chapter;

District 30: Diana Davison, Nova Star Chapter,
Manhattan Beach;
District 31: Melinda Jones, Long Beach Chapter;
District 32: Millie Taylor, Bellflower Chapter;
District 33: Pat Lovett, Seaside Chapter, Huntington Beach;
District 34: Betty Cameron, Mt. Whitney Chapter, Bishop;
District 35: Lynn Olson, Victor Valley Chapter, Victorville;
District 37: Cheryl Smiley, Ungava Chapter, Riverside;
District 38: Helen Ash, Star of the Valley Chapter,
Moreno Valley;
District 39: Debbie Watts, Desert Valley Chapter,
Yucca Valley;
District 40: Kelli Miller, Fallbrook Chapter;
District 41: Penny Kincaid, Harbor Lights Chapter,
San Diego;
District 42: Rebecca Miller, Star of the East Chapter,
El Cajon.

Sister Kat and Brother Donnie, thank you for calling this session of our 2012 Grand Chapter to Order. Donnie, whenever you send me a text, you always end with “YHS”. Today and the rest of Grand Chapter Week, I remain your humble servant. I thank you for your commitment to this huge undertaking. Kat, you know you always remind me of my own worth and have enabled me to defy gravity. I look forward to resuming our relationship as just friends and our morning talks about absolutely nothing. I am indebted to both of you for your service as General Chairmen of Grand Chapter Week. On Saturday, we will have you and your committees parade one more time on the home stretch towards your own Winner’s Circle. Thank you.

Sister Collette and Brother Jim, our Hostess and Host for this Informal Opening Session, we would be pleased to have your address of welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(By Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651), and Jim Whiteley, PGP (59/62))

Collette: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Distinguished and Honored Members, Sisters, Brothers, and our Special Guests:

Welcome to our Winner’s Circle Session of California Grand Chapter. How exciting it is to be here in the press box at the racetrack watching the horses as they round the bend and enter the final stretch. The crowd and all of the excitement remind me of the racetrack scene in the movie musical “My Fair Lady.”

Jim: Collette, why do we also have to apply everything to Hollywood? I decided it would not be appropriate to bring up baseball this evening, even though the Giants are on their way to go to the World Series.

Collette: Thank you, Jim. I am glad you made that decision, as I really don't want to talk about baseball. You know, it seems that the only hope for the Dodgers is to have some Angels in the Outfield.

Jim: There you go with that Hollywood connection thing again. Can we please focus on the fact that we are at the racetrack, the race has been run at lightning speed, and we see Mz Bee Haven far in front of the field with Sparky keeping pace right beside her? They are surely headed right to the Winner's Circle.

Collette: Yes, Jim, that is our focus. But let's acknowledge the similarity of My Fair Lady and the scenes from the racetrack at Astoria: The beautiful gowns, the big hats, tuxedos, top hats, ascots and, yes, even the songs from My Fair Lady fit this setting. After all, we have "Grown Accustomed to Their Faces."

Jim: I guess you're right about that. I remember a couple of the tunes from My Fair Lady: "Get Me to the Track on Time," and "I could have Bet All Night."

Collette: Really?

Jim: Uh-huh.

Collette: I don't think those are quite the titles, but I guess they do fit into our racetrack theme this evening. Speaking of racetracks, we certainly have seen our share of those this year, watching the feature races being run by the 2012 Grand Family. Each of them has run many furlongs traveling to the various racetracks, also known as Masonic Centers, throughout the state, and they have shared moments in the Winner's Circle at all kinds of events this year. As we all know, the 2012s had little time to stay "On the Street Where They Live."

Jim: That is so true. There has never been a time that the Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Matrons, and Grand Representatives have failed to win, place or show. They were always on the board and have made us very proud to be their sire and dame.

Collette: Sister Linda, you transformed from our cute little foal Mz Bee into the elegant mare, Mz Bee Haven. We are honored to pay tribute to you as our fraternal daughter, and are here to cheer you on as you approach the finish line, wrapping up this year of all your dedicated service to our Order.

Jim: We are equally proud of your companion Sparky, alias Brother Steve Johnson, as he kept stride right alongside of you and will cross the finish line right beside you.

Collette: You left the starting gate as the "odds on favorites" and never faltered in any of your races.

Jim: It seemed like only yesterday Sister Collette and I stood where you stand now, and we know you two will equally enjoy the time we will spend presiding here.

Collette: After all, how can you miss when you are standing in The Winner's Circle with the crowds cheering you on to victory? Our money has always been on you, and you have come through as the sweepstakes winners.

Jim: Congratulations, Linda and Steve, and welcome, everyone, to the "bell lap."

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Collette and Brother Jim, you both are definitely a winning team. I thank you both for your faith in me when you asked me to be your Grand Marshal for 2008. Your guidance and support, as well as the support of all of the 2008 Grand Officers, have been more than anyone could have asked for as we galloped around the track these last four years to the home stretch we find ourselves on today.

Sister Collette, I don't know what you were thinking when you asked me to serve as your Grand Marshal, but whatever it was, I am grateful. The journey has been incredible. It would not have been as successful without your love and support. You are a shining example to all of the 2008's, and I am glad you chose me to be one of them.

Brother Jim, your kind and gentle ways have meant so much to me. You have supported me through this journey, but have also been there with wise advice when Stu was diagnosed with prostate cancer. He is doing well, but your support was also felt by both of us. You are an "Allstar" in my book.

Thank you for your welcome to our members and guests for this evening. Once again, you hit a home run, and this crowd is enthusiastic to watch us all reach a winning finish.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: I also want to thank you for your welcome here this evening for our Informal Opening of the Winner's Circle Session. Sister Collette and Brother Jim, it's always a pleasure to hear from you. Thank you both for all the hard work that you have put into ensuring that our year was a success. The achievements and outstanding leadership of your year have been a source of pride and inspiration for the both of us. I would like to extend my warmest thanks to you both.

(Musical Selection: Rebecca Miller (96/300) "Run for the Roses")

FLAG PRESENTATION

Flag Bearers:

American Flag:	JD Hammett, PGP
California Flag:	Michael Cornell, PGP
Christian Flag:	James Chormicle, PGP
Eastern Star Flag:	Larry Coffin, PGP
Texas State Flag:	Dave Buck, PGP
Nova Scotia:	Dennis Jordan, PGP
Washington State Flag:	Steve Nicholas, GGCCM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NATIONAL ANTHEM

FLAG TRIBUTE

(by Loyal Stark, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron)

Did you feel it? That tingling feeling of pride right up from your toes as the banner was brought across the arena, the same flag we felt at the Summer Olympics as we watched our athletes salute from the podiums during the medal ceremonies? Wow, what a feeling!

Recently, there's been another feeling, the feeling of anger and disgust as we observed Islamic radicals murdering innocent Americans and trashing our flag. We must be ever-vigilant in the protection of our liberty.

This flag of the United States is more than feelings; it was created as a symbol of national unity. It tells of the struggle for independence, of the blood shed by our brave warriors to whom the ideals that honor this nation were held dearer than life.

Our nation's flag has endured many changes, yet it remains a portrait of truth, democracy, and freedom. Our flag has accompanied brave men and women in their greatest endeavors as a symbol of strength and battle, of conquests that topped the highest peaks and courage and dedication, atop a fallen soldier's coffin.

From the depth of the ocean to the distant moon, our Banner stands as a tribute to the greatest country in the world, a country where the rights of our citizens have prevailed. The pursuit of liberty is paramount, and our love for our God is the dominant force upon which the government of the United States was founded.

Let us look forward, and give this flag our highest honor and our unwavering loyalty — this flag of our fathers, this flag of our children, this flag of our country. May God ever see fit to bless it, and all those who live under her sacred folds. May God bless those serving this banner in places of harm, and may God bless the United States of America.

ENTRANCE OF COUNCIL MEMBER

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, it is my privilege to present a man who was a Fresno police officer for 11 years, assigned to a problem-oriented policing unit, and now has transitioned into a volunteer role as a reserve Fresno Police Officer.

His community policing philosophy is described as “Holding people accountable when they disrupt neighborhoods or are a public nuisance.” Mr. Baines is passionate about his community and has helped integrate parolees back into society by working with outside organizations as well as mentoring youth. He is committed to combating juvenile crimes and has organized basketball tournaments in low income areas. He has received several official honors including Accommodation Officer of the Year Award in 2008, and two medals for saving lives.

Despite his busy schedule, Mr. Baines is committed to community service. From 2006 to 2010, he served as chairman of Bringing Broken Neighborhoods Back to Life, an organization formed because of a Federal Weed and Seed grant. This group helps residents of crime-ridden neighborhoods to organize themselves and to clear their streets of gangs and violence. He also organizes Santa’s Village, an event developed so children from some of the poorest areas of Fresno could meet Santa and Mrs. Claus.

He has lived in Fresno for more than 18 years and has been married to his wife LaShawn for more than seven years. Their daughter Ashley is a graduate of Edison High School and currently attends California State University Fresno.

It’s my pleasure to present The Honorable Oliver L. Baines III, Member of the Fresno City Council as the Representative of District 3. May we have your greetings at this time?

GREETING FROM FRESNO

(by Oliver L. Baines, III, Fresno City Councilmember, District 3)

Thank you so much for that very gracious introduction; that was wonderful.

I just want to thank you all for inviting me to be part of your Grand Chapter Session. I first want to make sure I welcome the Worthy Grand Matron Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Patron, Steve Johnson, and Sisters and Brothers of the Order of the Eastern Star.

I bring you greetings from the City of Fresno; we welcome you to our city, and I personally welcome you to my district. You are in the heart of District 3, Downtown Fresno. It means a lot that you all chose to make Fresno your home this year for your Grand Session. We very much appreciate your spending your time with us.

I would also like to bid you greetings from Georgia Green Lodge No. 118. I, too, am a Mason, Prince Hall, and my Worshipful Master is very upset with me because we are in a Lodge meeting tonight. He did give me a pass to come and greet you all, and I am so happy that I came to share just a few moments with you.

It means so much to see so many Sisters and Brothers in our Order here. I understand what it means, I understand what you sacrifice, I understand what this is all about, and it brings me joy to see this, and I want to take a moment of personal liberty and apologize for being a little bit late.

I had no idea your group was so large. I thought you were going to be in a smaller room, but there's no way a smaller room could contain you all. So I was actually running around the Radisson and Fresno Convention Center, not knowing you were in Selland Arena. I apologize for my tardiness.

But before I leave, I just want to let you know what this Order has done for my life. It has truly been an awakening for me, I am truly an enlightened man. It has brought me on a spiritual path and a journey that I did not even realize was possible. So as you all congregate here in our city, I understand what it means, I know the path and the journey that you are on, and I commend you all and I thank you for the work that you do in our communities.

So with that, I just want to welcome you to the City of Fresno. I want to thank you for spending your time with us, and if there's anything that I can do while you are here, please allow me to be a Brother and a friend to you.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Council Member Baines, on behalf of the Grand Chapter of California, I thank you for welcoming us to your city. We have enjoyed being here for several of our conventions, receptions, and workshops.

I guess my favorite time was the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron reception this past September, when your city honored us with police and secret service right outside our door. What? You say that was for Paul Ryan? It wasn't because we were here? Sorry, my mistake. But seriously, we do thank you for the courtesies that the City of Fresno has extended to our members throughout the years.

It is my honor to welcome our distinguished members to the Winner's Circle, our 2012 Grand Chapter and our Informal Opening Session. Your support and confidence led us to the starting gate where we took off running. There were a few bumps along the way, but we seem to make every turn cleanly and are now heading on the home stretch, the finish line in sight, and we are giving the last ounce of our endurance to get us all to the Winner's Circle.

We thank you for your dedication to the Order and your support for this Grand Family. Please enjoy the special evening of fellowship and entertainment honoring you.

ESCORT

PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present Brother Loyal Stark, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of California. You will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our Past Most Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present Sister Glenda G. Winchester, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer; and Brother Michael E. Berry, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Chairman of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. You will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our General Grand Chapter Elective Officers.

(Grand Honors extended)

VISITING GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present Sister Judith Brightman, General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Charters. You will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our General Grand Chapter Committee Member of Other Jurisdictions.

(Grand Honors extended)

CALIFORNIA'S GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present Brother Steve Nicholas, Chapter Restoration; Sisters Norma Stilwell, Scottish Rite Charities; and Karen Fletcher, Service Dogs, all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our General Grand Chapter Committee Members.

(Grand Honors extended)

WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND WORTHY GRAND PATRONS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor of presenting Sister Ruth Fitzgerald, Worthy Grand Matron of Nevada; and Brother Bart Jacka, Worthy Grand Patron of Nevada. Sisters and Brothers, for their first time as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you will join me in extending Grand Honors to our distinguished members.

(Grand Honors extended)

Sister Ruth and Brother Bart have been Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for about a week and this is their first Grand Chapter, so we are the first ones to give them a welcome.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Jurisdictions: Sisters Natalie Jenkins, Massachusetts; Andrea Storjohann, Idaho; Constance Vick, Massachusetts; Margaret Hull, Oklahoma; and Brothers Clifford Brightman, Massachusetts; David Dibrell, Texas; Alex Reid, British Columbia; Richard Sidford, Nevada; and Allister Milligan, Ontario. Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in extending Grand Honors to our distinguished members.

(Grand Honors extended)

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF CALIFORNIA

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present Sisters Hildegard Smith, Earlynn Albright, Jerry Creager, Paula Remington, Barbara Pierce, Kathleen MacDonald, Sherie Gustafson, Sue McKinney, Sheri Weisser, Doris Parrish, Danna Willoughby, Janet Robinson, Sue White, Donna Herring, Barbara Scott, Beverly Wade,

Kim Hegg; and Brothers Dennis Jordan, Clint Dillon, Donald Hull, Frank Young, David Von Bima, Terry Holts, Glenn Jones who is in the Southeast; Bill Bray, who is also a Past Grand Master of Masons in California, Jim Chormicle, Dave Buck, Michael Cornell, JD Hammett, Larry Coffin, and Don Snyder, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in extending Grand Honors to our distinguished members.

(Grand Honors extended)

GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present these Grand Officers from Other Grand Jurisdictions: Sisters Mary Jackson, Associate Grand Matron, Arizona, and Sister Mary is also a Past Matron of Elk Grove Onisbo in Elk Grove; Elizabeth Sidford, Associate Grand Matron, Nevada; Jacqueline Witek, Grand Electa and Worthy Matron in South Carolina; Stephanie Fletcher-Cox, Grand Esther, Wyoming and a Past Matron of Joaquin Chapter in Tracy; and Brother Clifford Gordon, Grand Marshal in Nevada, who is also the escort to our Grand Representative of California in Nevada, Sister JJ. Please help me give them a great welcome.

PAST GRAND TREASURERS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I have the honor to present our Past Grand Treasurers, Sister Donna Tucker, Erla Hildebrand, Beverly Cratsenburg and Linda Hoeser. Please welcome them.

INTRODUCTION OF ESCORTS

Sisters and Brothers, it is my pleasure to present Sister Joan Stark, the escort to our Past Most Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you for being with us this evening.

Would all of the escorts to our distinguished members of California and our visiting dignitaries please rise. Thank you so much, each and every one of you, for being here and for all you do for your loved ones. I know that they appreciate it and it is certainly a privilege to have you with us this evening.

It is an honor to welcome our distinguished and honored members to The Winner's Circle. It is a privilege to have each of you with us to share in our winning moment. We thank you for your service and devotion to our beautiful Order. Please enjoy this evening of fellowship.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: I would like to extend my welcome to each of you. It's always a pleasure when distinguished and honored members choose to join us at our sessions. We look forward to sharing this special evening with you.

(Musical Selections: "I Could Have Danced All Night," "On the Street Where You Live," Evelyn de la Rosa, PM (96), Don Snyder, PGP (21/651)

ESCORT AND CAVALCADE OF FLAGS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: It is my honor to present the ambassadors of our Order — the Grand Representatives of this and other Grand Jurisdictions. Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in extending Grand Honors to our spectacular Grand Representatives.

(Grand Honors extended)

Our Grand Representatives are a dynamic group and we thank each and every one of you for being here with us this evening. Sister Sarahann Shapiro, our Associate Grand Matron, we would be pleased to have you welcome our Grand Representatives.

WELCOME TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

(by Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron)

It is truly my honor and pleasure to welcome the Grand Representatives to California's Grand Session.

We share a very special tie. When I was a young girl, my father used to take me to Disneyland and we would go on the "It's a Small World" ride many, many times. At the time, I didn't know that he was preparing me for a life in Eastern Star by getting me used to hearing the song "It's a Small World" over, and over, and over again. I always thought we went on the ride so many times, because it was the only decent attraction on the ticket.

So I thought to myself, I wonder if the Grand Representatives ever would like to be escorted to something else. And then I thought what would the right song be? And I thought about it, and thought about it, and I came up with a pretty good choice. I was thinking wouldn't it be fun to escort the Grand Representatives to Queens' "We Are the Champions."

I know that you are the champions because everyone has explained to me that being the Grand Representative is the best job in Eastern Star. A lot of people that I asked to do other things next year told me the best title in Eastern Star was being Grand Representative. And you know all of these years, I thought all the good titles started with past or former.

But you know, the life of a Grand Representative is not all fun and games. There are some difficult moments. A friend of mine, who was a Grand Representative, told me about one. She said that in the life of every Grand Representative, there's that moment when you go to visit the grand jurisdiction of your appointment. Lots of times you go there and your counterpart invites you to go to a chapter meeting so you can meet all of their friends. You go to the chapter meetings, the chapter opens, the business of the chapter starts, and

right there at the beginning, after the minutes are starting to be read or the officers' roll call is being said, you have to lean over to your counterpart and poke them on the shoulder and say "Do you guys use the same ritual we do, because I have never seen an opening that looks like that?" Well luckily, we don't have to worry about any of those kind of shocks at this session because we don't do our regular ritual for the Grand Chapter.

So we are very, very pleased that you are with us; we will have many wonderful and exciting events during our session this year, and we are very grateful that you have traveled from your grand jurisdictions and from home, near and far, to be with us for this Winner's Circle Session.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Sarahann. Sister Susan Baldwin, President of our Southern Grand Representatives Association, would you please give your response.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME

(by Susan Baldwin, PM (145/10))

Thank you, Sister Sarahann, for your friendly greeting of welcome to my Sister and Brother Representatives and our visiting counterparts from other jurisdictions. Thank you, Sister Linda, for extending to me the privilege of responding to Sister Sarahann on behalf of the Grand Representatives.

The duties of a Grand Representative are embodied in the title of their office. We represent the Grand Chapter of the state from which we receive our commission and we accept this trust with a deep sense of responsibility. Just as a Deputy Grand Matron strives to bind together the chapters of her district, so does a Grand Representative strive to roll out the links of fraternal love between Grand Jurisdictions.

The recommendation of a member to receive a commission is an important duty of the Worthy Grand Matron. For her choices not only reflect honor to herself, but also to the Worthy Grand Matron of a sister jurisdiction, and the Worthy Grand Matrons of California under whom we continue to serve for the duration of our commission.

Best wishes for a successful year ahead are extended to you, Sister Sarahann, and to Brother Art, and to your core of officers. To your Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons, we wish them well as they stand in the threshold of a new experience for all California. To the Conductresses and Associate Conductresses, how fortunate you are to be presently active in your respective chapters. To the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, may you emulate the example of your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in the year ahead. As you return to your respective chapters, may you continue to support your chapter as Sister Linda and Brother Steve continue to support this Grand Chapter.

Humility, optimism, respect, sincerity and enthusiasm have been carried to many jurisdictions by my sister and brother representatives, and we pledge our continued service in 2013 with spirit, tolerance, and truth.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Susan. Worthy Grand Patron, we would be honored to have you welcome our new members.

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

(by Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron)

I would like to express our thanks to everyone who has attended our ceremonies this evening. Would those of you that are attending Grand Chapter for the first time please stand? I would like to give you our warmest welcome. Grand Chapter is a very exciting time in the business year of our Order. I remember what it was like for me when I attended for the first time. After the session was over, I had a better understanding of what our Order was all about.

Now, all those things that I had seen at the chapter and district level made a little more sense. It's a time to see what our Sisters and Brothers are doing throughout the State of California. You will be able to see our Grand Officers do their work on the floor of Grand Chapter, and be able to work on your back muscles as we obey those raps of the gavel. You will be able to hear proposed legislation and discussion. When members are asked to vote, you will be able to cast your vote and you could make a difference in our Order.

Grand Chapter Week is a wonderful time for our members. It gives us a chance to meet old friends, make a few new ones, and attend some of the exciting events that our chairpersons have planned for you. There will be several meals offered, including the fun night dinner, which is themed A Pirate's Booty Casino Night, which is a very special favorite of mine, because I get to wear my pirate costume. And let's not forget our vendors. They have worked very hard to be here and their support helps keep our Grand Chapter prices down.

Once again, I want to thank you and congratulate you for joining us in this Winner's Circle session. It's members like you that make our Order what it is.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters, Brothers, and friends, I want to thank you for sharing this evening with us. Let us unite in singing our Closing Ode.

CLOSING ODE

"Let There be Peace on Earth"

"Let Peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow,
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally,
Let there be Peace on Earth and let it begin with me!"

BENEDICTION

(by David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

Source of all wisdom, we reverently invoke Thy blessing upon those of us here this evening. May your guiding hand be ever present while we attend these sessions of Grand Chapter. May we look forward to your guidance and support, and we ask that all present always keep the best interests of our Order in their hearts. Give us the strength to make the decisions that we know are right and the wisdom to know when to make them. In Thy name we ask, Amen.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now proclaim this Wednesday Evening Informal Opening Session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 8:45 AM on Thursday morning.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)



**2012 “THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION
THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 18, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

FORMAL OPENING

8:30 AM Musical Prelude:

Jean Cook, PM (18/358)

California Singing Stars: *“What a Wonderful Day Like Today”*

Entrance of:

Grand Pages

Grand Representatives

Deputy Grand Matrons

Escort of Hostess and Host:

Kim Hegg, Junior Past Grand Matron

Don Snyder, Junior Past Grand Patron

Don Snyder, Jr. PGP: Make it last.

Kim Hegg, Jr. PGM: I will make it last. Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to call this 139th Session of the Grand Chapter of California to Order.

EMBLEM CEREMONY

(by Cherri Whiteley, PM (59/62))

The blue ray of Adah, the ideal daughter, is ever the symbol of fidelity, loyalty and intelligence. It represents both Adah’s excellent use of her intellect in determining the right course of action and her unparalleled loyalty to her father.

The yellow ray of our star represents constancy and it is dedicated to Ruth. She represents the ideal widow because she cherished the family, faith, and other inheritance of her husband above every personal ambition, her native allegiance and her original religion.

Esther, the heroine of our white ray, represents the ideal wife because she not only succeeded in fulfilling her duty to her husband the king, but also maintained her high standards and performed her duty to God and to her nation.

Martha, the heroine of our green ray, represents the ideal sister with a devoted love of her brother. She had the fortitude to maintain her faith, even when her brother died, by abiding in the word of God.

Electa, the heroine of our red ray, represents the ideal mother because she sacrificed everything to establish a Christian heritage for her children and because she fully accepted her responsibility for the spiritual welfare of her children.

As we are guided by the characteristics of each of these heroines, we must turn to the source of their lessons, the Holy Bible. Living by the truth of those sacred pages will enable us to abide in the love of our heavenly father from who comes all wisdom and understanding.

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Chris Dias, Grand Marshal: I have the honor to present the Grand Officers of California, Order of the Eastern Star.

Kim Hegg, Jr. PGM: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join with me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Kim Hegg, Jr. PGM: Worthy Grand Matron, my sister, my friend, it is truly my honor to be able to present to you this morning at your Formal Opening Session of Grand Chapter your gavel. I know that you will wield it with much love and a gentle hand.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Kim, for presenting my gavel to me for the Formal Opening of this 139th Annual Grand Chapter Session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Kim Hegg, Junior Past Grand Matron, and Brother Don Snyder, Junior Past Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join me in extending the Grand Honors to our Junior Past Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

(The Grand Officers assumed their stations.)

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. It's our distinct privilege to have with us this morning Sister Kim Hegg and Brother Don Snyder, our Hostess and Host for this Formal Opening Session. Sister Kim and Brother Don, we would be pleased to have your welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(By Kim Hegg, Jr. PGM (177), and Don Snyder, Jr. PGP (21/651))

Kim: I hope it's on here.

Don: There's that iPad again. I won't touch it.

Kim: Thank you.

Don: Or I'll make it all go away.

Kim: It's gone already. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored members, Sisters and Brothers: It is our honor to welcome you to this Formal Opening of the Winner's Circle 139th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of California.

So, Don, can you believe that it's been one year since we stood in the same position on this same stage and opened our "If You Just Believe . . ." Session.

Don: And what a great time we had at that session. I was especially proud of the members for embracing the different elements that we introduced into our session, having fun when the situation called for humor, and being attentive and engaged during the business sessions.

Kim: During our travels, we met many wonderful and supportive members, and I can honestly say that there are many things that I am glad I am no longer responsible for as the leader of this Organization, but there is one thing that I have truly missed this last year and that is spending time with our members.

Don: As our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron can attest to, being the leaders of an organization such as ours takes humility, optimism, respect, sincerity, and enthusiasm.

Kim: But Don, what do those five words have to do with Linda and Steve?

Don: Well a perfect example of the word humility is our dear friend, Linda Bernhard. The dictionary defines "humility" as "modesty," lacking in pretense, not believing you are superior to others. You know that people who are great leaders direct their ego away from themselves to the larger goal of leading their organization to greatness.

Kim: I did not know that. So how does optimism play into this picture?

Don: Well, you know me, the epitome of optimism; if anyone has on rose-colored glasses it is I. I have always believed that it is better to look for the good in every situation and in everyone than to always have a negative spin on life's trials. You get much farther in life if you have a positive attitude and outlook.

Kim: Okay, I'll agree with that one. Of course respect plays an important role in our Organization. We set an example to the rest of the world that we should embrace and celebrate the diversity of each and every person regardless of race, color, or religion.

Don: And let's not forget sincerity, to be free from deceit, hypocrisy, or duplicity, to be genuine, honest, and true, qualities that emanate from our Worthy Grand Patron, my little brother, Steve Johnson.

Kim: And finally enthusiasm. What would this organization be if we didn't have enthusiasm?

Don: Oh, I know, boring.

Kim: Yes, it would be that. I hope that each one of you will embrace the watchwords of the Worthy Grand Matron and practice humility, optimism, respect, sincerity, and enthusiasm, as we leave the starting gate and begin our race around the track. There is much more before us over the next couple of days, but the finish line will be here before you know it.

Don: Sister Linda and Brother Steve, Kim and I wish for you the very best as you begin The Winner's Circle session. We have enjoyed being able to be with you and your Grand Family at many events this past year and we know you will be wonderful leaders during this session.

Kim: Sister Linda, it was truly my honor to be able to present to you your gavel to this morning. I know that you will preside over this Grand Chapter with a gentle hand and a loving heart. I am very proud to call you my sister, but even prouder to call you my friend.

Don: Kim and I, and all of the 2011 Grand Officers, wish you and your Grand Officers a harmonious and successful Grand Chapter session. May this Winner's Circle session be all you hoped it would be and more. We love you.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Kim and Brother Don, thank you for serving as the Hostess and Host for our Formal Opening of this Winner's Circle session. Sister Kim, we have had a very special friendship for many years and to have you as my big sister as I went through the Grand Line was an incredible bonus. You brought your calm demeanor, as well as your touch of elegance, to everything you touched along your path. I am proud to be following you and to call you my friend.

Brother Don, I have admired you for a long time and not just because you are a wonderful singer, although that is an added bonus. Your commitment to our Order and your dedication to the needs of our members is commendable. You, too, lend your touch of elegance to everything you did for our Order, and I am honored to call you my friend.

Thank you both for all that you have given to me; for your friendship, but even more for all you have done for our Order.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sister Kim and Brother Don, I also want to thank you for your welcome. In 2011, it was an honor to be able to sit in the West for your year of

“Just Believe.” It was an exciting year filled with glamour, fun, and a little bling. You always made us feel like we were a part of your family, and your Grand Officers and Escorts became close friends.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Grand Secretary, you will give the preliminary report of the Credentials Committee.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE PRELEMINARY REPORT

(by Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary)

As of 5:00 PM, on Wednesday, October 17, 2012, 145 California chapters have properly registered. Therefore, at this time, the constitutionally required number of chapters is represented.

For general information, the constitutional number of chapters that constitutes a quorum is 20 percent of the subordinate chapters in California; thus the number of chapters for a quorum is 35.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: As there are more than the constitutional number of chapters represented, we will proceed to open the Grand Chapter.

FORMAL OPENING

PRAYER

(by David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

Heavenly Father, we thank You for this very special day as we open the 139th Session of Grand Chapter. Guide and protect all of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star, both those who are here and those who could not make it. Give us on our deliberations Your blessing, strength, and truth, and may they ring true for the betterment of our Order. Give our Singing Stars the voices of angels. May they ring free today. In Thy Heavenly Name we ask, Amen.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: By virtue of the power and authority in me vested as Worthy Grand Matron, I now declare the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, to be duly open.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

(by Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron)

Welcome to the final few races of this Orange Blossom Derby. The participants have paraded the field, shown how hard they are willing to work as they race to the finish line, and are now ready to enter the starting gate. For those of you not familiar with this sport of kings, let me give you a few of the ground rules for this week of festivities.

In a horse race, it all starts with a horse being led from the barn where, after final inspection, they are led to the saddling stalls. At the appropriate time, the horses are then led to the paddock where the owners and jockey meet for the last minute instructions and the jockey is helped into place on the horse and ridden to the track.

At this time, the horses and jockeys are preparing for the race, as our Grand Officers and committee members are mentally preparing.

We ask that you remain in your seats throughout each race or session so as not to spook the horses and possibly lose a jockey.

I know you have all received a copy of the race form and are ready to cheer on our participants. Each of the races, and each report and piece of legislation voted on, is critical to our goal of finishing this race with a strong viable horse and of equal importance a strong viable Order.

At the end of each race, we ask that you remain in your seats as the horses and jockeys, or Grand Officers and Grand Pages, leave the track. Remember that the race is not over until the results are official and the winner has left the track.

Remember your tickets for admission, or credentials and dues receipts. The track officials will want to see them prior to leading you to your box seats. And please be careful where you walk. Use the handrails. We have our First Aid crew available if necessary, but we hope you don't need their assistance.

So now, it looks like our horses are ready to begin the race. I can feel the hush over the crowd and away they go. At this time, it is my pleasure to present Sister Alyson Grant, who will be serving as parliamentarian during this annual session. Sister Alyson would be pleased to meet with you informally, should you have any questions regarding the parliamentary procedure of this Grand Chapter session.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Alyson, you will please present the proposed standing rules for this session.

PRESENTATION OF PARLIAMENTARY RULES

Alyson, Grant, PM, (96), Parliamentarian: I would, at this time, ask the delegates to get out their legislative booklets, which I know you have poured over prior to coming to Grand Chapter. As our standing rules have not significantly changed from year to year, you'll be happy to know that I'm not going to read them back to you at this time, but I do encourage questions.

MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to move the adoption of the proposed parliamentary rules for this session as printed and distributed to our delegates.

(The motion was seconded, discussion was held, and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The standing rules are **ADOPTED** as printed.

Brother Gary Gole, Chairman of Jurisprudence.

Gary Gole, PP, (21/651), Chairman of Jurisprudence: This morning, our Worthy Grand Matron will be giving her annual report. She will tell you that during this year, she suspended the charter of Crown Chapter and the reasons why she took this action. She will also tell you she was unable to lift the suspension prior to this annual session.

At the conclusion of her annual report, and in accordance with our Constitution & Laws, the suspension of Crown Chapter will be brought before this Grand Chapter at which time you, the delegates, will vote on whether to revoke Crown Chapter's charter or reinstate it.

As a result of the suspension, members of Crown Chapter, who are not a member of another chapter, cannot attend any Grand Chapter session. The members of Crown Chapter have a vested interest in this matter and should be allowed to attend this session when the Worthy Grand Matron gives her annual report so they can hear the facts that led to their chapter's suspension. They should also be allowed to attend the session when the vote on their chapter's charter is taken.

MOTION: Therefore, I move that the members of Crown Chapter be allowed to attend the session of Grand Chapter when the Worthy Grand Matron gives her annual report so they can hear the facts that led to their chapter's suspension, and also the session where the discussion and vote on their chapter's charter is taken.

(Motion was seconded, discussion was held, and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

The Chairman of the Assistants to the Grand Warder will advise the Chairman of the Assistants to the Grand Sentinel to allow the members of Crown Chapter to enter.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Worthy Grand Patron, it is my desire that you preside.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sisters and Brothers, I now ask that you give attention to the address of your Worthy Grand Matron. Sister Linda, we would be pleased to hear your annual report.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

(by Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron)

Worthy Grand Patron, our Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored Members, Delegates to this Winner's Circle session, Sisters and Brothers:

The duties and powers of the Worthy Grand Matron are specified in the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter of California. One of the duties is to present a written report to the Grand Chapter at its annual session reviewing the work of her term of office setting forth the general condition of the Order in this Jurisdiction, and recommending such legislation as she may deem necessary for the welfare of our Order.

Just one year ago, I stood before this delegation and accepted the honor you bestowed upon me to serve as your Worthy Grand Matron in California. I asked, as we began this year together, that you remember the meaning of each of my watchwords: Humility, Optimism, Respect, Sincerity and Enthusiasm, and apply them to your lives each day. I reminded you of my motto: "With a Clear Vision and Room to Run, the Power of the Team is Unleashed."

I hope we gave to you as Team Eastern Star the tools you needed to see the vision of a strong, thriving, charitable Order, and were then given the room to run with your own ideas of how to reach this goal for all of us.

Lucy Lee, a writer and horse enthusiast, states that riding is a partnership. The horse lends you his strength, speed and grace which are greater than yours. For your part, you give him guidance, intelligence and understanding which are greater than his. Together, you can achieve a richness that neither can alone.

The journey has taken a team effort to achieve the goals we set for ourselves and for the Order just a short twelve months ago. Each person in this Order lent their particular skill to this team, none more or less important than the other. Just as in any horse race, the participants realized that to complete the run successfully and make it to the Winner's Circle, there was much work that had to be done, and they were given a very short time to accomplish the task.

The horse itself stood at 40 hours old, began intensive training as a yearling, and by two years old was being saddled and walked around the paddock as the jockeys and trainers assessed their skills. By three, they were racing; each decision in the race was made as a team decision between owner, trainer, jockey, and especially the horse.

This is how it is for each of us in the Order. We begin the line not quite sure what to expect, a little wobbly on our legs, but we begin our own intensive training so that we may one day pick that team member who will help us reach our goals and lead our chapter to The Winner's Circle.

Those of us who have the privilege of going through the Grand Line hope that our ideas and goals will be implemented by the members of California. Some members will own the idea or goal, ready to implement it immediately. Others need training to learn and understand the goals we are to achieve and then they will be ready to embrace the plan and move forward.

It is our job to carry these ideas and goals to the membership, goals that if met will make a stronger Order for all of us. You see, our ideas and goals for our Order are much like the race horse. I quote, "A race horse is an animal that can take several thousand people for a ride at the same time."

We continued to work on keeping the vision of Eastern Star alive in California as we followed our strategic plan. Our goals set forth for the year from the strategic plan focused on respectful communication, ritual and membership. Through the hard work of our committee, we were able to bring this vision to our membership.

I am thrilled to say that our members raced hard this year. They supported 10 All Member Instructionals and four leadership workshops that were held throughout the state. As has been done in the past, the All Members Instructionals given by the Grand Officers were scheduled to be in a different part of the state than the leadership workshops being given by our leadership team, so as not to conflict and to allow our members the chance to attend both events.

This year, we scheduled the first All Members Instructional and a leadership workshop in the same area so that the 2012 Grand Officers were able to attend the workshops. As the leaders of this Order, we felt there was much to be gained by this experience and this particular goal was met with great satisfaction.

We were excited to have our members' support during our 42 Official Visits. It was a great honor to us as a Grand Family that the sidelines were filled at all of these Official Visits. We also made our Official Visit to the Senior Living Community where the Grand Officers performed their ritual for the residents and the members in attendance.

We tried to encourage our membership to give to our Eastern Star Foundation, as well as to our Senior Living Community, not only through their donations, but also through their time. They heeded the call by volunteering with our Home Booster Club, as well as talking throughout their communities about our charities and their importance.

We were honored to be able to support our special project, Paws for Purple Hearts (PPH), a service dog project that offers therapeutic intervention for veterans and active duty military personnel by teaching those with post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) to train service dogs for their comrades with combat-related physical disabilities.

PPH is built upon the trust and time honored tradition of veterans helping veterans; the dogs benefit from loving homes and the positive reinforcement received for playing such an important roles in the well-being of their owners.

OFFICIAL ACTS

Grand Officers: As the 2011 Associate Grand Matron, along with the 2011 Associate Grand Patron, we were able to select ten Grand Officers from throughout California to join our Grand Family.

David Guggenbickler	Grand Chaplain
Chris Dias	Grand Marshal
Tina Spriggs	Grand Organist
Margaret Foley	Grand Adah
Käthe Larick	Grand Ruth
Jan McPherson	Grand Esther
Deborah Baker	Grand Martha
Terri Ewing	Grand Electa
Richard Marsh	Grand Warder
Al Jazwiecki	Grand Sentinel

We were also privileged to ask a member to give her résumé to the Grand Chapter office with her intent to run for Grand Treasurer. We looked for those members that displayed the virtues of our watchwords, Humility, Optimism, Respect, Sincerity and Enthusiasm, combined with Unity, Service, and Navigation. Our Grand Family has lived up to each of these as we had hoped.

To my appointive Grand Officers, you truly are the best. You navigated through California, and to the three other states, giving service to our Order with humility, as well as enthusiasm. Steve and I are very grateful that each of you said yes when we asked you to give us this year of service. You and your escorts are excellent examples of what we would like to see in all of our members.

The Appointive Grand Officers met the Elective Grand Officers at a pre-reveal party and began the bonding as a completed family. Everyone then made their way to Evergreen Masonic Center in Riverside where, on September 16, 2011, we revealed our everyday angels, proving that there are definitely Angels Among Us.

Sister Tacy Lee, our Grand Treasurer, we thank you for sharing your financial wisdom with the Order this year. We knew that after serving five years on the Finance Committee, you were already very knowledgeable regarding the financial workings of our Order, you were an asset to all of us, and the added bonus was the camera. This Grand Family is well-documented and will forever have lasting memories not only in our minds, but in our scrapbooks as well.

Sister Maryann Barrios, our Grand Secretary, you continue to be the force behind this Grand Line. You and your staff have kept me informed on issues coming to the Grand Chapter Office and given me the tools needed to make informed decisions throughout the year. Thank you for all of the service you have given, including, but not limited to, being one of my own Worthy Matrons.

This year Steve and I set as a goal to have Grand Line meetings at least once a month, and I am proud to say we were able to succeed. We felt that decisions made in our year should have a buy-in for the years ahead. Many times at our schools and instructionals, we would call for a brief moment of discussion in order to come to a mutual answer. I feel that we all worked together to keep each other informed on the issues that were brought before the Worthy Grand Matron, as well as letting our membership see that with respectful communication and an open mind to discussion we could build a cohesive Order in California. I thank all of you for working with me to make this happen.

Deputy Grand Matrons: I was given the privilege of appointing 42 sisters to serve as Deputy Grand Matrons in 2012. Steve and I wanted women who would fulfill the duty of representing the Worthy Grand Matron by instructing our members in ritual and floor work, and we wanted each to do this by respectful communication, remembering the diversities in our membership.

Sharon Jazwiecki (163)	Chairman
Karen Parlato (76)	District 1
Jean Krueger (10)	District 2
Dale Russell (246)	District 3
Karen Skelton (83)	District 4
Beth Massengill (48/60)	District 5
Waynette Trovato (9)	District 6
Cyndi Dawson (62)	District 7
Sandy Morrey (385/163)	District 8 — Northern President
Nancy Olson (109)	District 9
Laura Bowens (28/2)	District 10
Oscar Ann Stedman (111)	District 11
Vivian Bens-Hower (161)	District 12
Elaine Lake (384)	District 13
Gayle Hamilton (103)	District 14
Margie Burke (252/604)	District 15
Sandy Rosenberg (141)	District 16
Reba Gibson (123/372)	District 17
Darlene Cross (447/138)	District 18
Barbara Clark (339/50)	District 19
Cynthia Young (581)	District 20
Dotty Ducret (126)	District 21
Debbie Sanborn (93)	District 22

Joyce Keeney (94/13)	District 23
Geraldine Sproul (125)	District 24
Debi Lorden (344)	District 25
Rose Anne Cooley (632)	District 26
Marie Luskleet (642)	District 27
Kathryn Cole (338)	District 28
Meg Gaston (21)	District 29 — Southern President
Diana Davison (319)	District 30
Melinda Jones (173)	District 31
Millie Taylor (397)	District 32
Pat Lovett (259)	District 33
Betty Cameron (197)	District 34
Lynn Olson (242)	District 35
Nancy Geyer (145)	District 36
Cheryl Smiley (106)	District 37
Helen Ash (648)	District 38
Debbie Watts (602)	District 39
Kelli Miller (390)	District 40
Penny Kincaid (358)	District 41
Rebecca Miller (300/96)	District 42

I would like to thank each of our Watchdogs for your service this year. We know that your Official Visits were led with friendliness and caring to our members, officers, and certainly the Grand Family. Your reports were concise and helped the Grand Line keep track of the health of our chapters, thus allowing us to step in and assist before the problem became more than could be handled.

My love and endearing respect goes to Sister Sharon Jazwiecki. As you served as the Chairman of our Deputy Grand Matrons, you handled call after call, e-mail after e-mail, even with a broken arm, you never quit, and I admire you greatly. You have been a support to each of these deputies as they prepared for practices and Official Visits, and I know that they appreciate and love you as much as I do, my friend.

Grand Representatives: It was my pleasure to recommend the name of 34 Sisters and Brothers to Worthy Grand Matrons of other Jurisdictions for appointment as Grand Representatives of that Jurisdiction in California. We wish you safe travels as you travel to your appointed jurisdiction, as well as throughout this state, representing our Sisters and Brothers internationally.

Jurisdiction	Representative	Commission Expires
Alabama	Billy Miller (125)	June 30, 2014
Australia	Rochelle Haller (642)	Dec. 31, 2013
British Columbia	Linda Frost (3/203)	Dec. 31, 2013
District of Columbia	Janet Butler (143/147)	Mar. 1, 2014
Idaho	George Geanoulis (490/96)	Dec. 31, 2013

Illinois	Julie Anne Jones (296)	Sept. 30, 2013
Kansas	Sandra Halburian (515)	Jan. 1, 2014
Kentucky	Kevin Roberts (126)	Dec. 31, 2013
Louisiana	Louisa Bowron (94)	Dec. 31, 2013
Maine	Craig Peck (36/639)	March 1, 2014
Manitoba	Eileen Simmons (2/28)	Oct. 15, 2014
Maryland	Kimberly Ann Simons (109)	June 30, 2014
Massachusetts	Debby Baptiste (345/490)	Dec. 31, 2013
Mississippi	Alice "Kay" Quillin (208)	March 1, 2014
Missouri	Janet Glass (241/243)	Dec. 31, 2013
Nevada	Alice Smalley (378)	Dec. 31, 2013
New Brunswick	Vivian Soykin (174)	Dec. 31, 2014
New Hampshire	Marsha Price (219)	Sept. 1, 2013
New York	Charlotte Scarbrough (17)	April 30, 2014
Nova Scotia/PEI	Diane Jones (195)	Dec. 31, 2013
Ontario	Theresa Markert (178)	Dec. 31, 2013
Oregon	Kathy Smith (650/14)	May 1, 2014
Pennsylvania	Mike Winford (397)	Dec. 31, 2013
Quebec	Carole Meekin (96)	June 30, 2015
Sao Paulo	Frank Segura (513/428)	May 1, 2014
Saskatchewan	Sheila Forster (57/9)	Dec. 31, 2013
South Carolina	Bob Johnston (524)	Sept. 15, 2014
South Dakota	Helen Grammatikakis (639)	March 1, 2014
Tennessee	Bonnie Sue Robbins (171)	Dec. 31, 2013
Texas	Bob Johnson (28)	Oct. 9, 2014
Washington	Marianne Mooney (181/385)	Sept. 1, 2013
West Virginia	Judy Bradley (447)	Dec. 31, 2014
Wisconsin	Jack Rahl (13)	Dec. 31, 2014

At the request of the Worthy Grand Matrons in the other Jurisdictions, I was given the opportunity to commission 34 Sisters and Brothers as Grand Representatives to California. I know many of them were able to attend our session this year and I was glad to be able to meet each one of you. May you have safe travels as you return home at the end of this Grand Chapter session.

Jurisdiction	Representative
Alabama	Ruth Marie Jenson
Australia	Barbara Andresen
British Columbia/Yukon	Don Thomson
Colorado	Dee Burns
Connecticut	Myrtle Ross
Delaware	Barbara Davison
Idaho	Denise Dallas
Kansas	Diana Price
Maryland	Beverly Pazak

Massachusetts
Mississippi
Montana
Nevada
New Brunswick
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Dakota
Nova Scotia/PEI
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Quebec
Rhode Island
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin
Wyoming

Kathleen Cabradella
Patricia Carter
Lucille Molinari
Jeanette Gordon
Cheryl Coburn
Craig Brown
Gary Moore
Sharon Dalrymple
Albert DiGiantomasso
Robert Pitcher
William Allen
Roberta Evans
Virginia Bear
Charlene Cochran
Charmaine Florey
Diane Gurlitz
Christine Kile
Ginger Kilbreth
Anna Mae Hartman
Marlene Dibrell
Judy Peacock
Mary Nelson
Brenda Curry
Mary Berryman
Teddy Ann Morford

Standing, Special, and Grand Chapter Week Committees:

BOARDS OF TRUSTEES

Eastern Star Homes of California

Don Markert (178) — President

Dave Buck, PGP (197)	Mary Carlson (140/384)
Kimberly Cooke (106)	Chris Dias (622)
Linda Dolman (96)	Linda Hoeser, PGT (48/161)
Linda Bernhard, WGM (106)	Steve Johnson, WGP (2)

California Eastern Star Foundation

Stuart Meador (259) — President

Cindy Wolcott (352)	Terri Ewing (33)
Larry Coffin, PGP (557)	Suzanne Gallicho (2)
Steve Johnson, WGP (2)	Sarahann Shapiro, AGM (141)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Constitution and Bylaws

Sheri Weisser, PGM (177) — Chairman

Kathleen MacDonald, PGM (195)	Tricia Stewart (17/23)

Jurisprudence

Gary Gole (21/651) — Chairman

Karen Fletcher, GGCCM (128/342)

Rob Scott (163)

Finance

Denny Rae Grist, PGM (48) — Chairman

Dennis Jordan, PGP (126)

Tricia Stewart (17/23)

Donna Doan (245/651)

Donna Tucker, PGT (360)

Linda Bernhard, WGM (106)

Steve Johnson, WGP (2)

Tacy Lee, GT (524)

Aims and Objectives

Deborah Winn (347) — Chairman

June Dwyer (109)

Nancy Geyer (145)

Laird Crandall (650)

Lorene Luce (212)

Sue White, PGM (287/524)

Steve Nicholas, GGCCM (60)

Martha Peters, AGC (59)

Annual Session Site

Caroline Mazzara-D'Angelo (110/651) — Chairman

Kristin Frost (178)

Wayne Adams (93)

Appeals and Grievances

David Shira, Sr. (639) — Chairman

Roger Nieder (174)

Donald Nielsen (259)

Tricia Stewart (17/23)

Judy Schnabel (372)

Rob Scott (163)

Donna Tucker, PGT (360)

Kimberly Cooke (106)

Melissa Cronin (174)

Carol Hutchison (107)

Penny Kincaid (358)

Marla Schultz (319)

Debbie Maiman, PGT, GC (245)

Audit

Linda Henke (47/581) — Chairman

Corinne Lacroix (145/346)

Adam Buttons (259)

Benevolent Fund

Sandy Nieder (174) — Chairman

Penny Coley (14)

Linda Frost (3/203)

Pamela Potter (21)

Cancer Assistance

Mary Kay Bowser (177) — Chairman

Marianne Mooney (181/385)

Denise Armstrong (348)

Lenora Knight (310)

Deanna Carr (241)

J.C. Lee Memorial Cancer Fund

Judy Parker (385/631) — Chairman

Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund

Jerry Jones (36), Chairman

Eastern Star Patient Comfort Program

Melind Seubert (96/300) — Chairman

Norma Cornell (384)

Mary Carolyn Curran (643)

Donna Dedrick (358)

Gerri Minor (273/372)

Sheila Reid (95)

Aldene Felton (378)

Consolidations

Donna Tucker, PGT (360) — Chairman

Cindy Baker (174)

Nancy Bay (23)

Ken Kessel (48/181)

Katie Nielsen (348/417)

Karen Ader (107)

Melissa Cronin (174)

Pamela Sandstrom (202)

Michelle Alves (241)

Debby Baptiste (345)

Kimberly Cooke (106)

June Dwyer (109)

Susan Froomon (252/1)

Credentials

Diane West (141/195) — Chairman

Denise Armstrong (348) — Co-Chairman

Sue Heller (59/189)

Marlene Larsen (128)

Rosita Miller (3)

Terri Parks (173/197)

Cindy Renner (106/622)

Linda Ross (8)

JoAnne Wright (177)

Dispensations and Charters

JD Hammett, PGP (21) — Chairman

James Chormicle, PGP (327)

Jim Whiteley, PGP (59/62)

Distribution

Sue White, PGM (287/524) — Chairman

Janet Robinson, PGM (348)

Barbara Scott, PGM (557)

Endowment Fund

Judy Hullinger, (299/310) — Chairman

Patty Cady (23)

Mimi Davis (215/219)

Joan Jessen (8)

Diane West (141/195)

Tiffany Ruiz (50)

Jeannette Foote (557)

Sandra Murch (125/188)

Kimberlie Kruse (632)

Cheryl Townsend (299/397)

Bonny Sue Robbins (171)

Bill and Ris Prentiss (163)

Carolyn Parker (145/202)

Sandie Butler (211)

Kathy Long (345)

Fraternal Correspondence

Kathy Oster (107) — Chairman

Claudia Unger (128/195)

Grand Representative Assn. Presidents

General Chairman Grand Chapter Week
Don and Kat Farris, Jr. (347) — Chairmen

Activities

Chris and Simon Dias (622) — 2013
Cindy (57/76) and Robert Murphy (57) — 2014
Don and Theresa Markert (178) — 2015
Bill and Ris Prentiss (163) — 2016

Membership

Lorene Luce (212) — Chairman
Tiffany Ruiz (50) — Co-Chairman
Laird Crandall (650) — Co-Chairman
JD Hammett, PGP (21) Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651)
Kim Hegg, PGM (177) Heidi Bucher-Lamb (33/215)
Delma Davis (31) Deborah Winn (347)
Stacy Beyenhof (346) Becky Costa (58)
Brenda Hansen (639) Diane Lotspeich (78/185)
Casey Rainey (117) Bobbie Allen (287)
Jerry Broaker (547) Nancy Powers (205)
Ginny Stevenson (95) Cherri Whiteley (59/62)

Public Relations

Nellis Johnson (125/391) — Chairman
Rosie Hooton (391/426) Margaret Wolford (31/342)

Scholarship

Terry Holts, PGP (78) — Chairman
Alan White (524) Sandy Morrey (163/385)
Brenda Hansen-Smith (62/195) Nancy Bay (23)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Booth at Grand Lodge

Leonard (252) and Susan Frooman (1/252)

Constitution and Laws Reorganization

James Hannum, Jr. (347) — Chairman
Alyson Grant (96) Sharon Jazwiecki (163)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135) Sheri Weissner, PGM, PGT (177)

Home Festival — “We Are Our World”

Paul and Corinne Lacrois (145/346) — Chairmen
Cindy and John Wolcott (352) — Co-Chairmen

Heart Research

Denise Matthews-Wright (178/205)

Liaison to General Grand Chapter
Karen Fletcher, GGCCM (128/342)

Liaison to Grand Lodge
Leonard (252) and Susan Frooman (1/252)

Liaison to Youth Groups

International Order of the Rainbow for Girls
Leslie Nicholson (23)

Job's Daughters International
Catie and Will McQuater (162)

International Order of the DeMolay
Bill Tripler (143)

Special Projects of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron
General Grand Chapter Event

Martie MacKidd (144/160) — Chairman

Emma Behymer (144/147)

Sharon Chormicle (327)

Jean Denton (557)

Nancy Geyer (145)

PAWS for Purple Hearts

Suzanne Gallicho (2)

Kathy Johnson (106/162)

Relay for Life
Kelly Padilla (106/162)

Travel/Community Service Program

Grand Representatives

We Care Program — Honoring our Military
John and Donna Sorenson (126) – Chairmen

Roster Advertisements
Karl and Kathy Cox (346) — Chairmen
Debbie Sanborn (93) — Co-Chairman

Ritual Program
Teresa Ramos (60)

Leadership Excellence and Development
JD Hammett, PGP (21) – Chairman

Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651)

Kim Hegg, PGM (177)

Keidi Bucher-Lamb (33/215)

Delma Davis (31)

Deborah Winn (347)

GRAND CHAPTER WEEK COMMITTEES

Advisor

Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651)

Arts and Crafts

Lynn Chabot (143)

Banquets

Kathi Brant (242) — Chairman
Kathie Theener (96) — Co-Chairman

Committee Rooms

Nancy Powers (205)

Courtesies to Dignitaries

Melanie Chase (31/342) — Chairman
Brenda Hansen (639) — Co-Chairman

Decorations

Jeani and Rob Scott (163)

Drayage

Michael Hawley (338/537) — Chairman

Election Board

Jackie Bozeman (36/62)

Entertainment

Don Snyder (21/651) — Chairman
Rebecca Miller (96/300)

Escort/Grand March

Fred and Dianne Schulenburg (31/342) — Chairmen

Fun Night

Cynthia Smiley (128/342) — Chairwoman

Grand Outer Guards

Jerry Journeay (8/140) — Captain
Martin Carlson (140/384) — Co-Captain

Grand Inner Guards

Barbara Journeay (8/140) — Captain
Mary Carlson (140/384) — Co-Captain

Grand Pages

Kimberly Cooke (106) — Chairman
Eileen Simmons (2/28) — Co-Chairman

Health and Personal Service

Karen Meador (259) — Chairman

Housing

Laura Kelley (642) — Chairman
Linda Kephart (245) — Co-Chairman

Installation of 2013 Grand Officers

Barbara Scott, PGM (557)

Lost and Found/Information

Joyce Honerlah (46)

Grand Choir Director

Ruth Wahpecome (345/358)

Necrology/Divine Service

Patti and Randy Cady (23) — Chairman

Parliamentarian

Alyson Grant (96) — Chairman
Richard Mullard (147) — Co-Chairman

Pictures

Kathy and Cliff Randall (385/631)

Publicity

Bob and Suzanne Johnston (524)

Safety Coordinators

Don Markert (178) — Chairman
Gary Dunham (205) — Co-Chairman

Seating

Ruthann Davis (347)

Secretarial Services

Secretary to the General Chairman
April Hannum (347)

Legislative Committee

Jean Cook (8/214) — Chairman

Set-up Grand Chapter Floor — Auditorium

Mike and Robin Logan (160/171) — Chairmen
Michelle and Ray Alves (241) — Co-Chairmen

Signs

Joan Patterson (50/123)

Sound and Lighting

Bruce Kerstner (347)

Special Duties

George and Melissa Cronin (174)

Transportation
Terry Fenske (378/242) — Chairman
LeRoy Foote (557) — Co-Chairman

Vendor Coordinator
Todd Williams (46/273) — Chairman
LeRoy Foote (557) — Co-Chairman

I am indebted to each of you that said yes when I asked you to take on the task of serving on a Standing, Special, or Grand Chapter Committee. You have taken your responsibilities seriously and each committee is better for your service. Thank you for everything you have done to make this year exciting and fun while assuring us that we have met our fiduciary responsibility, as well as keeping our vision alive.

Bylaw Changes: The following requests for changes in Bylaws were received and acted upon:

2012 CHAPTER BYLAW CHANGES

APPROVED:

Gateway No. 3	4-01-12	Change Dues to Paid Life Membership Fees.
Gateway No. 3	10-19-12	Increase Dues to \$ 50.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Evangeline No. 9	8-30-12	Change Dues to \$25.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
Welcome Redding No. 17	6-05-12	Increase Dues to \$33.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number; Add provision for Trustees
Wild Lily No. 18	8-30-12	Change meeting exceptions to add Thanksgiving Eve
Vesper No. 20	12-22-11	Change meeting time to 7:00 PM
Amapola No. 35	12-22-11	Increase Dues to \$30.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Stockton Oaks No. 50	4-01-12	Consolidation
Silver Spray No. 59	12-22-11	Increase Dues to \$35.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
El Dorado Foothills No. 62	02-04-12	Increase Dues to \$15.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number; Delete provision for Anteroom meeting
Azalia Angels No. 66	04-01-12	Consolidation
Concordia No. 93	02-07-12	Add provision for anteroom meeting at 7:00 PM
La Paloma Star No. 96	12-22-11	Change meeting exceptions to add No meeting the 1 st Thursday in February if an open meeting is held; change provisions for Paid Life Membership.
La Paloma Star No. 96	02-04-12	Change meeting time to 7:00 PM
Josephine Chico No. 104	12-22-11	Increase dues to \$24.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
Yosemite Gateway No. 126	02-04-12	Add provision for Trustees

Nova Dies-Oakland No. 140	8-30-12	Increase Dues to \$32.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Whittier Star No. 144	12-22-11	Increase Dues to \$30.00
Ami Tai No. 147	12-22-11	Increase Dues to \$40.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Penrhyn No. 159	04-01-12	Increase Dues to \$20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number.
Downey No. 160	10-18-12	Add meeting exception Tuesday prior to formal opening of Grand Chapter
Gold Ridge Star No. 161	11-18-11	Increase Dues to \$20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Long Beach No. 173	6-05-12	Change Dues to \$16.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
Long Beach No. 173	6-05-12	Change provision for Paid Life Membership
Mt. Whitney No. 197	10-19-12	Increase Dues to \$ 25.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
West Covina No. 202	04-20-12	Increase Dues to \$35.00
Gate City No. 212	10-19-12	Increase Dues to \$ 20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Marin Star No. 215	12-22-11	Change meeting day to 2nd Monday; Change meeting exceptions to July
Los Cerritos No. 234	02-04-12	Increase Dues to \$26.45 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
Glencrest No. 237	02-04-12	Increase Dues to \$17.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments; Delete provision for Paid Life Membership
Victor Valley No. 242	04-01-12	Change dues to \$40.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Ocean Park No. 245	10-19-12	Increase Dues to \$ 40.00; increase Initiation Fees to \$ 35.00; Increase Affiliation Fees to \$ 15.00.
Pacific Star No. 252	11-18-11	Increase Dues to \$20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments; Change meeting exceptions to July; Jan 1 or 2; Good Friday; the first night of Passover; the eve and day of Rosh Hashanah and the eve and day of Yom Kippur. If there is no meeting in October due to the foregoing limitations, then the Annual Election of Officers will be held at the second meeting in September.
Santa Cruz Redwoods No. 273	10-19-12	Increase Dues to \$ 20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Imperial Valley No. 276	8-30-12	Change meeting dates to 1 st and 3 rd Monday; Change meeting time to 7:30 PM; Change meeting exceptions to July; August; 3rd Monday June; first Monday in September nor on the first Monday in January if the date is January 1 or 2
Ceres No. 296	10-18-12	Increase dues to \$14.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number; add meeting exception of Thanksgiving Eve

Desert Rose Star No. 327	11-18-11	Increase Dues to \$30.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Chula Vista No. 345	8-30-12	Increase Dues to \$15.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Upland No. 346	10-18-12	Increase paid Life Membership fees
Joaquin No. 348	10-18-12	Increase dues to \$ 70.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments paid in advance, the first half on January 1 st and the second half on July 1 st
Joaquin No. 348	10-19-12	Increase Initiation fee to \$ 50.00; increase Affiliation fee to \$15.00; Delete tenure for Secretary and Treasurer
Harbor Lights No. 358	04-01-12	Consolidation
Chowchilla No. 365	04-21-12	Change Dues to \$25.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Kearsarge No. 378	04-01-12	Increase Dues to \$20.00
Harmony No. 385	12-22-11	Change meeting day to 3rd Tuesday; Change meeting exception to July; Increase Dues to \$20.00
Fallbrook No. 390	04-21-12	Increase Initiation Fee to \$20.00; Increase Affiliation Fee to \$10.00
Patterson No. 417	10-18-12	Change meeting day to 2 nd Tuesday; Change meeting exceptions to dark in July and August; if GC then meet on 4 th Tuesday; Increase dues to \$20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
Fuchsia No. 425	6-05-12	Increase Dues to \$45.00; Change amount for Paid Life Membership.
Escallonia No. 447	10-18-12	Increase dues to \$20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number;
Yucaipa-San Gorgonio No. 515	8-30-12	Increase Dues to \$20.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments
Livingston No. 531	6-05-12	Change Dues to \$15.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number; Change meeting date to 3rd Monday; Change meeting exceptions to Dark in July and August.
Desert Holly Joshua Tree No. 547	8-30-12	Increase Dues to \$30.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments rounded up to the next whole number
Legacy No. 555	8-30-12	Consolidation
Desert Valley No. 602	11-18-11	Change meeting exceptions to add no meeting 4 th Monday in May, November, December; Increase Dues to \$25.00 plus Annual Per Capita Fees and Special Assessments; Increase Initiation Fee to \$25.00; Increase Affiliation Fee to \$12.50; Change Paid Life membership fee.
Simi Valley No. 637	10-19-12	Increase Dues to \$ 50.00
Kern River Valley No. 643	12-22-11	Increase Dues to \$35.00

NOT APPROVED:

Stockton Oaks No. 50	04-01-12	Article V, Section 1 Fees and Dues
Yosemite Gateway No. 126	02-04-12	Deletion of provision for Paid Life Memberships
Gold Ridge Star No. 161	10-16-12	Article V, Section 2 — dues and fees

Ceres No. 296	10-18-12	Add meeting exception for Christmas week
Harbor Lights No. 358	04-01-12	Article III, Section 7 pertaining to Compensation for services
Harmony No. 385	12-22-11	Compensation for Secretary, Treasurer and Organist
Patterson No. 417	10-18-12	4 th Tuesday of each month being reserved for special events such as initiations, receptions and/or fun nights.
Fuchsia No. 425	6-05-12	Increase in Affiliation Fee.
Simi Valley No. 637	10-19-12	Increase of Initiation and Affiliation Fees

Special Dispensations: The following requests for Special Dispensations were received and acted upon:

2012 SPECIAL DISPENSATION REQUESTS

APPROVED:

To Ballot and Initiate at the Same Meeting:

2012 July 6 Scepter No. 163 — Robert Eastin Prentiss

To Hold the Annual Installation of Officers after November 30:

2011 Nov. 19 Imperial Valley No. 276 — December 9, 2011

2012 Oct. 3 Fidelia No. 56 — December 2, 2012

Contributing:

2012 May 14 Meridian No. 310 — contribute \$ 37.00 to Downey DeMolay Chapter for presenting the Mother's Flower Degree.

2012 Sept. 28 Ungava No. 106 — contribute \$ \$600 to Job's Daughter Bethel #264 for support of the Bethel.

2012 Sept. 28 Ungava No. 106 — contribute \$2,000 to the WGM's special project.

2012 Oct. 9 Natoma San Juan No. 233 — contribute \$ \$1733.00 to Job's Daughter Bethel #292 for support of the Bethel.

To change the place of any stated meeting:

2011 December 19 Meridian No. 310 — to have an Anteroom meeting March 5, 2012 at 6:00 PM at their regular meeting place. Need to give special notice to the entire chapter membership of the change.

2012 February 10 El Dorado Foothills No. 62 — to have their stated meeting of March 9, 2012 at the Placerville Masonic Center, 2820 Cold Springs Rd., Placerville, for a dinner, boutique and friendship.

2012 March 22 Semper Fidelis No. 135 — to have their stated meeting of May 7, 2012 at the Siminoff Daylight Lodge that meets at the Masonic Home, 34400 Mission Blvd., Union City, California.

- 2012 April 12 Pacific Star No. 252 — to have their stated meeting of August 17, 2012 at the Burlingame Masonic Center to attend the Reception of Margaret Foley, Grand Adah.
- 2012 April 12 Vallecito No. 523 — to have their stated meetings of May, June, July, and August in the Carpinteria Community Church while the Masonic lodge is under construction.
- 2012 Sept. 18 Vallecito No. 523 — to have their stated meetings of September and October in the Carpinteria Community Church while the Masonic lodge is under construction.
- 2012 Sept. 18 Magnolia No. 45 — to have their stated meetings at Texas Lodge 46 from October to December, 2012 as their lodge has consolidated and is no longer available.

Other:

- 2012 Sept. 12 Bethlehem Estero Pines No. 95 – to change their Nov. 6, 2012 stated meeting to October 30, 2012 as their meeting location is not available .

NOT APPROVED:

Other:

- 2011 December 16 Los Cerritos No. 234 — change their meeting date from November 14, 2012 to November 8, 2012

COMMUNICATIONS

(The communications can be found on page 46.)

Events: It was a time-consuming and sometimes frustrating task to plan the official itinerary for 2012. Without the help of Sister Collette Serio Gole, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Gary Gole, Past Patron, along with Brother Jim Whiteley Past Grand Patron, and Sister Cherri Whiteley, Past Matron, this task would have been overwhelming. We are deeply indebted to the work you put in to help us make sure we had all of the events required for our spectacular year.

Schools of Instruction: Grand Officer School was held September 17 through 19, 2011, at the Evergreen Masonic Center. The meals were prepared and served by members of Ungava Chapter No. 106 and Suisun Chapter No. 2. We were pleased to have the 2011 Grand Family attend the last hour of our school on Saturday, to work with their little sisters and brothers. Afterwards, both Grand Families retired to the dining room for a murder mystery dinner.

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2012 COMMUNICATIONS



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March 1, 2012

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Many Chapters in California have received correspondence from the Internal Revenue Service, Board of Equalization, Franchise Tax Board and Employment Development Department. A lot of this correspondence relates to our 501(c) 8 tax exempt status. Some of this correspondence involves other issues, such as sales tax and/or payroll.

Because of the importance of responding to the correct entity in a timely manner, we would appreciate it if you IMMEDIATELY send ANY correspondence from ANY government or state agency to the Grand Secretary. If it is a payroll tax issue that the Chapter itself should handle, the Grand Secretary will return it to you immediately for you to resolve. Any other issues relating to income and/or sales taxes will be taken care of by the Grand Chapter Office.

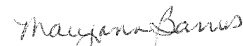
Should you have any questions regarding these issues, please do not hesitate to call the Grand Chapter Office and speak with Russ Kleber, Controller, or Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in handling these tax issues.

Fraternally


Linda Bernhard
Worthy Grand Matron


Steve Johnson
Worthy Grand Patron


Maryann Barrios
Grand Secretary

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The school of instruction for the Deputy Grand Matrons was held October 1 through 3, 2011, at Evergreen Masonic Center. The members of Ungava Chapter and Suisun Chapter prepared the meals. A Northern Deputy Grand Matron brush-up school was held at Fairfield Masonic Center on January 14, 2012. On January 21, 2012, the Southern Deputy Grand Matron brush-up school was held at Evergreen Masonic Center.

All Members Instructionals: It was our goal to reach as many members as possible with our instructional by holding 10 throughout the state. We were pleased to see so many members come to these events, as well as hear their questions regarding everything from ritual to floor work, to our Constitution and Bylaws, and ending with questions on how to recruit and retain membership.

ALL MEMBER INSTRUCTIONALS

Dec. 2, 2011	6 PM	Norwalk MC, 12345 Rosecrans Ave., Norwalk
Dec. 4, 2011	1 PM	Escondido MC, 1331 S. Escondido Blvd., Escondido
Dec. 9, 2011	6 PM	Mount Oso Masonic Temple, 1601 N. Tracy Blvd., Tracy
Dec. 11, 2011	1 PM	Tulare MC, 135 W. Tulare Ave., Tulare
Jan. 7, 2012	9 AM	Abell Masonic Hall, 205 W. Perkins St., Ukiah
Jan. 8, 2012	1 PM	Molino MC, 25020 Tehama-Vina Rd., Los Molinos
Jan. 13, 2012	6 PM	San Jose MC, 2500 Masonic Dr., San Jose
Jan. 15, 2012	1 PM	Springbrook Masonic Temple, 101 Temple Way, Vallejo
Jan. 20, 2012	6 PM	Evergreen MC, 5801 Chicago Ave., Riverside
Jan. 22, 2012	1 PM	Ventura MC, 482 E. Santa Clara St., Ventura

In conjunction with our AMIs, our leadership team helped with workshops covering topics of communication, ritual and leading our chapters to their best ability. We were pleased to get reports of their success as well.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING SESSIONS

Dec. 10, 2011	8 AM	Masonic Home, 34400 Mission Blvd., Union City
Jan. 7, 2012	8 AM	Point Loma MC, 1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., San Diego
Jan. 8, 2012	8 AM	Bellflower MC, 9813 Beach St., Bellflower
Jan. 21, 2012	8 a.m.	Scepter Masonic Family Center, 3260 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sacramento

Jan. 22, 2012 8 AM Las Palmas MC, 2992 E. Clinton Ave.,
Fresno

CONDUCTRESS/ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS TRANSITIONALS

Dec. 3, 2011 9 AM Norwalk MC, 12345 Rosecrans Ave.,
Norwalk

Dec. 4, 2011 9 AM Escondido MC, 1331 S. Escondido Blvd.,
Escondido

Dec. 10, 2011 2 PM Masonic Home, 34400 Mission Blvd.,
Union City

Dec. 11, 2011 9 AM Tulare MC, 135 W. Tulare Ave., Tulare

Jan. 7, 2012 9 AM Abell Masonic Hall, 205 W. Perkins St.,
Ukiah

Jan. 8, 2012 9 AM Molino MC, 25020 Tehama-Vina Rd.,
Los Molinos

Jan. 15, 2012 9 AM Springbrook Masonic Temple,
101 Temple Way, Vallejo

Jan. 21, 2012 6 PM Evergreen MC, 5801 Chicago Ave., Riverside

Jan. 22, 2012 9 AM Ventura MC, 482 E. Santa Clara St., Ventura

Installations: We decided that as Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we would only take part in the installations of our own districts, but encouraged our Grand Family to go to as many as was possible for them. We were pleased to know that so many chapter installations were attended by at least one Grand Officer.

Official Visits of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron: Our Instruction Book allows for three different types of Official Visits: Traditional style, reception style and social style. Our request was that if a district had a social style in 2011, we would prefer that they have a traditional style in 2012. We had 40 traditional Official Visits and two social Official Visits.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Jan. 27 District 29 San Marino MC, 3130 Huntington Drive,
San Marino

Jan. 28 District 33 Orange MC, 71 Plaza Square, Orange

Jan. 29 District 27 Friendly Valley Auditorium, 19345 Avenue
of the Oaks, Newhall

Feb. 3 District 10 Springbrook Masonic Temple, 101 Temple
Way, Vallejo

Feb. 4 District 8 George A. Primrose MC, 3010 Becerra Way,
Sacramento (1 PM)

Feb. 4 District 19 Mount Oso Masonic Temple, 1601 N. Tracy
Blvd., Tracy (7:30 PM)

Feb. 11 District 28 Simi Valley MC, 1541 Patricia Ave., Simi
Valley (1 PM)

Feb. 11	District 26	Ventura MC, 482 E. Santa Clara St., Ventura (7:30 PM)
Feb. 12	District 25	Atascadero MC, 2607 Traffic Way, Atascadero
Feb. 17	District 16	San Jose MC, 2500 Masonic Dr., San Jose
Feb. 18	District 15	Burlingame MC, 145 Park Road, Burlingame
Feb. 26	District 31	Long Beach MC, 3610 Locust Ave., Long Beach
Mar. 3	District 39	Coachella MC, 51-100 S. Jackson St., Coachella
Mar. 9	Senior Living Community	16850 Bastanchury Rd., Yorba Linda
Mar. 10	District 40	Escondido MC, 1331 S. Escondido Blvd., Escondido
Mar. 11	District 38	Hemet Masonic Family Center, 150 N. Laursen St., Hemet
Mar. 16	District 14	Oakland MC, 3903 Broadway, Oakland
Mar. 17	District 11	Abell Masonic Hall, 205 W. Perkins St., Ukiah
Mar. 17	District 12	Sebastopol MC, 373 N. Main St., Sebastopol
Mar. 18	District 13	Richmond Masonic Hall, 5050 El Portal Dr., Richmond
Mar. 24	District 42	Heartland MC, 695 Ballantyne St., El Cajon
Mar. 25	District 41	Normal Heights Masonic Temple, 3366 Adams Ave., San Diego
Mar. 31	District 22	Las Palmas MC, 2992 E. Clinton Ave., Fresno
Apr. 14	District 34	Winnedumah MC, 156 E. Line St., Bishop
Apr. 15	District 35	Victorville Masonic Bldg., 14941 Hesperia Rd., Victorville
Apr. 28	District 21	Chowchilla MC, 224 Ventura Ave., Chowchilla
May 19	District 24	Bakersfield MC, 1920 18th St., Bakersfield
May 20	District 23	Porterville Lindsay Center, 2440 W. Henderson Ave., Porterville
May 21	District 3	Feather River Lodge MC, 214 Main St., Beckwourth
May 22	District 5	Marysville MC, 324 8th St., Marysville
May 23	District 2	Shasta Community Center, 629 Alder St., Mount Shasta
May 24	District 4	Red Bluff Masonic Hall, 822 Main St., Red Bluff
May 25	District 1	Eureka MC, 517 G St, Eureka

Jun. 2	District 9	Elk Grove MC, 9829 Waterman Road, Elk Grove
Jun. 8	District 36	West Covina MC, 1201 S. Orange Ave., West Covina
Jun. 9	District 32	Bellflower MC, 9813 Beach St., Bellflower
Jun. 10	District 30	El Segundo MC, 520 Main St., El Segundo
Jun. 22	District 17	Murphys Masonic Hall, 384 Church St., Murphys
Jun. 23	District 18	Woodbridge MC, 1040 E. Augusta St., Woodbridge (1 PM)
Jun. 23	District 7	Placerville MC, 2820 Cold Springs Rd., Placerville (7:30 PM)
Jun. 24	District 6	John H. Robinson Masonic Hall, 956½ Lincoln Way, Auburn
Jun. 29	District 20	Salinas Masonic Family Center, 48 E. San Joaquin St., Salinas
Jul. 7	District 37	Evergreen MC, 5801 Chicago Ave., Riverside

I was so very proud of our Worthy Matrons who came up with creative and fun themes while still taking the time to honor our Ritual and Instruction Book. We were surrounded by angels, went to the dogs, spent some time at the fire station and many others. The ritual and floor work at each of the traditional style Official Visits was well-done and I applaud the officers for their hard work. The social style took us from planting trees to honoring our military. These were well done, involving not only our members, but including the community as well.

I thank the Deputy Grand Matrons, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members for these very special Official Visits. Each and every one created memories we will never forget. I also would like to thank our Distinguished and Honored Members who supported us by attending many of our Official Visits.

Anniversary Celebrations: It was an honor to attend the special celebrations for Meridian Chapter, Long Beach, on their Centennial; and Tulare-Corcoran and Concordia Chapters on their respective 125th Anniversaries.

Centennial:

Feb. 26	Meridian Chapter No. 310, International City MC, 5155 E. Pacific Coast Hwy., Long Beach

125th Anniversaries:

Apr. 28	Tulare-Corcoran Chapter No. 94, Tulare MC, 135 W. Tulare Ave., Tulare
May 18	Concordia Chapter No. 93, Clovis MC, Fifth and Dewitt Ave., Clovis

Each celebration was different, but each showed that commitment of our members to serve this Order. Congratulations to these chapters on achieving these milestones.

Association Events: It was an honor to attend these very diverse and fun association events. All of these associations put a lot of work into these events and brought in the community, and we applaud you for all you've done.

Mar. 3 Orange Belt Benedict Castle, 5445 Chicago Ave.,
Riverside

Jun. 30 Northern San Joaquin
Graceda Park, Modesto

Aug. 19 East Bay Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley

Aug. 26 San Diego Del Mar Race Track, Del Mar

Supporting Our Charities: We attended events that were to raise funds for our Eastern Star Foundation and the charities they represent. These included three breakfasts attended by the Grand Family, as well as Relay For Life events that were in their area when possible.

Festival: "We are Our World" Festival was held at the Senior Living Community in Yorba Linda, on April 21, 2012. We thank Paul and Corinne LaCroix for co-chairing this event along with Clair Meske, Executive Director, the staff of the SLC, and the residents who opened their doors for this Green Event. The car show was once again a hit, bringing many members of the community to our facility. There was a breakfast, lots of shopping, a lunch, even more shopping, snacks, and awards. We all had a fun time and enjoyed visiting with our residents.

Our Masonic Family: We were privileged to attend the Holiday Annual Tea at our Senior Living Center, our Family Picnic at the Masonic Home in Covina, and Jam & Jelly Day at the Masonic Home in Union City. At the last two events we were honored to join the Grand Lodge Officers to celebrate our Masonic Family.

Concordant Bodies: We were privileged to bring greetings to our concordant bodies at the Grand Guardian Council on November 11, 2012, and Amaranth Grand Court on February 29, 2012. We also represented Eastern Star at the Grand York Rite on May 20, 2012.

Youth Groups: The Worthy Grand Patron, the 2012 Grand Family and I represented California Eastern Star at the Annual Northern DeMolay Conclave on November 25, 2011; International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Grand Assembly, on April 1, 2012; Job's Daughters International, Grand Bethel, June 21, 2012; and the Annual Southern California DeMolay Conclave, September 1, 2012. I also had the honor and privilege of being one of the judges at Grand Bethel for this year's Miss California Job's Daughter.

We also were very pleased to, as Grand Officers, host a youth dance, arranged at the Senior Living Community. What fun it was to not only host this event, but also surprise the youth in attendance, as well as their chaperones, with the knowledge that the adults line dancing next to them were Grand Officers of the Order of the Eastern Star, along with the devoted members of our Order.

Grand Lodge: It was an honor for the Worthy Grand Patron and I to attend the Grand Master's Banquet on September 23, 2012. On September 24, the Worthy Grand Patron, 2012 Grand Family, and I were able to attend the Public Ceremony, Opening, and Installation of 2012–2013 Grand Lodge Officers. During the Grand Lodge session, the First Lady of Masonry, Jeanie Loui, also had planned a box lunch and special performance of Beach Blanket Babylon for all of the ladies attending. We had a fabulous time. The Worthy Grand Patron and I are honored to have had a good working relationship with Most Worshipful Frank Loui.

Visits to Other Jurisdictions: We were pleased to attend three Grand Chapters in other jurisdictions. We attended Oregon's Grand Chapter, June 17 through 19, combining with a little sight-seeing on our way back to California. Our Worthy Grand Patron arranged with the oldest lodge in Oregon in Nogales for a special tour. This was an honor we will not forget.

From August 1 through 3, we attended Arizona's Grand Chapter. This Grand Chapter is always a treat for the California Grand Officers, as so many of our California members are also members in Arizona, including their Associate Grand Matron, Sister Mary Jackson who is with us today.

We attended Nevada's Grand Chapter, October 7 through 9, and were pleased to be able to renew many of the friendships we had made during our Hands across the Border weekend with Nevada.

Hands Across the Border: The weekend of June 1 through 3, California Eastern Star hosted Nevada Eastern Star at a Hands Across the Border event held in Old Town Sacramento. We began the event at a hospitality room on the Delta King followed by a murder mystery dinner. Saturday was a time for fellowship, touring and shopping. Saturday evening, the Nevada members joined the California members for a fund-raiser dinner, followed by an Official Visit to District 9. Sunday found many of us on a tour of the Shriner's Hospital in Sacramento. We had a fabulous time spending the weekend with the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, and members who traveled to California from Nevada for the weekend.

A trip to the Kentucky Derby was arranged with all members of the Order invited to attend. It was a pleasure to have 25 of our California members attend the 137th running of the Kentucky Derby, as well as the Kentucky Oaks. And let us not forget, as our Worthy Grand Patron has told us, the Worthy Grand Matron picked both the winner of the Oaks as well as the Derby, but forgot to share that information prior to the event with him or her husband.

Receptions: This year the Worthy Grand Patron and I had a joint reception in Fresno, at the Radisson hotel on September 8, 2012. At this event, we were able to honor our Chairman of the Deputies, the Deputies and the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of California.

We attended the receptions for all of the Appointive Grand Officers, the Grand Treasurer, and the Grand Conductress. Each reception was a special event and definitely brought out the personality of each of those honored. We were happy to see them honored in such a way and pleased that we could be part of their celebration.

Each of our Deputy Grand Matrons had their own celebration in their area, a special event for each of them, whether it was a formal reception or a casual honor night. It was nice to hear that they were well attended by the members of their respective chapters and districts, as well as their many friends and family. We congratulate each of them on their service to the Order.

Special Communications and Events: We were honored to present the 75-year pin to one of the residents of our Senior Living Community during the Festival. We also signed 75-year certificates and letters and were honored to have those presented with their pin by their chapters. We also presented 50-year pins to our members at Official Visits, and those that could not attend were presented these by their chapters. We congratulate all of those that achieved this milestone in their Eastern Star history, and thank you for your service. We signed and had sent several congratulation letters to our members that were celebrating their hundredth birthday. We wish a happy birthday to each of these outstanding members.

Special Projects: Our special project for this year was Paws for Purple Hearts. Under the guidance of Paws for Purple Hearts instructors, service members engaged with specially bred golden and Labrador retriever puppies. Together they undergo an intensive 18 to 24-month service dog training regimen, learning more than 90 commands while the veterans reintegrate into civilian life. Once training is complete, the service dogs are given to veterans who have sustained mobility limiting injuries. These service dogs reside for the rest of their lives with their new owners. Since Paws for Purple Hearts' inception, service dogs' training and connections have directly impacted hundreds of the veterans' lives.

We were honored to work closely with the staff of this organization. David and Kimberly Shira developed two pins for us that would be sold throughout California to benefit Paws. These soon turned into the designing of magnets, bowls, coffee mugs, et cetera. One of the logos actually became the header for the Paws for Purple Hearts Web site. We thank them for their dedication and service to our project. Our Paws cochairmen were busy around the state, giving talks and information when asked, and selling our merchandise whenever they went.

Two USO dinners were held in California. In February, we held our first dinner in Vallejo, with delicious food, great entertainment, silent auction items, and a very enthusiastic host, Loyal Stark, PMWGP. On April 21, we had our second dinner in Anaheim, again with fellowship, food, great entertainment, silent auction items, but this time our host was the very entertaining Don Snyder, PGP. We thank all of the chapters that had their own fund-raising dinners. Your service to our special project is commendable, and we know that the veterans that benefit from your generosity would thank you as well. Thank you for your generosity on behalf of Eastern Star of California. We will be making our special presentation to Paws for Purple Hearts at our Saturday Masonic Family Honor Session.

Again, the Order of the Eastern Star was active in their local Relays for Life. By participating in these relays throughout our state, our members have made Eastern Star visible in our communities. Our thanks to each of you who have participated. Your dedication will help so many people who have been diagnosed with cancer, while it also shows the support of our Order to the community.

Travel Program: This year we decided to put together a new travel project which would make traveling a yearlong mission, and give opportunities to our members to earn three separate parts that would make one pin. As we knew there would be, there were some glitches in the beginning. But after ironing them out, with the help of our members, this program took off. We thank all of you for your participation, and the Grand Representatives that shared this program.

CONCERNS

It has been our goal as a Grand Line to be accessible to our members and especially in chapters that may be having difficulties. The Grand Line has been meeting once a month since our installation in October, 2011, and have attempted to act together on many of the outstanding issues that some of our chapters are having. The Worthy Grand Patron and I reestablished the Worthy Grand Matron's Office in the Grand Chapter Office, renaming it the Grand Line Office. Our hope is that our Grand Line will continue the use of this office for meetings and to work on matters coming before them.

Our Grand Line, or members assigned to represent us, have visited 12 chapters this year to discuss these issues and attempt to find a resolution. Unfortunately, many of the issues that have been reported in these chapters stem from personality issues. The Grand Line, and those appointed to represent us, have reminded each of these chapter members of the obligation each one of them took at the altar when they were initiated and to work for the good of the Order. I, personally, am a great believer in invoking the “24-hour rule.” With our communication becoming so much quicker with social media, we are quick to send off a communication that may, and usually is, misinterpreted by those on the receiving end. I ask that each of us take a step back and think about what we are saying prior to pushing the “send” button.

One chapter was having membership issues and felt their only recourse was to turn in their charter, as consolidation seemed out of the question. A member of our Membership Committee called for a roundtable meeting, and after speaking to them about ways to recruit and retain membership this chapter has chosen to put some of these ideas into action. By the time of the Official Visit to their district, they had a majority of their line, as well as other officers installed. We applaud their perseverance.

We have had several chapters invite the Consolidation Committee to visit. We applaud these members for recognizing the need and taking into consideration those members that are unable to come to chapter whether due to illness, age, or distance. With consolidation, these members are able to remain members of the Order and continue to receive the many benefits attached to their membership.

The Worthy Grand Patron and I have had to appoint three representatives from Appeals and Grievances Committee to meet with chapters regarding issues of conduct unbecoming a member, disrespect among the members, constant disharmony, discussing chapter business outside the chapter meetings, and unwillingness to abide by the Constitution & Laws as well as the obligation. I will discuss these issues later in this report.

The Worthy Grand Patron and I also chose this year to appoint members of our Finance Committee to do random audits on some of the chapters’ books. We are pleased to report those chapters audited were doing a great job with their books and those that needed any additional help were referred to our Grand Secretary and her office for further direction. We thank Sister Maryann Barrios and her staff for their continued help with our members.

I believe that all of us in this Order need to take a new and direct look at ourselves. Am I the kind of member I would like others to be? Do I attend and actively participate in my chapter meetings as well as events? Do I speak to others with the respect they deserve? Do I help to spread rumors which can and usually do forge a deep cut among many of our members, so deep it festers for years and many times is unable to heal? I hope each of you looks at yourself and works on being the member that lives through the virtues of our heroines.

Troubled Chapters: Unfortunately during this year, the Worthy Grand Patron and I were given a few chapters whose issues surpassed intervention by our committees.

On October 23, 2011, we were able to lift the 18-month probation of Joaquin Chapter, Tracy, with the stipulation that a representative of the Appeals and Grievances Committee continue to attend for four months to ascertain that the chapter was now functioning as it should. Due to reports during those four months, we were again faced with placing the chapter on probation. On February 16, 2012, Joaquin Chapter was again placed on probation. I am pleased to say this chapter is now performing well and their probation has been lifted. We continue to monitor the chapter and find they are a functioning chapter, following the Constitution & Laws as well as the obligation.

