

# "Come to the Ceilidh" Proceedings of The Grand Chapter of Alberta Order of the Eastern Star 110 th Annual Session



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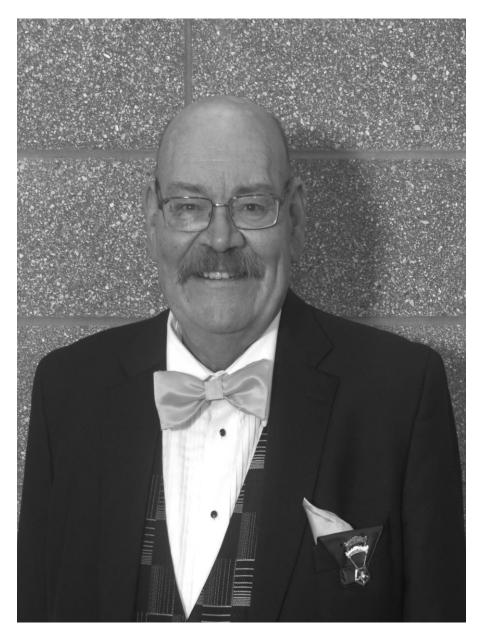




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# "Come to the Ceilidh" Lorna Richmond – Worthy Grand Matron Tim Cameron – Worthy Grand Patron

### **Dedication**

**Worthy Grand Matron** – This year is dedicated to my loving husband Niall for his constant support, patience and guidance. To our family near and far for their encouragement. Thank you to John McKenna of Annan Chapter 262, Scotland, who introduced Niall and I to the "Star Family."

To the Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, especially St. Hilda Chapter No.27, for showing your support and strength during these trying times.

**Worthy Grand Patron –** Simone and I moved from Toronto to Cochrane in late 2010. After getting settled, we naturally wanted to start making connections with people in our new community. The first two couples we had the great opportunity to meet were Allie and Butch Whitbread and Lorel and Duncan Strachan. It was through them that Simone and I were introduced to the Order of the Eastern Star, being initiated together into Zenith Chapter No. 85 during the June 2011 Official Visit.

I had the great opportunity to travel to many Eastern Star events with Butch and Allie over the years. It is through the many miles travelled with them and meeting so many wonderful Brothers and Sisters along the way that my love for the Order grew. Butch was a mentor to me in the Order and it was through his encouragement and unwavering support that I find myself here today.

Therefore, I would like to dedicate my year as Worthy Grand Patron to my friend and brother, Past Grand Patron, Brother Butch Whitebread.

### **Scriptures**

**Worthy Grand Matron** "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto your own understanding." Proverbs: 3:5-6

**Worthy Grand Patron** "The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge." Proverbs: 18:15

### Motto

Worthy Grand Matron "Everything happens for a reason."

Worthy Grand Patron "Let us unite:"

### Watchwords

Worthy Grand Matron Thankful, Grateful, Blessed

Worthy Grand Patron Knowledge, Wisdom

### **Emblems**

Worthy Grand Matron Celtic Cross and Scottish Thistle

Worthy Grand Patron Great Horned Owl

### **Fun Emblems**

Worthy Grand Matron Knitting needles, wool and sheep

Worthy Grand Patron Sugar skulls, Celtic Tree of Wisdom

### Colours

Blue and Silver with lots of tartan

### **Flowers**

Worthy Grand Matron Fuchsia and Peony Roses

Worthy Grand Patron Egyptian Lotus

### Songs

**Worthy Grand Matron** Come in and Sit Down, Flower of Scotland, Scottish Melody, Music Box Dancer, Que Sera, Sera

**Worthy Grand Patron** Nearer My God to Thee, How Great Thou Art, Music Box Dancer, Muppet Theme Song

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# INFORMAL OPENING of the ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH ANNUAL SESSION of the Grand Chapter of Alberta Order of the Eastern Star

Friday, June 3, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Musical Prelude
Noreen Kester (2) Grand Organist
Flory Wilkins (37) Assistant Grand Organist

Call to Order Susan MacArthur, PGM Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

### Bible and Emblem Ceremony Yvonne Roberts, PGM

As we enter into our chapter rooms, we enter a circle of friends whose fellowship strengthens and sustains us and enriches our lives. Whatever our differences may be in age or personality or occupation, here we are essentially the same, united in purpose, held together by our common interest and goals, holding the same beliefs. For we have seen "His Star in the East."

The lessons portrayed in the lives of Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa, the heroines of our Order, are the basis of the good works within and without our chapter room walls. Consider, then, the emblems we place in our chapter room at each meeting. They not only serve to represent the lessons taught to us but should remind us to be living heroines in today's world.

The lesson of Adah is Fidelity. In accepting the challenges of life, we may have to forgo personal desires and wishes to fulfil our duties. We must not make or take commitments lightly; let us be true to our word, mindful of the promises we make. Our Grand Adah, Sis. Shirley Weigelt, presents the emblem of Adah, the Sword and Veil.

The lesson of Ruth is Constancy. As we go through life, let us be honest and helpful, constant in our love and service. There is always a place for friendship and compassion in a world of turmoil. Through little acts of kindness, let us show

that we can be counted on. Our Grand Ruth, Sis. Rhea McMane, presents the emblem of Ruth, the Sheaf.

The lesson of Esther is Loyalty. Daring to risk the consequences in order to do the necessary deed takes courage. Being steadfast in our principles, even standing by our friends, we may have to throw caution to the winds and do the unpopular thing. But let us not be afraid to meet life's demands head on, maintaining our personal integrity and knowing that a goal will be worth it. Our Grand Esther, Sis. Fiona Fowler, presents the emblem of Esther, The Crown and Sceptre united.

The lesson of Martha is Faith. We must live and love each day to the fullest, for we are aware of the uncertainty of life. Yet we know we can be strong in our deepest sorrows if we have trustful faith in God. Let hope and faith become a habit. Our Grand Martha, Sis. Tanya Chisholm, presents the emblem of Martha, the Broken Column.

The lesson of Electa is love. We can really serve mankind by being generous and giving our thoughts, our love and ourselves. We must have listening ears, open arms and understanding hearts if we are to turn strangers into friends. "Let us love one another." Our Grand Electa, Sis. Irene Norton, presents the emblem of Electa, the Cup.

The emblems, placed upon the pedestals, are impressive to be sure. Yet let us remember that they are only the visual symbols of the lessons of our Order. We must look beyond them to ensure that fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love are not just mere words, but are positive actions in our lives.

The Holy Bible, from which our great principles are drawn: It is many things to many people, but may it become to each of us our main source of faith and love, our Worthy Grand Matron's scripture "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto your own understanding." The beauty and power found in our Holy Bible still makes it a source of inspiration and insight. It is placed upon our Altar by Sis. Corinne Skelton, Grand Chaplain.

The lights dimmed and Sis. Susan MacArthur, PGM and Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP, entered the labyrinth with flashlights. They moved stealthily on their way to the East to the music of "Pirates of the Caribbean," hunting for treasures.



### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Bro. Hector, do you recognize this room?

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

I believe that I do. I am glad that it didn't change.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Well, I saw a lot of people that I knew. Did you?

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

I sure did, names might be an issue but I saw faces that I knew.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Well, hopefully everyone remembered to wear their nametags tonight because we are really bad with names after this long.

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

I saw an altar in the centre of the Labyrinth

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Maybe like the Pirates of the Caribbean we have made a discovery, what do you think?

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

I think so too.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Did you have to stop and ask for directions?

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

No, I'm a man; I don't need to ask for directions.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Well, it has been a long time since anyone has seen this place

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

It has been a while for sure.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

It has been three years since the Grand Chapter of Alberta last met and we stood in the Grand East together at our Installation. But I think that we can say:

### Susan MacArthur, PGM and Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP "We're back!"

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Well, isn't this a sight. Look at the distinguished East. So, fancy in their formal wear! it's certainly not a Zoom meeting here because I do not see any pajama bottoms.

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

Look at the Sisters and Brothers we haven't seen in a long time. They all look so excited to be here as we say....:

### Susan MacArthur, PGM and Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP "Welcome to you all"

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

Just for your information, everyone, three raps of the gavel, everyone stands, one rap of the gavel, everyone sits.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Associate Grand Conductress, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Officers and the Members of the Board of General Purposes to enter the Grand Chapter room.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

The Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes assumed their stations.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Visitors: It is indeed my pleasure to welcome you all back to the in-person Informal Opening of the 111th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, the "Come to the Ceilidh" session. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of opening this session for you. I would like to extend a warm Eastern Star welcome to our fraternal and civic leaders as well as our youth representatives and other concordant bodies. We hope that you enjoy your evening.

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

Protocol being established, I would like to add to Sis. Susan's sentiments and thank you all for taking the time and effort to spend this evening with us. It is so nice to see so many friendly faces again, and to renew old friendships and make new ones. Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim, thank you for the honour of asking us to open this session for you. Relax and enjoy to the fullest your weekend in the spotlight, you certainly earned it.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron Sis. Lorna and Worthy Grand Patron Bro. Tim, you had many changes in your planned year but we know that you always had the best interests of our beloved Order first and foremost in your heart. We have proven that we don't always have to do something because we have always done it that way. Congratulations to you both on a job well done. Worthy Grand Matron, at this time it gives me great satisfaction to present you with your gavel.

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Thank you, Sis. Susan and Bro. Hector, for opening the informal opening of the "Come to the Ceilidh" grand session in your own very unique way. The last several years have not be kind to us all, but with the support of good friends we can overcome any and all obstacles that were in our way.

### Tim Cameron, WGP

By facing our challenges and overcoming them, we grow stronger, wiser and more compassionate. Sis. Susan and Bro. Hector, thank you for presiding over tonight's informal opening. Your friendship, support and wise counsel has been much appreciated.

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Yvonne, your dedication and love of our Order has been demonstrated in your moving Bible and Emblem Ceremony. The ceremony was done with such dignity and grace. I believe it is thirty years this weekend since Sis. Yvonne was in the Grand East. Isn't that amazing. At this time, I call upon Sis. Marjorie Neely, PGM, for the Invocation.

### Marjorie Neely, PGM

Heavenly Father, we reverently invoke thy blessings for those assembled here. We ask that you keep them safe and well as they continue their leadership and service. We ask that you be with our Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Lorna, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Tim, and the Grand Family as they perform their

duties. Give them the wisdom, vision and strength to uphold the teachings of our Order.

Let us encourage the enthusiasm of others. May it be our constant aim to maintain the high ideals and principles for which our Order was established. Grant that we may continue to grow in faith, grace and in thy knowledge. We ask that your blessings enrich our Order, that we may continue to labor for the good of our fellow man. All of which we ask in Jesus' name. Amen

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

I would now like to call upon Bro. Howie Canning, PGP, to do the Flag Ceremony.

### Howie Canning, PGP

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Lorna Richmond, for the honour of participating in the Flag Ceremony tonight. Everyone, please give our flags the honour and dignity they have earned.

### The Flag of Canada

Bro. Warren Wright of Mountain View Chapter No. 1 will present the flag of Canada. The flag was presented at the Altar accompanied by the bagpipes played by Bro. Neil McMillan, Associate Grand Patron.

We now present our flag, the symbol of unity and sovereignty; between bars of red on a white background, blazons forth in all of its autumn glory the Canadian Maple Leaf, whose eleven points represent the ten provinces and the territories which comprise our great country.

The red symbolizes the dauntless courage of our forefathers whom we emulate. The white symbolizes the blameless purity of life and conduct to which we aspire. The points the eleven knightly virtues, of which patriotism is the greatest and to which we are dedicated.

This emblem forcefully reminds us that on these moral qualities our great nation was founded, and on their preservation our future greatness depends.

Finally, it inspires in us reverence to Him to whom we ever fervently pray.

God save our Queen and heaven bless the Maple Leaf forever. Long may she wave!

O' Canada was sung and Grand Honours were given to the flag of Canada

### The Flag of the United States of America

Bro. Jesse Carr, PP of Queen Esther Chapter No. 22, will present the flag of the United States of America.

We now present the Stars and Stripes, the flag of the United States of America. Its stripes represent the thirteen original states, its stars the original thirteen states

and the additional thirty-seven states which have been successfully united within the great republic. In its respect for the freedom of the nations throughout the world, the Stars and Stripes blazon forth as a sure pledge of liberty, equality and fraternity in unity of that pledge. Long may it wave!

The Star-Spangled Banner was sung and Grand Honours were given to the flag of the United States of America.

### The Flag of Alberta

Bro. Robert Palmieri, PP of Chinook Chapter No, 133, will present the flag of Alberta.

The Alberta flag was approved by the Alberta Legislative Assembly on June 1, 1968. On a royal ultramarine blue background depicting the colour of rivers and lakes is centred the Alberta Coat of Arms. The cross of St. George at the top shows our British heritage. The blue sky, snow covered mountains, the hills, prairies and grain fields represent the landscape and natural resources of our great province.

### The Flag of the Order of the Eastern Star

Sis. Dawn Drozd, PM of Edmonton No. 19, will present the Eastern Star flag.

The uniqueness, simplicity and purity of the Eastern Star flag are well known and honoured internationally. Centred on a field of white is a five-pointed star. In the centre of the star rests the Altar with the open Bible. On the points of the star are the colours and symbols representing Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love, the teachings of our Order.

A few years ago, a tradition was started to "pay the piper"

Tonight, we are continuing that tradition with one change. We are going to pay the whole band.

Sis. Grand Organist Noreen Kester, PM, please join Bro. Neil and I on the floor to receive your pay. The band was paid, perhaps with less enthusiasm from the Grand Organist!

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Bro. Howie and all who participated ibn the flag ceremony: It is an important component of our evening and you did a beautiful job. I knew when I asked Bro. Howie, the ceremony was in very capable hands. I didn't realize he was even going to pay the piper.

## **Presentation of Distinguished Guests**

The Distinguished Guests were escorted to the West behind Esther's station.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to you all and thank you for attending this evening's session. I hope you will enjoy your time with us.

## Tim Cameron, WGP

Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it. We very much appreciate you taking the time to be with us this evening and extend a heartfelt welcome.

The Distinguished Guests were escorted to the East and seated.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

It is my distinct pleasure to introduce the Mayor of Olds, Judy Dahl. We are so happy to have you here this evening and would invite you to bring greetings on behalf of the town of Olds.

## Judy Dahl – Mayor of the town of Olds, Alberta

Thank you, welcome everyone. Olds is situated on traditional Treaty Seven territory and is home to home to the Metis Nation of Alberta Region Three. We are grateful to the traditional lodge keepers and elders who are still with us today and those that have gone before us. We come together this evening to acknowledge the Informal Opening of your organization, the Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star. Olds community welcomes you with our Olds fashioned hospitality. Your generosity and working together to select Olds to accommodate your annual meeting will give a much-needed boost to the hospitality and retail industry of our community. Your mission to make a positive difference in the world with charitable works, lasting friendships and loving kindness to all mankind means more to the world and our community in these hard times. May your fraternal event keep the ancestral heritage of your values of honesty, dependability, trustworthiness, loyalty, charity, friendship and kindness alive. Olds College provides an energy boost of fresh air with the colourful scenic walk on site for any breaks that you may have during your event. I encourage you to take a stroll throughout the gardens and wetlands. On behalf of the elected officials and the people of Olds, may this gathering of spirit and wisdom within you and all be fruitful towards the future and success of your organization. Thank you for the invitation and opportunity to connect with you, stay safe and continue to share your stories.

I am so delighted to be in Olds. I live just twenty minutes south so this is like home to me. The college has been amazing to work with and I am just so happy to be in Olds. Thank you so much.

It is now my honour and pleasure to introduce Donna Kramer, Supreme Queen of the Supreme Temple, Daughters of the Nile.

# Donna Kramer – Supreme Queen of the Supreme Temple, Daughters of the Nile

Thank you so much, Worthy Grand Matron. It is a great honour and pleasure for me to bring greetings from the Daughters of the Nile – from Al Amira Temple in Edmonton and Sakkara Temple in Calgary, and in fact from all of the Daughters of the Nile all over, to this body. It is such an honour to be here in my home province and to be able to speak to you and to thank you for recognizing us as a member of the Masonic Family. I do hope that the deliberations go well this weekend and that you all have fun being back together for the first time in such a very long time. Thank you.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Perhaps the one thing that Sis. Donna did not mention is that she is one of us too!

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

It is my honour to introduce and welcome Right Worshipful Bro. Chuck Rose, District Deputy Grand Master Phoenix District, to bring greetings on behalf of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta AF&AM.

# Chuck Rose, District Deputy Grand Master Phoenix District, Grand Lodge of Alberta AF&FM

Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Lorna Richmond, and Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Tim Cameron, members and guests. Thank you for that warm reception. On behalf of the 5,400 Freemasons of Alberta, I bring greetings from the Grand Lodge of Alberta and the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. Terence Murray. He would really have enjoyed being here, but his duties called him to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba's Annual Communication.

Your leadership should be commended for the vision of the Eastern Star shining brightly to make a difference in our community, especially the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society. Sis. Lorna, enjoy your Ceilidh. Bro. Tim, keep up the "Let us Unite" message, and after Sunday's Installation ceremony, Associate Grand Matron Sis. Gail Anderson and Associate Grand Patron Bro. Neil McMillan, we wish you all well for the coming year. Thank you again for this wonderful evening.

## Tim Cameron, WGP

It is now my honour to introduce and welcome Most Excellent Companion Jeff Knight, Grand First Principal, to bring greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

# Jeff Knight – Grand First Principal – Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta

Worthy Grand Matron Lorna and Worthy Grand Patron Tim, distinguished guests and members of the Order of the Eastern Star. I bring you my warm fraternal greetings on behalf of myself and the officers of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta and their 22 chapters province-wide. As the Grand First Principal, I can appreciate the desire, dedication and commitment that is required to fulfil your roles at Grand Chapter level and I congratulate you on a successful tenure during some of the most trying times to face our organizations in many years. It looks like you have a great venue set up and a program which is first rate for your Grand Chapter deliberations this weekend and I wish you all the best as you proceed with that important work. Now is the time for recovery and rebuilding of our chapters and I am sure that your incoming Worthy Grand Matron Gail and Worthy Grand Patron Neil on Sunday are able to meet those challenges. All the best to both of you as you embark on your new Grand Chapter journey. I believe it will be the members of our concordant bodies everywhere at all levels that will be the leaders in our communities and provide the beacon, guidance and encouragement necessary to move forward. Thank you for the invitation to bring greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, allowing me to address this Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star. Thank you.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Unfortunately, Bro. Sir Allan Long, Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Alberta, Royal Order of Scotland, was unable to attend this evening do to COVID. However, he and his family are recovering well.

The Royal Order of Scotland is one of the most historic orders within Freemasonry and can trace its regal roots back 700 years to Robert the Bruce. The Order claims the King of Scots as hereditary Grand Master. The Grand Lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland is headquartered in Edinburgh, with 91 subordinate Provincial Grand Lodges globally, membership being an honour extended to Freemasons by invitation.

The Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Sir Karl Stark, has asked me to extend greetings and best wishes for a successful and harmonious Grand Session on behalf of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Alberta, Royal Order of Scotland.

Now I am delighted to introduce and welcome Angela Goguen, Miss Alberta Job's Daughter, and ask her to bring greetings from Job's Daughters International.

Angela Goguen, Miss Alberta Job's Daughter- Job's Daughters International Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you for having us here. I would like to extend to you all fraternal greetings on behalf of the Alberta Job's Daughters as well as the Supreme Bethel. As many of you know, Job's Daughters has had a longstanding presence in Alberta. Some of you may have been Jobies and many of you have taken up a role to support the bethels that may be coinciding with your lodge or chapter. However, for those of you who may not know much about this organization, allow me to give you an introduction.

Job's Daughters is an organization that was created to bring together young girls ages ten to twenty with a Masonic heritage for character building through moral and spiritual development by teaching a greater reverence for God and the Holy Scriptures, loyalty to the flag and country for which it stands and respect for guardians and parents.

Our organization has been named Job's Daughters after the three daughters of Job in the Bible, and was founded upon the 15th verse of the 42nd chapter "In all of the land there were no women found fairer than the daughters of Job and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren." This chapter has an incredibly high place in our members' hearts and I would like to extend a deeper meaning of this statement to our masonic family. Without your continued support our organization would not be as prevalent as it is. Without you we would not be here. Therefore, I would like to extend a heartfelt thankyou to everyone present for the support that you have given to the Daughters in Alberta and I hope that you will continue to support the bethels in the future journeys, wherever that may take them. To the Worthy Grand Matron and her officers, thank you for extending this invitation to us and I look forward to speaking with everyone after.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

It is my pleasure to give a donation to Job's Daughters.

#### **Tim Cameron, WGP**

I am delighted to welcome and introduce Dylan McLean, Provincial Deputy Master Councillor, Alberta DeMolay Association, who will now bring greetings.



# Dylan McLean - Provincial Deputy Master Councilor- Alberta DeMolay Association

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, honoured guests and friends, I bring warm fraternal greetings on behalf of the young men of DeMolay across Alberta. I am the Alberta DeMolay Master Councillor. I would like to start by thanking you for the opportunity to address you here today. Thank you for your invitation to your Grand Chapter. It is my honour to be amongst you.

I am probably not the first to say that it has been a rough two years for the masonic family. And as such uncertain times seem to be ending, now is the time to reflect, rebuild and reconnect with our fellow human beings. During these last few years some of you may not have had the opportunity to visit one of our DeMolay chapters. So, I would like to very briefly explain the foundation of our Order.

DeMolay is a masonic youth organization for young men ages 12 to 21. We are guided by three, being the Holy Bible, the flag of our country and the scholar books, emblematic of our esteem for the public school system. We hold seven cardinal virtues:

- filial love, the love of parents
- reverence for sacred things
- courtesy
- comradeship
- fidelity
- cleanness
- patriotism

We as DeMolay's have a deep love and respect for womanhood. We as DeMolay's hold these ideals in our hearts and use them to guide us to become better men. In terms of the events that we as DeMolay participate in:

We personally participate in social, civic, charitable and fundraising things. Due to our organization being in the masonic family we are have the opportunity as young men to refine our public speaking skills, event planning, organization and overall leadership. Personally, the Order of the DeMolay has done many things for me in my own personal life.

While DeMolay itself was able to get through the COVID pandemic, it has gravely affected chapter visits. DeMolay is a fantastic organization for young men and it would be heartbreaking for our chapters to slowly close their doors. If you don't have a chapter let's get one started. If you know of any young men who are interested in joining our masonic family please send them our way. I will guarantee you that you will not regret it. We are currently located in Calgary, Edmonton and Cold Lake.

In conclusion, I would like to formally invite you all to join us in building DeMolay and other Masonic organizations for years and years to come and help young men like me create lifelong friendships and memories for many years to come. Thank you so much for the invitation.

On behalf of the Grand Chapter I would like to present you with a donation for DeMolay.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

I now call upon Bro. Terry Skelton, PGP and Chair of the OES Foundation, Sis. Lisbeth Booth, PM and Casino chair, and Sis. Susan MacArthur, PGM and Chairperson of Service Dogs.

Bro. Terry Skelton presented George Andrews with a cheque from the Foundation in the amount of \$11,280.96.

Sis. Lisbeth Booth also presented a cheque to George Andrews from Casino funds in the amount of \$5,000.00.

## George Andrews - Alzheimer Society of Alberta and NWT

I want to acknowledge on behalf of all of our people that we serve that we could not do what we do without the support of your organization. There are over 50,000 people in Alberta currently living with a diagnosis of dementia. We work closely with them and their families, and without support from organizations like yourselves we would not be able to do what we do. It is more than just helping people; you inspire hope and you give people dignity. Thank you

Bro. Terry Skelton presented Nicole Dunsdon with a cheque from the Foundation in the amount of \$11,280.96

Sis. Lisbeth Booth also presented a cheque to Nicole Dunsdon from Casino funds in the amount of \$5,000.00.

# Nicole Dunsdon - Marketing and Communications Manager - Caregivers Alberta

It is my honour to bring greetings from Caregivers Alberta to everyone here this evening. We define caregivers as someone who assists a family member or friend with challenges of illness, disability or aging. There are currently over one million unpaid family caregivers in Alberta, which is 25 per cent. It is likely that you or someone that you know is a caregiver. If you hear someone say I am just a wife or just a husband of someone with heart disease, MS, Parkinson's or dementia, just a sister with someone with a brain injury, mental illness or addiction, just a son of aging parents who need help with finances and home maintenance, the parent of a disabled child or even a neighbour who checks on the lady next door. Unfortunately, providing care can come at a huge cost. Family caregivers experience higher levels of stress, anxiety or depression, greater risk of burnout,

difficulty of emotions like grief, anger and guilt, deteriorating physical health, sickness or strained family relationships. Their work life and income can suffer as well and with COVID demands of caregiving. That is where Caregivers Alberta steps in, providing free support to family caregivers. With your help we provide support workshops in 140 Alberta communities, train healthcare professionals to recognize the need of caregivers, and advocate for caregivers' strategies. The Order of the Eastern Star enables us to add one more support helping people navigate healthcare systems, legal and financial questions when life seems a little overwhelming. And when we are done with that we gently ask, and how are you doing? How are you dealing with this caregiver journey? That is where the real conversation begins. On behalf of Caregivers Alberta and for the one million family caregivers we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your ongoing commitment and the belief that caregivers matter. If you ever want to be the unsung heroes to be unrecognized for the thankless task of caregiving, you have our deepest respect. Thank you for all that you do.

There was no representative from Juvenile Diabetes present but cheques were sent to them from the Foundation in the amount of \$9,024.77 and from Casino funds in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Bro. Terry Skelton presented Sandra Cramer with a cheque from the Foundation in the amount of \$1,500.00

Sis. Lisbeth Booth also presented a cheque to Sandra Cramer from Casino funds in the amount of \$3,900.00.

Sis. Susan MacArthur presented a cheque in the amount of \$26,472.30 from her year "Stars in the Northern Lights." Sis. Susan asked if she would be allowed to name a dog; her choice of name would be Aurora or Snowflake. She also mentioned there would be more money to come later in the session from the baskets.

## Sandra Cramer – Puppy Training Supervisor – BC and Alberta Guide Dogs

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished members and guests. I am here on behalf of BC and Alberta Guide Dogs and our CEO William Thornton, who regrets that he is unable to attend. My friends, I am happy that he was unable to attend as I am really enjoying this experience. I am accompanied by one of our service dogs in training. This is Craig, he is twelve months old and is in our puppy training program right now. Quite frankly, I think that he might be better behaved than William would have been if he was here.

My name is Sandra Cramer and I run the puppy raising program in Calgary. That is the first stage for preparing these dogs for a life of service. It takes approximately two years and \$35,000.00 to raise one complete service dog team. With your generous donation we are able to continue the good work that we do.

As part of my speech I was going to offer a naming, so I am so glad to know that is already in the works. We are more than happy to honour both names Aurora and Snowflake, who will join the Calgary program in the future. Thank you again for your support and we couldn't be more grateful.

Bro. Terry Skelton presented Sis. Katherine Freeman and Bro. Rory Michael with a cheque from the Foundation in the amount of \$50.00.for Courageous Companions.

Sis. Lisbeth Booth also presented a cheque to Sis. Katherine Freeman and Bro. Rory Michael from Casino funds in the amount of \$3,900.00, also for Courageous Companions.

## **Katherine Freeman – Courageous Companions**

To our Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Lorna, and Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Tim, honoured guests, and my sisters and brothers. I thank you all for supporting ourageous Companions. This amazing organization provides service dogs to our veterans both serving and those that have retired. We are the only service dogs that are allowed in the Department of National Defence with our serving personnel and we also have dogs that are with the RCMP across Canada with those that are still serving. Our elite canines are trained to save lives and help mitigate the horrors that many of us have seen while we were on duty. These are the only dogs that are allowed again into the Department of National Defence and we will be talking again on Sunday about the amazing things that they do. On behalf of all of those that have served and given their lives for us and protected us, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your continued support. These dogs have given us our lives back, and our freedom. Thank you.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

(A picture was put up onto the screens on either side of the East of McKayla) This is our McKayla, who started off my journey with Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society.

My charity this year has been the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society, or CASS for short. Supporting CASS is important to my family. Seven years ago, McKayla and her mom came into our family. At the time McKayla was in a wheelchair, non-verbal and was having lots of seizures. Over the last seven years McKayla, who is now a teenager, has learned to walk, her seizures have reduced but will probably stay non-verbal. McKayla is now waiting on surgery on her knees; without surgery she will be in a wheelchair for the rest of her life.

I believe we as a Grand Chapter can help make the lives of Angel families better and help improve their quality of life.

It is my great pleasure to introduce my personal trustee, Sis. Linda Spokes, WM.

Sis. Linda, yours has been a difficult job this year with all the opening and closing of our chapters and not having our usual Official Visits. However, I know that you have been busy and will continue to be busy all weekend raising funds. Sis. Linda, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for that you have done and will continue to do; you will never know how much I really appreciate you.

Linda is accompanied tonight by Kara Hanchar from the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society.

## Linda Spokes - Personal Trustee to the WGM

Good evening, everyone.

As we all know, each year the Worthy Grand Matron chooses a special project to raise money for a worthwhile cause. Sis. Lorna's project this past year was the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society, or CASS. If you are like me, I had never heard of this disease until now.

It was founded in 1993 by a group of parents. In 2020 CASS held its fifteenth International Family Conference. Since its incorporation it has provided treatment, research and support to families. As we all know, Sis. Lorna's granddaughter is one of those people who suffer from Angelman Syndrome. She has made some improvements over the years but still has a long way to go.

When Sis. Lorna asked me to be her trustee, I accepted with pleasure. That meant I had to handle money. Oh dear! I have managed without problems, thank goodness. We have sold pins, tickets for a draw, dishcloths and cheese savers to raise money...Because of COVID we were not able to visit chapters but they have been very generous to send money to me for Sis. Lorna's project. As of June 1, 2022, we have a total of \$19,200.43. That is not the complete amount, as I have had money turned in and we are still selling product. Once all the money is deposited, it will be sent to CASS on behalf of Sis. Lorna.

At this time, I would like to thank everyone for their generous donations. It has truly been an eye opener to me. Also, thank you, Sis. Carol and Sis. Lorel, for your help. We didn't have much to do, what with not being able to visit. However, you have been a help to me now that we are back meeting.

Sis. Lorna, thank you for giving me this appointment. It has been my pleasure to do it on your behalf.

Kara Hanchar – Executive Assistant, Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society Hello everyone! Thank you very much for inviting me to be here this evening. My name is Kara Hanchar, I am the Executive Assistant for the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society. I am honoured to be here to accept this cheque on behalf of them. A huge thank you to everyone from the Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Lorna Richmond, for selecting CASS to be your chosen charity.

The money that we have received will go towards the CASS family funds to help provide adaptive bikes and strollers, communication devices, safety beds, wheelchairs and so many more items to improve the quality of life for those with Angelman's Syndrome. These items are very costly and most families are not able to afford them.

Thank you so much for helping us with our mission and supporting individuals with Angelman Syndrome. Your support and generosity are very much appreciated, thank you.

The final numbers for the donations was \$23,000.00, which was presented by Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim and their respective spouses at the CASS banquet in Kelowna, BC in the fall of 2022. The monies were used for:

One iPad, Case and Communication App.

Two Xrover Strollers

One Hamilton Trike

One Abrams Safety Sleeper bed

One Developmental Trike

These items totalled \$21,769.03. The remainder of the monies will be used through the Family fund for similar items

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

That is amazing, but keep spending!

## Tim Cameron, WGP

At this time all those who are not members of the Order of the Eastern Star may now retire. You are welcome to remain with us for the Informal Opening if you so desire.

The Distinguished Speakers and Guests were escorted off of the stage. The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

I would like to ask Sis. Linda Spokes, WM, on behalf of St. Hilda Chapter No. 27, to bring greetings.

## Linda Spokes, WM – St. Hilda Chapter No. 27

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. On behalf of St. Hilda Chapter No. 27, Order of the Eastern Star, I would like to welcome everyone to the "Ceilidh" Grand Session. Our chapter is very proud of Sis. Lorna achieving this high honour. Although she was not able to attend the chapters as planned, she was able to visit them through ZOOM. It did

save on gas and wear and tear of the vehicle, but it was not the same as meeting in person. She has travelled many miles on ZOOM instead of by vehicle, visiting many chapters and making new friends. Sis. Lorna, you have made us proud of this journey that you have ventured on. It has been a difficult year what with COVID but you made it through. Congratulations on a job well done.