On March 20, 2012, we placed Desert Rose Star Chapter, Palmdale, on probation. This chapter had unresolved problems with tension and disharmony among the members, speaking of chapter business outside the chapter, as well as conduct unbecoming members of our Order. A representative of the Appeals and Grievances Committee has attended each of their meetings, as well as conducted several roundtable meetings. Unfortunately, we were unable to lift their probation at this time and recommend the 2013 Worthy Grand Matron reinstate the probation for her year.

On May 14, 2012, I suspended the charter of Crown Chapter No. 162. In accordance with our Constitution & Laws, notice to its members was given within ten days of the suspension. The reasons I placed Crown Chapter on suspension were: conduct unbecoming of a member or members, members of this chapter speaking evil of Sisters and Brothers both in chapter as well as out of chapter meetings, members filing charges against other members which later were found by the committee reviewing them to be unfounded, and disrespect among members of the chapter.

The members of this chapter continued the above actions, even after review by the Trial Committee. Constant disharmony and tension among the members continued at stated meetings and outside of chapter meetings. It was heard said that members were not willing to come to chapter nor socialize with members because of the tension that continued among the members of this chapter, and many of the members chose to affiliate with other chapters so as

to feel comfortable attending an Eastern Star event and others just stopped attending altogether. I heard from members of other chapters that the business of this chapter was being discussed openly with members of other chapters. Comments were heard and said by members that if the tension fails to cease, they will not return to chapter. These members were good to their word and not supporting this chapter both in chapter meetings as well as chapter events.

In March of 2012, the Worthy Matron, Associate Patron and Secretary submitted their letters of resignation. The Worthy Matron and Associate Patron resignations were effective immediately; the Secretary gave a 60-day notice. The chapter was informed by the Worthy Grand Matron that as per the Constitution & Laws, they must give notice to the members of the chapter ten days prior to the meeting, stating that there would be an election and installation of these officers. Several weeks went by before the notice was sent and therefore the election was not held until after the 60th day. An Associate Matron and Associate Patron, along with a Secretary, were elected, but not a Worthy Matron. Also, no one was installed to these positions. As of that date, this chapter was not in compliance with our Constitution & Laws, along with the above points showing they also were not abiding by their obligation.

Since being suspended on May 14, Crown Chapter sent their books to Grand Chapter to be audited. The books were in disarray. Considerable time was spent by the Grand Secretary, Sister Maryann Barrios, and Grand Treasurer, Sister Tacy Lee to put the books into some structure before they could complete the audit. This process took over three months to complete.

On September 10, 2012, I attended a roundtable meeting with Crown Chapter members where we discussed:

One of the problem areas listed on the letter to the members regarding the suspension of their charter was constant disharmony and tension, that it was still happening and that they had to resolve the issue and reach peace and harmony among themselves before the charter could be returned. They needed to work together to attain the peace and harmony that a chapter should have, acknowledging that chapters do have problems and disagreements, but that they had had disharmony for some time.

It had been brought to the attention of the Worthy Grand Matron that people felt as though they were being looked over for positions or being told that they could not run for positions in the chapter. It was made clear that anybody can run for any position, men for male offices and ladies for female positions, and that it is the vote of the chapter as to who is actually elected into these positions.

It was discussed that they as a chapter need to discuss their problems, that sweeping them under the rug only allows them to fester and then they never get addressed. I told them at this meeting that I would hope they would work on these areas as I was giving them fair warning that if their charter was not returned by Grand Chapter, it would be the vote of the delegates on whether it would be revoked or returned.

On September 24, a member of the Grand Chapter Appeals and Grievances Committee and I again met with the members of Crown Chapter. It was felt that the Worthy Grand Matron gave these members four months to fix ten year's worth of problems. It was stated that the charges were left unattended and that they feel that Grand Chapter let them down when they asked for help until this year. They stated that these last few meetings are really the first time some of them have talked to each other. I agreed and stated that it was a volatile situation, and I hoped they could have more conversations and become willing to work together. I am not looking for perfection, no one is perfect, but I am disappointed that they are still in this position. I also said that I had discussed this situation with the Grand Line so that this chapter won't slip through the cracks next year if they get their charter back, because the Grand Line isn't going to stop watching them. I said they would need to elect and install officers and support them, thinking long and hard about whom they vote in, but that they can't tell others how to vote, remembering that they are under a microscope.

It was stated they were going to be right back where they started. I told them to do it appropriately, by the book, the right way, and then support them because you elected them. I told them that a member of Appeals and Grievances would be attending their next meeting and reminded them that progress would need to be made in Order to return the charter as it was going to be the last meeting prior to Grand Chapter.

On October 9, a member of Grand Chapter Appeals and Grievances met with the members of Crown Chapter. She informed me of the following: Bickering among chapter members was continuing, and members were misrepresenting points that had been made by the Worthy Grand Matron. The possibility was that the chapter will not have a Worthy Matron or a Worthy Patron, as the members who were to run for these offices sent a letter to the chapter saying they will not run because, "The Worthy Grand Matron says we cannot have a husband and wife in the East together." This comment was never made by the Worthy Grand Matron. Members stated they will not come to chapter if the "Lady running for Associate Matron continues."

Since May 14, Crown Chapter has not taken the necessary steps and actions for me to set aside the suspension. There has been no satisfactory showing that conditions which prompted me to place this chapter on suspension have been corrected. Section 306 of our Constitution & Laws sets forth the effect of

this suspension. This section provides that “The suspension of the charter of a subordinate chapter shall have the effect of suspending the functions of the chapter until such suspension may be set aside or until final action thereon is taken by the Grand Chapter in Annual Session, whereupon the Grand Chapter may restore the charter or revoke it as it may deem just.”

Section 299 of our Constitution & Laws provides in part that “Grand Chapter may revoke the charter of a subordinate chapter for disobedience to laws, rules or Orders, for insubordination or whenever in its judgment the condition of the chapter is such that its continued existence is detrimental to the best interests and welfare of our Order.”

The chapter has made no satisfactory showing that the conditions which prompted me to place this chapter on suspension have been corrected. I feel that the conditions which caused me to place them on suspension still exist, and that there is no realistic expectation that more time will result in any improvement.

Since I could not set aside the suspension, at the conclusion of this annual report, I will be making a motion and bringing this matter before Grand Chapter to allow you to vote on whether to revoke or restore the charter of Crown Chapter.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend to this Grand Line, as well as those to serve in the future, the need for better communication among our members. It came to my attention during the year that many members did not know to whom they should speak when they felt help was needed in a chapter.

I recommend that our membership be given more information regarding committees that are set up and willing to work with our membership to strengthen not only our chapters but also our Order.

I would also recommend that our Finance Committee continue to perform random audits on the books of the chapters, these random audits to be assigned by the Worthy Grand Matron along with the Chairman of the Finance Committee. I feel that by this action the Grand Line becomes aware much sooner of any issues that the chapters may need help correcting.

I recommend that the Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Matrons, Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, strongly encourage the members of the Order to attend not only their association meetings, but also the many workshops that are done in their areas by the committees as well as the Grand Officers.

APPRECIATION

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons: It has been an extreme honor and privilege for me to serve with each of you over these last few years. Your dedication to our Order has been commendable. The Worthy Grand Patron and I asked you to bring the good qualities inherent in our Order to our communities and we couldn't have been more proud of your service. You supported us with your ideas and with your help made our special project one that has brought us out into our communities and made the Order of the Eastern Star known for its charity and loving kindness. I am indebted to you.

Distinguished Members: As we have traveled this path, the same path that each of you took during your very special years, we hoped you knew how much we valued and thank you for your support of the Worthy Grand Patron and myself. We tried each day to give our members the tools to strengthen our Order, much as each of you did. If we had made progress towards this goal, please know that it is due to the foundation you have laid for us.

My Fraternal Families: I would like to thank Sister Doris Parrish and Brother Glenn Jones, along with Sister Sue Bishop and Bill Bray for giving me my two-year appointment as Deputy Grand Matron. I enjoyed every moment of serving my district. My enduring thank you to Sister Janet Robinson and Brother Jim Chormicle for appointing me as Grand Martha for 2003. You and the 2003's have supported me throughout my journey and I cannot thank you enough.

Sister Collette Serio Gole and Brother Jim Whiteley, thank you for the faith you showed when you asked me to serve as your Grand Marshal in 2008. You and the 2008's have been there for me through the ups and downs, willing to give me as is said "Enough rope to hang myself," but then knowing when to be there to cut me down and send me on the correct path. This has been the opportunity of a lifetime and I love you all very much for allowing me this journey.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Steve, I thank you for accepting when I asked you to take this very special journey with me. You and Glenda are a wonderful asset, not only to this special year, but also to our Order in general. Both of you have been there to advise me when I may have gotten a little off track in my thoughts, and lent your support to whatever direction we together presented to our Order. Thank you both for making this the team that I dreamed of, to lead this Order of 2012.

Ungava Chapter, I cannot thank you enough for all the support you have given me throughout the years. As I approach The Winner's Circle, it was only by your love and support that I was able to make a strong finish. You all are special members of our Order and I thank all of you for your part in my journey.

My Family: How do you thank those that support you with their heart and soul, never asking for a thank-you? You hope they know how much they meant to you and how without them there would be a vacancy in your heart.

I will never be able to thank my family for the support they have given me. Family events have revolved around an Eastern Star calendar for many years and now I am coming home. Yes, it will no longer depend on where in the state I am, we can be together whenever the mood strikes. No one knows the support you have all lent from behind the scenes, but I do, and I love you all for never giving up on me as a daughter, a wife, a mother, a sister, and a grandmother. You truly are the best family anyone could have.

CONCLUSION

I thank the membership of the Order of the Eastern Star for electing me as your Worthy Grand Matron for 2012. This has definitely been the opportunity of a lifetime, and I am so privileged that you had the confidence in me to fulfill the duties assigned to me. I love our Order and the members that make up our Order. Remember always: "With a clear vision and the room to run, the power of the team is unleashed."

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Thank you, Sister Linda. It is my desire that you resume your authority.

(California Singing Stars: "Ain't Misbehavin'")

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Sarahann Shapiro, it is my desire that you preside.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Sister Linda Bernhard, at the Secretary's desk.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: MOTION: Based upon the facts stated in the Annual Report of the Worthy Grand Matron and the fact that the suspension of Crown Chapter's charter has not been lifted prior to the commencement of this Grand Chapter Session, I move that the charter of Crown Chapter, Corona, be revoked.

(Motion was seconded and discussion ensued)

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): MOTION: I move that we extend the limits of debate to five minutes per speaker, and to remove the limitation for the number of members allowed to speak.

(Motion was seconded and a vote taken)

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

We will now proceed on the motion of Sister Linda Bernhard, which was based upon the facts stated in the Worthy Grand Matron's Annual Report, and that since the suspension of Crown Chapter's charter was not lifted prior to the commencement of this Grand Chapter Session, the charter of Crown Chapter be revoked.

Is there any discussion?

Catie McQuater, PM (162): I am against the revocation of our charter. I am speaking on behalf of my chapter this morning, pleading with you, the delegates, to please give us back our charter.

I am a 23-year life member of Crown Chapter. I was Worthy Matron in 2000 and 2005, served as Deputy Grand Matron in 2004, and had the esteemed honor of serving as Grand Ruth in 2008. I was the first Grand Officer from Crown Chapter, which at that time was 110 years old.

I will not lie; my chapter has had trouble, just as all families do. But since our charter was taken away a few months ago, we have been having roundtable meetings with lots of food, preparing a strategic plan and, yes, hashing out our differences.

It's going to take some time to heal our chapter. Three months was not a reasonable amount of time to do what we had to do; we need more time to heal, and we want to be a chapter again.

I feel we have come a long way, but there is still more work to do. We are in a position now to make things better. We have had members attending our roundtables that have not attended chapter in years and they want to help. They want to serve as officers, be on committee, or just be on the sidelines supporting our chapter.

I want Crown Chapter to be around in four years. Why four years? Because that's when my oldest daughter will be 18 and can join my chapter. Why do I want her and my youngest, four years after that, to join Crown Chapter? For the same reason I wanted them to join my bethel, Bethel 140, Corona, which I am a Past Honored Queen from. My oldest will be honored queen next June, my youngest will join next March, and I'm sure someday she will be Honored Queen, too, standing in that same position I stood in.

I want them to join Crown Chapter and someday be Worthy Matron of Crown Chapter. They can say they are the third generation Worthy Matron of the very same chapter their mom presided over and both of their grandmothers presided over. That someday can only happen if you vote to give Crown Chapter its charter back. I want someday to happen. I am pleading with you to make that happen. Please give Crown Chapter its charter back. Thank you.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Thank you, my sister. Is there any further discussion?

James Hannum, PP (347): I have some questions rather than speaking in favor of this. This is a grave matter in my mind. If the charter is revoked, what happens to the members of Crown Chapter?

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Brother Gary, could you please explain to the delegates the effect of the revocation of a charter?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): Brother Jim, if the charter is revoked, demits are issued and the members can join other chapters.

James Hannum, PP (347): And if there are members who are no longer competent enough to fill out a petition for affiliation, ultimately what happens to them?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): I assume a conservatorship would have to be appointed.

James Hannum, PP (347): So legal proceedings would have to happen in Order to get them to continue membership?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): I would suggest that, yes. I know it's problematic, but those are the facts.

James Hannum, PP (347): Since the motion was to revoke, the only choice the Grand Chapter has right now is to support the revocation or to go against it; am I correct?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): Yes. When the vote is taken, a yes vote will mean you are in favor of revoking the charter, a no vote will mean that you are in favor of restoring the charter.

James Hannum, PP (347): And if the no is in favor, the suspension is gone; correct?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): Correct.

James Hannum, PP (347): Can the Associate Grand Matron, when she becomes Worthy Grand Matron, then immediately reinstate the suspension?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): She has authority to suspend the chapter, so she can reinstate it.

James Hannum, PP (347): So if the Grand Chapter today votes not to revoke the charter, when the Associate Grand Matron, or whoever is installed as Worthy Grand Matron on Saturday is installed, she can immediately re-suspend the charter if she believes this is necessary?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): That's correct.

James Hannum, PP (347): Can the Grand Chapter direct her to do so?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): No. The Grand Chapter can only revoke or restore.

James Hannum, PP (347): Can the Grand Chapter direct her to put them on probation?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): The Grand Chapter can only vote to restore or revoke the charter.

James Hannum, PP (347): I understand right now that the vote is to revoke or to restore. If the Grand Chapter votes to restore the charter right now, can it direct the incoming Worthy Grand Matron to put them back on probation or is that solely a choice she has to make?

Gary Gole, PP (21/651): It's solely a choice that the Worthy Grand Matron has to make.

James Hannum, PP (347): Thank you very much, Associate Grand Matron.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Thank you, my brother. Is there any further discussion?

Donald Snyder, Jr. PGP: Crown Chapter has been on the agenda of the Grand Line of this Grand Chapter since at least 2008. Each Grand Matron and Grand Patron in succession has given tremendous energy toward this chapter, trying to heal it.

Last year, the Associate Grand Matron and I attended a meeting at Crown Chapter and I was very succinct in what would happen to this chapter if they did not work together. At that time, the Associate Matron and Associate Patron promised Sister Kim and me that by Grand Chapter last year, they would have a working plan. They did not by Grand Chapter of last year. However, as was just pleaded, we were told that they would continue to work in harmony to make their chapter work. As we have heard, that has not happened.

This chapter has had such disharmony within its ranks that it has spilled beyond this chapter and beyond the district. The problems that we see in this chapter are so beyond help, in my opinion, that they are detrimental to the Order of Eastern Star not only in this jurisdiction, but internationally.

I think this chapter needs to be made an example of. There are members of this chapter that mean very well and would love to see it continue and they are wonderful members. There are also certain members of this chapter that will always be disruptive and will always insist on their way, and they will use coercive tactics that are truly unbecoming this Order in all ways.

I urge this assembly to stop this cancer within Eastern Star and revoke the chapter charter.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Thank you, my brother. Is there any further discussion?

Barbara Johnson, PM (648): I don't know where to stand; I'd like a microphone in the middle of the room, please. This was my grandparents' chapter. They are both Past Matron and Patron. My mother was initiated into this chapter; I was a member of the chapter for many years. I know what they are talking about. Isn't there a way that the fractured people could be expelled and the chapter could continue? Anyone who's been in the chapter and worked with the chapter knows where the problem is. Can't that be taken care of to resolve the problem?

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: My sister, our Constitution & Laws could make provision for the members of the chapter to take such an action and to seek the expulsion of members who are disruptive. Unfortunately, that is an action that the chapter would have needed to take for itself, and due to the conditions in the chapter it is my understanding that it has not been able to put that together.

The problem is that a number of charges, as you heard the Worthy Grand Matron mention, have been filed but were not substantiated, and bickering in the chapter makes it very difficult sometimes to determine all of the trouble-makers. Unfortunately, since those are powers that are vested in an individual chapter, we do not have the power in this Grand Chapter session to discipline individual members.

Therefore, the charter having been suspended for the reasons that you heard, that this Grand Chapter must decide whether to revoke the charter or restore it, knowing that upon restoration we may have other issues or the same issues moving forward. So, unfortunately, we do not have the power to implement a solution like what you suggest, although we understand why it is the natural thing to do.

Does that answer your question, my sister?

Barbara Johnson, pm (648): Yes, it does. Thank you. You have helped me, Associate Grand Matron.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Thank you, my sister.

Is there any further discussion?

There being no further discussion, Sisters and Brothers, you are about to vote on Sister Linda Bernhard's motion to revoke the charter of Crown Chapter. A "yes" vote is a vote to revoke the charter, a "no" vote is a vote to restore the charter.

(The vote was taken.)

The motion is **ADOPTED**. The charter of Crown Chapter is **REVOKED**.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: Sister Grand Secretary, it is ordered that you notify the members of Crown Chapter the results of this motion and issue demits to those members of Crown Chapter who are in good standing.

The members of Crown Chapter who were permitted to be in this Grand Chapter Session for the purpose of hearing the Annual Report of the Worthy Grand Matron and the voting on the revocation of the charter of Crown Chapter are requested to leave.

Worthy Grand Matron, it is my desire you resume your authority.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Sarahann, and thank you to the delegates here.

Sisters and Brothers, I now ask that you give attention to the address of the Worthy Grand Patron. Brother Steve, we would be pleased to hear your Annual Report at this time.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

(by Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron)

Each year the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron are required to give a summary of their year. I believe that if our year were compared to a student's end of the year progress report it would show that this Grand Family obtained A's in the following categories:

Works well with others, accepts responsibility, shows good attitude, can follow instructions, enjoys listening to stories, and takes pride in work well done, floor work is beautifully done, and an A+ in having a sense of humor.

The year actually started long before being installed at last year's Grand Chapter. Countless hours were spent working on this year's calendar. There was the selection and asking of our Appointive Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Matrons and Committee Members.

Then in early May of 2011, our adventure began with a secret weekend in Pismo Beach. This is where the 2012 Grand Family were first revealed to one another for the first time. I had a lot of fun while we got to know each other, and this gave Sister Linda and me a chance to tell them what they were in for, and what a heavy burden we placed on them. They now had to remain quiet throughout the rest of the year as they tried to keep their secrets.

Their first real taste of being Grand Officers was when they were introduced as those special brothers and sisters who had been appointed to serve you as Grand Officers in 2012. This revealing was followed by a three-day Grand Officer School of Instruction. This soon was followed by the Deputies' School

where the Grand Officers exemplified what they had learned to the deputies. Then they watched their 2011 big sisters and brothers perform their work on the floor of Grand Chapter, hoping to be able to remember what to do when it was their turn.

In December, everything started in full swing. We held the first of our All Members' Instructionals, which was followed by our first Official Visit in January. In that same month, we had a one-day Deputy Grand Matron Brush-up School in the North and in the South.

When we were not teaching or attending Official Visits of our districts, we were attending some of the fantastic events that were put on by the Grand Chapter and our members. The members of California Eastern Star have done an outstanding job this last year, as we have traveled from one end of the state to the other with our Schools, Official Visits, and Fund-raisers, our members have shown us their support by their attendance.

Glenda and I did a lot of traveling this year in our caravan, spent numerous nights on the road and put more miles on our vehicles than I would like to think about. We even had a chance to extend our travels outside our state by attending Grand Chapters in Oregon, Arizona, and Nevada, while representing California.

Special Project: Sister Glenda and I both have a great respect for our military and what they have done for us. We each have family ties to members serving in the military during times of war. Her father served in the United States Coast Guard during the Korean War, and my father served in the Marine Corps during World War II in the South Pacific. My own ties go even deeper with my services in the Navy and later with the Coast Guard Reserves.

Our Order has always shown a deep patriotism and commitment to the men and women of the military, as well as our country. Because of this, we chose for our special project Paws for Purple Hearts. Paws is the first program is the first program of its kind to offer therapeutic intervention for veterans and active-duty military personnel by teaching those with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder to train service dogs for their comrades with combat-related physical disabilities. Paws is built upon the trusted and time-honored tradition of veterans helping veterans.

With this project, we hoped to get our chapter members to interact with their communities, while raising funds for this outstanding cause. The members of our Order did not let us down. I truly want to thank all of our members for throwing themselves into this charity. They stuck our Deputies' Paws Piggy Banks with coins, held several USO styled dinners with baskets donated for auction, and the entertainment was provided by our members and their friends.

The USO dinner in the North was attended by over 200 people and raised over \$10,000. They also held fund-raising events in their chapters and communities. Many of these were attended by either our North or South Paws chairpersons, who sold some of our Paws merchandise like magnets, decals, coffee cups, and key chains. Many events were attended by a veteran and his service dog. We even attended two events at local horseracing tracks where we mixed in with the other track attendees while raising funds.

The last big fund-raiser of the year that I attended for Paws was in Pleasanton, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Building. We had an Italian dinner and dessert while we listened to the music of the USS Hornet Band. The event was sponsored by one of the chapters and the whole community got involved. A local Rainbow Assembly and the Pleasanton military families served the Livermore Pleasanton fire department cooked, the Veterans of Foreign Wars set up and served refreshments, a local dairy donated the dessert, and the coffee was donated by Starbucks.

There were so many in the community that bought tickets to the event that they had to have two seatings. I have mentioned this event in detail not because it was the best or because it was the last, but I wanted to share with you how it demonstrates how our chapters can get involved with the community and show everyone who we are.

Official Visits: I had the honor to attend 42 Official Visits with our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Linda. Forty of these were traditional style, with two being social style. These visits gave us the opportunity to visit our members and to be able to see them doing their work, as well as recognizing those chapters that had completed 100 percent proficiency. It also gave us the chance to see the results of our Deputy Grand Matrons' hard work. It was truly amazing to see all the themes that the chapters came up with for our visits. One day we would be traveling up the yellow brick road and the next we would "Be True to the Red, White, and Blue." Many of our themes dealt with our emblems or patriotism to our country and to the men and women of our military who are presently serving or have been served in the past.

My speeches would deal with some part of the chapter's theme, but at each visit I would talk about the upcoming Schools of Instruction, Grand Chapter events, upcoming projects in our Order and, of course, I would always talk about our special project.

As many Worthy Grand Patrons before me, I was given the honor to sign the John L. Sullivan Masonic Bible at our Official Visit held in District 23. This Bible has been signed by three former presidents of our country, as well as every leader of Masonic organizations that visit the Hanford, California area. I will always be thankful to the brethren of Hanford Lodge for allowing me to have this privilege. Glenda and I want to thank all the chapters and members for all the love gifts and honorary memberships that they bestowed upon us.

Events: Our year was filled with many special events that either raised funds for our charities or special projects or just gave us a chance to get together for a little fellowship. Some of these events were: The SLC holiday party, the San Diego Breakfast, the Earth Day Festival at Yorba Linda, the Masonic Picnic at the Masonic Home, the Kern County Dinner, the J. Clifford Lee Breakfast, the Jam & Jelly Day, and the San Diego Event at Del Mar. I want to thank all the chapter members that put in all the hard work to make these events the success that they were.

Chapter Anniversaries: We attended one 100th and two 125th Anniversaries of our chapters. These chapters were Meridian, Tulare-Corcoran and Concordia Chapter, Clovis. We were truly privileged to be able to share in their celebrations.

Youth Orders: One of the rewards in my office was to be able to participate with some of our youth group functions. The year started with Linda and I attending the Grand Guardian Council, Job's Daughters International. This was our first chance to give a welcome speech of our year. We also were able to attend and participate in the California Grand Assembly, Northern and Southern California DeMolay Conclaves, and Grand Bethel. We also were able to sponsor a youth dance at the Senior Living Community at Yorba Linda, and the Grand Family was able to surprise our future members by not only being the event's sponsor, but by having many of our Grand Officers participating in the line dancing.

Travel Program: Our Travel Program for 2012 was a three-part program with each part being rewarded after completion. Members earned points by attending Chapter Installations, Leadership Workshops, All Member Instructionals, Official Visits, and Chapter Fund-raisers. The paperwork was handled by the Northern and Southern Grand Representatives' Presidents, with the other Grand Representatives handing out the pins to the members. We gave out 230 Part Ones and 130 members made it to the third level.

Dog and Pony Show Bulletin: Early in the year, we established The Dog and Pony Show Bulletin. This e-mail publication served to communicate interesting fun and general information about the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and from the 2012 Grand Family throughout the year. This was in addition to the formal publications issued from Grand Chapter.

We originally started sending it out as a communication to the Deputy Grand Matrons, Worthy Matrons and Patrons. It came so much in demand that we eventually posted it on the Grand Chapter Web page so that all of our members could enjoy it.

Travels: This year wasn't all work; we were able to have a little fun along the way. Our duties require us to put thousands of miles on our vehicles, and much of this was done while caravanning. We spent a lot of nights in hotels, found hundreds of interesting places to eat, stopped at many tourist attractions and were able to see some of the state's beautiful sites. We had a lot of fun talking on our CB radios while relaying travel instructions or sharing comments on the scenery while using our CB handles. The Worthy Grand Matron was Mz Bee, Glenda was the Good Witch, and I was Smokey.

We also were able to attend other jurisdictions: The Grand Chapters of Arizona, Nevada, and Oregon. And of course our longest trip was the Oregon Grand Chapter. One of our stops was for a guided tour by the Worshipful Master of Waso Lodge No. 15, in Dalles, Oregon. Trips like these gave us the opportunity to see how other jurisdictions conduct their Grand Chapter, and it gave us a chance to show off our Grand Officers.

Hands Across the Border: In June, we hosted Hands Across the Border with Nevada. It started on Friday night with a mystery dinner aboard the Historic Delta King Paddle Wheeler. On Saturday, during the day, the members toured Old Sacramento and took in some of the sightseeing tours. Later that day, we all attended the Official Visit of District 9 in Elk Grove. Everything wrapped up Sunday at the Shriners' Children's Hospital where we took a special tour of the hospital and grounds. The event was a huge success and gave us a chance to visit with the wonderful Grand Officers and members from Nevada.

Deputy Grand Matrons: I want to thank all of our Deputy Grand Matrons for saying yes when we asked them to join us on our journey, and for the commitment to their duties that they have shown. They did a fantastic job of taking what they learned at their Schools of Instruction and relaying it back to their respective chapters. They learned the work and drove the miles required of their office. At each Official Visit, these ladies made us proud. I also want to thank each one for the dedication they extended to our special project this year. It would have never become the success that it has become with you.

Grand Representatives: This year, I had the privilege of assisting the Worthy Grand Matron to announce 34 members as Grand Representatives. These Sisters and Brothers represented the Eastern Star jurisdictions in California, and their travels helped to bring our Order closer together. I looked forward to attending the receptions and helping them to celebrate their appointments.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons: Many of our members stepped up to lead the chapters for us in 2012; I know what a commitment these duties can have on their personal lives. At our workshop and instructionals, we were able to observe their enthusiasm and dedication. Every organization or group needs to have leaders that will step up and be their spokespersons. We are so fortunate that they decided to do this for their Sisters and Brothers, their community, and our Order. My relationship started with them when I was elected as Associate Grand Patron. I was able to meet many of them at our events and schools these last two years, and have formed many close friendships.

Committees, Grand Line, and Worthy Grand Patron Duties: This year, I had the honor of serving in the California Eastern Star Foundation, the Finance Committee, and the Home Board. While holding these positions, I was able to participate in the business of our Order.

One of my duties this year has been to be the chairperson for our Grand Line meetings. Each month, Sister Linda and I would plan on meeting somewhere along the road to discuss Eastern Star. We would discuss such things as Constitution & Laws, issues with chapters, and decisions that needed to be made. I am very proud of the way we are all able to work as a team. Because of this teamwork, we were able to make decisions that were a consensus of the group. This way, we would provide more continuity for future years. We were also able to participate in reviewing and updating the manuals for our Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Matrons, Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. By doing this, we were able to create a more generic version that will allow each Worthy Grand Matron the ability to personalize it for her year, with attachments.

In early August, I was contacted for the purpose of starting a new chapter in Turlock. A new chapter may be formed only under the authority of a dispensation granted by the Worthy Grand Patron for such a purpose. I then designated a representative to work with the new chapter. A petition for a dispensation form was properly turned in with the required signatures, and letters were sent out to the nearest chapters, as required by the Constitution & Laws. It was my pleasure to grant permission for them to move forward. It is hoped that in the Grand Chapter year of 2013, they will be able to have their own officers installed and the new members initiated.

Grand Officers and Escorts: What can I say about this 2012 Grand Family? These Grand Officers and their escorts, they all said yes when we asked them to serve. They gave us their weekends and vacations and the money they had saved for that rainy day. A great deal of effort was put into selecting these members of our Order to serve as Grand Officers. Each one was selected for their unique personalities, past service and dedication to the Order. The things that they have done for us have not gone unnoticed. I appreciate the

dedication and service they have given us and I know others do too. I thank you all from the bottom of my heart for your commitment. You are all valued members of this family, you have become dear friends to Glenda and I, and I can't imagine this year without you.

RECOMMENDATIONS

As our Grand Family traveled throughout the state this past year, we had the chance to meet many of our members at our visits and functions. While doing this, we were also able to see some of our majestic Masonic buildings with their beautiful chapter rooms and their long history in the Order. We also participated in many events that were to raise funds for our charities or just to have fun. All of this gave us the chance to make a lot of new friends and to find out what our Order is doing at the chapter level.

While serving on the Home Board, Finance Committee, Foundation, and the Line Officers and numerous other committees, I have also been able to observe and have input on our Order from the Grand Chapter level. While attending other functions throughout the state, I was able to observe our Order at the chapter level.

The greatest concern I have for our Order at this time is our failure to comply with the Internal Revenue Service at the chapter level. Fund-raisers have been conducted with the general public to pay for the necessary operating expenses of the chapter, and we are also seeing a lack of compliance in the proper reporting of chapter salaries to the IRS and the Grand Chapter to the Grand Secretary. The end result of this problem is several thousands of dollars for legal fees for the Grand Chapter Office has been spent in defending our Order in several of our chapters losing their tax exempt status. To keep our Order safe, and to give it a long life, I would like to make the following recommendations:

I recommend that we work closer with the Blue Lodge when the brothers become third degree Masons. Our chapters need to work harder to bring in these prospective new members and their spouses.

I recommend that our chapters work closer with the youth groups of our fraternal family. We need to become more involved in their functions, while making it more appealing for them to become members of the Order.

I recommend our chapters raise their annual dues in an amount that would provide sufficient financial support to cover the necessary operating expenses.

I recommend that our chapters hold only fund-raisers that are open to the public for the purpose of raising funds to be given to a charity and not to benefit the chapter.

And at last, I would recommend that we get out into our local communities as much as possible to help with their needs. We need to show them who we are and what you can do when you become a member of this fraternal family.

CONCLUSION

During this past, year the members of our Order have been spectacular. As we've traveled from one end of the state to the other with our Schools, All Member Instructionals, Special Visits, fund-raisers for Paws, and more events than I can count, our members have shown their support by their enthusiasm and attendance.

At each of our Official Visits, the districts opened up their chapter doors to their Grand Family and made us feel like we were part of their family, and that their home was our home. It is Glenda's and my honor to have taken this journey with Sister Linda, the Grand Officers, and their escorts.

I can't help but feel pride that we never got so caught up in our destinations that we forgot to appreciate the journey, especially the goodness of the people that we met along the way. I will always appreciate this wonderful feeling and I am glad that this Grand Family never overlooked it.

(Musical Selection: "Defying Gravity," Merribeth May)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The secretary is an important part of our Order and our Grand Secretary is a very important part of our Grand Chapter. We are grateful to Sister Maryann Barrios for her knowledge and assistance. Sister Maryann, we would be pleased to have your annual report at this time.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

(by Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary)

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

Our membership, as gathered from the Annual Reports of the 175 Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction, is as follows:

Membership as of June 30, 2011	28,460
Gained by Initiation	380
Gained by Affiliation from inside the Jurisdiction	149
Gained by Affiliation from outside the Jurisdiction	22
Gained by Reinstatement	37
Total Gained	595
Loss by Demit	478
Loss by Resignation	21
Loss by Consolidation	24
Loss by Suspension for nonpayment of dues	477
Loss by Suspension for other causes	5
Loss by Death	1,327
Presumed Deceased	55
Total Lost	2,387

Of this figure, 5,002 are fifty-year life members, 195 are residents of charitable homes, 220 had medical exemptions and 518 had their dues remitted. This brings the total of dues paying members to 20,733. Life Sponsors of the Eastern Star Home total 14,314. There are 1,337 members who belong to two Chapters in California. All Chapters have paid their per capita assessments, though I need to add that I had to chase down the fines for late payment from at least three chapters.

There are four consolidations that should be final before the end of the year, bringing the total Chapters in California to 171.

We issued 315 twenty-five year pins, 250 fifty-year pins, and 20 seventy-five year pins. We also arranged to give out 28 Dr. Rob Morris service awards and 115 Service awards. We also issued 17 birthday anniversary certificates for members who reached their 100th birthday or more, 19 letters in celebration of 75 years of service to the Order in addition to the certificates, and 3 chapter anniversary certificates.

All publications were distributed on a timely basis in accordance with the Constitution and Laws.

Chapter No. 50's charter had to be replaced and a certified copy was prepared and sent to them.

The synopsis of this Session will be available within the next few weeks, and may be reserved for \$3.00 at the office by Credentials. It will also again this year be posted on the website. The small Itineraries are available for \$4 and pocket calendars will also be available for \$3; all are on sale at the Grand Chapter booth. For those who would like to place ads in the 2013 State Roster, order forms are also available at the Grand Chapter booth.

I thank Sister Tacy Lee, Grand Treasurer, for her love and support this year. You are a true friend, a fellow circle, and I've enjoyed our time together.

Thank you to the members of the Grand Chapter office staff: Pamela Sandstrom, my assistant; Russ Kleber, Controller; Eva Paulson, Accountant; James Hannum, Supplies and IT; Katie Streeter Benard, Office Clerk and Webmaster. Nell Marie Forsey, my guru of all things membership, will be retiring at the end of December. She has served both the San Francisco office and our office here for more than 18 years with distinction. I am envious that she will be moving back to enjoy her grandchildren, and she knows how much I love and respect her (I hope). Please join me in thanking her for her service.

Sisters and Brothers, last year I reminded you that the Grand Chapter of California is bigger than your Grand Chapter office and its employees. You need to be aware that I have not forgotten my obligation to be a good steward to the funds placed in our care. I submitted a balanced budget to the Finance

Committee. I will continue to be on the alert for ways to save money without cutting services if at all possible. Again this year our office is not receiving any cost of living increases, and before you tell me that many Sisters and Brothers are on fixed incomes, let me remind you that since 2008, those on Social Security have received COLAS totaling 11.6% and are in line to receive another 1.5% this coming year. We continue to try and conserve resources, so that you may be confident that we are doing all we can.

I thank you again for the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter. I consider myself truly blessed.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Our Grand Treasurer has served our Order by attending the Finance Committee meeting and other meetings related to the financial affairs of the Grand Chapter. Thank you for performing your duties diligently. You are a wonderful, wonderful — one more time — wonderful member of the 2012 Grand Family. Sister Tacy, may we have your annual report at this time.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

(by Tacy Lee, Grand Treasurer)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, it has been an honor to serve as the 2012 Grand Treasurer. My sincere thanks to Sister Linda and Brother Steve for inviting me to submit my resume and to you the membership for electing me to this position. It has been an incredible journey.

The duties of the Grand Treasurer include being a member of the Finance Committee and the Corporate Treasurer of the Eastern Star Homes of California. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Norma Stilwell, Past Grand Matron who asked me to serve on the Finance Committee from 2006 to 2010. This five year commitment prepared me to perform my duties as Grand Treasurer. I attended most of the meetings of the Finance Committee and the Home Board of Trustees. I have had the opportunity to attend: Grand Officer School, Deputy Grand Matron School, 2 Brush-Up Schools, 10 Grand Officer Instructionals (GOI), 1 Leadership Training Sessions, 3 Secretary /Treasurer Workshops, 38 Official Visits, 2 USO shows, "We are our World Festival," 12 Grand Officer Receptions, the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron Reception, Grand Bethel, several District events, the Grand Chapters of Oregon, Arizona, and Nevada. I have traveled approximately 34,000 miles. I was requested by the Worthy Grand Matron to participate in an audit of a chapter's books and records, and have even signed checks while the Controller was on vacation.

Later on in this session, you will hear the reports from the Chairman of Finance, Denny Rae Grist, Past Grand Matron; the Controller Russ Kleber; and the President of the Home Board of Trustees, Don Markert. Listen carefully to these reports. Each member of the Finance Committee and the Home

Board of Trustees has worked diligently to insure that our Grand Chapter and the Senior Living Community operate efficiently. Each Board has done their “due diligence” by constantly reviewing budgets and cutting expenses while maintaining the best interest of Grand Chapter, the Senior Living Community, and our charities. Each member spends countless hours in performing these duties and is to be commended for their service.

Our investments are handled by Merrill Lynch. Under their prudent guidance, our portfolio is doing well. The main focus has been on protecting ourselves during these tough economic times. During the last ten years, we have spent approximately \$21 million and have earned approximately \$24 million. Since inception with Merrill Lynch in 2002, to date, we are up 7.3%. I know the Finance Committee will continue to monitor the success our portfolio earnestly.

While these numbers are staggering, it is our responsibly as members to maintain our Chapters and Grand Chapter as viable and strong organizations. We provide for the welfare of our members and offers programs to assist our members in need. We are able to provide these services through donations to our Charities . . . from you, our generous members.

I would like to thank the members of the Finance Committee, the Home Board of Trustees, Clair Meske Executive Director of the Senior Living Community, Russ Kleber, Conroller, Eva Paulsen, Bookkeeper, Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary and her staff for their assistance and support this year. I have truly enjoyed working with you. To the Grand Line, thank you for all that you have done to make this year special. I wish you the very best as you continue to the Grand East. To the 2012 Appointed Officers, thank you for a “wonderful” year. It has been my honor and privilege to be a part of this 2012 Grand Family. You will always have a special place in heart.

To the Treasurers of California, thank you for attending the Reception honoring us and for everything you do for your respective Chapters. Your job is busy since you keep your accounting accurate with Grand Chapter, and on state and federal levels.

To San Clemente Saddleback Chapter #524, thank you for your support this year and the beautiful reception honoring the Treasurers of California. Many thanks to Beverly Cratsenburg, Past Grand Treasurer, my escort for traveling most of those 34,000 miles with me. You are one of my “Treasures.”

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve our Order this year as Grand Treasurer. It has been an amazing journey, one that I will always cherish.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Grand Secretary, you will please read the proposed amendments to the Constitution & Laws and Instruction Book.

Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary: MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, I move that the proposed amendments to the Constitution & Laws, as published in our legislative book and distributed, be considered read.

(The motion was seconded, and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**, and the proposed amendments are considered read as published.

Brother Russ Kleber, our controller, may we have your annual report at this time.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONTROLLER

(by Russ Kleber, Controller)

Good Morning Sisters and Brothers and welcome to another annual session of the Grand Chapter of California. Each year, as Controller, I supply un-audited financial statements of all the entities as required in the Constitution and Laws, and again this year they are available at the Grand Secretary's desk. In addition to these statements I report information on the activities and financial condition of our various entities which should provide general knowledge to the delegates and could be useful in the decisions which will be made at this session.

I'm going to start with the financial status of our charities and how they performed during the past year. In order to do this in a format which will make the most sense I have to start with our investments. First we have the Endowment Fund which, most of you know, supports our largest charity — the Eastern Star Home. At this time last year the balance in this fund was reported at \$30,395,906. Currently the value of the Endowment Investments is \$31,525,016, a gain of \$1,129,110 or 3.7%

All of the revenue generated by this fund, along with the unrestricted principal is available to assist in the operation of the Eastern Star Home. Last fiscal year, through diligent and conscientious effort, by the Board of Directors, Executive Director, managers and staff, the cost of operating the Home and its various projects was \$3,716,110. These expenses were covered by revenue, generated by the home, such as Social Security and Retirement Benefits and transfers from the operation of the ESPP and the Endowment Fund. So in summary, our Eastern Star Home was successful in operating a first class facility, assistance programs and special events during the last fiscal year; and, remember, we still have an increase of \$1,129,110 in our Endowment Fund and \$4,327,000 more than we had in 2003.

The Foundation consists of 10 Funds: Benevolent, J.C. Lee Cancer, Scholarship, Patient Comfort, Marguerite Rennie Cancer, Cashion Scholarship, Disaster, Cancer Research, Medical Research and Heart. Seven of these funds participate in the Foundation Pooled Investment Account while three funds, because they clear each year, do not have the longevity to cover the costs.

Last year the Foundation Pooled Investments were reported at \$7,380,375. Currently these investments are valued at \$7,582,643, which is made up of \$6,100,000 in the Pooled Investments and \$1,482,643 that belongs to the Marguerite Rennie Cancer Fund which has requirements for separate accountability. This leaves a gain of \$202,268 for the last fiscal year. Again through the efforts of the Foundation Board, hard working committee chairmen and members those relying on assistance from our various charities were not disappointed or refused support due to a lack of funding.

Last year the cost to operate our Foundation was \$451,670. This was offset with bequests, donations and income from investments of \$340,200 and transfers from the Pooled Investment Fund of \$160,000. So after paying all the expenses for last year and transferring money from our investments, the California Eastern Star Foundation has \$1,670,000 more than it had in 2003.

Sisters and Brothers we owe a huge debt of gratitude to the Boards, Staff, chairmen and volunteers of our Eastern Star Home and Foundation for their efforts on our behalf and I think it would be most appropriate to show it to them at this time.

Now that we know we've survived another year under hard economic circumstances, how do we guarantee the future? One way is to invest in and support The Grand Chapter of California. Our Home is successful. Our Foundation is successful, and our members are benefitting from the good work we strive to do. But what makes these more visible aspects of our Order successful? I believe it is in great part due to the Grand Chapter of California and The Grand Chapter Office. Yes, these are not the same! One is a part of the other. The cost of operating the Grand Chapter of California last year was \$871,792 and the revenue received was \$894,781. Where does this revenue come from? 94% or \$837,221 comes from per capita and administrative fees, while the rest comes from all other sources.

Last year the membership recognized that it was not contributing its fair share through the per capita charge, and corrected the inequity by approving an increase which properly aligned them with the fees charged to the other entities through administrative fees. These administrative fees are charges by the Grand Chapter Office for performing the tasks which keep our Chapters, Home and Foundation in compliance with all the rules, regulations and guidelines established by Federal, State and Local agencies, General Grand Chapter and Accounting Standards and Principles. Time does not permit me to go into

detail on what these tasks consist of but I assure you it is significant. An hourly rate is established yearly based upon the budgeted expenses not covered by direct revenue sources. For the last 3 years this rate has been \$51.00 per hour for all work done by the Grand Chapter Office. This is not an exorbitant or outrageous hourly rate, and if you want proof, do a little research as to what is charged by accounting firms, law offices and consultants for their staff and overhead. Establishing a fair hourly rate is not magic or rocket science . . . well maybe next year it will be. I believe it is evident that our entities are successful in a large part due to the Grand Chapter of California, its leadership and guidance, committees and volunteers and The Grand Chapter Office. They deserve your support and confidence to continue keeping our order successful and compliant, because without it where would you be?

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, we'd like to thank you so much for your attention that you gave this morning. We now have had plenty of reports and of course our voting and I thank you for sticking with us throughout. You have really paid a lot of attention this morning and I, for one, greatly appreciate all you've done.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I do thank all of the members for your attention. We will be continuing our reports this afternoon and then we will begin with some of our legislation. After the proclamation, please remain seated until the Grand Officers and the Grand Pages have retired.

I do want to say — so I don't forget this afternoon — when we do have our legislation, we do have pages of microphones up for those of you who needed to sit in the handicapped area. So there will be microphones up there for you if you want to discuss any of the legislation brought in front of us.

I now declare this Thursday morning session of the Grand Chapter of California called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 1:30 PM.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

(The Grand Officers and Grand Pages retired.)



Breathe in,
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Breathe out

**2012 “THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 18, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

1:45 P.M. Musical prelude:

Aleda Barden (622)

California Singing Stars: “Blue Skies”

Entrance of: Grand Pages
 Grand Representatives
 Deputy Grand Matrons

Escort of Hostess and Host:

Beverly Wade, Past Grand Matron

Larry Coffin, Past Grand Patron

Beverly Wade, PGM: Sisters and Brothers, we have the honor of presenting Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Beverly Wade, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Larry Coffin, Past Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join me in extending the Grand Honors to our Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Beverly Wade, PGM: Worthy Grand Matron Linda, it is with honor that I present your gavel for you to use as you convene this formal Thursday afternoon session of “The Winner’s Circle”.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Welcome back to our afternoon session. We hope you enjoyed your lunch and are ready to conduct business. Sister Bev and Brother Larry, we would be honored to hear your address of welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(By Beverly Wade, PGM (390), and Larry Coffin, PGP (557))

Beverly: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored members, Sisters and Brothers — Larry and I are honored to serve as Hostess and Host for this Thursday afternoon session, and we extend greetings to all in attendance.

What better place to be than here, surrounded by angels, Dalmatians, horses, orange blossoms, and all of you, our wonderful members! We sincerely welcome our California members and our visiting guests from other jurisdictions to the 139th formal afternoon session of the Grand Chapter of California.

We are delighted to have this opportunity to share the afternoon with each delegate and visitor. We are especially happy to celebrate the journey of Sister Linda, Brother Steve, and the 2012 Grand Family to this enthusiastic “Winner’s Circle” Session.

Larry: In a horse race, the most important pole stands at the finish line, or wire. The first horse to the wire makes the best trip of all—to the winner’s circle. However, as members of the Order of the Eastern Star, we are all winners. BUT, unlike a horse race where the winning horse goes back to the stable to rest after posing for pictures in the winner’s circle, we want you to return to your Chapter and strive to make your Chapter and our Order a thriving organization that is recognized daily in your community.

Last night we honored our distinguished and honored members from the present and past. We wish to thank Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, for bringing back the tradition of holding the Informal Opening of our Grand Chapter Session on the evening prior to its Formal Opening. This morning, as we formally opened “The Winner’s Circle” Session, we heard from our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, other Elected Officers and the Controller as they spoke on the State of our Jurisdiction. And now that we all have had an opportunity to relax and eat, we begin the business and legislative portion of our session.

Beverly: Our Worthy Grand Matron’s and Worthy Grand Patron’s motto of a clear vision and the power to give each day a positive purpose should be utmost in our minds as we begin the business of our Grand Chapter.

As music is a great part of our session week, we will no doubt enjoy wonderful musical pieces. This year we have had the joy of many angel songs in 2012. Some of you may recall the chorus of an oldie but goodie song by the Crests, “Calling all Angels.” Well, that is exactly what our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron will be doing as we begin the business portion of this Grand Session. They will be calling on you, the delegates, to be prepared with your credentials, voting booklet and voting card in order that your vote will be counted on those important matters before this Grand Session.

Larry: Yes, we are about to begin that portion of our session where you, the members, have a voice. If you do not understand the question before you, you have the ability to ask the presiding to explain the legislation in question.

Though your vote is a free vote, always remember that your vote should reflect what is best for your Chapter and the whole of our Order.

The most important thought is that we should always conduct ourselves with that order and propriety which the dignity of our Order requires, and respect, pay attention to, and obey the presiding officer.

Beverly: Our California Grand Chapter is known for its elegance. The Grand Officers in beautiful gowns and gentlemen dressed equally as dashing shows pride and respect for this time honored convocation.

Enjoy the festivities planned for you and take part in all aspects of this Grand Session.

Larry: Brother Steve, as we talked this past year, you voiced your concern about the history, tradition, rules and regulations of our Order. The cornerstone of the Order of the Eastern Star in California was formed by what has taken place in the past and must never be forgotten. You are a Brother that realizes that change will happen, but should not occur at the expense of the integrity of our foundation.

Beverly: The watchwords of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron — be humble in attitude, optimistic in spirit, respectful in demeanor, sincere in speech, have unity and proactive service have instilled pride in each one of us and in our Order in 2012.

There are truly Angels among us. They come to the aid of each one of us and through our beautiful lessons they teach us how to live; they guide us with the light of Love. Those angels are you, my Sisters and Brothers.

Larry: We extend a special thank you to the members of the many committees who have worked diligently to assure that this Grand Chapter Week session is enjoyable, safe and productive for each of us and our beautiful Order!

Beverly: Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, like those who have preceded you there have been decisions you have had to make this year. We are sure that each decision was made after careful thought and consultation with your Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Steve Johnson. You have a loving heart and genuine love for our Order and its members, which you have shown in your years of service to California Eastern Star.

Larry: Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, your desire that our military men and women know how much the Order of the Eastern Star supports them has touched each of our hearts. This year's service project "PAWS for Purple Hearts," allowed us to support not only those willing to make the utmost sacrifice, but supported an organization that builds on the time-honored tradition of soldiers assisting other soldiers. This program helps heal our returning combat veterans by teaching those with psychological scars to train service dogs for their comrades with physical disabilities, thus allowing both our psychologically and physically injured soldiers to become productive citizens.

Sisters and Brothers, we know that you will leave this “Winner’s Circle” session feeling that your attendance was very much appreciated and worth the time you took to join your Sisters and Brothers as they conduct the business of our Grand Chapter.

We hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable time at this 2012 Grand Chapter. Please come back again.

Beverly: Worthy Grand Matron Linda and Worthy Grand Patron Steve, thank you again for this opportunity to share this afternoon session as Hostess and Host. It has been a great pleasure for us. Just as it is in the Winner’s Circle, everything is coming up roses for you.

It is said that the footprints of Angels are love, and where there is love miraculous things happen. In 2010 we were guided by the light of Love. We hope that light and love will continue to shine on you and your Grand Family through this busy week as you perform the necessary duties and tasks before you. It is now my honor to present you with your gavel as you convene this formal afternoon session of the “Winner’s Circle.”

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Beverly and Brother Larry, thank you for your welcome to this afternoon’s session. Sister Bev, it has been a pleasure knowing you and Bob these last few years. I served as your Grand Conductress when you were Worthy Grand Matron, and had the honor of escorting you at all of the Schools and Instructionals, culminating when I was escorting you at each session of your special Grand Chapter. Your calm demeanor and style of leadership were much appreciated by all of us.

Brother Larry, I knew you as the escort to our Grand Adah of 2000, when I served as Deputy Grand Matron, and again when Kay and I served on the Home Board together. What a pleasure it was to serve with you in the very special year of 2010. And to both of you, thank you for appointing Brother Steve as your Grand Sentinel. The ideas and style of your grand year had much influence on both of us.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sister Beverly and Brother Larry, thank you for taking part in this afternoon’s session by giving us your welcome. In 2010, when you asked me to join your family as your Grand Sentinel, you became my fraternal mom and dad. That year was filled with your warmth and love of our Order. Many of the values that you taught me have been carried over to my Grand Family. Thank you both for your friendship and support over the past three years.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare the Thursday afternoon session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from refreshment to labor. Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Denny Rae Grist, Chairman of our Finance Committee, will you please introduce the members of the Finance Committee and present your report.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

(by Denny Rae Grist, PGM)

And they're off and running! Mz Bee Haven off to a fast start, with Sparky running a close second. The opening of this race is very large, with 18 horses in the main gate, and five horses in the auxiliary gate, with Red Baron in the lead of that pack. The track is produced for speed, and Mz Bee Haven is running very hard to stay in the lead, with Sparky as a close second. As they round the final turn and head for home Mz Bee Haven wins by a nose, with Sparky finishing a close second, and that pesky Red Baron is in third place.

Yes, the Finance Committee was a show all year, with the efforts exhibited by very dedicated members who are part of this committee. It is now my honor to present the members of the 2012 Finance Committee. Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron; Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron; Tacy Lee, Grand Treasurer; Dennis Jordan, Past Grand Patron; Tricia Stewart who replaced Susan Lorenzen after she moved to Arizona; Donna Doan and Donna Tucker, Past Grand Treasurer.

The members of Grand Chapter can be assured that this committee always had their best interests at heart in all their deliberations and decision making. Thank you, Finance Committee, for the many, many hours of hard work, and for the dedication and love you have for our Order. In addition to the members of the Finance Committee, we had the pleasure of having the Grand Line Officers attend many of our meetings. We appreciate their attendance, as we knew that they had busy schedules and other commitments. We hope by attending, they gained valuable information for the time when they will be leading our Order.

I would be remiss if I did not thank Collette Serio Gole, Past Grand Matron, for appointing me to this committee five years ago. I had always wanted to serve on the Finance Committee and this became a reality with my appointment in 2008.

I also want to thank Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary, and the staff of the Grand Chapter office. Russ Kleber, Controller, was able to attend almost every meeting, which was very beneficial to our committee, as we were able to ask questions and receive responses in a timely manner. Thank you again, Russ, Maryann, Pam, Eva, Nell Marie, Jim, and Katie for your willingness to help when requested and for the support you have given this committee through the years. We know it was not easy for you to go another year without an increase in pay, but you accepted the decision and continued to do your jobs in the fine manner you always exhibit.

A big thank you to Clair Meske for allowing our committee to meet in the executive dining room of the Eastern Star Home. The room was larger than the conference room in the Grand Chapter Office and more comfortable when others attended our meetings. Thank you, Kat Farris, for arranging for beverages for us to enjoy during your meetings.

A large part of our duties are overseeing investments. The firm that manages them, Merrill Lynch, again did a good job of managing our funds and a gain of 9.4 percent, although not significant, was more than we had expected. The Endowment Fund continues to hold its value, showing a slight gain, even with the amount that is pulled out each year to support the operation of the Home.

Last year the Finance Committee asked the Controller to take a more proactive part in the budgeting process with the Home and the Foundation. Because of this move, the budgeting process seemed to proceed faster and with less reduce. Of course, one of the main areas of concern was salary increases and through meaningful discourses with the members of the Home Board, we were able to persuade them to hold off on giving merit increases this year.

The Foundation came to Finance, asking for \$85,000 seed money to come up with a campaign to encourage members to give more money to our charities. After pointing out they had no viable plans for extending this money that would guarantee a big return on the investment, we reduced the amount to \$25,000.

While the budgeting process was smoother, it was not any easier. Last year, the Grand Chapter voted a \$4.50 per member increase in per capita. We had hoped that this would ease the burden of reducing expenses; however it did not. While our revenues are up, unfortunately so are our expenses. This year, we are asking you to approve a budget with a \$44,361 deficit. This deficit will be covered by again drawing on our reserve fund, but this trend cannot continue.

This year, the Finance Committee was called on to audit various chapters, assist in making sure that the chapters are adhering to the rules about payroll and payroll taxes, and trying to resolve some problems within the chapters who were not submitting their reports or were having difficulty completing the reports correctly.

Sisters and Brothers, I want to again assure you that the members of the Finance Committee are at your disposal anytime to answer questions or assist in completing forms required by Grand Chapter. Many of these forms are required to ensure our insurance rates are correct and that we are complying with all federal and state taxing rules and regulations.

A great deal of time has been spent trying to resolve tax issues with the Internal Revenue Service and the Franchise Tax Board. In March of 2012, we entered into an additional contract with our CPA firm to represent us before the Internal Revenue Service in order to resolve the issue of over 65 chapters losing their

nonexempt status. To date, we have incurred expenses of \$20,925, with more to come. We are still waiting for confirmation from the Internal Revenue Service, if this issue has been resolved to our satisfaction. However, today, I received a call from Matt Lenton, who is our contact with the CPA firm, and not only is this issue not resolved, the local IRS office in the Los Angeles area is after us again big-time. This will require further assistance from the CPA firm, because in the IRS's opinion, we cannot do business as a nonprofit organization because these chapters have been declared not part of the 501(c)8 blanket coverage of Grand Chapter. This is a very serious matter, Sisters and Brothers, and you will see an additional \$30,000 in the budget for legal expenses, and I'm afraid that that is what we are going to spend and maybe more.

The Grand Secretary, Controller, and Finance Committee have worked hard in an attempt to bring this matter to a conclusion that will favor Grand Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron Linda Bernhard, and Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for attending all our meetings this year and for the support you have given to the Committee. We appreciate your dedication and understanding when we had to make difficult decisions regarding spending and your approval of the actions we took.

Sisters and Brothers,, it has been an honor and a pleasure for me to serve on this committee for the past five years. Each year the committee seems to be faced with new obstacles. While it is not always possible to resolve all issues within the same year, the committee will continue to work on them until a solution is reached. None of the members on this committee are afraid of hard work, and they can continue to serve year after year with the same enthusiasm they had when they first joined. They deserve a big round of applause for the dedication and commitment they exhibit. I hope the next time you see one of them you will thank them for their efforts that they extend in safeguarding your funds.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Denny Rae; your committee worked hard this year. Thank you for your leadership skills and the expertise of all the members of your committee.

Brother Dennis Jordan, will you present the proposed 2012–2013 Grand Chapter Budget for consideration?

Dennis Jordan, Past Grand Patron: If the delegates would please turn to page 35, you will find the Grand Chapter Proposed Budget for 2013.

(The Proposed 2012–2013 Grand Chapter budget is printed on pages 88–89.)

MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, We move the adoption of the proposed 2012–2013 Grand Chapter buget.

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GRAND CHAPTER PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET

	Actual 2010-2011	Budget 2011-2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Revenues			
Member Dues	89,307	80,650	173,825
Insurance - Per Capita	127,961	115,950	117,590
Bequest	0	0	
Donations	4,011	0	
Sale of Roster Ads	3,923	4,100	4,500
Fundraising Projects	0	0	
Misc Fund Raising	0	5,000	2,000
Other Invest Inc - Grand Chapter	930	900	1,000
Other Invest Income- Insurance	34	35	60
Other Invest Income - Membership	219	260	165
Sale of Membership Supplies	60,769	60,000	55,000
Administration Fees - Endowment	173,163	160,616	156,981
Administration Fees - Home	222,266	206,192	203,687
Administration Fee - ESPP	21,450	20,369	19,462
Administration Fees - Foundation	182,372	172,405	167,916
Allocation from Specific Funds	0	2,000	
Consolid. and New Chapters Formation	650	500	500
Fines	1,399	0	250
Misc Income	170	0	
Total Revenues	888,624	828,977	902,936
Expenses			
CofS - Member Supplies	54,205	45,000	53,000
CofS - US Postage	8,005	7,200	8,000
CofS - UPS	3,762	3,500	3,800
Use Tax	4,416	3,500	4,500
Travel Program	0	500	500
Chapter Training - Secty/Treas Workshop	0	300	500
Membership Training -Impact	0	0	
We Care expenses	276	0	300
Standing Committee Meals	10	0	
Standing Committee Lodging	1,987	2,000	3,000
Standing Committee Mileage	4,063	2,800	4,100
Standing Committee Travel	5,910	4,500	8,500
Special Committee Reimbursements	578	500	700
Committee Compensation	2,279	3,695	1,200
Leadership Committee Expenses	378	1,500	1,500
GO/DGM Visits - Lodging	16,398	24,307	30,820
GO/DGM Visits - Meals	2,793	3,600	4,680
GO/DGM Visits - Mileage	8,372	12,640	13,190
DGM/GO School - Rent	396	750	1,800
Allowances - Grand Line	44,050	44,050	44,050
Donations to Masonic Organizations	2,000	2,000	2,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	233	0	800
Fundraising Expenses	0	0	0
WGM/WGP Project Cost	366	0	0
Salaries & Wages	428,834	408,100	408,100

	Actual 2010-2011	Budget 2011-2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Payroll Taxes	34,661	33,551	33,551
Employee Retirement	8,502	8,041	8,041
Employee Medical Insurance	43,177	26,000	32,850
Employee Training & Manuals	857	300	300
Employee Travel, Meals & Lodging	554	5,200	5,200
Human Resources Expenses	683	700	700
Contract Services	1,394	1,200	1,200
Web Page Design and Maintenance	0	0	
Contract Labor - Computer Conversion	0	0	
Audit & Tax Service	11,642	9,500	12,000
Legal Fees	1,760	1,000	30,000
Investment Fees - M. Lynch	0	0	0
Office Rent	38,248	41,350	42,850
Janitorial Service	2,830	3,000	3,000
E-Mail, Internet	1,151	1,200	600
Telephone	6,093	4,500	4,000
Utilities	5,224	7,500	7,500
Office Supplies	8,232	11,000	11,000
Kitchen Supplies	1,614	1,200	1,475
Computer Software	5,835	1,000	3,000
Computer Hardware	2,625	500	500
Copier Rental & Maintenance Fees	5,750	6,000	6,000
Computer Maintenance Fees	12,453	12,000	13,000
Repair & Maintenance	128	1,000	500
Software Technical Support	0	0	
Security Monitoring Service	300	300	300
Other Equipment Rentals	1,661	2,000	2,000
Other Equipment Maintenance Fees	0	0	
Grand Chapter Insurance	109,366	127,000	115,000
Workers Compensation	5,554	7,500	6,000
Bank & Payroll Charges	1,830	1,800	1,800
Business & Property Taxes	1,316	410	850
Business Licenses/Fees (Local & State)	40	30	40
Furniture & Fixtures	351	500	500
Special Occasion Fund	52	0	3,500
Funerals & Flowers	0	0	
Printing	0	0	
Total Expenses	903,192	885,724	942,297
Capital Expenditures			
Computer Equipment	1,538	5,500	5,000
Computer Software	3,531	1,500	
Furniture, Fixtures (Non Computer)	0	0	
Total Capital Expenditures	5,069	7,000	5,000
Grand Total Expenses	908,261	892,724	947,297
Deficit			-44,361

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(Discussion was held and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The proposed 2012–2013 Grand Chapter budget is **ADOPTED**.

Brother Stuart Meador, we look forward to hearing your report on our Eastern Star Foundation.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA EASTERN STAR FOUNDATION

(by Stuart Meador, PP (259), President)

The Foundation Committee has met periodically through the year. We have reviewed the audit reports of our accounts; we have monitored the growth of the funds in the Foundation accounts and the growth has proved to be within the current expectations of the economy, as well as those of the Grand Chapter Finance Committee. The Foundation Board has generated a budget and continues to develop plans to keep the value and purpose of this charitable organization in view of the membership of California.

It sounds like a joke, but I sometimes say the Foundation may be the best kept secret in California Eastern Star. Our members do not have receptions, we are not introduced and official chapter functions, but our charity checkbook is well-known.

Here in the checkbook, Eastern Star charity is assisting your chapter member to offset some of the expense of a cancer treatment. Your other members and their close relatives receive scholarships from this checkbook to encourage knowledge and learning. Eastern Star members in your district can be directly helped by the charity from our disaster fund when calamity strikes. In our ritual, we emphasize that we were formed for the benefit of our members.

One of the first questions a new member often asks their chapter is: What can I do to assist? You can direct them to the Foundation Charities page on the Grand Chapter Web site. Thinking back, a wise relative -- I think it was my grandmother -- reminded me that charity begins at home. You can pass this sage advice on to your chapter and your district members when planning fund-raisers. This is your Eastern Star family, and family comes first. The Foundation and its charities are here for you.

My fellow members of the board (some of them are up here with me this afternoon,) are: Cindy Wolcott, Terri Ewing on the floor as Grand Electa, Larry Coffin, Past Grand Patron, and Suzanne Gallichio, along with the current past or the current Worthy Grand Patron and the current Associate Grand Matron. I want to thank these members for serving with me. I also want to thank Sister Collette Serio Gole for my initial appointment. I, and all the members, are pleased and honored to serve you in Grand Chapter.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Brother Stuart, for your commitment and for working so hard for the benefit of all of our charities.

Sister Cindy Wolcott, would you please present the proposed 2012–2013 California Eastern Star Foundation budget for consideration.

(The Proposed 2012–2013 California Eastern Star Foundation budget is printed on page 92.)

Cindy Wolcott, PM (352): MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, we move that we accept the 2012-2013 Budget for the Foundation, as printed in the legislative book.

(Discussion was held and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The proposed 2012–2013 California Eastern Star Foundation budget is **ADOPTED**.

Brother Don Markert, the President of our Eastern Star Home Board of Trustees, please introduce our Trustees and present your report.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EASTERN STAR HOMES OF CALIFORNIA

(By Donald Markert, PP (178), President)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored members, guests and friends, I'm happy to be addressing you this day on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Star Homes of California.

As Board President, it is indeed a pleasure to be here to introduce our Board to you at this time: Kim Cooke, Vice-president; Linda Hoeser, Past Grand Treasurer, Chris Dias, Linda Dolman, Dave Buck, Past Grand Patron, and Mary Carlson; Tacy Lee, Grand Treasurer; and our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, of course, make up the working group of this Board. Last, but not least, we thank another worker, Maryann Barrios, our Grand Secretary, for her diligence in taking and producing the minutes of our meetings. Please thank them for their service to the Senior Living Community.

Please join me, at this time, in special recognition of our Board Member Dave Buck, Past Grand Patron of 2005. He served six or seven years on this Board, and will be leaving this year. We thank Dave for all his valuable contributions, and we wish him and his wife Bonnie a well-deserved rest from Board service to the Home. Let's all give him a special round of applause.

I'd also like to reflect for a minute on the loss of Board member H. John Fletcher, PGP, who added a good deal of sound decision making early this past year. We will always miss his humor and smiles.

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CALIFORNIA EASTERN STAR FOUNDATION
PROPOSED 2012–2013 BUDGET

Proposed 2012–2013 Budget

	Benevolent	J C Lee	Scholarship	Patient Comfort	Rennie	Cashion	Disaster	Heart	Total
Revenues									
Member Dues	10,500		2,100						12,600
Bequests		10,000							10,000
Memorials		0							0
General Donations	10,000	10,000	20,000	6,500	1,100	200	1,200	100	49,100
Restricted Endowment			5,000						5,000
Revenue/Brick Project	0	0		0					0
W.G.M. Heart Revenue								7,000	7,000
Other Investment Income	15,250	187,492	5,000	10,000	98,000	5,500	0	0	321,242
Inv. Gain/Losses - Realized	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inv. Gains/Losses/Unrealized	0	0	0	0	0	420	0	0	420
Fund Participation	1,656	19,049	2,359	1,012		849	75		25,000
Total Revenues	37,406	226,541	34,459	17,512	99,100	6,969	1,275	7,100	430,362
Expenses									
Promotion/Goodwill	1,656	19,049	2,359	1,012		849	75	0	25,000
Committee Expenses	250	250	1,250	3,600	350	0	290	0	5,990
Expense for Brick Project	0	0		0	500				500
Mileage					500		250		750
Misc. Fundraising exp					2,000		500		2,500
Office Supplies					500				500
Assistance to Members	30,765	40,000			52,250				123,015
Scholarships and Awards			29,000			0			29,000
Estarl Scholarship			0						0
WGM Distribution									
Audit & Tax Service	285	5,700	0	450	4,400	270	0	7,000	7,000
Investment Fees - M. Lynch	1,250	16,500	0	750	14,600	450	60		33,610
Gen/Anin Expenses	0	0	0	7,000	500	0			7,500
Business Licenses & Fees	0	42	0	0	0	0			42
StarCARE	0	0			1,500				1,500
Fund Administration Fees	2,950	133,525	1,700	4,350	20,250	4,950	95	95	167,915
Donation Other Organizations									0
Other Miscellaneous									0
Total Expenses	37,156	215,066	34,309	17,162	97,350	6,519	1,270	7,095	415,921

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This past year we have been busy with many things, including, but not limited to, our five-year strategic plan, including the updating of our five-year budget plan. Although progress has been slower in developing the plans, we have made good progress in determining some areas which need to be addressed before we can move much forward.

For example, we needed to find out more about our future funding requirements and discover how we can meet rising costs through improvements needed in revenue. We lost our fund development manager this year and are currently working with the Grand Officers to find solutions to our Eastern Star Charities through shared efforts.

We are asking you for some input this year by offering you a questionnaire, which you should have received in your session packet. Please complete the questionnaire, after reading the front cover, and deposit it in the purple box at the Grand Secretary's table. We appreciate your assistance and participation in this effort.

We have made great strides in understanding our costs and controlling our budgets again this year at the SLC and the ESPP. Many improvements were made and in all cases the study was made to perform all work at the best possible pricing.

We have studied the needed skills set needed for the Board members and have made plans to bring that information forward so members can understand our operational needs, improvements to our parking lot, our system for tracking maintenance and future requirements, fall prevention efforts, nursing care improvements and upgrading of our computers and IT system were made or initiated this year.

Our staff, at the direction of Clair Meske, our Executive Director, made wonderful changes in operations this year resulting in cost savings in building and vehicle maintenance, laundry and food service, and personal care for the residents. They are to be congratulated for their efforts. They generously gave of their time to the residents' activities. The Board has participated with residents in working out their concerns through interaction at their meetings, in addition to monthly meetings with staff members.

The special events we have participated in were the Festival Trees at Christmastime, Annual Spring Festival in April, and assisting them in special events throughout the year. We leave you now in good hands and ask that you assist our Senior Living Community in any way you can and remember your donations to Outreach and endowment are very much appreciated. If you have not done so or considered it, please do so. It makes a great gift to your Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Don, thank you for serving as president of our Home Board. You are truly committed to having quality service and care for our residents. Thank you to the entire Board for looking out for the best interests of our residents and our order. You are to be commended on your service.

Brother Don, please present the proposed 2012–2013 Eastern Star Homes of California budget.

*(The Proposed 2012–2013 Eastern Star Homes of California
budget is printed on pages 95–102.)*

Donald Markert, PP (178): MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, we move that we adopt the proposed 2012-2013 Budget for the Eastern Star Homes as printed in the legislative book.

(Discussion was held and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The proposed 2012–2013 Eastern Star Homes of California budget is **ADOPTED**.

Brother Don, please present the proposed 2012–2013 Proposed Eastern Star Professional Plaza budget.

*(The Proposed 2012–2013 Eastern Star Professional Plaza
budget is printed on page 103.)*

Donald Markert, PP (178): MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, we move that we adopt the proposed 2012–2013 Budget for the Eastern Star Professional Plaza as printed in the legislative book.

(Discussion was held and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The proposed 2012–2013 Eastern Star Professional Plaza budget is **ADOPTED**.

Donald Markert, PP (178): MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, We move that we continue the Eastern Star Homes Annual Assessment of \$5.00.

(Discussion was held and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The Eastern Star Home Annual Assessment of \$5.00 will continue for 2013.

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**EASTERN STAR HOMES OF CALIFORNIA
PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET**

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Revenues			
Festival Donations	-	-	
Holiday Fund	528	1,800	1,650
Marketing Revenue	10,406	10,000	8,674
Contributions by Residents	959,237	975,000	1,027,480
Donation and Gifts	5,029	4,600	2,500
Donation and Gifts for Outreach	-	-	-
Outreach Program Payback	18,346	15,700	-
StarCare repayment by Foundation	-	-	-
Per Capita, Assesments & Fees	44,508	47,000	
Private Pay Rent	-	-	-
Guest Room Revenue	-	-	-
Visitor & Empl Reimb for Meals @ SLC	5,568	1,750	1,750
WGM & WGP Party	-	1,250	1,500
Other Non-Resident Meal Events Reimb	281	-	250
Lease income	-	800	800
Misc Income	10,891	-	
Discounts taken	9	-	-
Total Revenues	1,054,803	1,057,900	1,044,604

Expenses

General Overhead			
Employee PTO - all	68,365	0	
HR Expenses	1,078	1,000	225
Additional Employee Benefits	3,833	0	0
Credit Report Expense	602	400	602
Employee Recruitment & Retention	1,364	5,500	3,500
Employee Medical Examinations	1,471	1,000	1,000
Employee Vaccinations	860	1,000	1,000
Employee Finger Printing & Polygraph Tests	1,500	1,500	1,500
Employee Events	3,708	5,000	3,700
Contract Labor - OES Website	0	0	0
3rd party liquidator expenses	71	0	0
Contract Labor - Salient Networks Maintenan	5,600	1,400	5,600
Contract Labor - Other Misc	0	0	0
Audit & Tax Service	25,498	22,650	22,650
Legal Fees	798	15,000	15,000
Feasibility Study	0	0	
Litigation Expenses	0	0	
Board Annual Report	0	0	
Non-Computer Equipment, Furniture <\$1,500	0	2,000	2,000
Computer Equipment < \$1500	1,964	3,000	4,000
Office Supplies	9,199	5,000	5,000
Computer, Copier, & Fax Supplies	5,467	4,000	4,000

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Stationary, Brochures	2,022	1,500	1,500
U.S Post Office	1,929	2,600	2,600
UPS, Fed'L Exp Shipping	645	350	500
Furniture and Fixtures	1,974	1,000	1,000
Liability Insurance	57,432	61,183	25,000
Fire & Property Insurance	24,956	26,204	56,000
Surety/Fidelity Bond Insurance	310	325	310
Director & Officer (D&O) Insurance	13,660	13,608	13,000
Auto Insurance	11,873	9,460	12,500
Boiler Insurance	4,763	4,965	5,000
Umbrella Liability	20,046	21,048	20,447
Bank & Payroll Processing Charges	0	0	0
Payroll Administrative Fees	5,136	5,000	5,000
Stops, Voids, Bank Charges	2,737	2,500	3,500
Brinks Delivery Fee	0	0	0
Late Fees/ Vendors	0	50	50
Business & Office Tax (Orange)	0	0	0
Property Taxes - Yorba Linda (O. C.)	17,489	17,345	18,519
Property Tax, Other	812	408	0
Use Tax	0	0	0
Electric	144,330	160,000	160,000
Gas	54,520	60,000	60,000
Water & Trash	30,576	22,200	31,000
Telephone	13,177	14,000	16,000
Cable Service & Community Info Services	765	750	800
Office Equipment Rental	711	1,000	1,000
Office Equipment & Repairs	0	0	0
Office Equipment Maintenance Agreements	6,046	3,600	8,400
Computer Equipment, Software & Repair	844	5,000	5,000
Computer Equipment Maintenance Agreements	10	500	0
Pagers	0	0	0
Internet, DSL & E-mail Provider Fees	0	0	0
Document Shredding	282	0	0
Business Licenses & Fees (State & Local)	5,226	5,000	5,000
DMV & Other Fees	2,267	2,700	3,200
Advertising & PR	0	0	0
Misc. Expense	52,220	0	0
Grand Chapter Administration Fee	222,266	206,192	203,687
Annual Report	1,781	2,500	2,500
Newsletter & Newsletter Postage	32,703	28,000	33,705
Fund Raising	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	0	0
Total Overhead	864,886	747,738	764,995

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Administration			
Salaries & Wages - Administrator	95,250	118,888	118,888
Salaries & Wages - Administration Clerical	111,562	104,501	104,501
Payroll Taxes	79,390	87,500	89,250
Workers Compensation Insurance	96,158	95,062	119,703
Medical Insurance	114,213	150,042	171,048
Dental Insurance	19,273	17,124	17,124
Visions Insurance	2,520	3,312	3,312
Life Insurance	2,616	3,636	3,636
Additional Employee Benefits	3,389	10,116	0
Employee Training & Manuals	1,271	1,000	1,000
Employee Tuition Reimbursement	0	500	500
Employee Travel - Meals	571	1,000	500
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	224	750	500
Employee Travel - Airfare	1,703	1,900	1,750
Employee Travel - Lodging	994	3,200	2,000
Contract Labor - Administration	0	250	250
Contract Labor - Outside Consultant	13,650	20,000	16,800
Contract Labor - Security	1,512	0	0
Dues & Subscriptions	6,995	7,000	8,000
Total Administration	551,291	625,781	658,762
Social Services			
Salaries & Wages - Outreach Clerical	70,101	42,068	42,068
Salaries & Wages - Outreach Director	48,318	50,511	50,511
Credit Report Expense	602	600	603
Employee Training & Manuals	413	450	400
Employee Travel - Meals	1,187	900	500
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	967	600	300
Employee Travel - Airfare	878	600	600
Employee Travel - Lodging	2,137	1,200	1,200
Contact Labor - SS Consultant	136	250	250
Assistance to Members	449,851	450,000	450,000
Outreach Other Expenses	144	100	100
Total Social Services	574,734	547,279	546,532
Nursing			
Salaries & Wages - Clerical-Nursing	0	0	
Salaries & Wages - Wellness Coordinator	62,706	61,027	61,027
Salaries & Wages - LVN's	97,834	115,000	115,000
Salaries & Wages - Nurses Aide	317,891	337,814	371,564
Employee Uniforms	1,993	2,200	2,200
Employee Training & Manuals	1,967	2,000	2,500

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Employee Travel - Meals	109	125	125
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	43	50	50
Dues & Subscriptions	0	175	100
Total Nursing	482,543	518,391	552,566
Housekeeping			
Salaries & Wages - Housekeeper	96,414	99,278	99,278
Employee Uniforms	347	400	350
Employee Training & Manuals	489	390	450
Linens, Towels and Bedding	1,357	800	1,200
Laundry Supplies	3,809	4,500	4,200
Cleaning Supplies	1,234	2,000	1,650
Disposable Paper Supplies	9,907	10,000	10,200
Drapery Cleaning	0	0	0
Housekeeping Equip/Rental, Repairs/Supplies	2,042	1,700	1,800
Total Housekeeping	115,599	119,068	119,128
Dietary			
Salaries & Wages - Kitchen Supervisor	0	0	0
Salaries & Wages - Cook	0	0	0
Salaries & Wages - Servers	0	0	0
Employee Uniforms	0	0	0
Employee Training & Manuals	0	0	0
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	0	0	0
Contract Labor - Outside Food Management	628,480	580,158	603,941
Additional NMS exp-Guests/Functions/Events	0	0	0
Contract Labor - Dietician	0	0	0
Dues & Subscriptions	0	0	0
Raw Foods	414	500	500
Cookware & Dishware (Life < 1 yr)	1,278	2,500	2,500
Paper & Plastic Supplies	0	0	0
Dish Washer Chemicals/Cleaning Supplies	0	0	0
Table Linens	99	250	500
Kitchen Equipment Rental, Repairs & Supplies	6,969	7,500	7,500
Total Dietary	637,240	590,908	614,941
Activities			
Salaries & Wages - Activities Director	46,271	45,746	45,746
Salaries & Wages - Activities	39,784	48,301	48,301
Payroll - Activity Assistant	0	0	0
Employee Uniforms	0	300	300
Employee Training & Manuals	417	468	450
Employee Travel - Meals	0	50	50
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	3	50	50
Dues & Subscriptions	0	160	160

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Repairs	200	500	500
Decor Supplies	210	1,500	1,500
Party Supplies	2,637	2,500	2,500
Arts and Craft Supplies	906	2,800	2,000
In House Supplies	7,251	11,000	11,000
Distribution of Fiesta Proceeds	0	0	0
Holiday/Special Occasion Gifts	5,022	5,700	5,700
Magazine Subscriptions	479	300	500
Entertainment	4,885	4,200	5,000
Resident Outings	17,472	16,600	17,000
Resident Activity Restricted	0	0	0
Total Activities	125,537	140,175	140,757
Building & Maintenance			
Salaries & Wages - Maintenance Supervisor	66,654	66,283	66,283
Salaries & Wages - Maintenance	43,630	35,352	35,352
Payroll-Maintenance Assitant	0	0	0
Employee Uniforms	2,114	1,800	2,142
Employee Training & Manual	262	240	245
Employee Travel - Meals	0	45	45
Contract Labor - Landscaping	27,210	30,410	31,000
Contract Labor - Outside Lighting	576	624	600
Contract Labor - Fire Protection Services	7,008	6,700	7,000
Contract Labor - Pacific Coast	3,626	1,580	2,500
Contract Labor - Rescue Rooter	280	550	400
Contract Labor - (Chiller)	23,112	23,300	23,500
Contract Labor - Generator (Hercules)	4,193	2,400	5,500
Contract Labor - City of Yorba Linda	0	0	0
Dues & Subscriptions	0	0	0
Pest Control	7,686	7,500	7,650
Landscape Repairs & Supplies	3,485	3,700	3,700
Electrical & Lighting Repairs & Supplies	4,285	4,200	5,000
Plumbing Repairs & Supplies	6,157	5,000	5,100
Painting Repairs & Supplies	1,117	2,000	3,000
Roof, Walls, Etc., Repairs & Supplies	0	0	0
Carpet Cleaning Supplies	1,015	1,000	1,200
Carpet Replacement and Maintenance <\$1,50	2,705	2,000	3,000
Fire Safety Repairs & Supplies - Building	2,527	1,500	3,000
Fire Safety Repairs & Supplies - Kitchen	1,512	1,300	1,530
Heating & Air Conditioning Repairs & Supplies	36,049	25,000	32,000
Auto Repair & Supplies	35,043	32,000	30,000
Bldg & Grounds (Equip Rental, Repair/Supplies	12,340	10,500	10,710
Small tools & equipment	435	500	500
One Time Repairs	0	350	350
Total Building & Maintenance	293,021	265,834	281,307

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Other Activities Administration			
Christmas Open House	263	1,500	1,500
Official Visit WGM, WGP - Luncheon	566	1,000	1,000
Grand Session - Housing, Trans. & Food	9,084	13,000	10,000
Other Non-Resident Meal Events	301	0	0
Total Other Activities Administration	10,214	15,500	12,500
Resident Medical Care			
Contract Labor - Physical Therapist	0	0	0
Oxygen & Other Medical Gases	423	200	250
Medical Supplies	2,325	2,500	2,500
Durable Medical Equipment (Walkers, etc...)	344	2,000	1,500
Nursing Equip, Rental, Repair & Supplies	548	1,000	500
Resident - Prescription Medication	43,317	40,000	45,000
Resident - Non Prescription Meds & Vitamins	11	100	125
Resident - Dental Care (Exams, Supplies, etc...)	16,367	35,000	35,000
Resident - Vision Care (Exams, Supplies, etc...)	3,510	5,400	5,400
Resident - Hearing Care (Exams, Supplies, etc..	1,057	9,000	6,000
Resident - Medical Insurance Premiums	-481	4,500	4,500
Resident - Doctor/Emergency Room Co-pay	2,576	5,000	3,000
Resident - Convalescent Care/Offsite Housing	428	40,000	50,000
Infectious Waste Removal	313	450	400
Resident Medical Transportation	5,588	5,000	5,300
Funerals	869	11,500	11,500
Total Resident Medical Care	77,195	161,650	170,975
Resident Personal Care			
Contract Labor - Beautician	43,626	45,000	48,000
Contract Labor - Manicurist	11,137	13,000	11,500
Dues & Subscriptions	0	0	0
Resident Allowance	55,604	64,800	64,800
Resident Clothing Allowance	18,303	18,900	18,900
Dry Cleaning	10	250	250
Toiletries & Beauty Supplies	366	1,000	1,000
Incontinency Supplies	1,439	1,500	1,700
Liquid Supplements	164	200	250
Pendant Batteries, Replacements & Cords	1,400	1,000	1,250
Residents Admission Expenses	25,630	50,000	50,000
Appraisals - New/Deceased Residents Assets	0	300	300
Residents Tax/Accounting Services/Other Fees	0	0	0
Obligation to provide future services	0	0	0
Total Resident Personal Care	157,679	195,950	197,950

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Board of Trustees			
Meals - In (Provided by Home)	129	1,300	1,300
Meals - Out (Reimbursed)	719	1,380	1,380
Travel - Other Expenses	3,641	5,020	5,000
Travel - Airfare	3,927	3,840	3,000
Lodging	4,161	6,540	6,000
Board Training	3,451	3,750	3,750
Special Board Expense	720	500	750
Board Participant Fingerprinting & IDs	77	507	539
Office Supplies	0	750	400
U.S Post Office	252	850	400
Advertising & P/R	0	250	0
Total Board of Trustees	17,077	24,687	22,519
Planned Gifting (FUND DEVELOPMENT)			
Payroll Taxes	3,649	4,400	3,608
Workers Compensation Insurance	0	860	877
Director for Fund Raising	39,476	40,000	40,000
Planned Gifting Travel	0	0	0
Office Supplies	0	300	400
Computer, Copier, Fax & Office Equip Supplies	508	0	0
Stationary, Brochures	0	200	100
U.S Post Office, FedEx etc.	311	600	600
Furniture and Fixtures	0	0	0
Telephone	0	0	600
Office Equipment & Repair	0	0	0
Computer Equipment & Repair	0	0	0
Field training/Marketing/Donor Education	1,197	2,000	5,000
Employee Training and Manuals	98	0	0
Employee Travel - Lodging	2,345	3,500	2,500
Employee Travel - Meals	345	1,200	500
Employee Travel - Mileage/Parking/Rentals	2,677	3,540	3,540
Employee Travel - Airfare	0	1,000	0
Adversiting and PR	4,485	3,100	0
Dues & Subscriptions - Planned Giving	0	0	0
Newsletter & Newsletter Postage	2,739	8,700	0
Total Planned Gifting	57,830	69,400	57,725
StarCare			
Salaries & Wages - Clerical	0	32,540	34,540
Payroll Taxes	2,071	2,100	2,047
Workers Compensation Insurance	0	520	520
Medical Insurance	0	0	
Dental Insurance	0	500	500
Visions Insurance	0	100	100

	Actual 2010 - 2011	Budget 2011 - 2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Life Insurance	0	25	25
Employee Training & Manuals	0	0	
Employee Travel - Meals	25	600	600
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	0	400	400
Employee Travel - Airfare	0	400	400
Employee Travel - Lodging	0	800	800
Office Supplies	423	250	250
Computer, Copier, Fax & Office Equip Supplies	989	300	300
Stationary, Brochures	676	750	750
U.S Post Office	0	600	600
UPS, Fed'L Exp, & DSL Shipping	121	100	100
Furniture and Fixtures	0	50	50
Telephone	329	500	500
Office Equipment	0	50	50
Computer Equipment, Software, and Repair	0	250	250
Total StarCare	4,634	40,835	42,782
Marketing			
Employee Travel - Meals	0	750	750
Employee Travel - Mileage & Parking	0	750	750
Employee Travel - Airfare	0	1,200	1,200
Employee Travel - Lodging	0	1,200	1,200
Marketing Expenses	15,245	20,000	20,000
Total Marketing	15,245	23,900	23,900
Total Expenses	4,314,971	4,436,796	4,207,339
Capital Expenditures			
Building Improvements	1,874	65,000	71,500
Furniture, Non Computer Equipment	0	2,500	3,000
Automobiles	0	5,000	5,500
Total Capital Expenditures	1,874	72,500	80,000
Grand Total Expenses	4,316,845	4,509,296	4,287,339
S.L.C. Revenue			1,044,604
E.S.P.P. Excess Revenue			151,283
S.L.C. Expenses			-4,287,339
Endowment Income for S.L.C.			3,091,452
Depreciation	330,247	350,000	350,000

EASTERN STAR PROFESSIONAL PLAZA PROPOSED 2012-2013 BUDGET

	2010 - 2011	2011 - 2012	2012 - 2013
Revenues			
Rental Income	282,392	285,396	285,396
ESPP late rent payment fee	0	0	
Misc. Income	0	0	
Discounts taken	0	0	
Total Revenues	282,392	285,396	285,396
Expenses			
Salaries & Wages - Administrator	7,456	7,805	7,805
Salaries & Wages - Maintenance	12,328	12,500	12,500
Payroll Taxes	2,071	2,100	2,100
Workers Comp Insurance	0	2,838	2,895
Medical Insurance	0	1,870	2,132
Dental Insurance ESPP	0	95	95
Visions Insurance ESPP	0	23	23
Contract Labor - Landscaping	6,600	6,800	6,800
Contract Labor - Outside Lighting	576	600	600
Contract Labor - Pacific Coast	390	0	0
Contract Labor - Termite Prevention	1,159	1,700	1,700
Audit & Tax Service	0	2,250	2,250
Administration Fee	21,450	20,369	19,462
Liability Insurance	0	1,502	1,502
Fire & Property Insurance	0	2,892	2,892
Bank & Payroll Processing Charges	0	50	50
Payroll Administrative Fees	0	0	
Property Taxes - Yorba Linda (O.C.)	16,311	18,043	18,043
Electric	2,457	3,980	3,980
Water & Trash	9,102	7,484	7,484
Pest Control	3,598	4,000	3,600
Landscape Repairs & Supplies	569	1,500	1,300
Electrical & Lighting Repairs & Supplies	2,089	1,500	1,500
Plumbing Repairs & Supplies	1,279	1,000	1,300
Painting Repairs & Supplies	0	1,200	1,000
Roof, Walls, Etc., Repairs & Supplies	0	0	0
Fire Safety Repairs/Supplies - Building	430	150	100
Heat & Air Conditioning Repairs/Supplies	4,542	2,500	2,500
Bldg & Grnds Equip Rent/Repair/Supplies	1,235	3,000	2,000
Total Expenses	93,642	107,751	105,613
Capital Expenditures			
Building Improvements	10,419	19,500	28,500
Total Expenses & Capital Improvements	104,061	127,251	134,113
E.S.P.P. Revenue			285,396
E.S.P.P. Expense			-134,113
E.S.P.P. Excess Revenue			151,283
Depreciation	47,077	56,800	56,800

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Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Sue White, Past Grand Matron, Chairman of our Distribution Committee, please introduce the members of your committee and present your report.