## Tim Cameron, WGP

I would like to introduce Sis. Lorel Strachan, WM, to bring greetings on behalf of Zenith Chapter No. 85.

## Lorel Strachan, WM - Zenith Chapter No. 85

Good evening, everyone. On behalf of Zenith Chapter No. 85, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you all here tonight. Zenith Chapter is extremely proud of the job that Sis. Lorna and particularly Bro. Tim, who is from our chapter, have done this year. It has been difficult, many things have not worked out as planned. I do remember sitting in a chapter room when all of our phones went off and told us that we were locked down once again. It has been a journey. But, a pleasurable one. I welcome you all here tonight on behalf of Zenith Chapter. "Come to the Ceilidh"

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Thank you, my Sisters and Brothers. Both chapters have been very supportive to both Worthy Grand Patron Tim and I through this trying time. I very much appreciate all the support and all of the work that both St. Hilda and Zenith members have done for us. Thank you.

## **Brother Tim Cameron, WGP**

Family is not always about blood, sometimes it's about who is there to hold your hand and support you when you need them. We would like to thank all the Sisters and Brothers of Zenith and St. Hilda Chapters for all your support throughout the years. It is with a full heart that we call you family.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will present the General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors at the Altar for introduction. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Bro. Richard Ashby, Benevolence, Grand Parliamentarian Alberta Emeritus, PGM of Alberta; Sis. Ann Lysholm, Co-Chair Cancer, Grand Trustee Emeritus, BC and Yukon, Grand Lecturer, PGM of BC and Yukon; Sis. Donna Richard, Credentials, PGM of Alberta; Sis. Helen Bilou, Canada Co-Chairperson, International Headquarters, PGM of Alberta; Sis Nancy K. Lane, International Headquarters,

PGM of Missouri; Donna-Lynn Guynup, Canadian Chairperson Youth, PGM of Alberta

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Today choose to live with gratitude
For the love that fills your heart,
The peace that rests within your spirit
And the voice of HOPE that says all things are possible

## Tim Cameron, WGP

A change is brought about because ordinary people do extraordinary things. We thank you for being extraordinary and welcome you this evening.

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions at the Altar for introduction. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Sis. Betty MacDuff, WGM, Grand Treasurer Emeritus, BC and Yukon; Sis. Cheri Cowan, WGM, Saskatchewan; Bro. Kevin Howells, WGP, BC and Yukon; Bro. Rick Galloway, WGP, Saskatchewan

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

You are all pretty new at the job, in fact Sis. Betty and Bro. Kevin are only three days into the job! Sis. Cheri and Bro. Rick are maybe a month into their jobs, so they are all pretty new, they have had it pretty easy so far.

A great attitude becomes a great mood Which becomes a great day Which becomes a great year Which becomes a great life

## Tim Cameron, WGP

Emerging leaders need mentors to guide them, but they also need a network of peers to reassure them that they are not on the path alone. We thank you for walking the path with us this year and welcome you this evening.

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will present the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Alberta at the Altar for introduction. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Past Grand Matrons of Alberta: Sis. Yvonne Roberts; Sis. Mildred Rinke; Sis. Marjorie Neely; Sis. Maybeth Drozd; Sis. Pat Senetza; Sis. Lorraine Hough; Sis. Sandi Gibson; Sis. Janet Wilkinson, Grand Representative of Rhode Island in Alberta; Sis. Irene Allan, Sis. Linda Groot, Grand Representative of Arizona in Alberta; Sis. Beth Tripp, Sis. Deb Buxton, Sis. Mary Wescott, Sis. Susan MacArthur; Past Grand Patrons: Bro. Malcolm Hough, Grand Representative of Australia in Alberta; Bro, Howie Canning, Grand Representative of California in Alberta; Bro. David Johnson, Grand Representative of Arkansas in Alberta; Bro. Terry Skelton, Bro. Les Payne, Bro. Paul Febrey, Bro. Roy Sonley, Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Wow, you should see it from up here. It is beautiful, you are all different colours like a rainbow, it's amazing.

Never regret a day in your life Good days give you happiness Bad days give you experience Worst days give you lessons And the best days give you memories

## Tim Cameron, WGP

Success isn't about how much money you make; it's about the difference you make in people's lives. We thank you for making a difference and welcome you this evening.

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will escort the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions for introduction at the Altar. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Sis. Eileen Palmieri, BC and Yukon; Sis. Eileen Howells, BC and Yukon; Sis. Bev Otsuka, Past Grand Matron of Saskatchewan, Grand Representative of Brazil in Saskatchewan; Sis. Idella Barr, Saskatchewan; Sis. Colleen Hozack, Saskatchewan; Bro. Ray Moffatt, Past Grand Patron and Grand Sentinel of Saskatchewan

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

If you can lay down at night Knowing in your heart that you made someone's day just

## A little bit better You know you had a great day

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

A small group of thoughtful people could change to world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. We thank you for making the effort to be here with us and welcome you this evening.

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will escort the Grand Officers of other jurisdictions to the West for introduction; Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Sis. Alice Mathews, Associate Grand Matron of BC and Yukon; Sis. Donna Rederberg, Associate Grand Matron of Saskatchewan; Sis. Bonnie-Jean Foulds, Grand Conductress of BC and Yukon; Sis. Lynne Moffatt, Grand Conductress of Saskatchewan; Sis. Jo-Ann Knuttila, Grand Trustee of BC and Yukon; Sis. Melinda Naggie, Grand Marshal of Saskatchewan, Grand Representative of Nevada in Saskatchewan; Sis. Linda Galloway, Grand Esther of Saskatchewan; Bro. Terry Foulds, Grand Sentinel of BC and Yukon.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

You look really pretty, the blue and the white together and of course the gentleman on the end

We cannot force someone to hear a message
They are not ready to receive.
However, we must never underestimate
The power of planting a seed

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Change is never a matter of ability, it's always a matter of motivation. We are grateful you could be with us and welcome you this evening.

They were given a hearty welcome.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will escort the Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions in Alberta, the Grand Representatives of Alberta in other Jurisdictions and Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions in other Jurisdictions. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions in Alberta:

Bro. Bill Bethel, BC and Yukon; Sis. Amber Hunt, Connecticut; Sis. Linda Sonley, Delaware; Bro. John Miller, District of Columbia; Sis. Karen Oakes, Florida; Sis.

Tanice Nichol, Georgia; Sis. Marilynne Zukoskey, Illinois; Sis. Phyllis McEwen, Iowa; Sis. Barb Spicer, Italy; Bro. Shawn Lamothe, Kansas; Sis. Sheila Gow, Louisiana; Sis. Stephanie Gross, Manitoba; Sis. Carollyne Collier, Minnesota; Sis. Mary Ann Kosinski; New Brunswick; Sis. Deborra Landon, New Jersey; Sis. Joan Ainsworth, New York; Bro. Rod Gow, Ohio; Sis. Marian Campbell, Ontario; Bro. Kent Meers, Oregon; Sis. Leanna Meers, Pennsylvania; Sis. Marianne Ashby, Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland; Sis. Margaret Erickson, South Dakota; Bro. David Anderson, Tennessee; Sis. Bonnie Paulovich, Washington; Bro. Dave Valan, Wisconsin.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Wow, I am impressed Sister Jacquie.

Be someone who makes someone look forward to tomorrow.

#### **Tim Cameron, WGP**

If nothing ever changed, there'd be no butterflies. We thank you for being here with us and welcome you this evening.

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will present the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons who presided over the Official Visits (2021-2022). It says Official Visits but should be social visits, the whatever visits over the last year, because there were all sorts of visits.

Sis. Stephane Gross (2); Sis. Joy Shackleton (4); Sis. Irene Norton (5); Sis. Shirley Weigelt (7); Sis. Tanice Nichol (19); Sis. Tanya Chisholm (25); Sis. Terry Russell (27); Sis. Corinne Skelton (37); Sis. Amber Hunt (43); Sis. Pam Berry (46); Sis. Linda Sonley (58); Sis. Lorel Strachan (85); Sis. Karen Scribner (95); Sis. Leanna Meers (113); Sis. Marianne Ashby (126); Sis. Wendy McWilliams (127); Sis. Carol Woolsey (128); Sis. Milly Hartley (133); Sis. Mavis Paetschke (137); Bro. Terry Skelton (2); Bro. Wes Shackleton (4); Bro. George Norton (5); Bro. Bob Nichol (19); Bro. Ray McMane (27); Bro. Stan Berry (46); Bro. Peter Devlin (58); Bro. Kent Meers (113); Bro. Richard Ashby (126); John Jensen (133); Bro. Robert Palmieri (133);

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

It's so nice to see you all here tonight after the year that we had. I cannot thank you enough for all the work you have done over the last year. It is not easy when things are constantly changing.

I know it's not perfect, and often it hurts,
But how lucky we are to be alive right here, right now,
Every moment is new, remember that.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

At times, our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think and show deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us. We thank you for all your support this year.

They were given a hearty welcome.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will present special appointments for introduction: Sis. Jeanie Daigle Lunney, Special Page to the Worthy Grand Matron of Saskatchewan.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Be happy with what you have and you will have plenty to be happy about.

## Tim Cameron, WGP

We alone cannot change the whole world for everyone, but we can change the world of everyone we come in contact with today. Be kind and give fully from your soul. We thank you for making the effort to be here and welcome you this evening.

She was given a hearty welcome.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will escort the Grand Pages, Assistant Grand Sentinels, Medical Team, Assistant Grand Organist and Assistant Grand Secretary for introduction. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

## **Grand Pages:**

Velma Pearen (113); Carol Lamothe (22); Elaine Warnke (126/19); Savi Houldin (137); Sheila Johnson (21/137); Laura Deuchar (133); Darlene McMullan (1); Joann McMillan (126); Ami Oliver (7); Pam Berry (46); Terry Russell (27); Barb Prochnau (126); Seona Scott (85); Darcy Wasylik (22); Sheila Gow (85); Stephanie Gross (2); Nancy Gibbie (85); Ethel Newman (2); Larraine Payne (58); Carol Woolsey (128); Wendy McWilliams (127).

#### **Assistant Grand Sentinels:**

David Anderson (1); Wes Shackleton (4); Martin Jones (85); Kent Meers (113); Rod Gow (85); Terry Pearen (113); George Norton (5); Wayne Rinke (7/58).

#### Medical Team

Stan Berry (46), Primary Care Paramedic Warren Wright (1), Assistant to Stan

## **Assistant Grand Organist and Assistant Grand Secretary**

Flory Wilkins, PM (37) Assistant Grand Organist Doris Burak, PM (5) Assistant Grand Secretary

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Little hugs can dry big tears
Little candles can light darkness
Little memories can last for years.
It's always the little things that bring the greatest happiness.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love. – Mother Theresa:

We thank you for all you do and welcome you this evening.

They were given a hearty welcome.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will present the Grand Session Committee for introduction, Associate Grand Conductress you will assist.

Chairman: Terry Skelton, PGP

Housing/Properties: Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM, PGM

Properties: Bonnie Nelson, MBGP

Distinguished Guests: Mildred Rinke, PGM

Vendors: Rhea McMane, Grand Ruth

Registration: Roy Sonley, PGP

Banquet Tickets: Mary Ann Kosinski, PM

Flowers: Joan Ainsworth, PM Helper: Mary Lynn Smith

## Terry Skelton, PGP - Session Committee Chairperson

Worthy Grand Matron, just let me say that between Sis. Mary Lynn (because she does a whole lot of work) this Committee Chairman that you picked had virtually nothing to do. Because when I called them all up to see if they needed any help, for example Joan Ainsworth on flowers had everything done as did Rhea McMane, and they have done an absolutely fantastic job. I left them alone and they handled everything. Thank you

Valuable is the work that we do. Outstanding is how you always come through. Loyal sincere and full of good cheer, untiring in your efforts throughout the years Notable are the contributions you make, Trustworthy in every project you take.

Eager to reach your every goal. Ready with a smile like a shining star, Special and wonderful – that's what you are.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgiving, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings. We can't thank you enough for all you have done to make this an amazing event! We are so grateful you could be here and we welcome you this evening.

They were given a BIG hearty welcome.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

We are just going to have a few words from Sis. Ann Lysholm, GGCCM Co-Chair Cancer.

## Ann Lysholm, GGCCM Co-Chair Cancer

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I would just like to take a few minutes. We had the Most Worthy Grand Matron in BC and Yukon and she gave me pins to sell. We sold them all. If you would like to see the pin, I have one, it is a musical note. They are \$7.00 Canadian and what I am going to do is I will send a letter to your Grand Secretary, and anyone who wishes to have a pin if they let me know I will give you my email. I am going to order more pins but I don't want to order more than are wanted. If anyone is interested in them, I will be here for the session. You can see the pin for itself and order one if you wish. Thank you very much, thank you Worthy Grand Matron.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

We are now going to hear from Sis. Donna Richard, GGCCM, Credentials, about ESTARL.

## Donna Richard, GGCCM, Credentials - Secretary for ESTARL

Good evening, and I am sure that you are hoping that this is short and sweet. We had five applications for ESTARL this year. Sis. Irene Allan, PGM, is the chairperson for ESTARL and I am the secretary.

#### Irene Allan, PGM

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the presentation of the 2022 Grand Chapter of Alberta ESTARL Awards. I am not sure if any of the recipients for awards are here, but if any of the chapters who have recommended someone, please be prepared to come up and receive the certificates.

I must thank the members of the ESTARL committee: Bro. Gordon McEwen, Vice-Chair, ESTARL, MBGP; Sis. Donna Richard, GGCCM, Secretary; Sis. Helen Bilou, CCGGM; Sis. Corinne Skelton, Grand Chaplain; Sis. Jean Langdon, MBGP; Sis. Lexie Rogers, MBGP; and Sis. Ferrol Welke, MBGP, for their input into the selection of and the amounts awarded to the successful applicants.

I especially want to thank Sis. Donna for carrying the load during my forced absence. I am sorry but I could not do anything for five months. Sis. Donna stepped in and performed my duties as well as her own, for which I am most grateful.

Thank you, Sis. Donna. I would now invite her to step forward and preside over the presentations.

## Donna Richard, GGCCM, Credentials - Secretary for ESTARL

Thank you. We have five applications. When I receive applications, I scan and send them out to all of the ESTARL committee members including the Chair and Vice-Chair. It was unanimously agreed amongst the committee (only one committee member did not respond) that four applicants would receive the award and how much they should receive.

Danielle L. Barney – I was sitting in church one morning and she came running up to me and said Donna, I'm going to apply for the ESTARL scholarship. I said good for you, now I want your paperwork by tomorrow and she had it to me. She is now the part-time secretary at my church, she has four children, the oldest of whom is eight. She is the reason that Danielle is not here tonight. Her daughter Gemma has started taking art classes and really enjoys it. Tonight, she has a showing of some of her art pieces at the old court house art gallery in Red Deer. I said but your place is to be with Gemma, your daughter. Someone from my chapter, Venus No. 2, will accept the certificate for you.

Aaron B Havens, sponsored by Chinook Chapter No. 133 – You have heard Aaron speak to us before, about three or four years ago before COVID. He sent me the following message:

"To the Order of the Eastern Star – I want to express my gratitude for this generous and gracious award that you granted me. This gift is an invaluable help for me to continue to pursue my vocation. This has been a long journey to date but I am

grateful for all of the blessings and challenges. Thank you for your faith in my journey and your support with this generous gift. Warmest regards."

Amy M. Haynes – is also sponsored by Chinook Chapter. Carson Ryner – is sponsored by Forestburg Chapter.

These four people each received awards of \$2,700.00. We need to keep up the hard work, it is very much worth it.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Secretary, do you have any announcements.

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Always, Worthy Grand Matron; I have found glasses which were found at the Registration desk and a found Tree of Life charm lost at the Grand Representative luncheon. I have items for sale on the table behind my station.