REPORT OF THE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

(by Susan White, PGM, Chairman)

Inquiring minds may want to know . . . what in the world is the Distribution Committee, who's on it and what exactly does the committee do? Those probing questions (and more) were pondered by me and my committee, whom I now proudly present: Sisters Janet Robinson and Barbara Scott, both Past Grand Matrons of California. It was a pleasure serving with you both.

Until recently, we might have answered those questions in a variety of ways. Checking with Webster or the internet, one might find a definition that helps. Distribution might mean: referring to the mathematical theory, sorting and spreading statistics, or dividing upon someone's estate, and giving out money to be shared, or scattering or spreading something over an area...like using these props of playing cards, throwing them into the air and yelling "52 Pick Up!" (I restrained myself because I knew who would be picking them up!)

Or, continuing, it could be the sharing out or delivery of things to a number of people. That came closest to our C&L, Section 77:

"It shall be the duty of the Committee on Distribution to examine the reports of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Boards of Trustees of the Eastern Star Homes of California and the California Eastern Star Foundation and such other reports as may be referred to it, with all accompanying documents.

"Thirty days prior to the Grand Chapter opening the Committee will distribute to the appropriate Grand Chapter Committees the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Laws, together with any recommendations contained in the reports of the above Grand Officers, Boards or Committees."

While we were **not** asked to examine the aforementioned reports, our Committee met at two different times on the same day to discuss and politely argue about where we would send the 30 pieces of proposed legislation, be it the Finance, Constitution and Bylaws, or the Jurisprudence Committees.

There were a number of proposed amendments that we agreed represented some degree of a conflict of interest and should require joint discussions between or among the three committees. Our goal was to be fair to you, the registered delegates, and to educate and elucidate you in your deliberations and voting process.

Almost one third of the amendments printed were referred to all three committees. As each is presented of the next sessions, please listen closely to the committee speakers, as well as to all discussions, to see if it helps you as you vote for the good of our Order.

The Committee on Distribution has recommended that the 30 proposed amendments be distributed as follows:

To the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws: Proposed amendments No. 1, 2, 4 through 18, 20 through 23, 25 through 27. To the Finance Committee: Proposed amendments No. 1, 2, 6, 7, 9, 20 through 22, 28 through 30. To the Committee on Jurisprudence: Proposed amendments No. 3, 7, 15, 19, , 22, 28, and 30.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Sheri Weisser, please introduce your committee and present your report.

Sheri Weisser, PGM, Chairman: I'm pleased to present the members of this committee: Sister Kathleen McDonald, Past Grand Matron, and Sister Janet Robinson, Past Grand Matron, is our newest member, who replaced Sister Tricia Stewart who was placed on another committee.

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

(by Sheri Weisser, PGM, Chairman)

This committee had specific duties set forth in our Constitution & Laws. We are to examine all proposed amendments and report on them to Grand Chapter. On July 22, in Sacramento, we met with the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and also in attendance the Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, and the Chairman of the Finance Committee. Members of Jurisprudence Committee joined us by way of a conference call. We reviewed all of the proposed amendments to determine if they were in proper form and the intent of the amendment was clear.

We are to examine and report on all decisions of the Worthy Grand Matron of legislative importance and in conjunction with the Jurisprudence Committee make the appropriate changes to the Constitution & Laws with regard to those decisions.

Throughout the year, we reviewed the bylaws of the subordinate chapter and their proposed bylaw changes. This year the committee reviewed 54 proposed bylaw changes, including four consolidation bylaws. Nearly half of the chapters submitting bylaw amendments did not use the most recent version of the uniform code, nor did they update their bylaws with changes made at the annual session. Of the seven proposed changes to chapter fees we were unable to recommend approval of four, because the affiliation fee exceeded more than half of the initiation fee.

We would like to remind members that changes to your bylaws do not become effective until you have received or read at a stated meeting the approval form signed by the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron.

We extend our thanks to the Grand Secretary, and her dedicated staff, for all their assistance this year. They forward the proposed bylaw changes to our committee almost as soon as they received them in the office and were quick to respond to any of our questions. Our thanks also go to our secretarial staff this week, Sisters Jean Cooke and Ginger Bassett. We appreciate their efforts as they prepare our presentation sheets, type and process any changes, and are ready whenever we need them.

Worthy Grand Matron, we thank you for our appointments to this committee. We have enjoyed serving you and members of our Order.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Sheri, and your committee for all of the work you do not only at the Grand Chapter Session, but all year long. You help our members with the bylaw changes and answer an incredible amount of questions, and we thank you.

Brother Don Markert, present the Home Endowment Budget, please.

*(The Proposed 2012–2013 Grand Chapter Endowment Fund
budget is printed on page 107.)*

Donald Markert, PP (178): MOTION: Worthy Grand Matron, we move that we adopt the proposed 2012–2013 Grand Chapter Endowment Fund budget as printed in the legislative book.

(Discussion was held and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The proposed 2012–2012 Grand Chapter Endowment Fund budget is **ADOPTED**.

Brother Gary, please introduce your committee, and make your report.

Gary Gole, PP, Chairman: I would like to introduce the members of my Committee, Sister Karen Fletcher, GGCCM, and Rob Scott, Past Patron of Scepter Chapter No. 163, Orange. I want to thank both of these members for their hard work and dedication to our Order.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

(by Gary Gole, PP (21/651), Chairman)

It was a pleasure getting to know Brother Rob this past year. He is a hard working attorney and has a wealth of knowledge regarding our Constitution and Laws, as well as the Masonic Code. His legal work is mainly in Federal Court, so if you ever get arrested for tax evasion or bank robbery, he's the attorney you want to call. As for Sister Karen, what can I say? It was a pleasure

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GRAND CHAPTER ENDOWMENT FUND

PROPOSED 2012–2013 BUDGET

	Actual 2010-2011	Budget 2011-2012	Proposed 2012-2013
Revenues			
Member Dues	57,985	53,750	53,265
Bequests	472,136	60,888	131,657
Donations	6,624	12,442	39,504
Restricted Donations	24,416	8,263	8,280
Life Sponsors	9,250	8,575	8,000
Star Plus Account	3,200	3,626	2,800
Revenue from Resident Assets	-126,742	146,108	186,625
Resident Contributions	4,719	133,484	86,711
Fundraising Projects	795	0	
Life Insurance Contracts	0	7,125	
Bank Interest Inc - Unrestricted M M	1,003	0	2,500
Investment Interest Inc	123,217	163,475	130,000
Investment Dividend Inc	1,069,597	1,112,160	1,060,000
Other Investment Income	805	0	
Investment Gains/(Losses)- Realized	11,838	59,425	10,000
Investment Gains/Losses - Unrealized	-407,330	1,053,100	1,000,000
Misc Income	0	0	
Total Revenues	1,251,512	2,822,421	2,719,342
Expenses			
Miscellaneous Expenses	0	0	
Fundraising Expenses	0	0	
Audit & Tax Service	9,706	9,600	10,100
Investment Fees - M. Lynch	119,538	131,250	128,000
Bank Charges	11	25	25
Business Licenses/Fees (Local/State)	150	140	150
Property Taxes- Resident Assets	1,770	375	1,770
Property Tax - Endowment owned	8	75	75
Depreciation Expense	1,220	1,220	1,220
Fund Administration Fees	171,312	160,616	156,981
Continuing Care Residents Debts	0	4,200	0
Cost of Sale - Resident Assets	10	950	500
Other Miscellaneous	0	0	
Life Insurance Premium	139	300	200
Endow. Appraisal for Antiques at SLC	3,600	0	
Total Expenses	307,464	308,751	299,021
Excess revenue over expenses			2,420,321
Transfers			
Transfer of Funds	2,575,000	3,101,396	3,130,358
Transfer to Comerica	0	0	
Total Transfers	2,575,000	3,101,396	
Balance of Endowment Fund @ 4/30/2012			29,976,774
Excess Revenue over Expenses			2,420,321
Transfers to the S.L.C.			-3,091,452
Projected Ending Balance of Endowment Fund			29,305,643

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working with her on this Committee as well as cruising the Mediterranean Sea. An added pleasure was playing King's Cup. When she wasn't playing King's Cup, she kept both Brother Rob and me under the gun. Those of you who may not know, Sister Karen is a probation officer authorized to carry a gun, and she won't hesitate to pull it if you get out of line.

We want to thank our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for our appointments.

It was a quiet year for our Committee. Although we were presented with a number of questions, we rendered only three opinions. Some questions were resolved without rendering an opinion, while others clearly did not require an interpretation of our Constitution and Laws. For example, one question was "Can a member come to Chapter in a jockey outfit?" We advised the member that this is not a question our Committee is required to answer, but if a member could fit into a jockey outfit, then you bet you should let them come!!

In addition to answering questions concerning our Constitution and Laws, this Committee also reviewed a number of Grand Chapter contracts. This Committee works all year long rendering opinions, interpreting documents and contracts, and giving advice to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

During Grand Chapter week, this Committee spends time preparing and presenting legislation to the delegates. This year the number of amendments has increased by 500%.

This Committee has been fortunate to render unanimous decisions and work as a team for the benefit of you, the members. To our members, if you have a question regarding fraternal law, please contact this Committee. The questions **must** be in writing. It will take approximately three weeks to render an opinion. The Committee will work hard to render an unanimous opinion, while following our Constitution and Laws.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Gary, I truly know how hard your committee has worked. Thank you for taking my phone calls and e-mails and giving me the assistance I requested. Thank you for all your hard work during the year and here at Grand Chapter.

Sister Linda Henke, please introduce your committee and present your report.

Linda Henke, PM (47/581), Chairman: My committee members are Corinne Lacroix and Adam Buttons.

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

(by Linda Henke, PM (47/581), Chairman)

For your information, the Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004 requires California nonprofit corporations with two million dollars or more in gross receipts to designate an Audit Committee to oversee the annual audit of the organization's financial statements. The Audit Committee must include persons who are not members of the organization's governing board. The Audit Committee cannot include staff members, the president or CEO, the Treasurer or CFO of the organization. Members of the Finance Committee may serve on the Audit Committee, but cannot comprise 50 percent or more of the Audit Committee. The chairperson of the Audit Committee may not be a member of the Finance Committee.

The Audit Committee, under the governing board's supervision, is responsible for making recommendations to the board on the hiring and firing of independent certified public accountants (CPAs). The Audit Committee can negotiate the independent CPAs' compensation, on behalf of the governing board.

The Audit Committee must Confer with the auditors to satisfy committee members that the financial affairs of the nonprofit organization are in order; review the audit and decide whether to accept it; approve non-audit services, such as tax returns, by the independent accounting firm; and ensure that such services conform to national standards.

In the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, there are three members of the Audit Committee. The members have each been appointed by successive Worthy Grand Matrons, to serve for three years. Each year, the person who has served the longest becomes the chairman of the committee.

In December of 2011, the Audit committee accepted the contract and terms to engage Mayer, Hoffman, McCann, P.C., an independent CPA firm, to audit the statements and financial position of the Grand Chapter of California, the Eastern Star Homes of California, and the California Eastern Star Foundation for the year ended September 30, 2011. In January of 2012, the Audit Committee met with Matthew Lenton, CPA, of the above mentioned firm to review the draft audit report for each of the above entities.

It was determined that the reports were in compliance with financial accounting standards relating to nonprofit organizations, and that the auditors had performed the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Furthermore, the Audit Committee reviewed the recommendations of the auditors in regard to the internal controls utilized by the Grand Chapter and Senior Living Community office staffs to ensure the proper treatment of all receipts and expenses flowing through the organizations.

In June of 2012, the Grand Chapter office and the Audit Committee issued a Request for Proposal to the independent accounting firms in Southern California. A number of proposals for auditing services were received. In August of 2012, the Audit Committee met with four of these firms, including Mayer, Hoffman, McCann, to decide which firm should audit our financial statements for the year ending September 30, 2012.

We are pleased to report that we have engaged the firm of J. H. Cohn, LLP, to perform these services. The Audit Committee believes that J. H. Cohn, LLP is best positioned to provide the services we require. They have the resources and expertise of a large firm, with the ability to provide personalized services. This is a big step up for the Grand Chapter, and is a win-win for J. H. Cohn, LLP, because we are providing them with the opportunity to expand into Orange County.

It has been my pleasure to serve on the Audit Committee for these past three years, and I thank the Worthy Grand Matron who appointed me for her confidence. I look forward to continuing to serve the Grand Chapter in whatever capacity I am called on to perform.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Linda, I thank you for working with our Finance Committee and our Auditors. Your expertise in the field of accounting is appreciated.

Sister Laura Kelley, Chairman of Housing, please introduce your committee and present your report.

Laura Kelley, PM (642), Chairman: Thank you for the opportunity to serve our Order by appointing me to the Housing Committee this year.

REPORT OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE

(by Laura Kelley, PM (642), Chairman)

While there are always some last minute issues to settle, in general housing issues have gone smoothly this year.

The addition of an interactive online form has been well received. Additionally, I replied personally to each applicant to let them know that their form had arrived. The placement of a "Housing Table" to provide a specific onsite location for assistance with housing issues earlier this week has also been greeted with appreciation.

I have done my best to provide an open line of communication and hope that the members know that their input has been valued and taken seriously.

We do continue to have members who go outside of the Housing Committee to make their reservations. Sometimes this is from long-standing tradition and sometimes because they did not respond early enough to get the hotel they wanted. Many of these members did have the courtesy of letting me know of their reservations, though. So we could track room usage more easily.

Still, I strongly encourage everyone to book their rooms through the Housing Committee. Each reservation made through Housing provides that help pay for our Grand Chapter Session, as well as providing a lower room rate for our members.

Working with the Fresno Convention and Visitors Bureau and directly with the Radisson Hotel was easily accomplished, thanks to the professional input from my contacts with these facilities.

I would recommend that future chairmen of the committee consider keeping the enhancements that have been put in place this year, as we strive to keep up with our constantly evolving methods of communications.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Laura, we do thank you for accepting this committee appointment. You have worked long hours to make sure our delegates receive their housing. I can't thank you enough. This is one of those committees that are kind of behind the scenes and yet they are the ones that get blamed a lot. We do thank you for accepting, and you have done a fabulous job.

Sister Jackie Bozeman, Chairman of Elections, please give your report.

Jackie Bozeman, PM (62/36), Chairman: Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for asking me to serve as Chairman of this very important committee. I appreciate the opportunity you have given me to be of service to you and Grand Chapter.

It is my pleasure to introduce those who are serving with me. These members are seated in Section 6, and I ask that they please stand and wave. The Captains are Brothers Steve Nicholas, GGCCM, and Glenn Jones, PGP; Ray Murphy, Alan White, Jim Chormicle, PGP, and George Cronin. Please give them every courtesy during the legislative process as they are overseeing the ballot collection and the counting room. I thank all for agreeing to serve in these very important positions. The names of the committee members are printed in the Grand Chapter program. I thank all of the committee members for the work they will be doing during this Grand Chapter session. Each member is essential to this committee and your service is appreciated.

REPORT OF THE ELECTION BOARD COMMITTEE

(by Jackie Bozeman, PM (62/36), Chairman)

An orientation meeting of the Election Board Committee was held on Wednesday, October 17. The members of the committee were given instructions on the balloting process and received individual assignments. I have confidence that the members of this committee are prepared to perform their duties.

Instructions regarding the Election and other ballot votes will be given to the delegates just prior to each vote. Please listen carefully at that time so everything will go smoothly.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the Election Board is looking forward to serving you during the “Winner’s Circle” session.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Jackie, thank you and your committee for all of the work you do during our sessions.

Sisters and Brothers, the Committee on Constitution & Laws Reorganization has asked to give a report. Brother Jim Hannum, we would ask that you come give your report at this time.

James Hannum, PP (347), Chairman: I would like to thank the other members of my committee: Sheri Weisser, Past Grand Matron; Sharon Jazwiecki, Alyson Grant, and Shirley Orth, Grand Secretary Emeritus.

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS REORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

(by James Hannum, Jr., PP (347), Chairman)

The Committee on Constitution Reorganization reports that it completed its work on Part 1 and distributed it to the chapter in accordance with Sec. 93C. In addition to the reorganized Part 1, the committee has submitted several pieces of legislation to clarify the Constitution and Laws beyond the power granted to it in Sec. 93C.

This legislation has already been incorporated into the revised Part 1; however, it is not the committee’s intent to force the adoption of any legislation. If all of the necessary legislation is not adopted, the committee is perfectly willing to make the necessary changes to the revised Part 1 and have it come up for vote at Grand Session 2013. Even if all of the legislation is adopted, the committee is also fine with any approval of the revised Part 1 being delayed until Grand Chapter Session 2013.

The legislation that we submitted was submitted for one of several reasons: when there was an apparent conflict between how we interpreted the written law and the current practice; when we saw a need to have a clearly documented procedure; and if we just could not figure out what the actual intent of the section was.

Despite the legislation, the revised Part 1 was distributed to the chapters for two reasons. The first and main reason was to allow the membership to see what the committee had done so that the committee would be clear that it was proceeding in the direction desired by the members before it got too far into the reorganization of Part 2. The revised Part 1 was also distributed so that on the off chance that all of the necessary legislation was adopted, then Part 1 could be brought up for approval.

In the process of reviewing and clarifying Part 1, this committee always approached the matter from the point of view that this Grand Chapter, as a body, is the ultimate authority of the Eastern Star in California. The revised Part 1 was written with the intent that the body of the Grand Chapter retains all power, even when delegated to officers and committees.

The committee has begun the process of reorganizing Part 2 (and have already identified several pieces of legislation that it will be submitting next year). Even if we will not be able to bring Part 2 to a vote next year, we hope to have the reorganization complete in time to distribute it to the members for review next year.

Other Observations:

In the process of reviewing Part 1, the committee has found a number of issues that it feels necessary to bring to the attention of the delegates, in hopes that they will be corrected or maintained in the future.

1. The use of “and/or”;
2. The use of the parenthetical plural “(s)”;
3. Inconsistencies in the structure of similar sections.

And/or

The committee has found that “and/or” is being used in much of the modern changes to the C&L in place of “or”. We realize that this term is being used as a shortcut for “one or more”, but that is not what it actually means. It means “and or”, which logically just means “or”. This is just redundant.

The big problem arises that there are situations where to can actually lead to confusion. If, for example, the law says that “the expenses shall be approved by the Worthy Grand Matron and/or the chairman of the committee”. The intent appears to be that the expenses can be approved by either or both. However, this is clear just from the statement that “the expenses shall be approved by the Worthy Grand Matron or the chairman of the committee.” By using the “and/or” you run the risk of the section being misinterpreted as “the expenses must be approved by the Worthy Grand Matron **and** the chairman of the committee”. After all, who decides if it is actually “and” or “or”?

The committee recommends that the use of “and/or” be eliminated from the Constitution and Laws. If there is a situation where it must be clearly stated that one or more choices is acceptable, then it should be spelled out completely.

Parenthetical plurals

Less of a problem but still widely used in the C&L is the parenthetical plural. This is when “(s)” is put at the end of a word to indicate that it can refer to either a singular or a plural. For example, “member(s)” being used for one or more members. The problem with this is that it leads to bad grammar. The

sentence should properly be structured as singular, “the member(s) is going to the store”. Unfortunately, what is actually correct (above) sounds incorrect, and what sounds correct, “the member(s) are going to the store”, is grammatically incorrect.

If it is necessary to explicitly demonstrate that both the singular and plural cases, then the committee recommends that it be fully stated “member or members” rather than the shortcut of the parenthetical plural being used.

Inconsistencies in similar sections

When the committee reorganized the several sections, it tried to keep them consistent in structure, see the structure of Grand Officers and committees. When reviewing the old Parts I and II, the committee had found large inconsistencies in how the different sections were previously structured. For example, the appointment of the committees — some were just committee members, some committee members and a chairman, and some committee members with a chairman from the members.

In future updates to the Constitution and Laws, this committee charges those who make changes to review what has previously been written, and to keep any new sections consistent.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Jim, thank you and your committee for the incredible amount of work we know you have put into this reorganization, and we thank you for your continued service.

The Committee on Reorganization of the Constitution & Laws have requested to withdraw Proposed Amendment Number 17, on page 22, in the legislative book. If there be no objection, request for the withdrawal will be granted.

There being none, Proposed Amendment Number 17, on page 22, is **WITHDRAWN**.

James Hannum, Jr., PP (347): MOTION: I move that permission be granted to withdraw Proposed Amendment 7, and that the Committees of Jurisprudence and Constitutional Reorganization, and other necessary parties be directed to meet and prepare legislation further defining the role of the Finance Committee pertaining to its power over the financial matters of Grand Chapter for presentation at Grand Session 2013.

(The motion was seconded, and a vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Proposed Amendment Number 7 is **WITHDRAWN**, and the Committees of Jurisprudence and Constitutional Reorganization and other necessary parties are **DIRECTED** to meet and prepare legislation further defining the role of the Finance Committee pertaining to its power over the financial matters of Grand Chapter for presentation at Grand Session 2013.

*(California Singing Stars: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"
and "Hokey Pokey")*

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, we need to move forward, so let's take our seats and get ready to start. While you are taking your seats, I want you to know that some of the 2012 Grand Officers did go to Alcatraz about a month ago. They actually let us come back, but we did pick up a few rules there.

So I would like to tell you about Regulation Number 23. It says "Your constructive suggestions or legitimate complaints, if made by you to the proper officials, will receive careful consideration. However, if you make groundless complaints for the purpose of creating dissatisfaction and are stirring up trouble or if you agitate or get yourself or others into trouble, you will be subject to disciplinary action."

For the Worthy Grand Patron, that would mean having to deal with legislation. And on that note, Sister Sheri, do we have any legislation?

*(The delegates considered and voted on Proposed Amendments
1 through 6, and 8 through 13.)*

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sisters and Brothers. We will be taking up more legislation at our next few sessions. But for now, we want to get ready for our Fun Night, let you guys stretch and have fun. We hope that you will join us this evening for our Fun Night. We will honor our visiting dignitaries and enjoy a night of Pirate Escapades.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this Thursday afternoon session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 8:45 AM, Friday morning, for business.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Retiring March. We ask that you all be seated while the Grand Officers retire, and then we will see you all tonight at our Fun Night.



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**2012 "THE WINNER'S CIRCLE" SESSION
FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 19, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

8:45 AM Musical prelude:

Richard Schock (643)

California Singing Stars: "Amazing Grace"

Entrance of:

Grand Pages

Grand Representatives

Deputy Grand Matrons

Escort of Host: Loyal Stark, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron

Loyal Stark, PMWGP: Ahoy, matey. Ahoy, matey. Arg!

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron to the East.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the great honor to present Sister Linda Bernhard, our Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Steve Johnson, our Worthy Grand Patron. You will join with me in saluting them with the grand honors.

(Grand Honors extended)

Sister Linda, it is indeed an honor to present to you your gavel for this Friday morning session; you are a winner.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Brother Loyal, for presenting me my gavel.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Brother Loyal Stark, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join me in extending Grand Honors to our Past Most Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. It is our distinct privilege this morning to have with us Brother Loyal, our host, for this morning's session. Brother Loyal, we would be pleased to have your welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(by *Loyal Stark, PMWGP*)

Are you all awake and all bright-eyed, and did you all get the makeup off last night?

Well, good morning, Sisters and Brothers. And a special hello and wake-up call to all of those who survived our great fun night last night.

Today we elect our leaders for the future of California. We thank Sister Linda and Brother Steve for their outstanding work and dedication during this year. Now as you, the Grand Officers and chapter members, all plan for your dreams and events for the future, please consider this story.

Two people decided to get horses. One chose a spirited Pinto and there were those that said it was the most risky. The other chose a docile bay, the safest horse. They rode every day through the countryside and across the trail was a 9-foot ditch. The Pinto jumped it with spirit and ease. The bay walked and trembled for the distance was too great; it was too big an obstacle. One day after the Pinto jumped, the bay gathered itself and jumped the ditch with grace and ease.

Every day we come up against barriers and we think we just can't make it, they are too big, it's too far, I will be criticized. Until we depend upon the spirit within, we balk at the edge. Until we quit looking at obstacles through our eyes and not our hearts, they will always be too big for us. The spirit within us will give us strength to jump the chasm.

My dear Sisters and Brothers, you have the choice: Balk at the edge or soar to great success! Bless you.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Loyal, I thank you so much for bringing your welcome to this Friday morning session of our Grand Chapter. This is one of the most important sessions, as we will be electing those that will continue to lead this Order into the future. You have been that kind of leader and I know that your welcome has put a spark into our delegates, reminding them to vote for the good of the Order; not only for our leaders but also for the legislation we have in front of us.

I would also like to thank you from deep in my heart and soul for the support you have shown for our special project, Paws for Purple Hearts. You and Sister Joan have attended many events and supported this project and I can't thank you enough. Thank you for being a shining example of what it means to be a member, as well as a leader of this phenomenal organization, the Order of the Eastern Star.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: I also want to thank you for your welcome. Your dedication to our Order is known throughout the world of Eastern Star. Brother Loyal, I have always enjoyed listening to you speak to our members, because you always speak from your heart. Your style of saying what comes to mind and being able to move from behind the dais has always left me in awe. What an honor it was to share you beyond California with General Grand Chapter. Thank you for being here with us this morning.

The election of new officers for our upcoming year is a very serious time for the future of our order. I cannot think of a better person to welcome us here today.

I also have an announcement.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

PRAYER

(by David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

Source of all wisdom, we ask that you lend us your strength and support today as we continue our sessions of Grand Chapter. May our elections usher in a new era in the Order of the Eastern Star. May we truly honor those Sisters and Brothers who have passed beyond the sable curtains. May our military feel our love and support every day that we meet. In Thy heavenly name we ask, Amen.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this Friday morning session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from refreshment to labor.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort into the Grand Chapter room the Elected Grand Officer from other jurisdictions.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister G. Ann Thomas, Associate Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Oregon. Sisters and Brothers, please join me in extending a warm welcome to our Elective Grand Officer.

Sister Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will retire and escort into the Grand Chapter room our visiting Grand Representative.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Brother John Huttie, Grand Representative of Louisiana in Oregon. You will join with me in extending Grand Honors to our visiting Grand Representative.

Sister Diane West, our chairman of the Credentials Committee, please introduce your committee and give your report.

Diane West, PM (141/195), Chairman: It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as Chairman of the 2012 Credentials Committee. Thank you, Sister Linda, for giving me the opportunity to serve on this necessary and important committee. It has been a lot of fun and a great way to keep out of trouble.

At this time, I would like to introduce the Credentials Standing Committee: Denise Armstrong, Co-Chairman; Sue Heller, Marlene Larsen, Rosita Miller, Terri Parks, Cindy Renner, Linda Ross, and JoAnne Wright.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

(by Diane West, PM (141/195), Chairman)

The Standing Committee has been supported by over 30 wonderful angels. These Sisters and Brothers donned their wings and halos to assist the members. I thank them for their devotion to the Order and for giving their time and talents so unselfishly. Our committee members are wearing special angel pins. Thank you, committee members, for being such heavenly friends.

Our committee members have been here since Tuesday morning when they stuffed 1,200 packets for the delegates. On Tuesday afternoon we started issuing the filled packets, voting cards and ballots along with validated credentials. We must also keep an accurate accounting of all who attend, both from California and from other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the 2012 Credentials Committee, I have the pleasure to present the following registration report:

As of 9:00 AM this morning, there are a total of 918 California members registered for this "The Winner's Circle" session of our Grand Chapter. Each of these members was issued a ballot and voting card in accordance with our Constitution. Therefore a total of 918 ballots have been issued at this time. We have also registered 55 members from other Grand Jurisdictions. This gives us a total of 973 members currently registered for this 2012 Grand Chapter Session.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Diane, for all you have done to make this Grand Chapter successful. Your service on this busy and important committee has been outstanding.

Sister Jackie Bozeman, chairman of the Election Board, please explain the proper election procedure that will be used.

REPORT OF THE ELECTION BOARD

(by Jackie Bozeman, PM (36/62), Chairman)

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. Today we will be electing our leaders. Our Constitution and Laws sets out procedures for elections. If there be one nominee for any office for which nominations shall be made, such nominee may be elected by motion properly made, seconded and unanimously carried. Otherwise, the election to such office must proceed by written secret ballot.

In each separate ballot, members shall vote for only candidate. In case no candidate receives a majority of all votes cast on the first ballot for any particular office, after report to the Grand Chapter of the result of the ballot, the balloting shall continue until all the elective offices and vacancies and trusteeship have been filled.

Today we have, at this time, only one of the offices, the Home Board of Trustees in the South, where we will be taking a written ballot. When the Worthy Grand Matron declares the ballot open, please remain in your seats while the balloting is going on. Please keep the steps and aisles clear of purses, paperwork, knitting, whatever. Be patient, as our collectors are working. Everyone's ballot will be collected and our captains are monitoring the collection. I will be giving instructions prior to balloting. Please listen carefully so that your ballot is counted properly.

Worthy Grand Matron, the Election Board is ready to fulfill our duties.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Jackie, thank you so much for agreeing to chair this very important committee and for the work that your committee has done and will do for the remainder of the session. Let's hope they won't be too busy for balloting.

Sister Sandy Nieder, chairman of the Benevolent Fund Committee, may we have your report.

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT FUND COMMITTEE

(by Sandy Nieder, PM (174), Chairman)

From October 1, 2011, through September 30, 2012, 27 phone inquiries for Benevolent assistance were received. A total of \$12,225.11 was paid against 13 Benevolent applications. One application is pending. The remaining inquiries were denied because the applicants had not been a member for the required five years, had requested Benevolent assistance in the past, changed their mind on needing assistance, or did not provide information to complete the required forms. Sisters and Brothers, I want to remind you that in accordance with the Constitution and Laws, a member must be a member in California for five consecutive years before being eligible to receive Benevolent assistance. In addition, Benevolent assistance cannot help you if you do not return phone

calls so the need for your request can be evaluated and financial information obtained. Benevolent assistance is temporary and not for on-going financial support. Benevolent does not issue checks directly to members and does not issue loans to members.

When requesting Benevolent assistance, it is necessary to obtain financial information from the member. This information includes total income, expenses and assets, and can be obtained over the phone. This information is required to verify if financial aid will be provided. Again this year, most of the assistance has been for rent and utilities. Remember, Sisters and Brothers, rent payments cannot be processed without the Tax ID number from the landlord.

As in the past, the Grand Chapter Office and Outreach have been very supportive helping me in providing financial aid to our members. They are always just a phone call away. I could not have done this job without their assistance and I thank each of them for their support to me and to our members.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for asking me to continue to serve as Benevolent Fund Chairman. I have completed my seventh year serving as Chairman for the Benevolent Fund. I would like to thank the past Grand Matrons who had the faith in me that I could fulfill the requirements of this position. It has been a very rewarding experience for me being able to aid the members of our Order during a difficult time in their lives.

Because of other commitments I have assumed, I had to decline the Associate Grand Matron's request to continue as Chairman for 2013. I will be glad to provide any support I can to the new Benevolent Fund Chairman.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Sandy, thank you so much for the caring and compassion that you have shared with our members. Thank you for taking care of the concerns of our members and for all of your service on this committee. Your commitment is truly a daily labor of love.

(The delegates considered and voted on Proposed Amendments 14 through 16.)

(Musical selection by California Singing Stars)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: It is now 10:00 AM, and in accordance with our Constitution and Laws, we will proceed with elections.

RÉSUMÉS OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTED OFFICES

(The résumés for candidates for elected offices can be found on pages 117–124.)

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FOR THE OFFICE OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sarahann Shapiro
799 Hamann Drive
San Jose, CA 95117

FRATERNAL:

OES — Initiated into Sunnyvale Chapter #250, now Valley Star #141, Los Altos
Daughters of the Nile — Initiated into Islam Temple #25

CHAPTER SERVICE:

Worthy Matron — 1996, 2002; Associate Matron — 1995, 2001
Conductress — 1994, 2000, 2007
Associate Conductress — 1993, 1999, pro tem 2005
Marshal — 1997, 2004
Adah — 2006
Esther — 1998

GRAND CHAPTER SERVICE:

Associate Grand Matron — 2012; Grand Conductress — 2011
Associate Grand Conductress — 2010; Grand Marshal — 2009
Grand Warder — 2008; Deputy Grand Matron — 2003
Chairman of Jurisprudence — 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008
Member of Jurisprudence — 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2006, 2009
Member, Special Committee on Selection of AGC — 2008
Member, Aims and Objectives — 2010
Member, Appeals and Grievances — 2011
Member, Foundation Board — 2012

SERVICE TO YOUTH GROUPS:

Rainbow Board, Sunnyvale Assembly — 1993–1994

EDUCATION/WORK EXPERIENCE:

Juris Doctor — Santa Clara University — 1991
Bachelor's Degree (Biology and Political Science) — UC Riverside — 1988
Admitted to State Bar of California and Federal Court — 1991
Private Practice specializing in Commercial Real Estate and
Employment Law
Judicial Mediator/Arbitrator for Santa Clara County Superior Court —
2002 to Present
Panel Chair Fee Arbitrator for Santa Clara County Bar Association — 1993
to Present
Chairman — Business Litigation Section — Santa Clara County Bar Assn
— 1997
Chairman — Government Affairs — Building Owners and Managers Assn.
Silicon Valley
General Counsel (pro bono) — Building Owners and Managers Assn.
Silicon Valley
Member — Commercial Real Estate Women — Silicon Valley Chapter

FOR THE OFFICE OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Arthur Weiss
3815 Lesser Drive
Newbury Park, CA 91320

FRATERNAL

OES — Conejo Valley Chapter #632, Dr. Rob Morris Chapter #651
Past Master, Conejo Valley Lodge #807 — 1991, 2003
York Rite, Scottish Rite, Shrine, Knight Masons, National Sojourners
Red Cross of Constantine

CHAPTER SERVICE

Worthy Patron — 1995, 1998, 2004, 2007
Associate Patron — 1994, 1997, 2003, 2006
Chaplain — 1993
Marshal — 1992

GRAND CHAPTER SERVICE

Associate Grand Patron — 2012
Grand Warder — 2009
Escort, Grand Ruth — 2006
General Chair, Grand Chapter Week — 2010
Group Chair, Grand Chapter Week — 2007, 2008, 2009
Leadership Development — 2010, 2011
Roster — 2007, 2008
Credentials — 2001, 2002

GRAND LODGE SERVICE

Grand Chaplain — 2008
Grand Marshal — 2005
President, CA Masonic Foundation — 2010–present
Trustee, CA Masonic Foundation — 2006–2010
Leadership Development — 2009, 2010, 2011
Inspector — 1993–1999, 2004

EDUCATION/WORK EXPERIENCE

BS Aeronautical Engineering, Purdue University — 1973
Director, Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne, Canoga Park, CA

PERSONAL

Married 38 years
Barbara Weiss – Grand Ruth, 2006; DGM, 1998; PM, 1995, 2007
Daughter — Lauren Stolkin, Conejo Valley Chapter #632, PHQ Bethel #324

FOR THE OFFICE OF ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON

Debbie Maiman
5711 Larryan Drive
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

PERSONAL:

Married to Sheldon 36 years
Children — Sons — Joseph and Michael; Daughter — Lauren (PGWA, CA Rainbow) and husband Joey Derryberry

FRATERNAL:

Ocean Park Chapter # 245 — initiated 1971
Worthy Matron — 1979, 1980, 1989, 2001, 2010
Grand Inner Guard — 1982
Deputy Grand Matron — 1983
Grand Page — 1991, 2002
Grand Esther — 1994
Grand Treasurer — 2008
Grand Marshal — 2010; Associate Grand Conductress — 2011; Grand Conductress — 2012
Consolidations Committee — 9 years (Chairman — 1992, 1993, 2002)
Liaison to Youth Groups 2006
Aims and Objectives 2011; Appeals and Grievances 2012

SERVICE TO YOUTH:

Majority Member — Jobs Daughters International; Master of the Grand Cross of Color--IORG
Past Mother Advisor San Fernando Rainbow 1999–2010; State Grand Executive Committee; Mother Advisor — 2001–2003
State Leadership Team — 2001–2003; Director of Southern Rainbow Camp — 2010 to present

EDUCATION:

California Lutheran University
Certification — No Child Left Behind emphasis — Math/Science/English

CAREER:

Certified Dental Technician — Removable/Ceramics — 1969–1977
Special Education Classroom Assistant — Elementary/Middle High School--Math/Science/English — 1984 to present
Financial Manager — D & K Dental Lab, Inc. — 1997 to present

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Secretary — Boy Scout Troop — Woodland Hills — 1991–1993; Sunrise Little League — 1986–1989
Council of Councils LAUSD — 1986–1989; President of the PTA — Woodlake Ave. Elementary — 1986–1988, Hale Middle School — 1990–1992
Student Crisis Committee — GHCHS — 2011 to present

FOR THE OFFICE OF ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON

Randall J. Cady
536 Watson Ave.
P.O. Box 1164
Ferndale, CA 95536

PERSONAL:

Born — Scotia, CA, June 11, 1953
Married — 36 years to Patti Cady
Daughter — Michelle Patino and partner Teresa
Daughter — Reichel Venema and husband Nick
Daughter — Sandra Harpe and husband Jared

Grandsons — Dylan born September 1996 and Austin born December 1999

Granddaughters — Lilly born October 1996 and Laura born May 2000

MASONIC:

1990 Raised a Master Mason — Ferndale Masonic Lodge #193, Ferndale CA
1994, 1997 Master Ferndale Masonic Lodge
1998 Hiram Award Ferndale Lodge
Member of Scottish Rite — Valley of Northern CA
AAHMES Shrine, Livermore, CA
AAHMES Redwood Shrine Club
Shrine Joker Clowns, Fortuna CA
National Sojourners, Gen Henry "Hap" Arnold Chapter

EASTERN STAR:

1991 Initiated into Ferndale Chapter #23, Ferndale
1992, 1993, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2002 Chaplain Ferndale Chapter
1996, 2000, 2009 Worthy Patron Ferndale Chapter
2010–2012 Grand Representative to Rhode Island
2012 Received Service Award

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

California Enlisted Association
Sergeants Major Association
Veterans of Foreign Wars

EDUCATION:

1971 Ferndale Union High School, Ferndale, CA
1996 AA Degree, College of the Redwoods, Eureka, CA
2005 United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, Fort Bliss, TX

PROFESSIONAL:

1973–1976 United States Army
1986–Present California Army National Guard
2006–2007 Iraq Deployment, United States Army

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY

Maryann Barrios
12048 Emery Street
El Monte, CA 91732

PERSONAL:

Born: Oct. 17, 1954, Glendale, CA

Married: 32 years, Art Barrios, Hollywood No. 21, Lexington Lodge No. 104

Two adult children, two grandchildren.

PROFESSIONAL:

2007–present — Grand Secretary, Grand Chapter of CA — Supervise staff of 5, conduct correspondence with and answer C&L and other questions from other Grand Jurisdictions, Chapter Secretaries and Members, record minutes of Home Board and other committee meetings, ensure that deadlines set by C&L are met on timely basis, other duties as required.

1998–2006 — Project Analyst — ProMed Health Care; Obtained and analyzed statistical data for Independent Practitioner Associations.

2001 — Microsoft Office Instructor — El Monte/Rosemead Adult School.

1983–1997 — Accountant/Analyst — Kaiser Permanente — prepared and analyzed regional financial statements, departmental budgets, governmental agency reports, annual audits, and special projects, supervised staff of 30.

EDUCATION:

BS, Bus. Admin. – Cal State, Los Angeles

CREDENTIALS:

Certified Public Accountant (inactive)

Notary Public License

FRATERNAL:

Guardian Treasurer and Council member, JDI, 1995–2000.

Initiated into Hollywood Chapter No. 21, July 1999.

Chapter Service:

Martha, 2000

Associate Conductress, 2001, 2009

Conductress, 2002, 2010

Associate Matron, 2003, 2011

Worthy Matron, 2004, 2012

Electa, 2005

Chaplain, 2006

Adah, 2007

Grand Chapter Service:

Grand Secretary, 2007–2012

Escort to Deputy Grand Matron, 2005

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER

Fred Schulenburg
1620 Knollwood Avenue
San Jose, CA 95125

PERSONAL:

Born: Palo Alto, CA, June 7, 1958
Married: 14 years Dianne Schulenburg (PM #31, #342)
Daughter: Millie (PWA, San Jose Assembly #5 IORG)

FRATERNAL:

OES — San Jose Chapter #31, Manzanita Chapter #342
Past Master Willow Glen Fraternity Lodge #399, 1989
San Jose Scottish Rite,
Asya Shrine
Director, San Jose Masonic Center, 2003 -2009
Rainbow Board, Willow Glen Assembly, 1991
Rainbow Dad, 1991, 2009

CHAPTER SERVICE:

Worthy Patron — 1992, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011
Associate Patron — 1991, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2004, 2008
Chaplain — 1993, 1994, 1995, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2012
Sentinel — 2002, 2003, 2008, 2011, 2012

GRAND CHAPTER SERVICE:

Grand Representative of Minnesota in California 1999–2000
Grand Chapter Week Photography — 1994
Credentials — 1994
Grand Chapter Week Auditor — 1995, 1999
Special Duties — 1995
Escort & Grand March — 2003–2005, 2007–2012
Finance Committee — (Chairman 2009) 2005–2009
Audit Committee — 2007
Special Committees — Grand Chapter Office Relocation 1995, Grand
Chapter Office Cost Allocation 2001, Masonic Homes Consolidation
2010

EDUCATION/WORK EXPERIENCE:

BS Accounting, University of Southern California, 1980
Certified Public Accountant
Director of Business Services, Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection
District, 2008–Present
Financial Services Manager, City of Santa Clara, 1987–2008
Auditor III, County of Alameda, 1983–1987
Senior Accountant, Marriott Corporation 1980–1983

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CONDUCTRESS

Martha Peters
2516 Rigdon Street
Napa, Ca. 94558

Personal:

Born: October 25, 1954, Napa, Ca.

Chapter Service:

Initiated into Silver Spray Chapter #59 — 1975

Worthy Matron — 1991, 1997, 2007, 2012

Service Award — 1999

Rob Morris Membership Award — 2010

Grand Chapter Service:

Deputy Grand Matron — 1996

Grand Ruth — 2003

Grand Marshal — 2011

Associate Grand Conductress — 2012

Credentials Committee Chairman — 2006, 2009

Grand Page, Co-Chairman — 2008

Aims & Objectives — 2002–2005

Elections Committee

Inner Guard — 1992

Liaison to International Order of Rainbow for Girls — 1993

Youth Service:

Worthy Advisor — 1973

Received the Grand Cross of Color — 1974

Grand Page — 1974

Advisory Board Member — Napa Assembly

Mother Advisor — 1993 & 1994

Professional:

Community Trust Credit Union for 23 yrs,

Rent-A-Party, Party Rental Business, 10 yrs

Board of Directors, First Napa Credit Union 10 yrs

Education:

Napa High School — 1972

Napa Valley College, Banking & Finance Degree — 1975

CUNA Western Management School — 1978

Family:

Jack Peters, Father 50 yr member Yount Lodge #12

Jerry Peters, Brother

Jody Peters-Schickedanz, Sister PWA Napa Assembly

FOR THE OFFICE OF ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS

Christine M. Dias
6888 Little League Drive
San Bernardino, California 92407

BORN:

Salem, Ohio- April 5, 1955

EDUCATION:

Master of Arts: Archaeology, California State University, Long Beach, 1996.
Bachelor of Arts: Anthropology, Minor-History, Certificate Latin American
Studies, California State University, San Bernardino, 1993.

FAMILY:

Husband: Simon, Past Patron of Riverside Chapter #622 — 2001, 2005,
Grand Warder, 2007, Service award 2005, Chairman — advisory
board, IORG, Grand Executive Committee, Chairman of Grand
Assembly Floor Setup IORG. Married 38 years.

Daughters: Rachael and Jessica Dias-Conaway, Past Grand Officers, IORG.

PROFESSIONAL:

Adjunct Lecturer — Anthropology — California State University, San
Bernardino, 1999–Present.

Adjunct Lecturer — Anthropology — Chaffey Community College,
Rancho Cucamonga, 1996–2009

Owner — Dias and Associates, archaeological consulting service, 1996–
present.

Various State, County and Government archaeological projects /contracts,
position — archaeologist.

YOUTH SERVICE:

Master of the Grand Cross of Color (1972)

Advisory board member — 15 years for Helen G. Mc Callum assembly.

Mother Advisor (2000–2001) and 2008–2012

EASTERN STAR:

Initiated into Riverside Chapter #622, 1995.

Grand Marshal 2012

DGM, 2010

Grand Esther, 2009

Worthy Matron 2001, 2005, 2009

Ruth, 1996, Electa, 2006, 2007.

Service award - 2005.

Board of Trustees SL — 2008–2012, Board Pres. 2010

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES:

Member appeals and grievances 2008-2010

Co-chair for Grand Chapter 2013

Inner Guard 2002,

Southern chairman for Grand Electa Fiesta Booth, 2006

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ELECTION OF 2013 GRAND OFFICERS

There being but one nominee for each of the offices, the following were **DECLARED ELECTED**, with the proper motions, seconded, and carried for the ensuing Grand Chapter year:

Sarahann Shapiro	Worthy Grand Matron
Arthur Weiss	Worthy Grand Patron
Debra Maiman	Associate Grand Matron
Randall Cady	Associate Grand Patron
Maryann Barrios	Grand Secretary
Fred Schulenburg	Grand Treasurer
Martha Peters	Grand Conductress
Chris Dias	Associate Grand Conductress

RÉSUMÉS OF CANDIDATES FOR TRUSTEES OF THE EASTERN STAR HOMES OF CALIFORNIA

*(The résumés for candidates for Trustees of the Eastern
Star Homes of California can be found on pages)*

ELECTION OF 2013 TRUSTEES OF THE EASTERN STAR HOMES OF CALIFORNIA

There being but one nominee for Trustee of the Eastern Star Homes from the North, Donald Markert was **DECLARED ELECTED**, with the proper motions, seconded, and carried for the ensuing Grand Chapter year

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: We have two candidates for Trustee for the Eastern Star Homes from the South. We have Melissa Cronin and Karen Meador. Would both of you please come to the secretary's desk?

As we have two candidates for the Board of Trustees from the South, Sister Jackie, please tell us how we are going to proceed to vote.

Jackie Bozeman, PM (36/62): Sisters and Brothers, you are about to ballot on the election of the Home Board of Trustees from the South. You will be using your Martian Green ballot. You will be using "Election A" in the lower right-hand corner. Be careful when you tear off your ballot so that you are not including anything else in case we do ballot on other amendments, resolutions, or other elections. If you do use any other section, your ballot will not be counted. Please carefully write in the name of the person you are voting for so that my ballot officials can read it. Remember to remain in your seats during the ballot collection and please keep the aisles clear. When the Worthy Grand

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HOME BOARD OF TRUSTEES — NORTH

Donald T. Markert
3335 St. Mary's Road
Lafayette, CA. 94549

PERSONAL

Born Berkeley CA
Wife Theresa, 4 adult children

PROFESSIONAL

1963–1990: Kensington Fire District, Contra Costa County Fire Chief/
District Administrator 1970–1990 — Managed \$1.6 M budget,
Personnel, Investments & Emergency Operations. Formed Joint
Fire Operations with Richmond & El Cerrito. Developed Educational
Incentive Program & Emergency Medical Response Team training.
1991–2005: Director of Safety/Compliance — Golden Gate Fields Horse
Track, Albany, CA Provided Safety & Health Training Program for 500
employees, Managed Maintenance Program 2001–2004. Prepared &
managed \$8.5 M capital budget. Public agency contact for site.

EDUCATION

AS Degree — Fire Science, Diablo Valley College.
Graduate of CA State Fire Academy — Fire Administration
Post Graduate Studies — U. Santa Clara, Asilomar, CA

FRATERNAL

DeMolay 50 year member, MC 1960, Chevalier 1961
El Cerrito Lodge #686 — Master 2003 & 2005.
Bay Cities Lodge #337 — Treasurer Building Assn. 3yrs
Vista Cerrito Chapter #178 OES — WP 2007. Also served as Marshal,
Warder, Chaplain, & AP.

GRAND CHAPTER SERVICE

Chairman: Fiesta 2009, GC Safety 2010, 2011, Group Co-chair GC 2011
Home Board of Trustees 2009–present, Pres. 2 years
Safety co-chair 2010/2011

YOUTH SERVICE

Board Co-chair San Pablo 117 — IORG
Grand Assembly Floor Guard 2005–present
Decorations 2000–present

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

El Cerrito Rotary 1965–1989, Pres. 1981
Kensington/No. Berkeley Rotary — Pres. 1991
Contra Costa Fire Chiefs Assn. — Pres. 1972
California Fire Chiefs Assn. — 1963–1993
California Fire Investigators Assn. — 1965–1973

HOME BOARD OF TRUSTEES — SOUTH

Melissa Cronin
1904 W 148th St.
Gardena, CA 90249

PERSONAL:

Born: 8/3/49
Married: 44 years to George Cronin, PP, San Pedro #174, Gardena-Ascot
Lodge #327, Gr. Rep. 2000–2001
4 Sons, 1 Grandson

CHAPTER SERVICE:

W.M. '86, '01, '06; Assoc. Matron '85, '00, '05, '12
Conductress '84, '99, '04, '11
Assoc. Conductress '83, '98, '03, '10;
All Star Points and Marshal — Numerous years
Service Award '90
Life Sponsor — SLC

GRAND CHAPTER SERVICE:

Grand Martha '08
DGM '97, '11
Chairman — Special Duties '12
Member — Appeals & Grievances, Consolidations Committee — Current
Member — Aims & Objectives Committee '05–'08
Chairman — Entertainment Committee '86, '90
Chairman — Music Committee '98, '01 & '05
Member — Elections '10, '11
Member — Masonic Honor Session '01
Chairman — Ritual Achievement Program '11, Member — '98, '05, '10
Winner Area 6 — Ritual Competition — Conductress '04
Charter Member — Grand Choir

SERVICE TO MASONIC FAMILY:

Rainbow — Worthy Advisor 1968, Asst. Mother Advisor (2 years), Mother
Advisor (10 years), Grand Deputy (8 years), Grand Executive
Committee (2 years), Grand Cross of Color
DeMolay — President Mother's Club
Lodge — Chairman Stated Meeting Dinners (15 yrs), Masonic Education
for Wives (3 yrs)
Grand Lodge Rose Float — Volunteer Coordinator (10 years)

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Customer Service/Sales Representative at Teledyne Relays — 2012 to
present
Support Inside Sales Staff in Order Management
Assist in internal & external audits
Train Customer Service Support Teams globally
Customer Service/Sales Representative at International Rectifier — 1996–
2011

HOME BOARD OF TRUSTEES — SOUTH

Karen Meador
20522 Callieburn Circle
Huntington Beach CA 92646

PROFESSIONAL:

Manager of Case Management Utilization Review Fountain Valley Regional Hospital. Registered Nurse with over 40 years experience. Including acute hospital setting, Long Beach Public Health Department, Director of Pacific Hospital Home Health with responsibility of setting up the agency following Title 22 regulations. Versed in HIPPA and Privacy Laws, Joint Commission Accreditation Requirements, Case Management and Utilization regulations and Disaster Preparedness.

Have AA Degree in Nursing with minor in bookkeeping.

FRATERNAL:

Chapter Service:

Member Seaside Chapter No. 259

Served as Ruth, Adah, and Esther . Associate Conductress 1996 & 2002; Conductress 1997 & 2003; Associate Matron 1998 & 2004; Worthy Matron 2000 & 2005.

Grand Chapter:

Deputy Grand Matron 2007, President Southern Deputies Association

Membership Committee 2006-2009

Grand Chapter Week Committee Health Services since 1997 serving as Chairman in 2004,2010, 2012.

Youth Service:

DeMolay Parents Club (three sons served as Master Counselor).

Member Board Huntington Beach Rainbow for Girls

Adult leader Campfire for Girls 10 years

Cub Scout Leader

Fraternal Member :

Majority Member Job's Daughters International

Merret Temple, Daughters of the Nile

FAMILY:

Husband; Stuart Meador, PP and Grand Representative. Six grown children; eleven grandchildren and one great grand child.

COMMUNITY:

Served as National Secretary of Philanthropy For Delta Theta Tau Women's Philanthropic Sorority as well as several other regional and local offices.

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Matron has declared the ballot open, the members of the Election Board will report to their assigned sections. After the Worthy Grand Matron has declared the ballot closed, please remain in your seats so that the business of Grand Chapter can continue. In this election, a simple majority is all that is required.

(Ballot taken.)

*(Musical Selection — Tina Spriggs, Grand Organist,
"Candle on the Water", from Pete's Dragon)*

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Lorene Luce, Chairman of our Membership Committee, may we have your report at this time.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

(by Lorene Luce, PM (212), Chairman)

I'd like to thank you all for participating this year and your hard work. It would take the entire time to introduce everybody, so I'm not going to individually introduce everyone.

It has been a privilege and my pleasure to serve as chairman of the Membership Committee for Sister Linda, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. And a special thank you to the members of this committee for all their hard work and commitment this year.

Our year began by assisting the leadership committee with leadership training sessions held through the beginning months of this fraternal year. I was contacted by a member of the Consolidation Committee regarding two chapters in her district, asking about the possibility of consolidation. She in turn, knowing they needed assistance from the Membership Committee, requested information for revitalizing the chapters in June. In working together these chapters had a meeting, which they referred to as a "Rusty Star" meeting. This activity brought back ten inactive members. The prospective members meeting had schedule conflicts, but our Sister plans to continue working with these chapters on this project.

In August, I was contacted by Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, regarding a chapter desperately needing our help. The Worthy Matron is in her mid-eighties and doesn't feel she can continue, and reported that no one is running for the position. I sent a member of our committee to meet with the Worthy Matron and other chapter members, her report being that the current secretary will be running for Worthy Matron next year. They are initiating six, and possibly seven, new members in possibly two months. Our Membership Committee member will continue assisting this chapter as needed, and states so far it looks good and they will be fine.

I received a report from the chairman of the Consolidation Committee, that she had also been contacted by a Worthy Matron for information on consolidation because she did not have 18 installed officers. Our Sister corrected this misunderstanding, and they will also be fine.

Recommendations by the Membership Committee are as follows.

The Membership Committee continues to work closely with the Leadership Committee. The Membership and Consolidation Committees work closer together when a member of the Consolidation Committee is sent to a chapter, and a member of the Membership Committee should also be sent as well. We felt that the need for the Leadership Training Sessions should be changed to possibly rejuvenate your chapter or revitalize your chapter, something to that effect. Many of the Sisters and Brothers thought that the sessions, the Leadership Training Sessions were for the elected line officers only. The need for more Brothers to be appointed to this committee in the future to bring a perspective of the lodge.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Lorene. I really appreciate you as the chairman of this committee, and I do believe this is a very needed committee that our membership needs to know much more about and then they can be called. I do believe that the members that were on this committee were able to help many of our chapters in finding ways to rejuvenate, and I thank you for the work you have done.

Brother JD Hammett, please introduce your Leadership Committee, as well as give your report.

JD Hammett, PGP, Chairman: The members of the Leadership Committee for 2012 are Sisters Collette Serio Gole, Past Grand Matron; Sister Kim Hegg, Past Grand Matron; Delma Davis, Past Matron; Deb Winn, Past Matron; Heidi Bucher-Lamb, who is across the way selling beautiful silver jewelry. This is your Leadership Committee for 2012.

REPORT OF THE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

(By JD Hammett, PGP, Chairman)

The 2012 Leadership Committee was charged with creating and presenting a statewide leadership program for all of our members and assisting the grand line with projects as necessary. Ever since I was appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to continue leadership programs as standalone programs, meaning that they would not be held in conjunction with other Grand Chapter events. One exception: The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron requested a special leadership program to be presented to our 2012 Grand Officers, and all members of Eastern Star in Northern California on December 10, 2011.

The first committee meeting for planning of the 2012 leadership program was held on September 10, 2011, here in Fresno. We met to receive instructions from the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, at that time, as to what type of leadership programs they would like for 2012. We were instructed to design a program that would include respectful communication, community service, and utilize the video featuring Lou Holtz from Notre Dame "If Enough People Cared" to reemphasize respect, kindness, motivation, and sticking to the fundamentals in setting and achieving goals.

The committee set about the task of designing the 2012 Leadership Program based on the meeting with our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. It should be noted that the Leadership Committee met by weekly conference call to design the program, and thereafter biweekly until our first program was presented.

The theme of the 2012 Leadership Program was "Fire Up Your Leadership Skills," to incorporate the fireman theme of our Worthy Grand Patron. The 2012 modules included If Enough People Cared, Respectful Communication and Conflict Resolution, Community Service, and Membership.

Our programs were presented in five different cities: Union City, with Margaret Wolford as our site coordinator; San Diego, Point Loma, Sister Sherry Wilkerson as our site coordinator; in Bellflower, Sister Ris Prentiss, our site coordinator; Sacramento, Linda Peck, our site coordinator; Gilroy Masonic Center, Marion Smith, our site coordinator.

We decided our program should be four and a half hours in length, with a 30-minute break mid-way through the day. The session would begin at 8:00 AM, and end at 1:30 PM. Our four modules would be presented, and there would all be a general session for everyone to attend.

We were asked by the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, Sister Sarahann and Brother Art, to design modules for their Associate Matron and Associate Patron workshop and to work with them in the planning of the workshops. We presented the following modules: Getting to Know the Tools of our Order: The Constitution, Laws, Ritual, and Secret Work; How to Plan and Run a Good Meeting; and Mining Your Rosters to Get Membership. All committee members participated in the presentation and design of these programs.

We were asked by the Grand Conductress, Sister Debbie Maiman, and the Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Martha Peters, to assist them in preparing some modules for the Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, and Associate Patron Designee Workshops. We presented Planning Your Calendar and Event Planning," and "How to Run a Good Meeting."

Sisters Kim Hegg, Deb Winn, and myself were the presenters at this workshop. We were asked by the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, Sarahann and Art, to design modules for their Grand Officer Schools. The modules were "The Art of Mingling," and "The Working Tools of Our Order."

The modules for the Deputy Grand Matrons School we were also asked to design: "How to Teach Adults," and "Managing and Resolving Conflicts." Sister Delma and Sister Heidi presented these modules for us at the Deputy Grand Matron School.

We were asked by the Grand Court of California, Order of the Amaranth, to design a leadership program for them. We worked with them to develop the strategic plan of mission and goals, and then designed the workshop $E=MC^2$, Energizing California Amaranth. The modules presented: If Enough People Cared, Understanding the California Amaranth Mission, Vision and Goals, Mutual Respect, Membership, Community Service, Communication and Charity, and Understanding Your Leadership Styles. We had over 100 very enthusiastic members attending.

The California Leadership Team was contacted by the Grand Guardian Council of the State of Colorado, to come to Colorado to design and present a program in Colorado. It would be featured to the Job's Daughters, the DeMolay, and the Rainbow. It also included Blue Lodge, Eastern Star, and the Order of the Amaranth.

On a side note, it was snowing the day of the workshop. The only calls we received were "We're coming; we might be a bit late. We're coming; we might be a bit late." We presented a five-hour program: What's Your Shape, Traits of a Successful Assembly, Bethel, Chapter, the FISH Philosophy, and Conflict Resolution.

The Grand Line asked us to rewrite the handbook and manuals for the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patrons, Grand Officers, and Deputy Grand Matron Schools. This has been accomplished. They are not called "manuals," they are on CD, and we thank our Sister Delma for her creative graphics and putting them on CDs.

In conclusion, our recommendation — or I should say we have asked the 2013 Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, that the name of Leadership Program be changed. Unfortunately, many of our members think that when they hear leadership that they are not in a leadership role and these programs do not pertain to them. In order to take the stigma away, we are asking that the program be called "IMPACT: Be Brave, Make a Difference in 2013." IMPACT being: Involving members, promoting active change together.

These programs are different every year. The leadership programs are different every year. Let me say that one more time: The leadership programs are different every year. The leadership programs are for every member. The leadership programs are for everybody.

Can you say that with me? The leadership programs are for everybody, every volunteer.

Sisters and Brothers, these leadership programs do not only pertain to your Eastern Star life. The information presented you can use in your daily lives, in your work life, your home life, your church life. Whatever your life is out of Eastern Star, you can benefit from these programs. We encourage you to attend. Make an impact, keep the vision of Eastern Star alive.

I thank the 2012 Leadership Committee for tireless efforts and their excellent programs. Worthy Grand Matron Sister Linda, Worthy Grand Patron Brother Steve, we thank you for the opportunity to serve our membership and you in this capacity. We hope we have done it to your satisfaction.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother JD, and your committee, we thank you again from the very bottom of our hearts. I believe in your programs, and I thank you so much for accommodating my requests in the very beginning. I do believe that that was one of the things, the little piece missing that we, the Grand Officers and Grand Line, have been unable to attend. It was a good experience to be there for the first one. I believe we learned a lot, and we thank you for that and for the program that you put on. Continue and have fun.

Sister Jackie, Chairman of our Election Board, we hear there is a result.

REPORT OF ELECTION BOARD

(by Jackie Bozeman, PM (36/62), Chairman)

Worthy Grand Matron, the report on the election for the office of Home Board of Trustees from the South is as follows:

Total votes cast 782

Majority needed to pass 397

The votes cast were as follows:

Melissa Cronin, 382

Karen Meador, 400

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare Sister Karen Meador to be **ELECTED** to the Home Board of Trustee from the South. Congratulations, Sister Karen.

Congratulations to all of our newly elected officers. The future of our order is now in your hands, and we wish you the very best.

Sister Donna Tucker, please give your consolidation report at this time.

REPORT OF THE CONSOLIDATION COMMITTEE

(by Donna Tucker, PGT, Chairman)

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the honor and privilege to serve as Chairman of Consolidations again this year. Unfortunately, this committee has been a hard working one and very active. Since January of this year, we have completed four consolidations; there are three that have started the process and should be complete by the end of the year; and there are two waiting in the wings for us to return from Grand Chapter.

When my phone rings and the caller identifies herself as a Worthy Matron, I am always excited to chat. However, I find early on that she is in need of a member of the committee to visit her Chapter. I have several routine questions that I ask and one is "Why do you feel consolidation is needed?" The answers I've heard are "We have repeat officers and everyone is tired", "No one wants to participate in fundraising." "We are in a remote area and there is no potential for new members." "There is a dominant member who is tearing the Chapter apart." My comment always is "This committee does not get paid for the number of the consolidations it completes, and we are here to also help you keep the chapter together.

I can tell you that two consolidations have been prevented. That's not to say a consolidation may not happen in the future, but for now, the chapters are attempting to stay active.

The Consolidation Committee consists of caring and loving members who will guide you through this sometimes very painful process. Everyone is hard-working but I would like to thank Katie Nielsen, who has taken care of the north-central and central part of the state and has driven many miles and given a lot of her time to the committee; and Michelle Aves who has done the same in the south. Ken Kessel has put his time in. Melissa Cronin and Pamela Sandstrom are getting their feet wet, and Connie Biaggi was a special appointment by the Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you to all our members for their service.

Sometimes having an independent person come to the Chapter and talk about what is going on-someone who is a representative of Grand Chapter-can help with the decision of whether consolidation is right for the chapter. My recommendation for the future is that when we are called out to answer questions regarding consolidation, that a member of the Grand Chapter membership committee also attend to provide fresh ideas for a chapter in trouble.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Donna, for the way you have handled this. This is a painful time in some of their lives, and I think you have done it with much grace in talking to them. I do appreciate when you bring in membership as well, and I do hope in the next years forthcoming that they will do that, combine the two and make sure a membership committee member does as well. So thank you, Sister Donna.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

(Musical Selection: Rebecca Miller, PM (96/300), "Diva's Lament")

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I would like to introduce Sister Nellis Johnson, who will give her report on our Chapter Spirit Awards.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

(by Nellis Johnson, PM (125/391) Chairman)

Few Chapters use the local newspapers to make the public aware of their activities. Chapters in small towns have better luck enticing the newspaper to cover a function or print a delivered article. The reason for this is usually because "Everyone knows everyone else" in a small town, and the newspaper editor is often a friend of someone hosting the event. The larger the circulation of the newspaper, the less likely that they will print what they consider "society events." Some Chapters don't have a "Publicity person," so they never think to get information out to the community. Several Chapters make sure flyers are delivered to local businesses around the Masonic Centers inviting people to breakfast, luncheons, and dinners as well as interesting events planned for open meetings. Trestle Boards most often include Eastern Star events and activities. DeMolay, Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters are often asked to serve or be a part of any event, so their parents are included in the project. It should be noted that no chapters asked for help.

Linda and Steve wanted a way to focus on the community work being done by the members and to encourage chapters to stay in touch with their own members on a regular basis. The Spirit Award was the perfect vehicle to achieve this goal. Twenty eight of the 170 chapters in California, a small number but a mighty group, proved that California Chapters are doing well and making sure their members are cared for. As to the community effort, the chapters were so involved in community events and projects that many log sheets were sent per mailing to list all of the activities! Deputy Grand Matrons were asked to make sure the packets they received, regarding the Spirit Award Program, were given to the Worthy Matrons in their districts. A total of five packets, one about every six weeks, were sent by email attachment during the year. The rules of the activity were never changed, but as logs of the chapters were received, the committee members felt other OES Chapters would benefit from the sharing of their ideas for various sections. One District, District 24, had the distinction of have **ALL** of their chapters involved. Congratulations to all the Chapters for a job well done. The Chapter Spirit Award chairmen were honored at Grand Chapter for all their hard work in collecting and organizing the logs and making sure they were sent in on time. A Log was rarely received without a comment from them on how much fun they were having, how great the project was and how much it made their Chapters shine.

The top four chapters were:

Semper Fidelis No. 135, Livermore, with 1,845 points — First place
La Paloma Star No. 96, San Diego, with 1,616 points — Second place
Hollywood No. 21, South Pasadena, with 1,220 points — Third place
Fallbrook No. 390, Fallbrook with 1,051 points — Fourth place.

A big thank you to the committee members: Wanda Preuss, Mararet Wolford, Mary Jackson, Dixie Kolhoff and Rosie Hooton, without whose support and advice this committee would not have been such fun and so successful.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Nellis and your committee. I appreciate when I came to you pretty late in the year saying, "You know what we'd like to do and get people out," and you took the ball and you ran with it, and this has been just an incredible, incredible thing. I applaud you and your committee very much and I certainly applaud all of those members who came out for their awards and the chapters, the districts that participated. I couldn't have asked for better, and thank you so much for spearheading this. Thank you.

(The delegates considered and voted on Proposed Amendments 19 through 24.)

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Brother Steve. I am going to say really just one more time, you have all just thrown your jockeys. I have asked that you please remain seated until the Grand Officers have retired. Brother Steve and I thank all the members for their attention at this morning's session. We will be discussing further legislation this afternoon.

After the proclamation, please remain seated until the Grand Officers and the Grand Pages have retired.

I now declare this Friday morning session of the Grand Chapter of California called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 2:00 o'clock PM.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Retiring March of the Grand Officers and Grand Pages.



**2012 “THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION
FRIDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 19, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

2:00 PM Musical prelude:

Karen Skelton (83)

California Singing Stars: “A Horse with No Name”

Entrance of:

Grand Pages

Grand Representatives

Deputy Grand Matrons

Escort of Hostess and Host:

Doris May Parrish, Past Grand Matron,

William J. Bray III, Past Grand Patron and Past Grand Master of
Masons in California

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Doris May Parrish, pgm: Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Sister Linda, it would be my honor to present you with your gavel for this afternoon’s session.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Doris, for presenting my gavel to me.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Doris Parrish, Past Grand Matron of California, and Brother Bill Bray, Past Grand Master of Masons in California and Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join me in extending Grand Honors to our Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. It is our distinct privilege this afternoon to have with us Sister Doris Parrish, and Brother Bill Bray, our Hostess and Host for this afternoon’s session.

Sister Doris and Brother Bill, we would be pleased to have your welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

*(By Doris May Parrish, PGM and William J. Bray, III, PGM
and Past Grand Master of Masons in California)*

Doris: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored Members, Sisters and Brothers: How very special it is for Brother Bill Bray and I to have the privilege of welcoming each of you to this Friday afternoon session of our Grand Chapter Week.

Bill: Yes, Sister Doris and I do hope that you are enjoying this 139th Annual Winner's Circle session, and I personally would like to thank you, Linda and Steve, for allowing me to give this welcome with our Sister Doris Parrish. You know our Sue B. would have been here with us, but is currently in Hawaii. I know Junior forced her to go, so we do miss her a lot.

Doris: Sister Linda, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve, Worthy Grand Patron, you are completing your year of service to this Grand Chapter. Each of you has given of yourself, your time, your talent, and we join you with the members of our Grand Chapter and congratulating you upon your accomplishments this year. Well done.

Bill: Now, you know, one more day and our Winner's Circle session will be at the finish line, and everyone will prepare for a new year, new Grand Officers and new leadership. We wish for their Winner's Circle to be as successful as yours. May all of you enjoy good health and safe travels as you travel throughout our Eastern Star world.

Doris: On behalf of our 2000 and our 2001 Grand Families, welcome!

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Doris and Brother Bill, thank you for giving us your welcome on this Friday afternoon session. I served as Deputy Grand Matron in both of your grand years.

Sister Doris, your year of Knights and Ladies was my first experience as a deputy to my district. It was an honor to serve under your kind and gentle leadership. Brother Bill, I was able to spread fun, while also making sure that my district did their ritual and floor work to the best of their individual abilities. It was such an honor to have served as one of your deputies. I've always been pleased to be part of this fraternal family, as we were able to honor your service to General Grand Chapter as well as your years leading to and including Grand Master of Masons. Thank you so much to both of you.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: It's always an honor to hear from some of our Distinguished Members. Sister Doris and Brother Bill, I want to thank you for your welcome this afternoon. As my path has crossed both of yours during these last three years, I have had the opportunity to get to know you a little better and observe your love for the members of our Order.

During your years, you both displayed your commitment and understanding of our rules and regulations. This session today is no less important, and will dictate how we operate our Order in California. It also gives the members a chance to make a difference with their vote. Thank you for being with us again in the Winner's Circle. And Brother Bill, thank you for letting me share your march.

William J. Bray, III, PGP and Past Grand Master: As I shared it with you.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this Friday afternoon session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from refreshment to labor.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

ESCORT

Sisters and Brothers, it is my honor to present Brother George Lang, Associate Grand Patron of Nevada, and also a member from California. You will join me in giving him a very hearty welcome.

*(The delegates considered and voted on Proposed
Amendments 18 and 25 through 30.)*

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you so much for your listening as we do this and certainly for following the rules. They are set there in place, and I'm so glad that we felt we could follow all of the rules set forth ahead of time.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: And we'd also like to remind you to bring your ballot cards tomorrow so you can vote on the decisions. So make sure you bring those voting cards tomorrow, also, for the decisions.

(California Singing Stars: "We Are Flexible")

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Our Executive Director is a man of many talents. He is an excellent administrator and cares for the well-being of our residents. It is my privilege to present Brother Clair Meske, Executive Director of our Senior Living Community. Brother Clair, may we hear from you.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

(by Clair Meske, (106), Executive Director)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers, it is a real privilege and honor to be here today.

You know, older Americans are blessed to have incredible medical services. The innovation and new discoveries in the medical field have lengthened the lives of millions in this country. But many older Americans will continue to suffer health related issues due to the loneliness factor. And today, I am declaring war on loneliness.

Isolation in elders has a significant impact on their physical and mental health. Many factors contribute to elders isolated by themselves. As we age, many of us experience health related issues. These physical limitations can cause many older people to isolate. For those who have suffered a fall, they may choose just to stay confined in their homes, because they fear falling again. Diminished eyesight is followed by the inability to drive, which again isolates many older adults.

Depression from grief or illness will often make older people become reclusive, which can lead to multiple quality of life issues. Education may help many understand the consequences of isolation. Isolated older people are much more likely to require assistive living, which some independent seniors fear.

Interventions for the isolated have been found effective. Physical therapy can help those who have fallen, self-help classes can ease depression and help those through their grief, while exposing them to social interactions. Physicians strongly encourage exercise for positive health benefits, knowing the human connections can be just as beneficial. However, without a supportive community surrounding them, oftentimes action does not follow advice.

Volunteering can be a wonderful way to help others while helping themselves. Older people who volunteer are healthier physically and mentally. Older volunteers are also less likely to suffer from dementia. The booster club is a prime example of Sisters and Brothers helping stamp out loneliness and inspiring our residents to find ways to volunteer themselves.

For the more frail seniors, good caregivers can be the best medicine possible for a lonely senior, and while many older people dismiss the idea of assistive living it is a lifesaver for many. The social activities and the physical exercise fostered in assistive living can engage and enhance the lives of many.

The loneliness factor for Eastern Star members does not need to be an issue. The Senior Living Community for the Eastern Star in California is here for our Sisters and Brothers. We have an apartment or two available right now. Together we can stamp out loneliness. Thank you.

You know, we could never do what we do without a great staff, for whom their job is more than just work. It is a passion to care. Please acknowledge just a few of the staff that are here today. Elena Bor, Chapter No. 144, Kat Farris, No. 347; Erin Wilson, Nos. 106 and 347; Mary Dixon, No. 82; and Bruce Kerstner, No. 347. And by the way, please stop by our booth and visit with Mary, ask about Outreach, ask about Admissions, and make a donation to Ruth's Harvest; we also brought one of our best caregivers; Lupe Salinas is with us today as well.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Conductress, please close the Bible informally.

(The Grand Conductress informally closed the Holy Bible.)

PRESENTATION OF SLC RESIDENTS

(by Clair Meske, (106), Executive Director)

Clair Meske, (106): Sisters and Brothers, this is the preview of the races held at Fashion Downs here in Yorba Linda. All of these ponies are 70 and over. Most of them were raised and trained here in California. Most of these ponies have been in the winning circle and some have gone on to be district champions. These races are held three times a day to the oat bins for shared fibers and liquids. Stay tuned to radio station 16850 SLC for complete race results. Some of these ponies do their daily workouts on the paved track around the big Bastanchury Downs structure. They have been retired from the track and are now doing their workouts at Bastanchury Downs pasture, but they still race every day, albeit at a slower space.

On these workout times, the officials, the ones with the flags, have a tough time keeping these highbred and sassy ponies at their starting gates. Their paddocks are all on the beautiful Bastanchury Downs, and their numbers represent the farms they are from. Sister June Demel, Number 145; Bessie Watson, Numbers 181 and 347; Clo Hyder, No. 126; Betty Buzby, No. 643; and Brother El Stipp, No. 177. Look closely for your number before you make your bets. Come one, come all to see the races. Whoops, it looks like the race has been postponed as most of the ponies have come down with hay fever.

PRESENTATION OF SLC FRATERNALISM AWARD

(by Clair Meske, (106), Executive Director)

I'd like to begin by offering my congratulations to the previous recipients of the Fraternalism Award. Each of the previous recipients, in their own unique way, have given of themselves for the betterment of the lives of our residents and of the Senior Living Community for Eastern Star in California. Their example has set a high standard to be nominated.

As the poet, Henry Longfellow, once said: "No man or woman is so poor as to have nothing worth giving." The real power of volunteering is that it's something anyone can do, no matter the age; where they are or where they come from or how much they have. Volunteering is a wonderful opportunity that is open to all.

Today, we'd like to recognize a Brother who has offered himself numerous times to the Senior Living Community, where his expertise helped to bring a new level of excellence.

Please welcome Paul Lacroix, as we present this year's Fraternalism Award. Thank you for giving Paul such a warm welcome.

As we present this Fraternalism Award, it is just a small recognition of how much we appreciate what you have done for our residents, our youth, and for the Senior Living Community for Eastern Star in California.

Paul LaCroix, PP, (346/145): I just want to say thank you very much for this. I really appreciate it.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Clair, I truly thank you, as well as the staff of the Senior Living Community, for everything that you do. Not only for the residents of our home, but for those we are able to assist with our Outreach Program. Your dedication to the seniors of our Order is commendable, and I thank you for your service. The residents of the Senior Living Community are a fun-loving group of people and we thank you for your entertainment.

It has been a pleasure to see each of you when we attend Home Board meetings once a month and the communication you have developed with your resident forums, bringing your thoughts as well as concerns to the board, as well as the staff.

We enjoyed attending the holiday party at the Senior Living Community, which was beautifully decorated with the Festival of Trees, a program instituted to bring the community, as well as members, to see our beautiful Home. We also enjoyed our Wicked Official Visit, as well as our Festival, where we could spend time with all of you.

Brother Paul, I congratulate you on receiving the Fraternalism Award. You were one of the youth leaders that worked to put events at our Senior Living Community, combining fun and fellowship with our youth and residents. I also know the tremendous amount of work you did with Corinne to chair “We Are the World” festival, and I thank you.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: I also want to thank the members from our Senior Living Community for being with us today. Many times during the year, we visited the SLC while we attended meetings or events. We have always enjoyed their enthusiasm for our Order and their talent as well.

Brother Clair, it’s always a privilege to hear one of your complete and thorough reports, and I would also like to thank Brother Don for conducting the presentation of the Fraternalism Award. This is a very prestigious award and it could not have gone to a more deserving brother.

(The Grand Conductress informally opened the Holy Bible.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Paul LaCroix, may we have your report at this time.

REPORT OF THE “WE ARE OUR WORLD” FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

(by Corinne and Paul Lacroix, PM/PP (346), Chairmen)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished and Honored Members, Sisters and Brothers: this year’s Festival, “We are Our World” was held on April 21st at the Senior Living Community where the residents, members of California Eastern Star, and the community joined together in a celebration of Earth Day.

Along with the wonderful food, the theme of doing what we can to preserve our world was embraced by the booths in many clever ways. There were “recycled” books, used CDs, gently used formal wear, gifts revisited, bargain like new purses and scarves, and lovingly used jewelry. We also had the ever popular petting zoo and fun zone. There were 13 outside vendor booths, many of which also followed the day’s theme. The booths featured repurposed jewelry, beauty products, hand crafted writing pens, clothing, car memorabilia and home decorative items. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the day, and we thank them for supporting the Festival.

Even though the car show had less participation this year due to competing car events, a total of \$19,044 was raised with a net profit of \$11,154. The planning and efforts of all the Booth Chairmen combined to make the day a great success. We thank them for all of their hard work and we enjoyed working with them. We would like to thank the Grand Chapter Office staff and the Senior Living Community staff for all their assistance, especially Kat Farris, our Festival Secretary. Her expert guidance meant the world to us.

We thank Sister Linda and Brother Steve for this very special opportunity to serve our members and the Senior Living Community as Festival Chairmen.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Paul and Sister Corinne, I thank you for taking on the challenge to chair our festival at the Senior Living Community. I first challenged you when I said it would be in April and not June, hoping that the weather would cooperate and it would be a little cooler. The key word seemed to be “little,” as we had record heat for April.

I wanted to have a festival that celebrated Earth Day and could not have been more pleased when you came up with not only the title “We Are Our World,” but also the logo we used. I believe everyone that attended had a great time eating, shopping, and visiting with each other, and I thank you for all the work you did to make this year’s festival a success. Thank you very much.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

MARTHA AND SENTINEL CEREMONY

(Narration by Susan White, PGM)

It is appropriate at this time in our Grand Chapter for this year of 2012 to pay tribute to the Offices our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have held. As Linda proceeds to the West, it is Grand Martha whose story we recall. Steve travels the chapter towards the Grand Sentinel's place in the hall.

We honor these special stations whose precepts and lessons are known. The crossed swords and the broken column's meanings will be shown.

With the assistance of our Assistant Grand Sentinels, an honor guard will form in the West. We thank these Brothers for serving as our outer guards; you always do your best.

Former Grand Sentinels will enter with their emblem, the sword, at their side. Their duty symbolizing Justice and Protection, accomplished with pride. These Brothers remind the members that souls and minds are free from sin, at the door they allow only the pure of heart to enter in. With swords at the ready they guard the secrecy and keep us from the profane, their sabers form a canopy for former Grand Marthas the East to gain.

We think of the now and hereafter, as these Sisters seek their goal, to pay their tributes, and seek immortality for the soul.

In life we walk the path and strive to achieve ideals and spirituality. We embrace this journey to receive inspiration for our own eternity.

What do we have to sustain us as we voyage through life's seas? It is a trust in what is right and the reward of immortality. The faith we have is like a column, straight and white and tall; it is a belief we have in God's wonders whether magnificent or small. When the vigors of life surround us and troubles seem to grow; we know this stately column represents an eternal light that glows. And when the column is broken, and earthly life is o'er, we have immortality's promise to enter through Heaven's door.

In this place our Star radiates with beauty today, with special bouquets gathered, glowing with the emerald ray. Martha's beautiful colors in nature's greens abound; she was sister of Lazarus, whose immortality was found.

This broken column, ties the present to the past, the delicate fern a reminder of memories that last. We recall how Lazarus was, in the vigor life, cut down, his immortality celebrated, worn like a sparkling crown.

Leaving this garden setting we walk by faith and not sight; we know the door will be opened, safely guarded day and night.

As we recall our dear departed, floral tributes our Deputies give, each blossom a reminder of how our Sisters and Brothers did live.

In our Necrology ceremony, we remember fondly each member we will see, they who have gone before will never be forgotten, they live on in immortality.

(California Singing Stars: "On Holy Ground.")

Patti Cady, PM (23): What a beautiful tribute to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and a great entrance into necrology.

NECROLOGY

Alyson Grant, PM (96): What is dying? When a ship sails and I stand watching until she fades on the horizon, and someone at my side says "She is gone." Gone where? Gone from my sight, that is all. She is just as large as when I saw her. The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not her." And just at the moment when someone at my side says "She is gone," there are others waiting, who are watching the coming, and other voices take up the glad shout and say "There she comes" that is dying.

(Lauren Maiman Derryberry (245): "Bridge Over Troubled Waters")

PRAYER

(by David Guddenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

Gracious God, we remember that you are Lord of both the living and the dead. And so we lift up into your care our Sisters and Brothers who have sailed over the horizon and have come to your bright and eternal shore. Give us who are left behind some measure of comfort, knowing that their labors are over and that they rest in your loving embrace. And may we, with Martha, proclaim that you are the resurrection and the light. Amen.

Loyal Stark, PMWGP: Sisters and Brothers, we gather here this day to pay a tribute of love and honor to our members who have completed their travels through the labyrinth of human life and now are in the care of our God, who has promised to watch over us and our loved ones, and to prepare a place for us in that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

They have traveled the road that awaits all of us and time has closed a chapter in the great book of life where their names were recorded. Our sorrow in their passing should be brief for they have slipped their earthly bonds and now reside with our Father in His care where they are alive in spirit; indeed, they are guardian angels among us.

We should not bury our sadness in our subconscious life but should express it at the time of death that we may go on to think of our loved ones in thoughts of joyous life. Time will heal our sorrows, so we should remember those dear ones in the vitality of life so that the halls of memory bring back to us the happy moments of bygone days.

Barbara Elizabeth Poole Past Grand Matron 1972, passed away April 7, 2012. Sister Barbara was initiated into Westwood Hills Chapter No. 535 on February 28, 1956. She served her chapter as Esther in 1957; Chaplain in 1958, Associate Conductress in 1959, progressing to Worthy Matron in 1962. She served as Deputy Grand Matron in 1964.

Sister Barbara was very active with Job's Daughters and served for three years on a Guardian Council.

Our sister Lura Rae Dales, PGM, appointed Barbara to be Grand Marshal in 1968, and she progressed to Worthy Grand Matron in 1972. Her watchwords were Friendship, Faith, and Fidelity. Her emblem was a heart and crown united, with apple blossoms entwined in the heart. Her colors were malibu blue, mauve pink, with accents of gold. A Past Matron of that year remembers her as a very caring and loving person who always called everyone by their first name.

Over the years, Sister Barbara served our Grand Chapter as a member of Special Courtesies and Dispensations and Charters committees. She was always most devoted to our Order and carried herself with dignity and a touch of class.

Katherine Batten Hill, Past Grand Matron 1985, passed away March 30, 2012. Linden Chapter No. 372 and the Order gained a stalwart member on February 11, 1955. She served her chapter as Organist, Conductress, 1966, Associate Matron, 1967, 1980 and 1989; Worthy Matron in 1968, 1976 and 1990; Marshal in 1969, Esther 1979; Secretary 1991 to 2009; Warder in 2010 and Deputy Grand Matron in 1973. She received her 50 year pin in 2005 and the service award in 2008.

Katherine was appointed Grand Warder in 1977, and Sister Ferne Hammond, PGM, appointed her as Grand Marshal in 1981. She progressed to be our Worthy Grand Matron in 1985. Her watchwords were faith, love and beauty, and her emblem was a bridge of happiness and friendship with lots of pink blossoms.

Her service to Grand Chapter included the committees on Scholarship, Special Courtesies, Distribution and Dispensations and Charters. Kathy was a member of the General Grand Chapter Shrine Hospital Committee in the 44th Triennium.

She was a visible supporter of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, from her days as a Worthy Advisor to serving on the advisory board. Her dedication was recognized with the Grand Cross of Color.

She and her Howard, who preceded her in death, were very active in their community and church, where she directed the choir until recent years.

A Past Matron states that for Kathy, good ritual was expected. This was from her days as a teacher. She wanted us to be proud of ourselves. She liked to have a good time in the proper setting. She encouraged us to be willing to break with some traditions for the good and future of our Order, but not the rules.

She made it a point to get to know each of us and developed friendships that were everlasting.

Sister Kathy was a great teacher and mentor who encouraged her Worthy Matrons, "The Blossoms", to expand their horizons. As such, there were many exciting and successful events throughout the state, from a Broadway night dinner with over 600 in attendance to a San Joaquin hoedown in the park.

H. John Fletcher, Past Grand Patron, 2002, entered into rest February 10, 2012. Brother John was raised a Master Mason in Morgan Hill Lodge on March 20, 1980, and initiated into Manzanita Chapter No. 342 on March 4, 1983. His Chapter service is well known, as he was Worthy Patron in 1987, 1991, 1999, 2003, 2009, and 2009, with several stints as Associate Patron, which he was at the time of his passing.

John was elected as Associate Grand Patron in 2001 and then was our Worthy Grand Patron in 2002. The Worthy Patrons were called California Voyagers and his emblem was a sailboat with a lightning bolt through it circumscribed in a circle.

John was selected as General Grand Chapter Visioneer in 2003-2006, and he set the standard for some of our leadership workshops we enjoy today. He also served Grand Chapter in the following: Grand March, Foundation, Home Board of Trustees, Web Site, Aims and Objectives and the Cal Star News.

The Grand Lodge of California recognized his dedication and talents as he served as Grand Orator in 2005; Grand Marshal in 2009; and California Masonic Memorial Temple Board. As a member of the California Masonic Foundation, his joy was presenting scholarships to deserving students at their schools.

John worked for over 34 years with PG&E, many as a teacher. He was working this last year through San Jose City College to help students in job interviewing skills. As he stated, he wanted to see that those young kids had a fighting chance. That was John, out there helping others.

On a personal note, I was privileged to play golf with John, and we shared many happy hours on the golf course. During this time we discussed Eastern Star and Masonry in detail. While we hoped that there would be growth in our Order and more synergy between the two organizations, John never spoke despairingly about anyone. He was in fact a true gentleman, a very caring Brother.

My friend, my Brother John, was the supreme optimist. He was always most encouraging to his fellow players. For the last few years on every round we played, John would say, "Just two more weeks and I will have this game down. Just two more weeks and I will have it mastered." John, for you the first tee is always open.

To our Karen, Past Grand Matron, and his family, our thoughts are with you and Heaven is a better place with the addition of a really good man.

Donna Louise German, Past Grand Treasurer, 2009, passed away April 19, 2012. Sister Donna was initiated into Burbank Chapter No.352 on February 15, 1984. She served her chapter as Marshal, Associate Conductress, 1986; Conductress in 1987, to serve as Worthy Matron in 1989. She repeated her service as Worthy Matron in 2001 and 2007. She had been Adah, Secretary, Esther, Electa and Martha. She was recognized with the Service Award in 2004 and received her 25 year pin in 2009.

Sister Donna was always very active and served Grand Chapter as Grand Representative of Rhode Island, Deputy Grand Matron, Grand Ruth in 2005 and Grand Treasurer in 2009. Her service on Grand Chapter Committees included: Memorial Cancer Dressing Stations; Ritual Achievement program; Consolidations and Finance.

Donna was a happy traveler and was the General Grand Chapter International Grand Representatives Pin Chairman in 2003-2006. She made so many trips to Minnesota that they wanted to adopt her. They loved her so – she could even speak Minnesotan. Donna travelled to over 12 countries and 30 states. She even participated in a walking marathon in Rome, Italy. She never met a stranger. We were always impressed by her enthusiasm and positive attitude. Donna made you feel better just by being near her.

This past year, 1,295 of our members passed over the threshold to the great beyond. As we remember our dear Sisters and Brothers, let us remember the lesson of Martha that a trustful faith is greater than knowledge, surrounding us with an abiding faith in a resurrection after death for entrance into a glorious immortality. We walk by faith, not by sight.

I now paraphrase a statement that most Masons will recognize: We extend to the bereaved relatives and friends of our dearly departed our sincere sympathy in the hours of sorrow and we pray that he who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb will give them His divine comfort and consolation, and that they may come to realize that the spirit of their loved one is happy in their father's house, where God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and where there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain for the former things are passed away.

(Bagpipes by Rod Betham, pp "Amazing Grace")

PRAYER

(by David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

From this shore until the next, may our Heavenly Father's wind be beneath our departed sisters' and brothers' wings, and carry them safely home into his arms. Amen.

(Musical selection by Tina Spriggs, Grand Organist: "You'll Never Walk Alone", "You Raise Me Up"; "The Prayer")

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Patti and Brother Randy, for this beautiful ceremony. I commend you and your committee for all your hard work.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: I also want to thank Sister Patti for this beautiful ceremony. I commend you and your committee for all your hard work. I was very excited when you accepted our request to be chairman for the Necrology Ceremony. After spending 2010 at the door with you, as the Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel, I knew that you would make sure that this ceremony would get the respect that it deserved.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare the Friday afternoon session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 8:45 a.m., on Saturday morning.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, we hope you have a good evening at your state dinners or whatever dinner you may go to. Please retire with the committee from our services; they were beautiful, and we were so pleased that you were here to share them.



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**2012 “THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION
SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 20, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

8:30 AM Musical Prelude:

Margie Burke (252)

California Singing Stars: “*Whistle a Happy Tune*”

Entrance of:

Grand Pages

Grand Representatives

Deputy Grand Matrons

Escort of Hostess and Host:

Janet Robinson, Past Grand Matron

Jim Chormicle, Past Grand Patron

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Don Snyder, Junior Past Grand Patron: Sisters and Brothers, we have heard this song “Linda” played all week and we now have the words on the screen. You, and all of us, are going to sing our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East, and so please pay attention to the screen.

(Grand Chapter sang “Linda” as WGM & WGP were escorted into the Grand Chapter room.)

Janet Robinson, Past Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join with me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Linda, just a year ago you were elected and installed Worthy Grand Matron of this Grand Chapter. This morning your duties have come full circle. It is with the utmost pride, love, respect and personal honor to present this gavel to you as you complete the business of our 2012 Grand Chapter on this, your final day as Worthy Grand Matron.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Janet, for presenting my gavel to me.

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Janet Robinson, Past Grand Matron, and Jim Chormicle, Past Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. You will join me in extending Grand Honors to our Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. For those of you that attended a state dinner last night, I hope you had a good time.

Sister Janet and Brother Jim, may we have your welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(by Janet Robinson, PGM and James Chormicle, PGP)

Janet: Star Trek, Journey of Hope, 2003, Captain's Log, Star Date, tenth month, 25TH day, year 2003.

Jim: For destination we're clear, Fresno, California, United States of America. This was the final touchdown of Starship Hope under our command. Our ship became history, but as our crew members disembarked and we were released from duty they committed themselves to the future. Each crew member raised their right hand and under oath promised to continue to seek out life, explore new worlds, new civilizations, and to go where neither woman nor man has gone before.

Janet: Soon it was confirmed. One of our crew members, Officer Bernhard, who once sat in the starship green chair had received a new commission and she chose the trustworthy co-commander, Steve Johnson, to join her. She and Commander Johnson began their own journey, and today they've landed in the Winner's Circle. We have watched during the last 1,000,051,200 minutes of their journey, as they have touched the lives of the members of this Eastern Star Grand Chapter, traveling throughout the state and beyond. The work they have done to bring peace to the lives of veterans through the Paws for Purple Hearts will forever be remembered as the highlight of their year.

Jim: Commanders Bernhard and Johnson, the 2003's are so proud of you. Yesterday, all of your former starship members were present to see you preside, and know that our angel Tom, with his halo, slightly more than tipped, was present and beaming.

Janet: Our Order knows that God continues to bless America and bless the Order of the Eastern Star with leaders like you. Continue to live well, laugh often, love much as you enjoy the last 600 minutes in "The Winner's Circle." We love you.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I knew I was tired for a reason. One million minutes . . . Sister Janet and Brother Jim, thank you for bringing the welcome to our members at this Saturday morning session.

Sister Janet, I was so honored when asked by you to serve as one of your Grand Officers for 2003, and what a wild and wonderful year that was. We worked hard at doing our ritual and floor work, but were allowed by you to have fun as well, and fun we definitely had. I appreciate your candor, your humor, and most importantly, your friendship. You have been a great support throughout the years and I love you very much.

Brother Jim, you were the other half of that fabulous 2003 year. It was a pleasure traveling with you and Sharon that year. I thank you for the support you have given me, as well as the rest of the 2003's in the year since.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Our Sister Janet and Brother Jim, thank you for bringing the welcome to our members at this Saturday morning session.

Sister Janet, I just want to let you know that in 2003, I actually held my first office as Warder for my chapter. So that was a big year for me and that probably was the first time that I saw you and that was probably what inspired me.

I was just glad that I wasn't the new member on the Star Trek team there, because the new guy always dies. The new guy is kind of like the new guy on Combat. Does everybody remember the Combat show? The new guy would come along, and he got killed every single time. But I do want to thank you; that was a beautiful welcome.

I also want to remind everyone that the flags that are being sold for today by the 2011's are for our Masonic Honor Day this afternoon, and all of the proceeds from the sale of those flags will be going to our youth groups.

PRAYER

(by David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the many blessings you have given us this year. It is truly in your name that we were able to travel the state, visit our members, and do your work. The blessings that you have given us, the friendships that we have created, were too many to count. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

We ask as we go forward that the officers that are incoming that will be installed this evening will have as good a year as we had. The Worthy Matrons, the Worthy Patrons, the Deputy Grand Matrons, everyone that touched us, we know that you were the inspiration. We ask that today you make a very special place in your heart for the Paws for Purple Hearts organization. The work that they do on a daily basis to help our soldiers, who have returned from battle, is nothing short of a miracle. We know the good that they do to help our military is an inspiration to us all. In thy heavenly name we ask, Amen.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this Saturday morning session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from refreshment to labor.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Shirley Orth, I know you are up in the stands; I don't want you to come down. Sisters and Brothers, I would like to present Sister Shirley Orth, Grand Secretary Emeritus of the Grand Chapter of California, and forever my Grand Esther of 1995. Thank you, Shirley, for making an effort to be here.

Worthy Patron, it is my desire that you preside.

(The delegates considered and ratified the decisions of the Worthy Grand Matron.)

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: One of the many important duties that Sister Linda and I have worked on this year has been helping our chapters with their bylaws, and to see the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter, and all laws and regulations of the order, are being observed, obeyed and enforced correctly. This can be a daunting task, but with Gary at our side the job was made much easier. Brother Gary Gole, I want to thank you for your report this morning. As always, it was complete and well presented.

Worthy Grand Matron, it's my desire that you resume your authority.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Before we go any farther, I just want to say that, you know, I told you we had been to Alcatraz and they did let us go. But we have another rule that the Grand Officers were told they had to follow, and would help the 2013's well be aware that there is this rule that came from Alcatraz: Work. You are required to work at whatever you are told to do.

Usually, your first assignment will be to temporary maintenance jobs around the cell house. Other maintenance jobs include culinary, clothing, and bathroom, the library, and the yard detail. By doing good work on your maintenance assignment, you earn statutory good time.

If you also qualify for meritorious good time and work pay, if your work and behavior are outstandingly good and are of outstanding value to the institution, if you make a better than average work and conduct record while on your maintenance job, you may be considered for an assignment to the federal prison industry wood shop, where you may earn industrial good time and pay, in addition to your statutory good time, and I believe you are all now in the federal prison system. We had a good time.

Sister Grand Conductress, do you have something to bring before the delegates?

Debbie Maiman, Grand Conductress: MOTION: I move that the Grand Chapter of California participate in fund-raising with the members of California for the sale of pocket calendars, with the proceeds to benefit the Grand Chapter.

(A vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

Debbie Maiman, Grand Conductress: MOTION: I move that the Grand Chapter of California participate in fund-raising with the members of California by securing advertising to be placed in our roster, with the proceeds to benefit the Grand Chapter.

(A vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

Sister Associate Grand Matron, do you have something to bring before the delegates?

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: MOTION: I move that the Grand Chapter of California support the Web Magic 2013 project as the special project of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, with the net proceeds being donated to our Web Magic, new Web site for Grand Chapter.

(A vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: MOTION: I move the California Eastern Star Foundation, Cancer Research Fund, be continued for the year 2013, with the net proceeds going to Relay For Life and the funds being donated to the American Cancer Society.

(A vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

Sarahann Shapiro, Associate Grand Matron: MOTION: I move that the Grand Chapter of California continue their support of the "We Care" program.

(A vote was taken.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: The motion is **ADOPTED**.

Sister Sue White, chairman of our Distribution Committee, may we have your final report?

FINAL REPORT OF THE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

(By Susan White, PGM, Chairman)

Worthy Grand Matron, we thank you for allowing us to work for you and for our delegation. I'm happy to report that although we have given out and scattered all of our money and playing cards, we've also completed our duties by sending the amendments to the proper committees.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Sue. Your work on this very important committee has been priceless to me. You have really kept me up-to-date. Thank you for your work this week, as well as all the work leading up to this session.

Sister Diane West, may we have the final report of the Credentials Committee?

FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

(by Diane West, PM (141/195), Chairman)

It has been a special pleasure to serve as your Chairman of the 2012 Credentials Committee. Thank you, Sister Linda, for this special opportunity. I had a goal to be able to fulfill this obligation and stand to read this report.

I especially want to once again think our hard-working committee members for their dedication to this Grand Chapter. These Sisters and Brothers gave so much of their time and talents to serve the members of this Grand Chapter. I appreciate and thank them for their service.

Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of your hard-working Credentials Committee, it is my pleasure to submit the following final registration report of this 2012 "The Winner's Circle" Grand Chapter session:

Out of State Members:

General Grand Chapter Officers:	1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members	2
Grand Officers	8
Past Grand Matrons	4
Past Grand Patrons	5
Grand Representatives	16
Visiting Members	19

Total Out of State Members: 55

California Members:

Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members	3
Grand Officers	18
Past Grand Matrons	20
Past Grand Patrons	14
Deputy Grand Matrons	37
Grand Representatives	44
Past Elected Grand Officers	6
Worthy Matrons	75
Worthy Patrons	54
Associate Matrons	81
Associate Patrons	47
Conductresses	74
Associate Conductresses	51
Past Matrons	282
Past Patrons	77
Members	83

Total California Members: 967

Total Members Registered:	1,022
First time attending California Grand Chapter:	49
Members-in-training and other visitors:	3
Service Dogs:	1

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Diane, and your committee for working nonstop this week. We appreciate your service to our Order.

Brother Gary Gole, chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, may we have your final report at this time?

FINAL REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

(by Gary Gole, PP (21/651), Chairman)

About five minutes ago, we were given emergency legislation. Actually, we were given two pieces of emergency legislation, but we ruled them out of order. I'll tell the delegates what those were.

The first one was: That any Grand Chaplain who is designated a stud should not be required to wear a halo when he enters the chapter room. The second one was: That any future Worthy Grand Patron should not be allowed to wing it when he's in the East.

Otherwise, Worthy Grand Matron, I'm pleased to announce that all legislation has been completed.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Gary, and your committee, I thank you for your work all year long, as well as during this Grand Chapter session up to this very minute. Thank you for ruling those out of order. I knew you had my back.

All of you have great knowledge for our Constitution and Laws. In addition, you have the ability to work well with our members. You have been extremely helpful to me and I cannot thank you enough for your assistance.

Sister Sheri Weisser, may we have the report of your final Constitution and Bylaws Committee?

FINAL REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

(by Sheri Weisser, PGM, Chairman)

The work of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee is complete.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Sheri, and your committee, thank you for all of your hard work during this year and during the Grand Chapter Week. We know that so many bylaws came across your desk, yours and your committee members, and we appreciate the timeliness with which they were gotten out to me so that they could get out to on our chapters. So we thank you very much.

Brother Don is at the piano. May we have a musical selection from you?

Don Snyder, Junior Past Grand Patron: It has been my great pleasure this week to be able to offer to our delegates so many fantastic members of our Order that are so amazingly talented. And, Sisters and Brothers, would you give all of them a nice round of applause.

In the past few years, it has become a custom for the entertainment chair to choose entertainment, but not put it into the program, so should legislation or things go longer than we anticipate the Worthy Grand Matron can choose to use that entertainment or not. I chose to have the entertainment scheduled so that it could be bumped to the next session. And I didn't want to offend anybody so I put me last, so if anybody got bumped it was me and I don't get offended.

When I sat down this morning and then tried to figure out what I would sing because I really thought I would get bumped, I debated between something serious, your song — and you know what that is — and something light. And so I ran it by Sister Collette Serio Gole, her opinion and she said do something light and fun.

So this parody — and I have a collection through the years, as you well know — I wrote for Sister Collette's revealing of Jim, but it's kind of a general parody. And it doesn't necessarily reflect today, but it does reflect what often goes on in Eastern Star. And since we began these sessions with music from *My Fair Lady*, this is a parody to a song that I sang with Evelyn de la Rosa on Wednesday evening.

(Donald Snyder, Jr. PGP, parody to "On the Street Where You Live")

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Don, thank you for arranging the entertainment during our Grand Chapter session. It has been fantastic. You are truly talented and I thank you for sharing your musical ability with our members.

Before we go to just this next little piece here, we have a Past Grand Patron of Quebec here. Is he here, somewhere in this room? I'm not sure. But he, along with many members from Canada that were Grand Officers, I assume, were not in the back and did not get escorted. So I'm going to give the job to the Grand Representative from Quebec, to please take our greetings back to Quebec to these officers and tell them how much we enjoyed having them at our session.

(The Grand Conductress informally closed the Holy Bible.)

Sister Kat and Brother Donny, I would love to hear from you at this time.

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPTER WEEK COMMITTEES

(by Kat Farris, PM, and Don Farris, Jr., PP (347), Chairmen)

Kat: As the sun drifts lazily across the Fresno sky, we find our heroines and our heros strolling to the infield, counting their winnings.

I wanted to come up here and somehow be colorful, to not stand up here and read a boring speech, but that's all I could come up with. I was told this week that I'm an overachiever, and at first I didn't think it was a compliment. But now, after a few days here in beautiful Downtown Fresno, I wear this title with pride. Kimberly, I'd like a button, please!

In reality, The Winner's Circle, 2012, Grand Chapter session is winding down. There have been no national disasters to recover from, no overwhelming tragedies to deal with. Oh, we've had to rescue a cat or two out of the tree, and there was an incident where the neighborhood boys took Mr. Weisser's tractor for a joy ride. But all and all, we believe, and we do believe that a pretty good time has been had by all.

I have to be honest. I do realize that the report of the General Chairmen might not be the most exciting thing to listen to, but I would like to ask a favor of you: Please, just for a minute, give us your full attention, completely, 110 percent. The Sisters and Brothers we would like to present are the reason you are able to come to this Grand Chapter session and enjoy yourselves. We don't expect you to realize each task and detail that these members have handled to make this a great event. And I am aware they would rather not let it be known that they have dedicated countless hours, weeks, and months for their committees and groups, for the love of our Order and to the success of this event.

These awesome people are just that, they are awesome. So let's begin in the northwest corner, the new kids on the block, Bill and Ris Prentiss, Group 4 chairpersons. Their committee chairmen are: Arts and Crafts, Lynn Chabot; Cancer Dressing, Zoe Chambers; Election Board, Jackie Bozeman; Entertainment, Don Snyder and Rebecca Miller; Publicity, Suzanne and Bob Johnston; Signs, Linda Frost.

From the southwest corner, our Group 3 chairmen, Theresa and Don Markert, and their wonderful committees: Choir Director, Ruth Wahpecome; Escort, Diane and Fred Schulenberg; Fun Night, Cynthia Smiley; Lost and Found, Joyce Honerlah; Masonic Family Honor Session, Kimberly and David Shira; Special Duties, Melissa and George Cronin; Secretarial Support, Jean Cook; Sound, Bruce Kerstner.

From the southeast corner are our Group 2 chairmen, Cindy and Bob Murphy, and their wonderful committees: Arena Setup, Robin and Mike Logan; Decorations, Jeani and Rob Scott; Drayage, Mike Hawley; Assistant Warders and Assistant Sentinels, Barbara and Jerry Journeay; First Aid and Health Services, Karen Meador; Safety, Gary Dunham; Seating, Josette Losurdo.

From our northeast corner, our Group 1 chairmen, Chris and Simon Dias, and their wonderful committees: Committee Rooms, Nancy Powers; Credentials, Diane West; Necrology, Patti and Randy Cady; Picture Coordinators, Kathy and Cliff Randall; Programs, Richard and Yvonne Clinton; Transportation, Terry and Merle Ann Fenske; Vendor Coordinator, Todd Williams.

Sister April Hannum, the peanut butter that held this entire sandwich together, you, my friend, are amazing. Thank you for being our everything. Sisters Laura Kelley, Housing; Kathy Grant, Banquets; Kim Cooke, Grand Pages; Melanie Chase, Courtesies to Dignitaries; Nancy and Dennis Jordan, Special Courtesies; and Alyson Grant, Parliamentarian: to our committees, thank you for countless hours and for making us look good.

Sister Collette Serio Gole, a great mentor, a sweet friend, and the bestest boss ever, thank you.

Sisters and Brothers in the arena, please now show them all how much we love them.

(The Grand Chapter Week Committees are listed on pages 167–170.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: As to Kat and Donny, you both know how important you are to me personally. The squiggle in you has put together one of the most awesome Grand Chapters I have ever seen. It is absolutely beautiful. Every time I look down the end and see Churchill Downs out there, I'm ready to go.

You have all been fabulous. I thank these committees. We could not have put this session on without the hard work that some of you started four years ago, and I do thank you all so much for your participation. You have been great.

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Grand Chapter Week Committees

Grand Chapter Week

General Chairmen

Don, Jr. & Kat Farris, (347)

Advisor

Collette Serio Gole, PGM (21/651)

Activities

Group 1

Chris & Simon Dias (622) - 2013

Group 2

Cindy Murphy (57/76) &
Robert Murphy (57) - 2014

Group 3

Don & Theresa Markert (178) - 2015

Group 4

Bill & Ris Prentiss (163) - 2016

Arts and Crafts

Lynn Chabot (143)

Janice Mann (160)

Laura Orozco (143)

William Tripler (143)

Al Turek (163/310)

Rhea Turek (163/310)

Banquets

Kathi Brant (242/145) Chairman

Kathie Theener (96) - Co-Chairman

Cancer Dressing Gift Wrap

Zoe A. Chambers (14/650) Chairman

Committee Meeting Rooms

Nancy Powers (205) - Chairman

Courtesies to Dignitaries

Melanie Chase (31/342) - Chairman

Brenda Hansen (639) - Co-Chairman

Special Courtesies to Dignitaries

Dennis, PGP & Nancy Jordan (126)

Credentials

Standing Committee

Diane West (141/195) Chairman

Denise Armstrong (348) Co-Chairman

Melissa Anderson (141)

Credentials (continued)

Kent Armstrong (348)

Dixie Batto (189)

Judi Brady (385)

Bill Burt (338)

Cathie Burt (338)

Jerry Burt (338)

Jerry Broaker (547)

Toni Rathbun-Coburn (57)

Diana Davison (319)

June Dwyer (109)

Anela Eisert (195)

Claudia Gardner (3)

Sue Heller (59/189)

Jean Hopton (59/292)

Ginger Jackson (57)

Terri Jackson (233/292)

Marri Jackson (117)

Kathy Johnson (106/162)

Diane Jones (195)

Marlene Larsen (128)

Dorothy Lo Schiavo (1/252)

Sue Lynn (205)

Beth Massengil (35)

Marcia McBrayer (103/177)

Rosita Miller (3)

Virginia Mills (106/162)

Rae Mohr (92)

Kathy Nagel (31)

Karen Nuccio (50)

Terry Parks (173/197)

Casey Rainey (117)

Cindy Renner (106/622)

Richard Rosenberg (141/195)

Linda Ross (8)

Margo Saber (189)

Judy Schnabel (372)

Molly Anne Steele (141/203)

Mary Jane Stiff (195)

Jackie Thorton (177/103)

Claudia Unger (128/195)

John Unger (128/195)

JoAnne Wright (177)

Grand Chapter Week Committees

Decorations

Jeani & Rob Scott (163) - Chairmen
 Collette Gole, PGM (21/651)
 Gary Gole (21/651)
 Jim Whiteley, PGP (59/62)
 Cherri Whiteley (59/62)
 Joe Ross (8)
 Linda Ross (8)
 Sue Froomin (252)
 Len Froomin (252)
 Cathie Burt (338)
 Bill Burt (338)
 Melissa Cronin (174)
 George Cronin (174)
 Jerry Jones (36)
 Glenn Jones (36)
 Bill Robertson (581/46)
 Denise Robertson (581/46)
 Catie McQuater (162)
 Jackie Bozeman (36/62)

Drayage

Michael Hawley (338/242) Chairman

Election Board

Jackie Bozeman (36/62) Chairman
 Linda Kephart (245) Co-Chairman
 Karen Ader (107)
 Marty Andrews (178)
 Dixie Batto (189)
 Debbie Bernsdorf (42/384)
 Mary Kay Bowser (177)
 Gil Buck (397) Captain
 Peggie Buck (397)
 Cathy Carl (17)
 Orine Caroll (171)
 Malinda Caven (35/104)
 Sue Chambers (348/531)
 Joyce Cheney (202)
 Jim Chormicle, PGP (327/188) Captain
 Sharon Chormicle (327/188)
 Kitty Coutts (160/310)
 Gene Cripe (531) Captain

George Cronin (174)
 Melissa Cronin (174)
 Mary Carolyn Curran (643)
 Rebecca Darrow (171)
 Chris Davis (36/428)
 Diana Davison (319)
 Darrel Deatherage (104)
 June Dorsey (28)
 Suzanne Gallichio (2)
 Ila Hammond (241)
 Carolyn Hanson (103)
 Sue Heller (189/59)
 Heather Hosmer (348/72)
 Jerry Jones (36)
 Glenn Jones, PGP (36) Captain
 Linnie Kam (78)
 Lou Ann Kissing (173)
 Lorene Luce (212)
 Martie MacKidd (144/160)
 Gayle Marta (639)
 Beth Massengill (48/60)
 Marsha Molloy (215/219)
 Marianne Mooney (181/385)
 Janice Mullard (147)
 Sandra Murch (188/125)
 Ray Murphy (417) Captain
 Mandi Neill (287)
 Bill Netemeyer (292/181)
 Ruth Nicholas (60)
 Steve Nicholas, PGP (60) Captain
 Katie Nielsen (348/417)
 Ella Norris (177)
 Jane Orlandi (219)
 DeeDee Price (310)
 Terry Ramos (48/60)
 Cindy Renner (106/622)
 Susi Reynoso (428)
 Dorothy Russell (188/327)
 Norm Russell (188/327)
 Barbara Smilko (96/632)
 Janice Smith (104)
 Lenore Stork (557/296)
 Ted Taylor (397)

2012 **Grand Chapter Week Committees**

Election Board (con't)

Elsa Templin (78/632)
Geri Terry (384)
Kathie Theener (96)
Jackie Thornton (103/177)
Marilyn Travis (128)
Cathy Veley (344)
Alan White (524) Captain
Beverly You (1/186)

Entertainment

Don Snyder, PGP (21/651) Chairman
Rebecca Miller (96/300)

Escort

Dianne & Fred Schulenburg (31/342)
Barbara Spalding (31)
Jackie Cole (31/342)
Cindy Schulenburg (31/342)

Fun Night Dinner

Cynthia Smiley (128/342) Chairman

Grand Guards

Assistant Grand Warders

Barbara Journeay (8/140) Captain
Mary Carlson (140/384) Co-Captain
Marsha Antrobus (42)
Nancy Bay (23)
Debbie Bernsdorf (42/384)
Dayl Brown (3)
Lynn Carter (524)
Carolyn Cleek (35)
Kitty Cryderman (234/384)
Pam Davis (622)
Laura Filiau (103/140)
Cyntra Giboney (8/384)
Joanne Gibson (135)
Marguerite Gilbert (449)
Jacquelyn Higgins (42/150)
Barbara Kennedy (23)
Barbara Kirby-Rosamond (104)
Janice Mann (143/347)
Jan Paul (31)
Sue Premo (632)
Leona Reif (45)
Valerie Roberts (103)
Elizabeth Roe (103)
Peggy Salm (28/60)
Colleen Weaver (177/103)

Assistant Grand Sentinels

Jerry Journeay (8/140) Captain
Dick Anderson (214)
Kirby Bay (23)
Bob Bernsdorf (42/384)
Roderick Betham (513)
Martin Carlson (140/384)
Steve Cooley (632)
Spike Cryderman (234/384)
Don Hammond (241)
Howard Roberts (103)
Joe Ross (8)

Grand Pages

Kimberly Cooke (106) Chairman
Eileen Simmons (2/28) Co-Chair

Grand 'Singing Stars' Choir

Grand Choir Director

Ruth Wahpecome (358)
Margie Burke (252/604) Accompanist
Co-Chairman

Members

Carole Bennett (36)
Merwyn Bergquist (108/299)
Frieda Cazier (555/557)
Richard Darrow (171)
Mary Davis (233/513)
Marilyn Dupray (188/233)
Wendy Eisenberg (557/186)
Howard Freelove (96)
Jeanie Freelove (96)
Barbara Gilmore (233)
Ila Hammond (241)
Sherel Harris (292)
Shirley Harris (215/219)
Shirley Hicks (233)
Phyllis Hix (643)
Jean Hopton (292/59)
Bettye Hoooven (143)
Terri Jackson (233/292)
Heidi Jensen (96)
Byron Johnson (648)
Chris Ketola (233)
Marribeth May (141/195)
Betty Ruth McFaden (332/490)
Carol Mofran (643)

Grand Chapter Week Committees

Grand 'Singing Stars' Choir (con't.)

Sandra Morrey (163/385)
 Barbara Mustard (28)
 Janice Parker (385/631)
 Judy Parker (385/631)
 June Peever (154/360)
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Grand Conductress, I am going to have you informally open the Bible, but I'd like to have them safely seated first. So we're taking a little pause, just a little one. You know, every football team may get at least three time-outs per quarter. So I'm taking a time-out right now. We don't know how the SC game will go, but . . . I think we're safe.

(The Grand Conductress informally opened the Holy Bible.)

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sister Linda, may we have your farewell address?

FAREWELL ADDRESS

(by Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron)

My Sisters and Brothers, it is with pride and much humility that I stand before you at the finish line of this 2012 Orange Blossom Derby. This race has been exhilarating with many twists, turns, and bumps along the way; but the thrill of the race has taken my breath away, and I am grateful to the membership for affording me this honor.

My goals for this race, this year, seemed easy: Make a good start, keep ahead of the others, and be the front runner at the finish line heading for a joyous Winner's Circle. I believe we made that good start as we traveled the state meeting our members, teaching the philosophies, ritual, instructions and laws of our Order.

As is in any horse race, there have been rough patches of the track, everyone jockeying for their own position, as we journeyed to this day. But with respectful communication among us and our membership, I believe that the Order of the Eastern Star has come out ahead.

And here we are at the finish line a place that both the Worthy Grand Patron and I saw in the distance and hoped someday would attain as our Order worked toward a healthy future. I thank the membership for living the fundamentals of our Order by learning your ritual and floor work, along with following those things we must adhere to: the Constitution and Laws of our Order. You did what we asked; you did it with a smile, and did it with fun and enthusiasm.

I thank you for the support you gave not only to our Eastern Star charities, but also our special project, Paws for Purple Hearts. We found our membership following our tenets of being a charitable order and we showed our communities our commitment as well.

Our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons have been grand supporters, as they cheered us on at all of our official visits and events. We worked a little harder towards our goals with the support of those around us and we thank you.

To our Elected Line, I thank you for racing with Steve and me. I know there have been challenges, but by discussing openly and agreeing to present a united decision to our membership, I believe you have been instrumental in sustaining my goal to make our membership aware that this Grand Line -- and hopefully those in the future -- are working together to keep our Order viable for years and years to come.

Tacy and Maryann, this job could not be done without the willing help of our Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. The two of you have definitely been the backbone this year, and I thank you both for your service.

Our Appointive Grand Officers, and all of the escorts, have been incredible. We asked you to take a journey with us, to give up basically your freedom, your vacations, and your money to race through the state and beyond. I can only hope you have enjoyed this time as much as I have. I cannot imagine this year without each of you, and I know that with your help I will make it to The Winner's Circle. I love you all very, very much.

Sister Chris, I was honored when you accepted the offer given to you to be our Grand Marshal. You and Brother Simon have been important to not only Steve and I, but also this Grand Family. I love you and I promise that as you go through this Grand Line, we will all be there to support and help you whenever you call.

My Grand Pages, you have definitely been a magnificent group of men and women doing whatever we asked, when we asked, and never complaining. You have been the glue that has helped kept this session going and I love you all.

Sister Kim Cooke, I can never thank you enough for all you have done for me. Without a doubt, you are one of the examples of what we choose to see in members of our Order, and you do it all without recognition or praise. Thank you for being my very special friend, and I love you.

Sister Eileen Simmons, you have been so helpful to me since joining us, when I asked Steve and Glenda to start this journey. You and Kim have made a very special team that has truly been there anytime we need help and advice. Thank you, my friend, for all of your service not only this week as you take care of my book here in the East, but the years prior when you helped take on many of the tasks, including being the editor of our Dog and Pony Bulletin. I love you.

Grand Representatives: I thank you for being the ambassadors of our Order. We hope that each of you enjoys your commissions. Travel safely and keep the love of our Order alive throughout the world. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, you have been so fun to get to know as we have traveled this state, and I thank you for all that you have done to promote our order among our chapters. In many cases, you have thought outside the box and come up with

new and lasting ways to do things that benefit our order. It has been said “Don’t worry about failure, worry about the chances you miss when you don’t even try.” I thank you each of you for trying and commend you for getting up and trying again, even if you failed the first time.

Sisters Kathleen, Doris, Sue B., Janet, and Collette, thank you for giving me the tools I would need to lead this Order and the support and encouragement you continued to give me as I made the journey. Sister Collette, your box personality has definitely been the driving force behind my circle personality. Much like Scarlet O’Hara, I tend to think about tomorrow. You had the faith in me to take this incredible journey, and I thank you for appointing me your Grand Marshal. This session could not have happened without your love, support and advice, and I love you very much.

Ungava Chapter, you have given me your heart and encouragement throughout this five-year journey. I am coming home now. And even though I know I can never repay you for everything, please know that every day I will try.

Brother Steve and Sister Glenda, I have told you that the decision to ask you both to join me was not a difficult one. Both of you love and support this Order in so many wonderful ways. The hard part was finding a way of asking you and then spending time on my knees praying that you would say yes. Stu and I have enjoyed your friendship, and I hope that you know you will always be part of our family. Glenda, thank you for all you did for me behind the scenes. You are a humble and caring lady, and I am honored to call you my friend. Steve, I thank you for all the work you have done to keep us on track. It is immeasurable. I thank you especially for being the voice of reason when I, many times, go a little overboard with my ideas. You truly are the best. We have plenty left to do together, but Stu and I both hope that much of it involves time to socialize, maybe even become efficient at Trivial Pursuit. I love you all very much.

My family has been more than supportive when I took this journey. We have had incredible personal highs and incredible personal lows, but we have managed to survive with our deep family love. I thank them for everything and now promise to give back more than I received from each of them.

I have enjoyed being your Worthy Grand Matron for 2012, and am both humbled and honored that you thought to elect me to this position. Many times people would ask “How many days until Grand Chapter?” And I truly did not want to think about it. As my friend, Janet Vick, Junior Past Grand Matron of Nevada said: 260 days, 100 days, 50 days. Well, today is day zero. I wish the 2013 Grand Family a magical year, but tomorrow I begin counting again: Minus 1, minus 2, et cetera. This year has been an opportunity of a lifetime.

Sisters and Brothers, I have attempted to live my watchwords of humility, optimism, respect, sincerity and enthusiasm, as I progressed through the line to be your Worthy Grand Matron. I have tried to be more concerned with my character than my reputation. It is said that your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are. I want our Order to live, and to do that our members must live the fundamentals of our order and strive to accomplish the goals set forth each year.

George Bernard Shaw said "I dread success. To have succeeded is to have finished one's business on earth." Like the male spider, which is killed by the female counterpart the moment he has succeeded in courtship, I like a state of continual becoming with a goal in front and not behind. As we approach the finish line, I would leave you with one last message that I hope you will carry with you, as I will, into The Winner's Circle: "Surviving and living our life successfully requires courage. The goals and dreams we seek require courage and risk-taking." Learn from the turtle. It only makes progress when it sticks out its neck.

Farewell, my Sisters and Brothers, and I thank you all very much.

FAREWELL ADDRESS

(by Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron)

This past year has flown by so fast, I cannot believe that it's already Grand Chapter. Serving as your Worthy Grand Patron has truly been an honor for Glenda and I.

This journey started a little over three years ago when Sister Beverly and Brother Larry asked me to join their 2010 family as the Grand Sentinel. Being a Grand Officer was something that I have never planned or even thought of. When I was asked, I could not have been more surprised. I'm not sure if I was more surprised when they asked me or that I said "yes."

Beverly and Larry, I knew that being a Grand Officer was a huge commitment, but I never realized it would be this much fun. Your year was filled with compassion and dignity for our ritual, as well as raccoons and chipmunks. I learned that traveling in a caravan is fun, talking on the CB radio can be very interesting, and meeting and talking to all the members throughout the state is very enjoyable, and I really liked being Grand Sentinel. Sentinels rule.

I especially liked being keeping the Grand Warder on her toes.

That was also the year that our Sister Linda, our Grand Conductress at the time, cornered Glenda and I to ask the big question. Once again, I don't know when I was most shocked: being asked or when I was saying yes again. Trying to keep our big secret, while traveling with the Grand Family, made for a very exciting year.

Sister Kim and Brother Don, my big Sister and Brother, thank you for letting me share 2011 with your Grand Family. Once again, I was introduced to a fantastic group of people that made up their Grand Family. You did a wonderful job with elegance and a lot of bling. Watching you both gave me the chance to soak it all in, while planning for our year.

Linda and I were very busy that year with all of our duties as the Associate Grand Matron and the Associate Grand Patron. But this was also the time we got to start working on our Grand Family. We had ten positions to fill and the whole Order of California to pick from. I soon found it was not as easy as it sounds. There are so many deserving people to choose from. We are exceptionally blessed and fortunate that these dedicated Sisters and Brothers agreed to join our journey.

One of our biggest questions to pop was to the new Grand Marshal, Sister Chris. Not only were we asking her to join our family, we were asking her to possibly lead our Order in 2016. After spending this year with her and Brother Simon, I know that we are in good hands. I know that Sister Linda and I are looking forward to being her fraternal mom and dad, helping her and her guy the way our fraternal mom and dad helped us.

We also had to come up with a calendar for the upcoming year's events. I cannot remember how many hours Glenda, Linda and I spent with Collette, Jim, Cherri and Gary going over our calendar in Grand Chapter, but it was a lot.

We had the privilege to ask 42 enthusiastic Sisters to be our Deputy Grand Matrons. Some may not have been as enthusiastic as others in the beginning, but I know at the end we were all very excited with our year. They all exhibited dedication and love to our members and to the Order, while serving their districts with respect and dignity.

At the 2011 Grand Chapter, the members elected four other officers to serve during our year. Sister Maryann, once again, became our Grand Secretary, and Sister Tacy joined the family as Grand Treasurer. Our Conductresses, Sister Debbie and Sister Martha, were part of the Grand Line, but I never thought of them as anything but as a part of our family. I want to wish Sister Sarahann and Brother Art the best of luck for their year. They have selected a good group of Sisters and Brothers to make up their Grand Family. I also believe that Sister Linda Hoeser was a wonderful selection as the Grand Marshal. I know she will do well.

I never would have believed that this year would have meant so much to me. While attending the workshop, schools, and the official visits, I had a chance to meet so many people and to make so many new friends. I was able to observe their patriotism to our country and to the men and women who serve it. From the moment that Sister Linda and I revealed our special project, PAWS for

Purple Hearts, they threw themselves into raising funds for this noble cause. They bought PAWS pins, held fund-raisers in and outside their chapters, and made many of their themes for our official visits about service dogs or the military.

There were so many people that worked behind the scenes to make our year a success; I would never be able to list all. I do want to thank all the members of Suisun Chapter No. 2, and all the other members of the order who agreed to serve on one of the many committees. We would never have been able to keep the business of the Order on track, have the Festival at the Senior Living Community, had our special project or even the Grand Chapter session without them. I want to thank all the Sisters and Brothers that agreed to be my Grand Pages. Sister Eileen has served as my page for these last three years and became a personal assistant, as well as the editor off our Dog and Pony Show Bulletin. Brother Lloyd has been diligent to his duties these last two years sitting on the floor with me and being there when I needed him. Thank you all for your commitment. I am truly fortunate for your friendship.

This year would not have been possible without my wife Glenda, the good witch. She has been there since the beginning when I first agreed to be the Grand Sentinel. She wasn't just my traveling partner this year, she was there for all those late night meetings where we planned our calendar, picked our Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Matrons, and our Special Project. She even assisted with the Deputy School and the workshops by acting as the Worthy Matron. She would proofread all my speeches and helped where she could. She became a friend to Linda, Stu, the Grand Officers, their escorts, which helped me to make the family even closer. Glenda, thank you.

When I began my term as Worthy Grand Patron, several of the Past Grand Patrons pulled me aside and gave me one piece of advice: Be yourself. I took their advice and just acted like me. I wrote and gave the speeches the way the thought I would like to hear them if I were sitting in the audience, I made decisions that I felt were the best for our Order, I helped plan the year the way I thought would best serve the order in today's time, and I tried to make this the best possible year for our Grand Family. I hope that our members are pleased with the results.

And last, I would like to extend my thanks again to the Worthy Grand Matron for asking Glenda and I to join her on this great adventure. I'm in awe of her knowledge of our Order. You never forgot a name, and you never made me introduce the deputies. You truly are a wonderful person. You have made all these fantastic memories possible to all these members. Our friendships to you and Stu will last a lifetime.

At the end of each of my official visit speeches, I would honor our Veterans for their service to our country. At this time, I would like to ask all who are serving or who have served in any military capacity, or any family member of these heroes, to please stand at this time for recognition. May God bless you for all this service to our country.

Sisters and Brothers, thank you.

(California Singing Stars: "When You Wish Upon A Star")

(Tina Spriggs, Grand Organist: "Classical Gas")

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: We will be closing this session and later I will be saying this same thing that I just want to remind all of you to remain in your seats for the recessional. You will have plenty of time afterwards. We've gone pretty quickly through our legislation, we have gotten things done, and we do have a little extra time that I know that our vendors will appreciate, but they don't need to appreciate you until after we have retired. So please remain in your seats.

We will now close this session of our Grand Chapter. Immediately following the closing, there will be a recessional ceremony. We would appreciate it if you would remain in your seats during the recessional.

PRAYER

(by David Guggenbickler, Grand Chaplain)

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the blessings you have provided to us this day; we know that the friendships you have made will last a life time. The bonds of fraternal love and fellowship extend beyond these walls and reach throughout the world. Bless this Order that it may continue to grow and prosper, and let this great country know that we support the men and women who serve us with their lives. In Thy holy name we ask, Amen.

(The Grand Conductress attended the altar.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this Saturday morning session of the Grand Chapter of California, called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 1:30 PM, for our Masonic Family Honor session.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

RECESSIONAL

(by Collette Serio Gole, PGM, and Jim Whiteley, PGP)

Collette: To the 2012's, this year our Order has been filled with a vision that was bright. It was shared with the members as you guided, with the sincerity that was just right. You served with joy and enthusiasm as you led us all. Today as we close this session, your journey, we will, with fondness, recall.

Linda, you began your travels with watchword initials, spelling "horse." There were competitions aplenty around the racetrack, of course. Appropriately, "Running for the Roses" was a popular theme, you know. California has winners in both her and Steve.

Jim: Steve began with a patriotic salute to the Navy where he navigated with pride. His selection of the fouled anchor and shield meant God's space would be our guide. His mascot, Sparky the Dalmatian, helped watch over the state. With positive purpose he was compatible, and with Mz Bee Haven, he did rate. You both inspire with your leadership, with courtesy and promptness too, your Paws for Purple Hearts inspired us with an impact in all we do.

Collette: Sister Linda, you will once again lead your team and travel around the Grand Chapter floor.

Jim: Joined by Steve, you will greet your officers once more.

(Rebecca Miller, PM (96/300) & Lauren Maiman
Derryberry (245), "I'll Be Seeing You,")

Collette: And now as your escorts join you, it is time to say farewell, and no better way can be found than to recall your angelic ways and look to the heavens, as well as places earthbound.

(Donald Snyder, Jr. PGP (21/651), "I Believe There Are Angels Among Us")

Jim: The symbols of their office, the badges each Grand Officer wore. They retire them with honor to the sacred altar in the center of the Grand Chapter floor.

Collette: Each 2012 Grand Officer has earned a place in our heaven for their eternity. They have proudly served our Eastern Star, truly angelic examples of our fraternity. The badges are symbols of that service; each has earned their wings and a halo so bright.

As your office is called, please place your badge on the altar.

Jim: The badge of the Sentinel, Protection; the badge of the Warder, Peace;

Collette: The badge of Electa, Charity; the badge of Martha, Hope; the badge of Esther, Purity; the badge of Ruth, Constancy; the badge of Adah, Fidelity; the badge of the Organist, Harmony; the badge of the Marshal, Direction.

Jim: The badge of the Chaplain, Devotion.

Collette: The badge of the Associate Grand Conductress, Leadership; the badge of the Conductress, Fulfillment, the badge of the Treasurer, Security; the badge of the Secretary, Intelligence.

Jim: The badge of the Associate Patron, Guidance.

Collette: The badge of the Associate Matron, Light.

Jim: The badge of the Worthy Patron, Fraternity.

Collette: The badge of the Worthy Matron, Authority.

Each of you are special angels. We will long remember the path you took this year. Our Grand Chapter thanks you for your service and “we will always love you.”

(Donald Snyder, Jr. PGP (21/651), "I Will Always Love You")



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**2012 “THE WINNER’S CIRCLE” SESSION
SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 20, 2012
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA**

**MASONIC FAMILY HONOR SESSION
“REAL HEROES DON’T WEAR CAPES”**

1:30 PM Entrance of Flag Bearers

Escort of Hostess: Kathleen MacDonald, Past Grand Matron

Kathleen MacDonald, PGM: Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor of presenting Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. Members will unite with me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to present Sister Kathleen MacDonald, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. Members will join me in extending the Grand Honors to our Past Grand Matron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Kathleen MacDonald, Past Grand Matron: Sister Linda, it gives me a great deal of pride and honor to present to you your gavel to use on this very special Masonic Family session afternoon. I know that you will use it with a lot of pride and a lot of love as you preside this afternoon.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Sister Kathleen; that means a lot to me.

**ESCORT OF MASTER OF CEREMONIES AND
CHAIRMEN OF THE MASONIC FAMILY HONOR SESSION**

I have the pleasure to present Sister Katharine Shira, Past Matron, our Master of Ceremonies for this afternoon; and Sister Kimberly Shira, Past Matron; and Brother David Shira, Past Patron, Delta Star Chapter No. 639, our chairpersons of the Masonic Family Honor session.

I proclaim this Saturday afternoon session of the Grand Chapter called from refreshment to labor. Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

ESCORT OF LIAISONS TO THE MASONIC YOUTH GROUPS

Kimberly Shira, PM (639): Norman Schwartzkopf said “It doesn’t take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men that goes into battle.” Thank you for your continued service to our youth groups. It is with pleasure that I present the liaisons to the International Order of Rainbow for Girls in California, Leslie Nicholson, and the liaison to Job’s Daughters International in California, Catie McQuater.

November 11, Veteran’s Day also known as Armistice Day, was known as a day to commemorate the end of World War I, which ended at the eleventh hour, on the eleventh day, of the eleventh month.

Sister Linda and Brother Steve, the work you have done this year to promote Paws for Purple Hearts in support of our veterans is truly awe-inspiring.

ESCORT OF GRAND MASTER OF MASONIC IN CALIFORNIA

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sisters and Brothers, Masonic Family members and friends, I have the honor to introduce the Most Worshipful John F. Lowe, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California, Free & Accepted Masons, and his wife Becky.

Felix Adler said “The hero is one who kindles a great light in the world, who sets up blazing torches in the dark streets of life for me to see by.” Thank you for your efforts to bring the light of masonry to the world. It is a pleasure to have you here today. Sisters and Brothers, you will greet Brother John with a hearty welcome.

FLAG PRESENTATION

Kimberly Shira, PM (639): For more than 200 years, the American Flag has been a symbol of our nation’s unity, as well as a source of pride and inspiration for millions of citizens. Born on June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress determined that the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternating between seven red and six white, and that the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation. Between 1776 and 1960, the shape and design of the flag evolved into the flag presented before you today. The 13 horizontal stripes represent the original 13 colonies, while the stars represent the 50 states of the union.

The colors of the flag are symbolic as well: Red symbolizes hardiness and valor, white signifies purity and innocence, and blue represents vigilance, perseverance and justice.

Traditionally a symbol of liberty, the American Flag has carried a message of freedom and inspired Americans both at home and abroad. Since 1776, no generation of Americans has been spared the responsibility of defending freedom. Today's armed forces remain committed to preserving the freedom that others won for us for generations to come.

In the armed forces of the United States, at the ceremony of retreat each night, the flag is lowered, folded in a triangle fold, and kept under watch throughout the night as a tribute to our nation's honored dead. The next morning, the flag is carried out and at the ceremony of reveille, run aloft as a symbol of our belief in the resurrection and immortality.

In honor of the 13 original colonies and our forefathers who founded this great nation, we salute you. To the men who died in the war of independence and the families who sacrificed their fathers, husbands, and sons, we salute you. To those men who fell in the war of 1812 to preserve our freedom, we salute you. To the brave soldiers on both sides, the north and the south, in the Civil War, we salute you. To those who shed their blood in the name of hope and freedom in the Great War, we salute you. For our fathers and sons who died in the terrible battles of World War II, Pearl Harbor, Midway, Battle of the Bulge, Iwo Jima, Guadalcanal, Normandy, and Berlin, we salute you. To the men of the First Marine Division, who in a rear guard action at the Chosin Reservoir in Korea, saved the battalion and their lives of their brothers in green, we salute you. For our commander in chief, who leads our nation in good times and bad, we salute you. For the brave men and women of our armed forces who died on the fields of fire in Vietnam, and whose names will live on forever on that wall, we salute you.

For the men and women in harm's way, working to extend the arm of liberty, we salute you. To the men and women of our armed forces, the arsenal of democracy and the hammer of justice, we salute you. And last to freedom, because without freedom there is no honor; without honor, we are not Americans; and that as long as this flag flies, we salute you.

The flag of the United States of America represents who we are. It stands for the freedom we all share and the pride patriotism we feel for our country. We cherish its legacy as a beacon of hope to one and all. Long may it wave.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I have the pleasure to introduce the Honor Guard for our Flag Ceremony:

Sister Gretchen Deitrich, Lieutenant Colonel, Active Duty, United States Air Force, and a member of Ungava Chapter; and

Brothers Randall Cady, Command Sergeant Major, Active Duty, Army National Guard; and Steve Johnson, Retired Chief Petty Officer, United States Coast Guard.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Did you know that as of 2009, there were 21.9 million veterans in the United States? We would like to extend a great thank-you to our veterans and active duty military for their service to our country.

It is an honor to welcome our Masonic Family to a “Real Heroes Don’t Wear Capes” session this afternoon. Thank you for your attendance and for sharing this afternoon with us.

Sister Kathleen, our Past Grand Matron, we’d be pleased to have your address of welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(By Kathleen MacDonald, PGM)

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Linda, Worthy Grand Patron Brother Steve, Most Worshipful John F. Lowe, Grand Master of Masons; Distinguished and Honored Members of all segments of our Fraternal Family, Sisters, Brothers, and Friends:

My sincere thank-you to Sister Linda and Brother Steve for setting aside this special time to honor our Masonic Family and for asking me to be the hostess for this session. Sister Linda, you are a part of my Masonic Family, as you served as a Worthy Matron first in 1995.

Today, as we recognize the representatives of our Masonic organizations, we are around to join together to show our support and appreciation for our great Masonic Family. Most Worshipful John F. Lowe, we are honored by your presence, as you represent the Masonic fraternity from which the heritage of our Masonic Family is derived. We welcome you and wish you much success in your coming year as Grand Master of Masons in California.

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome all of the representatives of our Masonic Family organizations and we thank you for spending the afternoon with our Eastern Star members. A very special part of our Masonic Family is our youth groups, and it is with much pride that I welcome these outstanding young people.

We, the members of the Order of the Eastern Star, represent the past and present of our Masonic Family. You, the members of our youth groups, represent the present and the future. We look forward to turning the reins of leadership over to you, our very capable youth leaders, trusting that you will continue to cherish the heritage of the past and forge ahead to build on it in a future for a better tomorrow.

The Masonic Family has been a very important part of my life. My parents were active in the Masonic Lodge and in Eastern Star, and I joined Job’s Daughters Bethel No. 233 when I was in the eighth grade, just yesterday. The training I received in Job’s Daughters prepared me to be a good Eastern Star member, and has helped me throughout my lifetime.

The youth are very special to me, as my career has been spent working with high school students for the last 49 years. I was a business education teacher for 30 years and for the last 19 years I have been the vice principal in charge of student activities at Wilcox High School in Santa Clara. We do have some graduates from Wilcox here.

I know how important scholarships are to our young people. The Order of the Eastern Star has an outstanding Scholarship Program in which we reward the hard work of our deserving youth. I strongly encourage you to apply for one of our scholarships at the end of your senior year of high school and also as you continue with your college education. We value you and are eager to help you with your college expenses. Our scholarship application can be found on our Eastern Star Web site.

Once again, the Order of the Eastern Star welcomes all of the members of the Masonic Family. Have a wonderful afternoon.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Kathleen, I thank you for welcoming us this afternoon at the Masonic Family Honor session. You have spent many years influencing the lives of the students at your high school, as well as the numerous hours you have spent in dedication to our fraternal families, and I cannot think of a better person to be our hostess this afternoon.

As I went up the line in my own chapter to be one of your 1995 Worthy Matrons, you taught me that the way you treat people is what they will remember about you, as well as the importance of working as a team. You led with grace, charm and enthusiasm, and I admire you for all you have done for me, as well as everyone whose life you have touched. Your support throughout these many years has been invaluable, and I love you for always being my friend.

I have a secret I'd like to get off my chest. Are you ready? The name of the Superman secret headquarters is The Fortress of Solitude. That feels a lot better, but not as good as hearing from our Super Singing Stars.

(California Singing Stars: "Patriotic Medley")

ESCORT OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sister Grand Conductress, you will escort the Grand Lodge Officers to the East. Most Worshipful Brother Lowe, would you please introduce your officers.

John F. Lowe, Grand Master: Well, you'll notice the big guy that's my body-guard; this is our Junior Grand Steward, Richard Fonseca. Next to him is the guy that guards me with the sword all the time; that would be Mark Newman. And then the guy that also sits by the door, just like the Warder in a chapter room, this is Ron Schemm, our Grand Pursuivant. And then the guy with the really curly windy sword that you never want to get stuck by, that would be Arthur Porter on the end there.

My right-hand man and Grand Marshal, Bill O'Brien. One of our Assistant Grand Lecturers, Ricky Lawler; another Assistant Grand Lecturer, Lynn Wallingford; another Assistant Grand Lecturer from, I don't know, someplace in the central valley, Cline "Cub" Jack, I think most of you know him. My Senior Grand Deacon, Tom Melugin. And then there on the end is our Senior Steward, Ron Salda.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sisters, Brothers and Friends, please join me in giving a greeting to these Grand Lodge officers.

ESCORT OF PAST GRAND MASTERS

I have the honor of presenting Most Worshipfuls R. Steven Doan, Richard Hopper, and William J. Bray III, Past Grand Masters of Masons of California.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Look up in the sky. It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Superman. No, it's the leaders of our Masonic Youth Groups.

ESCORT OF LEADERS OF THE MASONIC YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Sisters and Brothers, I have the honor to introduce the leaders of our Masonic Youth Groups.

Gene Hackman said, "The difference between a hero and a coward is one step sideways." Thank you for leading our young people in the right direction. As you are introduced, you will please introduce the officers with you. Lauren Benko, Grand Bethel Honored Queen, Job's Daughters International; Jessica Anthony, Miss California Job's Daughter, Job's Daughters International.

Sister Lauren, please introduce your Grand Officers that are present.

Lauren Benko, Grand Bethel Honored Queen: I have the pleasure of introducing Miss Clara Flores, Grand Bethel Junior Princess, Past Honored Queen, Bethel 50, Lomita; Miss Heather Goodrich, Grand Bethel Treasurer, Past Honored Queen, Bethel 273; Miss Colleen Kelley, Grand Bethel Outer Guard, Past Honored Queen, Bethel No. 300, Santa Rosa.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Ms. Shelby Zimmerman, Grand Worthy Advisor, International Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Shelby Zimmerman, Grand Worthy Advisor: It is my honor to introduce Jessica Fallon, Grand Worthy Associate Advisor; Nichollette Clark, Recorder and Representative to Maryland and West Virginia; Rachel Tower, Treasure and Representative to Maine and Massachusetts; Allison Davidson, Love and Representative to Indiana and Kentucky; Renee Trimarchi, Fidelity and Representative to Alaska and Hawaii; Patricia Armstrong, Confidential Observer and Representative to Kansas and Nebraska; Terena Goode, Outer Observer and Representative to Oklahoma and Texas; and Jade Ho, Circulation Manager and Representative to Oregon and Brazil.

The following are members of the Grand Executive Committee: Nicole Patterson, California Flag Bearer and Representative to Italy and Michigan; Rachel Trickett, Christian Flag Bearer and Representative to Aruba, Florida, and Tennessee; Haley Jeffries, Rainbow Flag Bearer and Representative to Canada, New Hampshire, and Vermont; Rebecca Lawler, Dean of the Grand Cross of Color and Representative to Connecticut and Rhode Island; and Katie Starkey, Historian and Representative to South Carolina and Virginia.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Eliseo Paniagua, Jurisdictional Master Councilor, Northern California DeMolay, please introduce your officers present.

Eliseo Paniagua, Master Councilor: I'd like to introduce the Northern California DeMolay Association Sweetheart, Miss Ellen Conners.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Christopher Baker, Jurisdictional Master Councilor, Southern California DeMolay.

Christopher Baker, Master Councilor: It's a great privilege that I present the Southern California Jurisdictional DeMolay Officers. Brother Kevin Gonzales, Jurisdiction Deputy Master Councilor, Brother Caleb Elston, Jurisdictional Congress Secretary; the radiant Caitlin Tabrisky, Jurisdiction Sweetheart; and the lovely Miss Jayme Specker, Jurisdiction Princess.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sisters and Brothers, please join me in welcoming the leaders of our Masonic Youth Organizations.

ESCORT OF ADULT LEADERS OF THE MASONIC YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Without the support and tutoring of Sharon, Hercules may never have become the hero we know him as today. Thank you for tutoring our young leaders so they may be our heroes of the future.

It is indeed my pleasure to introduce Sister Sara Lee Martin, Supreme Inspector, International Order of Rainbow for Girls; Cathy Sieber-Lowe, Grand Guardian of California Job's Daughters International; Jeff Matlack, Associate Grand Guardian, Job's Daughters International; Michael Salazar, Executive Officer, Jurisdiction of Northern California DeMolay; Victor Key, Executive Officer, Jurisdiction of Southern California DeMolay.

We thank these leaders for all of the work they have done with our youth, and I am pleased to invite them to stay with us in the East.

ESCORT OF LEADERS OF CONCORDANT AND APPENDANT MASONIC BODIES

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Everyone is a hero in their own story if you look. Thank you for your service to the Masonic Family.

I have the honor to introduce Susan Wallace, Grand Royal Matron, Order of the Amaranth in California, and Brother Paul R. Wright Jr., Grand Royal Patron; Bonnie Gordon, Queen, Sharon Temple No. 92, Daughters of the Nile; Gary Spriggs, Grand King, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California; Mrs. Lynn Olson, Grand President, Order of the Golden Slipper; Greg Hall, Grand Sword Bearer, representing the Grand Commander, Grand Commandry of the Star of California; Richard Williamson, Past National Commander, National Sojourners; Michael D. Nella, Potentate, Tehran Shrine; Michael Cornell, Potentate, Aahmes Shrine, and State Rainbow Dad; George Geonoulis, representing Al Bahr Shrine of San Diego.

Sisters and Brothers, please join me in welcoming these Distinguished and Honored Guests again.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Terry Holts, please give the scholarship report at this time.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

(by Terry Holts, PGP)

It gives me great pleasure to present the Scholarship Committee members for 2012: Alan White, Sandy Morrey, Brenda Hansen-Smith, and Nancy Bay. This is an outstanding group who worked very hard to complete our tasks, but we had a lot of fun along the way. I would like to thank the Worthy Grand Matron, Linda Bernhard, for asking me to serve as Chairman of this Scholarship Committee in 2012. Thank you, also, to Past Grand Matron, Collette Gole, for appointing me to this committee five years ago.

I, and all of the committee members, continue to be amazed at the quality of the students who apply for our scholarships. With few exceptions, they not only earned outstanding grades, but they also spent endless hours with school and community activities, as well as volunteer work and part-time jobs. One wonders how they find the time to do all that they do and to be so very successful at it.

This year the amount of money that might normally have been expected for scholarships was bolstered by the returns from the 2011 Special Project of Sister Kim Hegg, Past Grand Matron, and Brother Don Snyder, Past Grand Patron, as well as the interest from the Chandler bequest. Because of these and other funds, we were able to award more than \$90,000 in scholarships.

We received a grand total of 363 applications and awarded 127 scholarships as follows: the General Fund, 84 scholarships, totaling \$55,500; the Chandler Fund, 28 scholarships, totaling \$22,500; the Thelma Bailey Fund, ten scholarships, totaling \$7,750; the Campbell-Dillon Fund, two scholarships, totaling \$2,000; the ESTARL program, two scholarships, totaling \$1,076; San Lorenzo Chapter, one scholarship, totaling \$1,020, and this includes \$820 from the chapter, from San Lorenzo Chapter and \$200 from the General Fund.

Thank you to all who contributed to this worthwhile project. There are many deserving students who depend on financial support from scholarship programs, such as ours, to meet their educational goals. The very large number of thank-you notes received from the recipients is a testament to their appreciation.

Thank you, also, for the help from the staff of the Grand Chapter Office, as well as those who helped with scholarship presentation. The 2013 version of the scholarship application is now available to students on the Grand Chapter Web site, which if you didn't know it is www.oescal.org.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you, Brother Terry, and your committee. This is an exceptional committee. So many promising students have been able to get a higher education because of our help, and we applaud the membership for all you have done to increase this fund.

There's no need to fear, Underdog is here. But it looks like he stepped in some paint. Oh, no, he has Purple Paws.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: No, that's not Underdog. It must be the dogs from PAWS for Purple Hearts, our state service project.

Sisters Suzanne and Kathy, we would love to hear more about this program.

Suzanne Gallichio, PM (2): First, I would like to introduce the following representatives that are here with us this afternoon from Paws for Purple Hearts. Bob Porter, Chief Executive Officer, from Washington, DC, who flew in just for this event; Gail Flatt, Paws for Purple Hearts, Board Chairman; Sandra Carson, a therapeutic instructor in Menlo Park, and her dog Elaine — you'll be seeing more from her in a minute; Bill Smith, our veteran, and his dog Venuto; and Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Kemp from the Army National Guard, and his dog Daisy.

REPORT ON THE SPECIAL PROJECT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON

(by Suzanne Gallichio, PM (2) and Kathy Johnson, PM (106))

Suzanne: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and the Members of California Eastern Star: It is with great honor, pride, and enthusiasm that Sister Kathy Johnson, southern chairman, and I present this report on your 2012 Special Project, PAWS for Purple Hearts. We haven't said final report, because we hope that the relationship now established between California Eastern Star and Paws for Purple Hearts will continue into the future by the various 2012 associations, and still surviving some type of service in their communities long after this year has concluded.

Kathy and I have been dog gone proud and honored to spread the word about PAWS for Purple Hearts to our members up and down this state. We know when choosing a project you wanted something that would encompass your passion for our military, to support the General Grand Chapter Service Dog

Program, and most importantly allow for a way for our local chapters to reach out to their communities by ways of service or fund-raising. But we don't think any of us truly knew just how much our members would embrace this project with their enthusiasm, dedication, hearts, and of course wallets.

Up and down the state, Kathy and I have witnessed a variety of ways that our members took part on this project. From many a coin march donation to many breakfasts, lunches and dinners -- can anyone say "pawsgheitti" — to selling their own homemade items, to donating profits from their small businesses, to USO shows, to various fun events and more. This jurisdiction took on this project and literally pawed their way through the year.

Kathy and I would like to express to you our deep gratitude for giving us this "pawsitively" extreme honor. We are so proud to have had this opportunity to announce to our members what their heartfelt efforts have accomplished, and to present with love and admiration these monies to PAWS for Purple Hearts. We hope that California Eastern Star will long be remembered as one of the biggest supporters of all they do for our many veterans who suffer from posttraumatic stress disorder, as well as the physical trauma received while defending our country. And always remember the power of the paw.

At this time, I would like to invite Sandy Carlson up here so she can give a brief demonstration for you all about the dogs. Come on up, Sandra.

Sandra Carlson: Hi. My name is Sandra. I am the trainer over in Menlo Park, Paws for Purple Hearts. This is Elaine. She is still in training, so she's not quite finished yet. What I do is I teach the veterans that have PTSD, or posttraumatic stress disorder, to train these service dogs. They will eventually go to a disabled vet, somebody with physical limitations. So not only do the veterans that receive the dog get benefits, but the trainers actually get benefits.

I hear even people, the veterans that are in this program, that don't even train, that reside with the dog trainer how much joy that the dog just brings by being at the facility. So it's wonderful, and I thank you so much for inviting me.

I'm going to show you a couple of things that she is still learning, so bear with me. She may have a little bit of stage fright. We do teach them to pick items up off the ground, things like that. I'm going to show you reading cards, and it's just to keep them, keep their brain going, to keep their brain stimulated and wanting to work. It's to help them think about things. So she, knock on wood, she has not seen any of these — we have not worked with this, so I don't know how well she's going to do. But I don't teach her, I don't tell her what I want her to do; I want her to think about it.

So the card is a picture of a dog sitting. So again I'm just going to tell her, I'm going to ask her what it says and to have her think about what it says before she does it. So I'm going to do a word, a word that says "sit." Can everyone see me?

One more, I will do one more, not a card, I'm going to try to get her to pick up the water bottle off of the floor. And again remember she's still in training, just in case.

All right. Elaine, get it. Good girl.

Kathy: Before we go any further, the members of Ungava Chapter would like to make a presentation to Linda, please. Sister Linda, the members of Ungava Chapter are extremely proud and impressed and we are excited with your project for this year, and so we would like to present to you a check for \$2,000 from the chapter for PAWS.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: My Worthy Matron, Cara, thank you so much for this presentation. Ungava Chapter, I have told you before how wonderful you are. I say it again, you are the most loving, caring people and you know how much this is going to mean to this project.

Suzanne Gallichio, PM (2): So I know everyone is just dying to know what the total is, right? Okay, so hang on just a second. We're going to ask Elaine to do one more trick for us and hopefully she'll be cooperative in that, so that you can see what the total is: \$80,000!

As you all know, we were hoping for \$75,000 so that we would have five dogs. And to the members of California and beyond, thank you so much for your generosity and all of your hard work. I love you all.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Suzanne and Kathy, you're right, we didn't want a real goal because we'd be disappointed if we didn't make it. But we thought, "Well, why not try to buy one dog for every heroine we have in our Order. And you, the members, have surpassed that goal. So we will have five new dogs for these veterans, and we thank you very much.

Suzanne Gallichio, PM (2): Bob and Gail, would you like to make some remarks at this time? I hope they were as surprised as I was this morning.

Bob Porter: You know, Johnny Carson used to have an interesting line on his show. He said "You never wanted to follow a cute animal act or a large amount of money," so here I am.

First of all, thank you so much for the love that you have shown Paws for Purple Hearts this past year. It's truly been an amazing experience for me, working with Glenda and Steve, with Suzanne and Kathy, my cohorts in this great journey, and they have certainly put more miles on their car than Ford and GM ever envisioned. I really hope that the four of you can take some time off and enjoy spending a weekend in your homes for a change, maybe the first time this year, because you certainly deserve it.

You know, we couldn't simply continue our mission — and it's a very important mission — without the support, caring and, yes, the financial commitment of organizations like Eastern Star. The gift you give us today will allow us to move forward with our mission to bring even more service dogs to our wounded warriors who pay the price in so many ways for the freedoms we enjoy today. To all of our veterans and active duty military here today, we salute you and we thank you.

I want to give a special recognition to two of our Army US Veterans, Bill Smith and his PPH service dog Venuto, who I think you have seen earlier, and Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Kemp with the Illinois Army National Guard, and one of the PPH's newest service dogs in training, Daisy. Thank you, gentleman.

In closing, I want to leave you with one thought. The mission for Paws for Purple Hearts will not end as long as there is one wounded warrior who needs a service dog. Every day more wounded warriors come home from places with strange names like Afghanistan and Iraq, hoping to rebuild their bodies and their lives. We stand ready to support them, and it is through the love and generosity of the members of the organization that we can continue to do our mission.

Suzanne Gallichio, PM (2): And we are still collecting, so we still would be more than happy for you to continue shopping at our table and we will continue to take those nice little coinages and greenbacks for as long as you are willing to dig into your wallets.

Thank you again, Sister Linda and Brother Steve. On behalf of Kathy and I, we say "Thank You" for this honor.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Sister Linda and I want to thank Sisters Suzanne and Kathy again, our chairpersons for Paws, for what they have done and all of our speakers here today. But who I want to thank the most is you, the Sisters and Brothers of our Order who are sitting in this auditorium and all of the rest of the state. You are the ones who did this, you are the ones who put the loose change in the deputies' PAWS piggy banks, you are the ones who bought all of those pins, you are the ones who had those USO dinners throughout the state, you are the ones that had those spaghetti dinners.

It's you who raised this \$80,000, it's you that's going to help provide those five or more service dogs to those deserving men and women of our military. So I congratulate you, the members of the Order of the Eastern Star in California.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Thank you. Kitty Kelley said, "A hero is someone we can admire without apology."

Shelby, we would love to hear from you at this time.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND WORTHY ADVISOR

(by Shelby Zimmerman, Grand Worthy Advisor)

Grand Matron, Sister Linda; Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Steve; Distinguished and Honored Guests, Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of California Rainbow: Thank you for having me at your Grand Chapter session. It is truly an honor to be here.

When I was younger, I wanted to do everything that my older brother did. He liked to read comic books and watch Super Heroes. Being the little sister who followed him around, I would pretend to like Super Heroes just so he would hang out with me. I remember having to listen to him talk for days about Spider-Man who was an ordinary person, but was bitten by a spider and now has these amazing powers.

Eventually, he got tired of that and moved onto things like Batman and Iron Man. These were the heroes I liked, because they were ordinary people who had an extraordinary desire to help others and used special powers to do this.

As my brother became older, he became less interested in Super Heroes and focused more on people who have made an impact on his life. Still being the little sister, who wants to be like her older brother, I have done the same. I often think about people in my life who have made a difference to me.

I recently became a member of Concord Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and part of the reason I chose to join there is because I know firsthand how supportive they are of the youth groups. I frequently see members of this chapter at events for both Concord and Diablo Valley Rainbow Assemblies, and one of their members is California Rainbow's State Dad this year. Many chapters do the same thing for the youth groups as my chapter does. Crystal and San Clemente Saddleback Chapters include Rainbow in their monthly newsletter. Simi Valley Chapter supports us by attending meeting and fundraisers and providing advisory board members. Legacy Chapter, formerly La Sierra Venus, held a youth dinner in the spring, where they raised money to support the local Masonic youth groups.

Many chapters include individual reports on their youth group events at each chapter meeting. To California Rainbow, you are our heroes. You support us when we are in youth groups and then welcome us as your Sisters and Brothers. You are ordinary people who do extraordinary things for the Masonic youth and expect nothing in return.

As I look out into this room today, I do not see a room full of people with superpowers, but I do see a room full of heroes.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Shelby, on behalf of California Eastern Star, we like to present Rainbow with this check to go toward your service project.

Lise Hand said “That’s what it takes to be a hero, a little gem of innocence inside you that makes you want to believe that there still exists a right and wrong, and that decency will triumph in the end.”

Jessica, we would love to hear from you at this time.

ADDRESS OF THE MISS CALIFORNIA JOB’S DAUGHTER

(by Jessica Anthony, Miss California Job’s Daughter)

Worthy Grand Matron, Linda Bernhard; Worthy Grand Patron Steve Johnson; Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished East, Members, Families and Friends of the Masonic Family:

Thank you for allowing me to speak today on behalf of all the California Job’s Daughters. It truly is an honor to be the daughter liaison to the adult organizations of this Masonic Family, and I will treasure this moment for years to come.

When I joined Job’s Daughters, I admired the daughter leaders in my bethel. They were kind, gracious, and they were what I hoped that I could eventually become in Job’s Daughters. Those three girls in the East, whether they know it or not, are the main force behind who I am today.

As I went up the line, I began to notice and admire the adult leaders in Job’s Daughters for their devotion to the girls in the organization, as well as the continuous hard work they do to keep Job’s Daughters thriving.

Today, as Miss California Job’s Daughter, I admire the adult Masonic organizations for your service and dedication, not only to your youth counterparts, but also to your service and dedication to the betterment of the world.

The leaders of my bethel didn’t wear capes, at least not the Super Hero kind, and the adult leaders do not wear capes usually. And the members of the adult Masonic organizations don’t wear capes, but they are all still heroes.

How, how could these organizations generate so many heroes? We, the members of the Masonic Family, are unique in doing our part to make the world a better place through service and love. We, as a unit, provide aid to research, outreach to seniors and families, among various educational programs and assistance to local hospitals. Just this last weekend, Job’s Daughters raised approximately \$2,674.50 for the Children’s Hospital in Orange County, at the CHOC Walk, to support the children’s miracle network of hospitals this year.

You, the Order of the Eastern Star, undertake a variety of charities such as cancer assistance, the Benevolent Fund and the Disaster Fund for your members. Outside of the organization, you fund cancer and medical research, as well as the Grand Chapter Heart Fund. Also, you support to nonprofit organizations for patients in need of assistance through the Eastern Star Patient Comfort

Program. Not only that, but you reach out to your community by providing scholarships to students seeking higher education. When you provide that aid, when you provide that assistance, those scholarships, you become heroes of the world.

When we, the members of the Masonic Family, help that one person, any person, you may not be wearing a cape, but to them you become their Super Hero. Thank you.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Jessica, on behalf of the Order of the Eastern Star, we give this check to you to be used for your special project in Job's Daughters.

Jessica Anthony, Miss California Job's Daughter: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of Job's Daughters International California, we have a little token of our appreciation you have shown our Order. We traditionally give a little ceramic Job's Daughter, but she decided to sleep in this morning and missed her trip from Auburn.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: We do thank the Grand Bethel Honored Queen for giving this to us on behalf of Job's Daughters.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Benjamin Diraeli said "The legacy of heroes is the memory of a great name, and the inheritance of a great example." Jacques DeMolay gives us that kind of hero.

Eliseo, we would love to hear from you at this time.

**ADDRESS OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
DEMOLAY ASSOCIATION MASTER COUNCILOR**
(by Eliso Paniagua, Jurisdiction Master Councilor, NCDA)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Friends, Family and Guests:

On behalf of the Northern California DeMolay Association, I would like to thank you for having me here to speak today. I count it a privilege and an honor to speak to such ardent supporters of Masonic youth, and especially the wonderful supporters of Norcal DeMolay, who are celebrating its 50th anniversary at our annual convention this year, from November 23 to the 25th. Please accept my personal invitation to attend.

What is a hero? The dictionary defines a hero as a person who is admired for courageous or admirable qualities. So if you ask a child who a hero is, what will they say? I am almost willing to bet they would be Batman, Wonder Woman, Superman or many of the other countless super heroes that exist in movies, TV, and comics.

Well, what do these specific three, Batman, Wonder Woman and Superman have in common? Aside from being super heroes, they are all characters that inspire greatness in many. These three are defenders of good and strive to assure the safety and well-being of others

What's not to like about these characters? These three, and many other comic book heroes, are imaginary people that save countless lives, the ones of people who all ages look up to, the ones who inspire us to live to full potential.

But do we need imaginary people to help persuade us to live great lives? The theme from the Norcal DeMolay this year is "Time, Yielding the DeMolay Legacy," which means that members all over Norcal encountered numerous societies that changed the world forever: Spartans, Romans, Cavemen, to name a few. The people that we focused on were people that accomplished great things, by looking up to a hero of theirs, to change the world. They looked up to their captain, their emperor, their king, their queen, their whomever it was, all heroes to these to these societies.

I realize that those times have changed. We still look up to people, rather heroes, that help motivate us. As a DeMolay, I look up to Jacques DeMolay, who was the last Grand Master of the Knights Templar, a hero for his fidelity to his brethren and the trust they repose in him. But not all heroes need a special title, special power, or even a cape.

My hero includes my brother who was born without a heart and lives to the fullest, the adults of masonry, like the members of my soon to be chapter, Stockton Oaks No. 50, who help lead us, the youth, into a prosperous and great future, and above all the members of this Masonic Family that protect us.

Just this year, Norcal DeMolay had the privilege of having Brother Colin Chang, Master Mason and active DeMolay from Peninsula Chapter, serve as Senior Councilor of the jurisdiction before he was accepted into the West Point Academy.

Numerous DeMolay, Rainbow for Girls, and Job's Daughters have gone to serve our country in the noblest way possible by giving their lives in defense of our country. Those are our heroes. And because of you and all that you do to support them, they continue to do their best. Thank you so much for everything that you do.

Looking around the room I don't see too many capes, and even then the capes are just for looks. I look around and see heroes. Whether you serve for our country or not, you are still a hero. You are a hero to the youth you support here in California and in the entire world.

Thank you so much for all that you do for us, and I hope your new state officers will continue to carry on your marvelous fidelity toward youth and incredible patriotism for our country.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Eliseo, again on behalf of the Order of the Eastern Star, we would like to present you with this check to go towards the Northern California DeMolay service project.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Bob Riley said “Hard times don’t create heroes. It is during the hard times when the hero within us is revealed.”

Christopher, we would love to hear from you at this time.

**ADDRESS OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
JURISDICTION MASTER COUNCILOR**

(by Chris Baker, SCJ Master Councilor)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of Grand Chapter, Honored Guests and Friends:

On behalf of the Southern California Jurisdiction, Order of DeMolay, I thank you for the honor and privilege to be able to address you at this session of Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

Our Masonic heritage has bestowed upon us many virtues. Looking amongst this sea of people, I can see many bright smiles. The Order of DeMolay has many virtues, but two principles shine the most here: Honor and True Respect for Womanhood.

Since the beginning of time, honor has been recognized in many cultures and our Masonic Family is no different. We show appreciation in forms of awards and frequently in conversation. The real honor is in our hearts and souls. Awards are nice, but not necessary for us to do good deeds. We are taught to be honorable by helping others in our everyday lives.

This has been proven by our service to the community, including canned food, can tabs, and clothing drives. We’re even adding Christmas Caroling and toy drives this year. But these are just the side projects. Our most honorable service that Eastern Star Associations and DeMolay believes is the Relay For Life. Your progress with Paws for Purple Hearts and Relay for Life is inspiring. I want to mention that in California DeMolay’s Relay for Life, we have raised the most money, compared to any three states in DeMolay International, every part where a family has a service project, and we are happy to contribute to the cancer fight together, making a difference and building hope for countless families.

Respect is another big part in our lives of Masonic Youth. DeMolay give others their own right to their opinion, while reserving our judgment. We know that giving a voice to every member provides us with the best possible solutions. More importantly than all of this, we appreciate womanhood, those that have brought us into the world. It is a common statement that behind every

successful man is a woman. This is true. I have many women who have made an impact on my life. I have a woman who provides food and shelter, one that pushes me to my limits to always make sure I'm doing the best that I can and many who are the best support system I have ever had.

In DeMolay we have a special ceremony, the Flower Talk, honoring all womanhood, and I highly recommend that you have it not only to help the young men, but to also show that their basic obligations we have as DeMolays are to advocate a strong love and respect for all womanhood.

Right now, we're going to do a hand exercise. I'd like to see a show of hands if your chapter has ever had a DeMolay set up for your meeting room. Keep your hands up. Add hands for those who have been served by a DeMolay in a DeMolay service. Lastly, raise your hand if a DeMolay has impressed you in any way.

The essence of learning respect is passed down from parent to sibling or mentor to student. Your raised hands demonstrate small tokens of respect that we learn through service and interaction with others. What I've come to learn is the most respect of all is to pass down everything you can do for the future. What good are our accomplishments today if no one will be there to remember them or to even benefit from them? That is why the youth leaders are here, as a reminder of the transformation of that hope you, as mothers, grant to us. I have continually passed down lessons I have learned from Freemasonry and Eastern Star. You can see the benefit that I have received and that's capable with any youth, when you give them what you have always wanted, your own advice.

Perhaps we all wish we could go back in time and change a part of our life for the better. In this lifetime, that's highly unlikely. However, there is another option. By providing your knowledge and time to our future, they may avoid mistakes and become the most successful representations of your life. This will keep our youth on the right path to the race of success.

You may or may not have children; but in DeMolay, we feel the blessing displayed by your interest in our future. Whichever way you find for the youth orders, you will see the impact on the world, such as those shown in our charity world. By becoming an advisor, you create leaders that will focus on national issues in their lifetime, ensuring that little or no burden will be passed on to the next generation, a dream we all wish for our children.

Each one of us, believe it or not, has a generation to follow. Your involvement in our lives with the countless, thoughtful, healing and help with things, which somehow only mothers know how to do, give us the affection that we need to prosper as characters.

The SCJ Officers and I are grateful for our mothers, as well as the Order of Eastern Star, our Masonic mom's. You are ensuring a successful world by taking the time to guide one youth at a time. I want to thank you heroes for being a force for good in our future. And my theme for this year is Star Wars, brotherhood of the force, the hope of a bright tomorrow.

May the force be with you, as you continue to make a difference in the world.

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Christopher, on behalf of the Order of the Eastern Star, it is my privilege to present you this check to be used for the Southern DeMolay service project.

And just so all of you youth groups know, everybody in this room has been buying your little flags for our patriotic day and all of the proceeds of those flags will be divided between the youth groups and be presented later.

The heroes of today started in the same place you are now, encouraging their comrades to great deeds of leadership and service. Thank you for your service, your dedication, and the love you obviously have for the Masonic Family.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Superman lives by the words of Truth, Justice and the American way, but many of us live by words of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

Most Worshipful Brother Lowe, we would be honored to hear from you at this time.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER OF MASONS IN CALIFORNIA

(by Most Worshipful John F. Lowe, Grand Master)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, first of all, thank you for inviting your Grand Lodge Officers to be here today, and I want to thank you for all the courtesies shown to myself, my wife up there, and to the officers who accompanied us here today.

Well, my Sisters and Brothers, and Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters and DeMolay Brothers, isn't this a great time to be part of the family of Freemasonry? Up and down the state, we see assemblies and bethels, and chapters, and councils, and lodges growing. Up and down the state we see assemblies and bethels, and chapters, and councils, and lodges making a difference in their communities.

To those adult leaders who are here in the audience and in the East, I want to say to you thank you for what you do in service to our youth. And to those of you on the sidelines, just waiting for the chance to become an adult leader, step forward, take the time to help them, for you know every kindness you give gets repaid tenfold.

You know one of the things that's kind of unique about American Freemasonry is that we learn to be patriotic, And I'll say to you, whether you're Air Force blue, or Coast Guard blue, or a Blue Lodge apron, we're all patriots. And I sat here watching all the Masons, all my brothers out here in line, who probably didn't know when they got here today that they were going to help unfurl the colors of the United States. Well, guys, you did a great job, let me tell you, it looked wonderful.

As you have already been hearing, what is also unique about this family of Freemasonry is that all of us, whether it's the Youth Groups, the Order of Eastern Star, Blue Lodges, the York Rite, the Scottish Rite, the Shriners, we all step in where no one else can or will. And as I explained just barely a month ago, after our installation at the Grand Lodge, we, of the family of Freemasonry, are making a difference.

One of the differences we're making in the Blue Lodges and of course in Grand Lodge is that we don't have a Grand Master's project this year, but we do have a project. It's the fraternity's project. It's not just my project; it belongs to all of us, to each and every one of us.

We need to make a profound difference and that takes time. It takes more than 365 days, perhaps even longer than 720 days. But can we build a future where no child gets left behind, where all of the children in this state know how to read? That's why we're continuing our partnership with Raising a Reader. Why? To build stronger families, to build strong schools, and to build our communities in California to be as strong as they should be.

But, you know, Raising a Reader itself, this program isn't actually about teaching kids to read, no. We have teachers in our schools, who work every day to teach our children how to read, and they do a fine job at that. But what happens when they go home? To so many children when they get home, there's not a book in their house. So how can they read at home with their families if there's no books? Well, that's where we step in with Raising a Reader, because our funding helps provide books for these children to take home.

Every week, sit down with Mom or Dad or Grandma or Grandpa or whoever their family may be, and read together and bond. That's what this is all about. This is how we can make a difference in building strong families, and in kindness that will build stronger schools.

So, my Sisters and Brothers, now is the time. This is our time. This is our time right now, in the family of Freemasonry, to fulfill a destiny that's out there waiting for us, to make literacy our legacy.

You know, my theme this year is “Beyond the Lodge,” which was something that our brothers in the survey said was important, to think beyond the lodge. But, you know, a lodge isn’t a building, it’s the people. The Order of Eastern Star isn’t a building; it’s all of you that are in this room and all the other Sisters and Brothers up and down the state. So think about beyond yourselves, beyond the chapter room, out in the communities.

We need to serve our communities, we need to serve our public schools, and most of all we need to serve the youth of our state so that they can read. For, you know, when we pull together, we are absolutely a force to be reckoned with, and when we pull together we will make a profound difference in this state.

I thank you, and please keep doing what you are doing.

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: Brother Lowe, I want to thank you for your inspirational words and sharing with us your wonderful project. I’m sure we’re all very interested in doing something for that.

We’d like to take this time to thank everyone, indeed, who reminds us that “Real Heroes Don’t Wear Capes.”

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this Saturday afternoon session of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star, called from labor to refreshment, to reconvene at 7:00 o’clock PM this evening for the 2013 Grand Installation.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)



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“LET YOUR SPIRIT TAKE FLIGHT”
140TH INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS
SATURDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 20, 2012 7:00 P.M.
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

Entrance: Grand Representatives

Barbara Scott, PGM: Sisters, Brothers, Family and Friends, now entering the Grand Chapter room are the Grand Representatives.

Entrance: Deputy Grand Matrons

JD Hammett, PGP: Sisters and Brothers, let us welcome the 2012 Deputy Grand Matrons, escorting their new little sisters, the 2013 Deputy Grand Matrons.