## **Tim Cameron, WGP**

We were also asked to make an announcement for the Grand Pages, Grand Sentinels, Medical Team, Assistant Grand Organist and Assistant Grand Secretary for the breakfast tomorrow, it is in the Centennial Village.

"Ceilidh" – I think through the air we have been able to learn what that word means. For those of you who may not know this is what it means:

On long dark winter nights it is still the custom in small villages for friends to collect in a house and hold what they call a "Ceilidh." It is a traditional Scottish social gathering. It simply means a social visit. Sis. Lorna and I felt it was important to come together as often as we can this weekend. Therefore, I would like to invite everyone back to the hospitality room, "The Centennial Room" on the ground floor of Centennial Village at the completion of tonight's program.

Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar informally.

Grand Marshal, you will proclaim this session from labour to repose, to reconvene on Saturday, June 4, 2022, at 9:00 AM sharp.

## Tim Cameron, WGP

I ask that everyone stays until after the officers have retired. The officers will now retire.

Members and visitors remained seated while the Grand Officers retired.

# FORMAL OPENING of the ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH ANNUAL SESSION of the Grand Chapter of Alberta Order of the Eastern Star

Saturday, June 4, 2022 - 9:00 AM

#### **Musical Prelude**

Noreen Kester (2) Grand Organist Flory Wilkins (37) Assistant Grand Organist

#### Call to Order

**Helen Bilou, GGCCM,** Canadian Co-Chair, International Headquarters **Richard Ashby, GGCCM,** Benevolence, Grand Chapter Parliamentarian

We are finally back together after the COVID-19 pandemic. Everyone was so happy to see their Brothers and Sisters that they had not seen for over two years. Just being back together felt really good and made for an energetic and happy feeling in the Grand Chapter room.

The decorations were really well done, with sheep, owls, sugar skulls, Celtic crosses, Celtic trees of wisdom, and Scottish thistles. The Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes looked lovely and handsome in their dresses and tuxedos. It was time to get back to work, and all of us there were ready to do so.

**Helen Bilou, GGCCM - Canadian Co-Chair – International Headquarters** It is a distinct honour both to be invited to open this morning's session and to be sharing the East with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Richard. Thank you, Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim. for the honour.

# Richard Ashby, GGCCM – Benevolence, Grand Chapter Parliamentarian Emeritus

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Officers and all Eastern Star members; thank you Worthy Grand Matron Lorna for the pleasure and honour to commence the opening of the Grand Chapter of Alberta. I am so fortunate to be standing beside my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Helen, once again. We became great friends during our year and have continued ever since. Sis. Helen, it is a pleasure to be in the East with you once again.

**Helen Bilou, GGCCM - Canadian Co-Chair – International Headquarters**Associate Grand Conductress, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron at the Altar.

Sis. Lorna, in a few moments I will be asking you to "come in and sit down." This is just a courtesy. You are not going to be doing a lot of sitting down. You have a busy day ahead as you face the business section of our session; you may feel like a "Music Box Dancer," before you are done. Your year has been very busy but very successful and at the end of this weekend you will be able sit back and say that was a job well done. If it does not go as planned, "Que Sera Sera," what will be will be. Just remember, "dinna fash, lassie." Bro. Tim, you have done a wonderful job of supporting the Worthy Grand Matron as you travelled through the province on your visits, which took various forms. Your visits have been limited due to the restrictions caused by the pandemic, but everyone has come through and we can only say "How Great Thou Art," as we feel "Nearer My God to Thee." As you approach this morning's session, I sincerely hope that you are hearing the grace of the "Music Box Dancer" and that the "Muppet Song" be put on the back burner until tonight.

# Richard Ashby, GGCCM – Benevolence, Grand Chapter Parliamentarian Emeritus

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, just like your immediate predecessors you have faced several difficult years as you work your way up to the highest office in Grand Chapter. You faced challenges that no one could have predicted and succeeded beyond any measure. You are to be commended for everything that you did this year, just like Sis. Susan and Bro. Hector, who also faced the COVID pandemic and all of the restrictions. This year, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you went above and beyond, to look after our members, putting our Eastern Star members' health and welfare above your own goals and aspirations. Such action is to be commended and praised. We can now celebrate with you all of the successes that you have achieved. Congratulations to both of you for an exceptional and unforgettable year.

**Helen Bilou, GGCCM - Canadian Co-Chair - International Headquarters**Grand Conductress, you will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron to the East. Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

Sis. Helen and Bro. Richard, thank you for your kind words of welcome at the Altar. It is a pleasure to have you both here with us today. Sis. Helen, I thank you for being a guiding hand. Bro. Richard, I don't know how I would have got through the year without your guidance and constant support. Our Grand Chapter is very lucky to have you both as members. Thank you.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Happiness cannot be travelled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed. Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace and gratitude.

Sis. Helen and Bro. Richard, we are so grateful for your support and friendship over the years and would like to thank you for agreeing to open this morning's session.

The Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes assumed their stations.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

It is so nice to see everyone smiling this morning. It is going to be a very busy day with the business of Grand Chapter, starting this morning with electing a new board of officers. I look forward to a harmonious and productive meeting.

Grand Secretary, is there a constitutional number of subordinate chapters represented?

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

There is a constitutional number of subordinate chapters represented by their duly accredited delegates.

## Formal Opening of Grand Chapter

## **Bible Opening**

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally

Opening Ode - "Come in and Sit Down"

## Presentation of the Flag

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter from rest to labour.

Grand Conductress, are there any visitors present that have not been previously introduced?

Sis. Lynn Lambert, GGCCM, Canadian Chair – Service Dogs and Past Grand Matron of Saskatchewan, was presented to the Altar for introduction.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Welcome, May the sun bring you new energy by day,

may the moon softly restore you by night,
may the rain wash away your worries,
may the breeze blow new strength into your being,
may you walk gently through the world
and know it's beauty all the days of your life."

## Tim Cameron, WGP

May you travel to wonderful places, see wonderful things, meet wonderful people, may you discover things that you have never dreamed of.

She was escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

Bro. Bruce Lambert, Past Grand Patron of Saskatchewan and Grand Trustee, was presented at the Altar for introduction.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

May your troubles be less and your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Scatter seeds of kindness wherever you go, scatter bits of courtesy, and watch them grow and grow, gather lots of friendship and keep them until full blown, you'll find more happiness than you will ever know.

He was escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Secretary, you will move the adoption of the 2021 minutes.

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

I move the adoption of the 2019/2021 minutes of the proceedings of the information meeting in Red Deer, Alberta.

The minutes were adopted.

We will now have the Parliamentarian's remarks.

## Richard Ashby, GGCCM and Grand Chapter Parliamentarian

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I believe this is the twenty-third time that I have been Parliamentarian, so it is a long long time. Most of you know that I always like to give a little bit of parliamentary law education. Ninety percent of what you will run into as a chairman of a meeting is basic common sense.

I have run into this a couple of times this last year; on abstentions. When you are calling for a vote, you call for votes and an against vote, don't ever call for abstentions. When someone is deciding to not participate in the vote that is their choice they are abstaining. An abstained vote does not count. It is meaningless and in essence a person abstaining from a vote is going along with whatever the majority decides, they are not going to express their opinion.

To take this to an extreme, if everybody here had a vote and the vote was called for and two people voted for it and one person voted against it and everyone else abstained, the vote passes with two votes. Your votes don't count. As chairman you don't have to call for votes for and against and those abstaining because the abstained votes are meaningless. If you want your voice to be heard, participate in the vote. That is the bottom line of the message that I have for you this morning. Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Bro. Richard, do you have any comments as a General Grand Chapter Committee Member of the Benevolence Committee:

## Richard Ashby, GGCCM and Grand Chapter Parliamentarian Emeritus

As a member of the General Grand Chapter Benevolence Committee, there is nothing to report.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Donna Richard, do you have a report?

## **Donna Richard, GGCCM Credentials**

I do not have anything to report but I do expect to see everyone at General Grand Chapter.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Helen Bilou do you have a report?

## Helen Bilou, GGCCM, Canadian Co-Chair - International Headquarters

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. In November 2020, I received a very interesting phone call from Sis. Glenda Winchester, the then Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron. She asked me to serve as General Chapter Committee Member, Canadian Co-Chair for the International Headquarters Committee. I didn't really know what I was being asked to do but I thought it sounded very interesting. About six months later, I learned that the Chair of our committee was Sis. Linda Hyatt, Past Grand Matron of North Carolina, and the American Co-Chair who was Bro. John Cool, Worthy Grand Patron of South Carolina. I had met Sis. Linda and was excited to share this task with her. I soon met Bro. John as well. The three of us had many Zoom meetings through the coming months as we put our committee in order and made plans for how we would carry on our business. I thought that we were able to make our preparations without any problems. One of the biggest things to come out of our meetings was that we as Canadians would be able to send our \$1.00 per person per year in Canadian funds rather than having to making the exchange This will make Canadian donations to the International to American funds. Headquarters somewhat less, but it does look fairer on paper at least. We are selling International Headquarters pins at the back table there, thank you to Sis. Susan and her dog committee for covering for me. The pins are \$5.00 Canadian and the United States are also selling theirs for \$5.00 but in United States funds, so again we are a little short. Money raised through this committee is going towards the support and maintenance of the offices of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary. In a recent e-mail our chairperson informed us that enough money had already been raised to solar film the windows of the offices to cut down on the amount of heat coming in from the sun. The estimated cost of this was \$17,000.00 to \$20,000.00. The Most Worthy Grand Matron has assigned three coloured areas to all of the Eastern Star jurisdictions across the world. When we get to General Grand Chapter there will be links in a chain in those colours to show which area has raised the largest amount of money. Each link will represent \$10,000.00.

When I received the email with regard to the solar filming it was indicated that the red team was in the lead by about \$1,200.00. Alberta is in the red area. I am also selling the same poppy pins that I sold during my year as Worthy Grand Matron. I still receive calls for these pins and I thought that the funds raised through these will maybe help to make up the difference caused by our exchange. Thank you to all of the chapters who sent donations in at the \$1.00 per member for the three years of the triennium and to all of you who have purchased pins, let's raise funds for this important committee and help that red chain to grow. Thank you.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sister Donna-Lynn, do you have a report?

## Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM - Youth

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. My mandate for the next three years is pretty simple, make ourselves known to the community, which I know in this jurisdiction that we do all of the time. Our Order needs the youth and young adults to inherit our legacy and continue our service in our communities. I encourage you all to participate in the local youth groups. For example, in Calgary there is Ogden House giving a little comfort to youth. As a NaNa I always have my grandchildren come to visit. By the time they come for their next visit they have outgrown their clothes. Ogden House is always looking for children's clothes and I have a couple of contacts if anyone is interested. Please get a hold of me. Another good alternative is their lunch program. With strong community involvement in the youth of today, they can really receive a sense of value adding to their self-confidence and making our world a better place. Thank you for your time.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Lynn Lambert, would you like to say a few words?

## Lynn Lambert, GGCCM, Canadian Chair - Service Dogs

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I am very excited to be in Alberta. I am charter member of Elizabeth Trapp Chapter No. 138, so this is home for me as well. I want to thank Alberta Grand Chapter and your jurisdiction for your support of Service Dogs. You do a wonderful job with all of these wonderful baskets at the back. I have been working with Brother Dan Gyulai. your GGCCM for Service Dogs. We have two pins which we are selling this year. One is a paw print and the other is a music note pin. All of the proceeds for these pins, which sell for \$10.00 each, and for your baskets stay in Alberta and support the Alberta Guide Dogs and Courageous Companions. You have seen how wonderful those Service Dogs are and how they have really changed the lives of others. I am sorry that I could not make it for yesterday and hear your wonderful donations given out but I am going to find out how much in this last year was raised. Keep up the good work so that others can get a Service Dog to help make their lives just that much better. Thank you, Sisters and Brothers, for your attention, it is great to see you all. Thank you

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Lynn we presented a cheque for over \$26,000.00 last night which was from last year. That was Sis. Susan's year, and she is going to be able to name two dogs.

Worthy Grand Patron, may we have your supplementary report.



# Report of the Worthy Grand Patron Tim Cameron

# "The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge." Proverbs: 18:15

It is with great honour and privilege, that I welcome the delegates, visitors, and all the Alberta members to the "Come to the Ceilidh", 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Grand Jurisdiction of Alberta. This marvellous gathering is being held on the campus of Olds College in the beautiful rural town of Olds, Alberta, located in Central Alberta on the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region of Alberta, the Blackfoot Confederacy and the Metis Nation of Alberta, Region 3. WGM Sis. Lorna Richmond and I have been looking forward to this event with anticipation, zeal, and great excitement. It is our great hope that as we unite at this gathering once again, we can rekindle new and old friendships, embrace our LOVE for our sisters and brothers, and refine our passion for this sublime Order we call Eastern Star!

Well, what would turn out to be a year of many firsts commenced on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021, with Sis. Lorna Richmond, WGM, and I being installed on the farm of Sis. Lorraine Hough, PGM, and Bro. Malcom Hough, PGP. We awoke to a dark and stormy day with typical gusting Alberta winds, which left us wondering what to do, as we had planned to hold the installation outside with no backup plan. While Sis. Susan MacArthur, PGM, and Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP, conducted the business portion of the "Stars in the Northern Lights" session over Zoom (another first), Sis. Lorna, WGM, and I contemplated possible solutions.

As we approached midday, and as if by the hand of God, the rain stopped. The clouds began to clear and by the time of the installation the sun was shining.

We were installed by Sis Mary Westcott, PGM, and Bro. Roy Sonley, PGP, in a beautiful ceremony with the picturesque Mintlaw trestle railway bridge as a backdrop and with the Grand Family being installed via Zoom. As the ceremony was coming to an end we were once again reminded of the day and that this is Alberta. With the abrupt sound of a tornado warning blasting through the iPad and

the clouds quickly darkening, We hastily packed everything up and began what was to be an amazing year!

Due to restrictions and limitations placed on indoor meetings we pivoted and proposed the idea of holding the first 11 Official Visits outside during the summer. with the venue at the discretion of the Worthy Matron of each chapter. This turned out to be brilliant, as the chapters were able to express themselves in many unique and very inspiring ways. We were first off to Edson for our first Official Visit at Elizabeth Trapp Chapter No.138, having a wonderful afternoon visiting in the front yard of the hall. Next, we headed to Oyen to visit with Serenity Chapter No.113, where the meeting was held next to a baseball diamond. The Sisters and Brothers of Serenity Chapter presented Sis. Lorna, WGM, and me with matching engraved lawn chairs, which turned out to be well used by the end of the year. We then headed to Fort McMurray with Brother Niall Richmond, PP, where we had the opportunity to attend the surprise homecoming for Sis. Susan McArthur, PGM complete with a piper. Sis. Darlene Edstrom, PM, and Bro. Brad Edstrom, PP, hosted a wonderful backyard picnic for the Official Visit of Fort McMurray Chapter No.127. Thanks to Sis. Susan McArthur, PGM and Michael Hurlburt for the hospitality extended in opening your home to us while we were in town. To wrap up the June visits we then headed to the Grand Prairie area, where we attended two Official Visits in one day. We started off the day in Wembley with the members of Sunset Chapter No.95, and a nice brunch in front of the hall. Completing the day was a trip to Beaverlodge and the Berrys' residence for a visit with the members of Aurora Chapter No.46, and a wiener roast on what I think was the hottest day of the year!

On July 10<sup>th</sup> Sis. Lorna, WGM, and I, along with several other Alberta members attended the "Finding the Path Forward" conference held by the Most Worthy Grand Matron Sis. Marianne Shenefelt. This was a most enlightening conference and reaffirmed the talks Sis. Lorna, WGM and I were having during our many hours travelling together in the car to Official Visits. With a newfound confidence that we were going in the right direction, Sis. Lorna, WGM, and I reached out to Sis. Deb Buxton, PGM, and asked if she would help by chairing a new committee. The Steering Committee was formed and has worked hard on new ideas and initiatives. I look forward to the future! The Grand Family were able to get together for the first time on July 17<sup>th</sup> for a barbeque at the Westcott Community Center in Didsbury. It was sure nice to have everyone together to share in fellowship and laughter.