ENTRANCE OF EMBLEMS

Honorary Marshals:

Karen Fletcher, GGCCM

Emblem Bearers:

Adah: Sheri Weissner, PGM

Ruth: Kathleen MacDonald, PGM

Esther: Janet Robinson, PGM

Martha: Susan White, PGM

Electa: Sherie Gustafson, PGM

ENTRANCE OF THE HOLY BIBLE

Bible Bearer: William J. Bray, III, PGP, Past Grand Master

Bible Escorts: Hildegard Smith, PGM
Donna Herring, PGM

Entrance of Greeter: Frank Young, PGP

ENTRANCE OF 2012 GRAND OFFICERS

Frank Young, PGP: Sisters, Brothers, Family and Friends, I have the honor of presenting Sister Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star. Members will join me in extending the Grand Honors to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I have the honor of presenting Brother Frank Young, Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of California, and our greeter for this evening. Members will join me in extending Grand Honors to our Past Grand Patron.

(Grand Honors extended)

Frank Young, PGP: Worthy Grand Matron, I present to you your gavel for the last time. You have truly reached “The Winner’s Circle.”

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Frank, thank you for presenting me my gavel. As I use this gavel for the last time at this installation, I recall fondly the excitement I had at this time last year.

Sister Grand Conductress, you will attend at the altar.

(The Grand Conductress attended the altar.)

(Soloist: Howard Freelove, La Paloma Star No. 96)

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this evening session of the Grand Chapter of California open for the Ceremony of Installation of the 2013 Grand Officers.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proper proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron: You will join me in the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the National Anthem.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Distinguished and Honored Members, Sisters, Brothers, Family and Friends: Welcome to our Grand Chapter Installation of the 2013 Grand Officers. It has been a wonderful year and we know that the 2012 Grand Family has filled their memory books with many very special events from the past year. Congratulations to the 2013 Elected and Appointed Grand Officers. May you have a year filled with happiness, health and safe travels.

Brother Frank Young, we would be pleased to have your welcome at this time.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

(by Frank Young, PGP)

Sisters, Brothers, Family and Friends: It’s my privilege to welcome each of you the 140th Installation of Officers of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star.

The Winner’s Circle is full, Mz Bee Haven and Sparky are ready to retire, and now it’s time for Magical Dragons and Wizards. The 2013 Officers are ready to be installed and are eagerly awaiting their year of service to our Order. Soon, each of our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons Elect, and their officers, will be installed. By following the example of our Grand Officers and working together, I know that they, and all the members in California, will make a difference.

California Eastern Star chapters should be known within our communities as a go-to place, to make things happen, and to get things done. Thank you for coming this evening to support the 2013 Grand Family, as their “Spirit Takes Flight.”

Linda Bernhard, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Frank, thank you for your welcome. Your comments were inspirational and insightful. It is always a pleasure hearing from you.

It is now my pleasure to introduce those who will assist in the installation of the 2013 Grand Officers. As I call your name, please rise.

Sisters Barbara Scott, Past Grand Matron, Installing Officer; Collette Serio Gole, Past Grand Matron, Installing Grand Marshal; Installing Emblem Bearers: Marshal, Karen Fletcher, General Grand Chapter Committee Member; Sheri Weisser, Past Grand Matron, Adah; Kathleen MacDonald, Past Grand Matron Ruth; Janet Robinson, Past Grand Matron, Esther; Sue White, Past Grand Matron, Martha; Sherie Gustafson, Past Grand Matron, Electa; The Escorts to the Bible: Hildegard Smith, Past Grand Matron; Donna Herring, Past Grand Matron; Acting Associate Grand Matron, Kim Hegg, Junior Past Grand Matron;

Brothers Steve Johnson, Worthy Grand Patron, Installing Officer; JD Hammett, Past Grand Patron, Installing Officer; Jim Whiteley, Past Grand Patron, Installing Grand Chaplain; Bible Bearer, Bill Bray, Past Grand Patron, and Past Grand Master; Acting Associate Grand Patron and Vocalist, Don Snyder, Junior Past Grand Patron.

Sisters and Brothers, you will join me in extending Grand Honors to our distinguished members.

(Grand Honors extended)

Also assisting in the installation are Margaret Wolford, Past Matron, Installing Grand Organist; Prayer Soloist, Howard Freelove; Vocalists: Daniel Hales, Past Patron; Merribeth May, Past Matron. Jewel Presentation, Stu Bernhard, and Glenda Johnson, Past Matron. Please join me in giving them a warm welcome.

I now declare a recess. The 2012 Grand Officers will retire and we will prepare for the Installation of the 2013 Grand Officers.

(Recess)

*(An Honor Guard of the 2013 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons
was formed for the introduction of the 2013 Grand Officers.)*

INTRODUCTION OF 2013 GRAND OFFICERS

(by Barbara Scott, PGM, and JD Hammett, PGP)

Barbara: Can you feel it? There's magic in the air. It's time for the Dragon Riders and the Wizards to enter the Grand Chapter room. Let's welcome those Sisters and Brothers that are daring to be brave and serve our subordinate chapters as the leaders for 2013, the 2013 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons.

Once upon a time in a galaxy far away, the stars aligned, forming an avenue in the heavens to proclaim the 2013 Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star.

JD: It's time to present the shining stars ascending from the star galaxies. It's our pleasure to present to you our 2013 stargazers.

Barbara: Grand Sentinel, Brother Michael Logan, is a member of both Alpha Star Chapter No. 171 in Lomita, and Downey Chapter No. 160. Mike's escort is his wife Robin, a Past Matron and former Deputy Grand Matron.

JD: Our 2013 Grand Warder is Brother Bill Prentiss from Scepter Chapter in Orange. Brother Bill is escorted by his wife Ris, a Past Matron.

Barbara: Fuchsia Chapter 425, and Dr. Rob Morris Chapter 651, are home chapter to our Grand Electa, Sister Virginia Fischer. Virginia is escorted by her husband Joe, who is a Past Patron.

JD: Heidi Bucher-Lamb, Grand Martha, is a member of both Marin Star Chapter 215, and Rose Valley Chapter No. 33. Heidi is being escorted tonight by Guy Benjamin.

Barbara: Representing Queen Esther this year for our Grand Chapter will be Janice Mullard. Janice is a member of Ami Tai Chapter No. 147. Janice is escorted by her husband Richard, the current Grand Representative of Florida in California.

JD: Our Sister Jan Smith is a member of Josephine Chico No. 104, and will be Grand Ruth for 2013. Jan's escort is Darrel Deatherage, a Past Patron, who served as the 2006 Grand Sentinel.

Barbara: Teresa Ramos will be serving this year as Grand Adah. She's a member of Golden Valley Chapter No. 60 in Davis. Teresa's escort is her mother Terry, a Past Matron and Former Grand Representative of North Carolina.

JD: Silver Spray Chapter No. 59, Napa, and El Dorado Foothills Chapter No. 62 are the home chapters of our Grand Organist, Sister Cherri Whiteley. Sister Cherri's escort is Brother Jim Whiteley, Past Grand Patron of 2008.

Barbara: Our new Grand Marshal, Sister Linda Hoesser, is a member of Gold Ridge Star Chapter No. 161 in Sebastopol, and Friendship Chapter No. 48 in Marysville. Linda is escorted by her husband Herb.

JD: Our Grand Chaplain, Sister Laird Crandall, is a member of Trinity Star Chapter No. 650, in Weaverville. Laird's escort is Sister Linda Peck, President of the Northern Deputy Grand Matrons in 2009, when Laird was a Deputy Grand Matron.

Barbara: A familiar face from serving on the Eastern Star Home Board of Trustees since 2008, and our 2009 Grand Esther is our Sister Chris Dias, Associate Grand Conductress. She is a member of Riverside Chapter, and she is escorted by her husband Simon, who was our 2007 Grand Warder.

JD: Sister Martha Peters, a member of Silver Spray Chapter No. 59, Napa, will be serving as our Grand Conductress this year. Sister Martha is being escorted by Sister Pat Caceres, who served as Grand Martha in 2002.

Barbara: Brother Fred Schulenburg, our Grand Treasurer, was initiated into Willow Glen Chapter No. 53, now San Jose Chapter No. 31, and is a plural member of Manzanita Chapter No. 342. Escorting our Grand Treasurer is his wife Diane, who served as Deputy Grand Matron in 2007.

JD: Serving as our Grand Secretary since 2007 is Sister Maryann Barrios, a member of Hollywood Chapter No. 21 in South Pasadena. Escorting Maryann this evening is Scott Smissen. Scott is a member of Hollywood Chapter, and the husband of our Past Grand Patron Don Snyder. He will be serving his chapter in 2013 as a first-time Worthy Patron.

Barbara: Our new Associate Grand Patron is Brother Randy Cady of Ferndale Chapter No. 23. Randy is escorted by his wife Patti, who was our 2010 Grand Warder.

JD: Ocean Park Chapter, in Santa Monica, is our home chapter of our Sister Debbie Maiman, Associate Grand Matron. Debbie is escorted by her husband, Sheldon Maiman.

Barbara: Brother Art Weiss, our Worthy Grand Patron Elect, is a member of Conejo Valley Chapter in Thousand Oaks, and a charter member of Dr. Rob Morris Chapter, Santa Monica. Brother Art is escorted by his wife Barbara, who was our Grand Ruth in 2006.

JD: Our Worthy Grand Matron Elect is Sister Sarahann Shapiro, a member of Valley Star Chapter, Los Altos. She is escorted this evening by Brother Daniel Hales, a Past Patron of Valley Star.

CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION

(Donald Snyder, PGP, (21), "This Is the Moment")

PRAYER

(by James Whiteley, PGP)

Our Father, who art in heaven, grant Thy protecting care over these, Thy servants, who are now here assembled. Give them knowledge and understanding of the responsibilities devolving upon them, and the relationship upon which they have entered. Especially grant to those, whom we are about to vest with authority, a spirit of love and charity. May they be watchful in words, as well as in actions. Bless them with wisdom to perform the various duties incumbent upon them. May peace and harmony prevail in the hearts of all members of this Grand Chapter, and may they grow in grace and knowledge of Thee, and in love for one another, all of which we ask in Thy Name. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF 2013 GRAND OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Matron	Sarahann Shapiro
Worthy Grand Patron	Arthur Weiss
Associate Grand Matron	Debbie Maiman
Associate Grand Patron	Randall Cady
Grand Secretary	Maryann Barrios
Grand Treasurer	Fred Schulenburg
Grand Conductress	Martha Peters
Associate Grand Conductress	Chris Dias
Grand Chaplain	Laird Crandall
Grand Marshal	Linda Hoeser
Grand Organist	Cherri Whiteley
Grand Adah	Teresa Ramos
Grand Ruth	Jan Smith
Grand Esther	Janice Mullard
Grand Martha	Heidi Bucher-Lamb
Grand Electa	Virginia Fischer
Grand Warder	Bill Prentiss
Grand Sentinel	Mike Logan

Linda Bernhard, Jr. PGM: Grand Marshal, you will now proclaim the Grand Officers regularly installed.

(The Installing Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Worthy Grand Patron, do you have a presentation?

Arthur Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron: I do, Worthy Grand Matron. It's with much love that I present to you your gavel.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: It is a sounding block with scales and little silver stars, and the gavel is ebony with little diamonds for the stars. And Brother Art did a little special something. As many of you know on my

emblem over the castle door, there's that little tiny emerald that I put there as a token and memento of my first mentor, Sister June Barnum, PGM, and the Worthy Grand Patron has had a little emerald put in the top of my gavel to remind me of Sister June, and that she's always with me. Thank you.

Sister Linda, I'd like to thank you for the use of your gavel.

Arthur Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron: Sister Grand Marshal, we would like to present to you something you might need the rest of the year, and it will come open from this end.

Linda Hoesser, Grand Marshal: Sister Sarahann warned me it was a little larger than I would expect. It's a carved dragon head with the tail, and Linda Hoesser, Grand Marshal, 2012–2013, and Stargazers, I can do a lot of damage with this. Thank you very much.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Collette and Brother Jim, do you have a presentation for our Sister Linda?

Collette Serio Gole, PGM: Tonight's installation marks the beginning of a new year. Best wishes to Sister Sarahann and Brother Art, and your 2013 Grand Officers.

Sister Linda, I congratulate you on your 2012 year of service. You have had a wonderful year full of spirit and enthusiasm, and I am so proud of you. You and your team had a clear vision for our Order and you have made an impact on our state.

It is my privilege to assist with the presentation of your Past Grand Matron's jewel this evening. May your jewel always represent the memories of a beautiful year and remind you that there are always "Angels Among Us".

I know that Stu is looking forward to making this presentation, and I must admit I did remind him and encouraged him to bring the jewel to this installation. However, I think he was Mz Bee Haven, because he said something about the off/on favorite at Santa Anita race track.

Stuart Bernhard: Yeah, like that's going to fly in our house. I left Riverside at six this morning and the last thing I did was put the box in my pocket, and now I'm not sure if it was your jewel or that box of Titlest golf balls I bought last Thursday at Oak Valley. Let me see. Oh, here it is. It's beautiful.

Linda, on behalf of your entire family, many who are here tonight and many who could not be, we're all very proud of you. And I can't imagine all the things you'll be thinking of as you wear this. But just always remember how proud we are of you for all you have done in Eastern Star, for the last 21 years, and for many years to come.

Linda Bernhard, Jr. PGM: I'd just like to say real quickly that every little piece in here, remember, came with a whole lot of love from the members throughout the State of California. But in the last year, it also came from Stu golfing, because every time he won a skin or won a whatever thing you do on a golf course, I don't think he ever had a hole-in-one, but we're not sure —

Stuart Bernhard: Thank you for reminding me.

Linda Bernhard, Jr. PGM: — he would bring home his winnings, \$5 for this skin, \$10 for another. And so little pieces of this come from the golf course, and we're very pleased about that. I do thank the membership. I thank you, Sister Collette, not only for this opportunity, but for being here to present me my jewel. It's been a wonderful, wonderful journey.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Larry Coffin and Sister Glenda Johnson, do you have a presentation for our Brother Steve?

Larry Coffin, PGP: Brother Steve, thank you for allowing me to assist Glenda in presenting you your Past Grand Patron's ring. A year ago, we stood on this very stage, when you opened from the starting gate to begin the biggest race of your Eastern Star life, and what a race it was.

This evening we find ourselves again standing together, but this time in The Winner's Circle. Your fraternal mom, Sister Beverly Wade, and the 2010 Grand Family joins me in saying we are very proud of your success, accomplishments, and the service you gave and will continue to give our beloved Order. May you wear this ring with humility, pride, and dignity, always remembering that it was our members that made this year possible.

Glenda Johnson, PM (2): Well, you know how very proud I am of you, Steve. But I would like to ask the members of our Order to possibly send Steve a hello e-mail during the coming week. I fear if he doesn't have 50 e-mails when he returns on Sunday, he may go into posttraumatic stress syndrome. I may be looking for a Paws dog application for him soon. I love you. Here's your bauble.

Steve Johnson, Jr. PGP: I know you can't see it all the way, but it's really wonderful. And this was mostly paid for with gifts of love from you for the last three years. Thank you both.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Most Worshipful, would you please join me at the podium.

Sister Becky Lowe, would you please rise. Sisters, Brothers and Friends, I have the honor to present the Most Worshipful John Lowe, the Grand Master of Masons in California, and his lovely wife Becky Lowe.

Most Worshipful, please introduce your Grand Officers who have joined us this evening and their ladies.

John F. Lowe, Grand Master: Up here in the stands viewing us from afar, let's see, we'll start on the left-hand side there with our Grand Sword Bearer, Worshipful Mark Newman; Senior Grand Deacon, Worshipful Tom Melugin; our Assistant Grand Lecturer from Conejo Valley, Worshipful Lynn Wallingford and his wife Charmane; our Senior Grand Steward, Worshipful Ron Salda and his wife Diane; and our Grand Pursivant, Worshipful Ron Schemm and his wife Barbara; and then holding up the aisle down there is our Grand Marshal, Worshipful Bill O'Brien and his wife Leanne.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Before we get into messages for this evening, Brother Art and I are very pleased to introduce some very special people who are with us today and to thank the people that have helped make today such an incredible experience, at least as many as we can remember right now.

Would my family please rise. I have the pleasure to introduce my mother Ruth Shapiro, my brother Jacob Shapiro, my aunt Elaine Hochman, and my cousin Joyce Lew. My Aunt Elaine is the sister of my father (may he rest in peace) and it was his membership on which I became an Eastern Star, and my grandmother, Aunt Elaine's mother, who was the first Eastern Star in our family. And Aunt Elaine and Cousin Joyce have flown out from Massachusetts to be here tonight to see me installed.

Arthur Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron: Would my daughter please rise. In addition to my lovely wife Barbara, whom you have already met this evening, I'm pleased to introduce my daughter Lauren Stolken, a Past Honored Queen and a member of Conejo Valley Chapter.

Would all the members of Valley Star Chapter, Conejo Valley Chapter and Dr. Rob Morris Chapter please rise. Thank you all for the work you have done to help us get to this point, and all the love and support that you give to each of us as we make this journey together.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Would also the Keepers of the Castle and the Spell Casters please rise. Thank you for the thousand and one things that you have done for us and continue to do to make every event we hold special, and to prepare the wonderful gift items for our Sisters and Brothers of 2013.

Arthur Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron: Would our installing team, including our vocalists, our emblem ceremony participants and our greeters please rise. We want to thank each of you for your participation in this installation. We asked each of you to participate for a very special reason and a special connection we have, and we are very grateful that you agreed to be part of today's ceremony for us. Thank you for your performance in our Grand Installation.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: I have to give an extra special thank you to Brother Howard Free love, if he can stand up. Our installation program had Brother Tom Colgan as our prayer soloist for this installation, and Brother Tom was unable to be with us this evening because his daughter presented them with a grandchild a few minutes ago, and Brother Howard kindly agreed to step in and sing our prayer this evening, and we wanted to thank you especially for that.

Would Sister Barbara Scott, Brother JD Hammett and all of the 2009 Appointive Grand Officers and Escorts, and those who helped them with this Grand Installation please rise. Thank you so very much to each of you for the work you did to make this room so incredible and for the decorations that you have set up on the floor for us. We are truly touched at the labor of love you have performed to make everything amazing.

Arthur Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron: Would the 2012 Appointive Grand Officers please rise. We would like to thank you for all the love and support that you have given to each of us this past year. We know that tonight is a difficult time in the life of an Appointive Grand Officer, and we want you to know that we have truly enjoyed traveling with you and look forward to seeing you more in this coming year in our travels. We also thank you for the help and support that you have given and will give to your little sisters and little brothers, our 2013 Grand Officers. You have been awesome.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: We also want to thank Sister Tacy who served as our Grand Treasurer for 2012. Would you please rise. We have enjoyed traveling with you and working with you, and we want you to know how much it's meant to have you with us as well. Thank you.

Sister Linda and Brother Steve, would you please join us. Sister Linda and Brother Steve, we want to thank you for the work you have done for our Order during this past year. You have kept the vision of Eastern Star alive throughout your year, and you should be very proud of the job you have done. I hope we will be able to keep the momentum going as we continue to move our Order forward into the future, and we look forward to seeing you in our travels. Thank you for your service.

(The Worthy Grand Patron made announcements.)

Worthy Grand Patron, we would be pleased to have your address at this time.

INSTALLATION ADDRESS

(By Arthur Weiss, Worthy Grand Patron)

Sisters and Brothers, it is indeed the Year of the Dragon. Among its many symbolic meanings the Dragon emphasizes the need for strength, courage, and fortitude. It is these characteristics that Sarahann and I have asked our Dragon Riders and Wizards to display this year, because they will need them as they lead their chapters toward a brighter future for their members and our jurisdiction.

The general shape of that future was outlined in our first five-year strategic plan, and this week we have brought that first five-year period of progress to a close. Tonight our Order begins execution of a new five-year strategic plan. Working together, your Grand Line has built upon the foundation established in the last five years and outlined a new, progressive five-year agenda that will focus and guide us in advancing the interests of our Order. It will motivate our members, increase our community presence through service, expand our philanthropic efforts, improve our understanding and quality of our beautiful ritual, and enhance the member experience within the wider family of Freemasonry.

Our new plan retains the previous six strategic thrusts, but establishes new initiatives to accomplish these at both the state and local chapter level. I urge you to become familiar with our new strategic plan. Get involved in the direction our Order is pursuing and help our Order to evolve and to persevere, starting right now.

This year we are asking each of you to Make a Difference in 2013. In your installation booklet, you will find an insert that describes our program. Sister Sarahann and I ask that you choose one of the eight personal goals listed, and write your choice on the detachable card which you should carry with you as a constant reminder of your commitment to making a difference this year. Once your goal has been achieved, you should submit an "I made a Difference" form to your nearest Grand Representative, who will present you with pin created just for this year, which will tell the world that you personally made a difference in 2013.

For the past five years, we have increased our presence in our communities through service. This year, we ask that each chapter choose and participate in at least one community service project. The visibility that our Order gains is important for future growth and the personal satisfaction we receive as we make a difference is immeasurable.

Our Senior Living Community and Outreach Programs provide aid and assistance to our members in need. As the Order moves forward, we need to establish a new vision for our Home and Outreach Programs, and the Home Board of Trustees has undertaken the creation of a new five-year plan. In addition, the Foundation Board of Trustees will begin preparing a five-year plan for our charities. Both of these boards recognize that fun development is a key issue, as we move to grow our Outreach and philanthropic capabilities. Working together, the two boards will develop and implement improved fundraising and plan giving processes this year.

Our SLC and Outreach Programs exist for the benefit of all of our members and as such should be supported by everyone throughout the jurisdiction. To accomplish this, we will conduct two Festival events this year: A dinner and entertainment program in the north in February, and our annual summer Festival in Yorba Linda in June. We asked each of you to make a difference for our members in need by attending one or both of these festivals.

Effectively delivering our ritual requires commitment and diligent practice. As a responsibility of the Worthy Patron, we have asked the Wizards of California, this year, to meet and work with each of their chapter officers before their first meeting practice. We have established four state level ritual team leaders, who will be a resource for our wing leaders, our Deputy Grand Matrons, to call upon for ritual answers, exemplification and assistance as they work to make our chapters proficient. In addition, five All Member Instructionals will be conducted for the Grand Officers, who will teach and exemplify the ritual to their subordinates. Our Leadership Committee will present all new leadership development sessions called "Impact 2013, Make a Difference, Be Brave."

As Sister Sarahann and I inspect our districts this year, we look forward to visiting and talking to as many of you as possible. To encourage and acknowledge participation, we have established an attendance program for 2013. At Grand Chapter next year, we will honor the chapter who had the highest percentage of their members attending our Official Visit, and also the chapter which has the greatest number of members attending our Official Visit to its district. We will also be recognizing the chapter with the highest percentage of its members attending its own Deputy Grand Matron's Official Visit, and the chapter with the greatest number of members attending that Deputy's Official Visit. By using these categories, we have leveled the playing field so that any chapter, whether big or small and regardless of where their Official Visit may be held, has a fair chance to win one of these four special awards.

The health and vibrancy of our chapters are enhanced when they interact positively with Lodges, and Youth Organizations. We have asked the Dragon Riders and Wizards this year to sponsor a Masonic Family event with the Lodges and Youth Orders in their area. In addition, Most Worshipful John Lowe and Sister Sarahann have worked together to plan four events involving the Grand Chapter, the Grand Lodge and the Grand Officers. In April, we will join the Grand Master for a family event to Disneyland, followed by a joint community service activity and the Grand Master's reception. In June, we will have our Annual Picnic at the Masonic Home in Covina, and in August our annual Jam and Jelly Day in Union City. But in addition, thanks to the support of Most Worshipful Lowe, California Eastern Star will host a welcoming High Tea at the Annual Communication in early October, during the Friday afternoon opening session of Grand Lodge. We are excited to have this new opportunity for fraternal communication and to begin a new tradition between our organizations.

Society today communicates, exchanges information and conducts business via the internet. Our Grand Chapter is no different. After all, we are a \$35 million corporation. Yet as the need for information availability and exchange increases daily, we find our information technology infrastructure aging and our capability declining. In today's society, the public face of an organization

is on the internet. The ability to rapidly administer and communicate through an organization is by the internet. Our members deserve the capability to find information when they need it. Our Grand Chapter office needs the capability to rapidly communicate and process the ever-increasing volume of data needed to manage the business. We need a public face that reflects who and what we are, and that will attract potential new members. We can wait no longer to address this need. The time has come to invest in ourselves.

Sister Sarahann and I have chosen for our project this year Web Magic 2013, a complete professional revamping of our Grand Chapter Web site and facilitating infrastructure. Web Magic 2013 will make our Web site an attractive and enticing place that will draw interest and potential new members. Web Magic 2013 will make our site user-friendly so that members can find chapters, find members, and find event information with one click of a mouse. Web Magic 2013 will give chapters an area to post information of interest to their districts, their associations and their jurisdiction. And Web Magic 2013 will give our chapter secretaries the ability to upload to and interact with the member database to be more effective in managing our chapters and reducing Grand Chapter costs. We believe this project is critical to the future of our Order in California, and requires the focus of a Worthy Grand Matron's and Patron's project. With the assistance of the Grand Family, the Deputy Grand Matrons, the Dragon Riders and Wizards, and you, my Sisters and Brothers, we will raise the necessary funds to complete the project before we meet again next year at Grand Chapter.

Sisters and Brothers, there is no question that our strategic plan is ambitious. There is no question that its execution will take hard work from every one of us. But there is no question that the reward will be a growing, vibrant and impactful Order. We need only to persevere and to "Make a Difference." After all, "Fortune Favors the Brave." Thank you.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Merribeth May and Brothers Don Snyder and Daniel Hales, may we have your musical selection at this time.

(Musical Selection: "Light One Candle")

INSTALLATION ADDRESS

(By Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron)

The verses of this year's opening ode, "Light One Candle," by Peter, Paul, and Mary, contain many phrases and questions that are vital and relevant to our Order. While we will only be singing the chorus during our meetings, perhaps now is the time to consider how the verses are important to our coming year.

The song asks us to consider what we keep alive in the flame of our candle, what message, what ideal, what spirit is it that we keep alive year after year in our chapters and in our Order. Has our flame burned lower than we would like and, if so, how has that happened?

To answer these questions, we must consider a few more. Are we doing justice to the message that we carry? Are we presenting to each other and to the world a pleasant face and a happy demeanor in keeping with the ideals and lessons of our Order? Are we living our obligation and creating a positive impression in the world around us or do we spend more time criticizing and less time enjoying? Do we spend more time telling others how overworked and short-handed we are, than we spend emphasizing the fun we have with our Sisters and Brothers? Do we complain more than we praise?

Do these acts on our part distort our message and the outside view of our Order? If our reminiscences are filled with too much pain and longing, do we give the impression that being a member long ago was great, but has little value now? If we say over and over again that we need more help, that we can't go on, that we are struggling to survive, how does that encourage anyone to join us? Why would anyone want to join us if the message is please become a member of our chapter so that you can become instantly overworked too and feel just as desperate?

This negativity and desperation is a useless and damaging message and it is an unfair one. It is this focus on the negative in some of our chapters, and unfortunately in some of our members, that explains why successful chapters seem to grow and become more successful and struggling chapters seem to somehow trickle away into nothingness. Positive energy attracts the same from others, negative energy feeds on itself until there is nothing left.

So how do we turn it around? How does lighting one candle give us the strength we need to stop being our own foe?

Sisters and Brothers, each of us is one candle, each of us can cast a light into the darkness. For our Order to succeed and grow, each of us must make the personal commitment that I will make a difference in the year ahead. I will do what is required to make my chapter a productive and happy place for all its members. I will make the personal commitment to emphasize the positive about our chapter and our Order, both inside and outside our Masonic Halls. I will speak with pride and joy when I am asked about our Order. I will help where I can, do what I must, and show a cheerful attitude to everyone, for we never know when the person I just met today will be my new member of tomorrow. I will be one light, one star shining brightly in the heavens. Each of us must say "I may be only one person, but I can and will make a difference."

As your leaders this year, Brother Art has told you the programs and plans that we have put in place to help you be a bright and shining star. We have asked each chapter to participate in Masonic Family events so that we can strengthen the connection, or in some cases, reconnect our chapter with others in our area that share our values and our focus on fellowship and service. We have asked each chapter to adopt a community service project that is not just about raising money, but actually takes our members, wearing our emblem, out into

our communities so that we remind the outside world that we are a force for good that lives among them. We have asked each of you to make a difference in the coming year, to assure that our collective efforts lift our spirits to new heights, so that when one year from now we gather in this place once more we can look back on this year and we can say that I have left the Order a better place than I found it.

That is how we meet our commitment to those who have gone before us. That is how we carry our burden and keep our promise. This is why we will not fail.

We will stop looking to the past for our vision. We must build on the past, but we will look to the future. When we sit in this Convention Center in Fresno, instead of bemoaning how twenty years ago we filled the room with more people, we need to appreciate that we still fill this room with the same enthusiasm and spirit. If we have more members here tonight than we had here last year, we will celebrate that achievement. And if we have yet more members attend next year, we will rejoice in our accomplishment. We will refrain from minimizing our successes of the present with comparisons to the long ago. The past is our inheritance; it must not be our yardstick.

Let the message go forth from this place that we may be fewer in number, but we are no less mighty in spirit. Let the message go forth from this place, that the principles we keep alive in that flame are fraternalism, fellowship and service, that we welcome those of like mind who wish to join us in that field of fraternity. Let us show our pride in our Order so that others seeing the joy, comfort, and happiness that we derive from our membership will yearn to be with us. Let each of us take personal responsibility for the success and growth of our Order so that together, twenty years from now, we can look back and say that this was the decade when we turned the corner and started upward once more in our journey as an organization. Let those of the future look back and say that this was when we let our spirit take flight, landing us all among the stars. Thank you.

After our formal closing, you are invited to welcome the 2013 Grand Officers at their stations.

Sister Associate Grand Matron, have you any further business to present to the Grand Chapter?

Debbie Maiman, Associate Grand Matron: Worthy Grand Matron, there is no further business to present.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Grand Secretary, do you have any further business on your desk to be brought before the Grand Chapter?

Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary: Worthy Grand Matron, there is no further business on my desk.

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: Has a Sister or Brother any further business to offer for the consideration of the Grand Chapter?

If not, we will proceed to close.

PRAYER

(by Laird Crandall, Grand Chaplain)

Our Dear Father in heaven, we thank Thee for each gift from Thy hands, and for the pleasure of greeting and meeting with the members of this faithful band. Each morning, may our prayers rise to heaven for protection and carry through the day, and at evening a prayer of Thanksgiving to the blessings that brighten our way. May the days and hours be spent wisely and each known duty faithfully done, that at last when life's labors are finished, we may hear Thy approval well done. Bless Thy children, Oh Father, we ask Thee, and along life's way be our guide. Let Thy love like a mantle enfold us. In Thy love, may we ever abide. Amen.

(The Grand Conductress attended the altar.)

Sarahann Shapiro, Worthy Grand Matron: I now declare this session of the Grand Chapter closed.

Sister Grand Marshal, you will make the proclamation.

(The Grand Marshal made the proper proclamation.)



Linda Bernhard
Worthy Grand Matron

Stephen Johnson
Worthy Grand Patron

Maryann Barrio
Grand Secretary

INSTALLATION COMMITTEES

General Chairmen	Barbara J. Scott, PGM JD Hammett, PGP
Music	Margaret Welford, Grand Organist 2009 California Singing Stars Director, Ruth Wahpecome, PM (358)
Grand Officer Carrying Pieces	2009 Grand Family
Grand Officer Stands	2009 Grand Family
Deputy Grand Matron Carrying Pieces	2009 Deputy Grand Matrons
Programs	2009 & 2013 Grand Family

All committees assisted by the Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Matrons, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, and Escorts of 2009, and the Grand Family of 2008.

2013 DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS

District

North

1	Laurie Guggenbickler (23)
2	Anne Murphy (131)
3	Kathy Holden (53)
4	Jennifer Sargent (14/17)
5	Debbie Wendell (35)
6	Ginger Jackson (57)
7	Lou Ella Green (233/36)
8	Dorothy Wheeler (513/233)
9	Diane McCombs (109)
10	Laura Bouwens (28/2)
11	Gee Gee Querry (58)
12	Linda Fuentes (33)
13	Judy Dunham (205)
14	Tamra Keen (135)
15	Annette Mariel (186)
16	Diane Diamond (195)
17	Debi Wells (283)
18	Cathy Gibson (372/123)
19	Yvette Elness (417)
20	Tami Macdonald (273)
21	Renée Hall (126)
22	Priscilla Manfredi (557)
23	Stephanie Perez (41)

South

24	Gwen Schock (643)
25	Kim Chudoba (97)
26	Becky Burson (185/78)
27	Jackie Cullum (338)
28	Shirley Simmons (108/287)
29	Diana Davison (319)
30	Barbara Keith (173)
31	Myrna Ricarte (144)
32	Robin Reeves (347)
33	Barbara Pierce, PGM (197/397)
34	Carolyn Parker (202/145)
35	Kim Cooke (106)
36	Ila Hammond (241)
37	Lynne McCarthy (390)
38	Evelyn de la Rosa (96)

COMMITTEE REPORTS NOT GIVEN DURING SESSION

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

(by Deborah Winn, PM (347), Chairman)

Members of the 2012 Aims and Objectives Committee included June Dwyer, PM (109), Nancy Geyer, PM (145), Laird Crandall, PM (650), Lorene Luce, PM (212), Martha Peters, Associate Grand Conductress; Susan White, PGM; Stephen Nicholas, GGCCM.

The committee met five times during the year: in person on October 22, 2011, January 8 and September 9, 2012; by conference call on February 20 and April 30, 2012. The first dialog with the committee was fact-finding to gather the opinions of the committee members regarding where they think our Order is going, what goals to set for 2012, and what is needed in individual Eastern Star areas. Responses were the need to reinvent ourselves, lagging ritual, members feeling left out, the need to assist Chapters with hands on help, new suggestions to incite participation, the need for interest from Masonic brothers and their wives, a grass roots approach with Masonic Lodges and to make OES male-friendly.

The committee set several goals for the year. The first was to update the Member Resume' in order to make it user friendly, focus on member talents and glean valuable information for the Grand Line officers to use when making committee appointments. The second was to update our own committee's duties as this information was dated and had not been addressed since 2003. The third goal was to update Standing and Grand Chapter Week committee Job Descriptions. The fourth was to create, distribute and evaluate a questionnaire for All Member Instructional and Leadership workshops to assist the Grand Line officers in creating future programs. The final goal was to host an "Our Tenacious Order" workshop.

The member résumé was updated in order to facilitate the ease of selecting qualified members to serve on committees and to streamline and emphasize member talents. This included adding a member talents section and an area for listing other groups served. The form was updated and a final version was forwarded to the Grand Line officers in late October 2011 for inclusion on the Grand Chapter web site and for use by the members. To date, the updated form has not been posted and the committee was informed that the topic would be discussed during the next Grand Chapter year.

The Aims and Objectives committee responsibilities worksheet had not been updated since 2003. The sheet still included writing articles for the Cal Star News and other non-existent tasks. This document continues to be a work in progress for the committee.

Since the Standing and Grand Chapter Week committee job descriptions were last updated in 2007, there was a need for revisions. This enormous task was taken on by Laird Crandall. She contacted each committee, forwarding the current job description, asking for updates and making necessary changes. Each job description was reviewed by the committee for additions and accuracy. They were also reviewed in order to reference the correct section of the Constitution and Laws. Eight (8) required no change. 43 required updates and one (1) job description was created for new committees. Several job descriptions were deleted from the master file as the committees are no longer functioning, e.g. ribbons. All changes have been recorded and revised job descriptions will be sent to each 2013 Grand Line officer, the 2013 Grand Marshal, and the Grand Secretary.

A questionnaire was created in order to assist the Grand Line in promoting the Order. This questionnaire was distributed at All Member Instructionals and Leadership workshops. Attendees were asked the following questions: what event they attended, number of years a member, have they attended this type of event before, what was the most valuable, how did the leaders cover the material, were you encouraged to ask questions, highlights of the program, was the program updated and relevant, would you recommend to other members, positive areas of the training, and would you attend a training session in the future. The forms were distributed to attendees and members had the opportunity to take the form home and mail to Deborah Winn. A total number of 50 forms were collected at the AMIs. 84% of responders had attended this type of workshop before. Positive comments about the training: Members liked visiting with the Grand Officers, learning finer points of the floor work and the humor. Information gathered was forwarded to the Grand Line officers. The same questionnaire was distributed to all attendees at the Leadership workshops. A total of 192 forms were collected and 72% of the responders had attended this type of workshop before. Members like the conflict resolution exercise, membership ideas, enthusiasm, breakout session, new ideas, community resources, revitalizing membership, and positive attitude of the presenters. Information gathered was forwarded to the Grand Line officers.

An "Our Tenacious Order" workshop was scheduled for July 29, 2012. The workshop planned was to gather information from members regarding our Order in the following areas: Ritual instruction, Grand Chapter, selection of Deputy Grand Matrons, membership retention, membership growth, causes for decline in membership, major projects, publicity, official visits, preventing consolidation and future minimizing of the order and suggestions to improve the Order and its future. Due to lack of availability of a suitable location and committee member scheduling conflicts, the workshop was cancelled. It is the hope of the committee that this will not impact the possibility of future Aims and Objectives workshops as soliciting feedback and stimulating discussion is vital to the Organization's growth.

The future of the Aims and Objectives committee should be one that continues to work with the Grand Line officers in promoting the Order in California. The value of using the Associate Grand Conductress should not be underestimated and a working relationship between the committee and these officers is essential.

COMMITTEE ROOMS

(by Nancy Powers, PM (205), Chairman)

I have received approximately 25 requests for committee rooms to be used for various Grand Chapter Week committees starting with Tuesday, October 16 through and including Sunday, October 21, 2012. Eight of these rooms need a key. A total of approximately 50 tables and 420 chairs have been requested as well as a copier and paper for the legislative secretarial staff.

All of the committee chairmen have been informed of their assigned rooms.

ENDOWMENT FUND

(by Judy Hullinger, PM (299/310), Chairman)

Another Grand Chapter year has come to a close, and it is so gratifying to me to see how generous and thoughtful our members are with their contributions to the Endowment Fund, including many chapter fund raising events with the proceeds donated to this very worthwhile cause. We cannot thank each and every one of you enough.

So many chapters consistently contribute 100 percent or 200 percent or more per capita year after year. Their generosity is greatly appreciated by those who are recipients of the assistance we provide. The funds support our beautiful Senior Living Community in Yorba Linda and the Outreach Program by helping our Sisters and Brothers throughout the state.

Meridian Chapter No. 310, Long Beach; Dr. Rob Morris Chapter No. 651, Santa Monica, and Emerald Star Chapter No. 143, Norwalk, deserve special recognition as they were the chapters with the three highest contributions. However, every dollar received is important and very much appreciated. It is always amazing how much it all adds up!

My grateful thanks goes to Maryann Barrios, Grand Secretary, and her office staff for their invaluable help this past year. Jim Hannum is always helpful and had the answers to my many questions. Further thanks to Ginger Bassett, PM, Carmel Chapter No. 581, who was my predecessor. She streamlined many of the procedures and was always available with her support and advice.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron Linda Bernhard, for your confidence in my appointment as chairman of this very special committee.

Lastly, the continued support of you, my Sisters and Brothers, is invaluable for the purpose for which this fund was established. Although we always hope to be able to live independently, we never know what the future holds. It is comforting to know that there is always the option of residency in the Senior Living Community, and that the maintenance and expenses are taken care of through the generosity of the members in most chapters in California.

Chapters attaining honor roll status in 2012 include:

Chapter	Chapter No.	Years	Chapter	Chapter No.	Years
Golden Gate	1	31	Long Beach	173	44
Suisun	2	8	San Pedro Harbor	174	35
Gateway	3	28	Vista Cerrito	178	15
Alameda Oak Leaf	8	5	Santa Paula	185	8
Evangeline	9	2	Unity	186	19
Wild Lily	18	12	Tehachapi	188	10
Vesper	20	2	Santa Clara	195	10
Hollywood	21	10	West Covina	202	45
Yolano	28	24	Mission Bell	205	33
San Jose	31	29	Diablo Star	214	15
Rose Valley	33	13	Marin Star	215	41
Amapola	35	2	Glencrest	237	34
Magnolia	45	45	Tahquitz Victoria	241	4
Athena	46	31	Menifee Valley	243	5
Reveille	47	48	Ocean Park	245	42
Friendship	48	9	Pacific Star	252	7
Silver Spray	59	40	Seaside	259	23
Electa Modesto	72	15	La Posa	282	51
Channel Islands	78	35	Poinsettia	287	26
Sotoyome Clover Leaf	82	10	Arcadia Star	299	11
La Paloma Star	96	25	Meridian	310	27
Central Coast Star	97	35	Desert Rose Star	327	11
Pasadena	108	51	Atascadero	344	10
Elk Grove Onisbo	109	11	Upland	346	7
Star of Claremont	110	3	Joaquin	348	10
Golden Oak	128	8	Linden	372	15
Alpine Valley	129	22	Caledonia	391	15
Fidelity	131	4	Starlight	401	9
Semper Fidelis	135	7	Security	426	12
Valley Star	141	41	Manchester	449	51
Emerald Star	143	5	Point Loma	490	40
Ami Tai	147	26	Vallecito	523	4
Escondido	154	10	Paradise	549	2
Gold Ridge Star	161	23	Carmel	581	41
Alpha Star	171	129	Delta Star	639	4

Chapter	Chapter No.	Years	Chapter	Chapter No.	Years
Old West	642	26	Trinity Star	650	2
Kern River Valley	643	13	Dr. Rob Morris	651	4

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER CALIFORNIA EVENT

(by Martie MacKidd, PM (144), Chairman)

At previous General Grand Chapter Triennial Sessions, an event has been held where California members can greet and visit with one another and members from other jurisdictions. Most recently these events were hosted by the California Candlelighters, who have since disbanded. No California event was held in 2009 in Oklahoma, and many California members expressed disappointment at not having their own event. In 2010, then Grand Conductress Linda Bernhard asked me to chair a California Event for the 2012 Triennial Session in Texas. The committee consisted of Martie MacKidd, Emma Behymer, Sharon Chormicle, Jean Denton and Nancy Geyer, all Past Matrons.

Contact was made with General Arrangements Chairman Henry Martin, PGP of Texas, and later with tExas Social Chairman Betty Friend, the coordinator of all such state and other events for the 2012 Triennial. A "California Connection" theme was approved by Linda Bernhard.

It was important that our event not conflict with many other events and in order to keep costs low, it was decided that a luncheon on Nov. 7 would be most practical. Originally, the luncheon was scheduled to be held at the Omni, our appointed hotel, but there was a banquet room conflict, so the event was moved to the Hilton Fort Worth, within a two block walking distance from the Convention Center. We were pleased with the catering menu; the choices were better and the prices lower than the Omni, but still expensive with taxes and fees adding approximately 35% to the menu prices. The decision was made to not add any additional expenses to the member prices, so no complimentary were offered and there is no budget for supplies, table decorations or favors or gifts to dignitaries. All items will be donated California and Minnesota products, which will be used for decorations and gifts. Donations were actively pursued.

Contact was made with the Banquet manager at the Hilton Fort Worth, who worked with the committee of the summer of 2011 regarding table set up, decorations, menus, etc. She then provided a preliminary contract. A signed contract was returned with set up and menu information and estimated attendance.

In Spring of 2011, California attendance figures were obtained from the Right Worthy Grand Secretary so that California attendance could be calculated. In November 2011, we were contacted by Minnesota's event chair asking that they be able to join the event since they wanted an event but would not have a big

attendance. She had the approval of her Worthy Grand Matron, and Linda Bernhard agreed. Together we established a menu and obtained donations for the event. We agreed on a tentative format and head table seating, and the committees were to convene in Fort Worth to assemble the decorations, etc.

Although we originally anticipated attendance at 120, due to the economy and the high cost of housing and meals, the response has been low. The signed contract was amended in Sept. 2012, with an estimated attendance of 85. A minimum of 60 meals was needed to guarantee the current banquet room.

A bank account was established at Wells Fargo in the name of "2012 California-Minnesota Connection" so that member checks could be deposited in both California and Minnesota. Martie MacKidd and Emma Behymer were signers. Event tickets were issued, but most were held for pickup at the event.

It's been fun to put this event together and everyone has been delightful and most cooperative. My thanks go to Linda for listening to member requests and for appointing me to chair this committee. My thanks, also, go to my committee.

MARGUERITE RENNIE MEMORIAL FUND

(by Jerry Jones, PM (36), Chairman)

I wish to thank Linda Bernhard, WGM, for giving me the privilege of serving our members as Chairman of the Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund.

My job as chairman is to receive the original bills from our members, complete the approval forms and send them to the Grand Chapter office for payment. I also have to keep an accurate record of this information for my files. Through Sept. 17, 2012, 19 member have received assistance of \$69,954 from this fund. Our members are very grateful for the monetary help that has been provided to them.

We also have 15 inactive members who did not request assistance this year but may need it in the future. Six new applications were received this year, and I am sorry to report two deaths.

Members send notes of thanks for the assistance this fund provides. These funds are one of the nicest and most helpful things we do for our members. My wish is for our members to continue to fund this program.

LEGISLATION

(Throughout the Session the various Committees presented the following legislation to the delegates.)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, only the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and Controller are authorized to be signers on the operating accounts of the Grand Chapter, the Grand Chapter Endowment Fund, the Eastern Star Homes of California, and the California Eastern Star Foundation; and,

Whereas, there are additional Special Funds for various events at the Annual Session of Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, in preparation for and during the Annual Session of Grand Chapter it may be difficult to obtain checks timely through the Operating Fund and locate the necessary signers; and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the Grand Chapter to efficiently pay for necessary items at the Annual Session;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the chairman of any Grand Chapter Week Committee with a Special Fund may be a signer on that account.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 101

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Donna Tucker, PGT, (360))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 1 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This allows the chairman of certain Grand Chapter Week Committees to sign checks of special funds.

ADOPTED

Sec. 101. **DEPOSITORIES; GENERAL AND SPECIAL FUNDS.**

...
Deposit of both general and special fund money and receipts may be made indiscriminately in such accounts or in special fund accounts, as may be convenient. Separate accounts of the same being kept on the books of the Grand Chapter, provided, however, that such money may be withdrawn only to replenish revolving funds, for special fund purposes, or for authorized investment, and shall be withdrawn only on warrants signed jointly by the Grand Secretary and either the Worthy Grand Matron, ~~or~~ the Grand Treasurer, or the chairman of any Grand Chapter Week Committee with a special fund who may be a signer on that special fund account. Eastern Star Homes of California and California Eastern Star Foundation funds shall also be deposited in a special fund account or accounts in such bank or banks.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and

Whereas, the Grand Secretary has the duty to receive and process quarterly reports from the Benevolent Fund Area Chairmen; and,

Whereas, these reports appear to be reports of chapter relief committees of chapters whose members are receiving aid from the Benevolent Fund; and,

Whereas, in general, chapters no longer know what members are receiving aid from the Benevolent Fund, so cannot make any report; and

Whereas, the Grand Chapter office has all of the information regarding disbursement from the Benevolent Fund and tracks all of the information previously included in the report;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the chapters are no longer required to make reports on its members receiving aid from the Benevolent Fund; and

That the Grand Secretary is no longer required to receive and process those reports.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 59(24), 407

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Tricia Stewart, PM (17/23))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 2 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: Under the current procedures, the chapters generally do not know which members are receiving aid from the Benevolent Fund.

ADOPTED

Sec. 59. **DUTIES.** It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary:

...

(24) **Benevolent Fund.** To receive and process quarterly reports from the Area Chairman, maintaining a permanent record of same.

Sec. 407. **QUARTERLY REPORT REQUIRED OF CHAPTER CHAIRMAN.** ~~The Relief Committee of every Chapter shall investigate and report quarterly on any member of its Chapter who received any aid from the Benevolent Fund by virtue of an application made by the Relief Committee of the Chapter during the calendar quarter. Such report shall be made so long as the aid from the Benevolent Fund under such application is continuing. Such report shall be in writing, signed by the members of the Relief Committee, and mailed to the Chairman of the Benevolent Fund Committee.~~

The Chairman shall investigate and report quarterly on members who are receiving aid from the Benevolent Fund. Such reports shall be on forms provided and shall be sent to the Grand Secretary. Such reports are to be received in the office of the Grand Secretary no later than five (5) days prior to the first of the month following the end of the calendar quarter. ~~In addition, if the application for relief was made through the Chapter's Relief Committee, a copy of the report pertaining to that member shall be provided to the Chapter in the same time frame.~~

~~Failure to make any report required by this section shall be reported to the General Chairman, who at her discretion, shall inform the Worthy Grand Matron, who shall take, or cause to be taken, such action as she deems advisable.~~

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, several statements are made in the Constitution and Laws that the Grand Chapter shall conform itself to the applicable laws of General Grand Chapter, there is no clear statement that it shall follow Federal, State, or Local Laws; and

Whereas, while we believe that this is the policy of the Grand Chapter, we also believe that this should be clearly stated in the Constitution and Laws so that provisions can be made to modify our rules if they conflict with any laws;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Chapter of California and its subordinates shall follow all federal, state, and local laws; and

That should a conflict be determined to exist, our laws may be modified in the same manner as conflicts between them and the applicable laws of General Grand Chapter.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 4

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

(by Rob Scott, PP (163))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 3 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This amendment assures that at all times the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter will remain in conformity with all Federal, State and local laws.

MOTION: It has been moved and seconded that in the final sentence in this proposed amendment it will have the word “shall” instead of “may.”

(A vote was taken.)

The motion to amend is **ADOPTED**.

The resolved portion now reads:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Chapter of California and its subordinates shall follow all federal, state, and local laws; and

That should a conflict be determined to exist, our laws shall be modified in the same manner as conflicts between them and the applicable laws of General Grand Chapter.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Sec. 4. **SUPREME AND EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION.** This Grand Chapter has supreme and exclusive jurisdiction over the Order of the Eastern Star in the State of California; except that the General Grand Chapter is the highest authority in the interpretation of the Ritualistic Work. The Grand Chapter of California shall conform to the Ritual and to the Ritualistic Work in the General Grand Chapter Book of Instructions. When changes are made in Ritualistic Work, Decisions or Resolutions pertaining to Ritualistic Work are adopted in General Grand Chapter, they shall immediately be in force in this Grand Jurisdiction. The Grand Chapter of California shall be subject to all federal, state and local laws.

Sec. 113. **CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.** The Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter, including all revisions and additions, may be amended in the following manner only:

...

(6) Changes required to conform to General Grand Chapter and all federal, state and local laws/conflicting legislation out of order. Any amendments or changes required to conform to the laws of General Grand Chapter, or federal, state and local laws, shall automatically become a part of this Constitution and Laws, and the Grand Secretary shall note the amendments or changes herein indicating the year in which such amendment or change was made. If any proposed legislation would violate the laws of General Grand Chapter or the Ritual, or any federal, state or local laws, such legislation shall be deemed out of order and shall neither be published nor voted upon at any Grand Chapter Session.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and

Whereas, paragraph 2 of Sec.113 (2) directs that the proposed amendments are to be distributed in advance to Aims and Objectives; and,

Whereas, Aims and Objectives has no duty to report on or recommend legislation; and

Whereas, there appears to be no clear need for that committee to receive proposed legislation in advance;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Aims and Objectives be removed from the list of those who receive the advanced distribution of proposed amendments.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weissner, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 113 (2)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 4 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This amendment will bring conformity to the duties of the Aims and Objectives Committee, which were changed in 2008. This Committee no longer has a duty to report or recommend legislation and, therefore, does not need to receive advanced distribution of proposed amendments.

ADOPTED

See Proposed Amendment No. 5 for changes.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, paragraph 2 of Sec. 113 (2) directs to whom proposed amendments are to be distributed in advance; and,

Whereas, the Parliamentarian is not included in that list; and,

Whereas, no one not in that list may receive the proposed legislation prior to the general dissemination to the membership; and,

Whereas, we believe that by providing the Parliamentarian with the proposed amendment as soon as possible it will provide the ability to advise the Worthy Grand Matron and committees on any issues that may arise;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Parliamentarian be included in the list of those who receive the advanced distribution of proposed amendments.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weissner, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)

Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 113(2)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 5 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: In order to be informed and to assist the Presiding Officer and the delegates of Grand Chapter, it would be beneficial for the Parliamentarian to receive the proposed amendments in the advanced distribution.

ADOPTED

Sec. 113. **CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.**
The Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter, including all revisions and additions, may be amended in the following manner only:

...

(2) Distribution of Amendments. . . .

The Grand Secretary shall, on receipt of proposed amendments, cause copies thereof to be prepared and delivered to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Treasurer, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, members of the Committees on Constitution and Bylaws, Jurisprudence, Finance, ~~Aims and Objectives~~ Parliamentarian and Distribution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 6

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the only clear stated policy for the procedure for requesting reimbursement of expenses is in Sec.106, and this procedure appears to only apply to requests for reimbursement under that section; and,

Whereas, the Grand Chapter needs a clear policy for requesting reimbursement of expenses that meets audit and legal requirements; and,

Whereas, while the Constitution and Laws currently, in Sec.105, directs that Grand Line Officers are "paid allowances" quarterly, as provided in the budget, for their expenses, this should be clarified so that it cannot be interpreted that they are being paid salaries but are being reimbursed for expenses; and,

Whereas, the Constitution and Laws further provides that they must submit vouchers or signed statements each quarter; however, there is no provision should those reports not be made; and,

Whereas, the reports of the Grand Line Officers should meet the same requirements of all other requests for reimbursement; and,

Whereas, the chairman of any committee whose members are requesting expenses that have not previously been limited by the Grand Chapter, should have the opportunity to review all expenses of the committee members; and,

Whereas, since the members of the Finance Committee can request reimbursement for all expenses in the performance of its duties, the chairman of Finance should approve all expenses of the members of that committee; and

Whereas, as the Presiding Officer of the Grand Chapter, it should be the duty of the Worthy Grand Matron to review and approve all expenses not previously limited by the Grand Chapter;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that reimbursement for expenses shall be requested as follows:

1. On an expense request form provided by the Grand Secretary;
2. With an itemized list of expenses; and
3. With at least one of the following:
 - a. The original receipts;
 - b. A copy of receipts along with a signed statement of why the original receipts are not available; or
 - c. A signed statement of why no receipt or copy is available;

That all expenses must be requested within 60 days of the close of the Grand Chapter year in which said expenses occurred.

That except for the expenses authorized by Sec.106 of the Constitution and Laws, the expenses of committee members shall be reviewed by the chairman of that committee prior to submission;

That the expenses of the Finance Committee shall be approved by the chairman of that committee prior to submission;

That the Grand Line Officers are reimbursed their expenses to the limits provided in the budget, with the reimbursement being advanced quarterly;

That the reports of the expenses of the Grand Line Officers shall conform to the form for expense requests given above;

That if a Grand Line Officer fails to make a report of her/his expenses or does not fully document expenses to the extent of the funds advanced, then until such expenses are documented, it shall be deemed that additional advances are not required. This is not intended to limit the amount of reimbursement as provided in the budget. When the expenses are documented additional advances can be made up to the maximum allowed by the budget;

That any advances to Grand Line Officers that have not been fully documented by the deadline for requests for expense reimbursement may be reported to taxing agencies as income; and

That, except for the reimbursement provided for in Sec.106, all requests for reimbursement shall be approved by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 73, 105, 106

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Donna Doan, PM (245/651))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 6 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This amendment will provide for more accurate records and help to insure that Grand Chapter properly characterize payments made to those individuals entitled to them and thereby identify any amounts that may have to be reported as compensation.

ADOPTED

Sec. 105. **COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES, GRAND OFFICERS.** The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress shall be paid such allowances for reimbursement of expenses as specified and limited in the budget. Payment shall be made quarterly, in advance, and properly requested as herein provided ~~receipted vouchers or signed statements shall be submitted~~ on a quarterly basis to the Grand Secretary, with a final accounting submitted within sixty (60) days of the close of the Grand Chapter year in which said expenses are incurred ~~prior to the close of the annual session.~~

Reimbursement for expenses shall be requested as follows:

1. On an expense request form provided by the Grand Secretary;

2. With an itemized list of expenses; and
3. With at least one of the following:
 - a. The original receipts;
 - b. A copy of receipts along with a signed statement of why the original receipts are not available; or
 - c. A signed statement of why no receipt or copy is available.

If a Grand Line Officer fails to make a report of her/his expenses or does not fully document expenses to the extent of the funds advanced, then until such expenses are properly documented, it shall be deemed that additional advances are not required. This is not intended to limit the amount of reimbursement as provided in the budget. When the expenses are properly documented additional advances can be made up to the maximum allowed by the budget.

Any advance to a Grand Line Officer that has not been properly documented by the deadline for expense reimbursement may be reported to taxing agencies as income.

Except for reimbursement of expenses provided for in Sec. 106, all requests for reimbursement shall be approved by the Worthy Grand Matron.

The Grand Secretary and the staff of the Grand Chapter office shall be paid such aggregate compensation as specified in the budget.

Sec. 106. **REIMBURSEMENT, STANDING COMMITTEES.** For services rendered to the Grand Chapter by members of Standing Committees, reimbursement shall be paid as follows:

(a) After the close of Grand Chapter a member who is entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of Grand Chapter up to the amounts listed in subsection (b); (c) below, shall submit a reimbursement request in the a format specified in Sec. 105 to by the Grand Secretary, together with receipts. Such request may be for any amount, up to and including, the amounts specified in subsection (b); (c) below. Upon receipt and approval by the Grand Secretary a check will be sent to the member. If the proper request and documentation is not received within sixty (60) days of the close to the Grand Chapter year in which said expenses are claimed by the Grand Secretary then a member entitled to reimbursement shall receive no reimbursement for expenses.

(b) All requests for reimbursement of expenses by members of the Finance Committee shall be approved by the Chairman of the Finance Committee prior to a member submitting his/her request for reimbursement. All requests for reimbursement of expenses, except for expenses authorized in subsection (c), below, shall be reviewed by the Chairman of that committee prior to submission.

(bc) A member of a specified Committee may receive reimbursement up to the following amounts, if they submit a request and proper documentation as specified in subsection (a), above. One hundred dollars (\$100.00) each to the General Chairman of Grand Chapter Week, to the Chairmen of the Committees on Aims and Objectives, Constitution and Bylaws, Jurisprudence, Finance, and Benevolent Fund, and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) each to the other members thereof; one hundred dollars (\$100.00) each to the Chairmen of the J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer Fund, the Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund, and the Cancer Assistance Committee; fifty dollars (\$50.00) each to the Chairmen of the Committees on Credentials, Eastern Star Patient Comfort Program and Housing; to each of the other members of the Committees on Credentials, thirty dollars (\$30.00), and on Eastern Star Patient Comfort Program and Housing, twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50); twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) each to the Chairmen of the Committees on Appeals and Grievances, Dispensations and Charters, Fraternal Correspondence, Consolidation, Endowment Fund, Membership and Scholarship Fund and to each of the other members thereof twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50).

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, while the Finance Committee has been given broad powers over the financial matters of the Grand Chapter, it was our understanding that they were, as a committee, to function in a similar manner as a Chief Financial Officer of the organization, and not as an executive committee or as its Chief Executive Officer; and,

Whereas, it appears that, at times, the Finance Committee has made executive decisions and exercised executive control over the Grand Chapter; and

Whereas, we are unclear of the intent of the Grand Chapter as to the extent of the powers of the Finance Committee;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that it is the policy of the Grand Chapter of California, that the Grand Chapter itself is the ultimate authority of all matters of the Order in California;

That the Worthy Grand Matron functions as the Chief Executive Officer of the Grand Chapter and is authorized broad powers of executive authority during the vacation of the Grand Chapter;

That the Grand Secretary functions as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Grand Chapter, implementing the policies of the Grand Chapter and Worthy Grand Matron;

That the Finance Committee, as a body, functions as the Chief Financial Officer of the Grand Chapter, recommending financial policy and offering advice concerning the finances to the Grand Chapter, Worthy Grand Matron, and other entities;

That the broad powers of the Finance Committee over the financial matters of the Grand Chapter during its recess are acknowledged, but that it is clear that their authority does not, in general, extend to executive matters;

That if there is conflict between executive policy and financial policy that executive policy shall prevail, unless the matter is clearly egregious and the Finance Committee clearly believes that irreparable harm will be suffered by the Grand Chapter and that their decision will, ultimately, be supported by the Grand Chapter;

That in the preparation of budgets for the Grand Chapter and the charities, if conflicts cannot be resolved between the Finance Committee and other party, the matter shall be decided by the Grand Chapter; and

That it is the duty of the Finance Committee to bring legislation to resolve any ongoing conflicts regarding executive policy and financial policy.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 50, 59, and 73

WITHDRAWN

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 8

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, it is the current practice of the Grand Line Officers for the Grand Marshal to recommend an appointment to be the Grand Chapter Week Activities Group 4 Chairman; and,

Whereas, this appointment is intended to be the General Chairman of Grand Chapter Week should the Grand Marshal eventually be elected Worthy Grand Matron; and,

Whereas, the practice allows the appointment to become thoroughly familiar with all of the Grand Chapter Week committees and the duties that must be undertaken as General Chairman; and

Whereas, we believe that it is in the best interest of the Grand Chapter that this practice continue and be formally adopted by the Grand Chapter;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint as chairman of Grand Chapter Week Activities Group 4 the member or members recommended by the Grand Marshal;

That the Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint a replacement for the chairman of the corresponding Group of the Grand Chapter week Activities Committee, when requested to do so by the Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, or Grand Marshal; and

That the Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, and Grand Marshal may recommend, at any time with or without cause, a replacement for the Group Chairman of the Grand Chapter Week Activity Committee who she previously recommended for appointment.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 64(k) and 86

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 8 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: Years ago, the practice of appointing a Group 4 activities committee was initiated. This procedure is being followed to this day without any formal legislation. This amendment will formally adopt this process and not interrupt the practice that is already in place.

ADOPTED

Sec. 64. **NUMBER OF MEMBERS.** Each of such committees shall consist of three members, with the following exceptions:

...

(k) The Committee on Grand Chapter Week Activities shall consist of five members one of whom shall be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron, General Chairman of Grand Chapter Week. This committee is divided into four Grand Chapter Week Activities Groups. The Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint as Chairman of Grand Chapter Week Activities Group 4 the member or members recommended by the Grand Marshal. The Worthy

Grand Matron shall appoint a replacement for the Chairman of Groups 1, 2, 3 and/or 4 when requested to do so by the Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, or Grand Marshal. The Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, and Grand Marshal may recommend, at any time with or without cause, a replacement for the Group Chairman of the Grand Chapter Week Activities Committee whom she previously recommended for appointment.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 9

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, although there are some items scattered throughout the Constitution and Laws that are directed to be included in the Proceedings there is no clear list of items that must be included; and,

Whereas, the proceedings is the permanent public record of the Grand Chapter Session and the acts of the Grand Chapter, its officers, and committees; and

Whereas, if not included in the Proceedings there is no public documentation of the actual changes to the Constitution and Laws;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Proceedings shall include the following:

- The complete written reports of the: Worthy Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Patron; Grand Secretary; Grand Treasurer; Controller; Boards of Trustees; and Committees of: Constitution and Bylaws, Finance, Jurisprudence, and other Committees;
- The list of committee appointments provided to the Grand Secretary by the Worthy Grand Matron;
- All motions made and the disposition of such motions;
- The disposition of all proposed amendments, including the reports of the committees thereon and the changes made to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book due to any adopted legislation;
- All housekeeping corrections approved by Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence (see Section 35);
- Decisions of the Worthy Grand Matron adopted by Grand Chapter, and all changes to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book from those decisions;
- All changes to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book due to conflicts between the Ritual, the Laws of General Grand Chapter that pertain to Grand Jurisdictions, and any Federal or States Laws;

- All of the résumés submitted for elected office;
- The results of the Annual Elections;
- All adopted budgets;
- The final reports of all audits as required by Section 73(9); and
- Any other matters deemed appropriate for the public record of the Grand Chapter.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 111 Rule 16

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON
 CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE**
(by Denny Rae Grist, PGM (48))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 9 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This amendment is codifying the current practice.

ADOPTED

See Proposed Amendment No. 10 for changes.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 10

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, Sec.111 mostly contains rules regarding the Annual Session of Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, Rules 16 through 19 of Sec.111 appear to have little to do with the Grand Chapter Session; and,

Whereas, the rules in Sec.111 of the Constitution and Laws have a different requirement for amendment and suspension than the rest of the Constitution and Laws;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Rules 16 through 19 be removed from Sec.111 and placed in separate sections of the Constitution and Laws; and

That those new sections shall be amended in the same manner as the rest of the Constitution and Laws.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weissner, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 111 Rules 16-19

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 10 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: Most of the items in Sec. 111 (rules 1-15) deal with procedure at the annual session and only a majority to change. Rules 16-19 are currently subjected to the same majority vote. In order to reorganize them to a more appropriate section of the Constitution, they will require a 2/3 vote to change.

ADOPTED

New Sec. 116, subsections b & c from Sec. 111, Rule 16

Sec. 116 Proceedings.

(a) Content of Proceedings. The Proceedings shall include the following:

- The complete written reports of the: Worthy Grand Matron; Worthy Grand Patron; Grand Secretary; Grand Treasurer; Controller; Boards of Trustees; and Committees of: Constitution and Bylaws, Finance, Jurisprudence, and other Committees;
- The list of committee appointments provided to the Grand Secretary by the Worthy Grand Matron;
- All motions made and the disposition of such motions;
- The disposition of all proposed amendments, including the reports of the committees thereon and the changes made to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book due to any adopted legislation;
- All housekeeping corrections approved by Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence (see Section 35);
- Decisions of the Worthy Grand Matron adopted by Grand Chapter, and all changes to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book from those decisions;

- All changes to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book due to conflicts between the Ritual, the Laws of General Grand Chapter that pertain to Grand Jurisdictions, and any Federal or States Laws;
- All of the résumés submitted for elected office;
- The results of the Annual Elections;
- All adopted budgets;
- The final reports of all audits as required by Section 73(9); and
- Any other matters deemed appropriate for the public record of the Grand Chapter.

(b) Review of Proceedings. The Junior Past Grand Matron shall complete her review of the proceedings and deliver to the Grand Chapter office a corrected copy of the proceedings prior to the March 1 printing deadline. If the Junior Past Grand Matron does not complete her review by the due date, the record of the court reporter and then the editing by the Grand Chapter office shall be considered final.

(c) Distribution of Proceedings. The Grand Secretary shall distribute copies of the Annual Proceedings in an appropriate form, by the first day of April, following the close of Grand Chapter, to the following: one (1) free copy to each subordinate Chapter with instructions that it be held as property of the Chapter for not less than seven years after which the subordinate chapter may vote to dispose of it in the same manner as any other item of chapter property; one (1) copy to each Grand Secretary of other Grand Jurisdictions. A printed paper copy will be sent to the following: one (1) copy to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Masons of California; and one (1) copy to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Iowa. Additional copies will be available to any of the above listed groups for a fee.

One copy of either printed paper or appropriate form shall be furnished through the Grand Chapter Office to each member of the Order desiring it, for which a fee shall be charged to cover the cost.

Insert new subsection 6 into Sec. 113 from Sec. 111, Rule 17:

Sec. 113. CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.

...

~~Rule 17-(6)~~ Distribution of Amendments to Chapters, etc. Within ninety days after receipt of the publication changes prepared by the committees on Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence in accordance with sections 70(6) and (7), sections 71(8) and (9) and section 113(5), the Grand Secretary shall mail eight printed copies of all amendments to the Constitution and Laws and Instruction Book to all subordinate Chapters, and copies to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons,

Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Treasurer, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Secretaries Emeritus, Grand Treasurers Emeritus, and the Chairmen of Standing Committees. At the top of such list there shall be prominently printed the notation: "Chapters are required, after each session of the Grand Chapter, to amend their bylaws, if necessary, so that they will at all times conform to the laws of the Grand Chapter."

Renumber remainder of section

New Section 117 from Sec. 111, Rule 18:

~~Rule 18.~~ **Sec. 117 DISTRIBUTION OF LAWS, RITUALS, ETC.** The Grand Secretary shall distribute laws, rituals, etc., without cost, as follows:

- (a) One copy of the Constitution and Laws to elected Grand Officers upon their first election to office only, and to such members of Grand Chapter Committees as may require them in the discharge of their duties.
- (b) One ritual to each Elected Grand Officer upon their first election to office only, incoming appointed Grand Officers, and Deputy Grand Matrons.
- (c) One Instruction Book to each Elected Grand Officer upon their first election to office only, incoming appointed Grand Officers, and Deputy Grand Matrons.
- (d) One copy of the uncoded Secret Work to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress and each Deputy Grand Matron, for use during their year of service, to be returned to the Grand Secretary at the close of the year.

For distribution to Chapter see: Sec. 254.

New Section 118 from Sec. 111, Rule 19:

~~Rule 19.~~ **Sec. 118 DISTRIBUTION OF ITINERARIES AND ROSTERS.** The Grand Secretary shall distribute the itinerary and roster as follows:

One copy of the itinerary to the Grand Line officers, the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, to each widow of Past Grand Patrons and widower of Past Grand Matrons, to each member of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Star Home, to each member of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Star Foundation, to each Standing Committee Chairman, to the Editor and Circulation Manager of Cal Star News, to each member of the Committees on Constitution and Bylaws, Jurisprudence, Finance, Aims and Objectives, Benevolent, Endowment, Cancer Assistance, and to each employee of the Grand Chapter office.

One copy of the roster to the Grand Line officers, the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, to each Chapter Secretary marked "Secretary's Free Copy," to each Grand Secretary of other Jurisdictions including the Right Worthy Grand Secretary, to each widow of Past Grand Patrons and widower of Past Grand Matrons, to each member of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Star Home, to each member of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Star Foundation, to the Eastern Star Home, to the Grand Secretary of Masons, Grand Lodge Library in San Francisco, to the Administrator of the Homes at Union City and Covina, to Grand Lodge of Iowa's Library, to International Order of Jobs' Daughters, International Rainbow for Girls, Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of DeMolay, to the auditor, to the insurance firm, to the Editor and Circulation Manager of Cal Star News, to the Housing Chairman, Chairman of Eastern Star Patient Comfort Program, to each member of the Committees on Constitution and Bylaws, Jurisprudence, Finance, Aims and Objectives, Benevolent, Endowment, Cancer Assistance, and to each employee of the Grand Chapter office.

Renumber Sec. 116 to Sec. 119.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 11

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, at times it has been the practice of the Worthy Grand Matron at the request of the Associate Grand Matron to appoint a co-chairman to certain Grand Chapter Week and Special Committees. This co-chairman has, generally, gone on to serve as chairman of that committee the following year; and,

Whereas, we believe that this practice is good policy because it allows a member of a committee with a one year appointment to gain the necessary experience to serve as chairman the following year;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Associate Grand Matron may recommend a member to be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron as Vice Chairman of any special committee that the current Worthy Grand Matron which the Associate Grand Matron intends to continue the following year;

That the Associate Grand Matron may recommend a member to be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron as Vice Chairman of the following Grand Chapter Week Committees: Credentials, Courtesies to Dignitaries, Elections, Housing, Necrology, and Publicity;

That the Associate Grand Matron intends that the member appointed as vice chairman is to serve as the chairman of that committee during the next year; however, this does not mean that the Associate Grand Matron must appoint this person as chairman;

That the member to be appointed is willing to serve as chairman of that committee the following year;

That except for cause, the Worthy Grand Matron shall confirm this appointment;

In the absence of the chairman, they do not automatically assume the chairmanship — if the position of chairman is vacated the new chairman is appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 12 64(d), 86(a), and 111 Rule 14

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 11 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This amendment ratifies and brings conformity to the procedure that is now being followed. This amendment allows the line officers to choose who will serve as chairmen of the following committees during her year – Credentials, Courtesies to dignitaries, Elections, Housing, Necrology and Publicity.

ADOPTED

Sec. 57. **DUTIES.** It shall be the duty of the Associate Grand Matron:

...

(3) To recommend to the Worthy Grand Matron, if she wishes to, a member to be appointed as Vice Chairman to any special committee of the current Worthy Grand which the Associate Grand Matron intends to continue the following year; or to the following Grand Chapter Stated or Grand Chapter Week Committees: Credentials, Courtesies to Dignitaries, Election Board, Housing, Necrology and Publicity.

This member is intended to serve as the chairman of that committee during the next year; however, this does not compel the Associate Grand Matron to appoint this person as chairman.

If the position of chairman is vacated the new chairman is appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Renumber the remainder of section

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 12

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, when the Constitution and Laws was changed to require at least three proponents to sign proposed legislation, there was no change in the wording on how many of the proponents are required to withdraw an amendment; and,

Whereas, the intent of the Grand Chapter regarding this is not clear; and,

Whereas, proposed legislation currently requires at least three signers; and,

Whereas, if more than three members sign legislation, we believe that it would not be appropriate for the legislation to be automatically withdrawn at the direction of only one of the signers; and

Whereas, we believe that the best balance is to require that proposed amendment be signed by three and only three members and that it can be withdrawn at the request of only one of those signers;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that a proposed amendment is to be signed by three and only three members; and

That a proposed amendment can be withdrawn at the request of only one of the three proponents.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 111 Rule 7 and 113(1)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 12 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: Because our current law is vague as to how many proponents are required to withdraw a proposed amendment, this clarifies that there are only three (3) signers and any **one** may withdraw.

NOT ADOPTED

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 13

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, when the Constitution and Laws was changed to require at least three proponents to sign proposed legislation, there was no change in the wording on how many of the proponents are required to withdraw an amendment; and,

Whereas, the intent of the Grand Chapter regarding this is not clear; and,

Whereas, proposed legislation currently requires at least three signers; and,

Whereas, if more than three proponents sign legislation, we believe that it would not be appropriate for the legislation to be automatically withdrawn at the direction of only one of the proponents; and

Whereas, if the number of signers of proposed amendments is not limited to three, we believe that all of the proponents should have to agree to withdraw legislation before the opening of Grand Chapter;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that up to five days before the opening of the Annual Session of Grand Chapter, a proposed amendment can only be withdrawn with the consent of all of the proponents;

That after that time a proposed amendment can only be withdrawn with the consent of the Grand Chapter, but at the request of any single proponent.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 111 Rule 7 and 113(1)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS *(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))*

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 13 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This does not limit how many may sign legislation, but it mandates all signers agree if the proposed amendment is requested to be withdrawn before Grand Chapter.

ADOPTED

Sec. 111.

...

Rule 7. Introduction of Proposed Amendments. All proposed amendments to the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter signed by at least three different members of Grand Chapter from three different subordinate Chapters, having no chapters in common and which have been duly filed with the Grand Secretary, shall be deemed submitted. Signatories should list all the chapter numbers to which they belong for purposes of verifying that the legislation has enough valid signatures.

The Committee on Distribution shall thereupon receive such proposed amendments and may immediately take appropriate action in referring them to the Grand Chapter Committee concerned.

Even though distributed as described above, with the consent of all of the proponents of an amendment, it may be withdrawn it; in writing, five days prior to the opening date of the annual session ~~or, with the consent of Grand Chapter, at any time before it is voted upon. After that time a proposed amendment can only be withdrawn with the consent of the Grand Chapter, but at the request of any single proponent.~~

Sec. 113. **CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.**

...

(3) Referred to Committee; Withdrawal of Amendment. All proposed amendments so filed may be withdrawn ~~by the~~ with the consent of all of the proponents by notice in writing filed with the Grand Secretary at least five days before Grand Chapter is opened.

After the opening of Grand Chapter a one proponent may withdraw ~~his or her~~ an amendment with the consent of Grand Chapter up to the time that it is voted upon.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 14

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer Fund Committee and the Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund Committee are single member committees both with a three year term; and,

Whereas, the Cancer Assistance Committee is a single member committee with a one year term; and,

Whereas, we do not believe that it is in the best interest of the membership that the single member of such an important committee be changed each year; and

Whereas, by making the Cancer Assistance Committee a three-year term, a Worthy Grand Matron will be able to appoint the member to one of the Cancer Assistance Committees;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Cancer Assistance Committee shall have a three-year term; and

That the appointment to the Cancer Assistance Committee, J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer Fund Committee, and Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund Committee shall occur on different years.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 65(c)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 14 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: Changes the term of the Cancer Assistance Committee to a three (3) year term vs. a one (1) year term. This will stagger the cancer Assistance Committee Chairman, J. Clifford Lee Cancer Fund Committee Chairman and Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund Committees so there will be continuity within the Cancer Assistance Committee.

ADOPTED

Sec. 64. NUMBER OF MEMBERS. Each of such committees shall consist of three members, with the following exceptions:

...

(c) The Cancer Assistance Committee shall consist of a Chairman.

~~The members of the Committee with remaining terms at the close of the 2011 annual session shall serve out the terms for which they have been appointed; but not replaced; and the Worthy Grand Matrons of 2012 and 2013 appoint only a Chairman to serve during her year.~~

Sec. 65. TERM. Such committees shall be appointed within ten days after the close of the annual session, to serve until the close of the next succeeding annual session, except that:

...

(c) The member of the Cancer Assistance Committee, J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer Fund and the Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund shall each serve for three years.

The appointments to the Cancer Assistance Committee, J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer Fund Committee, and Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund Committee shall occur on different years. If any one of these Chairs become vacant and must be replaced, the replacement will serve out the term of the member they are replacing.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 15

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the Constitution and Laws requires that an Informal Opening Session be held during the Annual Session; and

Whereas, there is no direction on when such a session is to be held or what it consists of;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the requirement for an Informal Opening be removed from the Constitution and Laws.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 23

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

(by Gary Gole, PP (21/651))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 15 has been referred, move the adoption of a substitute amendment as follows:

MOTION: We move that Proposed Amendment No. 15 “and that it be made optional at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron” be added after “Constitution and Laws” in the resolved paragraph.

For the following reasons: The current Constitution and Laws requires an informal opening, but fails to state what an informal opening should consist of, and that it be held during the annual session. The problem is when does the annual session start as it should be only three (3) days. This amendment keeps informal opening in our Constitution and Laws and gives the Worthy Grand Matron the option when to hold it.

(A vote was taken.)

The Motion to amend is **ADOPTED**.

The Resolved paragraph now reads:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the requirement for an Informal Opening be removed from the Constitution and Laws and that it be made optional at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Sec. 23. **REGULAR; TIME; PLACE.** The Grand Chapter shall hold an annual session for the transaction of business on the date and time determined by Grand Chapter at a preceding annual session and shall continue for not more than three consecutive days, Sundays excepted. At the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, there ~~may~~ shall be an Informal Opening held at each annual session. Preference shall be given to the selection of weekend dates in October, not in conflict with the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons in California.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 16

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the Constitution and Laws requires that the Line Officers of every chapter attend the Annual Session; and,

Whereas, this requirement appears to historically be because it was the Line Officers of the chapters that were the voting representatives of the chapters; and,

Whereas, now every member in California is entitled to attend Grand Session and vote; and,

Whereas, the only need is that there be a sufficient number of members at Grand Session to make a quorum;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the chapter Line Officers no longer have a duty to attend sessions of the Grand Chapter; and

That it is the duty of each chapter to see that at least one member is in attendance at any session of Grand Chapter in order to meet the quorum requirements and to represent the chapter.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weissner, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 28

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 16 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: Section 28 legislates that all line officers of a chapter attend all annual sessions of the Grand Chapter. This was appropriate when only line officers could vote. This legislation removes the mandate of requiring six (6) members of a chapter attend Grand Chapter and changes the requirement to one (1) member of a chapter attending the Grand Session to meet a quorum.

ADOPTED

Sec. 28. **DUTY OF ATTENDANCE.** It shall be the duty of the ~~Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Associate Matrons, Associate Patrons, Conductresses, and Associate Conductresses to attend all annual sessions of the Grand Chapter and any special session called for the transaction of business~~ each chapter to see that at least one member is in attendance at any session of Grand Chapter in order to meet the quorum requirements and to represent the chapter.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 17

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the Constitution and Laws does not allow members of chapters under dispensation to vote or participate in sessions of the Grand Chapter, unless the Grand Chapter grants them such privilege; and,

Whereas, there is no such restriction on chapters on probation or whose charters have been suspended; and,

Whereas, chapters under dispensation are functioning chapters waiting for their charter to be approved by the Grand Chapter, but chapters on probation or under suspension are not functioning properly under the Laws of the Grand Chapter; and

Whereas, we believe that if a functioning chapter under dispensation should require approval of the Grand Chapter before its members vote or participate, then chapters under discipline should be under the same restriction;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of a chapter on probation or whose charter has been suspended are only entitled to vote or participate at any session of the Grand Chapter with the approval of the Grand Chapter.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 301 and 306

WITHDRAWN

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 18

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, while the Constitution and Laws provides for vacancies in the Grand Line offices, it does not provide any clear direction in the case of an extreme emergency, should two or more of the top four Grand Line offices become vacant; and

Whereas, we believe that it is in the best interest of the Grand Chapter that a clearly defined procedure be in place should such an event occur;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that in the case of vacancy of both the Worthy Grand Matron and Associate Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron, shall appoint a Past Grand Matron to serve as acting Worthy Grand Matron and another to serve as acting Associate Grand Matron until the Grand Chapter can meet and resolve the matter either at the next Annual Session, or, if there is time, at a special session;

That in the case of a vacancy in all four of the first four Grand Offices, the most junior Past Grand Matron shall fill the office as Acting Worthy Grand Matron and the second most junior Past Grand Matron shall fill the office as Acting Associate Grand Matron until the Grand Chapter can meet and resolve the matter either at a special session, or, if there is not time, at the Annual Session.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weissner, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 18 and 19

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Janet Robinson, PGM, (348))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 18 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: There is no procedure in place in case of an extreme emergency should the first four Grand Offices become vacant. This legislation provides for the vacancies to be filled until the Grand Chapter can meet and resolve the matter.

ADOPTED

Sec. 21A **MULTIPLE VACANCIES.** In the case of vacancy of both the Worthy Grand Matron and Associate Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron, shall appoint a Past Grand Matron to serve as acting Worthy Grand Matron and another to serve as acting Associate Grand Matron until the Grand Chapter can meet and resolve the matter either at the next Annual Session, or, if there is time, at a special session;

In the case of a vacancy in all four of the first four Grand Offices, the most junior Past Grand Matron shall fill the office as Acting Worthy Grand Matron and the second most junior Past Grand Matron shall fill the office as Acting Associate Grand Matron until the Grand Chapter can meet and resolve the matter either at a special session, or, if there is not time, at the Annual Session.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 19

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the intent and purpose of Sec.86 (d) is unclear; and,

Whereas, it appears to have something to do with restrictions of the use of money and lodging and living expenses; and

Whereas, this section appears to be in conflict with long standing practices of the Grand Chapter, other sections of the Constitution and Laws, and labor laws, and we are really unsure what this section is trying to accomplish (or restrict);

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Sec.86 (d) be deleted.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 86(d)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

(by Karen Fletcher, GGCCM (128/342))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 19 has been referred, recommends a Yes vote for the following reasons: The deletion of this section will bring us into compliance with our long standing practice.

ADOPTED

Sec. 86. **GRAND CHAPTER WEEK ACTIVITIES.**

...

~~(d) No funds or moneys belonging to the Grand Chapter or collected by or for, or in the name of the Grand Chapter, or any committee thereof, or any Grand Officer of this Grand Jurisdiction, shall be used for the payment, or partial payment of the hotel or living expenses, during the annual session of the Grand Chapter. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, this paragraph shall not apply to the hotel lodging expenses of the Grand Secretary during the annual session.~~

Renumber remaining sections

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 20

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, the intent and purpose of Sec.86(e) is unclear; and,

Whereas, it appears to have something to do with restrictions of the use of money and private entertainment; and

Whereas, we are really unsure what this section is trying to accomplish (or restrict);

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Sec.86 (e) be deleted.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 86(e)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Dennis Jordan, PGP (126))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 20 has been referred, recommend a No vote for the following reason: Passage of this amendment would remove the safeguard presently in the Constitution and Laws preventing moneys being spent for private entertainment at Grand Chapter.

NOT ADOPTED

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 21

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, in Sec. 97 several of the penalties for failing to pay necessary fees or file required reports with the Grand Chapter result in members of the chapter not being eligible to vote at or participate in sessions of the Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, currently, only in the case that a chapter has failed to pay its per capita can this penalty be waived by the Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, it makes sense to keep the various penalties consistent; and,

Whereas, there may be times that the Grand Chapter may want to waive this penalty; and

Whereas, it should always be within the power of the Grand Chapter to waive any penalty that is applied in its laws;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Chapter may, by special consent, waive the penalties in Sec. 97 of members not being allowed to vote at or participate in sessions of the Grand Chapter.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
 Sheri Weissner, PGM (177)
 Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
 Alyson Grant (96)
 Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 97

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Donna Doan, PM (245/651))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 21 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This amendment will provide for consistency in Grand Chapter's procedures for dealing with members affected by penalties applied to chapters for failure to timely fees and/or file reports. Our law already provides for possible waiver of penalties in cases where a chapter has failed to timely pay annual assessments but does not provide for such waiver of penalties for lesser offenses.

ADOPTED

Also includes a section reference update from Proposed Amendment No. 10.

Sec. 97. PENALTIES. . . .

Any chapter failing to pay for the updates required to be sent to them under ~~Section 111 rule 17~~Section 113 (6) within three months of the delivery of such updates shall be subject to fine by the Grand Chapter in the amount of \$50.00. . . .

The Grand Chapter may, by special consent, waive the above penalties of members not being allowed to vote at or participate in sessions of the Grand Chapter.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 22

Whereas, it is the duty of the Constitutional Reorganization Committee to present legislation when changes beyond reorganization are required to the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, Sec.111 mostly contains rules regarding procedures for session of the Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, Sec.13 appears to contain instructions on how elections are to proceed at the Annual Session; and,

Whereas, it would be more appropriate for such instructions to be contained in the rules of procedure rather than in the Laws; and

Whereas, the rules in Sec.111 of the Constitution and Laws have a different requirement for amendment and suspension than the rest of the Constitution and Laws;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Sec.13 be moved to a Rule in Sec.111; and

That the new rule be governed by the same requirements as those required to change the rest of Sec.111.

Signed: James Hannum, chairman (347)
Sheri Weisser, PGM (177)
Shirley Orth, GSE (135)
Alyson Grant (96)
Sharon Jazwiecki (163)

Section(s): 13, 111

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

(by Rob Scott, PP (163))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 22 has been referred, recommends a Yes vote for the following reasons: This amendment seeks to move the procedural rules for Grand Chapter elections from the substantive provisions of the Constitution and Laws to the procedural section where they belong along with the rest of the rules for conducting business at Grand Chapter. The significant impact is that the move will cause any proposed changes to election rules to be made by a simple majority vote of Grand Chapter instead of the 2/3 vote now required for changes to our substantive law.

ADOPTED

Sec. ~~13~~-111, Rule 14. Election Procedure. Nominations shall be made for the offices of Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress and the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Star Home. Such nominations shall be written, each on one sheet of paper, and shall consist of the name of the office and of the nominee and the signature of two members of the Grand Chapter making such nomination. All nominations shall be placed on the desk of the Worthy Grand Matron immediately prior to the election, and she shall give an opportunity therefore before proceeding.

The Worthy Grand Matron shall announce each office for which a nomination is made and the name(s) of the nominee(s), allowing each nominee to rise and approach the East as his or her name is called, after which she shall declare the nominations closed. If any nominee is not present in the Grand Chapter room upon such reading of his or her name, such nomination shall be rejected by the Worthy Grand Matron unless it is accompanied by, or there has been filed with the Grand Secretary theretofore, a written statement, signed by the nominee, of inability to be present, in which event the Worthy Grand Matron shall so state.

If there be but one nominee for any office for which nominations shall be made, such nominee may be elected by motion, properly made and seconded and unanimously carried, otherwise the election to such office must proceed by written, secret ballot.

If there be more than one candidate for the offices for which nominations must be made, the election shall proceed by written ballot in conformation with Sec. 29.

A majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to a choice.

Renumber Rule 14 to Rule 14A.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 23

Whereas, many members give tirelessly and selflessly over many years to our Youth Groups while also giving ongoing and positive service to their Chapter and/or to our Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, no method has ever been established in our Grand Chapter to recognize and honor this Youth Service; and,

Whereas, it would be appropriate to honor some of these hard working members for the contributions they make to our Youth Groups while continuing to remain active in our Order; and,

Whereas, such recognition should be limited in quantity to keep it special;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Chapter of California hereby creates the Grand Chapter Youth Service Award with the following guidelines: (a) No more than four Grand Chapter Youth Service Awards shall be given in each Grand Chapter year; (b) the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron shall select the recipients of the Grand Chapter Youth Service award for their year, if any, and may select a token to present to commemorate this honor; (c) the awards may be bestowed at any time during the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's year, but in no event shall they be bestowed later

than the closing session of the Grand Chapter just prior to Grand Installation;
(d) the Grand Secretary shall provide a certificate to each recipient certifying their receipt of the award and shall maintain a list of award recipients in the Grand Chapter Office.

Signed: Sarahann Shapiro (141)
Debra Maiman (245)
Martha Peters (59)

Section(s): 59, 56, 59, and new section

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Tricia Stewart, PM (17/23))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 23 has been referred, recommend a No vote for the following reason: The committees feel that presentation of a Grand Chapter Youth Service award should be tested on a trial basis for the next three years and then, if successful, be brought back as proposed legislation.

NOT ADOPTED

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 24

Whereas, our Constitution and Laws currently limits the amount that may be given in a scholarship award to \$1,000 for a four year college and \$500 for a community college for each year; and,

Whereas, the expense for a college education in California has increased enormously over the years since these limitations were placed in our Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, having the option of giving larger scholarships could allow our Grand Chapter to better assist deserving students to achieve their educational goals;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the limits on the amounts that can be awarded to a single individual for a single year set forth above be increased to no more than \$5,000 for a four year college and no more than \$1,000 for a community college for each year.

Signed: Sarahann Shapiro (141)
Debra Maiman (245)
Martha Peters (59)

Section(s): 88(d)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE

(by Donna Doan, PM (245/651))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Finance, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 24 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: The amendment will provide for greater flexibility in determining amounts to be awarded to recipients of our Scholarship Fund thereby allowing for a more significant impact in the lives of deserving students and their families.

ADOPTED

Sec. 88. **SCHOLARSHIP FUND.** Scholarship awards, except those for religious training, shall be made to:

...

(d) Amount of Award. The amount of such award shall be no less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) nor more than ~~one~~ five thousand dollars (~~\$15,000.00~~), for a four year College or University, and no less than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) nor more than ~~five hundred~~ one thousand dollars (~~\$51,000.00~~), when attending a Community College or Vocational School, (except as may be designated by a Memorial Scholarship) . . .

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 25

Whereas, Grand Line Officers are assigned to various committees during their years of service in the Grand Line; and,

Whereas, no opportunity is made for the Grand Line Officers to observe and/or interface with other standing committees of Grand Chapter, many of which are important to the smooth operation of our Grand Chapter; and,

Whereas, Grand Line Officers would be in a better position to select members for committees if they had the opportunity to observe their operation; and,

Whereas, the other four Grand Line officers would be better able to assist the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in the management of the Grand Chapter if such Officers were able to observe and attend a wide range of standing committees and could act as liaisons between the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and such committees to improve the operation of the Grand Chapter;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that without changing any of the specific appointments currently set forth in our Constitution and Laws, that all six Elected Grand Line Officers shall be added as ex officio members, without vote and without reimbursement or compensation, to all standing committees of Grand Chapter. As ex officio members, all Grand Line Officers will receive notice of any meetings held by any standing committee and could attend any such meetings.

All specific appointments shall remain, subject to other amendment of our Constitution and Laws, and all Grand Line Officers shall retain their voting rights and rights to compensation on such committees to which they are specifically named as members.

Signed: Sarahann Shapiro (141)
Debra Maiman (245)
Martha Peters (59)

Section(s): 64

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Sheri Weisser, PGM, (177))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 25 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This would add the elected line officers as ex-officio members without vote to all standing committees, if they are not already a regular member of the committee. It has been clarified with the proponents that the ex-officio member is not to perform the duties of the Committee.

ADOPTED

Add a new Section 64(n):

The elected Grand Line Officers shall be ex officio members, without a vote and without reimbursement or compensation, to all standing committees of Grand Chapter. As an ex officio members, the Grand Line Officers shall receive notice of any and all meetings held by all standing committees and shall be allowed to attend the meeting. All specific appointments shall remain, subject to other provisions of the Constitution and Laws, and all Grand Line Officers shall retain their voting rights and entitlement to compensation and reimbursement on such committees to which they are specifically named as members.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 26

Whereas, the Associate Grand Conductress is currently assigned to serve on the Aims and Objectives Committee; and,

Whereas, the stated purpose of this service is to give the Associate Grand Conductress an opportunity to work on the future planning for our Order which is the purpose of the Aims and Objectives committee; and,

Whereas, planning for the future of our Order may take longer than one year and many plans and ideas are formed during the second year of a Sister's journey in the Grand Line; and,

Whereas, service on the committee would give the Grand Conductress the opportunity of working with the Committee to sound out the membership on ideas and goals that she is contemplating in preparation for her further service and for the selection of members to serve on standing and special committees, who must be asked during her year as Associate Grand Matron; and,

Whereas, having both the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress on the Committee would allow for greater continuity in planning as the two officers work together;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Conductress be added to the Aims and Objectives Committee; and,

Further, the Aims and Objective Committee shall perform such tasks and investigate such plans as the Grand Conductress, with the assistance of the Associate Grand Conductress, shall indicate, subject to the prior approval and review of such plans by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Signed: Sarahann Shapiro (141)
Debra Maiman (245)
Martha Peters (59)

Section(s): 64(h), 68, and 106(b)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Sheri Weisser, PGM, (177))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 26 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This seeks to offer the opportunity for the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress to liaison with the Aims and Objectives Committee to allow for greater continuity in planning for the future.

ADOPTED

Sec. 64. **NUMBER OF MEMBERS.**

...

(h) The Committee on Aims and Objectives shall consist of five members, three of whom are from the Northern part of the State and two of whom are from the Southern part of the State in a year when the Worthy Grand Matron is from the Northern part of the State or three of whom are from the Southern part of the State and two of whom are from the Northern part of the State in a year when the Worthy Grand Matron is from the Southern part of the State; and in addition shall include a Past Grand Matron and a Past Grand Patron, for a one-year term, and the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, who shall serve as an ex officio members;

Add new section 68(4)

Sec. 68. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES. . . .

(4) To perform such tasks and investigate such plans as the Grand Conductress, with the assistance of the Associate Grand Conductress, shall indicate, subject to the prior approval and review of such plans by the Worthy Grand Matron.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 27

Whereas, the Grand Conductress is currently assigned to serve on the Appeals and Grievances Committee; and,

Whereas, service on this committee usually consists of being assigned to a problem Chapter and attending their meetings; and,

Whereas, the Grand Conductress has a great many other duties to perform and is often not assigned to a problem Chapter for this reason, thus serving her year on Appeals and Grievances to no purpose; and,

Whereas, it would be of benefit for the Elected Grand Line Officers of future years to be able to observe the workings of the members of the Appeals and Grievances Committee at some meetings without being assigned to a Chapter on a full time basis;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Conductress be removed from the Appeals and Grievances Committee as a full member of that Committee and that the Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress be added to the committee as ex officio members.

Signed: Sarahann Shapiro (141)
Debra Maiman (245)
Martha Peters (59)

Section(s): 57, 58, and 64(f)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Sheri Weisser, PGM, (177))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 27 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: This seeks make the elected line ex-officio members of the Appeals and Grievances Committee.

ADOPTED

Sec. 64. **NUMBER OF MEMBERS.** Each of such committees shall consist of three members, with the following exceptions:

...

(f) The Committee on Appeals and Grievances shall consist of ten ~~eleven~~ members — five from the Northern part of the State, five from the Southern part, and the Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress who shall serve as an ex officio members;

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 28

Whereas, the Eastern Star chapters of California continue to show a varying degree of compliance with the rules and regulations established by federal and state law for maintaining a tax free, nonprofit status; and,

Whereas, many chapters pay some officers a salary to perform their duties as defined in the Ritual and the Constitution and Laws; and,

Whereas, many chapters pay members or non members to set up and tear down the chapter room each meeting; and,

Whereas, many chapters fail to submit the required paperwork required by the Grand Chapter office to justify the paying of salaries; and

Whereas, many chapters fail to prove the payment of required Social Security fees for their “employees”; and,

Whereas, the nonprofit status of the California Order of the Eastern Star is being questioned and challenged by the Internal Revenue Service and the State Board of Equalization; and,

Whereas, the failure of some chapters to do what is required, and by so doing have placed all chapters in jeopardy;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that beginning with the 2013 fraternal year, no chapter will be allowed to pay any member for services performed by that member.

Signed: Dennis Jordan (126)
Denny Rae Grist (48)
Art Weiss (632/651)

Section(s): 174 and Uniform Code of Bylaws

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS
AND BYLAWS, FINANCE, AND JURISPRUDENCE**

(by Rob Scott, PP (163))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws, Finance, and Jurisprudence, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 28 has been referred, recommend a No vote for the following reason: The Finance Committee discovered that 24 chapters were not in compliance with State and Federal tax laws by refusing to pay or file quarterly tax returns and to pay withholding taxes for employees, principally chapter secretaries. The failure of these chapters has endangered the nonprofit status of Grand Chapter and every subordinate chapter in California, and put in serious jeopardy the tax exempt status of our entire organization. The California Franchise Tax Board has already taken notice and begun a closer examination of other chapters' financial activities.

Following letters from the Worthy Grand Matron, emails and telephone calls from the Finance Committee, all but two (2) chapters are now in compliance with the law. The two (2) chapters who have refused to conform to the tax laws are San Fernando No. 398 and Del Mar No. 604.

The proponents of this amendment have decided that since all other efforts have failed, to propose that all chapters be prohibited from paying for any services or having any employees. This would include chapter secretaries.

The committee is recommending a No vote on the amendment because it would not be fair to penalize all chapters for the sins of the two (2). However, the committee does recommend that a more proper approach to the problem would be for the Worthy Grand Matron to direct a letter to the Worthy Matrons of each of the two (2) chapters ordering it to comply fully with all State and Federal tax laws within a period of 30 days or their charter will be suspended until they are in full compliance.

NOT ADOPTED

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 29

Whereas, the annual session of Grand Chapter is required for taking care of making decisions concerning changes in the C & L and the Instruction Book; and,

Whereas, the annual session of Grand Chapter is required for approving all the budgets regulating the activities of the Grand Chapter Office, the SLC, the ESPP, and the Foundation; and,

Whereas, the annual session must secure the finances necessary to pay for the cost of the Grand Chapter session; and,

Whereas, the cost of conducting the annual session continues to increase annually; and

Whereas, a major portion of the resources used to meet this annual expense comes from the registration fee paid by each attendee; and,

Whereas, the attendance at the annual session continues to diminish as the membership declines; and,

Whereas, the registration fee of \$15.00 (fifteen) has not been increased in 10 (ten) years;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the registration fee be increased to \$20.00 (twenty) commencing with the 2013 annual session of the Grand Chapter.

Signed: Dennis Jordan (126)
Susan Lorenzen (8/134)
Art Weiss (632/651)

Section(s): 99

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS

(by Sheri Weisser, PGM, (177))

The Committee of Constitution and Bylaws, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 29 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason: The attendance at our annual session is going down and the costs are increasing.

ADOPTED

Sec. 99. **REGISTRATION FEE.** All delegates and members attending the annual session of Grand Chapter shall pay a registration fee of Twenty Fifteen Dollars (\$~~15~~20.00). The registration fee shall be applied toward financing the expense of the annual session of Grand Chapter.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 30

Whereas, the Constitution and Laws of the Order of the Eastern Star in California permits chapters to establish paid life memberships; and,

Whereas, life membership funds cannot be used by the chapter until “death, demit or otherwise;” and,

Whereas, a chapter may, by majority vote of members present and voting, confer a life membership upon a member who has attained 50 years of service in Eastern Star; and,

Whereas, such life members are not required to pay dues or Grand Chapter assessments;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the money paid into a life membership account by a member who has been granted 50 year life membership status may be transferred to the chapter's general fund to be used for chapter expenses.

Signed: Debbie Wendell (35)
 Amanda Strauss (56)
 Molly Wadsworth (104)

Section(s): 193 and new section

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES ON CONSTITUTIONS AND BYLAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

(By Gary Gole, PP (21/651))

The Committees of Constitution and Bylaws and Jurisprudence, to whom Proposed Amendment No. 30 has been referred, recommend a Yes vote for the following reason:

These members do not pay dues and assessments. A chapter cannot use funds until a member's death or until they demit. This would allow the chapter to use the money.

ADOPTED

Sec. 193. LIFE MEMBERS. . . .

Fifty Year Members:

A Chapter may, by motion carried by a majority vote of members present and voting, present a certificate and confer a life membership in such Chapter upon any member who has been a member in good standing of any Chapter(s), within the jurisdiction of any Grand Chapter under the General Grand Chapter, or under the General Grand Chapter itself, for no less than a total of fifty years, and who has been a member in good standing of any chapter(s) in the State of California for no less than twenty-five years, providing the last one (1) year prior thereto was in the Chapter conferring the life membership, without payment of fee into a Life Membership Fund, any provision of the laws of Grand Chapter or the bylaws of the Chapter notwithstanding. Money paid into a life membership account by a member who has been granted 50 year life membership status may be transferred to the Chapter's general fund to be used for Chapter expenses.

DECISIONS OF THE 2011 WORTHY GRAND MATRON

1. Fund-raising: When advertising to persons other than members of our Order, a chapter must state in their advertisement where the funds will be used. If a chapter fails to identify where the funds will be used, then all funds collected must go to support a Masonic charity, rather than the general fund of the chapter.

Section 178 - new paragraph 4

When advertising to persons other than members of our Order, a chapter must state in their advertisement where the funds will be used. If a chapter fails to identify where the funds will be used, then all funds collected must go to support a Masonic charity, rather than the general fund of the chapter.

2. Interpretation of funds and money: Comped rooms given to the Order of East em Star for Grand Chapter are not considered assets or a cash equivalent. They do not fall within the meaning of money or funds as set forth in Section 86, subsection (d) of our Constitution and Laws.

Section 86(d)

(d) No funds or moneys belonging to the Grand Chapter or collected by or for, or in the name of the Grand Chapter, or any committee thereof, or any Grand Officer of this Grand Jurisdiction, shall be used for the payment, or partial payment of the hotel or living expenses, during the annual session of the Grand Chapter. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, this paragraph shall not apply to the hotel lodging expenses of the Grand Secretary during the annual session. Comped rooms given to the Grand Chapter are not considered assets or a cash equivalent and therefore do not fall within the meaning of money or funds as set forth herein.

Note: the above change was deleted with Sec. 86(d).

3. Committee on Constitutional Reorganization: The Committee on Constitutional Reorganization is empowered to make organizational changes in our Constitution that it deems necessary in order to make the laws and revisions set forth in our Constitution user-friendly.

Sec. 93C, paragraph 4

Thereafter, the Committee shall work diligently on each Part in the above order. In the course of this work, if the Committee finds areas where actual changes and not just reorganization are necessary, the Committee shall prepare timely legislation to be presented at the next available Grand Chapter Session. The committee is empowered to make organizational changes that it deems necessary in order to make the laws and revisions in this constitution user-friendly.

DECISIONS OF THE 2012 WORTHY GRAND MATRON

1. Payment of Grand Chapter Assessment for Life Members. A member who paid for a life membership is not exempt from payment of Grand Chapter assessments, which the Chapter is required to pay on behalf of the Life Member from the interest earned on the money paid for the Life Membership and deposited into the Life Membership fund. If the interest is insufficient, then the Chapter must pay the Grand Chapter assessments from its general fund.

Section 181, paragraph 1

Sec. 181. **LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUNDS.** . . . If current annual Grand Chapter assessments are more than the annual interest received by the Chapter on each life member's account, the principal of that member's account may not be reduced to pay such assessments. A member who paid for a life membership is not exempt from payment of Grand Chapter assessments, and if the annual interest received is insufficient to pay the assessments, then the chapter must pay the Grand Chapter assessments from its general fund. After the termination of the membership of a life member in said chapter, by death, demit or otherwise, the Chapter may transfer to its general funds all or any part of the principal of the Life Membership fee paid by such member.

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2. Chapter Property. A Chapter may give away or dispose of its property in any manner it desires after special notice is given and a vote of the Chapter. If given away the person or organization receiving the property need not have a Masonic affiliation.

Sec. 177

Sec. 177. **CONTROL OF PROPERTY; INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.** . . . Such trustees may act only by majority and under the direction of the Chapter. A chapter may give away or dispose of its property in any manner it desires after special notice is given and a vote of the chapter. If given away the person or organization receiving the property need not have a masonic affiliation. A Chapter shall invest its funds, exclusive of Temple property, in the manner set forth in Section 73(8), (A)(B)(C). . . .

HOUSEKEEPING

CONSTITUTION & LAWS

Sec. 75A. **THE MARGUERITE RENNIE MEMORIAL FUND.** . .

(d) The interest and income from said fund shall be distributed to needy cancer victims by a committee designated as “The Marguerite Rennie Memorial Fund Committee_i”;

Sec. 919 — needs annotation d90 (2004)

INSTRUCTION BOOK

Page 24, 4th paragraph:

10. New Business

A. Signing of Bylaws by Affiliates. (Refer to pages 66-70 for ceremony.)

AB. Action on Demits

A request for demit **MUST** be investigated before it is presented to the Chapter.

Worthy Matron rises and says, “If there be no objection a demit will be granted to Sister (or Brother) _____ with regrets. (Pause)

It is so ordered.” (Gavel)

BC. Election of Officers (see the Constitution and Laws, Sec. 130–135.)

Tellers count aloud the members voting as ballots are deposited.
(Refer to pages 75–77.)

CD. Annual Reports

D. Signing of Bylaws by Affiliates. (Refer to pages 66-70 for ceremony.)

E. Any other new business

Worthy Matron rises and says: “Does a Sister or a Brother know of any New Business (or further new Business) to be brought before the Chapter at this time?”

Page 67, paragraph 3, line 7

The Conductress leads the new members on the north side of the Altar, curving to a point where the east marching line meets the south marching line, then west to the west marching line, north to the marching line, then east to the east marching line. They then curve to a position in front of Adah’s station. The Conductress positions the new members in a straight line, centered on Adah’s standing position at the right of her chair, so there is a perfect triangle at the station of the officer. If there are more than six candidates new members, a double line shall be formed in front of each Star point when receiving the lectures.

Page 81, paragraph 1

Honorary members sign a roll of Honorary Membership, not the bylaws. (C&L Sec. 183) Honorary members are not to be escorted or introduced as Past Matrons and Past Patrons of the Chapters in which they hold honorary memberships.

**CHANGES REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
INSTRUCTION BOOK**

Page 8, paragraph 3

“Short form” opening is omitting only those portions of the Ritual (beginning on P 28) that are bracketed and pertains to the opening ceremony only. Short form is used only when necessary, such as annual elections, or when important, time consuming business is to come before the Chapter. All regular business is to be taken care of. A Chapter may not open in short form more than 50% (fifty percent) of the four (4) meetings during the year.

Page 16, paragraph 2

The opening and closing of the Bible is always in the same ritualistic form. When the Conductress is instructed to open or close the Bible informally, it is with the same floor work as though formally attending at the Altar. The Chapter shall be raised, and music played. The Conductress proceeds from her station north to the marching line, west to where the introduction line meets the marching line. She pivots and walks directly to center of Altar, nods to the Worthy Matron (with no Salutation Sign), opens or closes the Bible reverently. As she steps back half step, she pivots to face Electa’s pedestal and backs to edge of Labyrinth, turns, and proceeds to point of introduction line and marching line, retracing her steps to her station. If the Conductress finds it difficult to back to the edge of the Labyrinth, she may take one step back, turn and walk to the point of the introduction line and marching line, retracing her steps to her station. (See Opening Ceremony.) For Receptions and open Installations, a nod is substituted for the Salutation Sign, which is part of the secret work, and not used publicly.

Page 18, last paragraph

In Closing, (facing the Altar when the Chaplain starts from her/his station, and facing East when the Conductress steps ~~back from the Altar~~ into the circle of Star officers).

Page 33, Paragraphs 3 and 4

To properly open the Bible, the Conductress places her right hand firmly in the center of the front edges and places her left hand firmly on the back edge, just opposite her right hand. With her right hand she raises the front edges of the Bible to the center of the Altar. With her left hand she guides the back of the Bible to the center of the Altar. She then moves the left hand slowly up the front side of the Bible until it meets the right hand and opens the Bible with both hands, lowering both sides at the same time. She draws both hands away into the Salutation Sign, as she takes one step back from the Altar. The hands are dropped to the side before stepping back into the circle of officers, midway

between Ruth and Esther, where she remains until the Warder reports to the Worthy Matron. If the Conductress finds it difficult to back into the circle of officers, she may take one step back, turn and walk to her position midway between Ruth and Esther, turn and face the Altar. She remains in this position until the Warder reports to the Worthy Matron.

The Chaplain when reaching the Altar stands until the music ceases, then kneels, assumes an attitude of prayer, and offers the prayer. After completing the prayer the Chaplain rises and steps back into the circle of officers midway between Esther and Martha, facing the Altar. If the Chaplain finds it difficult to back into the circle of officers, she/he may take one step back, turn and walk to her/his position midway between Esther and Martha, turn and face the Altar. She/He remains in this position until the Warder reports to the Worthy Matron. The positions of the Star point officers, Conductress and Chaplain form an arc of a circle.

Page 85 next to last paragraph

In closing the Bible, the Conductress shall bring her hands to the center of the outside edges of the Bible, and raise both sides of the open Bible at the same time. She holds the front edges firmly with the right hand and moves the left hand slowly down the center of the front side of the Bible to the back edge, so she may guide the Bible to the center of the Altar as she lowers the front edges on the Altar with the right hand. She then draws both hands away at the same time, drops her hands to her sides, makes a slight bow to the Worthy Matron and, facing the Altar, steps back to a position between Ruth and Esther in the circle of officers, where she remains until the Chapter is closed. If the Conductress finds it difficult to back into the circle of officers, she may take one step back, turn and walk to her position midway between Ruth and Esther, turn and face the Altar. She will remain there until the Chapter is closed.

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GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR 2009-2012

Most Worthy Grand Matron	Rennie Ofton (Paul*)
131 Andricks Dr., San Antonio, TX 78223-2301	
Most Worthy Grand Patron (deceased)	Frederick W. Clarke (Margaret A.)
1001 Maple Dr., New Minas, NS B4N 4C6, CANADA	
Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron	Barbara "Bobbi" Browning White (James E.)
1578 Kanawha Blvd. E. Apt. 4A, Charleston, WV 25311-2462	
Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron (acting MWGP)	John E. Grobler (Barbara)
PSC 473, Box 13, FPO, AP 96349-0013	
Right Worthy Grand Secretary	Alma Lynn Bane (Bill)
1618 New Hampshire Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20009-2549	
Right Worthy Grand Treasurer	Glenda G. Winchester
P.O. Box 70, 223 Greer Dr., Six Mile, SC 29682	
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Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress	Marianne Shenefeld
6426 Main St., Cheyenne, WY 82009	
Right Worthy Grand Trustees	
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1255 Lynx Bend, San Antonio, TX 78251-4026	
Worthy Grand Marshal	Mary F. Lockridge
541 Langfield, Northville, MI 48167-1147	
Worthy Grand Organist	Rosemary Swetland
1276 FM 2497, Diboll, TX 75941	
Worthy Grand Adah	Marilyn L. Woods
1912 Gravois Rd., High Ridge, MO 63049-2612	
Worthy Grand Ruth	Connie Woodward
378 Brewery Ln., Orillia, ON L3V 7H8, CANADA	
Worthy Grand Esther	Margaret A. Clarke
21 Hiden Meadows Place, Coldbrook NS B4R0A3, CANADA	
Worthy Grand Martha	Diane Peters
3702 Sumter Forest Dr., Liggie Rock, AR 72212-2926	
Worthy Grand Electa	Elizabeth T. Roach
P.O. Box 163, Stonewall, LA 71078	
Worthy Grand Warder	Vivian Chrisopolus
3661 Forest Run Dr., Richfied, OH 44286-9408	
Right Worthy Grand Sentinel	Robert C. Penoyer
613 Misty Hill Ln., Dallastown, PA 17313-9427	

*Deceased

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN CALIFORNIA

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Alabama	Melody Troughton	51 5852 Royal Vista Way, Reno, NV 89523-1591	07/01/2013
Alberta	Billy David Miller	125 1408 Longway Lane, Bakersfield 93309-3422	06/30/2014
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Arkansas	Barbara Journeay	140/8 18434 Carlwyn Dr., Castro Valley 94546-2030	03/10/2013
Australia	Rochelle J. Haller	642 24436-C Hampton Dr., Valencia 91355-3568	12/31/2013
Bolivia	Aurelia Martinez	177 1266 Quintana Way, Fremont 94539-3691	10/31/2012
B.C. & Yukon	Linda E. Frost	3/203 1306 Shea Terrace, Vallejo 94591-7663	12/31/2013
Colorado	Janet Butler	282 45564 Burns Rd., King City 93930-9711	04/01/2013
Connecticut	Susan Amirsehi	203 2503 Hastings Ave., Redwood City 94061-2063	12/31/2012
Delaware	Peggy Glander	104/338 9 Doris Way, Chico 95926-1703	12/31/2012
Dist. of Columbia	Janet Butler	143/147 1528 Greenport Ave., Rowland Heights 91748-2125	03/01/2014
Florida	Richard Mullard	147 832 N. Riedel Dr., Fullerton 92831-3320	12/31/2013
Georgia	Liz Rogers	485/21 190 Sutter Ct., San Dimas 91773-2326	09/01/2013
Idaho	George Geanoulis	490/96 725 Point Sur, Oceanside 92054-6923	12/31/2013
Illinois	Julie Jones	296 3505 Dragoo Park Dr., #3, Modesto 95356-1809	09/30/2013
Indiana	Michael Mancuso	186 2021 Lyon Ave., Belmont 94002-1636	01/21/2014
Iowa	David W. Duncan	62 183 Alpine Lane, Placerville 95667-6807	12/31/2013
Kansas	Sandra Halburian	515 12367 4th St., Sp. 62, Yucaipa 92399-4107	01/01/2014
Kentucky	Kevin Roberts	126 3495 Suzanne Ct., Atwater 95301-2061	12/31/2013
Louisiana	Louisa B. Bowron	94 1782 W. Bane Ave., Tulare 95843-5891	12/31/2013
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Massachusetts	Deborah L. Baptiste	345 4123 Via del Bardo, San Ysdro 92173-1533	12/31/2013
Michigan	Sharon Chormicle	327 11415 East Juniper Hills Rd., Little Rock	01/01/2014
Minnesota	Diane Cottone	338/352 5518 Morella Ave., Valley Village 91607-2212	12/31/2012
Mississippi	Alice "Kay" Quillin	205 2808 Ruff Ave., Pinole 94564-1434	03/01/2014
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Montana	Berna Hamilton	123 250 Greenley Rd., Apt. A1, Sonora 95370-5929	12/31/2012
Nebraska	Nancy J. Pozar	50 3122 Polk Way, Stockton 95219-3932	10/01/2013
Nevada	Alice Smalley	378 350 Rosedale Dr., Independence 93526-1715	12/31/2013
New Brunswick	Vivian Soykin	174 3435 S. Patton Ave., San Pedro 90731-6029	12/31/2014
New Hampshire	Marsha Price	219 38 Lovell Ave., Mill Valley 94941-1832	09/01/2013
New Jersey	Paul Lacroix	346/145 7439 Marine Ave., Rancho Cucamonga 91730-1725	01/01/2014
New Mexico	Susan Baldwin	145/110 944 N. Mariposa Ave., Ontario 91764-2610	01/01/2013
New York	Charlotte Scarbrough	17 3514 Sacramento Dr., Redding 96001-5454	04/30/2014
North Carolina	Howard Benfield	273 21 Holm Rd., Watsonville 95076-2407	01/01/2014
North Dakota	Jeanne Fersheiser	141/177 Masonic Home for Adults, 34400 Mission Blvd., Box 60, Union City 94587-3604	01/01/2013
Nova Scotia/P.E.I.	Diane M. Jones	195 1541 Willow Oaks Dr., San Jose 95125-4453	12/31/2013
Ohio	Barbara Smilko	632/96 1577 N. Calle La Cumbre, Camarillo 93010-1818	08/01/2013
Oklahoma	Bill Prentiss	163 4560 East Eisenhower Cir., Anaheim 92807-1823	10/01/2013
Ontario	Theresa Markert	178 3335 Saint Mary's Rd., Lafayette 94549-5147	12/31/2013
Oregon	Kathy Smith	650/14 PO Box 595, Weaverville 96093-0595	05/01/2014
Pennsylvania	Michael Winford	397 12144 Excelsior Dr., Norwalk 90650-5909	12/31/2013
Puerto Rico	Kenneth McQuerry	58 1617 Alcott Lane, Willits 95490-9544	07/31/2013
Quebec	Carole McMeekin	96 2137 East Howard Ave., Visalia 93292-5213	06/30/2015
Rhode Island	Randall Cady	23 PO Box 1164, Ferndale 95536-1164	12/31/2012
São Paulo	Frank Segura	513/428 6642 Kings Canyon Dr., Rocklin 95765-5822	05/01/2014
Saskatchewan	Sheila Forster	57/9 336 Carriage Lane, Auburn 95603-3110	12/31/2013
Scotland	Alicia Moore	515 994 Ironwood Rd., Beaumont 93292-8530	12/31/2012
South Carolina	Bob Johnston	524 25301 Ginger Rd., Lake Forest 92630-3414	09/15/2014
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Texas	Bob Johnson	28 155 Ralph Ave., Vacaville 95687-5224	10/09/2013
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Washington	Marianne Mooney	181/385 7850 Glen Echo St., Citrus Heights 95610-2406	09/01/2013
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Wisconsin	Jack Rahl	13 884 Davinci St., Hanford 93230-7638	12/31/2014
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GP George John Hobe*
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GT Mary Ellen Gillespie*

1876-1877

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GAM Elizabeth Bullard**
GS Abbie Elvenia Wood*
GT Mary Ann S. Knox*

1880-1881

GP Jerome Banks*
GM Sarah Jennie Mann*
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GAM Sarah Anderson*
GS Henrietta Whitcher*
GT Kate Richardson*

1877-1878

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GAM Harriet Norcross*
GS Abbie Elvenia Wood*
GT Lizzie J. Holmes*

1881-1882

GP Edward Swift West*
GM Frances Ellen Ryder*
GAP John Bradford Cox*
GAM Sarah Cassidy*
GS Abbie Elvenia Wood*
GT Mary A. Hasty*

1874-1875

GP George John Hobe*
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GAP William S. Phelps**
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GS Anna Maria Elliott*
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1878-1879

GP Ianthus Jerome Rolfe*
GM Fena Woods Ford*
GAP John W. Philbrook+
GAM Malinda C. Parker*
GS Abbie Elvenia Wood*
GT Anna L. Thomas*

1882-1883

GP Abram F. Hitchcock*
GM Mary Ann Flint*
GAP Andrew J. McPike*
GAM Caroline Seeley**
GS Kate J. Willats*
GT Mary Matilda Holtz*

1875-1876

GP Jeremiah E. Whitcher*
GM Emily Rolfe*
GAP John Quincy Adams**
GAM Emile C. Swain*
GS Abbie Elvenia Wood*
GT Kate J. Willats*

1879-1880

GP Charles L. Thomas*
GM Eleanor Marie Owens*
GAP Edward Swift West*
GAM Hattie E. Major*
GS Abbie Elvenia Wood*
GT Sarah E. Baker*

1883-1884

GP Anderson C. Hartley*
GM Mary Ann Flint*
GAP Darwin DeGolia*
GAM Mary Jane Mayhew*
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GT Annie E. Briggs*

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1884-1885			1890-1891			1896-1897		
GP	Fred Wm. G. Moebus*	GP	Fred Lawrence Button*	GP	James R. Tapscott*			
GM	Mary J. Young*	GM	Mary Jeannie Parker*	GM	Ella Tyler Hall*			
GAP	Justice Merryfield*	GAP	J. Avery Shepherd*	GAP	John Adam Gallup*			
GAM	Luci M. Singletarry*	GAM	Mary S. Brown*	GAM	Susan Rucker*			
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*			
GT	Ella Marie Haum*	GT	Melissa Morey*	GT	Isadore Hoarton*			
1885-1886			1891-1892			1897-1898		
GP	Edmund W. Roberts*	GP	Chauncey C. Bush*	GP	Harrison D. Rowe**			
GM	Abbie E. Wilkins*	GM	Mattie Ann Farnum*	GM	Eva M. Porter*			
GAP	Martin J. Wright*	GAP	David Byron Todd*	GAP	Lewis O. Stephens*			
GAM	Carrie A. Kingsley*	GAM	Kate E. Boyd*	GAM	Belle Smith**			
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*			
GT	Lora Virginia Ream*	GT	Mary Anna Smith*	GT	Jane F. Raabe*			
1886-1887			1892-1893			1898-1899		
GP	John Nelles Young*	GP	Jacob F. Boller*	GP	Joseph M. Lawrence*			
GM	Mary B. Moore*	GM	Georgia A. Matfield*	GM	Jaria A. Pierce*			
GAP	Benjamin F. Bagley*	GAP	George W. Stout*	GAP	George L. Darling*			
GAM	Elizabeth Phillips*	GAM	Emma Perkins*	GAM	Marie Summerfield**			
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*			
GT	Lovina Gibson**	GT	Arvilla McHarvey*	GT	Kate S. Craig*			
1887-1888			1893-1894			1899-1900		
GP	John Hatfield Gray*	GP	Allen B. Lemmon*	GP	George L. Darling*			
GM	Gertrude S. Freeman*	GM	Emma Hapgood*	GM	Fannie T. McCowen*			
GAP	Jesse Beech Fuller*	GAP	Zachary T. Gilpin*	GAP	Charles C. Corbiere*			
GAM	Mary S. Numms*	GAM	Margaret B. Searles*	GAM	Lulu Lucas*			
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*			
GT	Isabel Derman*	GT	Sarah I. Hubbard*	GT	Isabelle L. Wawter*			
1888-1889			1894-1895			1900-1901		
GP	Thomas Flint*	GP	Thomas Flint, Jr.*	GP	Ernest W. Conant*			
GM	Mary E. Partridge*	GM	Augusta D. Wilson*	GM	Maud E. Bowes*			
GAP	John McMurry*	GAP	Powell S. Lawson*	GAP	Benjamin A. Plant*			
GAM	Elmira F. West*	GAM	Hattie E. Alexander*	GAM	Etta Ada Miller*			
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*			
GT	Calista Spaulding**	GT	Julie M. Lubeck*	GT	Adaline B. Runyon*			
1889-1890			1895-1896			1901-1902		
GP	Jesse Beech Fuller*	GP	James B. Meritt*	GP	Charles E. Mitchell*			
GM	Annie E. Briggs*	GM	Carrie L. Peaslee*	GM	Clara A. Giberson*			
GAP	George T. Shaw*	GAP	Roscoe E. Hewitt**	GAP	Claude de St. Maurice*			
GAM	Mary Louis Grohs*	GAM	Florence Miller*	GAM	Minnie D. Brown*			
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*			
GT	Elizabeth Wardwell*	GT	Mary T. Dean*	GT	Agnes Johnson*			

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1902-1903		1908-1909		1914-1915	
GP	Lyman C. Byce*	GP	Alexander Fraser*	GP	Eldon P. Mains*
GM	Mabel B. Seymour*	GM	Annie M. Johnson*	GM	Minnie B. Wheeler*
GAP	Arthur H. Millberry*	GAP	Harry Clay Cooper*	GAP	Harry V. Brown+
GAM	Emma E. Rupp*	GAM	Marsh E. Rankin*	GAM	Jennie M. Wayman*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*
GT	Henrietta Heuer*	GT	Eliza C. Higgins*	GT	Laura M. MacDermott*
1903-1904		1909-1910		1915-1916	
GP	George F. McNoble*	GP	Phineas F. Ferguson*	GP	Alrik Hammar*
GM	Chlo Craig*	GM	Rosa J. Burns*	GM	Elizabeth Wheeler*
GAP	Erwin S. Logan+	GAP	Dr. John Paddock*	GAP	Pliny H. Murphy*
GAM	Agnes Conant*	GAM	Lucy Anna Curtis*	GAM	Emma Graves*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*
GT	Annie B. Barnes*	GT	Marie Sherer*	GT	Eva Harriet Boyd*
1904-1905		1910-1911		1916-1917	
GP	Charles J. Willett*	GP	William Mossholder*	GP	William F. Holman*
GM	Pauline W. Dohrmann*	GM	Ada M. Dalton*	GM	Maude N. Haven*
GAP	Lorenzo B. Leavitt*	GAP	William A. Hicks+	GAP	Arthur T. Biddle*
GAM	Anna N. Skinner*	GAM	Nellie A. Darling*	GAM	Nellie D. Graham*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*
GT	Emma Neal Rider*	GT	Josephine M. Pattern*	GT	Georgia Catherwood*
1905-1906		1911-1912		1917-1918	
GP	Florin L. Jones*	GP	John L. McNab*	GP	Robert Edgar*
GM	Georgiana Polhamus*	GM	Lena W. Stannard*	GM	Ivy C. Shelhamer*
GAP	Curtis J. Monroe*	GAP	George G. Vanderlip*	GAP	Frank A. Foye*
GAM	Catherine Merrit*	GAM	Addie Lee Sleeper*	GAM	Mary E. Finlay*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*
GT	Helen Seeman*	GT	Lillian B. Hammar*	GT	Lena R. Mallery*
1906-1907		1912-1913		1918-1919	
GP	Casimir J. Wood*	GP	William K. Chambers*	GP	Darwin W. Pierce**
GM	Anna D. Dudderar*	GM	Martha G. Dinsmore*	GM	Elizabeth Marshall*
GAP	George W. Earl*	GAP	Briceno A. Fassett*	GAP	Henry C. Haake*
GAM	Alice F. Hickie*	GAM	Leah Nora Earl*	GAM	Margaret E. Sawyer*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*
GT	Ida H. McCoy*	GT	Charlotte Jameson*	GT	Lillian P. Beckley*
1907-1908		1913-1914		1919-1920	
GP	Benjamin Cartwright*	GP	Fred L. Kincaid*	GP	Lew E. Wallace*
GM	Emma R. Leach*	GM	Minnie Hiner*	GM	Louise Elsensohn*
GAP	Matthew Stewart*	GAP	Arnold Goodfriend*	GAP	Walter V. Scott*
GAM	Alice S. Dozier*	GAM	Virginia Coate*	GAM	Ida H. Fitschen*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Kate J. Willats*
GT	Laura P. Butcher*	GT	Theresa J. Catron*	GT	Gertrude M. Mildrim*

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1920-1921		1928-1929		1937-1938	
GM	Effie Easton*	WGM	Pauline A. Hause*	WGM	Mary I. Warner*
GP	Roy Musser**	WGP	Bert R. Hollway*	WGP	Robert P. Easley*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Susan M. Willats*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Annie S. Brasch*	GT	Anna L. McKenney*	GT	Flora T. Whitney*
1921-1922		1929-1930		1938-1939	
GM	Maud Dezell Bradley*	WGM	Myra Moyse*	WGM	Maude E. Fluetsch*
GP	Delos Albert Mace*	WGP	Walter W. Bradley*	WGP	John Vale*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Susan M. Willats*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Genevieve Norton*	GT	Mildred C. Blair*	GT	Catherine E. Yates*
1922-1923		1930-1931		1939-1940	
GM	Stella M. Linscott*	WGM	Willa J. Hellwig*	WGM	Helen L. Edwards*
GP	Ernest E. Noon*	WGP	Joseph M. Argabrite*	WGP	Ernest E. Williams*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Stella Linscott, PGM*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Sue Estelle Tuck*	GT	Florence Newman*	GT	Grace King*
1923-1924		1931-1932		1940-1941	
GM	Maude B. Sibley*	WGM	Elsie M. Pierce*	WGM	Gertrude C. Matson*
GP	Guy W. Brundage*	WGP	John L. McDonald*	WGP	Ralph Boynton*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Stella Linscott, PGM*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Georgia E. Hunt*	GT	Grance I. Good*	GT	Margurite McDonald*
1924-1925		1932-1933		1941-1942	
GM	Zella W. Samson*	WGM	Grace Butterfield*	WGM	Corine O. Melville*
GP	Russell La Fontaine*	WGP	Lloyd E. Griffin*	WGP	Walker Peddicord*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Stella Linscott, PGM*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Grace D. Beckman*	GT	Gladys H. Robinson*	GT	Sally L. Chalson*
1925-1926		1933-1934		1942-1943	
GM	Cora S. Holland*	WGM	Jessie G. Morris*	WGM	Kathryn Farwell*
GP	Waldo F. Postel*	WGP	Wallace Rutherford*	WGP	Donald A. Boone*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Stella Linscott, PGM*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Bessie A. Pierce*	GT	Clara E. Alvarez*	GT	Kittie Briggs*
1926-1927		1934-1935		1943-1944	
GM	Hazael M. Piper*	WGM	Minnie V. Collins*	WGM	Hazel T. Lane*
GP	Raymond H. Griest*	WGP	J. Hartley Taylor*	WGP	Francis J. Herz*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Stella Linscott, PGM*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Birdie Eiler*	GT	Anna N. Moncur*	GT	Anna Shrader*
1927-1928		1935-1936		1944-1945	
WGM	Gladys Fitch Pierce*	WGM	Bertie Y. Connolly*	WGM	Lillian W. Podesta*
WGP	Henry F. Pernau*	WGP	Edward Counter, Jr.*	WGP	Logan R. Cotton*
GS	Kate J. Willats*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GS	Susan Mills Willats*	GT	Josephine L. Fisk*	GT	Esther M. Serel*
GT	Mattie M. Charette*				
		1936-1937		1945-1946	
		WGM	Rita May Cooper*	WGM	Isabella H. Hilditch*
		WGP	Frank D. Cruse*	WGP	Harry C. Sproule*
		GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
		GT	Leila Vevoda*	GT	Beulah Ludlow*

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1946-1947		1955-1956		1964-1965	
WGM	Birdie Bassett*	WGM	Mabel Tellefson*	WGM	Ellen C. Walters*
WGP	Carson Hubbard*	WGP	Reuben C. Wright*	WGP	James H. Hoole*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maude M. Smith*
GT	Isabelle Mosher*	GT	Agnes C. Barnes*	GT	Helen Bratschie*
1947-1948		1956-1957		1965-1966	
WGM	Thelma Bailey*	WGM	Marguerite Weisheimer*	WGM	Marian F. Schwach*
WGP	George Harlan*	WGP	Elmer J. Walther*	WGP	Edward T. Mancuso*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Viola L. Rasmeor*	GT	Royetta Wilson*	GT	Ruby M. Parker*
1948-1949		1957-1958		1966-1967	
WGM	Elvetta Grohl*	WGM	Grace M. Hoffman*	WGM	Vivian Kilgore*
WGP	Joseph F. Reed*	WGP	George D. Danielson*	WGP	Robert Armbrust*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Lillian H. Adkins*	GT	Agnes McGehee*	GT	Isabelle E. Johnson*
1949-1950		1958-1959		1967-1968	
WGM	Margaret Lauritzen*	WGM	Annie P. Mills*	WGM	Lura Rae Dales*
WGP	Arthur J. Hook*	WGP	Henry L. Wintz*	WGP	Robert M. Lutz*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Verna Westhoven*	GT	Thelma Schleifer*	GT	Vera G. Blum*
1950-1951		1959-1960		1968-1969	
WGM	Lois B. Tamba*	WGM	Mary E. Balden*	WGM	Florence Dunn*
WGP	Henry J. Hardy*	WGP	James L. Millard*	WGP	Richard Brassell, Jr.*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Sadie Lumry*	GT	Isabel V. Meager*	GT	Dale A. Ellsworth*
1951-1952		1960-1961		1969-1970	
WGM	Helen B. DeBeers*	WGM	Everina Rheingans*	WGM	Bessie V. Robinson*
WGP	James L. Halley*	WGP	Dalora K. Burnham*	WGP	Henry E. Woods*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Hattie M. Tolle*	GT	Eunice W. Benson*	GT	Ruth H. Chase*
1952-1953		1961-1962		1970-1971	
WGM	Gilma Vick Moyers*	WGM	Helen O. Isberg*	WGM	Elsie K. Mitchell*
WGP	J. Clifford Lee*	WGP	Robert C. Atkinson*	WGP	Thomas W. Thurman*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Zelma L. Bray*	GT	Ruth V. Burnside*	GT	Grace Anderson*
1953-1954		1962-1963		1971-1972	
WGM	Bernice J. Basich*	WGM	Carol M. Jensen*	WGM	Barbara E. Poole*
WGP	Robert J. McMullen*	WGP	Edwin F. Collins*	WGP	Jay E. Miller*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*
GT	Viola Larsen*	GT	Ethel Holland*	GT	Helen Andrews*
1954-1955		1963-1964		1972-1973	
WGM	Thelma R. Warner*	WGM	Esther M. Sandman*	WGM	Lilas E. Haug*
WGP	Philip F. Leahy*	WGP	William P. Wilson*	WGP	Jens A. Morley*
GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Maud M. Smith*	GS	Gladys M. Johnson*
GT	Jennie E. Young*	GT	Bessie Kidd*	GT	Grace Gould
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1973–1974		1982–1983		1991–1992	
WGM	Zoe Harris	WGM	Anita Simon*	WGM	Paula Remington
WGP	James B. Craven*	WGP	A. Leroy Covey*	WGP	Vernon Gordon
GS	Gladys M. Johnson*	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Diane Silva
GT	Lois Johnson	GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Sheri Weisser
1974–1975		1983–1984		1992–1993	
WGM	Eleanor M. Marsh*	WGM	Ardath Garst	WGM	Mary Meixner
WGP	W. Gordon Gilbert*	WGP	Warren Wildman*	WGP	William Stiles
GS	Gladys M. Johnson*	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Diane Silva
GT	Wilma A. Harrell*	GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Sheri Weisser
1975–1976		1984–1985		1993–1994	
WGM	Donna M. Smith*	WGM	Katherine Hill*	WGM	Barbara Pierce
WGP	Stanley M. Love*	WGP	Delroy Aldershof*	WGP	Frank Young
GS	Gladys M. Johnson*	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Diane Silva
GT	LaVerne Walker*	GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Sheri Weisser
1976–1977		1985–1986		1994–1995	
WGM	Patricia B. Quibell*	WGM	Jeraldine Southward	WGM	Kathleen MacDonald
WGP	Gerald P. Cashion*	WGP	Dennis Jordan	WGP	Irwin “Bill” Betts
GS	Gladys M. Johnson*	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Diane Silva
GT	Eunice Thornton*	GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Jerri Jean Golden
1977–1978		1986–1987		1995–1996	
WGM	Hildegard Smith	WGM	Barbara Campbell*	WGM	Sherie Gustafson
WGP	John Allen	WGP	Clinton O. Dillon	WGP	David Von Bima
GS	Gladys M. Johnson*	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Shirley Orth
GT	Lillian Propst*	GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Jerri Jean Golden
1978–1979		1987–1988		1996–1997	
WGM	Boyana Brown-Redman*	WGM	Jean Powers*	WGM	Denny Rae Grist
WGP	Stuart H. Maude*	WGP	Bernard Seamans*	WGP	Terry Holts
GS	Gladys M. Johnson*	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Shirley Orth
GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Jerri Jean Golden
1979–1980		1988–1989		1997–1998	
WGM	Earlynn Albright	WGM	Yvonne Beckenhauer	WGM	Sue McKinney
WGP	Hershel C. Brown*	WGP	Thomas M. Sagar*	WGP	Ernie Lewis
GS	Diane Dixon	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Shirley Orth
GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Sheri Weisser	GT	Jerri Jean Golden
1980–1981		1989–1990		1998–1999	
WGM	Ferne Hammond*	WGM	Kay Cosby*	WGM	Sheri Weisser
WGP	Earl E. Eckert	WGP	Loyal L. Stark	WGP	Ron Behnke*
GS	Diane Dixon	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Shirley Orth
GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Sheri Weisser	GT	Jerri Jean Golden
1981–1982		1990–1991		1999–2000	
WGM	Betty Stubblefield*	WGM	June Lucretia Barnum*	WGM	Doris May Parrish
WGP	David A. Minnich**	WGP	Donald A. Hull	WGP	Glenn Jones
GS	Diane Silva	GS	Diane Silva	GS	Shirley Orth
GT	Viola Perry*	GT	Sheri Weisser	GT	Donna Tucker
*Deceased		**Demitted		+Suspended	

2000–2001 WGM Sue Bishop WGP William J. Bray, III GS Shirley Orth GT Erla Hildebrand	2009–2010 WGM Beverly Wade WGP Larry Coffin GS Maryann Barrios GT Liz Moffat*

2001–2002 WGM Danna Willoughby WGP John Fletcher* GS Shirley Orth GT Erla Hildebrand	2010–2011 WGM Kim Hegg WGP Don Snyder GS Maryann Barrios GT Linda Hoesser

2002–2003 WGM Janet Robinson WGP James Chormicle GS Shirley Orth GT David Long	2011–2012 WGM Linda Bernhard WGM Steve Johnson GS Maryann Barrios GT Tacy Lee

2003–2004

WGM Susan White

WGP Steve Nicholas

GS Shirley Orth

GT Laurella Kerr

2004–2005

WGM Donna Herring

WGP Dave Buck

GS Shirley Orth

GT Debbie Lytle

2005–2006

WGM Norma Stilwell

WGP Michael Cornell

GS Sharanne Wick

GT David Long

2006–2007

WGM Karen Fletcher

WGP David Skipworth

GS Maryann Barrios

GT Beverly Cratsenburg

2007–2008

WGM Collette Serio Gole

WGP Jim Whiteley

GS Maryann Barrios

GT Debbie Maiman

2008–2009

WGM Barbara Scott

WGP JD Hammett

GS Maryann Barrios

GT Donna German*

*Deceased

**Demitted

+Suspended

LIVING PAST GRAND MATRONS

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LIVING PAST GRAND MATRONS

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Year

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CHAPTERS WITHDRAWN FROM THE JURISDICTION OF CALIFORNIA

No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Action
120	Electa	Austin	5/01/1894 10/16/1901	Admitted to California Grand Chapter Withdrawn to Nevada
121	Esther	Carson	5/01/1894 10/16/1901	Admitted to California Grand Chapter Withdrawn to Nevada
122	Adah	Reno	5/01/1894 10/16/1901	Admitted to California Grand Chapter Withdrawn to Nevada
148	Martha	Wadsworth	4/24/1896 10/16/1901	Instituted Withdrawn to Nevada
152	Siver State	Winnemucca	6/11/1896 10/16/1901	Instituted Withdrawn to Nevada
156	Argenta	Virginia City	3/20/1897 10/16/1901	Instituted Withdrawn to Nevada
166	Iphigenia	Eureka	10/17/1898 10/16/1901	Instituted Withdrawn to Nevada

EXTINCT CHAPTERS IN CALIFORNIA

No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
4	California	San Francisco	4/ /1873	Chartered Instituted before Grand Chapter was organized Charter recalled Reorganized as Harmony Chapter 124
7	Alameda	Alameda	4/ /1873	Chartered Instituted before Grand Chapter was organized Charter Surrendered
12	Amador	Drytown Plymouth	3/07/1874 4/22/1878 10/ /1880	Instituted Permission granted to move to Plymouth Charter surrendered
15	Electa	San Jose	2/02/1875 10/15/1877	Instituted Charter surrendered
16	Rainbow	Rohnerville Hydesville	4/03/1875 7/11/1879 10/10/1891 10/23/1891	Instituted Approved Chapter removing their Charter from Rohnerville to Hydesville Charter Suspended by WGP Charter Recalled

EXTINCT CHAPTERS IN CALIFORNIA

No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
22	Olive Branch	Hornitos	3/04/1876 8/16/1887	Instituted Charter recalled
24	Centennial	West Oakland	10/11/1876 3/27/1879	Instituted Charter Surrendered
29	Queen Esther	Windsor Healdsburg	4/05/1877 5/07/1879 10/ /1880	Instituted WGP approved the action of Queen Esther Chapter in removing from Healdsburg to Windsor, Sonoma County Charter Surrendered
32	Myrtle	Dixon	9/14/1877 11/10/1885	Organized as Morning Star Name changed to Myrtle before Chartered Charter Surrendered
34	Opal	Winters	4/18/1878 3/22/1883	Instituteed Charter Surrendered
37	Adah	Meridian College City	5/24/1879 8/16/1887	Instituted Charter Recalled

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No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
38	Pacific	Santa Cruz	11/21/1879 5/17/1884	Instituted Charter Surrendered
43	Woodbine	Walnut Creek	5/08/1880 2/26/1884	Instituted Charter Surrendered
52	Quincy	Quincy	6/21/1881 8/16/1887	Instituted Charter Recalled
54	Ophir	Oroville	6/21/1881 8/16/1887	Instituted Charter Recalled
64	Occidental	Martinez	10/15/1881 8/28/1885	Instituted Charter Surrendered
69	Manzanita	Calistoga	4/13/1883 1/09/1899	Instituted Charter surrendered
70	Brilliant Star	Orland	5/15/1883 10/22/1891	Instituted Charter Recalled

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No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
81	Flower Valley	Coloma	8/22/1884 10/ /1895	Instituted Charter Surrendered
87	Laurel	St. Helena	2/11/1886 9/18/1896	Instituted Charter Surrendered
88	Mountain View	Janesville	4/16/1886 10/21/1921	Instituted Charter Revoked
91	Fall River	Burgettville Glenburn	6/24/1886 8/23/1897	Instituted Charter Recalled
98	Yosemite	Oakdale	6/20/1888 10/ /1895	Instituted Charter Surrendered
101	Elaine	Reedley	3/11/1889 5/22/1899	Instituted Charter Surrendered
132	Chrysanthemum	Sanger	2/14/1894 6/29/1990	Instituted Charter Recalled

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No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
139	Orestimba	Newman	12/28/1895 2/03/1988	Instituted Charter Surrendered
157	King Solomon's	San Francisco	4/20/1897 10/10/1898	Instituted Charter Recalled
158	Galt	Galt	8/09/1897 8/01/1907	Instituted Charter Surrendered
162	Crown	Corona	3/07/1898 12/10/2012	Instituted Charter revoked by Grand Chapter. 10/18/2012.
180	Golden State	College City	5/26/1900 3/10/1910	Instituted as Martha Chapter, name changed prior to Charter as another Martha Chapter already existed Charter Surrendered
187	Eagle	Eaglesville	12/18/1900 2/09/1938	Instituted Charter Surrendered
194	Hilda	Mokelumne Hill	5/10/1901 2/22/1928	Instituted Charter Surrendered

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No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
236	San Pedro	San Pedro	2/06/1906 5/12/1910	Instituted Charter Surrendered
251	Paul Revere Ideal	San Francisco	4/08/1907 11/20/1929 4/14/1930 10/22/1962	Instituted Charter Suspended Charter Restored Charter Surrendered
256	Marietta	Fruitvale	4/30/1907 10/21/1921	Instituted Charter Revoked
261	Dinuba Alta	Dinuba Dinuba	10/28/1907 1/12/1972 CN 12/13/1972	Instituted 257 Reedley Charter Surrendered
265	Daylight Radiant-Daylight	Los Angeles Los Angeles	2/06/1908 5/28/1971 CN	Instituted 265 Daylight 421 Radiant Charter Surrendered
			6/22/1988	

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No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
285	Garvin	Randsburg	5/26/1909 11/07/1917	Instituted Charter Surrendered
318	Sierra	Big Pine	4/14/1913 12/15/1945	Instituted Charter Surrendered
356	University	Los Angeles	9/10/1919 10/21/1926	Instituted Charter Revoked
419	Park	San Francisco	11/26/1923 10/22/1925	Instituted Charter Revoked
461	Mayflower	San Francisco	4/07/1926 9/21/1928	Instituted Charter Surrendered
462	Angeles Mesa	Los Angeles	5/06/1926 10/20/1927	Instituted Charter Revoked
466	Melrose	Los Angeles	7/29/1926 12/20/1964	Instituted Charter Surrendered

EXTINCT CHAPTERS IN CALIFORNIA

No.	Chapter Name	Location	Date	Charters
536	Dunsmuir	Dunsmuir	9/08/1934 11/01/1959	Instituted Charter Surrendered
538	Ad Astra	Fresno	10/03/1936 10/18/1944	Instituted Charter Revoked
646	Silver Trowel	Los Angeles	8/13/1973 5/24/1985	Instituted Charter Surrendered

CONSOLIDATED CHAPTERS IN CALIFORNIA

Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
1 Golden Gate	San Francisco	5/10/1869		Instituted	
1 Golden Gate	San Francisco	11/30/1973	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
			27	Ivy	
			196	San Francisco	
			460	Justice	
1 Golden Gate	San Francisco	1/24/1996	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
			229	Parnassus-Imperial	
1 Golden Gate	San Francisco	11/17/2001	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
			124	Harmony	
1 Golden Gate	San Francisco	11/17/2005	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
			99	San Francisco	
2 Suisun	Fairfield	3/12/1870		Instituted	
2 Suisun	Fairfield	11/20/2004	2	Suisun	2 Suisun
			222	Rio Vista	
3 Silver Star	Vallejo	11/22/1870		Instituted	
3 Silver Star	Vallejo	5/12/2003	3	Silverstar	3 Gateway
			30	Silver Gate	
			278	Vallejo	
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	4/12/1872		Instituted	
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	6/16/1975	8	Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
			392	Effie Easton	
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	6/02/1980	8	Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
			457	Caliz de Oro	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	9/15/1980	8	Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	4/25/1983	277	Athens	8 Oak Leaf
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	8/13/1984	423	Plymouth	8 Oak Leaf
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	9/28/1999	8	Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	11/18/2007	65	Unity	8 Oak Leaf
8 Oak Leaf	Oakland	6/17/1873	541	Estrellita	8 Alameda Oak Leaf
9 Evangeline	Nevada	5/06/1980	115	Alameda	Location: Alameda
9 Evangeline	Nevada City	11/06/2004		Instituted	
9 Evangeline	Nevada City	03/27/2010	9	Evangeline	9 Evangeline
9 Evangeline	Nevada City	12/09/1874	615	Pelton	9 Evangeline
13 Martha Washington	Visalia	03/11/1988	304	Bethany	9 Evangeline
13 Martha Washington	Visalia	7/27/2002	40	Evangeline	9 Evangeline
13 Martha Washington	Visalia			Aurora Placer	
				Instituted	
			13	Martha Washington	13 Martha Washington
			334	Exeter	13 Lucerne
			13	Martha Washington	
			127	Lucerne	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
14 St. John's	Weaverville	1/28/1875		Instituted	
14 St. John's	Weaverville	11/07/1997	14	St. John's	14 Northern Light
14 Northern Light	Millville	10/29/2005	26	Northern Light	
			14	Northern Light	14 Shasta Northern Light
			153	Mt. Shasta	
17 Welcome	Shasta	4/05/1875		Instituted	
17 Welcome	Shasta	4/27/1993	17	Welcome	17 Welcome Redding
18 Lily of the Valley	Watsonville	5/11/1875	44	Redding	
18 Lily of the Valley	Watsonville	11/30/1994	18	Instituted	18 Wild lily
			19	Lily of the Valley	
				Idlewild	
19 Idlewild	Santa Cruz	3/30/1876		Instituted	
19 Idlewild	Santa Cruz	11/30/1994	18	Lily of the Valley	18 Wild Lily
			19	Idlewild	
21 Acacia	Los Angeles	3/14/1876		Instituted	
21 Acacia	Los Angeles	5/14/1971	21	Acacia	21 Acacia-Rose Croix
21 Acacia-Rose Croix	Los Angeles	11/29/1986	317	Rose Croix	
			167	Acacia-Rose Croix	21 Highland Park
21 Highland Park	Los Angeles	11/21/1987	21	Highland Park	21 Highland Park
			522	Highland Park	
21 Highland Park	Los Angeles	09/14/1989	21	Atwater-Larchmont	21 Highland Park
			216	Highland Park	
				Los Feliz	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
21 Highland Park	Los Angeles	11/29/2000	21 454	Highland Park Polaris	21 Acacia
21 Acacia	Los Angeles	02/26/2007	21 133	Acacia Hollywood	21 Hollywood
21 Hollywood	South Pasadena	11/09/2009	21 172	Hollywood Lexington	Location: 21 South Pasadena Hollywood
23 Ferndale	Ferndale	9/1/1876		Instituted	
23 Ferndale	Ferndale	7/8/2009	23 149	Ferndale Del Norte	23 Ferndale
26 Northern Light	Millville	9/11/1875		Instituted	
26 Northern Light	Millville	3/22/1997	26 450	Northern Light North Star	26 Northern Light
26 Northern Light	Millville	11/07/1997	14 26	St. John's Northern Light	14 Northern Light
27 Ivy	San Francisco	12/07/1876		Instituted	
27 Ivy	San Francisco	11/30/1973	1 27	Golden Gate Ivy	1 Golden Gate
			196 460	San Francisco Justice	
28 Vacaville	Vacaville	03/03/1877		Instituted	
28 Vacaville	Vacaville	05/16/2007	28 218	Vacaville Esparto-Grafton	28 Yolano

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
30 Silver Gate	Benicia	7/14/1877	Instituted	
30 Silver Gate	Benicia	5/12/2003	3 Silver Star 30 Silver Gate 278 Vallejo	3 Gateway
31 San Jose	San Jose	9/07/1877	Instituted	
31 San Jose	San Jose	11/25/2005	31 San Jose 288 Blossom Hill	31 San Jose
35 Vernon	Gridley	6/01/1878	Instituted	
35 Vernon	Gridley	1/06/1992	35 Vernon 363 Lyman	35 Vernon-Lyman
35 Vernon-Lyman	Oroville	11/29/1998	35 Vernon-Lyman 119 Amapola	35 Anapola Vernon Lyman
35 Amapola Vernon Lyman	Oroville	12/31/2009	35 Amapola Vernon Lyman	35 Amapola
36 Naomi	Sacramento	5/03/1879	Instituted	
36 Naomi	Sacramento	11/17/1995	36 Naomi 593 Rising Star	36 Rising Star
40 Aurora	Grass Valley	2/13/1880	Instituted	
40 Aurora	Grass Valley	4/10/2003	40 Aurora 49 Placer	40 Aurora Placer
40 Aurora Placer	Grass Valley	03/27/2010	9 Evangeline 40 Aurora Placer	9 Evangeline

CONSOLIDATED CHAPTERS IN CALIFORNIA

Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
41 Lily of the Lake	Lemoore	3/23/1880	Instituted	
41 Lily of the Lake	Lemoore	6/21/1944	41 Lily of the Lake 400 Riverdale	41 Lily of the Lake
41 Lily of the Lake	Lemoore	2/09/1991	41 Lily of the Lake 270 Eschscoltzia	41 Lily of the Lake
42 Ariel	Antioch	3/30/1880	Instituted	
42 Ariel	Antioch	9/13/1983	42 Ariel	42 Ariel
42 Ariel	Antioch	11/06/1993	353 Pittsburg 42 Ariel 198 Maspha	42 Ariel
44 Redding	Redding	6/18/1880	Instituted	
44 Redding	Redding	4/27/1993	17 Welcome 44 Redding	17 Welcome Redding
45 Ceanothus	San Juan Bautista	5/22/1880	Instituted	
45 Ceanothus	San Juan Bautista	11/18/1990	45 Ceanothus 73 Magnolia	45 Magnolia
47 Reveille	Salinas	7/09/1880	Instituted	
47 Reveille	Salinas	11/26/1990	47 Reveille 580 Castroville	47 Reveille
47 Reveille	Salinas	10/25/2003	47 Reveille 574 El Gabilan	47 Reveille
47 Reveille	Salinas	10/29/2005	47 Reveille 68 Monterey Peninsula	47 Reveille

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
48 Wheatland	Wheatland	3/23/1881		Instituted	
48 Wheatland	Wheatland	3/8/2009	48	Wheatland	48 Friendship
			55	Marysville-Friendship	Location Change: Marysville
49 Placer	Dutch Flat	3/24/1881		Instituted	
49 Placer	Dutch Flat	3/24/1984	49	Placer	49 Placer
			116	Truckee	
49 Placer	Dutch Flat	4/10/2003	40	Aurora	40 Aurora Placer
			49	Placer	
50 Homo	Stockton	5/21/1881		Instituted	
50 Homo	Stockton	11/25/1991	50	Homo	50 Valley Oaks
			355	Golden Poppy	
50 Valley Oaks	Stockton	11/14/2007	50	Valley Oaks	50 Stockton Oaks
			373	Stockton	
50 Stockton Oaks	Stockton	1/14/2012	50	Stockton Oaks	50 Stockton Oaks
			118	Woodbridge Oaks	
51 Alturas	Alturas	6/03/1881		Instituted	
51 Alturas	Alturas	6/25/1986	51	Alturas	51 Alturas
			232	Bonner	
51 Alturas	Alturas	11/10/2001	51	Alturas	51 High Sierra
			112	Mountain View	
51 High Sierra	Susanville	3/04/2006		Name Change	51 Five Star
53 Sincerity	Taylorville	6/24/1881		Instituted	
53 Sincerity	Taylorville	10/30/1895		WGP — "I authorized Sincerity Chapter No. 53, to remove from Taylorville to Greenville,	

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53 Sincerity	Greenville	11/03/2002	53	Plumas County," Sincerity	53	Greenville
			377	Westwood		Sincerity
55 Marysville	Marysville	6/25/1881		Instituted	55	Marysville-Friendship
55 Marysville	Marysville	5/02/1991	55	Marysville		
			67	Friendship		
55 Marysville-Friendship	Marysville	3/8/2009	48	Wheatland	48	Friendship
			55	Marysville-Friendship	Location Change:	Marysville
56 Fidelia	Yuba City	6/28/1881		Instituted		
56 Fidelia	Yuba City	7/08/1986	56	Fidelia	56	Fidelia
			431	Smartville		
56 Fidelia	Yuba City	11/14/1998	56	Fidelia	56	Fidelia
			84	Veritas		
58 Kingsley	Ukiah	7/23/1881		Instituted		
58 Kingsley	Ukiah	11/13/2005	58	Kingsley	58	Kingsley
			314	Willits		
58 Kingsley	Ukiah	6/16/2008	58	Kingsley	58	Kingsley Augusta
			80	Augusta		
59 Silver Spray	Napa	8/12/1881		Instituted		
59 Silver Spray	Napa	4/05/1984	59	Silver Spray	59	Silver Spray
			274	St. Helena		

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
60 Yolo	Woodland	8/20/1881	Instituted	
60 Yolo	Woodland	2/22/1985	60 Yolo	60 Yolo
60 Yolo	Woodland	11/08/2002	349 Cacheville 60 Yolo 199 Golden Valley	60 Golden Valley
61 Morning Star	Petaluma	9/27/1881	Instituted	
61 Morning Star	Petaluma	2/24/1993	61 Morning Star 161 Gold Ridge	161 Gold Ridge Star
62 Mountain Fern	Georgetown	10/15/1881	Instituted	
62 Mountain Fern	Georgetown	6/23/1996	62 Mountain Fern	62 El Dorado-Tahoe Fern
62 El Dorado-Tahoe Fern	El Dorado	4/19/2008	499 El Dorado-Lake Tahoe 62 El Dorado-Tahoe Fern 90 Fallen Leaf	Location Change: 62 El Dorado 62 El Dorado Foothills
65 Unity	Oakland	3/17/1882	Instituted	
65 Unity	Oakland	4/09/1969	65 Unity	65 Unity
65 Unity	Oakland	8/13/1984	504 Rosa M. Shattuck 8 Oak Leaf 65 Unity	8 Oak Leaf
66 Golden Star	Jackson	4/11/1882	Instituted	
66 Golden Star	Jackson	11/06/2005	66 Golden Star	66 Amador
66 Amador	Jackson	12/12/2011	71 Queen Esther 66 Amador 77 Azalia Angels	66 Azalia Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
67 Friendship	Lincoln	5/03/1882	Instituted	
67 Friendship	Lincoln	5/02/1991	55 Marysville 67 Friendship	55 Marysville-Friendship
68 Monterey	Pacific Grove	11/11/1882	Instituted	
68 Monterey	Pacific Grove	3/19/1896	WGP approved name change	68 Ocean Spray
68 Ocean Spray	Pacific Grove	1/18/1993	68 Ocean Spray 239 Monterey	68 Monterey Peninsula
68 Monterey Peninsula	Pacific Grove	10/29/2005	47 Reville 68 Monterey Peninsula	47 Reville
71 Queen Esther	Sutter Creek	6/21/1883	Instituted	
71 Queen Esther	Sutter Creek	11/06/2005	66 Golden Star 71 Queen Esther	66 Anador
72 Electa	Modesto	6/29/1883	Instituted	
72 Electa	Modesto	11/19/1996	72 Electa 532 Modesto	72 Electa Modesto
73 Magnolia	Gilroy	7/05/1883	Instituted	
73 Magnolia	Gilroy	11/18/1990	45 Ceanothus 73 Magnolia	45 Magnolia
74 Esther	Adin	7/19/1883	Instituted	
74 Esther	Adin	6/24/1978	74 Esther 450 North Star	450 North Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
75 Silver Wave	San Bernardino	7/28/1883	Instituted	
75 Silver Wave	San Bernardino	5/03/1991	75 Silver Wave 548 Arrowhead	75 Arrowhead
75 Arrowhead	San Bernardino	4/18/1999	75 Arrowhead 212 Gate City	212 Gate City
76 Rohnerville	Fortuna	9/08/1883	Instituted	
76 Rohnerville	Fortuna	3/16/1997	76 Rohnerville 564 Redwood Empire	76 Rohnerville-Redwood
77 Azalia	Campo Seco	10/13/1883	Instituted	
77 Azalia	San Andreas	5/31/1895	WGP authorized Azalia Chapter, No. 77, to remove from Campo Seco to San Andreas	
77 Azalia	San Andreas	9/20/1988	77 Azalia 134 Angels	77 Azalia Angels
77 Azalia Angels	San Andreas	12/12/2011	66 Amador 77 Azalia Angels	66 Azalia Angels
78 Marguerite	Santa Barbara	5/12/1884	Instituted	
78 Marguerite	Santa Barbara	1/24/1988	78 Marguerite 501 Santa Barbara	78 Santa Barbara-Marguerite
78 Santa Barbara-Marguerite	Santa Barbara	8/23/2005	78 Santa Barbara-Marguerite 79 Channel Islands	78 Channel Islands Location: Ventura
79 Ventura	Ventura	5/13/1884	Instituted	
79 Ventura	Ventura	11/14/1987	79 Ventura 361 Fillmore	79 Ventura-Fillmore

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
79 Ventura-Fillmore	Ventura	4/04/2003	79	Ventura-Fillmore	79 Channel Islands
79 Channel Islands	Ventura	6/30/2003	322 Oxnard	Channel Islands	79 Channel Islands
79 Channel Islands	Ventura	8/23/2005	528 Ojai	Santa Barbara-Marguerite	78 Channel Islands
			79	Channel Islands	Location: Ventura
80 Augusta	Covelo	7/31/1884	58	Instituted	58 Kingsley Augusta
80 Augusta	Covelo	6/16/2008	58 Kingsley	80 Augusta	
82 Sotoyome	Healdsburg	9/03/1884	Instituted		82 Sotoyome-Clover Leaf
82 Sotoyome	Healdsburg	11/16/1991	82 Sotoyome	130 Clover Leaf	
83 Molino	Tehama	5/31/1884	Instituted		
83 Molino	Tehama	1/12/1978	Change meeting city to Los Molinos		
83 Molino	Los Molinos	3/29/2003	83 Molino	279 Mystic Star	Location: Los Molinos
83 Molino Star	Los Molinos	3/12/2011	83 Molino Star	86 Citrus	83 Molino Star
84 Veritas	Colusa	11/21/1884	Instituted		
84 Veritas	Colusa	11/10/1989	84 Veritas	368 Arbuckle-Loyal	84 Veritas
84 Veritas	Colusa	11/14/1998	56 Fidelia	84 Veritas	56 Fidelia

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
85 Valley of the Moon	Sonoma	12/06/1884		Instituted	
85 Valley of the Moon	Sonoma	11/14/1998	85	Valley of the Moon	189 Silverado
			189	Calistoga Keystone	
86 Marshall	Willows	4/18/1885		Instituted	
86 Marshall	Willows	1/08/1987	86	Marshall	86 Citrus
			208	Citrus	Location: Orland
86 Citrus	Orland	3/12/2011	83	Molino Star	83 Molino Star
			86	Citrus	
89 Raisina	Fresno	4/26/1886		Instituted	
89 Raisina	Fresno	11/27/1995	89	Raisina	89 Raisina Fresno
			295	Fresno	
89 Raisina Fresno	Fresno	11/25/1996	89	Raisina Fresno	89 Raisina Fresno
			482	Sanger	
89 Raisina Fresno	Fresno	6/06/2012	555	La Sierra Venus	555 Legacy
			89	Raisina Fresno	
90 Fallen Leaf	Placerville	7/14/1886		Instituted	
90 Fallen Leaf	Placerville	4/19/2008	62	El Dorado-Tahoe Fern	62 El Dorado Foothills
			90	Fallen Leaf	
93 Heliotrope	Selma	5/02/1887		Instituted	
93 Heliotrope	Selma	9/24/1979	93	Heliotrope	93 Heliotrope
			312	Kingsburg	
93 Heliotrope	Selma	11/27/1989	93	Heliotrope	93 Heliotrope
			271	Monte Vista	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
93 Heliotrope	Selma	4/22/2006	93 309	Heliotrope Concordia	93 Concordia Location: Clovis
94 Tulare	Tulare	11/07/1887		Instituted	
94 Tulare	Tulare	6/25/1990	94 370	Tulare Corcoran	94 Tulare-Corcoran
94 Tulare-Corcoran	Tulare	7/27/2002	94	Tulare-Corcoran	94 Tulare-Corcoran 510 Sierra Foothill
95 Bethlehem	Paso Robles	3/22/1888		Instituted	
95 Bethlehem	Paso Robles	5/20/1969	95 102	Bethlehem Violet	95 Bethlehem
95 Bethlehem	Paso Robles	11/13/2004	95 525	Bethlehem Estero Pines	95 Bethlehem-Estero Pines
96 Southern Star	San Diego	4/02/1888		Instituted	
96 Southern Star	San Diego	11/19/1991	96 264	Southern Star San Diego	96 San Diego Star
96 San Diego Star	San Diego	11/04/2001	96 479 565	San Diego Star La Jolla Palomar	96 La Paloma Star
97 Ramona	Arroyo Grande	6/19/1888		Instituted	
97 Ramona	Arroyo Grande	6/22/2006	97 100	Ramona Mizpah	97 Mizpah Location: Santa Maria
97 Mizpah	Santa Maria	1/25/2011	97 176	Mizpah Miguelito	97 Central Coast Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
99 Beulah	San Francisco	8/16/1888	Instituted	
99 Beulah	San Francisco	8/20/1964	99 Beulah 451 Liberty	99 Beulah-Liberty
99 Beulah-Liberty	San Francisco	2/11/1974	99 Beulah-Liberty 262 Amity	99 Amity
99 Amity	San Francisco	11/08/1990	99 Amity 155 Golden West Mission	99 San Francisco
99 San Francisco	San Francisco	11/12/1992	99 San Francisco 183 California Presidio	99 San Francisco
99 San Francisco	San Francisco	11/17/2005	1 Golden Gate 99 San Francisco	1 Golden Gate
100 Mizpah	Santa Maria	9/13/1888	Instituted	
100 Mizpah	Santa Maria	7/26/2001	100 Mizpah 566 Santa Ynez Valley	100 Mizpah
100 Mizpah	Santa Maria	6/22/2006	97 Ramona 100 Mizpah	97 Mizpah Location: Santa Maria
102 Violet	San Miguel	3/21/1889	Instituted	
102 Violet	San Miguel	5/20/1969	95 Bethlehem 102 Violet	95 Bethlehem
103 Golden Wave	San Leandro	4/05/1889	Instituted	
103 Golden Wave	San Leandro	12/29/1986	103 Golden Wave 293 Foothill	103 Golden Wave
103 Golden Wave	San Leandro	9/05/2008	103 Golden Wave 294 Castro Valley	103 Lake Chabot

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
104 Josephine	Chico	6/28/1889		Instituted	
104 Josephine	Chico	12/15/1988	104	Josephine Chico	104 Josephine Chico
			627	Chico	
104 Josephine Chico	Chico	6/20/1996	104	Josephine Chico	104 Josephine Chico
			326	Wild Rose	
105 Hermosa	Santa Ana	10/13/1888		Instituted	
105 Hermosa	Santa Ana	11/20/1993	105	Hermosa	105 Golden Harvest
			483	Garden Grove	
105 Golden Harvest	Garden Grove	8/13/1998	105	Golden Harvest	105 Golden Harvest
			625	Westminster	
105 Golden Harvest	Garden Grove	11/12/2007	105	Golden Harvest	163 Scepter
			163	Scepter	
108 Pasadena	Pasadena	7/11/1890		Instituted	
108 Pasadena	Pasadena	11/16/1984	108	Pasadena	108 Pasadena-Melita
			467	Melita	
108 Pasadena-Melita	Pasadena	11/16/1990	108	Pasadena-Melita	
			307	Southland	108 Pasadena
108 Pasadena	Pasadena	3/27/2003	108	Pasadena	108 Pasadena
			473	East Pas Alta	
108 Pasadena	Pasadena	04/27/2007	108	Pasadena	108 Pasadena
			193	Alhambra	
109 Elk Grove	Elk Grove	9/24/1890		Instituted	
109 Elk Grove	Elk Grove	11/17/2007	109	Elk Grove	109 Elk Grove Onisbo
			164	Onisbo	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
110 Pomona	Pomona	8/31/1891	Instituted	
110 Pomona	Pomona	2/14/1999	110 Pomona 468 Star of the West	110 Star of Pomona
110 Pomona	Pomona	03/04/2007	110 Pomona 324 Claremont	110 Star of Claremont Location: Claremont
111 Ocean View	Mendocino	9/19/1891	Instituted	
111 Ocean View	Mendocino	4/29/1990	111 Ocean View 291 Point Arena	111 Ocean View
111 Ocean View	Mendocino	5/16/1993	111 Ocean View 230 Sapphire	111 Ocean View
112 Hesperian	Susanville	9/30/1891	Instituted	
112 Hesperian	Susanville	11/27/1999	112 Hesperian 552 Mountain View	112 Mountain View
112 Mountain View	Susanville	11/10/2001	51 Alturas 112 Mountain View	51 High Sierra
113 Santa Monica by the Sea	Santa Monica	1/08/1892	Instituted	
113 Santa Monica by the Sea	Santa Monica	10/18/1899	Name change	113 Santa Monica
113 Santa Monica	Santa Monica	11/18/1985	113 Santa Monica 474 Palisades 476 Westwood Hills	113 Santa Monica
113 Santa Monica	Santa Monica	11/17/1994	113 Santa Monica 245 Ocean Park	245 Ocean Park

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
114 Palm Leaf	Porterville	2/18/1892		Instituted	
114 Palm Leaf	Porterville	3/31/1987	114	Palm Leaf	114 Palm Leaf
			306	Lindsay	
115 Carita	Alameda	3/09/1892		Instituted	
115 Carita	Alameda	1/19/2001	115	Carita	115 Alameda
			297	Alameda	
115 Alameda	Alameda	11/18/2007	8	Oak Leaf	8 Alameda Oak Leaf
			115	Alameda	Location: Alameda
116 Truckee	Truckee	3/15/1892		Instituted	
116 Truckee	Truckee	3/24/1984	49	Placer	49 Placer
			116	Truckee	
117 Columbus	Sacramento	8/08/1892		Instituted	
117 Columbus	Sacramento	11/26/1990	117	Columbus	117 Columbus-Fort Sutter
			420	Fort Sutter	
117 Columbus-Fort Sutter	Sacramento	11/15/2001	117	Columbus-Fort Sutter	117 New Hope
			190	Ada-Sacramento	
118 Woodbridge	Woodbridge	9/17/1892		Instituted	
118 Woodbridge	Woodbridge	3/30/1994	118	Woodbridge	118 Woodbridge Oaks
			371	Live Oak	
118 Woodbridge Oaks	Woodbridge	1/14/2012	50	Stockton Oaks	50 Stockton Oaks
			118	Woodbridge Oaks	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
119 Amapola	Oroville	7/05/1893	Instituted		
119 Amapola	Oroville	11/29/1998	35 119	Vernon-Lyman Amapola	35 Anapola Vernon Lyman
123 Tuolumne Star	Sonora	8/25/1893	Instituted		
123 Tuolumne Star	Sonora	11/14/2010	123 165	Tuolumne Star Mother Lode	123 Mother Lode Murphys
124 California	San Francisco	11/10/1893	Instituted as California UD., name changed before Charter issued.		124 Harmony
124 Harmony	San Francisco	8/08/1967	124 440	Harmony Fireside	124 Harmony
124 Harmony	San Francisco	11/02/1967	124 496	Harmony Nonpariel	124 Harmony
124 Harmony	San Francisco	4/26/1977	124 238	Harmony Jewel	124 Harmony-Jewel
124 Harmony-Jewel	San Francisco	11/30/1982	Name change approved by WGM		124 Harmony
124 Harmony	San Francisco	11/18/1995	124 382	Harmony Crocker	124 Harmony
124 Harmony	San Francisco	11/17/2001	1 124	Golden Gate Harmony	1 Golden Gate
125 Bakersfield	Bakersfield	12/18/1893	Instituted		
125 Bakersfield	Bakersfield	11/16/1998	125 323	Bakersfield Taft	125 Bakersfield
125 Bakersfield	Bakersfield	2/21/2002	125 559	Bakersfield Oildale	125 Bakersfield

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
126 Mercedes	Merced	2/23/1894	Instituted	
126 Mercedes	Merced	5/26/1998	126 Mercedes 136 Centinela	126 Mercedes
126 Mercedes	Merced	11/1/2008	126 Mercedes 200 Las Mariposas	126 Yosemite Gateway
127 Lucerne	Hanford	2/15/1894	Instituted	
127 Lucerne	Hanford	7/27/2002	13 Martha Washington 127 Lucerne	13 Lucerne
128 Los Gatos	Los Gatos	3/19/1894	Instituted	
128 Los Gatos	Los Gatos	4/11/2003	128 Los Gatos 553 Campbell	128 Golden Oak
129 Sierra Star	Sierra Valley Sierraville	6/12/1894	Instituted	
129 Sierra Star	Sierraville	9/16/1972	129 Sierra Star 224 Celeandine	129 Sierra Star
129 Sierra Star	Sierraville	11/12/2010	129 Sierra Star 201 Beckwith Portola Star	129 Alpine Valley Location: Beckwourth
130 Clover Leaf	Cloverdale	7/21/1894	Instituted	
130 Clover Leaf	Cloverdale	11/16/1991	82 Sotoyome 130 Clover Leaf	82 Sotoyome-Clover Leaf

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
131 Fidelity	Dunsmuir	8/31/1894	Instituted	
131 Fidelity	Dunsmuir	3/25/1976	131 Fidelity	131 Fidelity
			381 McCloud	
131 Fidelity	Dunsmuir	3/27/1999	131 Fidelity	131 Fidelity
			175 Sisson-White Pine	
133 South Gate	Los Angeles	12/24/1894	Instituted	
133 South Gate	Los Angeles	11/19/1968	133 South Gate	133 South Gate
			268 West Lake	
133 South Gate	Los Angeles	8/02/1986	133 South Gate	133 Hollywood
			209 Hollywood	
133 Hollywood	Los Angeles	11/23/1991	133 Hollywood	133 Hollywood
			272 South Pasadena	
133 Hollywood	Los Angeles	11/20/1993	133 Hollywood	133 Hollywood
			192 Elysian	Location: South Pasadena
			313 Eagle Rock-Glassell Park	
133 Hollywood	South Pasadena	02/26/2007	21 Acacia	21 Hollywood
			133 Hollywood	Location: South Pasadena
134 Angels	Angels Camp	12/18/1894	Instituted	
134 Angels	Angels Camp	9/20/1988	77 Azalia	77 Azalia Angels
			134 Angels	
136 Centinela	Los Banos	6/10/1895	Instituted	
136 Centinela	Los Banos	11/24/1990	136 Centinela	136 Centinela
			545 Dos Palos	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
136 Centinela	Los Banos	5/26/1998	126 136	Mercedes Centinela	126 Mercedes
137 Clear Lake	Lakeport	10/9/1895		Instituted	
137 Clear Lake	Lakeport	11/5/2005	231 137	Lower Lake Clear Lake	231 Lower Lake
140 Oakland	Oakland	1/02/1896		Instituted	
140 Oakland	Oakland	6/02/1965	140 533	Oakland Sterling	140 Oakland
140 Oakland	Oakland	11/22/1974	140 519	Oakland Encina	140 Oakland
140 Oakland	Oakland	4/04/1984	140 544	Oakland Nova Dies	140 Nova Dies-Oakland
140 Nova Dies-Oakland	Oakland	8/17/1988	140 303	Nova Dies-Oakland Golden Chain	140 Nova Dies-Oakland
140 Nova Dies-Oakland	Oakland	11/12/1988	140 410	Nova Dies-Oakland Lake Merritt	140 Nova Dies-Oakland
141 Miramonte	Mountain View	1/08/1896		Instituted	
141 Miramonte	Mountain View	11/23/1988	141 562	Miramonte Menalto	141 Miramonte
141 Miramonte	Mountain View	11/16/2008	141 250	Miramonte Valley Star	141 Valley Star Location: Los Altos
141 Valley Star	Los Altos	7/15/2009	141 551	Valley Star San Carlos	141 Valley Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
142 Copa del Oro	Redlands	1/23/1896	Instituted	
142 Copa del Oro	Redlands	9/25/1998	142 Copa del Oro 212 Gate City	212 Gate City
143 Norwalk	Norwalk	2/12/1896	Instituted	
143 Norwalk	Norwalk	4/02/1997	143 Norwalk 253 Artesia	143 Emerald Star
144 Lyra	Whittier	2/12/1896	Instituted	
144 Lyra	Whittier	11/17/1990	144 Lyra	144 Lyra
144 Lyra	Whittier	6/06/2002	248 Holly Gardens 144 Lyra 335 Whittier 584 Tri Star	144 Whittier Star
145 Jasmine	Azusa	2/13/1896	Instituted	
145 Jasmine	Azusa	11/17/1996	145 Jasmine	145 Foothill Location: Glendora 145 Stardust Location: Ontario
145 Foothill	Glendora	05/18/2005	357 Foothill 145 Foothill 179 Sunrise	
146 Delano	Delano	3/12/1896	Instituted	
146 Delano	Delano	5/22/1972	146 Delano 489 Wasco	146 La Rosa
146 La Rosa	Wasco	11/22/1976	146 La Rosa 514 Faith	146 La Rosa