August we were back at it with the Official Visit of Forestburg Chapter No.54, where we found ourselves pool side for a lovely afternoon on PM Sis. Eva Fosson's, farm. We next found ourselves at the ranch of Sis. Donna-Lynn Guynup, PGM, for a picnic on her deck for the Official Visit of Mountainview Chapter No.1. On August 10<sup>th</sup> Sis. Lorna, WGM, Sis. Jacquie Charlton, Grand Conductress and I traveled to Westlock Memorial Hall for a picnic on the patio for

the Official Visit of Pembina Valley Chapter No.128. It was on the way home that it became evident that I might have a heavy foot when I was pulled over by an RCMP officer. Maybe it was my lucky day or that I was traveling with a car full of lovely ladies, but after passing a mandatory breathalyzer the officer sent us on our way with a warning. Perhaps I should slow down. (3) The following weekend we were headed north again to Primrose Chapter No.127, in Cold Lake, where we had a lovely afternoon tea at the hall. On Monday, August 16th we travelled to Stettler for the Official Visit of Victoria Chapter No.14, and a wonderful pizza lunch. We finished up August and the summer Official Visits at the home of Sis. Sheila Johnson, PM, and Brother David Johnson, PGP, in Pincher Creek for the Official Visit of Castleview Chapter No.21.

With fall now upon us and restrictions being lifted we went into September excited for the opportunity to again meet in our chapter rooms. We started the first week on Monday, September 13th with the Official Visit of Venus Chapter No.2, in Red Deer and were witness to some excellent ritual work. Tuesday evening saw us in Lacombe visiting with the Sisters and Brothers of Alexandra Chapter No.4. Our third night in a row had us attending the Official Visit of Majestic Chapter No.126, in Fort Saskatchewan. As everyone was assembling before the meeting, including many of the Grand Family for the first time this year another health advisory alert was issued restricting any further in-person meetings for the province. Despite this unfortunate news we had an amazing evening of fellowship. Chapters resumed meeting via Zoom. With many who were uncertain previously, finally embracing the Zoom technology to provide an avenue for the Sisters and Brothers to meet and socialize with each other. Although less than ideal it did afford Sis. Lorna, WGM, and me the great opportunity to attend many more meetings (as much as three in a day), than what would have been possible in person.

The concerns of the current wave subsiding, it was decided to once again permit chapters to open, to afford those who wished to hold their installations in person the opportunity to do so. Sis. Lorna, WGM, and I had the good fortune to participate in person, the installation of the 2022 officers of Bow Valley Chapter No.5, Edith Cavell Chapter No.25, Zenith Chapter No.85, Chinook Chapter No.133, and many of the other chapters throughout Alberta via Zoom. With the thought "this must finally be it", we embraced the moment to reschedule the Official Visits of the chapters not completed in the fall. Little did we know, an even more infectious wave was about to impact the province, creating concern and leaving many of the Sisters and Brothers anxious. Considering this new information and with concern for the members' health, it was with heavy hearts that the hard decision was made to close the chapters and cancel the February Official Visits once again. Heading into February 2022 with the uncertainty of when we might be able to meet in person again. Sis. Lorna, WGM, and I looked forward with eager anticipation to attending the first Annual meeting of the Alberta

Grand Family conference via Zoom. This daylong conference was an initiative of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. Terry Murray to assemble all the Masonic groups within Alberta to begin a dialogue of communication in the spirit of cooperation to help each other grow and to strengthen our Masonic bonds. Everyone in attendance agreed it was an excellent initiative, which should continue annually. I look forward with optimism, to seeing how this develops into the future.

Springtime springs eternal and as we headed into March, we once again bore witness to the lifting of restrictions. With renewed excitement we endeavoured to reschedule and attend as many Official Visits as possible with the time remaining. It is with disappointment, but due to restraints Sis Lorna, WGM, and I were unable to reschedule the Official Visits for the following Chapters: Edmonton No.19, Edith Cavell No..25, Innisfail No..37, Allenby No..38, Murray No.58., and Pioneer No.135.

Sis. Lorna, WGM, Sister Jacquie, GC, and I headed to Vermillion for the Official Visit of Queen Esther Chapter No.22, on March 5th. During our visit we gathered a flock of sheep, leaving little room for Sis, Jacquie, GC, in the backseat on the way home. Monday, March 7th and Tuesday, March 8th saw the three of us in Lethbridge for the Official Visits of Laurel Chapter No.43, and Maple Leaf Chapter No.7. Thank you to Sis. Mildred Rinke PGM, and Brother Wayne Rinke, GS, for your generous hospitality in opening your home (the Rinke hotel (3)) to us while in Lethbridge. Thursday, March 10th we were in Calgary at the Official Visit of Chinook Chapter No.133. It was especially nice to have the WGP, Brother Larry Holthe and Sis. Joan Holthe, PM, from the Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon in attendance.

It was now March 12th, and the day began with nervous excitement. Finally, it was the long-awaited Official Visit of my home chapter Zenith No.85. It was an amazing day planned by the sisters and brothers of Zenith Chapter which was capped with a wonderful catered meal. The following week we attended the Official Visit of Bow Valley Chapter No.5, where we were treated to a wonderful tea after the meeting. Saturday March 19th was the Official Visit of WGM Sis. Lorna's, home Chapter St. Hilda No.27, in Didsbury. What an amazing afternoon of fellowship and education as I and many others were introduced to an Eastern Star Table Chapter for the first time. What a wonderful way to hold an Official Visit! I was blessed by the Sisters and Brothers of St. Hilda No.27, when they presented me with an Honorary Membership in the Chapter. I sincerely thank you all!

Fraternally,

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## **Supplementary Report**

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. April was now here and it was time for Sis. Lorna's and my joint homecoming being held on April 9, at Olds College. The Sisters and Brothers of St. Hilda Chapter No. 27 and Zenith Chapter No. 85 did a beautiful job of decorating the hall for 96 Sisters and Brothers. After an amazing tour of the college and some wonderful entertainment the Grand Family treated everyone to a hilarious skit that rivalled any episode of any Saturday Night Live show, and portrayed the brand-new world of Zoom. What a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and laughter of so many Sisters and Brothers. To wrap up the month of April Sis. Lorna, Sis. Jacquie and I were off to Saskatoon to attend the "You Raise Me Up" Grand Session of Saskatchewan. Shortly after arriving in Saskatoon, as we were checking in a feeling of dread washed over me. Oh no! I had forgotten the kilt socks. After some frantic googling I was able to find a local Scottish store, phew catastrophe avoided!

Saturday morning, we were off on the Distinguished Guests' tour, The Diefenbaker Canada Centre. It was nice to see and learn about the rich history of the region.

We were able to attend the Installation of Sis. Cheri Cowan, Worthy Grand Matron and Bro. Rick Galloway, Worthy Grand Patron and their officers on Saturday evening, before heading home to Alberta on Sunday morning.

It was May 14 and time for the long-awaited Hands Across the Border. It was the first one in a long time that was being held in Alberta. Sis. Mary Wescott, PGM, and her committee organized the most fantastic event, with representatives from Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Montana and Washington. Due to conflicts with some other events were rescheduled and the continued uncertainty of travel due to COVID protocols, numbers were down a little, however, everyone who was able to attend thoroughly enjoyed themselves. There were many conversations that day about rotating locations for this event. May 29th saw Sis. Lorna, Sis. Jacquie and myself, on the road again, this time we were off to the "All Things Grow with Love" Grand Session in Kamloops, BC. We attended Distinguished Guests' Hospitality Room, where we received an Honourary Membership to the Grand Chapter of BC and Yukon.

We also had the great fortune to meet many new Sisters and Brothers and for the second time met our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Glenda Winchester.

I would like to thank the Sisters and Brothers of this Grand Jurisdiction for the honour and privilege of serving as your Worthy Grand Patron for this year. It has truly been a rewarding experience that left me feeling very humble. I will leave you with my motto – Let us Unite! Thank you.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron Tim., We will receive your report as read and printed in the Committee Report Book. Bro. Roy has arrived it must be 10:00.

## Roy Sonley, PGP - Chair of Registration

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. It is my pleasure to present the report of the registration committee:

Members registered including ten fifty-year members - 194 Visitors – 24 Total – 218

Thank you to all who assisted on the registration desk.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Thank you, Bro. Roy. I now call upon Sis. Donna Richard, GGCCM and Chair of Scrutineers, to come forward.

## Sister Donna Richard, GGCCM - Chair of Scrutineers

We will be balloting on the position of Associate Grand Conductress and three members of the Board of General Purposes..

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

We will now have my supplementary report:



# Report of the Worthy Grand Matron Lorna Richmond

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto your own understanding." Proverbs: 3:5-6

Worthy Grand Patron Tim Cameron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, Distinguished Guests, Sister and Brothers:

I truly want to thank the membership for all your understanding and patience as we moved through a year of uncertainty and all the warm welcomes whether in person or via Zoom meetings. My hope is that after two years of not being able to meet, that we will get our business done efficiently and enjoy each other's company. We belong to an amazing organization.

#### Dedication

This year is dedicated to my loving husband Niall for his constant support, patience and guidance. To our family near and far for their encouragement. Thank you to Bro. John McKenna of Annan Chapter No.262, who introduced Niall and me to the "Star Family".

To the Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, especially St. Hilda No.27, for showing your support and strength during these trying times.

#### In Memoriam

We were deeply saddened by the loss of Bro. John Alexander PGP, Bro. William Martin PGP, who passed to the Grand Chapter on High. Several chapters have lost members, family and friends. The sympathy of the Grand Chapter goes to all.

The chain of fraternal friendship, is made of links of gold Which we fondly hold and cherish, our friends both new and old. Then one by one, they sever, just why we cannot tell. But I trust the heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

#### Official Acts

I was very pleased to appoint the following members to our 2021-2022 Grand Family. Those appointed were:

**Grand Chaplain** Corinne Skelton (2/27) Grand Marshal Duncan Strachan (85) **Grand Organist** Noreen Kester (2) Grand Adah Shirley Weigelt (7/43) Rhea McMane (27) Grand Ruth Grand Esther Fiona Fowler (138) Grand Martha Tanya Chisholm (1/25) Grand Electa Irene Norton (5) Grand Warder George Norton (5)

#### **Personal Trustee & Assistants**

Thank you, Sis. Linda Spokes, WM (27), for all your work as my personal trustee. I know it hasn't been easy this year.

Sis. Carol Sorum, PM (4) and Sis. Lorel Strachan, WM (85) for your assistance. I would like to thank all the Sisters and Brothers for accepting their appointments and for supporting Tim and myself as we navigated a year of uncertainty.

## **Grand Representatives**

I have had the privilege of recommending 30 members for Grand Representative commissions of other jurisdictions in Alberta. I congratulate you and hope that you will embrace your appointment and make many new friendships and memories.

It has also been my pleasure to receive recommendations from Worthy Grand Matrons of Sister Grand Jurisdictions to serve as Grand Representatives of Alberta.

## **Honorary Membership**

I was very surprised and pleased to receive an Honorary Membership to Zenith No.85. I was delighted to receive this honour and I will treasure it.

#### **Bible and Marker**

The Bible that I have was the one that belonged to Ruth Chapter No.55. The Bible cover was a gift from Sis. Rhea McMane, Grand Ruth and Sis. Terry Russell ,PM. The Bible marker was also a gift made by Sisters Terry and Rhea.

#### Official Visits

It has been a year of adapting to the everchanging rules and guidelines, however this led us to be creative with Official Visits. In the summer we held 11 outdoor Social Official Visits. In the beginning of September, we had three in Chapter Official Visits and in the spring, we had six in Chapter Official Visits. It is with regret that we didn't manage to have an Official Visit with six chapters.

The "Come to the Ceilidh" year has been anything but "normal" however this didn't stop me from attending meetings and doing whatever I could to keep in touch with members:

June 8 2021 June 12 2021	Zoom	Zenith No.85 Official Social Visit Elizabeth Trapp #138 Presented 25-year pins to: Sis. Denise Banfield and Brother Paul Febrey PGP
June 15 2021	Zoom	St Hilda No.28
June 17 2021	Oyen	Official Social Visit Serenity No.113

June 18 2021 Fort McMurray

		Surprise welcome home for Sis. Susan MacArthur, PGM
June 19 2021	Fort McMurray	Official Social Visit Fort McMurray No.137
June 21 2021	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
June 26 2021	Wembley	Official Social Visit Sunset No.96
	Grand Prairie	Official Social Visit Aurora No.46
July 10 2021	Zoom	GGC Marketing & Membership conference Grand Family Gathering and installation of
July 17 2021	Didsbury	Grand Ruth
July 19 2021	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
July 27 2021	Didsbury	St Hilda No.27 BBQ
July 27 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
August 3 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
August 5 2021	Forestburg	Official Social Visit Forestburg No.54 Official Social Visit Mountain View No.1 presented Sis. Ursyl Nielsen, PM with 65yr
August 7 2021	WM Home	pin
August 10 2021	Westlock	Official Social Visit Pembina Valley No.128 Official social Visit Primrose No.127 presented 50 yr. pin Sis. Shirley Barnes,
August 14 2021	Cold Lake	PM 55yr pin Sis. Linda Howe, PM 60 yr. pin Sis. Jean Ashton, PM
August 16 2021	Stettler	Official Social Visit Victoria No.14
August 17 2021	Pincher Creek	Official Social Visit Castleview No.21
August 30 2021	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
August 31 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting In person Official Visit Venus No.2 presented 60 yr. pin Sis. Yvonne Roberts,
Sept 13 2021	Red Deer	PGM
Comt 14 2004	Lacamba	65 yr. pin Sis. Maxine Armett, PM In person Official Visit Alexandra No.4 presented 50yr pin Sis. Elizabeth Mogg,
Sept 14 2021	Lacombe Fort	PM
Sept 15 2021	Saskatchewan	In Person Official Visit Majestic No.126
Sept 21 2021	Zoom	St.Hilda No. 27

Sept 30 2021	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting Presented Sis. Doris Kinnear, PM with her
October 4 2021		65-year pin and Sis. Yvonne Roberts, PGM with her 60- year certificate
October 4 2021	Zoom	Laurel No.43
October 5 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
October 6 2021	Zoom	Murray No.58
October 12 2021	Zoom	Maple Leaf No.7
October 13 2021	Zoom	Elizabeth Trapp No.138
October 15 2021	Zoom	Victoria No.14
October 19 2021	Zoom	St Hilda No.27
October 20 2021	Zoom	Majestic No.126
October 25 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
October 29 2021	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
November 1 2021	Zoom	Victoria No.14
November 1 2021	Zoom	Laurel No.43
November 2 2021	Zoom	Edith Cavell No.25
November 3 2021	Zoom	GGC meeting
November 4 2021	Zoom	GGC meeting
November 9 2021	Zoom	Pembina Valley No.128
November 10 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
November 14 2021	Zoom	GC Board meeting
November 15 2021	Zoom	Victoria No.14
November 16 2021	Zoom	Srigley Fund meeting
November 16 2021	Zoom	St Hilda No.27
November 17 2021	Zoom	Majestic No.126
November 23 2021	Zoom	Extraordinary protocol meeting
November 29 2021	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
November 30 2021	Zoom	CASS Information session
December 1 2021	Zoom	Murray No.58 meeting and Installation
December 2 2021	Innisfail	In person meeting and Installation
December 4 2021	Zoom	St Hilda No.27 Installation
December 6 2021	Zoom	Laurel No.43 meeting and Installation

December 7 2021	Zoom	Castleview No.21 meeting and Installation
December 7 2021	Calgary	In person Edith Cavell meeting and Installation, WGM and WGP were the
	- angun y	Installing Officers
December 9 2021	Zoom	Chinook No.133 meeting
December 13 2021	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
December 14 2021	Cochrane	Zenith No.85 meeting and Installation WGM and WGP were the Installing Officers. Presented Grand Representative of Ohio in Alberta to Bro. Rod Gow, PP
		and Sis.Nancy Gibb, PM with 25 yr. pin Victoria No.14 consolidation meeting with
December 20 2021	Stettler	Mountain View #1
January 4 2022	Zoom	Edith Cavell No.25
January 5 2022	Zoom	Murray No.58
January 9 2022	Zoom	Majestic No.126 Installation Allenby No.38 meeting and Installation of Officers
January 11 2022	Zoom	Zenith No.85 meeting
January 13 2022	Zoom	Chinook No.133 meeting
January 14 2022	Zoom	Hands Across the Border meeting
January 16 2022	Zoom	Pearl G. Srigley meeting
January 17 2022	Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
January 18 2022	Zoom	Castleview No. 21 meeting
January 18 2022	Zoom	St Hilda No.27 meeting
January 19 2022	Zoom	Bow Valley No.5 meeting Allenby No.38 meeting and Installation of
January 24 2022	Zoom	Officers
January 25 2022	Zoom	Extraordinary Events meeting
January 25 2022	Zoom	BC &Yukon Education session
January 31 2022	Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
February 1 2022	Zoom	Grand Chapter organization meeting
February 2 2022	Zoom	Murray No.58 meeting
February 4 2022	Zoom	Hands Across the Borders meeting
February 7 2022	Zoom	Laurel No.43 meeting Presentation of Grand Representative to Connecticut in Alberta to Sis.