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
146 La Rosa	Wasco	6/29/1987	362 Libertas 146 La Rosa	362 Libertas
147 Pearl	Compton	4/10/1896	Instituted	
147 Pearl	Compton	11/22/1996	147 Pearl	147 Golden Crown
147 Golden Crown	Norwalk	613 Century		Location: Norwalk
		147 Golden Crown		147 Ami Tai
147 Ami Tai	Brea	11/10/2004	495 Ami Tai	Location: Brea
		06/29/2007	147 Ami Tai	147 Ami Tai
			151 Chispa	
149 Del Norte	Crescent City	5/15/1896	Instituted	
149 Del Norte	Crescent City	5/15/1896	23 Ferndale	23 Ferndale
			149 Del Norte	
151 Chispa	Anaheim	6/06/1896	Instituted	
151 Chispa	Anaheim	5/29/1990	151 Chispa	151 Chispa
			191 Brea	
151 Chispa	Anaheim	11/25/1997	151 Chispa	151 Chispa
			240 Buena Park	
151 Chispa	Anaheim	06/29/2007	147 Ami Tai	147 Ami Tai
			151 Chispa	
153 Mt. Shasta	Millville	1/08/1896	Instituted	
153 Mt. Shasta	Millville	10/29/2005	14 Northern Light	14 Shasta Northern Light
			153 Mt. Shasta	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
155 Mission	San Francisco	12/19/1896		Instituted	
155 Mission	San Francisco	11/03/1975	155	Mission	155 Golden West Mission
			350	Golden West	
155 Golden West Mission	San Francisco	11/08/1990	99	Amity	99 San Francisco
			155	Golden West Mission	
160 Occident	Downey	6/19/1897		Instituted	
160 Occident	Downey	11/15/1988	160	Occident	160 Occident-Guardian
			439	Guardian	
160 Occident-Guardian	Downey	2/15/1994	160	Occident-Guardian	160 Downey
			626	In Shallah	
161 Gold Ridge	Sebastopol	1/06/1898		Instituted	
161 Gold Ridge	Sebastopol	11/23/1985	161	Gold Ridge	161 Gold Ridge
			182	Valley Home	
161 Gold Ridge	Sebastopol	2/05/1991	161	Gold Ridge	161 Gold Ridge
			336	Riverview	
161 Gold Ridge	Sebastopol	2/24/1993	61	Morning Star	161 Gold Ridge Star
			161	Gold Ridge	
161 Gold Ridge Star	Sebastopol	1/20/1995	161	Gold Ridge Star	161 Gold Ridge Star
			634	Santa Rosa	
163 Scepter	Orange	3/11/1898		Instituted	
163 Scepter	Orange	7/14/1986	163	Scepter	163 Scepter
			389	Santa Ana	
163 Scepter	Orange	05/21/05	163	Scepter	163 Scepter
			521	Harbor Star	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
163 Scepter	Orange	11/12/2007	105 163	Golden Harvest Scepter	163 Scepter
164 Onisbo	Courtland	4/29/1898		Instituted	
164 Onisbo	Courtland	11/17/2007	109 164	Elk Grove Onisbo	109 Elk Grove Onisbo
165 Crescent	Murphys	6/15/1898		Instituted	
165 Crescent	Murphys	11/12/2007	165 244	Crescent Milton	165 Mother Lode
165 Mother Lode	Murphys	11/14/2010	165 123	Mother Lode Tuolumne Star	123 Mother Lode Location: Murphys
167 Esperanza	Los Angeles	2/11/1899		Instituted	
167 Esperanza	Glendale	9/12/1972	167 225	Esperanza East Gate	167 Esperanza-East Gate
167 Esperanza-East Gate	Glendale	10/18/1982	167 263	Esperanza-East Gate Highland Park	167 Highland Park
167 Highland Park	Los Angeles	11/29/1986	21 167	Acacia-Rose Croix Highland Park	21 Highland Park
168 Los Angeles	Los Angeles	2/14/1899		Instituted	
168 Los Angeles	Los Angeles	7/12/1971	168 441	Los Angeles Utopia	168 Los Angeles
168 Los Angeles	Los Angeles	2/25/1977	168 258 281	Los Angeles Golden State Pleiades-Orme	258 Los Angeles

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169 Olive Branch	San Francisco	3/29/1899	Instituted	
169 Olive Branch	San Francisco	9/24/1965	169 Olive Branch 204 Starr King	169 Starr King
169 Starr King	San Francisco	6/24/1971	169 Starr King 170 King Solomon's	170 King Solomon's
170 King Solomon's	San Francisco	4/04/1899	Instituted	
170 King Solomon's	San Francisco	6/24/1971	169 Starr King 170 King Solomon's	170 King Solomon's
170 King Solomon's	San Francisco	8/28/1980	170 King Solomon's 255 Richmond	255 Richmond
171 Carnation	Redondo Redondo Beach	5/12/1899	Instituted	
171 Carnation	Lomita	3/26/2001	171 Carnation 512 Golden Chain	171 Alpha Star
171 Alpha Star	Lomita	11/12/2010	171 Alpha Star 380 Torrance	171 Alpha Star
172 Lexington	El Monte	7/18/1899	Instituted	
172 Lexington	El Monte	11/09/2009	21 Holywood 172 Lexington	21 Holywood
173 Long Beach	Long Beach	8/07/1899	Instituted	
173 Long Beach	Long Beach	8/14/1992	173 Long Beach 399 Bettina	173 Long Beach-Bettina

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173 Long Beach-Bettina	Long Beach	11/09/1997	173 414	Long Beach-Bettina Mar Vista	173 Long Beach
174 San Pedro Harbor	San Pedro	8/18/1899		Instituted	
174 San Pedro Harbor	San Pedro	11/19/2007	174 260	San Pedro Harbor Gardena	174 San Pedro Harbor
175 Sisson	Mount Shasta	9/23/1899		Instituted	
175 Sisson	Mount Shasta	2/12/1983	175 487	Sisson White Pine	175 Sisson-White Pine
175 Sisson-White Pine	Mount Shasta	3/27/1999	131 175	Fidelity Sisson-White Pine	131 Fidelity
176 Miguelito	Lompoc	12/23/1899		Instituted	
176 Miguelito	Lompoc	01/25/2011	97 176	Mizpah Migulito	97 Central Coast Star
177 Orient	Fremont	03/21/1900		Instituted	
177 Orient	Fremont	03/12/2007	177 577	Orient San Lorenzo	177 San Lorenzo Hayward
178 Berkeley	Berkeley	4/04/1900		Instituted	
178 Berkeley	Berkeley	6/06/1967	178 366	Berkeley Alethe	178 Alethe-Berkeley
178 Alethe-Berkeley	Berkeley	1/16/1984	178 375	Alethe-Berkeley Thousand Oaks	178 Thousand Oaks

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
178 Thousand Oaks	El Cerrito	8/09/1990	178	Thousand Oaks	178 Vista Cerrito
178 Vista Cerrito	El Cerrito	11/24/1991	550 178 290	Vista Cerrito Vista Cerrito West Gate	178 Vista Cerrito
179 Ontario	Ontario	5/03/1990		Instituted	
179 Ontario	Ontario	8/31/1990		Name Change	179 Euclid
179 Euclid	Ontario	11/15/1990	179	Euclid	179 Sunrise
179 Sunrise	Ontario	05/18/2005	330 145 179	Chino Valley Foothill Sunrise	145 Stardust
182 Valley Home	Windsor	7/28/1990		Instituted	
182 Valley Home	Windsor	11/23/1985	161 182	Gold Ridge Valley Home	161 Gold Ridge
183 Yerba Buena	San Francisco	8/14/1990		Instituted	
183 Yerba Buena	San Francisco	10/15/1990		Name Change	183 California
183 California	San Francisco	1/02/1952	183 206	California Aloha	183 California
183 California	San Francisco	3/22/1968	183 228	California Yerba Buena	183 California
183 California	San Francisco	11/12/1986	183 481	California Presidio	183 California-Presidio
183 California-Presidio	San Francisco	11/12/1992	99 183	San Francisco California-Presidio	99 San Francisco

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
184 Crockett	Crockett	8/07/1900		Instituted	
184 Crockett	Crockett	4/24/1984	184	Crockett	220 Pinole-Crockett
			220	Pinole	
186 Laurel	San Mateo	9/22/1900		Instituted	
186 Laurel	San Mateo	11/30/1986	186	Laurel	186 Peninsula
			275	Burlingame	Location: Burlingame
186 Peninsula	Burlingame	11/25/2007	186	Peninsula	186 Unity
			305	Unity	
188 Tehachapi	Tehachapi	1/16/1901		Instituted	
188 Tehachapi	Tehachapi	12/03/1969	188	Tehachapi	188 Tehachapi
			603	Arvin	
189 Calistoga	Calistoga	1/19/1901		Instituted	
189 Calistoga	Calistoga	6/23/1996	189	Calistoga	189 Calistoga Keystone
			235	Keystone	
189 Calistoga Keystone	Calistoga	11/14/1998	85	Valley of the Moon	189 Silverado
			189	Calistoga Keystone	
190 Sacramento	Sacramento	3/07/1901		Instituted	
190 Sacramento	Sacramento	11/16/1989	190	Sacramento	190 Ada-Sacramento
			301	Ada	
190 Ada-Sacramento	Sacramento	11/15/2001	117	Columbus-Fort Sutter	117 New Hope
			190	Ada-Sacramento	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
191 Fullerton	Fullerton	3/19/1901	Instituted	
191 Fullerton	Fullerton	2/12/1979	191 Fullerton	191 Brea
191 Brea	Brea	5/29/1990	506 Brea	
			151 Chispa	151 Chispa
			191 Brea	
192 Pacific	Los Angeles	3/23/1901	Instituted	
192 Pacific	Los Angeles	2/24/1972	192 Pacific	192 Trinity
192 Trinity	Los Angeles	2/15/1977	Loyalty	
			192 Trinity	192 United
192 United	Los Angeles	2/27/1989	520 Wil-Brea	
			192 United	192 Elysian
192 Elysian	Los Angeles	11/20/1993	354 Elysian	
			133 Hollywood	133 Hollywood
			192 Elysian	
			313 Eagle Rock-Glassell Park	
193 Alhambra	Alhambra	3/25/1901	Instituted	
193 Alhambra	Alhambra	11/20/1990	193 Alhambra	193 Alhambra-Granada
			442 Granada	
193 Alhambra-Granada	Alhambra	8/24/1993	193 Alhambra-Granada	193 Alhambra
			554 San Marino	
193 Alhambra	Alhambra	04/27/2007	108 Pasadena	108 Pasadena
			193 Alhambra	

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Old Chapter		Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
196	San Francisco	San Francisco	9/16/1901		Instituted	
196	San Francisco	San Francisco	11/30/1973	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
				27	Ivy	
				196	San Francisco	
				460	Justice	
197	Mt. Whitney	Bishop	1/11/1902		Instituted	
197	Mt. Whitney	Bishop	6/19/1991	197	Mt. Whitney	197 Mt. Whitney
				595	Mono	
198	Maspha	Brentwood	4/23/1902		Instituted	
198	Maspha	Brentwood	11/06/1993	42	Ariel	42 Ariel
				198	Maspha	
199	Ionia	Davis	4/29/1902		Instituted	
199	Ionia	Davis	5/22/1996	199	Ionia	199 Golden Valley
				221	Golden Rod	
199	Golden Valley	Davis	11/08/2002	60	Yolo	60 Golden Valley
				199	Golden Valley	
200	Las Mariposas	Mariposa	5/27/1902		Instituted	
200	Las Mariposas	Mariposa	11/17/1991	200	Las Mariposas	200 Las Mariposas
				641	Sierra Vista	
200	Las Mariposas	Mariposa	11/1/2008	126	Mercedes	126 Yosemite Gateway
				200	Las Mariposas	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
201 Beckwith Star	Beckwourth	6/25/1902		Instituted	
201 Beckwith Star	Beckwourth	6/30/1996	201	Beckwith Star	201 Beckwith Portola Star
			321	Portola	
201 Beckwith Portola Star	Beckwourth	11/12/2010	129	Sierra Star	129 Alpine Valley
			201	Beckwith Portola Star	Location: Beckwourth
202 La Paloma	Covina	8/05/1902		Instituted	
202 La Paloma	Covina	11/21/1997	202	La Paloma	202 West Covina
			325	West Covina	
203 Sequoia	Menlo Park	9/1/1902		Instituted	
203 Sequoia	Menlo Park	11/21/2007	203	Sequoia	203 Palo Alto
			213	Palo Alto	Location: Palo Alto
204 Starr King	San Francisco	9/26/1902		Instituted	
204 Starr King	San Francisco	9/24/1965	169	Olive Branch	169 Starr King
			204	Starr King	
205 Miramar	Richmond	9/30/1902		Instituted	
205 Miramar	Richmond	9/14/1984	205	Miramar	205 El Portal
			249	Acantha	
205 El Portal	Richmond	11/22/1992	205	El Portal	205 Mission Bell
			605	Mission Bell	
205 Mission Bell	Richmond	12/10/1993	205	Mission Bell	205 Mission Bell
			220	Pinole-Crockett	
205 Mission Bell	Richmond	8/25/2003	205	Mission Bell	205 Mission Bell
			283	Beacon Point	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
206 Aloha	San Francisco	10/04/1902		Instituted	
206 Aloha	San Francisco	1/02/1952	183	California	183 California
			206	Aloha	
208 Citrus	Orland	2/25/1903		Instituted	
208 Citrus	Orland	1/08/1987	86	Marshall	86 Citrus
			208	Citrus	
209 Hollywood	Hollywood	2/28/1903		Instituted	
209 Hollywood	Hollywood	11/10/1973	209	Hollywood	209 Hollywood-Malta
			475	Malta	
209 Hollywood-Malta	Hollywood	1/12/1980	209	Hollywood-Malta	209 Hollywood
			210	Mendias-Ray	
209 Hollywood	Hollywood	8/02/1986	133	South Gate	133 Hollywood
			209	Hollywood	
210 Palestine	Los Angeles	3/07/1903		Instituted	
210 Palestine	Los Angeles	11/28/1972	210	Palestine	210 Mendias-Ray
			495	Mendias-Ray	
210 Mendias-Ray	Los Angeles	1/12/1980	209	Hollywood-Malta	209 Hollywood
			210	Mendias-Ray	
211 Colton	Colton	7/08/1903		Instituted	
211 Colton	Colton	11/16/1991	211	Colton	211 Rialto
			596	Rialto	Location: Rialto
211 Rialto	Rialto	11/18/2006	211	Rialto	211 Tri-Star
			488	Orange Blossom	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
212 Gate City	San Bernardino	8/13/1903	Instituted	
212 Gate City	San Bernardino	9/25/1998	142 Copa del Oro	212 Gate City
			212 Gate City	
212 Gate City	San Bernardino	4/18/1999	75 Arrowhead	212 Gate City
			212 Gate City	
213 Palo Alto	Palo Alto	8/22/1903	Instituted	
213 Palo Alto	Palo Alto	11/21/2007	203 Sequoia	203 Palo Alto
			213 Palo Alto	Location:
214 Almona	Concord	9/05/1903	Instituted	
214 Almona	Concord	7/10/2005	214 Almona	214 Diablo Star
			571 Diablo Star	Location:
215 San Rafael	San Rafael	9/11/1903	Instituted	
215 San Rafael	San Rafael	11/21/1993	215 San Rafael	215 Marin Star
			594 Fairfax	
			609 Novato	
216 Sunset	Los Angeles	9/16/1903	Instituted	
216 Sunset	Los Angeles	11/25/1974	216 Sunset	216 Los Feliz
			329 Olivette-Wilshire	
216 Los Feliz	Los Angeles	4/20/1981	216 Los Feliz	216 Los Feliz
			540 Elizabeth B. Wheeler	
216 Los Feliz	Los Angeles	11/26/1984	216 Los Feliz	216 Los Feliz
			258 Los Angeles	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
216 Los Feliz	Los Angeles	9/14/1989	21	Highland Park	21 Highland Park
			216	Los Feliz	
217 Loyalty	Los Angeles	9/22/1993		Instituted	
217 Loyalty	Los Angeles	2/24/1972	192	Pacific	192 Trinity
			217	Loyalty	
218 Yosolano	Winters	2/13/1994		Instituted	
218 Yosolano	Winters	3/17/1983	218	Yosolano	218 Esparto-Winters
			341	Esparto	Location: Esparto
218 Esparto-Winters	Esparto	2/28/1987	218	Esparto-Winters	218 Esparto-Grafton
			379	Grafton	
218 Esparto-Grafton	Esparto	05/16/2007	28	Vacaville	28 Yolano
			218	Esparto-Grafton	
220 Pinole	Hercules	2/23/1994		Instituted	
220 Pinole	Hercules	4/24/1984	184	Crockett	220 Pinole-Crockett
			220	Pinole	
220 Pinole-Crockett	Hercules	12/10/1993	205	Mission Bell	205 Mission Bell
			220	Pinole-Crockett	
221 Golden Rod	Dixon	4/02/1994		Instituted	
221 Golden Rod	Dixon	5/22/1996	199	Ionia	199 Golden Valley
			221	Golden Rod	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
222 Rio Vista	Rio Vista	4/5/1904	Instituted	
222 Rio Vista	Rio Vista	11/20/2004	2 Suisun 222 Rio Vista	2 Suisun
223 Loyal	Williams	4/27/1904	Instituted	
223 Loyal	Williams	12/09/1975	223 Loyal 368 Arbuckle	368 Arbuckle-Loyal
224 Celeandine	Loyalton	6/22/1904	Instituted	
224 Celeandine	Loyalton	9/16/1972	129 Sierra Star 224 Celeandine	129 Sierra Star
225 East Gate	Los Angeles	2/15/1905	Instituted	
225 East Gate	Glendale	9/12/1972	167 Esperanza 225 East Gate	167 Esperanza-East Gate
226 Oakdale	Oakdale	4/11/1905	Instituted	
226 Oakdale	Oakdale	7/31/2002	226 Oakdale 447 Escallonia	447 Escallonia
227 Monrovia	Monrovia	4/12/1905	Instituted	
227 Monrovia	Monrovia	8/29/1972	227 Monrovia 575 Santa Anita	227 Monrovia
227 Monrovia	Monrovia	4/28/1984	227 Monrovia 471 Arcadia	471 Arcadia

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
228 Yerba Buena	San Francisco	4/14/1905		Instituted	
228 Yerba Buena	San Francisco	3/22/1968	183	California	183 California
			228	Yerba Buena	
229 Imperial	San Francisco	4/17/1905		Instituted	
229 Imperial	San Francisco	6/20/1974	229	Imperial	229 Parnassus-Imperial
			269	Parnassus	
229 Parnassus-Imperial	San Francisco	1/24/1996	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
			229	Parnassus-Imperial	
230 Sapphire	Fort Bragg	4/17/1905		Instituted	
230 Sapphire	Fort Bragg	5/16/1993	111	Ocean View	111 Oceanview
			230	Sapphire	
231 Lower Lake	Lower Lake	4/20/1905		Instituted	
231 Lower Lake	Lower Lake	11/05/1988	231	Lower Lake	231 Lower Lake
			585	Mountain Star	
231 Lower Lake	Clearlake	11/05/2005	231	Lower Lake	231 Lake
			137	Clear Lake	
232 Bonner	Cedarville	4/29/1905		Instituted	
232 Bonner	Cedarville	10/28/1964	232	Bonner	232 Bonner
			254	North East	
232 Bonner	Cedarville	6/25/1986	51	Alturas	51 Alturas
			232	Bonner	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
233 Natoma	Folsom	7/3/1905		Instituted	
233 Natoma	Folsom	11/11/2006	233 563	Natoma San Juan	233 Natoma San Juan Location: Citrus Heights
235 Keystone	Napa	9/27/1905		Instituted	
235 Keystone	Napa	6/23/1996	189 235	Calistoga Keystone	189 Calistoga Keystone
237 Glen Eyrie	Glendale	2/22/1906		Instituted	
237 Glen Eyrie	Glendale	11/09/1994	237 422	Glen Eyrie Glendale	237 Glendale Glen Eyrie
237 Glendale Glen Eyrie	Glendale	11/15/1996	237 494	Glendale Glen Eyrie Crescenta Valley	237 Glencrest
238 Jewel	San Francisco	3/20/1906		Instituted	
238 Jewel	San Francisco	4/26/1977	124 238	Harmony Jewel	124 Harmony-Jewel
239 Monterey	Monterey	3/30/1906		Instituted	
239 Monterey	Monterey	1/18/1993	68 239	Ocean Spray Monterey	68 Monterey Peninsula
240 Buena Park	Buena Park	4/06/1906		Instituted	
240 Buena Park	Buena Park	11/25/1997	151 240	Chispa Buena Park	151 Chispa

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
241 La Victoria	San Jacinto	4/06/1906		Instituted	
241 La Victoria	San Jacinto	11/19/1992	241 351	La Victoria Tahquitz	241 Tahquitz-Victoria
242 Needles	Needles	4/11/1906		Instituted	
242 Needles	Needles	12/29/1996	242	Needles	242 Barstow
242 Barstow	Barstow	7/28/2011	546 242 537	Barstow Barstow Victor Valley	242 Victor Valley Location: Victorville
243 Elsinore	Elsinore	4/16/1906		Instituted	
243 Elsinore	Elsinore	2/14/2007	243 302	Elsinore Miriam	243 Menifee Valley Location: Sun City
244 Milton	Milton	4/17/1906		Instituted	
244 Milton	Milton	11/10/2007	165 244	Crescent Milton	165 Mother Lode
245 Ocean Park	Ocean Park	5/10/1906		Instituted	
245 Ocean Park	Ocean Park	1/19/1984	245 395	Ocean Park Culver City	245 Ocean Park
245 Ocean Park	Santa Monica	11/21/1991	245 446	Ocean Park Ionic-Memoriah	245 Ocean Park
245 Ocean Park	Santa Monica	11/19/1992	245	Ocean Park	245 Ocean Park
245 Ocean Park	Santa Monica	11/17/1994	247 113 245	Columbia-Beverly Hills Santa Monica Ocean Park	245 Ocean Park

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
245 Ocean Park	Santa Monica	11/16/2000	245 456	Ocean Park Triangle Palms	245 Ocean Park
247 Columbia	West Los Angeles	6/14/1906		Instituted	
247 Columbia	West Los Angeles	11/22/1986	247 404	Columbia Beverly Hills	247 Columbia-Beverly Hills
247 Columbia-Beverly Hills	Los Angeles	11/19/1992	245 247	Ocean Park Columbia-Beverly Hills	245 Ocean Park
248 Hollenbeck	Los Angeles	6/02/1906		Instituted	
248 Hollenbeck	Los Angeles	5/02/1972	248 464	Hollenbeck The Gardens	248 Holly Gardens
248 Holly Gardens	Whittier	11/25/1984	248 623	Holly Gardens La Mirada	248 Holly Gardens
248 Holly Gardens	Whittier	11/17/1990	144 248	Lyra Holly Gardens	144 Lyra
249 Acantha	Richmond	9/07/1906		Instituted	
249 Acantha	Richmond	9/14/1984	205 249	Miramar Acantha	205 El Portal
250 Sunnysvale	Sunnysvale	3/14/1907		Instituted	
250 Sunnysvale	Sunnysvale	1/17/1964		Change meeting place to Los Altos	
250 Sunnysvale	Los Altos	11/15/1958	250 636	Sunnysvale Los Altos	250 Valley Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
250 Valley Star	Los Altos	11/15/1998	141	Miramonte	141 Valley Star
			250	Sunnyvale	Location change: Los Altos
252 Casimir	Ukiah	4/13/1997		Instituted	
252 Casimir	Ukiah	1921		Moved Chapter to San Francisco	
252 Casimir	San Francisco	11/18/1965	252	Casimir	252 Casimir
			432	Forest	
252 Casimir	San Francisco	7/14/1980	252	Casimir	252 Casimir
			427	Seaport	
252 Casimir	San Francisco	3/13/1989	252	Casimir	252 Casimir
			470	Roosevelt	
252 Casimir	San Francisco	11/07/1991	252	Casimir	252 Casimir
			374	Lebanon	
252 Casimir	San Francisco	4/28/1995	252	Casimir	252 Pacific Star
			255	Richmond	
252 Pacific Star	San Francisco	3/05/1999	252	Pacific Star	252 Pacific Star
			280	Sunset	
253 Artesia	Artesia	4/15/1997		Instituted	
253 Artesia	Artesia	4/02/1997	143	Norwalk	143 Emerald Star
			253	Artesia	
254 North East	Fort Bidwell	4/19/1997		Instituted	
254 North East	Fort Bidwell	10/28/1964	232	Bonner	232 Bonner
			254	North East	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
255 Richmond	San Francisco	4/22/1907	Instituted	
255 Richmond	San Francisco	8/28/1980	170 King Solomon's 255 Richmond	255 Richmond
255 Richmond	San Francisco	5/26/1988	255 Richmond 284 Albert Pike	255 Richmond
255 Richmond	San Francisco	4/28/1995	252 Casimir 255 Richmond	252 Pacific Star
257 Reedley	Reedley	5/28/1907	Instituted	
257 Reedley	Reedley	1/12/1972	257 Reedley 261 Dinuba	261 Alta
258 Oriental	Los Angeles	9/06/1907	Instituted	
258 Oriental	Los Angeles	5/26/1970	258 Oriental 298 Golden State	258 Golden State
258 Golden State	Los Angeles	2/25/1977	168 Los Angeles 258 Golden State 281 Pleiades-Orme	258 Los Angeles
258 Los Angeles	Los Angeles	11/26/1984	216 Los Feliz 258 Los Angeles	216 Los Feliz
260 Gardena	Gardena	9/30/1907	Instituted	
260 Gardena	Gardena	5/22/1992	260 Gardena 315 Moneta	260 Gardena
260 Gardena	San Pedro	11/19/2007	174 San Pedro Harbor 260 Gardena	174 San Pedro Harbor

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
261 Dinuba	Tulare	930/1907		Instituted	
261 Dinuba	Tulare	1/12/1972	257	Reedley	261 Alta
			261	Dinuba	
261 Dinuba	Tulare	12/13/1972		Charter Surrendered	
262 Amity	San Francisco	11/30/1907		Instituted	
262 Amity	San Francisco	6/23/1969	262	Amity	262 Amity
			434	Trinity	
262 Amity	San Francisco	2/11/1974	99	Beulah-Liberty	99 Amity
			262	Amity	
263 Highland Park	Los Angeles	1/13/1908		Instituted	
263 Highland Park	Los Angeles	9/09/1979	263	Highland Park	263 Highland Park
			266	Garvanza	
263 Highland Park	Los Angeles	10/18/1982	167	Esperanza-East Gate	167 Highland Park
			263	Highland Park	
264 San Diego	San Diego	1/17/1908		Instituted	
264 San Diego	San Diego	11/19/1991	96	Southern Star	96 San Diego Star
			294	San Diego	
265 Daylight	Los Angeles	2/06/1908		Instituted	
265 Daylight	Los Angeles	10/15/1971	265	Daylight	265 Radiant-Daylight
			421	Radiant	
		6/22/1988		Charter Surrendered	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
266 Garvanza	Los Angeles	2/19/1908	Instituted	
266 Garvanza	Los Angeles	9/09/1979	263 Highland Park 266 Garvanza	263 Highland Park
267 Golden Rule	Imperial	2/21/1908	Instituted	
267 Golden Rule	Imperial	3/27/1994	267 Golden Rule 276 Signal-Alamitos Crown 289 Alamo	276 Imperial Valley
268 West Lake	Beverly Hills	2/22/1908	Instituted	
268 West Lake	Beverly Hills	11/19/1968	133 South Gate 268 West Lake	133 South Gate
269 Parnassus	San Francisco	2/27/1908	Instituted	
269 Parnassus	San Francisco	6/20/1974	229 Imperial 269 Parnassus	229 Parnassus-Imperial
270 Eschscholtzia	Coalinga	3/14/1908	Instituted	
270 Eschscholtzia	Coalinga	2/09/1991	41 Lily of the Lake 270 Eschscholtzia	41 Lily of the Lake
271 Monte Vista	Orosi	3/16/1908	Instituted	
271 Monte Vista	Orosi	11/27/1989	93 Heliotrope 271 Monte Vista	93 Heliotrope

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
272 South Pasadena	South Pasadena	3/28/1908	Instituted	
272 South Pasadena	South Pasadena	11/23/1991	133 Hollywood 272 South Pasadena	133 Hollywood
273 Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	4/04/1908	Instituted	
273 Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	11/23/1991	273 Santa Cruz 638 Valley of the Redwoods	273 Santa Cruz Redwoods
274 St. Helena	St. Helena	5/02/1908	Instituted	
274 St. Helena	St. Helena	4/05/1984	59 Silver Spray 274 St. Helena	59 Silver Spray
275 Burlingame	Burlingame	5/16/1908	Instituted	
275 Burlingame	Burlingame	11/30/1986	186 Laurel 275 Burlingame	186 Peninsula
276 Signal	El Centro	6/08/1908	Instituted	
276 Signal	El Centro	3/19/1977	276 Signal 316 Alamitos	276 Signal-Alamitos
276 Signal-Alamitos	El Centro	9/30/1983	276 Signal-Alamitos 311 Imperial Crown	276 Signal-Alamitos Crown
276 Signal-Alamitos Crown	El Centro	3/27/1994	267 Golden Rule 276 Signal-Alamitos Crown 289 Alamo	276 Imperial Valley

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
277 Athens	Oakland	6/10/1908	Instituted	
277 Athens	Oakland	9/15/1980	8 Oak Leaf 277 Athens	8 Oak Leaf
278 Vallejo	Vallejo	9/26/1908	Instituted	
278 Vallejo	Vallejo	5/12/2003	3 Silver Star 30 Silver Gate 278 Vallejo	3 Gateway
279 Mystic Star	Corning	11/24/1908	Instituted	
279 Mystic Star	Corning	3/29/2003	83 Molino 279 Mystic Star	83 Molino Star
280 Amo	San Francisco	1/22/1909	Instituted	
280 Amo	San Francisco	6/20/1931	Name change approved by WGM	
280 Occidental	San Francisco	12/03/1968	280 Occidental 388 Victory	280 Occidental 280 Victory
280 Victory	San Francisco	9/24/1979	280 Victory 409 George Washington	280 George Washington Victory
280 George Washington Victory	San Francisco	11/11/1994	280 George Washington Victory 396 Seal Rock Brilliant Star	280 Sunset
280 Sunset	San Francisco	3/05/1999	252 Pacific Star 280 Sunset	252 Pacific Star
281 Pleiades	Los Angeles	1/30/1909	Instituted	
281 Pleiades	Los Angeles	10/08/1971	281 Pleiades 492 Henry S. Orme	281 Pleiades-Orme

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281 Pleiades-Orme	Los Angeles	2/25/1977	168	Los Angeles	258 Los Angeles
			258	Golden State	
			281	Pleiades-Orme	
284 Albert Pike	San Francisco	4/26/1909		Instituted	
284 Albert Pike	San Francisco	5/26/1988	255	Richmond	255 Richmond
			284	Albert Pike	
286 Rising Light	Huntington Park	5/28/1909		Instituted	
286 Rising Light	Huntington Park	6/16/1987	286	Rising Light	286 Bell
			393	Bell	
286 Bell	Bell	11/25/1996	286	Bell	397 Bellflower
			397	Bellflower	
287 Poinsettia	Oceanside	6/08/1909		Instituted	
287 Poinsettia	Oceanside	11/28/1995	287	Poinsettia	287 Poinsettia
			620	San Diegoito	
287 Poinsettia	Oceanside	4/14/1998	287	Poinsettia	287 Poinsettia
			453	Santa Maria	
288 Fraternity	San Jose	11/23/1909		Instituted	
288 Fraternity	San Jose	11/26/1991	288	Fraternity	288 Bright Star
			493	Jarman	
288 Bright Star	San Jose	11/23/2001	288	Bright Star	288 Blossom Hill
			530	Willow Glen	
288 Blossom Hill	San Jose	11/25/2005	31	San Jose	31 San Jose
			288	Blossom Hill	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
289 Alamo	Brawley	1/13/1910		Instituted	
289 Alamo	Brawley	3/27/1994	267	Golden Rule	276 Imperial Valley
			276	Signal-Alamitos Crown	
			289	Alamo	
290 West Gate	Berkeley	2/01/1910		Instituted	
290 West Gate	Berkeley	11/24/1991	178	Vista Cerrito	178 Vista Cerrito
			290	West Gate	
291 Point Arena	Point Arena	5/31/1910		Instituted	
291 Point Arena	Point Arena	4/29/1990	111	Ocean View	111 Ocean View
			291	Point Arena	
293 Elvesta	Oakland	7/30/1910		Instituted	
293 Elvesta	Oakland	6/10/1980	293	Elvesta	293 Foothill
			433	Foothill	
293 Foothill	Hayward	12/29/1986	103	Golden Wave	103 Golden Wave
			293	Foothill	
294 Pleasanton	Pleasanton	9/22/1910		Instituted	
294 Pleasanton	Pleasanton	11/15/1997	294	Pleasanton	294 Castro Valley
			455	Castro Valley-Hayward	
294 Castro Valley	Pleasanton	9/05/2008	103	Golden Wave	103 Lake Chabot
			294	Castro Valley	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
295 Fresno	Fresno	9/30/1910	Instituted	
295 Fresno	Fresno	11/27/1995	89 Raisina 295 Fresno	89 Raisina Fresno
296 Wistaria	Turlock	10/01/1910	Instituted	
296 Wistaria	Turlock	11/21/1993	296 Wisteria 416 Smyrna	296 Ceres
297 Fruitvale	Oakland	12/21/1910	Instituted	
297 Fruitvale	Oakland	8/20/1982	297 Fruitvale 386 Alameda	297 Alameda
297 Alameda	Alameda	1/19/2001	115 Carita 297 Alameda	115 Alameda
298 Halcyon	Los Angeles	1/10/1911	Instituted	
298 Halycon	Los Angeles	8/12/1919	Name changed approved by WGP	298 Golden State
298 Golden State	Los Angeles	5/26/1970	258 Oriental 298 Golden State	258 Golden State
299 Sierra Madre	Sierra Madre	1/23/1911	Instituted	
299 Sierra Madre	Sierra Madre	8/21/2001	299 Sierra Madre 608 Sojourner	299 Friendly Star Location: Monrovia
299 Friendly Star	Monrovia	01/08/2007	299 Friendly Star 367 Arcadia	299 Arcadia Star Location: Arcadia

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
300 La Mesa	La Mesa	3/04/1911	Instituted	
300 La Mesa	La Mesa	11/16/1991	300 La Mesa 429 El Cajon	300 Star of the East
301 Ada	Sacramento	3/23/1911	Instituted	
301 Ada	Sacramento	11/16/1989	190 Sacramento 301 Ada	190 Ada-Sacramento
302 Miriam	Sun City	4/28/1911	Instituted	
302 Miriam	Sun City	02/14/2007	243 Elsinore 302 Miriam	243 Menifee Valley Location: Sun City
303 Golden Chain	Oakland	4/29/1911	Instituted	
303 Golden Chain	Oakland	8/17/1988	140 Nova Dies-Oakland 303 Golden Chain	140 Nova Dies-Oakland
304 Bethany	Colfax	4/24/1911	Instituted	
304 Bethany	Colfax	11/06/2004	9 Evangeline 304 Bethany	9 Evangeline
305 Ruth	South San Francisco	5/12/1911	Instituted	
305 Ruth	South San Francisco	11/22/1992	305 Ruth 583 Crystal Springs	305 Unity
305 Unity	South San Francisco	11/25/2007	186 Peninsula 305 Unity	186 Unity

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
306 Lindsay	Lindsay	6/13/1911	Instituted	
306 Lindsay	Lindsay	3/31/1987	114 Palm Leaf 306 Lindsay	114 Palm Leaf
307 Southland	Pasadena	1/13/1912	Instituted	
307 Southland	Pasadena	11/16/1990	108 Pasadena-Melita 307 Southland	108 Pasadena
308 Mary E. Partridge	Oakland	1/19/1912	Instituted	
308 Mary E. Partridge	Oakland	8/06/1976	308 Mary E. Partridge 410 Lake Merritt	410 Lake Merritt
309 Calkota	Kerman	2/17/1912	Instituted	
309 Calkota	Kerman	12/18/1990	309 Calkota 320 Concordia	309 Concordia Location: Kerman
309 Concordia	Clovis	4/22/2006	93 Heliotrope 309 Concordia	93 Concordia Location: Clovis
310 Palos Verdes	Long Beach	2/26/1912	Instituted	
310 Palos Verdes	Long Beach	1/27/1990	310 Palos Verdes 435 Searchlight	310 Meridian
310 Meridian	Long Beach	11/16/1992	310 Meridian 502 All States	310 Meridian
310 Meridian	Long Beach	3/13/1994	310 Meridian 617 Star of Lakewood	310 Meridian

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
311 Imperial Crown	Calexico	3/27/1912	Instituted	
311 Imperial Crown	Calexico	9/30/1983	276 Signal-Alamitos 311 Imperial Crown	276 Signal-Alamitos Crown
312 Kingsburg	Kingsburg	7/11/1912	Instituted	
312 Kingsburg	Kingsburg	9/24/1979	93 Heliotrope 312 Kingsburg	93 Heliotrope
313 Eagle Rock	Los Angeles	9/12/1912	Instituted	
313 Eagle Rock	Los Angeles	11/24/1987	313 Eagle Rock 486 Glassell Park	313 Eagle Rock-Glassell Park
313 Eagle Rock-Glassell Park	Los Angeles	11/20/1993	133 Hollywood 192 Elysian 313 Eagle Rock-Glassell Park	133 Hollywood
314 Willits	Willits	3/13/1912	Instituted	
314 Willits	Willits	11/13/2005	58 Kingsley 314 Willits	58 Kingsley
315 Moneta	Los Angeles	11/30/1912	Instituted	
315 Moneta	Los Angeles	5/22/1992	260 Gardena 315 Moneta	260 Gardena
316 Alamitos	Holtville	2/01/1913	Instituted	
316 Alamitos	Holtville	3/19/1977	276 Signal 316 Alamitos	276 Signal-Alamitos

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
317	Rose Croix	3/10/1913		Instituted	
317	Rose Croix	5/14/1971	21	Acacia	21 Acacia-Rose Croix
			317	Rose Croix	
319	Inglewood	5/10/1913		Instituted	
319	Inglewood	6/25/1985	319	Inglewood	319 Centinela Valley
			569	Westchester	
319	Centinela Valley	11/12/1988	319	Centinela Valley	319 Centinela Valley
			469	Hawthorne	
319	Centinela Valley	11/09/2000	319	Centinela Valley	319 Nova Star
			436	Parkside	
319	Nova Star	1/03/2003		Change location city	319 Nova Star
319	Nova Star				
320	Concordia	6/03/1913		Instituted	
320	Concordia	12/18/1990	309	Calkota	309 Concordia
			320	Concordia	
321	Portola	6/16/1913		Instituted	
321	Portola	6/30/1996	201	Beckwith Star	201 Beckwith Portola Star
			321	Portola	
322	Oxnard	6/28/1913		Instituted	
322	Oxnard	4/04/2003	79	Ventura-Fillmore	79 Channel Islands
			322	Oxnard	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
323 Maricopa	Maricopa	7/12/1913	Instituted	
323 Maricopa	Maricopa	1/20/1970	323 Maricopa	323 Taft
323 Taft	Taft	11/16/1998	337 Taft	
			125 Bakersfield	125 Bakersfield
			323 Taft	
324 Claremont	Claremont	3/14/1914	Instituted	
324 Claremont	Claremont	03/04/2007	110 Star of Pomona	110 Star of Claremont
			324 Claremont	Location: Claremont
325 La Puente	La Puente	4/04/1914	Instituted	
325 La Puente	La Puente	8/10/1991	325 La Puente	325 West Covina
325 West Covina	West Covina	11/21/1997	527 West Covina	
			202 La Paloma	202 West Covina
			325 West Covina	
326 Wild Rose	Afton	4/22/1914	Instituted	
326 Wild Rose	Afton	2/08/1965	326 Wild Rose	326 Wild Rose
			369 Maxwell	
326 Wild Rose	Afton	11/11/1990	326 Wild Rose	326 Wild Rose
			328 Eowana	
326 Wild Rose	Afton	6/20/1996	104 Josephine Chico	104 Josephine Chico
			326 Wild Rose	
327 Sunshine	Lancaster	5/12/1914	Instituted	
327 Sunshine	Lancaster	2/7/2009	327 Sunshine	327 Desert Rose Star
			619 Star of Palmdale	Location change: Palmdale

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
328 Eowana	Stonyford	5/30/1914	Instituted	
328 Eowana	Stonyford	11/11/1990	326 Wild Rose 328 Eowana	326 Wild Rose
329 Wilshire	Los Angeles	7/18/1914	Instituted	
329 Wilshire	Los Angeles	11/24/1969	329 Wilshire 503 Olivette	329 Olivette-Wilshire
329 Olivette-Wilshire	Los Angeles	11/26/1973	329 Olivette-Wilshire 418 Arlington	329 Olivette-Wilshire
329 Olivette-Wilshire	Los Angeles	11/25/1974	216 Sunset 329 Olivette-Wilshire	216 Los Feliz
330 Chino Valley	Chino	7/21/1914	Instituted	
330 Chino Valley	Chino	11/15/1990	179 Euclid 330 Chino Valley	179 Sunrise
331 Hayward	Hayward	9/23/1914	Instituted	
331 Hayward	Hayward	11/07/1992	331 Hayward 455 Castro Valley	455 Castro Valley-Hayward
334 Exeter	Exeter	2/26/1915	Instituted	
334 Exeter	Exeter	3/11/1988	13 Martha Washington 334 Exeter	13 Martha Washington
335 Montebello	Montebello	3/17/1915	Instituted	
335 Montebello	Montebello	11/17/1989	335 Montebello 444 Whittier	335 Whittier

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
335 Whittier	Whittier	1/31/1991	335 Whittier 508 La Habra	335 Whittier
335 Whittier	Whittier	6/06/2002	144 Lyra 335 Whittier 584 Tri Star	144 Whittier Star
336 Riverview	Guerneville	4/13/1915	Instituted	
336 Riverview	Guerneville	2/05/1991	161 Gold Ridge 336 Riverview	161 Gold Ridge
337 Taft	Taft	5/22/1915	Instituted	
337 Taft	Taft	2/02/1968	337 Taft 364 Buena Vista	337 Taft
337 Taft	Taft	1/20/1970	323 Maricopa 337 Taft	323 Taft
338 Van Nuys	Van Nuys	9/10/1915	Instituted	
338 Van Nuys	Van Nuys	11/27/2000	338 Van Nuys 452 Canoga	338 Van Nuys
338 Van Nuys	Van Nuys	11/26/2001	338 Van Nuys 505 Reseda	338 Van Nuys
338 Van Nuys	Van Nuys	7/24/2006	338 Van Nuys 616 Granada Hills	338 Van Nuys
338 Van Nuys	Van Nuys	11/24/2008	338 Van Nuys 403 Horizon Star	338 Van Nuys

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
341 Esparto	Esparto	4/28/1916	Instituted	
341 Esparto	Esparto	3/17/1983	218 Yosolano 341 Esparto	218 Esparto-Winters
343 York	Watts	6/13/1916	Instituted	
343 York	Watts	2/07/1972	343 York 480 Majestic 618 Parva Stella	343 Majestic Star
343 Majestic Star	Southgate	4/13/1977	343 Majestic Star 477 Florence	343 Majestic Star
343 Majestic Star	Southgate	11/26/1984	343 Majestic Star 397 Bellflower	397 Bellflower
345 South West	National City	10/09/1916	Instituted	
345 South West	National City	11/25/1996	345 South West 458 Chula Vista	345 Chula Vista
349 Cacheville	Yolo	4/24/1917	Instituted	
349 Cacheville	Yolo	2/22/1985	60 Yolo 349 Cacheville	60 Yolo
350 Golden West	San Francisco	6/01/1918	Instituted	
350 Golden West	San Francisco	11/03/1975	155 Mission 350 Golden West	155 Golden West Mission

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
351 Tahquitz	Hemet	9/21/1918	Instituted	
351 Tahquitz	Hemet	11/19/1992	241 La Victoria 351 Tahquitz	241 Tahquitz-Victoria
352 Burbank	Burbank	3/31/1919	Instituted	
352 Burbank	Burbank	7/06/1983	352 Burbank 598 Magnolia Park	352 Burbank
352 Burbank	Burbank	2/20/1991	352 Burbank 465 Heritage-Roseland	352 Burbank
352 Burbank	Burbank	7/20/2005	352 Burbank 445 Tujunga	352 Burbank
353 Pittsburg	Pittsburg	6/26/1919	Instituted	
353 Pittsburg	Pittsburg	9/13/1983	42 Ariel 353 Pittsburg	42 Ariel
354 Elysian	Los Angeles	6/28/1919	Instituted	
354 Elysian	Los Angeles	3/27/1970	354 Elysian 424 Nimshi	354 Elysian
354 Elysian	Los Angeles	3/26/1982	354 Elysian 413 Cahuenga	354 Elysian
354 Elysian	Los Angeles	2/27/1989	192 United 354 Elysian	192 Elysian
355 Golden Poppy	Stockton	8/04/1919	Instituted	
355 Golden Poppy	Stockton	11/25/1991	50 Homo 355 Golden Poppy	50 Valley Oaks

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
357 Glen	Glendora	10/03/1919	Instituted	
357 Glen	Glendora	1/31/1990	357 Glen	357 Foothill
			509 San Dimas	
357 Foothill	Glendora	11/17/1996	145 Jasmine	145 Foothill
			357 Foothill	
358 Corinthian	San Diego	12/15/1919	Instituted	
358 Corinthian	San Diego	11/19/1989	358 Corinthian	358 North Park
			387 Silver Strand	
358 North Park	San Diego	11/20/1999	358 North Park	358 Harbor Lights
			478 Harbor Lights	
358 Harbor Lights	San Diego	11/19/2011	358 Harbor Lights	358 Harbor Lights
			412 Estrella	
359 Blythe	Blythe	12/30/1919	Instituted	
359 Blythe	Blythe	11/14/2009	359 Blythe	
			360 Coachella Valley	360 Coachella Valley
360 Coachella Valley	Coachella	2/7/1920	Instituted	
360 Coachella Valley	Coachella	5/30/2007	360 Coachella Valley	360 Coachella Valley
			576 Palm Springs	
360 Coachella Valley	Coachella	11/14/2009	259 Blythe	360 Coachella Valley
			360 Coachella Valley	
361 Fillmore	Fillmore	3/13/1920	Instituted	
361 Fillmore	Fillmore	11/14/1987	79 Ventura	79 Ventura-Fillmore
			361 Fillmore	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
362 Progressive	Bakersfield	5/12/1920	Instituted	
362 Progressive	Bakersfield	10/18/1928	Name change	362 Libertas
362 Libertas	Bakersfield	6/29/1987	362 Libertas	362 Libertas
		146 La Rosa		
362 Libertas	Bakersfield	11/12/2005	391 Caledonia	391 Caledonia
		362 Libertas		
363 Lyman	Biggs	5/15/1920	Instituted	
363 Lyman	Biggs	1/06/1992	35 Vernon	35 Vernon-Lyman
		363 Lyman		
364 Buena Vista	Fellows	7/09/1920	Instituted	
364 Buena Vista	Fellows	2/20/1968	337 Taft	337 Taft
		364 Buena Vista		
366 Alethe	Berkeley	8/23/1920	Instituted	
366 Alethe	Berkeley	6/06/1967	178 Berkeley	178 Alethe-Berkeley
		366 Alethe		
367 Ramona Star	Monterey Park	9/15/1920	Instituted	
367 Ramona Star	Monterey Park	6/21/1985	367 Ramona Star	367 Ramona Star-Belvedere
		402 Belvedere		
367 Ramona Star-Belvedere	Monterey Park	8/29/1988	367 Ramona Star-Belvedere	
		407 San Gabriel		367 Mission Star
367 Mission Star	San Gabriel	11/13/1993	367 Mission Star	367 Rosemead
		430 Rosemead		367 Rosemead

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
367 Rosemead	Rosemead	5/10/2005	367	Rosemead	367 Arcadia
367 Arcadia	Arcadia	01/08/2007	471	Arcadia	Location: Arcadia
			299	Friendly Star	299 Arcadia Star
			367	Arcadia	Location: Arcadia
368 Arbuckle	Arbuckle	9/21/1920		Instituted	
368 Arbuckle	Arbuckle	12/09/1975	223	Loyal	368 Arbuckle-Loyal
			368	Arbuckle	
368 Arbuckle-Loyal	Arbuckle	11/10/1989	84	Veritas	84 Veritas
			368	Arbuckle-Loyal	
369 Maxwell	Maxwell	9/22/1920		Instituted	
369 Maxwell	Maxwell	2/08/1965	326	Wild Rose	326 Wild Rose
			369	Maxwell	
370 Corcoran	Corcoran	11/30/1920		Instituted	
370 Corcoran	Corcoran	6/25/1990	94	Tulare	94 Tulare-Corcoran
			370	Corcoran	
371 Live Oak	Galt	4/13/1921		Instituted	
371 Live Oak	Galt	3/30/1994	118	Woodbridge	118 Woodbridge Oaks
			371	Live Oak	
373 Stockton	Stockton	5/14/1921	373	Instituted	
373 Stockton	Stockton	11/14/2007	50	Valley Oaks	50 Stockton Oaks
			373	Stockton	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
374 Lebanon	San Francisco	5/21/1921	Instituted	
374 Lebanon	San Francisco	11/07/1991	252 Casimir 374 Lebanon	252 Casimir
375 Thousand Oaks	Berkeley	5/27/1921	Instituted	
375 Thousand Oaks	Berkeley	1/16/1984	178 Alethe-Berkeley 375 Thousand Oaks	178 Thousand Oaks
376 Sunbeam	Los Angeles	6/02/1921	Instituted	
376 Sunbeam	Los Angeles	6/21/1976	376 Sunbeam 498 Composite	498 Composite
377 Westwood	Westwood	6/27/1921	Instituted	
377 Westwood	Westwood	11/03/2002	53 Sincerity 377 Westwood	53 Sincerity
379 Grafton	Knights Landing	7/14/1921	Instituted	
379 Grafton	Knights Landing	2/28/1987	218 Esparto-Winters 379 Grafton	218 Esparto-Grafton
380 Torrance	Torrance	7/30/1921	Instituted	
380 Torrance	Torrance	11/18/1989	380 Torrance 459 Wilmington	380 Torrance
380 Torrance	Torrance	11/12/2010	171 Alpha Star 380 Torrance	171 Alpha Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
381 McCloud	McCloud	9/03/1921	Instituted	
381 McCloud	McCloud	3/25/1976	131 Fidelity 381 McCloud	131 Fidelity
382 Crocker	Daly City	9/09/1921	Instituted	
382 Crocker	Daly City	11/18/1995	124 Harmony 382 Crocker	124 Harmony
383 Beacon	Richmond	9/09/1921	Instituted	
383 Beacon	Richmond	1/20/1990	383 Beacon 394 Point	383 Beacon Point
383 Beacon Point	Richmond	8/25/2003	205 Mission Bell 383 Beacon Point	205 Mission Bell
384 Concord	Concord	9/28/1921	Instituted	
384 Concord	Concord	6/07/2000	384 Concord 590 Silver Valley	384 Concord
385 Rainbow	Sacramento	10/13/1921	Instituted	
385 Rainbow	Sacramento	11/15/2003	385 Rainbow 529 Lauralane	385 Harmony
386 Alameda	Alameda	11/30/1921	Instituted	
386 Alameda	Alameda	8/20/1982	297 Fruitvale 386 Alameda	297 Alameda

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
387 Silver Strand	San Diego	12/17/1921	Instituted	
387 Silver Strand	San Diego	11/19/1989	358 Corinthian 387 Silver Strand	358 North Park
388 Victory	San Francisco	2/11/1922	Instituted	
388 Victory	San Francisco	12/03/1968	280 Occidental 388 Victory	280 Victory
389 Santa Ana	Santa Ana	3/08/1922	Instituted	
389 Santa Ana	Santa Ana	7/14/1986	163 Scepter 389 Santa Ana	163 Scepter
390 Fallbrook	Fallbrook	3/9/1922	Instituted	
390 Fallbrook	Fallbrook	7/8/2011	390 Fallbrook 556 Star of Vista	
391 Caledonia	Bakersfield	3/13/1922	Instituted	
391 Caledonia	Bakersfield	11/12/2005	391 Caledonia 362 Libertas	391 Caledonia
392 Effie Easton	Oakland	4/24/1922	Instituted	
392 Effie Easton	Oakland	6/16/1975	8 Oak Leaf 392 Effie Easton	8 Oak Leaf
393 Bell	Bell	5/02/1922	Instituted	
393 Bell	Bell	12/07/1976	393 Bell 573 San Antonio	393 Bell

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
393 Bell	Bell	6/16/1987	286 Rising Light 393 Bell	286 Bell
394 Point	Richmond	7/06/1922	Instituted	
394 Point	Richmond	1/20/1990	383 Beacon 394 Point	383 Beacon Point
395 Culver City	Los Angeles	7/27/1922	Instituted	
395 Culver City	Los Angeles	1/19/1984	245 Ocean Park 395 Culver City	245 Ocean Park
396 Seal Rock	San Francisco	8/11/1922	Instituted	
396 Seal Rock	San Francisco	3/12/1982	396 Seal Rock 472 Brilliant Star	396 Seal Rock Brilliant Star
396 Seal Rock Brilliant Star	San Francisco	11/11/1994	280 George Washington Victory 396 Seal Rock Brilliant Star	280 Sunset
397 Bellflower	Bellflower	9/06/1922	Instituted	
397 Bellflower	Bellflower	11/26/1984	343 Majestic Star 397 Bellflower	397 Bellflower
397 Bellflower	Bellflower	11/25/1996	286 Bell 397 Bellflower	397 Bellflower
397 Bellflower	Bellflower	11/23/1998	397 Bellflower 438 Lynwood	397 Bellflower
397 Bellflower	Bellflower	7/23/2005	397 Bellflower 561 Emera	397 Bellflower

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
399 Bettina	Long Beach	10/11/1922	Instituted	
399 Bettina	Long Beach	8/14/1992	173 Long Beach 399 Bettina	173 Long Beach-Bettina
400 Riverdale	Riverdale	11/29/1922	Instituted	
400 Riverdale	Riverdale	6/21/1944	41 Lily of the Lake 400 Riverdale	41 Lily of the Lake
402 Belvedere	Los Angeles	12/23/1922	Instituted	
402 Belvedere	Los Angeles	6/21/1985	367 Ramona Star 402 Belvedere	367 Ramona Star-Belvedere
403 Lankershim	Lankershim	1/16/1923	Instituted	
403 Lankership	Lankership	9/20/1059	Name of location changed	North Hollywood
403 Lankershim	North Hollywood	11/29/1950	WGM approved name change	North Hollywood
403 North Hollywood	North Hollywood	11/19/1991	403 North Hollywood 611 Noel	403 North Hollywood-Noel
403 North Hollywood-Noel	North Hollywood	8/07/2002	Location change to Tarzana	
403 North Hollywood-Noel	Tarzana	8/07/2002	403 Name change	403 Horizon Star
403 Horizon Star	Tarzana	11/18/2003	403 Horizon Star 592 Home	403 Horizon Star
403 Horizon Star	Tarzana	11/24/2008	338 Van Nuys 403 Horizon Star	338 Van Nuys
404 Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	2/02/1923	Instituted	
404 Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	11/22/1986	247 Columbia 404 Beverly Hills	247 Columbia-Beverly Hills

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
405 Ami Tai	Anaheim	03/23/1923	Instituted	
405 Ami Tai	Anaheim	08/07/2002	Location change to Brea	
405 Ami Tai	Brea	11/10/2004	Golden Crown	147 Ami Tai
			405 Ami Tai	
406 Siloam	Los Angeles	4/11/1923	Instituted	
406 Siloam	Los Angeles	9/08/1972	Siloam	406 Tri Star
			411 West Adams	
			543 Windsor	
406 Tri Star	Los Angeles	3/28/1979	Tri Star	516 Morning Vista
			516 Morning Vista	
407 San Gabriel	San Gabriel	4/27/1923	Instituted	
407 San Gabriel	San Gabriel	8/29/1988	Ramona Star-Belvedere	367 Mission Star
			407 San Gabriel	
408 America	Los Angeles	6/16/1923	Instituted	
408 America	Los Angeles	4/13/1978	America	430 Sereno America
			430 El Sereno	
409 George Washington	San Francisco	7/09/1923	Instituted	
409 Geroge Washington	San Francisco	9/24/1979	Victory	280 George Washington Victory
			409 George Washington	
410 Lake Merritt	Oakland	7/10/1923	Instituted	
410 Lake Merritt	Oakland	9/19/1975	Lake Merritt	410 Lake Merritt
			415 Loma Vista	

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410 Lake Merritt	Oakland	8/06/1976	308	Mary E. Partridge	
			410	Lake Merritt	410 Lake Merritt
410 Lake Merritt	Oakland	11/12/1988	140	Nova Dies-Oakland	
			410	Lake Merritt	140 Nova Dies-Oakland
411 West Adams	Los Angeles	7/27/1923		Instituted	
411 West Adams	Los Angeles	9/08/1972	406	Siloam	
			411	West Adams	406 Tri Star
			543	Windsor	
412 Estrella	East San Diego	8/04/1923		Instituted	
412 Estrella	San Diego	11/24/1992	412	Estrella	412 Estrella
			647	Lakeside	
412 Estrella	San Diego	11/28/2000	412	Estrella	412 Estrella
			579	San Miguel	
412 Estrella	San Diego	11/19/2011	358	Harbor Lights	
			412	Estrella	358 Harbor Lights
413 Cahuenga	Hollywood	8/08/1923		Instituted	
413 Cahuenga	Hollywood	3/26/1982	354	Elysian	
			413	Cahuenga	354 Elysian
414 Service	Long Beach	8/13/1923		Instituted	
414 Service	Long Beach	7/12/1983	414	Service	
			507	El Petrol	414 El Petrol-Service
414 El Petrol-Service	Long Beach	8/29/1989	414	El Petrol-Service	
			511	Mar Vista	414 Mar Vista

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414 Mar Vista	Long Beach	11/19/1991	414 Mar Vista	414 Mar Vista
414 Mar Vista	Long Beach	11/09/1997	570 Catalina Island 173 Long Beach-Bettina 414 Mar Vista	173 Long Beach
415 Loma Vista	Oakland	8/17/1923	Instituted	
415 Loma Vista	Oakland	9/19/1975	410 Lake Merritt 415 Loma Vista	410 Lake Merritt
416 Smyrna	Ceres	8/18/1923	Instituted	
416 Smyrna	Ceres	11/21/1993	296 Wisteria 416 Smyrna	296 Ceres
418 Arlington	Los Angeles	11/17/1923	Instituted	
418 Arlington	Los Angeles	11/26/1973	329 Olivette-Wilshire 418 Arlington	329 Olivette-Wilshire
420 Fort Sutter	Sacramento	11/30/1923	Instituted	
420 Fort Sutter	Sacramento	11/26/1990	117 Columbus 420 Fort Sutter	117 Columbus-Fort Sutter
421 Radiant	Hollywood	1/19/1924	Instituted	
421 Radiant	Hollywood	10/15/1971	265 Daylight 421 Radiant	265 Radiant-Daylight

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
422 Glendale	Glendale	1/19/1924		Instituted	
422 Glendale	Glendale	11/09/1994	237	Glen Eyrie	237 Glendale Glen Eyrie
			422	Glendale	
423 Plymouth	Oakland	1/31/1924		Instituted	
423 Plymouth	Oakland	8/13/1973	423	Plymouth	423 Plymouth
			484	Prudence	
423 Plymouth	Oakland	4/25/1983	8	Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
			423	Plymouth	
424 Nimshi	Los Angeles	2/09/1924		Instituted	
424 Nimshi	Los Angeles	3/27/1970	354	Elysian	354 Elysian
			424	Nimshi	
425 Playa Linda	Hermosa Beach	3/01/1924		Instituted	
425 Playa Linda	Hermosa Beach	11/12/1990	425	Playa Linda	425 Playa Linda-Ascot
			437	Ascot	
425 Playa Linda-Ascot	Manhattan Beach	3/28/2001	425	Playa Linda-Ascot	
			597	Fuchsia	425 Fuchsia
427 Seaport	San Francisco	3/29/1924		Instituted	
427 Seaport	San Francisco	7/14/1980	252	Casimir	252 Casimir
			427	Seaport	
429 El Cajon	El Cajon	5/17/1924		Instituted	
429 El Cajon	El Cajon	11/16/1991	300	La Mesa	300 Star of the East
			429	El Cajon	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
430 El Sereno	Los Angeles	6/02/1924	Instituted	
430 El Sereno	Los Angeles	4/13/1978	408 America	430 Sereno America
430 Sereno America	Los Angeles	4/28/1988	430 El Sereno	430 Rosemead
430 Rosemead	Rosemead	11/13/1993	567 Rosemead 367 Mission Star 430 Rosemead	367 Rosemead
431 Smartville	Smartville	6/14/1924	Instituted	
431 Smartville	Smartville	7/08/1986	56 Fidelia 431 Smartville	56 Fidelia
432 Forest	San Francisco	6/21/1924	Instituted	
432 Forest	San Francisco	11/18/1965	252 Casimir 432 Forest	252 Casimir
433 Foothill	Oakland	7/29/1924	Instituted	
433 Foothill	Oakland	6/10/1980	293 Elvesta 433 Foothill	293 Foothill
434 Trinity	San Francisco	8/02/1924	Instituted	
434 Trinity	San Francisco	9/27/1966	434 Trinity 440 Fireside	434 Trinity Fireside
434 Trinity Fireside	San Francisco			(CANCELLED right after Consolidation)
434 Trinity	San Francisco	6/23/1969	262 Amity 434 Trinity	262 Amity

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
435 Searchlight	Long Beach	8/12/1924	Instituted	
435 Searchlight	Long Beach	3/07/1982	435 Searchlight	435 Searchlight
			542 Seal Beach	
435 Searchlight	Long Beach	1/27/1990	310 Palos Verdes	310 Meridian
			435 Searchlight	
436 Sunnyside	Los Angeles	12/15/1924	Instituted	
436 Sunnyside	Los Angeles	11/13/1984	Charter Suspended by Worthy Grand Matron	
436 Sunnyside	Los Angeles	4/04/1985	Charter Restored by Worthy Grand Matron	
436 Sunnyside	Los Angeles	11/21/1987	436 Sunnyside	436 Parkside
			443 South Park	
436 Parkside	Hawthorne	6/01/1989	436 Parkside	436 Parkside
			516 Morning Vista	
436 Parkside	Hawthorne	11/09/2000	319 Centinella Valley	319 Nova Star
			436 Parkside	
437 Ascot	Los Angeles	1/30/1925	Instituted	
437 Ascot	Los Angeles	11/12/1990	425 Playa Linda	425 Playa Linda-Ascot
			437 Ascot	
438 Lynwood	Lynwood	2/19/1925	Instituted	
438 Lynwood	Lynwood	11/23/1998	397 Bellflower	397 Bellflower
			438 Lynwood	
439 Guardian	South Gate	2/19/1925	Instituted	
439 Guardian	South Gate	4/29/1978	439 Guardian	439 Guardian
			500 Jordan	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
439 Guardian	South Gate	11/15/1988	160 Occident 439 Guardian	160 Occident-Guardian
440 Fireside	San Francisco	2/27/1925	Instituted	434 Trinity Fireside (CANCELLED right after Consolidation)
440 Fireside	San Francisco	9/27/1966	434 Trinity	
			440 Fireside	
440 Fireside	San Francisco	8/08/1967	124 Harmony 440 Fireside	124 Harmony
441 Utopia	Los Angeles	3/09/1925	Instituted	168 Los Angeles
441 Utopia	Los Angeles	7/12/1971	168 Los Angeles 441 Utopia	
442 Granada	Alhambra	3/25/1925	Instituted	193 Alhambra-Granada
442 Granada	Alhambra	11/20/1990	193 Alhambra 442 Granada	
443 South Park	Los Angeles	3/26/1925	Instituted	436 Parkside
443 South Park	Los Angeles	11/21/1987	436 Sunnyside 443 South Park	
444 Whittier	Whittier	4/18/1925	Instituted	335 Whittier
444 Whittier	Whittier	11/17/1989	335 Montebello 444 Whittier	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
445 Tujunga	Tujunga	4/20/1925	Instituted	
445 Tujunga	Tujunga	7/20/2005	352 Burbank 445 Tujunga	352 Burbank
446 Ionic	Los Angeles	4/27/1925	Instituted	
446 Ionic	Los Angeles	11/20/1980	446 Ionic 497 Menorah	446 Ionic-Menorah
446 Ionic-Menorah	Los Angeles	3/20/1984	446 Ionic-Menorah 498 Composite	446 Ionic-Menorah
446 Ionic-Menorah	Los Angeles	11/21/1991	245 Ocean Park 446 Ionic-Menorah	245 Ocean Park
447 Escallonia	Escalon	5/06/1925	Instituted	
447 Escallonia	Escalon	7/31/2002	226 Oakdale 447 Escallonia	447 Escallonia
448 Workman	Temple	5/07/1925	Instituted	
448 Workman	Temple City	10/24/1930	Name Change	
448 Temple City	Temple City	11/22/1991	448 Temple City 471 Arcadia	448 Temple City 471 Arcadia
450 North Star	Fall River Mills	5/29/1925	Instituted	
450 North Star	Fall River Mills	6/24/1978	74 Esther 450 North Star	450 North Star
450 North Star	Fall River Mills	11/22/1987	450 North Star 539 Tulalake	450 North Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
450 North Star	Fall River Mills	3/22/1997	26	Northern Light	26 Northern Light
			450	North Star	
451 Liberty	San Francisco	6/24/1925		Instituted	
451 Liberty	San Francisco	8/20/1964	99	Beulah	99 Beulah-Liberty
			451	Liberty	
452 Owensmouth	Owensmouth	7/07/1925		Instituted	
452 Owensmouth	Canoga Park	10/01/1931		Name change approved by WGM	452 Canoga
452 Canoga	Canoga Park	11/27/2000	338	Van Nuys	338 Van Nuys
			452	Canoga	
453 Santa Maria	Ramona	7/18/1925		Instituted	
453 Santa Maria	Ramona	4/14/1998	287	Poinsettia	287 Poinsettia
			453	Santa Maria	
454 Harding	Los Angeles	8/04/1925		Instituted	
454 Harding	Los Angeles	11/10/1972	454	Harding	454 Polaris
			517	Holly Vista	
454 Polaris	Los Angeles	11/29/2000	21	Highland Park	21 Acacia
			454	Polaris	
455 Elmhurst	Elmhurst	8/07/1925		Instituted	
455 Elmhurst	Elmhurst	2/17/1987	455	Elmhurst	455 Castro Valley
			572	Castro Valley	
455 Castro Valley	Castro Valley	11/07/1992	331	Hayward	455 Castro Valley-Hayward
			455	Castro Valley	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
455 Castro Valley-Hayward	Castro Valley	11/15/1997	294	Pleasanton	294 Castro Valley
			455	Castro Valley-Hayward	
456 Triangle	Venice	8/10/1925		Instituted	
456 Triangle	Venice	8/26/1994	456	Triangle	456 Triangle Palms
			491	Palms	
456 Triangle Palms	Santa Monica	11/16/2000	245	Ocean Park	245 Ocean Park
			456	Triangle Palms	
457 Caliz de Oro	Oakland	2/12/1926		Instituted	
457 Caliz de Oro	Oakland	6/02/1980	8	Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
			457	Caliz de Oro	
458 Chula Vista	Chula Vista	2/13/1926		Instituted	
458 Chula Vista	Chula Vista	11/25/1996	345	South West	345 Chula Vista
			458	Chula Vista	
459 Wilmington	Wilmington	2/27/1926		Instituted	
459 Wilmington	Wilmington	11/18/1989	380	Torrance	380 Torrance
			459	Wilmington	
460 Justice	San Francisco	4/05/1926		Instituted	
460 Justice	San Francisco	11/30/1973	1	Golden Gate	1 Golden Gate
			27	Ivy	
			196	San Francisco	
			460	Justice	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
463 Larchmont	Los Angeles	5/07/1926	Instituted	
463 Larchmont	Los Angeles	4/23/1974	463 Larchmont	522 Atwater-Larchmont
			522 Atwater	
464 The Gardens	Belvedere Gardens	5/08/1926	Instituted	
464 The Gardens	Los Angeles	5/02/1972	248 Hollenbeck	248 Holly Gardens
			464 The Gardens	
465 Roseland	Hollywood	6/28/1926	Instituted	
465 Roseland	Los Angeles	3/21/1984	465 Roseland	465 Heritage-Roseland
			612 Heritage	
465 Heritage-Roseland	Los Angeles	2/20/1991	352 Burbank	352 Burbank
			465 Heritage-Roseland	
467 Melita	Pasadena	7/30/1926	Instituted	
467 Melita	Pasadena	11/16/1984	108 Pasadena	108 Pasadena-Melita
			467 Melita	
468 Star of the West	Pomona	7/31/1926	Instituted	
468 Star of the West	Pomona	2/14/1999	110 Pomona	110 Star of Pomona
			468 Star of the West	
469 Hawthorne	Hawthorne	8/10/1926	Instituted	
469 Hawthorne	Hawthorne	11/12/1988	319 Centinela Valley	319 Centinela Valley
			469 Hawthorne	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
470 Roosevelt	San Francisco	8/18/1926	Instituted	
470 Roosevelt	San Francisco	3/13/1989	252 Casimir 470 Roosevelt	252 Casimir
471 Arcadia	Arcadia	8/18/1926	Instituted	
471 Arcadia	Arcadia	4/28/1984	227 Monrovia 471 Arcadia	471 Arcadia
471 Arcadia	Arcadia	11/22/1991	448 Temple City 471 Arcadia	471 Arcadia
471 Arcadia	Arcadia	5/10/2005	367 Rosemead 471 Arcadia	367 Arcadia
472 Brilliant Star	San Francisco	10/12/1926	Instituted	
472 Brilliant Star	San Francisco	3/12/1982	396 Seal Rock 472 Brilliant Star	396 Seal Rock Brilliant Star
473 Lamanda Park	Pasadena	11/20/1926	Instituted	
473 Lamanda Park	Lamanda Park	12/17/1946	Name Change	473 East Pasadena
473 East Pasadena	Lamanda Park	4/19/1988	473 East Pasadena 526 Altadena	473 East Pas Alta
473 East Pas Alta	Sierra Madre	3/27/2003	108 Pasadena 473 East Pas Alta	108 Pasadena
474 Palisades	Santa Monica	1/15/1927	Instituted	
474 Palisades	Santa Monica	11/18/1985	113 Santa Monica 474 Palisades 476 Westwood Hills	113 Santa Monica

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
475 Malta	Los Angeles	1/21/1927	Instituted	
475 Malta	Los Angeles	11/10/1973	209 Hollywood 475 Malta	209 Hollywood-Malta
476 Bethel	Los Angeles	2/09/1927	Instituted	
476 Bethel	Los Angeles	1/23/1973	476 Bethel 535 Westwood Hills	476 Westwood Hills
476 Westwood Hills	Westwood Hills	11/18/1985	113 Santa Monica 474 Palisades 476 Westwood Hills	113 Santa Monica
477 Florence	Los Angeles	2/12/1927	Instituted	
477 Florence	Los Angeles	4/13/1977	343 Majestic Star 477 Florence	343 Majestic Star
478 Normal Heights	San Diego	2/18/1927	Instituted	
478 Normal Heights	San Diego	11/23/1991	478 Normal Heights 600 Harbor Lights 358 North Park 478 Harbor Lights	478 Harbor Lights 358 Harbor Lights
478 Harbor Lights	San Diego	11/20/1999		
479 La Jolla	La Jolla	3/07/1927	Instituted	
479 La Jolla	La Jolla	11/04/2001	96 San Diego Star 479 La Jolla 565 Palomar	96 La Paloma Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
480 Majestic	Inglewood	4/12/1927	Instituted	
480 Majestic	Inglewood	2/07/1972	343 York	343 Majestic Star
			480 Majestic	
			618 Parva Stella	
481 Presidio	San Francisco	4/14/1927	Instituted	
481 Presidio	San Francisco	11/12/1986	183 California	183 California-Presidio
			481 Presidio	
482 Sanger	Sanger	4/26/1927	Instituted	
482 Sanger	Sanger	11/25/1996	89 Raisina Fresno	89 Raisino Fresno
			482 Sanger	
483 Garden Grove	Garden Grove	4/28/1927	Instituted	
483 Garden Grove	Garden Grove	11/20/1993	105 Hermosa	105 Golden Harvest
			483 Garden Grove	
484 Prudence	Berkeley	5/26/1927	Instituted	
484 Prudence	Berkeley	8/13/1973	423 Plymouth	423 Plymouth
			484 Prudence	
485 Big Bear	Big Bear Lake	6/18/1927	Instituted	
578 Big Bear	Big Bear Lake	11/22/2008	485 Big Bear	485 Mountain Lakes
			578 Rim of the World	Location change: Twin Peaks

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
486 Glassell Park	Los Angeles	7/13/1927	Instituted	
486 Glassell Park	Los Angeles	11/24/1987	313 Eagle Rock 486 Glassell Park	313 Eagle Rock-Glassell Park
487 White Pine	Weed	7/25/1927	Instituted	
487 White Pine	Weed	2/12/1983	175 Sisson 487 White Pine	175 Sisson-White Pine
488 Orange Blossom	Fontana	8/16/1927	Instituted	
488 Orange Blossom	Fontana	11/18/2006	211 Rialto 488 Orange Blossom	211 Tri-Star
489 Wasco	Wasco	10/01/1927	Instituted	
489 Wasco	Wasco	5/22/1972	146 Delano 489 Wasco	146 La Rosa
490 Point Loma	Ocean Beach	11/14/1927	Instituted	
490 Point Loma	San Diego	8/28/1989	490 Point Loma 606 Pacific Beach	490 Point Loma
491 Palms	Los Angeles	12/05/1927	Instituted	
491 Palms	Los Angeles	8/26/1994	456 Triangle 491 Palms	456 Triangle Palms
492 Henry S. Orme	Los Angeles	5/14/1928	Instituted	
492 Henry S. Orme	Los Angeles	10/08/1971	281 Pleiades 492 Henry S. Orme	281 Pleiades-Orme

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
493 Jarman	San Jose	5/25/1928	Instituted	
493 Jarman	San Jose	11/26/1991	288 Fraternity 493 Jarman	288 Bright Star
494 Crescenta Valley	Montrose	6/04/1928	Instituted	
494 Crescenta Valley	Montrose	11/15/1996	237 Glendale Glen Eyrie 494 Crescenta Valley	237 Glencrest
495 Beacon Ray	Los Angeles	6/14/1928	Instituted	
495 Beacon Ray	Los Angeles	7/22/1971	495 Beacon Ray 582 Mendias	495 Mendias-Ray
495 Mendias-Ray	Los Angeles	11/28/1972	210 Palestine 495 Mendias-Ray	210 Mendias-Ray
496 Nonpareil	San Francisco	6/16/1928	Instituted	
496 Nonpareil	San Francisco	11/02/1967	124 Harmony 496 Nonpareil	124 Harmony
497 Menorah	Los Angeles	6/16/1928	Instituted	
497 Menorah	Los Angeles	11/20/1980	446 Ionic 497 Menorah	446 Ionic-Menorah
498 Composite	Los Angeles	6/21/1928	Instituted	
498 Composite	Los Angeles	6/21/1976	376 Sunbeam 498 Composite	498 Composite
498 Composite	Los Angeles	3/20/1984	446 Ionic-Menorah 498 Composite	446 Ionic-Menorah

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
499 El Dorado	El Dorado	6/30/1928	Instituted	
499 El Dorado	El Dorado	3/18/1989	499 El Dorado 610 Lake Tahoe	499 El Dorado-Lake Tahoe
499 El Dorado-Lake Tahoe	El Dorado	6/23/1996	62 Mountain Fern 499 El Dorado-Lake Tahoe	62 El Dorado-Tahoe Fern
500 Jordan	Huntington Park	7/12/1928	Instituted	
500 Jordan	Huntington Park	4/29/1978	439 Guardian 500 Jordan	439 Guardian
501 Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara	7/14/1928	Instituted	
501 Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara	1/24/1988	78 Marguerite 501 Santa Barbara	78 Santa Barbara-Marguerite
502 All States	Long Beach	8/08/1928	Instituted	
502 All States	Long Beach	11/16/1992	310 Meridian 502 All States	310 Meridian
503 Olivette	Los Angeles	8/13/1928	Instituted	
503 Olivette	Los Angeles	11/24/1969	329 Wilshire 503 Olivette	329 Olivette-Wilshire
504 Rosa M. Shattuck	Berkeley	8/15/1928	Instituted	
504 Rosa M. Shattuck	Berkeley	4/09/1969	65 Unity 504 Rosa M. Shattuck	65 Unity

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
505 Reseda	Reseda	4/01/1929	Instituted	
505 Reseda	Reseda	11/26/2001	338 Van Nuys 505 Reseda	338 Van Nuys
506 Brea	Brea	4/12/1929	Instituted	
506 Brea	Brea	2/12/1979	191 Fullerton 506 Brea	191 Brea
507 El Petrol	Signal Hill	4/22/1929	Instituted	
507 El Petrol	Signal Hill	7/12/1983	414 Service 507 El Petrol	414 El Petrol-Service
508 La Habra	La Habra	4/24/1929	Instituted	
508 La Habra	La Habra	1/31/1991	335 Whittier 508 La Habra	335 Whittier
509 San Dimas	San Dimas	4/25/1929	Instituted	
509 San Dimas	San Dimas	1/31/1990	357 Glen 509 San Dimas	357 Foothill
510 Woodlake	Woodlake	4/27/1929	Instituted	
510 Woodlake	Woodlake	12/05/1994	Location change to Exeter	
510 Woodlake	Exeter	2/07/1996	WGM approved name change	
510 Sierra Foothill	Exeter	6/27/2002	94 Tulare-Corcoran 510 Sierra Foothill	510 Sierra Foothill 94 Tulare-Corcoran

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
§11 Mar Vista	North Long Beach	4/30/1929	Instituted	
§11 Mar Vista	Long Beach	10/10/1982	§11 Mar Vista	§11 Mar Vista
			628 Paramount	
§11 Mar Vista	Long Beach	8/29/1989	414 El Petrol-Service	414 Mar Vista
			§11 Mar Vista	
§12 Point Firmin	San Pedro	5/04/1929	Instituted	
§12 Point Firmin	San Pedro	7/29/1994	§12 Point Firmin	§12 Golden Chain
			§91 Lomita	
§12 Golden Chain	Lomita	3/26/2001	171 Carnation	171 Alpha Star
			§12 Golden Chain	
§14 Faith	Taft	7/19/1929	Instituted	
§14 Faith	Taft	11/22/1976	146 La Rosa	146 La Rosa
			§14 Faith	
§15 San Gorgonio	Banning	7/31/1929	Instituted	
§15 San Gorgonio	Banning	11/24/2002	§15 San Gorgonio	§15 Yucaipa-San Gorgonio
			§60 Yucaipa Valley	
§16 Angeles Vista	Los Angeles	8/03/1929	Instituted	
§16 Angeles Vista	Los Angeles	11/22/1972	§16 Angeles Vista	§16 Morning Vista
			601 Morningside	
§16 Morning Vista	Playa del Rey	3/28/1979	406 Tri Star	§16 Morning Vista
			§16 Morning Vista	
§16 Morning Vista	Playa del Rey	1/18/1984	§16 Morning Vista	§16 Morning Vista
			§18 Betsy Ross	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
516 Morning Vista	Playa del Rey	6/01/1989	436	Parkside	436 Parkside
517 Holly Vista	West Los Angeles	8/06/1929		Instituted	
517 Holly Vista	West Los Angeles	11/10/1972	454	Harding	454 Polaris
			517	Holly Vista	
518 Betsy Ross	Los Angeles	8/07/1929		Instituted	
518 Betsy Ross	Los Angeles	4/28/1978	518	Betsy Ross	518 Betsy Ross
			621	The Valley	
518 Betsy Ross	El Segundo	1/18/1984	516	Morning Vista	516 Morning Vista
			518	Betsy Ross	
519 Encina	Oakland	3/19/1930		Instituted	
519 Encina	Oakland	11/22/1974	140	Oakland	140 Oakland
			519	Encina	
520 Wil-Brea	Los Angeles	5/03/1930		Instituted	
520 Wil-Brea	Los Angeles	2/15/1977	192	Trinity	192 United
			520	Wil-Brea	
521 Laguna Beach	Laguna Beach	6/11/1930		Instituted	
521 Laguna Beach	Laguna Beach	8/14/1984	521	Laguna Beach	521 Harbor Star
			568	Harbor Star	Location: Newport Beach
521 Harbor Star	Newport Beach	05/21/2005	163	Scepter	163 Scepter
			521	Harbor Star	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
522 Atwater	Los Angeles	6/17/1930	Instituted	
522 Atwater	Los Angeles	4/23/1974	463 Larchmont	522 Atwater-Larchmont
			522 Atwater	
522 Atwater-Larchmont	Los Angeles	11/21/1987	21 Highland Park	21 Highland Park
			522 Atwater-Larchmont	
524 San Clemente	San Clemente	5/05/1930	Instituted	
524 San Clemente	San Clemente	2/26/2002	524 San Clemente	524 San Clemente-Saddleback
			645 Saddleback	
525 Cambria Pines	Cambria	10/04/1930	Instituted	
525 Cambria Pines	Cambria	11/16/1995	525 Cambria Pines	525 Estero Pines
			587 Estero Bay	
525 Estero Pines	Morro Bay	11/13/2004	95 Bethlehem	95 Bethlehem-Estero Pines
			525 Estero Pines	
526 Altadena	Altadena	3/14/1931	Instituted	
526 Altadena	Altadena	4/19/1988	473 East Pasadena	473 East Pas Alta
			526 Altadena	
527 Baldwin Park	Baldwin Park	4/30/1931	Instituted	
527 Baldwin Park	Baldwin Park	7/15/1988	527 Baldwin Park	527 West Covina
			607 West Covina	
527 West Covina	West Covina	8/10/1991	325 La Puente	325 West Covina
			527 West Covina	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
528 Ojai	Ojai	4/16/1932	Instituted	
528 Ojai	Ojai	6/30/2003	79 Channel Islands 528 Ojai	79 Channel Islands
529 Loralane	Sacramento	7/14/1933	Instituted	
529 Loralane	Sacramento	11/15/2003	385 Rainbow 529 Loralane	385 Harmony
530 Willow Glen	San Jose	11/10/1933	Instituted	
530 Willow Glen	San Jose	11/23/2001	288 Bright Star 530 Willow Glen	288 Blossom Hill
532 Modesto	Modesto	3/10/1934	Instituted	
532 Modesto	Modesto	11/19/1996	72 Electa 532 Modesto	72 Electa Modesto
533 Sterling	Oakland	6/04/1934	Instituted	
533 Sterling	Oakland	6/02/1965	140 Oakland 533 Sterling	140 Oakland
534 Venus	San Joaquin	6/08/1934	Instituted	
534 Venus	San Joaquin	4/01/1983	534 Venus 555 La Sierra	555 La Sierra Venus
535 Westwood Hills	Westwood Village	7/30/1934	Instituted	
535 Westwood Hills	Westwood Village	1/23/1973	476 Bethel 535 Westwood Hills	476 Westwood Hills

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
537 Mojave Valley	Victorville	10/06/1934	Instituted	
537 Mojave Valley	Victorville	7/12/1946	Name Change	537 Victor Valley
537 Victor Valley	Victorville	07/28/2011	242 Barstow	242 Victor Valley
			537 Victor Valley	Location: Victorville
539 Tulelake	Tulelake	5/31/1937	Instituted	
539 Tulelake	Tulelake	11/22/1987	450 North Star	450 North Star
			539 Tulelake	
540 Elizabeth B. Wheeler	Los Angeles	12/30/1937	Instituted	
540 Elizabeth B. Wheeler	Los Angeles	4/20/1981	216 Los Feliz	216 Los Feliz
			540 Elizabeth B. Wheeler	
541 Estrellita	Berkeley	7/01/1938	Instituted	
541 Estrellita	Berkeley	2/27/1978	Location change to Orinda.	
541 Estrellita	Orinda	1/22/1990	Location change to Oakland.	
541 Estrellita	Oakland	9/28/1999	8 Oak Leaf	8 Oak Leaf
			541 Estrellita	
542 Seal Beach	Seal Beach	9/27/1939	Instituted	
542 Seal Beach	Seal Beach	3/07/1982	435 Searchlight	435 Searchlight
			542 Seal Beach	
543 Windsor	Los Angeles	1/27/1940	Instituted	
543 Windsor	Los Angeles	9/08/1972	406 Siloam	406 Tri Star
			411 West Adams	
			543 Windsor	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
544 Nova Dies	Oakland	7/17/1940	Instituted	
544 Nova Dies	Oakland	4/04/1984	140 Oakland	140 Nova Dies-Oakland
			544 Nova Dies	
545 Dos Palos	Dos Palos	9/07/1940	Instituted	
545 Dos Palos	Dos Palos	11/24/1990	136 Centinela	136 Centinela
			545 Dos Palos	
546 Barstow	Barstow	10/04/1940	Instituted	
546 Barstow	Barstow	12/29/1996	242 Needles	242 Barstow
			546 Barstow	
547 Searles Lake	Trona	3/08/1941	Instituted	
547 Searles Lake	Trona	2/22/1993	547 Searles Lake	547 Desert Holly
			558 Desert Holly	
547 Desert Holly	Ridgecrest	11/19/2005	547 Desert Holly	547 Desert Holly-Joshua Tree
			630 Joshua Tree	
548 Arrowhead	San Bernardino	4/29/1941	Instituted	
548 Arrowhead	San Bernardino	4/10/1984	548 Arrowhead	548 Arrowhead
			599 J. Clifford Lee	
548 Arrowhead	San Bernardino	5/03/1991	75 Arrowhead	75 Arrowhead
			548 Silver Wave	
550 Albany	Albany	1/28/1942	Instituted	
550 Albany	Albany	10/13/1983	550 Albany	550 Vista Cerrito
			586 Vista Cerrito	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
550 Vista Cerrito	El Cerrito	8/09/1990	178 550	Thousand Oaks Vista Cerrito	178 Vista Cerrito
551 San Carlos	San Carlos	1/29/1942		Instituted	
551 San Carlos	San Carlos	7/15/2009	141 551	Valley Star San Carlos	141 Valley Star
552 Mountain View	Janesville	10/07/1944		Instituted	
552 Mountain View	Janesville	11/27/1999	112 552	Hesperian Mountain View	112 Mountain View
553 Campbell	Campbell	10/12/1944		Instituted	
553 Campbell	Campbell	4/11/2003	128 553	Los Gatos Campbell	128 Golden Oak
554 San Marino	San Marino	4/25/1945		Instituted	
554 San Marino	San Marino	8/24/1993	193 554	Alhambra-Granada San Marino	193 Alhambra
555 La Sierra	Fresno	6/12/1945		Instituted	
555 La Sierra	Fresno	4/01/1983	534 555	Venus La Sierra	555 La Sierra Venus
555 La Sierra Venus	Fresno	6/06/2012	555 89	La Sierra Venus Raisina Fresno	555 Legacy

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
556 Star of Vista	Vista	9/14/1945	Instituted	
556 Star of Vista	Vista	7/8/2011	390 Fallbrook 556 Star of Vista	390 Fallbrook
558 Desert Holly	Ridgecrest	3/22/1947	Instituted	
538 Desert Holly	Ridgecrest	2/22/1993	547 Searles Lake 558 Desert Holly	547 Desert Holly
559 Oildale	Bakersfield	5/20/1947	Instituted	
559 Oildale	Bakersfield	2/21/2002	125 Bakersfield 559 Oildale	125 Bakersfield
560 Yucaipa Valley	Yucaipa	7/16/1947	Instituted	
560 Yucaipa Valley	Yucaipa	11/24/2002	515 San Geronio 560 Yucaipa Valley	515 Yucaipa-San Geronio
561 Emera	Long Beach	7/17/1947	Instituted	
561 Emera	Long Beach	10/17/1982	561 Emera 589 Belmont Shore	561 Emera
561 Emera	Long Beach	7/23/2005	397 Bellflower 561 Emera	397 Bellflower
562 Menalto	Menlo Park	8/30/1947	Instituted	
562 Menalto	Menlo Park	11/23/1988	141 Miramonte 562 Menalto	141 Miramonte

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
563 San Juan	Citrus Heights	4/27/1948	Instituted	
563 San Juan	Citrus Heights	11/11/2006	233 Natoma 563 San Juan	233 Natoma San Juan Location: Citrus Heights
564 Redwood Empire	Garberville	8/18/1948	Instituted	
564 Redwood Empire	Garberville	3/16/1997	76 Rohnerville 564 Redwood Empire	76 Rohnerville-Redwood
565 Palomar	San Diego	9/13/1948	Instituted	
565 Palomar	San Diego	11/04/2001	96 San Diego Star 479 La Jolla 565 Palomar	96 La Paloma Star
566 Santa Ynez Valley	Los Olivos	4/27/1949	Instituted	
566 Santa Ynez Valley	Los Olivos	12/26/1957	Location change to Solvang	
566 Santa Ynez Valley	Solvang	3/03/1994	Charter Suspended	566 Santa Ynez Valley
566 Santa Ynez Valley	Solvang	5/04/1994	Charter Restored	
566 Santa Ynez Valley	Solvang	7/26/2001	100 Mizpah 566 Santa Ynez Valley	100 Mizpah
567 Rosemead	South San Gabriel	7/08/1949	Instituted	
567 Rosemead	South San Gabriel	4/28/1988	430 Sereno America 567 Rosemead	430 Rosemead
568 Harbor Star	Newport Beach	7/09/1949	Instituted	
568 Harbor Star	Newport Beach	8/14/1984	521 Laguna Beach 568 Harbor Star	521 Harbor Star

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
569 Westchester	Los Angeles	9/24/1949		Instituted	
569 Westchester	Los Angeles	6/25/1985	319	Ingewood	319 Centinela Valley
			569	Westchester	
570 Catalina Island	Avalon	1/28/1949		Instituted	
570 Catalina Island	Avalon	11/19/1991	414	Mar Vista	414 Mar Vista
			570	Catalina Island	
571 Chabot	Oakland	3/15/1950		Instituted	
571 Chabot	Oakland	11/06/1969		Location change to Lafayette	571 Lafayette
571 Chabot	Lafayette	11/06/1969		Name change	571 Lafayette
571 Lafayette	Lafayette	10/09/2000	571	Lafayette	571 Larinda
			635	Orinda	
571 Larinda	Orinda	11/10/2003	571	Larinda	571 Diablo Star
			588	San Ramon Valley	
571 Diablo Star	Orinda	7/10/2005	214	Almona	214 Diablo Star
			571	Diablo Star	
572 Castro Valley	Castro Valley	5/25/1950		Instituted	
572 Castro Valley	Castro Valley	2/17/1987	455	Elmhurst	455 Castro Valley
			572	Castro Valley	
573 San Antonio	South Gate	6/28/1950		Instituted	
573 San Antonio	South Gate	12/07/1976	393	Bell	393 Bell
			573	San Antonio	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No.	Chapter	New Chapter
574 El Gabilan	Salinas	7/08/1950	Instituted		
574 El Gabilan	Salinas	10/25/2003	47	Reveille	47 Reveille
			574	El Gabilan	
575 Santa Anita	Temple City	7/14/1950	Instituted		
575 Santa Anita	Temple City	/1952	Charter Suspended at elections		
575 Santa Anita	Temple City	4/13/1953	Charter Restored		
575 Santa Anita	Temple City	8/29/1972	227	Monrovia	227 Monrovia
			575	Santa Anita	
576 Palm Springs	Palm Springs	3/15/1951	Instituted		
576 Palm Springs	Palm Springs	12/18/2002	576	Palm Springs	576 Palm Springs
			640	Desert Hot Springs	
576 Palm Springs	Palm Springs	05/30/2007	360	Coachella Valley	360 Coachella Valley
			576	Palm Springs	
577 San Lorenzo	Hayward	3/29/1951	Instituted		
577 San Lorenzo	Hayward	03/12/2007	177	Orient	177 San Lorenzo
			577	San Lorenzo	Location: Hayward
578 Rim of the World	Twin Peaks	4/16/1951	Instituted		
578 Rim of the World	Twin Peaks	11/22/2008	485	Big Bear	485 Mountain Lakes
			578	Rim of the World	Location change: Twin Peaks
579 San Miguel	Lemon Grove	5/03/1951	Instituted		
579 San Miguel	Lemon Grove	11/28/2000	412	Estrella	412 Estrella
			579	San Miguel	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
580 Castroville	Castroville	9/17/1951	Instituted	
580 Castroville	Castroville	11/26/1990	47 Reville 580 Castroville	47 Reville
582 Mendias	Hollywood	1/30/1952	Instituted	
582 Mendias	Hollywood	7/22/1971	495 Beacon Ray 582 Mendias	495 Mendias-Ray
583 Crystal Springs	San Bruno	2/18/1952	Instituted	
583 Crystal Springs	San Bruno	11/22/1992	305 Ruth 583 Crystal Springs	305 Unity
584 La Paz	Bell Gardens	5/01/1952	Instituted	
584 La Paz	Bell Gardens	11/18/1983	584 La Paz 624 El Rancho	584 El Rancho de la Paz
584 El Rancho de la Paz	Pico Rivera	9/30/1995	584 El Rancho de la Paz 614 Hacienda	584 Tri Star
584 Tri Star	Whittier	6/06/2002	144 Lyra 335 Whittier 584 Tri Star	144 Whittier Star
585 Mountain Star	Middletown	6/20/1952	Instituted	
585 Mountain Star	Middletown	11/05/1988	231 Lower Lake 585 Mountain Star	231 Lower Lake

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
586 Vista Cerrito	El Cerrito	8/25/1952	Instituted	
586 Vista Cerrito	El Cerrito	10/13/1983	550 Albany	550 Vista Cerrito
			586 Vista Cerrito	
587 Estero Bay	Cayucos	9/09/1952	Instituted	
587 Estero Bay	Cayucos	11/16/1995	525 Cambria Pines	525 Estero Pines
			587 Estero Bay	
588 San Ramon Valley	Danville	1/31/1953	Instituted	
588 San Ramon Valley	Danville	8/01/2001	Change meeting location to Pleasanton	
588 San Ramon Valley	Pleasanton	11/10/2003	571 Larinda	571 Diablo Star
			588 San Ramon Valley	
589 Belmont Shore	Long Beach	2/14/1953	Instituted	
589 Belmont Shore	Long Beach	10/17/1982	561 Emera	561 Emera
			589 Belmont Shore	
590 Silver Chalice	Walnut Creek	8/28/1953	Instituted	
590 Silver Chalice	Walnut Creek	4/29/1974	WGM approved change of location to Concord	
590 Silver Chalice	Concord	11/28/1994	590 Silver Chalice	590 Silver Valley
			644 Clayton Valley	
590 Silver Valley	Concord	6/07/2000	384 Concord	384 Concord
			590 Silver Valley	
591 Lomita	Lomita	10/08/1953	Instituted	
591 Lomita	Lomita	7/29/1994	512 Point Firmin	512 Golden Chain
			591 Lomita	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
592 Home	North Hollywood	10/09/1953	Instituted	
592 Home	Granada Hills	11/18/2003	403 Horizon Star 592 Home	403 Horizon Star
593 Eothen	Carmichael	8/16/1954	Instituted	
593 Eothen	Carmichael	6/06/1955	Name changed	593 Rising Star
593 Rising Star	Carmichael	11/17/1995	36 Naomi 593 Rising Star	36 Rising Star
594 Fairfax	Larkspur	8/21/1954	Instituted	
594 Fairfax	Larkspur	11/21/1993	215 San Rafael 594 Fairfax 609 Novato	215 Marin Star
595 Mono	Bridgeport	8/23/1954	Instituted	
595 Mono	Bridgeport	6/19/1991	197 Mt. Whitney 595 Mono	197 Mt. Whitney
596 Rialto	Rialto	8/25/1954	Instituted	
596 Rialto	Rialto	11/16/1991	211 Colton 596 Rialto	211 Rialto
597 Fuchsia	El Segundo	8/26/1954	Instituted	
597 Fuchsia	El Segundo	3/28/2001	425 Playa Linds-Ascot 597 Fuchsia	425 Fuchsia

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
598 Magnolia Park	Burbank	8/28/1954	Instituted	
598 Magnolia Park	Burbank	7/06/1983	352 Burbank 598 Magnolia Park	352 Burbank
599 J. Clifford Lee	Highland	9/20/1954	Instituted	
599 J. Clifford Lee	Highland	4/10/1984	548 Arrowhead 599 J. Clifford Lee	548 Arrowhead
600 Harbor Lights	San Diego	5/28/1955	Instituted	
600 Harbor Lights	San Diego	11/23/1991	478 Normal Heights 600 Harbor Lights	478 Harbor Lights
601 Morningside	Inglewood	6/23/1955	Instituted	
601 Morningside	Inglewood	11/22/1972	516 Angeles Vista 601 Morningside	516 Morning Vista
602 Desert Star	Twentynine Palms	6/27/1955	Instituted	
602 Desert Star	Twentynine Palms	2/07/1999	602 Desert Star 629 Yucca Valley	602 Desert Valley
603 Arvin	Arvin	6/29/1955	Instituted	
603 Arvin	Arvin	12/03/1969	188 Tehachapi 603 Arvin	188 Tehachapi
605 Mission Bell	San Pablo	8/29/1955	Instituted	
605 Mission Bell	San Pablo	11/22/1992	205 El Portal 605 Mission Bell	205 Mission Bell

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
606 Pacific Beach	La Jolla	9/21/1955	Instituted	
606 Pacific Beach	La Jolla	8/28/1989	490 Point Loma 606 Pacific Beach	490 Point Loma
607 West Covina	West Covina	9/22/1955	Instituted	
607 West Covina	West Covina	7/15/1988	527 Baldwin Park 607 West Covina	527 West Covina
608 Duarte Sojourner	Duarte	9/26/1955	Instituted	
608 Sojourner	Duarte	4/23/1993	Location change to Monrovia.	
608 Sojourner	Monrovia	8/21/2001	299 Sierra Madre 608 Sojourner	299 Friendly Star
609 Novato	Novato	10/04/1955	Instituted	
609 Novato	Novato	11/21/1993	215 San Rafael 594 Fairfax 609 Novato	215 Marin Star
610 Lake Tahoe	Al Tahoe	10/05/1955	Instituted	
610 Lake Tahoe	Al Tahoe	3/18/1989	499 El Dorado 610 Lake Tahoe	499 El Dorado-Lake Tahoe
611 Noel	Van Nuys	6/29/1956	Instituted	
611 Noel	Van Nuys	11/19/1991	403 North Hollywood 611 Noel	403 North Hollywood-Noel

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
612 Heritage	North Hollywood	6/30/1956	Instituted	
612 Heritage	North Hollywood	3/21/1984	465 Roseland 612 Heritage	465 Heritage-Roseland
613 Century	Compton	8/07/1956	Instituted	
613 Century	Compton	11/22/1996	147 Pearl 613 Century	147 Golden Crown
614 Hacienda	Whittier	8/08/1956	Instituted	
614 Hacienda	Whittier	9/30/1995	584 El Rancho de La Paz 614 Hacienda	584 Tri Star
615 Pelton	Camptonville	10/06/1956	Instituted	
615 Pelton	Camptownville	5/06/1980	9 Evangeline 615 Pelton	9 Evangeline
616 Granada Hills	Granada Hills	3/21/1957	Instituted	
616 Granada Hills	Granada Hills	7/24/2006	338 Van Nuys 616 Granada Hills	338 Van Nuys
617 Star of Lakewood	Long Beach	3/22/1957	Instituted	
617 Star of Lakewood	Long Beach	3/13/1994	310 Meridian 617 Star of Lakewood	310 Meridian

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
618 Parva Stella	South Gate	8/04/1956	Instituted	
618 Parva Stella	South Gate	2/07/1972	343 York 480 Majestic 618 Parva Stella	343 Majestic Star
619 Star of Palmdale	Palmdale	10/7/1957	Instituted	
619 Star of Palmdale	Palmdale	2/7/2009	327 Sunshine 619 Star of Palmdale	327 Desert Rose Star Location change: Palmdale
620 San Dieguito	Cardiff-by-the-Sea	3/11/1958	Instituted	
620 San Dieguito	Cardiff-by-the-Sea	11/28/1995	287 Poinsettia 620 San Dieguito	287 Poinsettia
621 Centinella Valley	Los Angeles	4/26/1958	Instituted	
621 Centinella Valley	Los Angeles	1/05/1959	WGP approved name change	
621 The Valley	Los Angeles	6/01/1971	Location change to Gardena.	621 The Valley
621 The Valley	Gardena	4/28/1978	518 Betsy Ross 621 The Valley	518 Betsy Ross
623 La Mirada	La Mirada	5/14/1958	Instituted	
623 La Mirada	La Mirada	2/01/1971	Location change to Whittier.	
623 La Mirada	Whittier	11/25/1984	248 Holly Gardens 623 La Mirada	248 Holly Gardens
624 El Rancho	Pico Rivera	9/15/1958	Instituted	
624 El Rancho	Pico Rivera	11/18/1983	584 La Paz 624 El Rancho	584 El Rancho de la Paz

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
625 Westminster	Westminster	4/23/1959	Instituted	
625 Westminster	Westminster	8/13/1998	105 Golden Harvest	105 Golden Harvest
625 Westminster	Westminster		625 Westminster	
626 In Shallah	Downey	8/04/1959	Instituted	
626 In Shallah	Downey	2/15/1994	160 Occident-Guardian	160 Downey
			626 In Shallah	
627 Chico	Chico	2/16/1960	Instituted	
627 Chico	Chico	12/15/1988	104 Josephine Chico	104 Josephine Chico
			627 Chico	
628 Paramount	South Gate	3/26/1960	Instituted	
628 Paramount	South Gate	10/10/1982	511 Mar Vista	511 Mar Vista
			628 Paramount	
629 Yucca Valley	Yucca Valley	8/02/1960	Instituted	
629 Yucca Valley	Yucca Valley	2/07/1999	602 Desert Star	602 Desert Valley
			629 Yucca Valley	
630 Joshua Tree	Boron	3/14/1961	Instituted	
630 Joshua Tree	Boron	6/20/1989	630 Joshua Tree	630 Joshua Tree
			633 Desert Candle	
630 Joshua Tree	Boron	11/19/2005	547 Desert Holly	547 Desert Holly-Joshua Tree
			630 Joshua Tree	

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
632 Conejo Valley	Thousand Oaks	9/11/1961	Instituted	
632 Conejo Valley	Thousand Oaks	2/28/2005	632 Conejo Valley 649 Camarillo	632 Conejo Valley
633 Desert Candle	Mojave	5/21/1962	Instituted	
633 Desert Candle	Mojave	6/20/1989	630 Joshua Tree 633 Desert Candle	630 Joshua Tree
634 Santa Rosa	Santa Rosa	6/06/1962	Instituted	
634 Santa Rosa	Santa Rosa	1/20/1995	161 Gold Ridge Star 634 Santa Rosa	161 Gold Ridge Star
635 Orinda	Orinda	6/07/1962	Instituted	
635 Orinda	Orinda	10/09/2000	571 Lafayette 635 Orinda	571 Larinda
636 Los Altos	Los Altos	4/07/1964	Instituted	
636 Los Altos	Los Altos	11/15/1998	250 Sunnyvale 636 Los Altos	250 Valley Star
638 Valley of the Redwoods	Felton	8/23/1966	Instituted	
638 Valley of the Redwoods	Felton	11/23/1991	273 Santa Cruz 638 Valley of the Redwoods	273 Santa Cruz Redwoods
640 Desert Hot Springs	Desert Hot Springs	9/18/1967	Instituted	
640 Desert Hot Springs	Desert Hot Springs	12/18/2002	576 Palm Springs 640 Desert Hot Springs	576 Palm Springs

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Old Chapter	Location	Date	No. Chapter	New Chapter
641 Sierra Vista	Oakhurst	10/12/1968	Instituted	
641 Sierra Vista	Oakhurst	11/17/1991	200 Las Mariposas 641 Sierra Vista	200 Las Mariposas
644 Clayton Valley	Concord	8/12/1972	Instituted	
644 Clayton Valley	Concord	11/28/1994	590 Silver Chalice 644 Clayton Valley	590 Silver Valley
645 Saddleback	Lake Forest	8/08/1973	Instituted	
645 Saddleback	Lake Forest	2/26/2002	524 San Clemente 645 Saddleback	524 San Clemente-Saddleback
647 Lakeside	Lakeside	9/10/1975	Instituted	
647 Lakeside	Lakeside	11/24/1992	412 Estrella 647 Lakeside	412 Estrella
649 Camarillo	Camarillo	9/05/1981	Instituted	
649 Camarillo	Camarillo	1/19/2004	Location change to Thousand Oaks	
649 Camarillo	Thousand Oaks	2/28/2005	632 Conejo Valley 649 Camarillo	632 Conejo Valley

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Chapter Name	Chtp No	Date of Institution	Members 6-30-11	Members 6-30-12	Total Assess
Golden Gate	1	05/10/69	356	330	\$4,988.65
Suisun	2	03/12/70	173	158	\$2,125.50
Gateway	3	11/22/70	373	347	\$5,016.55
Alameda Oak Leaf	8	04/12/72	255	236	\$3,716.65
Evangeline	9	06/17/73	248	231	\$3,246.75
Evening Star	10	10/01/72	58	54	\$870.10
Lucerne	13	12/09/74	168	158	\$2,732.70
Shasta Northern Light	14	01/28/75	201	173	\$2,627.20
Welcome Redding	17	04/05/75	152	147	\$2,537.30
Wild Lily	18	05/11/75	152	150	\$2,462.60
Vesper	20	03/01/76	88	85	\$1,406.20
Hollywood	21	03/14/76	464	421	\$6,681.20
Ferndale	23	09/01/76	128	117	\$1,820.35
Yolano	28	03/03/77	137	119	\$1,694.65
San Jose	31	09/07/77	355	324	\$5,074.80
Rose Valley	33	02/21/78	177	175	\$3,239.60
Amapola	35	06/01/78	142	135	\$2,103.20
Rising Star	36	05/03/79	199	184	\$3,171.60
Stella	39	05/24/80	78	72	\$1,137.55
Lily of the Lake	41	03/23/80	109	99	\$1,438.40
Ariel	42	03/30/80	149	126	\$1,942.65
Magnolia	45	05/22/80	67	63	\$1,017.15
Athena	46	07/07/80	74	75	\$1,285.90
Reveille	47	07/09/80	250	239	\$4,055.10
Friendship	48	03/23/81	177	147	\$2,553.75
Stockton Oaks	50	05/21/81	286	248	\$4,248.25
Five Star	51	06/03/81	160	151	\$2,481.75
Sincerity	53	06/24/81	70	65	\$933.40
Fidelia	56	06/28/81	139	127	\$2,016.10
Crystal	57	07/09/81	111	114	\$2,156.10
Kingsley Augusta	58	07/23/81	165	158	\$2,229.90
Silver Spray	59	08/12/81	215	211	\$3,155.90
Golden Valley	60	08/20/81	135	128	\$2,118.60
El Dorado Foothills	62	10/15/81	205	202	\$3,178.95
Camellia	63	10/08/81	69	63	\$963.55
Azalia Star	66	04/11/82	199	168	\$2,514.20
Electa Modesto	72	06/29/83	154	151	\$2,407.05
Rohnerville-Redwood	76	09/08/83	93	87	\$1,347.55
Channel Islands	78	05/12/84	342	323	\$5,010.70
Sotoyome - Clover Leaf	82	09/03/84	60	69	\$1,470.60

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Molino Star	83	05/31/84	167	160	\$2,702.00
Madera	92	04/30/86	65	60	\$1,063.00
Concordia	93	05/02/87	174	162	\$2,409.15
Tulare-Corcoran	94	11/07/87	122	116	\$1,964.40
Bethlehem-Estero Pines	95	03/22/88	137	126	\$1,515.50
La Paloma Star	96	04/02/88	258	250	\$4,127.20
Central Coast Star	97	06/19/88	330	292	\$4,616.45
Lake Chabot	103	04/05/89	291	268	\$4,030.40
Josephine Chico	104	06/28/89	234	222	\$3,567.25
Ungava	106	04/11/90	164	161	\$2,887.70
Corona	107	06/14/90	80	83	\$1,511.65
Pasadena	108	07/11/90	271	258	\$3,993.20
Elk Grove Onisbo	109	09/24/90	173	180	\$3,369.10
Star of Claremont	110	08/31/91	111	99	\$1,691.95
Ocean View	111	09/19/91	75	70	\$1,209.80
Palm Leaf	114	02/18/92	150	137	\$2,129.30
New Hope	117	08/08/92	167	163	\$2,457.55
Mother Lode	123	08/24/93	192	179	\$2,667.55
Bakersfield	125	12/18/93	191	173	\$2,022.85
Yosemite Gateway	126	02/23/94	198	179	\$2,625.20
Golden Oak	128	03/19/94	161	147	\$2,213.90
Alpine Valley	129	06/12/94	76	67	\$1,090.65
Fidelity	131	08/31/94	104	102	\$1,769.90
Semper Fidelis	135	06/03/95	218	214	\$3,773.30
Summit	138	12/21/95	92	90	\$1,750.10
Nova Dies-Oakland	140	01/02/96	57	53	\$886.65
Valley Star	141	01/08/96	319	309	\$4,901.75
Emerald Star	143	02/12/96	132	126	\$2,266.85
Whittier Star	144	02/12/96	370	344	\$5,392.00
Stardust	145	02/13/96	210	200	\$3,535.50
Ami Tai	147	04/10/96	270	237	\$3,722.15
Lodi	150	04/28/96	92	86	\$1,216.80
Escondido	154	02/05/96	107	101	\$1,754.20
Penrhyn	159	03/20/97	87	85	\$1,542.55
Downey	160	06/19/97	246	232	\$3,463.20
Gold Ridge Star	161	01/06/98	209	203	\$3,014.20
Crown	162	03/07/98	145	133	\$2,573.35
Scepter	163	03/11/98	433	420	\$7,442.70
Alpha Star	171	05/12/99	322	301	\$4,167.90
Long Beach	173	08/07/99	260	236	\$3,147.95

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Chapter Name	Chpt No	Date of Institution	Members 6-30-11	Members 6-30-12	Total Assess
San Pedro Harbor	174	08/18/99	224	220	\$3,510.95
San Lorenzo	177	03/21/00	180	170	\$2,794.70
Vista Cerrito	178	04/04/00	137	132	\$1,755.40
Heber	181	05/29/00	136	135	\$2,445.20
Santa Paula	185	09/22/00	56	53	\$803.95
Unity	186	09/22/00	243	238	\$3,905.40
Tehachapi	188	01/16/01	65	71	\$1,287.85
Silverado	189	01/19/01	119	108	\$1,781.70
Santa Clara	195	06/15/01	114	116	\$2,188.10
Mt. Whitney	197	01/11/02	67	67	\$1,121.65
West Covina	202	08/05/02	178	167	\$2,770.35
Palo Alto	203	09/01/02	211	203	\$3,012.40
Mission Bell	205	09/30/02	239	218	\$3,317.50
Arcata	207	12/08/02	91	87	\$1,626.10
Tri-Star	211	07/08/03	149	139	\$1,960.15
Gate City	212	08/13/03	232	215	\$3,053.90
Diablo Star	214	09/05/03	212	200	\$3,234.15
Marin Star	215	09/11/03	187	176	\$2,778.25
Mill Valley	219	02/16/04	77	82	\$1,453.25
Lake	231	04/20/05	132	97	\$1,758.25
Natoma San Juan	233	07/03/05	255	257	\$4,741.25
Los Cerritos	234	07/22/05	112	117	\$2,169.85
Glencrest	237	02/22/06	131	121	\$1,883.95
Tahquitz - Victoria	241	04/06/06	151	142	\$2,741.10
Victor Valley	242	04/11/06	241	221	\$4,015.30
Menifee Valley	243	04/16/06	146	119	\$1,921.05
Ocean Park	245	05/10/06	338	321	\$4,480.30
Plumas	246	06/11/06	61	56	\$958.25
Pacific Star	252	04/13/07	224	203	\$2,534.00
Seaside	259	04/17/07	176	167	\$3,435.10
Santa Cruz Redwoods	273	04/04/08	434	430	\$7,996.65
Imperial Valley	276	06/08/08	91	83	\$1,188.70
La Posa	282	03/30/09	56	55	\$783.25
Ione	283	04/22/09	34	38	\$843.80
Poinsettia	287	06/08/09	184	177	\$3,115.10
Rose	292	06/11/10	108	95	\$1,676.80
Ceres	296	10/01/10	112	107	\$1,887.90
Arcadia Star	299	01/23/11	280	262	\$3,801.25
Star of the East	300	03/04/11	181	177	\$2,807.15
Meridian	310	02/26/12	201	186	\$2,263.00

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Chapter Name	Chpt No	Date of Institution	Members 6-30-11	Members 6-30-12	Total Assess
Nova Star	319	05/10/13	172	166	\$2,576.45
Desert Rose Star	327	05/12/14	179	164	\$2,645.75
Coronado	332	10/14/14	74	70	\$1,225.55
El Rio	333	12/05/14	53	47	\$979.60
Van Nuys	338	09/10/15	509	473	\$7,730.55
Pentalpha	339	12/29/15	82	72	\$1,256.90
Manzanita	342	05/09/16	72	69	\$1,298.50
Atascadero	344	09/02/16	47	46	\$764.90
Chula Vista	345	10/09/16	231	215	\$3,574.25
Upland	346	11/23/16	87	87	\$1,541.10
Yorba Linda	347	02/09/17	123	133	\$2,592.45
Joaquin	348	04/16/17	103	96	\$1,550.75
Burbank	352	03/31/19	212	185	\$3,296.80
Harbor Lights	358	12/15/19	363	337	\$5,173.95
Coachella Valley	360	02/07/20	222	205	\$3,742.40
Chowchilla	365	07/29/20	78	68	\$1,163.80
Linden	372	05/02/21	52	49	\$1,031.45
Kearsarge	378	07/09/21	43	41	\$620.45
Concord	384	09/28/21	186	178	\$2,854.80
Harmony	385	10/13/21	164	128	\$2,093.10
Fallbrook	390	03/09/22	200	172	\$3,121.90
Caledonia	391	03/13/22	190	172	\$2,491.00
Bellflower	397	09/06/22	292	270	\$3,777.95
San Fernando	398	09/30/22	118	103	\$1,882.50
Starlight	401	12/09/22	108	112	\$2,043.70
Patterson	417	10/12/23	82	77	\$1,405.25
Fuchsia	425	03/01/24	169	163	\$2,404.85
Security	426	03/10/24	73	72	\$1,417.00
El Camino	428	03/31/24	108	99	\$1,559.80
Escallonia	447	05/06/25	118	103	\$1,899.90
Manchester	449	05/18/25	62	55	\$1,032.50
Mountain Lakes	485	06/18/27	105	94	\$1,906.45
Point Loma	490	11/14/27	146	139	\$2,428.90
Temple	513	05/11/29	73	79	\$1,291.25
Yucaipa-San Gorgonio	515	07/31/29	153	147	\$2,397.75
Vallecito	523	07/19/30	45	40	\$662.65
San Clemente - Saddleback	524	05/05/30	112	111	\$2,273.10
Livingston	531	12/29/33	71	67	\$1,119.60
Desert Holly-Joshua Tree	547	03/18/41	159	153	\$2,632.40
Paradise	549	06/13/41	98	88	\$1,406.75

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Chapter Name	Chpt No	Date of Institution	Members 6-30-11	Members 6-30-12	Total Assess
Legacy	555	06/12/45	367	310	\$4,354.55
Fort Millerton	557	01/23/46	124	123	\$2,284.70
Carmel	581	09/18/51	75	73	\$1,237.15
Desert Valley	602	06/27/55	101	78	\$1,728.90
Del Mar	604	07/08/55	55	53	\$1,063.95
Riverside	622	04/30/58	140	141	\$2,558.75
Rio Linda	631	07/22/61	93	94	\$1,873.85
Conejo Valley	632	09/11/61	140	125	\$2,415.20
Simi Valley	637	06/11/65	72	70	\$1,426.80
Delta Star	639	08/24/67	82	85	\$1,829.40
Old West	642	03/06/69	127	115	\$2,289.25
Kern River Valley	643	06/12/71	117	110	\$1,876.10
Star of the Valley	648	03/01/80	133	122	\$2,442.35
Trinity Star	650	03/05/06	47	45	\$905.20
Dr. Rob Morris	651	06/14/08	95	99	\$2,410.95
-- Grand Totals -->			28,460	26,670	\$436,734.25

We clearly need more chapters!

**Grand Chapter of California,
Order of the Eastern Star
Financial Statements
and Independent Auditors' Report
September 30, 2012 and 2011**

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star

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Independent Auditors' Report

Finance Committee
Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star (the "Grand Chapter") as of September 30, 2012, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Grand Chapter's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star as of September 30, 2011 and for the year then ended, were audited by other auditors whose report dated January 27, 2012, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully discussed in Note 12 to the financial statements, Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star does not consolidate the financial statements of Eastern Star Homes of California. In our opinion, as a result of Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star's economic interest in, and control over, Eastern Star Homes of California, accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Grand Chapter of California, Order of Eastern Star consolidate the financial statements of Eastern Star Homes of California. If Eastern Star Homes of California were consolidated, total assets would have increased by \$8,487,529 and \$8,945,827, total liabilities would have increased by \$15,358,230 and \$12,266,331, and change in net assets would have increased (decreased) by \$(3,586,377) and \$997,233 as of and for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

In our opinion, except for the effects of not consolidating Eastern Star Homes of California as discussed in the preceding paragraph, the 2012 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star as of September 30, 2012, and the changes in its net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

CohnReznick LLP

Los Angeles, California
February 12, 2013

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star

**Statements of Financial Position
September 30, 2012 and 2011**

<u>Assets</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,904,584	\$ 3,681,375
Due from affiliated organizations:		
California Eastern Star Foundation	13,595	3,782
Eastern Star Homes of California	18,090	-
Investments	28,950,768	27,600,775
Prepaid expenses and supplies	201,809	191,649
Other assets	81,320	165,272
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	11,926	17,822
Total assets	<u>\$ 33,182,092</u>	<u>\$ 31,660,675</u>
<u>Liabilities and Net Assets</u>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 104,873	\$ 111,524
Deferred revenue	21,190	26,525
Due to affiliated organization:		
Eastern Star Homes of California	-	11,783
Total liabilities	<u>126,063</u>	<u>149,832</u>
Net assets:		
Unrestricted	579,409	428,077
Temporarily restricted	9,110,459	8,086,348
Permanently restricted	23,366,161	22,996,418
Total net assets	<u>33,056,029</u>	<u>31,510,843</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 33,182,092</u>	<u>\$ 31,660,675</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**Statement of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2012**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Support and revenue:				
Contributions:				
Bequests	\$ -	\$ 1,099,873	\$ -	\$ 1,099,873
Donations	125	186,983	-	187,108
Life sponsors	-	-	11,730	11,730
Residents' assets	-	-	358,013	358,013
Members' dues	348,961	-	-	348,961
Convention revenue	73,271	-	-	73,271
Investment income	658	2,524,511	-	2,525,169
Sales of supplies	54,638	-	-	54,638
Administration fees	423,884	-	-	423,884
Miscellaneous	3,216	-	-	3,216
Subtotal - support and revenue	904,753	3,811,367	369,743	5,085,863
Net assets released from restrictions for:				
Programs	262,256	(262,256)	-	-
Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	2,525,000	(2,525,000)	-	-
Total support and revenue	3,692,009	1,024,111	369,743	5,085,863
Expenses:				
Program services:				
Member services	780,997	-	-	780,997
Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	2,525,000	-	-	2,525,000
Support services:				
Management and general	234,680	-	-	234,680
Total expenses	3,540,677	-	-	3,540,677
Change in net assets	151,332	1,024,111	369,743	1,545,186
Net assets, beginning of year	428,077	8,086,348	22,996,418	31,510,843
Net assets, end of year	\$ 579,409	\$ 9,110,459	\$ 23,366,161	\$ 33,056,029

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star

**Statement of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2011**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Support and revenue:				
Contributions:				
Bequests	\$ -	\$ 472,136	\$ -	\$ 472,136
Donations	4,011	36,899	-	40,910
Life sponsors	-	-	12,450	12,450
Residents' assets	-	-	113,177	113,177
Members' dues	87,304	191,800	-	279,104
Convention revenue	53,039	-	-	53,039
Investment income	1,183	681,782	-	682,965
Sales of supplies	64,692	-	-	64,692
Administration fees	427,939	-	-	427,939
Miscellaneous	650	-	-	650
Subtotal - support and revenue	638,818	1,382,617	125,627	2,147,062
Net assets released from restrictions for:				
Programs	344,807	(344,807)	-	-
Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	2,575,000	(2,575,000)	-	-
Total support and revenue	3,558,625	(1,537,190)	125,627	2,147,062
Expenses:				
Program services:				
Member services	769,522	-	-	769,522
Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	2,575,000	-	-	2,575,000
Support services:				
Management and general	234,420	-	-	234,420
Total expenses	3,578,942	-	-	3,578,942
Change in net assets	(20,317)	(1,537,190)	125,627	(1,431,880)
Net assets, beginning of year	448,394	9,623,538	22,870,791	32,942,723
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 428,077</u>	<u>\$ 8,086,348</u>	<u>\$ 22,996,418</u>	<u>\$ 31,510,843</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star
Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended September 30, 2012

	Program Services			Support Services	
	Member Services	Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	Total Program Services	Management and General	Total
Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	\$ -	\$ 2,525,000	\$ 2,525,000	\$ -	\$ 2,525,000
Cost of sales	92,132	-	92,132	-	92,132
Allowances and jewels	-	-	-	44,050	44,050
Committee	10,811	-	10,811	-	10,811
Deputy Grand Matron official visits	15,917	-	15,917	15,917	31,834
Convention	72,648	-	72,648	-	72,648
Depreciation	7,987	-	7,987	1,997	9,984
Insurance	91,876	-	91,876	22,969	114,845
Equipment rental and maintenance	12,888	-	12,888	3,222	16,110
Office supplies	7,419	-	7,419	1,855	9,274
Rent	30,599	-	30,599	7,650	38,249
Other office expenses	5,579	-	5,579	1,394	6,973
Telephone	3,051	-	3,051	763	3,814
Utilities	4,252	-	4,252	1,063	5,315
Contract services	-	-	-	1,169	1,169
Licenses and other taxes	21,938	-	21,938	5,485	27,423
Salaries and wages	333,630	-	333,630	87,350	420,980
Payroll taxes	26,610	-	26,610	6,954	33,564
Employee benefits	32,686	-	32,686	8,172	40,858
Other employee related expenses	4,920	-	4,920	1,230	6,150
Professional fees	-	-	-	21,926	21,926
Printing	6,054	-	6,054	1,514	7,568
Total expenses	\$ 780,997	\$ 2,525,000	\$ 3,305,997	\$ 234,680	\$ 3,540,677

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Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star

**Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended September 30, 2011**

	Program Services			Support Services	
	Member Services	Star Homes of California	Total Program Services	Management and General	Total
Support of Eastern Star Homes of California	\$ -	\$ 2,575,000	\$ 2,575,000	\$ -	\$ 2,575,000
Cost of sales	65,822	-	65,822	-	65,822
Allowances and jewels	-	-	-	44,120	44,120
Committee	15,204	-	15,204	-	15,204
Deputy Grand Matron official visits	13,914	-	13,914	13,914	27,828
Convention	67,055	-	67,055	-	67,055
Depreciation	7,954	-	7,954	1,988	9,942
Insurance	92,046	-	92,046	23,012	115,058
Equipment rental and maintenance	22,396	-	22,396	5,599	27,995
Office supplies	7,526	-	7,526	1,881	9,407
Rent	30,598	-	30,598	7,650	38,248
Other office expenses	11,678	-	11,678	2,920	14,598
Telephone	4,874	-	4,874	1,219	6,093
Utilities	4,179	-	4,179	1,045	5,224
Contract services	-	-	-	1,394	1,394
Licenses and other taxes	7,632	-	7,632	1,908	9,540
Salaries and wages	343,067	-	343,067	85,767	428,834
Payroll taxes	27,729	-	27,729	6,932	34,661
Employee benefits	41,343	-	41,343	10,336	51,679
Other employee related expenses	443	-	443	111	554
Professional fees	-	-	-	23,108	23,108
Printing	6,062	-	6,062	1,516	7,578
Total expenses	\$ 769,522	\$ 2,575,000	\$ 3,344,522	\$ 234,420	\$ 3,578,942

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 1,545,186	\$ (1,431,880)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation	9,984	9,942
Contributions restricted for endowment fund	(369,743)	(125,627)
Realized and unrealized (gains) losses on investments	(1,954,856)	427,023
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Due from affiliated organizations	(27,903)	(12,930)
Prepaid expenses and supplies	(10,160)	(82,466)
Other assets	83,952	385,694
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(6,651)	(5,038)
Deferred revenue	(5,335)	3,225
Due to affiliated organizations	<u>(11,783)</u>	<u>(4,994)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(747,309)</u>	<u>(837,051)</u>
Investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(4,088)	(5,039)
Proceeds from sale of investments	2,554,621	1,172,845
Purchase of investments	<u>(1,949,758)</u>	<u>(1,116,165)</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>600,775</u>	<u>51,641</u>
Financing activities:		
Contributions restricted for endowment fund	<u>369,743</u>	<u>125,627</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	223,209	(659,783)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>3,681,375</u>	<u>4,341,158</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 3,904,584</u>	<u>\$ 3,681,375</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1 – Description of organization:

Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star (the "Grand Chapter") is a California not-for-profit unincorporated association which promotes and practices charity and fraternalism. The Grand Chapter's endowment fund is used to support the Eastern Star Homes of California (the "Home").

These financial statements do not include the financial position or results of activities of the local chapters throughout the State of California and the Home.

Note 2 – Business and summary of significant accounting policies:

Basis of accounting:

The financial statements of the Grand Chapter have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Financial statement presentation:

The Grand Chapter is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets, which are described as follows:

Unrestricted - Net assets that are not subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net assets may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Board.

Temporarily restricted - Net assets whose use by the Grand Chapter is subject to either explicit donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law that can be fulfilled by actions of the Grand Chapter or that expire by the passage of time.

Permanently restricted - Net assets subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Grand Chapter and stipulate the use of income and/or appreciation as temporarily restricted based on donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law.

Revenue recognition:

Contributions:

Contributions received, including unconditional promises to give, are recorded as revenues in the period received at their fair value. Bequests are recorded based on the liquidated value upon legal determination of the Grand Chapter's rights to the assets.

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For financial reporting purposes, the Grand Chapter distinguishes between contributions of unrestricted assets, temporarily restricted assets and permanently restricted assets. Contributions for which donors have imposed restrictions limiting the use of the donated assets are reported as restricted support. When such donor-imposed restrictions are met, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions of assets which donors have stipulated must be maintained permanently, with only the income earned thereon available for current use, are classified as permanently restricted net assets. Contributions for which donors have not stipulated restrictions are reported as unrestricted support.

Unconditional promises to give, with payments due in future periods, are reported as restricted support. Gifts of land, buildings and equipment are reported as unrestricted support unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Absent explicit donor stipulation, the Grand Chapter reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

Promises to give, which depend on the occurrence of a specified future and uncertain event to bind the promiser, are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met, that is, when the conditional promise becomes unconditional.

Residents' assets:

Residents' assets, upon completion of a 90 day cooling off period, are recognized as permanently restricted contributions on the 91st day after a resident has been admitted to the Home under a Life Care Contract. Revenue is recorded based on the estimated liquidated value of the contributed assets. The recognition of this revenue is considered to be a contribution, as the value of assets contributed on the date of admission is not sufficient to cover the costs of services rendered by the Home, the services to be rendered are consistent with the Home's mission of providing housing to members of the Order of the Eastern Star and the purpose of the Grand Chapter's endowment fund is to support the Home.

Other revenue:

All non-contribution revenues are recognized when earned.

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Donated goods, facilities and services:

Donated noncash assets, such as use of facilities and goods, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. Contributions of donated services that create or enhance non-financial assets, or that require specialized skills (which include accounting and legal services), are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased, if not provided by donation, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. The Grand Chapter receives a significant amount of donated services from unpaid volunteers who assist with the different functions of the Grand Chapter. No donated services have been recognized in the statements of activities because the criteria for recognition is not satisfied.

Functional allocation of expenses:

The costs of providing various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity at date of purchase of three months or less.

Investments:

Investments are reported at their fair values in the statements of financial position. Changes in fair value that occur during a fiscal year are recognized as investment income reported for that fiscal year. Investment income includes interest and dividend earnings, changes in fair value, and any gains or losses realized upon liquidation, maturity, or sale of investments, net of any investment fees.

Property and equipment:

Property and equipment are stated at cost if purchased or fair value on the date of donation. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally ranging from three to ten years. Expenditures for major renewals and improvements that extend the useful lives of property and equipment are capitalized. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

Income taxes:

The Grand Chapter is a not-for-profit organization exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). The Grand Chapter obtained a group filing exemption covering the local chapters throughout the State of California during the 1940's, and has included those chapters' funds in its annual exempt organization returns.

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The Grand Chapter has no unrecognized tax benefits at September 30, 2012 and 2011. The Grand Chapter's Federal and state income tax returns prior to the 2009 and 2008 fiscal years, respectively, are closed and management continually evaluates expiring statutes of limitations, audits, proposed settlements, changes in tax law and new authoritative rulings.

If applicable, the Grand Chapter recognizes interest and penalties associated with tax matters as part of income tax expense and includes accrued interest and penalties with accrued expenses in the statement of financial position.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Concentrations:

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Grand Chapter to concentrations of credit risk, consist primarily of cash deposits and money market funds at financial institutions. The Grand Chapter maintains its cash and cash equivalents with high-credit quality financial institutions. At times, such amounts may exceed Federally insured limits.

The Grand Chapter's investments are subject to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility risks. Further, because of the significance of the investments to the Grand Chapter's financial position and the level of risk inherent in most investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of these investments could occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. Management is of the opinion that the diversification of its invested assets among the various asset classes should mitigate the impact of changes.

Reclassifications:

Certain amounts in the 2011 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2012 presentation.

Subsequent events:

The Grand Chapter has evaluated the impact of subsequent events through February 12, 2013, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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Note 3 - Property and equipment:

At September 30, 2012 and 2011, property and equipment consists of the following:

	2012	2011
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$ 40,093	\$ 40,093
Computer equipment and software	49,921	45,833
Leasehold improvements	700	700
	90,714	86,626
Less accumulated depreciation	78,788	68,804
	<u>\$ 11,926</u>	<u>\$ 17,822</u>

Note 4 – Investments:

At September 30, 2012 and 2011, investments consist of the following:

	2012	2011
Mutual funds:		
Short-term bonds	\$ 6,643,752	\$ 6,933,866
World allocation bonds	11,724,559	10,600,862
Global fixed income	3,535,692	3,215,521
Gold trust	1,890,446	1,738,344
Equities	736,307	770,491
Fannie Mae bonds	1,341,317	1,287,627
Freddie Mac bonds	613,341	176,700
U.S. Treasury notes	1,693,572	2,246,800
Exchange traded fund - emerging market equities	771,782	630,564
	<u>\$ 28,950,768</u>	<u>\$ 27,600,775</u>

Investment income for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 is as follows:

	2012	2011
Interest and dividends	\$ 679,827	\$ 1,229,525
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	1,954,856	(427,023)
Investment fees	(109,514)	(119,537)
	<u>\$ 2,525,169</u>	<u>\$ 682,965</u>

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The Grand Chapter's Finance Committee has the sole discretion as to the investment and reinvestment of assets based on the following guidelines established by the Grand Chapter's Constitution and Laws:

- At least fifteen percent (15%) of the funds available must be in:
 - Cash and/or bank accounts.
 - Obligations of the United States or those for the payment of which the faith of the United States is pledged.
 - Obligations of the State of California and its political subdivisions.
 - Such evidence of corporate indebtedness as is rated "A" or better by Standard and Poors Corporation or Moody's Investors Service. Qualified investment funds limited to short-term United States Government Securities, bank certificates of deposit, banker's acceptances commercial paper, repurchase agreements, and comparable securities.
 - Savings accounts in investment certificates issued by Federal Chartered Banks insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
- Up to ten percent (10%) may be invested in:
 - Other evidence of indebtedness, which are or will be fully listed and registered on an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a National Securities Exchange.
 - Preferred Stocks, which are or will be fully listed and registered on an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a National Securities Exchange.
- Up to seventy-five percent (75%) may be invested in:
 - Common stocks, which must be fully listed and registered on an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a National Securities Exchange.
 - Shares of investment trusts.
 - Mutual funds.

Note 5 – Fair value measurements:

The Grand Chapter values its financial assets and liabilities based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In order to increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs used to measure fair value into three broad levels, which are described below:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical assets or liabilities. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1 inputs.

Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in inactive markets; or model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data.

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Level 3: Unobservable inputs are used when little or no market data is available. The fair value hierarchy gives the lowest priority to Level 3 inputs.

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis at September 30, 2012 are as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds:				
Short-term bonds	\$ 6,643,752	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,643,752
World allocation bonds	11,724,559	-	-	11,724,559
Global fixed income	3,535,692	-	-	3,535,692
Gold trust	1,890,446	-	-	1,890,446
Equities	736,307	-	-	736,307
Fannie Mae bonds	-	1,341,317	-	1,341,317
Freddie Mac bonds	-	613,341	-	613,341
U.S. Treasury notes	-	1,693,572	-	1,693,572
Exchange traded fund - emerging market equities	771,782	-	-	771,782
Totals	<u>\$ 25,302,538</u>	<u>\$ 3,648,230</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 28,950,768</u>

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis at September 30, 2011 are as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds:				
Short-term bonds	\$ 6,933,866	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,933,866
World allocation bonds	10,600,862	-	-	10,600,862
Global fixed income	3,215,521	-	-	3,215,521
Gold trust	1,738,344	-	-	1,738,344
Equities	770,491	-	-	770,491
Fannie Mae bonds	-	1,287,627	-	1,287,627
Freddie Mac bonds	-	176,700	-	176,700
U.S. Treasury notes	-	2,246,800	-	2,246,800
Exchange traded fund - emerging market equities	630,564	-	-	630,564
Totals	<u>\$ 23,889,648</u>	<u>\$ 3,711,127</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 27,600,775</u>

Valuations of mutual funds and equities are obtained from real-time quotes for transactions in active exchange markets involving identical assets. Fixed income, bond and treasury note investments are valued based on the income approach. For the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, there have been no changes in the valuation methodologies.

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The preceding methods may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Grand Chapter believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Note 6 – Related party transactions:

The Grand Chapter received \$241,486 and \$243,716 from the Home and \$182,671 and \$184,273 from California Eastern Star Foundation (the "Foundation") for administrative services for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The Grand Chapter also leases office space from the Home (see Note 9). For the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Grand Chapter incurred \$38,249 and \$38,248, respectively, of rental expense from the Home. At September 30, 2012 and 2011, \$13,595 and \$3,782, respectively, is due from the Foundation. At September 30, 2012, \$18,090 is due from the Home and at September 30, 2011, \$11,783 is due to the Home.

Note 7 – Net assets:

Net assets are comprised of the following at September 30, 2012:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Unrestricted	\$ 579,409	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 579,409
Subsequent programs	-	148,712	-	148,712
Endowment - support of Eastern Star Homes	-	8,961,747	-	8,961,747
Endowment fund	-	-	23,366,161	23,366,161
Totals	\$ 579,409	\$ 9,110,459	\$ 23,366,161	\$ 33,056,029

Net assets are comprised of the following at September 30, 2011:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Unrestricted	\$ 428,077	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 428,077
Subsequent programs	-	348,709	-	348,709
Endowment - support of Eastern Star Homes	-	7,737,639	-	7,737,639
Endowment fund	-	-	22,996,418	22,996,418
Totals	\$ 428,077	\$ 8,086,348	\$ 22,996,418	\$ 31,510,843

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Note 8 – Endowments:

The Grand Chapter's endowment include donor-restricted funds. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Grand Chapter has interpreted the State of California Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA") as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Grand Chapter classifies as permanently restricted net assets: (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Grand Chapter in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Grand Chapter considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds: (1) the duration and preservation of the various funds, (2) the purposes of the Grand Chapter and donor-restricted endowment funds, (3) general economic conditions, (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation, (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments, (6) other resources of the Grand Chapter, and (7) the Grand Chapter's investment policies.

Investment Return Objectives, Risk Parameters and Strategies. The Grand Chapter's Finance Committee has the sole discretion as to the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the fund based on the guidelines described in Note 3.

The primary investment objective of these accounts is capital preservation. Actual returns in any given year may vary. Investment risk is measured in terms of the total endowment fund; investment assets and allocation between asset classes and strategies are managed to not expose the fund to unacceptable levels of risk.

Spending policy. The Grand Chapter has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year up to 7% of its endowment fund's average fair value of the prior three years through the fiscal year-end preceding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Grand Chapter considered the long-term expected return on its investment assets, the nature and duration of the individual endowment funds, many of which must be maintained in perpetuity because of donor-restrictions, and the possible effects of inflation.

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Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30, 2012 is as follows:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ 8,961,747	\$ 23,366,161	\$ 32,327,908

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30, 2011 is as follows:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ -	\$ 7,737,639	\$ 22,996,418	\$ 30,734,057

The following table summarizes the activity affecting endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2012:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 7,737,639	\$ 22,996,418	\$ 30,734,057
Contributions	-	1,286,856	369,743	1,656,599
Investment income	-	568,415	-	568,415
Net appreciation	-	1,954,856	-	1,954,856
Appropriated for support of Eastern Star Homes of California	-	(2,525,000)	-	(2,525,000)
Other amounts appropriated for expenditure	-	(61,019)	-	(61,019)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$ -	\$ 8,961,747	\$ 23,366,161	\$ 32,327,908

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The following table summarizes the activity affecting endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2011:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ -	\$ 9,259,018	\$ 22,870,791	\$ 32,129,809
Contributions	-	391,449	125,627	517,076
Investment income	-	1,105,809	-	1,105,809
Net depreciation	-	(427,023)	-	(427,023)
Appropriated for support of Eastern Star Homes of California	-	(2,575,000)	-	(2,575,000)
Other amounts appropriated for expenditure	-	(16,614)	-	(16,614)
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,737,639</u>	<u>\$ 22,996,418</u>	<u>\$ 30,734,057</u>

As of September 30, 2012 and 2011, there were no deficiencies of donor-restricted endowment funds.

Note 9 – Operating leases:

The Grand Chapter leases office space under an operating lease from the Home expiring June 2014. The future minimum lease payments to be paid under the noncancelable leases are as follows:

<u>Year ending September 30,</u>	
2013	\$ 41,940
2014	<u>31,455</u>
	<u>\$ 73,395</u>

Note 10 – Employee benefit plan:

The Grand Chapter maintains a Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees Individual Retirement Account ("SIMPLE IRA") plan covering substantially all employees. The Grand Chapter contributes 2% of employee's salaries, up to allowable limits, and for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, contributions totaled \$8,758 and \$8,502, respectively.

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Note 11 – California chapters:

At September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Grand Chapter had 174 and 178 active California chapters, respectively, which are responsible for their own fundraising, revenues and expenses. Each individual California chapter's books are not consolidated into the Grand Chapter's books. As of September 30, 2012 and 2011, the unaudited cash and investments, revenues and expenses of these chapters consisted of the following:

	2012	2011
Cash and investments	\$ 19,527,040	\$ 18,788,016
Revenues	2,184,839	1,626,184
Expenses	1,305,993	952,976

Note 12 – Nonconsolidated affiliate:

The accompanying financial statements of the Grand Chapter do not include the financial statements of the Home. As a result of the Grand Chapter's economic interest in the Home, via the endowment fund, and the Grand Chapter's ability to elect individuals to the Home's Board of Trustees, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the Homes should be consolidated in the Grand Chapter's financial statements. Selected summary information relating to the audited financial statements of the Home as of September 30, 2012 and 2011 is as follows:

Included in total liabilities in the above schedule is an obligation to provide care for the residents of the Home for the rest of their lives, totaling \$15,126,658 and \$11,974,145 at September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, which is expected to be funded through social security payments to the residents and the Grand Chapter's endowment fund.

	2012	2011
Total assets	\$ 8,469,439	\$ 8,957,610
Total liabilities	15,376,320	12,278,114
Total net deficit	(6,906,881)	(3,320,504)
Total support and revenue	3,872,950	3,875,830
Change in net assets	(3,586,377)	997,233

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Financial Statements
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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Trustees
Eastern Star Homes of California

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Eastern Star Homes of California as of September 30, 2012, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of Eastern Star Homes of California as of September 30, 2011 and for the year then ended, were audited by other auditors whose report dated January 27, 2012, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the 2012 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Eastern Star Homes of California as of September 30, 2012, and the changes in its net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

CohnReznick LLP

Los Angeles, California
January 30, 2013

Eastern Star Homes of California
Statements of Financial Position
September 30, 2012 and 2011

<u>Assets</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 375,025	\$ 425,880
Other receivables	24,343	18,154
Due from affiliated organization:		
Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star	-	11,783
Prepaid expenses and other	79,338	236,239
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>7,990,733</u>	<u>8,265,554</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 8,469,439</u>	<u>\$ 8,957,610</u>
 <u>Liabilities and Net Deficit</u>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 231,572	\$ 303,969
Due to affiliated organization:		
Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star	18,090	-
Obligation to provide future services	<u>15,126,658</u>	<u>11,974,145</u>
Total liabilities	15,376,320	12,278,114
Net deficit:		
Unrestricted	<u>(6,906,881)</u>	<u>(3,320,504)</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 8,469,439</u>	<u>\$ 8,957,610</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Statements of Activities
Years Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

	Unrestricted	
	2012	2011
Support, revenue and gains		
Contributions:		
Per capita - Grand Chapter	\$ 41,466	\$ 44,508
Residents' contributions after admission	982,197	919,647
Donations	26,527	37,534
Net transfers from Grand Chapter		
Endowment Fund	2,525,000	2,575,000
Rental income	283,205	282,392
Other miscellaneous revenue	14,555	16,749
Total support, revenues and gains	<u>3,872,950</u>	<u>3,875,830</u>
Expenses		
Program services:		
Elderly care	3,640,279	3,702,085
Support services:		
Management and general	450,839	461,098
Rental property	198,630	200,062
Fundraising	17,066	19,730
Total expenses	<u>4,306,814</u>	<u>4,382,975</u>
Decrease in net assets before obligation to provide future services	(433,864)	(507,145)
(Increase) decrease in obligation to provide future services	<u>(3,152,513)</u>	<u>1,504,378</u>
Change in net assets	(3,586,377)	997,233
Net deficit at beginning of year	<u>(3,320,504)</u>	<u>(4,317,737)</u>
Net deficit at end of year	<u>\$ (6,906,881)</u>	<u>\$ (3,320,504)</u>

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Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended September 30, 2012

	Program Services		Supporting Services			Total Support Services	Total
	Elderly Care	Management and General	Rental Property	Fundraising			
Compensation and related expenses:							
Salaries and wages	\$ 1,065,376	\$ 118,375	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 118,375	\$ 1,183,751	
Employee benefits	170,907	18,990	-	-	18,990	189,897	
Payroll taxes	89,343	9,927	-	-	9,927	99,270	
Other employee expenses	27,070	3,008	-	-	3,008	30,078	
Professional and consultant fees	3,815	30,524	3,816	-	34,340	38,155	
Administration fee	48,297	181,115	12,074	-	193,189	241,486	
Insurance:							
Property and liability	107,549	-	26,887	-	26,887	134,436	
Workers' compensation	131,413	-	14,601	-	14,601	146,014	
Occupancy:							
Electricity	127,736	-	14,193	-	14,193	141,929	
Gas	39,384	-	4,376	-	4,376	43,760	
Water and sewer	41,367	-	4,596	-	4,596	45,963	
Depreciation	288,193	-	76,666	-	76,666	364,859	
Minor equipment and other supplies	46,104	9,221	6,147	-	15,368	61,472	
Equipment rental and maintenance	95,926	19,185	12,790	-	31,975	127,901	
Telephone	14,732	-	-	-	-	14,732	
Licenses and taxes	37,784	5,038	7,557	-	12,595	50,379	
Member assistance - Outreach	357,043	-	-	-	-	357,043	
Resident activities	16,609	-	-	-	-	16,609	
Resident allowances	72,679	-	-	-	-	72,679	
Resident admission expenses	10,944	-	-	-	-	10,944	
Holiday gifts - residents	6,686	-	-	-	-	6,686	
Contract labor and food services	709,788	22,390	14,927	-	37,317	747,105	
Board member expenses	3,550	14,198	-	-	14,198	17,748	
Hospitalization/medical supplies	109,118	-	-	-	-	109,118	
Dues and subscriptions	5,598	5,598	-	-	5,598	11,196	
Other purchased services	3,550	3,551	-	-	3,551	7,101	
Publications	9,718	9,719	-	-	9,719	19,437	
Fundraising	-	-	-	17,066	17,066	17,066	
Total expenses	\$ 3,640,279	\$ 450,839	\$ 198,630	\$ 17,066	\$ 666,535	\$ 4,306,814	

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Eastern Star Homes of California
Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended September 30, 2011

	Program Services		Supporting Services		Total Support Services	Total
	Elderly Care	Management and General	Rental Property	Fundraising		
Compensation and related expenses:						
Salaries and wages	\$ 1,005,549	\$ 111,728	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 111,728	\$ 1,117,277
Employee benefits	198,785	22,087	-	-	22,087	220,872
Payroll taxes	78,463	8,718	-	-	8,718	87,181
Other employee expenses	28,935	3,215	-	-	3,215	32,150
Professional and consultant fees	2,644	21,150	2,644	-	23,794	26,438
Administration fee	48,743	182,787	12,186	-	194,973	243,716
Insurance:						
Property and liability	106,431	-	26,608	-	26,608	133,039
Workers' compensation	86,542	-	9,616	-	9,616	96,158
Occupancy:						
Electricity	132,108	-	14,679	-	14,679	146,787
Gas	49,068	-	5,452	-	5,452	54,520
Water and sewer	35,710	-	3,968	-	3,968	39,678
Depreciation	301,859	-	75,465	-	75,465	377,324
Minor equipment and other supplies	94,697	18,939	12,626	-	31,565	126,262
Equipment rental and maintenance	110,182	22,037	14,691	-	36,728	146,910
Telephone	13,507	-	-	-	-	13,507
Licenses and taxes	33,630	4,484	6,726	-	11,210	44,840
Member assistance - Outreach	409,891	-	-	-	-	409,891
Resident activities	17,473	-	-	-	-	17,473
Resident allowances	73,907	-	-	-	-	73,907
Resident admission expenses	25,630	-	-	-	-	25,630
Holiday gifts - residents	5,022	-	-	-	-	5,022
Contract labor and food services	733,361	23,102	15,401	-	38,503	771,864
Board member expenses	3,365	13,460	-	-	13,460	16,825
Hospitalization/medical supplies	77,195	-	-	-	-	77,195
Dues and subscriptions	6,562	6,563	-	-	6,563	13,125
Other purchased services	4,215	4,216	-	-	4,216	8,431
Publications	18,611	18,612	-	-	18,612	37,223
Fundraising	-	-	-	19,730	19,730	19,730
Total expenses	\$ 3,702,085	\$ 461,098	\$ 200,062	\$ 19,730	\$ 680,890	\$ 4,382,975

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Eastern Star Homes of California
Statements of Cash Flows
Years Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

	2012	2011
Operating activities:		
Contributions received	\$ 1,008,724	\$ 957,181
Due from/to Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star	41,466	44,508
Transfers received from Endowment fund	2,525,000	2,575,000
Rental income received from medical office space	283,205	300,425
Miscellaneous income received	14,555	16,749
Administrative and operating expenses paid	<u>(3,833,767)</u>	<u>(3,932,866)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>39,183</u>	<u>(39,003)</u>
Investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	<u>(90,038)</u>	<u>(28,058)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(90,038)</u>	<u>(28,058)</u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(50,855)	(67,061)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>425,880</u>	<u>492,941</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u><u>\$ 375,025</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 425,880</u></u>
Reconciliation of change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ (3,586,377)	\$ 997,233
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	364,859	377,324
Increase (decrease) in obligation to provide future services	3,152,513	(1,504,378)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Other receivables	(6,189)	18,033
Due from/to Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star	29,873	16,502
Prepaid expenses and other	156,901	(81,430)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u>(72,397)</u>	<u>137,713</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u><u>\$ 39,183</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (39,003)</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Eastern Star Homes of California

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Note 1 – Description of organization:

Eastern Star Homes of California (the "Home") is a nonprofit corporation organized for the purpose of operating a home, operating under the name "Senior Living Community", for the care of aged members of the Order of the Eastern Star. Residents are affiliated members in good standing for at least five years, as described in the Constitution and Laws, who are at least sixty-five years of age. Upon admission to the Home, residents contribute their assets to the Endowment Fund (the "Endowment Fund") of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star (the "Grand Chapter").

The Home also operates a medical office rental facility under the name "Eastern Star Professional Plaza."

Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies:

Basis of accounting:

The financial statements of the Home have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Financial statement presentation:

The Home is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets, which are described as follows:

Unrestricted - Net assets that are not subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net assets may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Board.

Temporarily restricted - Net assets whose use by the Home are subject to either explicit donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law that can be fulfilled by actions of the Home or that expire by the passage of time.

Permanently restricted - Net assets subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Home and stipulate the use of income and/or appreciation as temporarily restricted based on donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law.

At September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Home does not have any temporarily or permanently restricted net assets.

Contributions:

Contributions received, including unconditional promises to give, are recorded as revenues in the period received at their fair value. Contributions from residents after admission consist primarily of social security and retirement payments to the residents.

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For financial reporting purposes, the Home distinguishes between contributions of unrestricted assets, temporarily restricted assets and permanently restricted assets. Contributions for which donors have imposed restrictions limiting the use of the donated assets are reported as restricted support. When such donor-imposed restrictions are met, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions of assets which donors have stipulated must be maintained permanently, with only the income earned thereon available for current use, are classified as permanently restricted net assets. Contributions for which donors have not stipulated restrictions are reported as unrestricted support.

Unconditional promises to give, with payments due in future periods, are reported as restricted support. Gifts of land, buildings and equipment are reported as unrestricted support unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Absent explicit donor stipulation, the Home reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

Promises to give, which depend on the occurrence of a specified future and uncertain event to bind the promiser, are recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met, that is, when the conditional promise becomes unconditional.

Donated goods, facilities and services:

Donated noncash assets, such as use of facilities and goods, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. Contributions of donated services that create or enhance non-financial assets, or that require specialized skills (which include accounting and legal services), are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased, if not provided by donation, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. The Home receives a significant amount of donated services from unpaid volunteers who assist in resident activities. No donated services have been recognized in the statements of activities because the criteria for recognition is not satisfied.

Functional allocation of expenses:

The costs of providing various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity at date of purchase of three months or less.

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Property and equipment:

Property and equipment are stated at cost if purchased or fair value on the date of donation. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally ranging from two to thirty years. Expenditures for major renewals and improvements that extend the useful lives of property and equipment are capitalized. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

Income taxes:

The Home is a not-for-profit organization exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") and Section 23701(d) of the Revenue Taxation Code of California and is a publicly supported organization as described in Section 509(a) of the IRC.

The Home has no unrecognized tax benefits at September 30, 2012 or 2011. The Home's Federal and state income tax returns prior to the 2009 and 2008 fiscal years, respectively, are closed and management continually evaluates expiring statutes of limitations, audits, proposed settlements, changes in tax law and new authoritative rulings.

If applicable, the Home recognizes interest and penalties associated with tax matters as part of income tax expense and includes accrued interest and penalties with accrued expenses in the statements of financial position.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Concentrations:

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Home to concentrations of credit risk, consist primarily of cash deposits and money market funds at financial institutions. The Home maintains its cash and cash equivalents with high-credit quality financial institutions. At times, such amounts may exceed Federally insured limits.

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Endowment fund:

The Home is the income beneficiary of an Endowment Fund maintained by the Grand Chapter. Net investment income is transferred to the Home to the extent that funds are needed for operations. Additional funds as necessary for the maintenance and operation of the Home are transferred from the temporarily restricted portion of the Endowment Fund. Support from the Endowment Fund for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 was \$2,525,000 and \$2,575,000, respectively.

Reclassifications:

Certain amounts in the 2011 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2012 presentation.

Subsequent events:

The Home has evaluated the impact of subsequent events through January 30, 2013, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 – Property and equipment:

At September 30, 2012 and 2011, property and equipment consisted of the following:

	2012	2011
Land	\$ 2,738,904	\$ 2,738,904
Buildings	8,422,881	8,422,881
Building improvements	1,129,272	1,047,521
Computer equipment and software	27,906	31,429
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	491,227	484,165
Automobiles	189,195	193,195
	12,999,385	12,918,095
Less accumulated depreciation	5,008,652	4,652,541
	<u>\$ 7,990,733</u>	<u>\$ 8,265,554</u>

The Home's property also includes office facilities that are leased to the Grand Chapter and various other medical offices (see Note 8).

Note 4 – Obligation to provide future services:

Applicants for admission to the Home are required to make a contribution of their assets to the Endowment Fund. In exchange for this contribution, the Home agrees to care for the residents for the remainder of their lives.

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The Home has recorded a liability for its obligation to provide care for the residents for the remainder of their lives. The obligation is calculated by estimating the cost of providing care and the use of the facilities over the remaining lives of the residents less estimated cash revenue before any realized gains from the Endowment Fund or proceeds on future property sales. The excess of projected expenses over revenues has been estimated to increase at 2.34% and 1.08% annually as of September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, representing inflation. The resulting liability has been discounted by 5% to reflect net present value. This liability amounted to \$15,126,658 and \$11,974,145 at September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The change in obligation from year to year is shown on the statements of activities.

Eastern Star Homes of California is licensed to operate a seventy-six bed continuing care home. Any shortfall in future operating cash flow is obligated to be met by the Endowment Fund.

Note 5 – Cash reserves:

The Grand Chapter's Constitution and Laws require that the operating cash balance of the Home is to be limited to \$250,000 plus appropriations. Excess amounts are to be transferred to the unrestricted Endowment Fund for the future use of the Home, to be maintained by the Grand Chapter. Any shortfall in future operating cash flow is obligated to be met by the Endowment Fund. At September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Home has operating cash balances of \$221,168 and \$238,273, respectively.

Note 6 – Related party transactions:

The Home incurred \$241,486 and \$243,716 administrative expense charges during the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, for services provided by the Grand Chapter. The Home also leases office space to the Grand Chapter (see Note 8). For the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Home earned \$38,249 and \$38,248, respectively, of rental income from the Grand Chapter. At September 30, 2012, \$18,090 is due to Grand Chapter and at September 30, 2011, \$11,783 is due from Grand Chapter.

Note 7 – Continuing care reserve requirement:

The State of California Health and Safety Code requires continuing care retirement communities to report on the adequacy of certain reserve requirements. The Home's required statutory reserve requirement at September 30, 2012 and 2011 was \$809,991 and \$823,079, respectively. The Home had a surplus of qualifying assets over the required reserve amount of \$8,526,781 and \$7,340,440 at September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

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Note 8 – Operating leases – rental income:

The Home leases office space under an operating lease to the Grand Chapter expiring June 2014. In addition, the Home leases various medical offices under operating leases expiring through September 2017. The future minimum lease payments to be received under the noncancelable leases are as follows:

<u>Year ending September 30,</u>	<u>Related party</u>	<u>Non-related party</u>	<u>Total</u>
2013	\$ 41,940	\$ 234,754	\$ 276,694
2014	31,455	205,074	236,529
2015	-	162,846	162,846
2016	-	58,318	58,318
2017	-	45,519	45,519
	<u>\$ 73,395</u>	<u>\$ 706,511</u>	<u>\$ 779,906</u>

California Eastern Star Foundation

**Financial Statements
and Independent Auditors' Report**

September 30, 2012 and 2011

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors
California Eastern Star Foundation

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of the California Eastern Star Foundation (the "Foundation") as of September 30, 2012, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of California Eastern Star Foundation as of September 30, 2011 and for the year then ended, were audited by other auditors whose report dated January 27, 2012, expressed an unqualified opinion on these financial statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the 2012 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of California Eastern Star Foundation as of September 30, 2012, and the changes in its net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

CohnReznick LLP

Los Angeles, California
January 30, 2013

California Eastern Star Foundation
Statements of Financial Position
September 30, 2012 and 2011

<u>Assets</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 552,556	\$ 358,582
Prepaid expenses and other	3,980	3,980
Investments	<u>7,071,676</u>	<u>6,829,687</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 7,628,212</u>	<u>\$ 7,192,249</u>
 <u>Liabilities and Net Assets</u>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 2,117	\$ 20,808
Grants payable	94,593	22,115
Due to affiliated organization:		
Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star	<u>13,595</u>	<u>3,782</u>
Total liabilities	<u>110,305</u>	<u>46,705</u>
Net assets:		
Unrestricted	(14,373)	(34,280)
Temporarily restricted	6,480,026	6,127,570
Permanently restricted	<u>1,052,254</u>	<u>1,052,254</u>
Total net assets	<u>7,517,907</u>	<u>7,145,544</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 7,628,212</u>	<u>\$ 7,192,249</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**Statement of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2012**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Support and revenue:				
Donations	\$ 118	\$ 243,023	\$ -	\$ 243,141
Members' dues	-	11,403	-	11,403
Investment income	19,803	624,108	-	643,911
Subtotal - support and revenue	19,921	878,534	-	898,455
Net assets released from restrictions	526,078	(526,078)	-	-
Total support and revenue	545,999	352,456	-	898,455
Expenses:				
Program services:				
Member assistance	189,964	-	-	189,964
Humanitarian assistance	177,664	-	-	177,664
Support services:				
Management and general	158,464	-	-	158,464
Total expenses	526,092	-	-	526,092
Change in net assets	19,907	352,456	-	372,363
Net assets (deficit), beginning of year	(34,280)	6,127,570	1,052,254	7,145,544
Net assets (deficit), end of year	\$ (14,373)	\$ 6,480,026	\$ 1,052,254	\$ 7,517,907

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**Statement of Activities
Year Ended September 30, 2011**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Support and revenue:				
Donations	\$ 1,865	\$ 102,569	\$ -	\$ 104,434
Members' dues	-	12,239	-	12,239
Investment income	3,900	177,506	-	181,406
Subtotal - support and revenue	5,765	292,314	-	298,079
Net assets released from restrictions	464,708	(464,708)	-	-
Total support and revenue	470,473	(172,394)	-	298,079
Expenses:				
Program services:				
Member assistance	203,528	-	-	203,528
Humanitarian assistance	108,057	-	-	108,057
Support services:				
Management and general	162,350	-	-	162,350
Total expenses	473,935	-	-	473,935
Change in net assets	(3,462)	(172,394)	-	(175,856)
Net assets (deficit), beginning of year	(30,818)	6,299,964	1,052,254	7,321,400
Net assets (deficit), end of year	<u>\$ (34,280)</u>	<u>\$ 6,127,570</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,254</u>	<u>\$ 7,145,544</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

California Eastern Star Foundation
Statements of Functional Expenses
Years Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

2012	Program Services		Total Program Services	Support Services	Total
	Member Assistance	Humanitarian Assistance		Management and General	
Administration fees	\$ 18,267	\$ 18,267	\$ 36,534	\$ 146,137	\$ 182,671
Assistance to members	171,697	-	171,697	-	171,697
Committee	-	3,234	3,234	-	3,234
Professional and consulting	-	-	-	11,471	11,471
Grants, awards and donations	-	156,163	156,163	-	156,163
Other	-	-	-	856	856
Total expenses	\$ 189,964	\$ 177,664	\$ 367,628	\$ 158,464	\$ 526,092

2011	Program Services		Total Program Services	Support Services	Total
	Member Assistance	Humanitarian Assistance		Management and General	
Administration fees	\$ 18,427	\$ 18,427	\$ 36,854	\$ 147,419	\$ 184,273
Assistance to members	185,101	-	185,101	-	185,101
Committee	-	11,063	11,063	-	11,063
Professional and consulting	-	-	-	11,471	11,471
Grants, awards and donations	-	78,567	78,567	-	78,567
Other	-	-	-	3,460	3,460
Total expenses	\$ 203,528	\$ 108,057	\$ 311,585	\$ 162,350	\$ 473,935

See Notes to Financial Statements.

California Eastern Star Foundation
Statements of Cash Flows
Years Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 372,363	\$ (175,856)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Realized and unrealized gains on investments	(384,411)	(99,958)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses and other	-	(778)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(18,691)	18,477
Grant payable	72,478	-
Due to Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star	9,813	1,422
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>51,552</u>	<u>(256,693)</u>
Investing activities:		
Proceeds from sale of investments	1,077,702	903,493
Purchase of investments	<u>(935,280)</u>	<u>(500,978)</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>142,422</u>	<u>402,515</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	193,974	145,822
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>358,582</u>	<u>212,760</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 552,556</u>	<u>\$ 358,582</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

California Eastern Star Foundation

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1 – Description of organization:

California Eastern Star Foundation (the "Foundation") is a California not-for-profit corporation organized to receive gifts, bequests and contributions for the furtherance of educational, charitable and scientific purposes. The Foundation was organized in September 1997 at the direction of the members of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star (the "Grand Chapter").

Note 2 – Business and summary of significant accounting policies:

Basis of accounting:

The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Financial statement presentation:

The Foundation is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets, which are described as follows:

Unrestricted - Net assets that are not subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net assets may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Board.

Temporarily restricted - Net assets whose use by the Foundation is subject to either explicit donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law that can be fulfilled by actions of the Foundation or that expire by the passage of time.

Permanently restricted - Net assets subject to explicit donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Foundation and stipulate the use of income and/or appreciation as temporarily restricted based on donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law.

Contributions:

Contributions received, including unconditional promises to give, are recorded as revenues in the period received at their fair value.

For financial reporting purposes, the Foundation distinguishes between contributions of unrestricted assets, temporarily restricted assets and permanently restricted assets. Contributions for which donors have imposed restrictions limiting the use of the donated assets are reported as restricted support. When such donor-imposed restrictions are met, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions of assets which donors have stipulated must be maintained permanently, with only the income earned thereon available for current use, are classified as permanently restricted net assets. Contributions for which donors have not stipulated restrictions are reported as unrestricted support.

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Unconditional promises to give, with payments due in future periods, are reported as restricted support. Gifts of land, buildings and equipment are reported as unrestricted support unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Absent explicit donor stipulation, the Foundation reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

Promises to give, which depend on the occurrence of a specified future and uncertain event to bind the promiser, shall be recognized when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met, that is, when the conditional promise becomes unconditional.

Donated goods, facilities and services:

Donated noncash assets, such as use of facilities and goods, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. Contributions of donated services that create or enhance non-financial assets, or that require specialized skills (which include accounting and legal services), are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased, if not provided by donation, are recorded at their fair values in the period received. The Foundation receives a significant amount of donated services from unpaid volunteers who assist in member activities. No donated services have been recognized in the statements of activities because the criteria for recognition is not satisfied.

Functional allocation of expenses:

The costs of providing various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity at date of purchase of three months or less.

Investments:

Investments are reported at their fair values in the statements of financial position. Changes in fair value that occur during a fiscal year are recognized as investment income reported for that fiscal year. Investment income includes interest and dividend earnings, changes in fair value, and any gains or losses realized upon liquidation, maturity, or sale of investments, net of any investment fees.

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Income taxes:

The Foundation is a not-for-profit organization exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") and Section 23701(d) of the Revenue Taxation Code of California and is a publicly supported organization as described in Section 509(a) of the IRC.

The Foundation has no unrecognized tax benefits at September 30, 2012 or 2011. The Foundation's U.S. Federal and state income tax returns prior to the 2009 and 2008 fiscal years, respectively, are closed and management continually evaluates expiring statutes of limitations, audits, proposed settlements, changes in tax law and new authoritative rulings.

If applicable, the Foundation recognizes interest and penalties associated with tax matters as part of income tax expense and includes accrued interest and penalties with accrued expenses in the statement of financial position.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Grant expenditures:

Grant expenditures are recognized in the period the grant is made, provided the grant is not subject to significant future conditions. Conditional grants are recognized as grant expense and as a grant payable in the period which the grantee meets the terms of the conditions. Grants payable that are expected to be paid in future years are recorded at present value of expected future payments.

Concentrations:

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Foundation to concentrations of credit risk, consist primarily of cash deposits and money market funds at financial institutions. The Foundation maintains its cash and cash equivalents with high-credit quality financial institutions. At times, such amounts may exceed Federally insured limits.

The Foundation's investments are subject to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility risks. Further, because of the significance of the investments to the Foundation's financial position and the level of risk inherent in most investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of these investments could occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. Management is of the opinion that the diversification of its invested assets among the various asset classes should mitigate the impact of changes.

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Reclassifications:

Certain amounts in the 2011 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2012 presentation.

Subsequent events:

The Foundation has evaluated the impact of subsequent events through January 30, 2013, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 – Investments:

At September 30, 2012 and 2011, investments consist of the following:

	2012	2011
Mutual funds:		
Short-term bonds	\$ 1,351,656	\$ 1,437,135
World allocation bonds	2,512,981	2,348,081
Global fixed income	1,075,143	1,017,280
Gold trust	472,698	434,665
Equities	403,593	341,605
Fannie Mae bonds	409,774	423,112
Freddie Mac bonds	217,487	46,295
U.S. Treasury notes	501,792	678,142
Exchange traded fund - emerging market equities	126,522	103,372
	<u>\$ 7,071,646</u>	<u>\$ 6,829,687</u>

Investment income for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 is as follows:

	2012	2011
Interest and dividends	\$ 294,086	\$ 315,694
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	384,411	(99,958)
Investment fees	(34,586)	(34,330)
	<u>\$ 643,911</u>	<u>\$ 181,406</u>

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The Grand Chapter's Finance Committee and the Foundation's Board of Directors have discretion as to the investment and reinvestment of assets based on the following guidelines established by the Grand Chapter's Constitution and Laws:

- At least fifteen percent (15%) of the funds available must be in:
 - Cash and/or bank accounts.
 - Obligations of the United States or those for the payment of which the faith of the United States is pledged.
 - Obligations of the State of California and its political subdivisions.
 - Such evidence of corporate indebtedness as is rated "A" or better by Standard and Poors Corporation or Moody's Investors Service. Qualified investment funds limited to short-term United States Government Securities, bank certificates of deposit, banker's acceptances commercial paper, repurchase agreements, and comparable securities.
 - Savings accounts in investment certificates issued by Federal Chartered Banks insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
- Up to ten percent (10%) may be invested in:
 - Other evidence of indebtedness, which are or will be fully listed and registered on an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a National Securities Exchange.
 - Preferred Stocks, which are or will be fully listed and registered on an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a National Securities Exchange.
- Up to seventy-five percent (75%) may be invested in:
 - Common stocks, which must be fully listed and registered on an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a National Securities Exchange.
 - Shares of investment trusts.
 - Mutual funds.

Note 4 – Fair value measurements:

The Foundation values its financial assets and liabilities based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In order to increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs used to measure fair value into three broad levels, which are described below:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical assets or liabilities. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1 inputs.

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Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in inactive markets; or model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs are used when little or no market data is available.

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis at September 30, 2012 are as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds:				
Short-term bonds	\$ 1,351,656	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,351,656
World allocation bonds	2,512,981	-	-	2,512,981
Global fixed income	1,075,143	-	-	1,075,143
Gold trust	472,698	-	-	472,698
Equities	403,593	-	-	403,593
Fannie Mae bonds	-	409,774	-	409,774
Freddie Mac bonds	-	217,487	-	217,487
U.S. Treasury notes	-	501,792	-	501,792
Exchange traded fund - emerging market equities	126,522	-	-	126,522
Totals	<u>\$ 5,942,593</u>	<u>\$ 1,129,053</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,071,646</u>

Fair values of investments measured on a recurring basis at September 30, 2011 are as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds:				
Short-term bonds	\$ 1,437,135	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,437,135
World allocation bonds	2,348,081	-	-	2,348,081
Global fixed income	1,017,280	-	-	1,017,280
Gold trust	434,665	-	-	434,665
Equities	341,605	-	-	341,605
Fannie Mae bonds	-	423,112	-	423,112
Freddie Mac bonds	-	46,295	-	46,295
U.S. Treasury notes	-	678,142	-	678,142
Exchange traded fund - emerging market equities	103,372	-	-	103,372
Totals	<u>\$ 5,682,138</u>	<u>\$ 1,147,549</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,829,687</u>

Valuations of mutual funds and equities are obtained from real-time quotes for transactions in active exchange markets involving identical assets. Fixed income, bond and treasury note investments are valued based on the income approach. For the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, there have been no changes in the valuation methodologies.

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The preceding methods may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Foundation believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Note 5 – Related party transactions:

The Foundation paid \$182,671 and \$184,273 to the Grand Chapter for administrative services for the years ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. At September 30, 2012 and 2011, \$13,595 and \$3,782, respectively, is due to the Grand Chapter.

Note 6 – Net assets:

Net assets are comprised of the following at September 30, 2012:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Unrestricted	\$ 37,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,725
Benevolent fund	-	462,861	-	462,861
J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer fund	-	4,428,026	-	4,428,026
Marguerite Rennie Memorial fund	-	804,033	615,274	1,419,307
Scholarship fund	-	368,697	270,980	639,677
Eastern Star Patient Comfort Program fund	-	265,935	-	265,935
Gerald P. Cashion fund	(52,098)	79,216	166,000	193,118
Cancer research	-	54,920	-	54,920
Medical research	-	1,169	-	1,169
Heart research	-	15,169	-	15,169
Totals	<u>\$ (14,373)</u>	<u>\$ 6,480,026</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,254</u>	<u>\$ 7,517,907</u>

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Net assets are comprised of the following at September 30, 2011:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Unrestricted	\$ 35,836	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,836
Benevolent fund	-	425,782	-	425,782
J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer fund	-	4,193,747	-	4,193,747
Marguerite Rennie Memorial fund	-	827,157	615,274	1,442,431
Scholarship fund	-	366,866	270,980	637,846
Eastern Star Patient Comfort Program fund	-	242,758	-	242,758
Gerald P. Cashion fund	(70,116)	-	166,000	95,884
Cancer research	-	54,920	-	54,920
Medical research	-	1,169	-	1,169
Heart research	-	15,171	-	15,171
Totals	<u>\$ (34,280)</u>	<u>\$ 6,127,570</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,254</u>	<u>\$ 7,145,544</u>

Note 7 – Endowments:

The Foundation's endowment includes donor-restricted funds. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence of donor-imposed restrictions.

The Foundation has interpreted the State of California Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA") as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classifies as permanently restricted net assets: (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Foundation considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds: (1) the duration and preservation of the various funds, (2) the purposes of the Foundation and donor-restricted endowment funds, (3) general economic conditions, (4) the possible effect of inflation and deflation, (5) the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments, (6) other resources of the Foundation, and (7) the Foundation's investment policies.

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Investment Return Objectives, Risk Parameters and Strategies. The Foundation's Board of Directors has the sole discretion as to the investment and reinvestment of the assets of the fund based on the guidelines described in Note 3.

The primary investment objective of these accounts is capital preservation. Actual returns in any given year may vary. Investment risk is measured in terms of the total endowment fund; investment assets and allocation between asset classes and strategies are managed to not expose the fund to unacceptable levels of risk.

Spending policy. The Foundation has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year up to 7% of its endowment fund's average fair value of the prior three years through the fiscal year-end preceding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. In establishing this policy, the Foundation considered the long-term expected return on its investment assets, the nature and duration of the individual endowment funds, many of which must be maintained in perpetuity because of donor-restrictions, and the possible effects of inflation.

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30, 2012 is as follows:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ (52,098)	\$ 1,251,946	\$ 1,052,254	\$ 2,252,102

Endowment net asset composition by type of fund as of September 30, 2011 is as follows:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Donor-restricted endowment funds	\$ (70,116)	\$ 1,194,023	\$ 1,052,254	\$ 2,176,161

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The following table summarizes the activity affecting endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2012:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ (70,116)	\$ 1,194,023	\$ 1,052,254	\$ 2,176,161
Contributions	-	123,966	-	123,966
Investment income	4,864	63,077	-	67,941
Net appreciation	13,154	57,638	-	70,792
Amounts appropriated for expenditure	-	(186,758)	-	(186,758)
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ (52,098)</u>	<u>\$ 1,251,946</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,254</u>	<u>\$ 2,252,102</u>

The following table summarizes the activity affecting endowment net assets for the year ended September 30, 2011:

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Totals
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$ (67,392)	\$ 1,257,774	\$ 1,052,254	\$ 2,242,636
Contributions	-	53,595	-	53,595
Investment income	4,584	95,773	-	100,357
Net appreciation	(7,308)	(45,644)	-	(52,952)
Amounts appropriated for expenditure	-	(167,475)	-	(167,475)
Endowment net assets, end of year	<u>\$ (70,116)</u>	<u>\$ 1,194,023</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,254</u>	<u>\$ 2,176,161</u>

As of September 30, 2012 and 2011, there were deficiencies of donor-restricted endowment funds in the amount of \$52,098 and \$70,116, respectively.

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