	Amber Hunt, WM
Zoom	Zenith No.85 meeting
Zoom	Organization meeting re Grand Chapter
Zoom	Chinook No.113 meeting
Zoom	Allenby No.38 meeting
Zoom	Castleview No.21 meeting
Zoom	St.Hilda No.27 meeting
Zoom	Alberta Masonic Family Conference
Zoom	Steering Committee meeting
Zoom	BC & Yukon Education session
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Zoom	WGM/WGP meeting
Zoom	Hands Across the Borders meeting
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#### Shut-in-visits

One of the saddest things that I didn't get to do this year was visit the shut-ins. Although I have not been able to visit our shut-ins, I have sent small packages of love and hugs to them.

#### **Irregularities**

This past year has been a time of adjusting to the pandemic and learning to adjust to living in an irregular time. Having said that, it also gave time for looking to the future and where we are going as a Grand Chapter.

#### Unusuals

WGM and WGP were installed in an outdoor installation ceremony Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes were installed via Zoom.

There were two tornado warnings during the ceremony

The cat jumped up on the table and was playing with the large balls of wool.

The cat walked across the WGM's feet and gave her a fright while giving her welcome speech

One officer was installed in her vehicle due to difficulties with getting connected to the internet.

Two social Official Visits in one day. (The day started with a temp of 30 and went up to around 40)

On that same hot day, we had a wiener roast

Had a Social Official Visit beside a swimming pool, and a baseball diamond

WGM spent the Official Visit in her bare feet as the floor of the hall was extremely slippery and the brooms were locked in the cupboard.

Having monthly Zoom meeting with WGM/WGP from other jurisdictions.

#### **Questions and Answers**

**Q:** The person is a protem AM and will be going in as WM (when/if voted in) The question she has is it appropriate to go ahead and check to see if members would like to be officers for the following year?

A: It is appropriate for the pro-tem AM to ask members if they would like to take an office.

#### Two chapters are looking to consolidate:

**Q**: Can they do a notice of motion at a Zoom meeting?

**A:** Notice of motion can be read at a stated business zoom meeting – however-as per constitution- "notice of motion" must be stated in the <u>chapter notice and sent to all members</u>. Timing is important – notice of motion should be received by all members at least two weeks before mail out ballots. It may be a good practice to have a process in place to confirm with each member that they have received this notice.

Q: Can they have a mailed ballot? (All votes will be mailed to WGM)

**A**: There is no reason why mail-in ballots cannot be used. Packets should have clear instructions and a ballot envelope that can be sealed.

**Q:** How to make sure votes stay anonymous with mailed in ballots for amalgamation?

**A:** The members need to put their vote in a sealed envelope with their chapter No. on the back (so I know what chapter they are voting with and that I don't open it until they are counted). Then the sealed ballot will go into an envelope and mailed to WGM.

#### **Elections**

It is that time of year when chapters elect the new slate of officers

**Q:** Can this be done by a Zoom meeting?

**A:** Yes – as long as chapter has no issue with not using a secret ballot for their election of officers.

Q: How do officers get installed if we are still in shut down?

**A:** Installation can be done on Zoom – for any <u>open installation</u>. (Much as it was done for our Grand Officers this past June)

**Q:** When a Chapter is having an installation on their normal meeting day/time do they have to have a business portion or can they open the Chapter, then have a Recess before Installation?

**A:** Yes, they can have a short business meeting and then a short recess and then have the open installation.

Q: Do we drape the altar for PMWGM/PMWGP on their death?

**A:** The memorial is read out in Chapter. The honour of draping is observed in their own jurisdiction.

**Q:** Can we announce via email the results of the nominating committee by email, as we had to cancel our meeting because of the snow storm?

A: Yes, because of the usual circumstance

Q: A memorial notice was received of the passing of PGM of another jurisdiction but was a member of Castleview Chapter No. 21, Cowley, AB, should we send out her memorial as information to our members?

A: The memorial should be sent to the chapters, as she was very active when she lived in Alberta

**Q:** Could candidates that are waiting to be initiated attend the zoom meetings? The thought is that they would get to meet everyone and see what we do.

A: Yes, a prospective member can attend an OES Social Meeting

Q: Can a chapter ballot on a candidate then initiate at an OV that is not a business meeting?

A: Yes

**Q:** Nominations: Can another person put their name forward although we have already given the names to the Membership

**A:** The nominating committee has the names of the people who are willing to be in the elected line.

They should put the names forward that they have and if someone else stands and puts another name forward. It will be whatever the majority vote is.

#### **Dispensations**

I granted 11 requests for Dispensations to subordinate chapters as follows:

Change time and/or date of stated meeting	2
Change of location or move Regalia	4
Change of time of stated meeting	5

#### **Amendments to By-Laws Approved**

#### **Venus Chapter No.2**

That article IX be amended to read: Venus Chapter No.2 will have a Nominating Committee elected for the election of officers.

### Aurora Chapter No.46

Changed its stated meetings from August to June. This chapter will hold meetings on the second Tuesday in January – June and September – December each calendar year.

#### Recommendations

Moving forward, we need to embrace technology and continue with some social meetings; as the pandemic has shown us, we can connect with others in the province/ country and enhance friendships.

As a Grand Chapter we need to put together a two, five, and ten-year plan so we can move forward positively.

I have heard from many members about the idea of having the option of using Zoom meetings for two meetings in the winter months. Zoom meetings would replace two short openings.

Sisters and Brothers of the Grand Chapter of Alberta. I cannot thank you enough for all the encouragement and support that you have given me throughout this year, of stops and starts and not knowing. I believe that we will be stronger for our time of uncertainty. Thank you and remember:

Someday everything will make perfect sense So, for now laugh at the confusion, smile through the tears, be strong and keep reminding yourself, Everything happens for a reason.

Respectively submitted

Lorna Richmond Worthy Grand Matron

#### **Supplementary Report**

Since the beginning of March, we have been able to meet in person. It has been a delight to be back in chapter rooms and visiting with our members. I on certain days still find it difficult to be amongst people. However, I believe that we are moving forward in a positive manner and now we need to learn how to live with the presence of COVID as it is here for a long time

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March 5, 2022	in person	Queen Esther No. 22 Official Visit Richard Glasgow received a Grand
		Representative appointment to Montana.
		Shawn Lamothe received a Grand
		Representative appointment to Kansas
March 7, 2022	in person	Laurel Chapter No. 43 Official Visit
March 8, 2002	in person	Maple Leaf Chapter No. 7 Official Visit
		James Hutton received a Grand
		Representative appointment to Texas
		Marilyn Brown received a Grand
		Representative of Puerto Rico
March 10, 2022	in person	Chinook Chapter No 133 Official Visit
		and Initiation
March 12, 2022	in person	Zenith Chapter No.85 Official Visit
		and Initiation
March 16, 2022	in person	Bow Valley No. 5 Official Visit

		Doris Burak received a Grand
		Representative appointment to Vermont
March 19, 2022	Zoom	Castleview No.21
		Phyllis McEwen received a Grand
		Representative appointment to Iowa
March 19, 2022	in person	St. Hilda No. 27 Tabletop Meeting
		Linda Groot, PGM received a Grand
		Representative appointment to Arizona
March 20, 2022	•	Board of General Purposes meeting
March 21, 2022	in person	Consolidation Ceremony Victoria
		Chapter No. 14 and Mountain View
		Chapter No.1
		Joan Ainsworth received a Grand
		Representative appointment to New
March 22, 2022	7m	York
March 22, 2022 March 26, 2022	Zoom in person	BC & Yukon Education meeting Attended Sunset Chapter No. 44
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April 7, 2022	in person	Innisfail Chapter No. 7
,		I presented them with their Centennial
		Plaque even though they were now
		celebrating one hundred and two years.
April 8, 2022		Hands Across the Border Planning
		Meeting
April 9, 2022	in person	Homecoming
April 10, 2022	in person	Red Deer Grand Officers' practice
April 18, 2022	in person	Mountain View No. 1 stated meeting
April 25, 2022	Zoom	Steering Committee Meeting
April 25 2022	Zoom	BC & Yukon Education meeting
April 27, 2022	Zoom	Planning meeting for Grand Chapter
April 28, 2022	in person	Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan
May 14, 2022	in person	Hands Across the Border Sheila Gow
may 11, 2022	poroon	Received a Grand Representative
		Commission to Louisiana
May 17, 2022	Zoom	Steering Committee Meeting
May 25, 2022	Zoom	Grand Chapter Board Meeting
May 30, 2022	in person	Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon
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June 1, 2022	in person	Bow Valley Chapter No. 5 honouring
		Grand Electa and Grand Warder

Since the beginning of March, I have granted five dispensations to subordinate chapters, three to change the stated meeting to a Zoom meeting and two changed the time of the stated meeting. Mountain View No. 1 had a change to by-laws for a new date and time for their meetings.

I would like to thank Sis. Mary Wescott, PGM; Sis. Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer; Carolynne Collier, Grand Representative of Minnesota in Alberta, and Seona Scott, PM (85), for all of their hard work for Hands Across the Border and making it such a success. A wonderful day was had by all and our neighbors to the South enjoyed it and are looking forward to coming again.

Although my term as Worthy Grand Matron will be over, I will be attending Idaho Grand Chapter as I have been given the honour of carrying the Canadian flag. Along with Worthy Grand Patron Tim we will be attending Montana's Grand Chapter to show our support to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron there.

Over the last year the use of technology has become paramount in keeping our chapters open and members informed. I have attended over 80 Zoom meetings and about half of them were chapter meetings. The good thing about Zoom meetings is that I can attend no matter where in the province the chapter meeting was. I believe that technology is the way of the future, however, we have to remember that we have by-laws that we must adhere to. Bearing this in mind I would like to see chapters have a Zoom social meeting two or three times a year whose sole purpose is to meet and keep friendships going that have been cultivated over the last few years with chapters that we may not have been able to attend due times and distances. Zoom is perfect for that.

We have a strong organization, let us build a strong future.

#### 2021 - 2022 Grand Secretary Report Mary Lynn Smith

We have had a very interesting year in the Grand Chapter of Alberta. COVID has decided to hang around and has done its best to mess with our schedules. However, we have had a very enjoyable and productive time and are really looking forward to going to the ceilidh.

The following were completed: (18) Grand Officer Certificates; (54) Past Matrons' and Past Patrons' Certificates; (0) Membership Certificates; (2) Affiliation; (0) Reinstatement; and the requested chapter supply orders were filled. Approved by the Worthy Grand Matron were (16) Dispensations and (2) Bylaw Amendments.

In Alberta, (30) Grand Representative Appointments were approved and (25) Alberta Grand Representative Commissions in Sister Jurisdictions were granted. All these were requested and upon receipt, recorded and forwarded for

presentation. Memorials received from Sister Grand Chapters were sent to Sis. Corinne Skelton, Grand Chaplain, who extended sympathy from the Alberta Grand Chapter.

For the O.E.S. Foundation the Northern District did a 50/50 draw this year because there was not time to hold an event when the COVID restrictions were lifted. This proved to be very successful. We are looking forward to the Central District Tea in Calgary on October 29, 2022. For those chapters who are now doing their own fundraisers for the OES Foundation, thank you as well, your hard work is so appreciated. Cheques were received and distributed from Allenby Chapter No. 38 for a total of \$1000.00 as their contribution to the Foundation. Thank you!

Annual per capita reports were received from all subordinate chapters and required dues paid. Everything went very smoothly this year and I sincerely thank the chapter secretaries for their commitment to doing this task.

Monthly accounting procedures were carried out for both the General and OES Foundation accounts by the Grand Treasurer, Sis. Pat Oberg. Investments for each were reviewed with Scotia McLeod and attended to as required. Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP, is the Chair of Finance, Sis. Maybeth Drozd, PGM, is the Vice Chair and they both do a wonderful job with Grand Chapter's finances. The Engagement Review was conducted by LNS – Chartered Professional Accountants.

A very special thank you to Bro.Fred Allan, PP (25) for your work in proofing documents for me and for editing the Eastern Star News. I appreciate your patience and expertise. Thank you, Fred!

A very special thank you as well to Bro. Norm Downs (85) who has often been the sound man. He does a wonderful job and I am so grateful for him for the sound at our Grand Sessions and the recordings to make my job of transcribing so much easier.

Thank you for the courtesies that have been shown to me this year. It makes me happy each time that I walk into a chapter and am greeted with such warm welcomes.

Ten years goes by very quickly when you are having fun:

I "Let My Light Shine" with Sis. Beth Tripp and Bro. Al Smith in Red Deer in 2013

I spent time in the "Garden of Life" with Sis. Donna-Lynn Guynup and Bro. Leslie Payne in Red Deer in 2014.

I "Shared a few Moments in Time" with Sis. Donna Richard and Bro. Paul Febrey in Edmonton in 2015.

I indulged in "**The Cup of Loving Kindness**" with Sis. Debbie Matvichuk and Bro. Dan Gyulai in 2016

"Music Healed my Soul" in Calgary with Sis. Sis. Helen Bilou and Bro. Richard Ashby in 2017

I "Believed" in Calgary with Sis. Deb Buxton and Bro. Hal Welke in 2018. There was light at the "Fiat Lux" session with Sis. Mary Wescott and Bro. Roy Sonley in 2019.

"Stars in the Northern Lights" with Sis. Susan MacArthur and Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip should have been in Edmonton in 2020 but due to COVID a business meeting was held in Red Deer in 2021.

I am now looking forward to going to the "Ceilidh" this year with Sis. Lorna Richmond and Bro.Tim Cameron.

I have had such wonderful years with each of these Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons. Each year was different and each year was so special. I consider you all wonderful friends. Our Angel Sister is greatly missed and often very fondly thought of. Thank you all for many special times.

Thank you to all of the chapter secretaries that I have worked with. You are also very special to me and friends as well. I hope to see you often.

Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim, you have done such a wonderful job of planning and replanning and then planning again, thanks to COVID. It is not that easy to change direction as often as you had to and I sincerely appreciate and respect the way that you handled your "year." Enjoy your session.

To everyone who has helped me, encouraged me and lifted my spirits when things got tough, you know who you are and I thank you very much.

Sis. Lisbeth Booth will be your next Grand Secretary. She is going to do a fabulous job and I wish her all the very best.

### Membership

Membership last re	oort (2020)	1434
Affiliated	2	
Initiated	0	
Reinstated	0	
		+2
		1436
Demitted	46	
Suspended	13	
Died	55	
	-114	1322

MEMBERSHIP LOSS 114

Membership as at December 31, 2021 **1322** Number of Chapters on December 31, 2021: **26** 

## Recapitulation as of December 31, 2021

Chapter	No.	2020	Init	Aff	Rein	Demit	Su	Died	12/31/21
Mountain View	1	27	0	0	0	1	1	2	23
Venus	2	77	0	1	0	1	0	1	76
Alexandra	4	56	0	0	0	3	0	1	52
Bow Valley	5	49	0	0	0	0	0	2	47
Maple Leaf	7	64	0	0	0	0	1	2	61
Victoria	14	40	0	0	0	0	3	1	36
Edmonton	19	87	0	0	0	1	0	0	86
Castleview	21	27	0	0	0	0	1	2	24
Queen Esther	22	38	0	0	0	1	1	2	34
Edith Cavell	25	131	0	0	0	4	2	5	120
St. Hilda	27	46	0	0	0	1	0	2	43
Innisfail	37	26	0	0	0	1	0	1	24
Allenby	38	132	0	0	0	11	1	5	115
Laurel	43	56	0	0	0	2	0	2	52
Aurora	46	26	0	0	0	0	0	2	24
Forestburg	54	70	0	0	0	6	0	4	60
Murray	58	39	0	1	0	2	0	2	36
Zenith	85	49	0	0	0	2	0	1	46
Sunset	95	20	0	0	0	0	0	4	16
Serenity	113	50	0	0	0	0	0	2	48
Majestic	126	40	0	0	0	2	0	0	38
Primrose	127	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Pembina Valley	128	54	0	0	0	2	0	1	51
Chinook	133	72	0	0	0	2	2	4	64
Pioneer	135	51	0	0	0	0	0	3	48
Fort McMurray	137	28	0	0	0	2	0	0	26
Elizabeth Trapp	138	54	0	0	0	2	1	4	47
TOTAL		1434	0	2	0	46	13	55	1322

#### Finance Report for Yearend 2021

Hector van Vierssen Trip,PGP – Finance Chairperson

Financial Statements as of December 31, 2021:

There are two tables which supplement this report, which show the status of investments as of yearend 2021 for the General Account and Foundation Account. Also attached are the Profit and Loss Statements, the Balance Sheets and the auditor's report.

#### **General Account**

Cash on hand was \$3,715 as of Dec 31, 2021; \$3,265 in the chequing account plus \$425 in the investment account. \$5,000 of savings in the investment account was cashed in during 2021 and transferred to the chequing account to maintain adequate cash in the chequing account. A \$51,000 GIC bearing 2.84% interest matured during the summer and was reinvested in 2 equities which pay 5+% dividend and a 2-year GIC at 1.0% interest. Investment income increased by \$1,139/year, from \$13,577 in 2020 to \$14,716 in 2021.

#### Investment

Income in 2022 is projected to increase by \$516 to \$15,231. There were no significant expenses for the Grand Session via Zoom in June 2021. Net operating income for the year was a loss of \$2,086, which includes a \$2,250 advance deposit for the Hands Across the Border session in 2022. Excluding this deposit, the Grand Chapter operating budget was balanced for the first time in several years. Market value gain on equities during the year was +\$53,016, from \$37,707 to \$90,723 more than original purchase cost.

#### **OES Foundation Account**

Cash on hand was \$34,928 as of Dec 31, 2021; \$34,359 in the chequing account plus \$569 in the investment account.

A \$40,000 GIC bearing 2.20% interest matured in July 2021. Also, in July, shares in Brookfield Asset Management were sold for \$42,700, realizing a gain of \$21,800 on the sale. A new 5-year GIC was purchased for \$83,279 at 1.70% interest, to keep the aggregate amount invested in equities in the General and Foundation Accounts below the 50% level as stipulated in the Constitution.

Excluding the profit on the share sale, investment income was \$30,736 in 2021 vs \$31,197 in 2020. Investment income is projected to increase to \$32,550 in 2022 based on dividend increases announced as of yearend 2021.

The Foundation received \$7,795 in donations plus \$17,678 in net investment income (interest and dividends less management fees and audit expenses) and spent \$39,444 on donations in 2021, resulting in an operating loss of \$10,662. It was decided to implement a COVID top-up totalling \$21,300 to keep the Foundation's charitable donations in line with prior (pre-COVID) years. There is sufficient cash in the Foundation chequing account to do this again in 2022, using the \$21,800 profit from the share sale in 2021.

Market value gain on equities during the year was +\$79,556, from \$59,552 to \$139,108 more than original purchase cost.

Future investment income growth is anticipated to be about \$1,200 annually in the OES Foundation Account and \$500 annually in the General Account. If we as a group can keep future expenses as low as they were in 2021, we may be able to continue to operate in the black, pay our necessary expenses and support our charities despite declining membership numbers.

### **OES Foundation, Grand Chapter of Alberta**

Profit and Loss

January - December 2021

#### **TOTAL INCOME**

4000 District Teas	2,199.19
4001 Dividend Income	30,736.31
4002 Donations – Chapters	4,946.15
4003 Donations - Other	300.00
4007 Vesper Service	350.00

Total Income \$38,531.65 GROSS PROFIT \$38,531.65

#### **EXPENSES**

7,200.00
500.00
10,873.00
8,698.00
500.00
50.00
9,000.00
10,873.00
1,500.00

Total Donations 41,994.00 Total Expenses \$49,194.00

PROFIT \$ -10,662.35

### **Grand Chapter of Alberta OES**

Profit and Loss

January - December 2021

#### **TOTAL INCOME**

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14,716.36

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## Foundation, Grand Chapter of Alberta Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2021

Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
1000 CIBC 3901114	34,359.48
1002 Scotia Mcleod Investments	569.75
1003 Casino Account	53,483.96
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	88,413.19
1006 Accrued Interest Receivable	4,712.00
1110 Term Deposit < 1 year	131,580.00
2100 Deferred Revenue	53,483.96
Total Current Assets	171,221.23
Non-current Assets	
1050 Market Adjustments on Securities	139,093.35
1100 Marketable Securities	365,624.65
2110 Term Deposit - Long Term > 1 year	291,800.00
Total Assets —	967,739.23
Equity	
3000 Opening Bal Equity	931,913.58
Retained Earnings	46,488.00
Profit for the year	10,662.35
Total Equity	
Total Liabilities and Equity	967,739.23

## Grand Chapter of Alberta OES Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2021

	Total
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
1001 Cash - CIBC 39-01211	3,265.85
1002 ScotiaMcLeod Investments	450.12
1003 ScotiaMcLeod Savings	10,487.00
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	14,202.97
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	
1500 Accounts Receivable	267.00
Total Accounts Receivable (A/R)	267.00
1501 Inventory	12,028.00
1502 Accrued Interest Receivable	632.00
1600 Prepaid Expense	2,500.00
1750 Term Deposits	16,495.00
Total Current Assets	46,124.97
Non-current Assets	
1751 Market Adjustment on Securities	90,723.00
1755 Marketable Securities	205,896.00
1756.1 Term Deposits - Long Term	52,342.00
Total Non Current Assets	348,961.00
Total Assets	395,085.97
Equity	
3000 Opening Bal Equity	368,900.14
Retained Earnings	28,272.33
Profit for the year	2,086.50
Total Equity	395,085.97
Total Liabilities and Equity	395,085.97

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\$229,831.96		Jul 7, 2011:	Gain since Jul 7, 2011		mmission):	,836.51 after co	Jul-02 (profit 21	42,711.91 on 2021-	Sold 676 shs Brookfield for 42,711.91 on 2021-Jul-02 (profit 21,836.51 after commission):
						\$30,736.00			Actual Received in 2021
	nt + div	3.95% Total yield, int + div	3.95%			\$32,550.31		\$823,932.65	TOTAL (OES Fdn)
\$139,108.00			6.33%			\$23,129.29	51.36%	\$365,624.65	Subtotal Stocks
\$7,288.02	\$134.25	\$98.35	4.88%	\$4.80	19-Apr-18	\$974.40	203	\$19,964.73	Royal Bank (RY)
-\$4,532.50	\$16.25	\$22.46	2.30%	\$0.52	07-Jul-17	\$376.68	730	\$16,395.00	H&R REIT (HR_U)
\$4,498.70	\$63.22	\$49.79	5.32%	\$2.65	07-Jul-17	\$887.75	335	\$16,680.00	Emera Inc (EMA)
\$17,766.41	\$29.79	\$22.20	5.90%	\$1.31	16-Nov-16	\$3,067.08	2342	\$52,003.00	Telus Inc (T)
\$15,575.43	\$61.03	\$42.33	5.06%	\$2.14	16-Nov-16	\$1,782.62	833	\$35,263.00	Fortis Inc (FTS)
\$284.46	\$24.11	\$23.95	5.51%	\$1.32	10-Jul-15	\$2,275.68	1724	\$41,281.00	Manulife (MFC)
\$14,370.78	\$89.55	\$64.73	6.18%	\$4.00	08-Jul-13	\$2,316.00	579	\$37,492.00	Bank Nova Scotia (BNS)
\$21,451.30	\$136.19	\$62.22	8.55%	\$5.32	07-Jul-13	\$1,542.80	290	\$18,043.60	Bank Montreal (BMO)
\$8,100.13	\$38.37	\$27.86	9.04%	\$2.52	06-Jul-12	\$1,942.92	771	\$21,483.00	Pembina Pipeline (PPL)
\$11,567.05	\$65.81	\$54.30	6.78%	\$3.68	06-Jul-12	\$3,698.40	1005	\$54,572.00	BCE (BCE)
\$34,634.20	\$96.98	\$50.18	7.09%	\$3.56	07-Jul-11	\$2,634.40	740	\$37,131.00	TD Bank (TD)
\$8,104.02	\$49.41	\$32.31	10.65%	\$3.44	07-Jul-11	\$1,630.56	474	\$15,316.32	Enbridge (ENB)
Gain	31-Dec-21	Original	Yield, %	\$/share/year	DATE	Div Income	No. of shares	INVESTMENT	STOCK SHARES
Capita	e (Dec 31)	Share Price (Dec 31)		Div. Rate,	INVESTED	Annualized		ORIGINAL	
Unrealized									
						\$9,421.01	2.06%	\$458,308.00	Subtotal GICs
				31-Jan-24	31-Jan-19	\$1,038.80	3.500%	\$29,680.00	Bank of Nova Scotia GIC
				14-Jul-25	14-Jui-20	\$750.00	1.500%	\$50,000.00	Cdn Western Bank
				08-Jul-26	08-Jul-21	\$1,415.74	1.700%	\$83,279.00	Home Trust
				14-Jul-25	14-Jul-20	\$750.00	1.500%	\$50,000.00	Cdn Tire Bank
				07-Jul-22	20-Jun-17	\$1,462.74	2.200%	\$66,488.00	B2B Bank
				17-Apr-24	17-Apr-19	\$976.95	2.520%	\$38,768.00	Manulife Trust GIC
				13-Dec-22	13-Dec-17	\$1,796.54	2.760%	\$65,092.00	Pres Choice Bank GIC
				19-Apr-23	19-Apr-18	\$1,230.24	3.070%	\$40,073.00	Cdn Western Bank
								\$34,928.00	Cash at 2021-12-31
				MATURES	INVESTED	INTEREST	RATE	AMOUNT	PRODUCT
				1114)	C Account 39-C	Foundation CIE	osited into OES	(Interest and Dividends deposited into OES Foundation CIBC Account 39-01114)	(Interes
					39-49851	T ACCOUNT: 4	SCOTIAMCLEOD INVESTMENT ACCOUNT: 439-49851	SCOTIAMCLEC	

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(Int	(Interest and Dividends deposited into General CIBC Account 39-01211)	deposited into	General CIBC A	ccount 39-0121	1)				
PRODUCT	AMOUNT	RATE	INTEREST	INVESTED	MATURES				
Cash at 2021-12-31	\$3,715.00								
Home Trust	\$16,495.00	1.000%	\$164.95	14-Jul-21	14-Jul-23				
Home Trust	\$52,342.00	2.200%	\$1,151.52	09-Jul-19	09-Jul-22				
BNS Inv Svgs	\$10,487.00	0.700%	\$73.41	14-Jul-20	liquid				
Subtotal GICs	\$83,039.00	1.67%	\$1,389.88						
									Unrealized
	ORIGINAL		Annualized	INVESTED	Div. Rate,		Share Pric	Share Price (Dec 31)	Capital
STOCK SHARES	INVESTMENT No. of shares	No. of shares	Div Income	DATE	\$/share/year	Yield, %	Original	Original 31-Dec-21	Gain
Royal Bank (RY)	\$15,324.24	271	\$1,300.80	07-Jul-11	\$4.80	8.49%	\$56.55	\$134.25	\$21,057.51
Sun Life Fin (SLF)	\$15,304.08	682	\$1,800.48	21-Jun-12	\$2.64	11.76%	\$22.44	\$70.41	\$32.715.54
Pembina Pipeline (PPL)	\$33,636.10	907	\$2,285.64	07-Jul-13	\$2.52	6.80%	\$37.09	\$38.37	\$1,165,50
H&R REIT (HR_U)	\$15,493.00	700	\$361.20	07-Jul-14	\$0.52	2.33%	\$22.13	\$16.25	-\$4,118.10
Emera (EMA)	\$32,665.00	671	\$1,778.15	10-Jul-15	\$2.65	5.44%	\$48.68	\$63.22	\$9,755.62
Enbridge (ENB)	\$31,337.00	640	\$2,201.60	08-Jul-16	\$3.44	7.03%	\$48.96	\$49.41	\$285.44
TD Bank (TD)	\$16,305.00	292	\$1,039.52	08-Jul-16	\$3.56	6.38%	\$55.84	\$96.98	\$12,012.59
CIBC (CM)	\$15,380.00	141	\$908.04	19-Jun-17	\$6.44	5.90%	\$109.08	\$147.45	\$5,410,45
Bank Nova Scotia (BNS)	\$15,353.00	268	\$1,072.00	14-Jul-20	\$4.00	6.98%	\$57.29	\$89.55	\$8,645,95
NWHealthREIT (NWH_U)	\$15,099.00	1368	\$1,094.40	14-Jul-20	\$0.80	7.25%	\$11.04	\$13.81	\$3,793,46
Subtotal Stocks	\$205,896.42		\$13,841.83			6.72%			\$90,723.96
TOTAL (General)	\$288,935.42		\$15,231.71			5.27%	5.27% Total vield, int + div	int + div	
Actual Received in 2021			\$14,716.00						
Invested in July 2021:	GIC	PPL 422shs	EMA 296shs			2554			
\$51,128.00	\$16,495.00	\$17,320.90	\$17.312.10						

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR **Financial Statements** December 31, 2021



#### INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Members of The Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of The Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star (the Organization) that comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2021, and the statements of revenues and expenditures, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO), and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

#### Basis for Qualified Conclusion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Organization derives revenue from fundraising activities, the completeness of which is not susceptible to us obtaining evidence we considered necessary for the purpose of the review. Accordingly, the evidence obtained of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Organization. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to fundraising revenue, excess of revenues over expenditures, and cash flows from operations for the year ended December 31, 2021, current assets and net assets as at December 31, 2021. Our review conclusion on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation of scope.

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#### Qualified Conclusion

Based on our review, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Conclusion paragraph, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star as at December 31, 2021, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Calgary, Alberta February 21, 2022 LNS Chartered Professional Accountants

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2021

		2021	2020
ASSETS			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	S	38,645	\$ 56,729
Term deposits (Note 4)		183,922	91,737
Marketable securities (Note 5)		811,826	669,007
Accounts receivable		267	456
Inventory		12,028	10,526
Interest receivable (Note 6)		5,344	5,717
Prepaid expenses	_	4,750	2,500
		1,056,782	836,672
Restricted cash (Note 7)		27,978	53,484
Term deposits (Note 4)	_	308,295	392,443
	<u>s</u>	1,393,055	\$ 1,282,599
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
Current			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	S	7,000	\$ 7,710
Deferred income (Note 8)	_	27,978	 54,854
	_	34,978	62,564
Net assets			
General Fund		393,838	344,886
Foundation Fund		964,239	875,149
	_	1,358,077	1,220,035
	S	1,393,055	\$ 1,282,599

# ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD Grand Secretary Chairman of Finance Committee

See notes to financial statements

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Year Ended December 31, 2021

		2021	2020
Revenues			
Foundation Fund (Schedule 1) General Fund (Schedule 2)	s	170,089 89,247	\$ 38,165 18,114
		259,336	56,279
Expenses			
Foundation Fund (Schedule 1) General Fund (Schedule 2)		80,999 40,295	94,931 42,128
		121,294	137,059
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	S	138,042	\$ (80,780

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR Statement of Changes in Net Assets Year Ended December 31, 2021

	General Fund	F	oundation Fund		2021	2020
Net assets - beginning of year Transfer of funds (Note 12)	\$ 344,886	\$	875,149	S	1,220,035	\$ 1,300,815
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures (Note 12)	 48,952		89,090		138,042	(80,780)
Net assets - end of year	\$ 393,838	\$	964,239	s	1,358,077	\$ 1,220,035

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 2021

		2021		2020
Operating activities				
Cash receipts from members and donors	S	29,231	\$	26,444
Cash paid to suppliers and employees (Note 13)		(125,757)		(131,207)
Interest and other income received		13,295		13,497
Casino income		2,755		-
Dividend income		31,925		30,692
Cash flow used by operating activities	_	(48,551)		(60,574)
Investing activity				
Net sale of term deposits and marketable securities		4,961		(27)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents during the year		(43,590)		(60,601)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	_	110,213		170,814
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	S	66,623	\$	110,213
Cash and cash equivalents consist of:				
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	S	38,645	S	56,729
Restricted cash (Note 7)	_	27,978		53,484
	S	66,623	\$	110,213

#### Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star (the "Organization") is a non-profit organization incorporated under the Alberta legislation (Chapter 99) on May 10, 1973. Its purpose is to grant financial support to charitable organizations. The Organization is exempt from income tax under 149(1)(1) of the Income Tax Act.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The financial statements have, in managements opinion, been properly prepared within reasonable limits of materiality and within the framework of the significant accounting policies summarized below:

#### Revenue recognition

The Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Endowment contributions are recognized as a direct increase in net assets.

Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

Fees and dues are recognized as revenue when the corresponding event is held.

Casino funds are recognized as deferred revenue when received as the amounts are not easily measured and the timing of collection is uncertain. The funds are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred.

#### Fund accounting

#### (i) General Fund

The purpose of the general fund is to record the ongoing administrative and operating expenses of the Organization.

#### (ii) Foundation Fund

The purpose of the foundation fund is to record the donations to various charitable causes which the Organization wishes to support, and the corresponding administrative costs associated with carrying on this activity.

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Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash consists of cash on hand and bank deposits. Highly liquid investments with maturities of one year or less at date of purchase are considered to be cash equivalents. Because of the short-term maturity of these investments, their carrying amount approximates their fair value.

Bank balances that the Organization can not use for operating purposes as they are externally restricted in use are excluded from cash and cash equivalents.

#### Donated services and materials

The operations of the Organization depend on both the contribution of time by volunteers and donated materials from various sources. The fair value of donated materials and services cannot be reasonably determined and are therefore not reflected in these financial statements.

#### Financial instruments

Measurement of financial instruments - The entity initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value, except for certain non-arm's length transactions. The entity subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured in fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in net income. Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash, accounts receivable and term deposits. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities and deferred income.

Impairment - Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment only when there are events or indicators of impairment. The amount of the write-down is recognized in net income. Any previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, provided it is no greater than the original impairment provision. The amount of the reversal is recognized in net income.

Transaction costs - The entity recognizes its transaction costs on the acquisition, sale or issue of financial instruments in net income in the period incurred. However, financial instruments that will not be subsequently measured at fair value are adjusted by the transaction costs that are directly attributable to their origin.

#### Investments and other non-cash assets

Investments consist of marketable securities and term deposits with original maturities of over one year.

Marketable securities consist of publicly traded securities. Investments for which there are quoted prices in an active market are carried at fair value. Unrealized gains or losses are reported as part of net income. Investments for which there is not an active market are carried at amortized cost except when it is established that their value is impaired. Impairment losses, or reversal of previously recognized impairment losses, are reported as part of net income.

Term deposits consist of Guaranteed Income Certificates (GIC's) and are valued at cost plus accrued interest.

All gains and losses from the sale, collection, or other disposition of investments and other non-cash assets are accounted for in the fund that owned the assets.

Ordinary income from investments, receivables, and similar assets is accounted for in the fund owing the assets, with the exception of income derived from investment of endowment funds. Unrestricted endowment fund investments are accounted for as revenue of the operation fund, or, if they are restricted, as deferred amounts until the terms of the restriction have been met.

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Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

#### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Such estimates include accounts payable accruals, interest receivable and the valuation of contributed goods and services. Estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and estimated net realizable value with the cost being determined on a specific identification basis. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

#### 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	_	2021	2020
Foundation Fund General Fund	s	34,929 3,716	\$ 48,858 7,871
	S	38,645	\$ 56,729

2020

2021

2021

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#### 4. TERM DEPOSITS

Short-term investments consist of various GIC's maturing in 2022 and bearing interest at 2.20% to 2.76% per annum.

Long-term GIC's with a maturity date of over one year from the year-end date were reclassified to a separate account for presentation purposes.

	_	2021	2020
Term deposits - short-term Foundation Fund General Fund	s	131,580 52,342	\$ 40,609 51,128
		183,922	91,737

Long-term investments consist of various GIC's maturing from 2023 to 2026 and bearing interest at 1.00% to 3.50% per annum.

Term deposits - long-term		
Foundation Fund	291,800	340,101
General Fund	16,495	52,342
	308,295	392,443
Grand total	\$ 492.217 \$	484 180

#### 5. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

	2021	2020
Foundation Fund Marketable securities Unrealized gain	\$ 365,891 138,827	\$ 386,766 57,598
	504,718	444,364
General Fund		
Marketable securities	216,721	187,049
Unrealized gain	90,387	37,594
	307,108	224,643
	\$ 811,826	\$ 669,007

#### 6. INTEREST RECEIVABLE

	5,344	 5,717
ion Fund \$ Fund	4,712 632	\$ 4,466 1,251

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR Notes to Financial Statements

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#### 7. RESTRICTED CASH

This amount represents funds that are externally regulated by Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC) and cannot be used for general operating purposes of the Organization.

#### 8. DEFERRED INCOME

Deferred income relates to contributions for specific purposes as described. As such, these are treated as deferred income, with the revenue being recognized when the applicable expenses are incurred.

			2021		2020	
	Casino - externally restricted by AGLC Prepaid dues	s	27,978	\$	53,484 1,370	
		<u>s</u>	27,978	\$	54,854	
9.	DONATION REVENUE - FOUNDATION FUND					
			2021		2020	
	Chapter donations District Teas Vesper Service Other ESTARL donations	s	4,946 2,199 350 300	\$	2,100 3,254 700	
		<u>s</u>	7,795	\$	6,594	
10.	DONATIONS - GENERAL FUND					
			2021		2020	
	Other Job's Daughters	s	250	\$	- 30	

250

30

#### Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

#### 11. DONATIONS - FOUNDATION FUND

	2021		2020	
Alberta Caregivers	S	18,373	\$	20,830
Alzheimer Society		18,373		20,830
Juvenile Diabetes		14,198		18,660
ESTARL Fund		9,000		11,300
BC & Alberta Guide Dogs		6,280		5,000
Courageous Companions		2,975		5,000
Job's Daughters		500		500
Alberta DeMolay Association		500		-
Worthy Grand Matrons Project		50		-
Other		-		400
	S	70,249	\$	82,520

#### 12. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

During the year, the Board approved a transfer of \$7,200 (2020 - \$7,200) from the Foundation Fund to the General Fund. The balance is included as office management revenue in the General Fund and management fee expense in the General Fund.

During the year, the Board approved a transfer of \$nil (2020 - \$nil) from the Foundation Fund to the General Fund.

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#### 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, \$18,100 (2020 - \$13,650) in honorariums was paid to various Grand Chapter Officers as described.

	_	2021		2020	
Grand Secretary	s	9,200	\$	8,500	
Worthy Grand Matron		4,400		4,400	
Grand Treasurer		3,000		-	
Worthy Grand Patron		1,500		750	
	S	18,100	\$	13,650	

During the year, \$1,200 (2020 - \$3,900) of office rental expense was paid to an individual related to a Grand Chapter Officer.

During the year, \$2,400 (2020 - \$nil) of office rental expense was paid to a Grand Chapter Officer.

During the year, \$nil (2020 - \$800) of facility rental expense was paid to the Red Deer Masonic Lodge, an organization with a board member that is a Grand Chapter Officer.

During the year, \$1,200 (2020 - \$1,200) of storage rental expense was paid to Triple A Developments Ltd, an organization with a board member that is a Grand Chapter Officer.

These transactions are in the normal course of operations and are measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

#### 14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Organization is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The following analysis provides information about the Organization's risk exposure and concentration as of December 31, 2021.

#### (a) Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counter party will fail to perform its obligations. The Organization is exposed to credit risk with respect to it's accounts receivable. The accounts receivable are due from reputable members and are subject to normal credit risk. The Organization has a significant number of members which minimizes concentration of credit risk, and therefore the Organization is not exposed to significant credit risk.

#### (b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Organization is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

#### (c) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk to the Organization's earnings that arise from fluctuations of foreign exchange rates and the degree of volatility of these rates. The Organization is not exposed to significant foreign currency risk from these financial instruments.

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#### Notes to Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2021

#### 14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

#### (d) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument might be adversely affected by a change in the interest rates. The Organization is not exposed to significant interest rate risk.

#### (e) Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. The Organization is exposed to other price risk through its investment in quoted shares.

## General Fund (Schedule 2)

#### Year Ended December 31, 2021

	2021			2020	
Revenues					
Unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities	S	52,792	\$	(18,284)	
Per capita dues		14,388	4	15,180	
Dividends		10,610		8,852	
Office management (Note 12)		7,200		7,200	
Interest income		3,601		4,374	
Supplies and miscellaneous		656		738	
Alberta/Montana exchange		-		54	
		89,247		18,114	
Expenses					
Honoraria (Note 13)		18,100		13,650	
Office storage and rent (Note 13)		5,100		5,100	
Supplies		4,966		4,866	
General grand chapter, per capita dues		4,007		4,436	
Insurance and bonding		3,155		1,177	
Professional fees		2,956		4,518	
Committee expense, other		622		-	
Telephone		510		1,772	
Donations (Note 10)		250		30	
Grand session		239		750	
Interest and bank charges		206		77	
Website maintenance		184		184	
Committee expense, rent and maintenance (Note 13)		-		800	
General grand chapter C. M.		-		2,516	
Proceedings		-		2,252	
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#### APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES

Beth Tripp, PGM (Chair) No report at this time.

#### **CASINO COMMITTEE**

Lisbeth Booth, PM (Chair)

The Grand Chapter of Alberta has been tentatively scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2022, being October 2 - December 20, 2022. The scheduling of these events has been impacted by the fact that one of the Edmonton Casino's has not yet re-opened.

The Casino Committee intentionally sought permission from Alberta Liquor Gaming and Cannabis Commission last year to hold some of the funds available to the Grand Chapter for this year. The Grand Chapter will be donating five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars each to Alzheimer's, Alberta Caregivers and Juvenile Diabetes this year. We will also be donating a further three thousand nine hundred (\$3,900.00) dollars each to Alberta/BC Guide Dogs and to Courageous Companions.

The Casino Committee currently needs at least four new members, the first being the President whom acts as the Committee's spokesperson and as a signing authority, a Vice-President, a Secretary/Treasurer (preferably from the Edmonton area) and one member at large.

#### **CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE**

Marian Sinclair, PGM (Chair) No report.

#### **ESTARL COMMITTEE**

Irene Allan, PGM (Chair)

Sis. Donna Richard, GGCCM reports on behalf of Si.r Irene Allan, PGM, that they have five applications which she has scanned and sent to the ESTARL Committee members. The ESTARL certificates will be presented on Friday night at Grand Session.

## EXPENSE COMMITTEE Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM Committee Chair

We have an hour until lunch and if the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan can do 57 motions, we can get through this one.

This committee was formed quite a few years ago by Sis. Mary Wescott. Then we travelled to Sis. Susan MacArthur and then we travelled to Sis. Lorna Richmond. We have been working on this report for a long time. This report is extensive. Normally what happens is that when a report is received and there are recommendations within the report, if the report is approved the recommendations automatically go through. I don't want that to happen with this

report. I want to go through each one of these recommendations as a motion so that everybody understands what is happening here. I am presenting this report on behalf of the committee, which has been Sis. Lorna Richmond, Bro. Tim Cameron, Sis. Mary Lynn Smith, Sis. Pat Senetza and Sis. Bonnie Nelson. We have put a lot of thought into this and I think that it is time that we make some changes. I asked everyone to read the report on page 46 of the Committee Report book. Sis. Mary Lynn has nicely outlined what is been amended and what has been deleted.

All the recommendations made by the committee were voted on and carried. Two amendments were made to the recommendations as follows, and are bolded:

No. 14 new No. 12 was amended by motion, seconded and carried. It should now read:

All monies arriving for the Grand Chapter be received by the Grand Secretary and all monies spent by the Grand Chapter be recorded in the Grand Treasurer's Office. Monthly reports (including copy of all invoices paid, copy of bank statements for the general and foundation accounts and copies of the investment reports from the **current investment firm**, to be given to the Grand Secretary by the Grand Treasurer.

No. 17 new No. 14 was amended by motion, seconded and carried. It should now read: Pictures to be inserted in the Proceedings will be Most Worthy Grand Matron, and/or Most Worthy Grand Patron, when attending that session, the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron-elect, Worthy Grand Patron-elect, our own GGCCM's, a group picture of the Grand Officers and elected MBGP, a group picture of the Grand Representatives, Grand Pages, Grand Medical Team, Assistant Grand Sentinels and the Choir. Photographs to be supplied in black and white. Grand Chapter to retain the rights to these pictures and a digital copy of these pictures to be given to the Grand Chapter at no charge.

No. 23 new No. 19 had a word missing and was corrected as follows:

Expenditures for gifts or donations for General Grand Chapter appointments including General Grand Chapter Officers, GGCCM's and special appointments by the Most Worthy Grand Matron or Most Worthy Grand Patron be \$100.00.

An updated version of the Grand Chapter of Alberta Standings Orders and the current version of the Board Standings Orders are on the following pages. The committee was also tasked with updating the Board Standing Orders as well. No. 10, the amendment to the Board Standing Orders was reducing the number of Proceedings which are given away no charge. Those that want them and are not entitled to a free copy will now need to preorder them. No. 11, the reimbursement for the Worthy Grand Matron's cell phone has been deleted as most people now have their own cellular phones and no extra expenses would be incurred by them. This amendment and deletion were voted on by the Board of General Purposes in the proper manner in March of 2020.

# <u>Grand Chapter of Alberta</u> – (24) <u>Standing Orders</u> June 2022

Amended Deleted

1. As it reads now:

The Honorarium for the W.G.M. is \$4,400.00 per year, with additional special reimbursement of \$200.00 per visit for attending three (3) out of Jurisdiction Grand Chapter Sessions OR two (2) out of Jurisdiction Grand Chapter Sessions and "Hands Across the Border" to a maximum of 3 @ \$200.00 = \$600.00.

Recommendation:

The Honorarium for the W.G.M. is \$125.00 per Chapter Official Visit, the amount to be determined at the beginning of her year.

\$200.00 per visit for attending three (3) out of Jurisdictions Grand Chapter Session or two (2) out of Jurisdiction Grand Chapter Sessions and "Hands Across the Border" to a maximum of 3 @ \$200.00 = \$600.00.

2. As it reads now:

The Honorarium for the W.G.P. is \$1,500.00 per year, with no travelling expense for the formation of new Chapters.

Recommendation:

The Honorarium for the W.G.P. is \$75.00 per Chapter Official Visit, the amount to be determined at the beginning of his year, with no travelling expenses for the formation of new chapters.

3. As it reads now:

The Honorarium for the Grand Secretary is \$8,500.00 per year.

Recommendation:

The Honorarium for the Grand Secretary is \$6,500.00 per year and for the Grand Treasurer \$3,500.00 per year

4. As it reads now:

The Grand Secretary is authorized to spend a maximum of \$1,400.00 per year for office help and Grand Chapter assistance.

- 4. A yearly amount of \$500.00 will be paid to the Grand Secretary to cover electricity.
- 5. The rent of the Grand Secretary's office is \$300.00 per month.
- 6. An amount not exceeding \$10.00 is allowed by the Grand Chapter towards a gift for visiting General Grand Chapter Officers, G.G.C.C.M.'s, Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions and all visiting Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions. The gifts will be purchased by the Worthy Grand Matron, or her designate, who will be reimbursed by the Grand Chapter.

5. As it reads now:

A maximum of \$500.00 is allowed by the Grand Chapter towards a gift for Distinguished Guests, visiting General Grand Chapter Officers, G.G.C.C.M.'s, Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions and all visiting Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions. The gifts will be purchased by the Worthy Grand Matron, or her designate, who will be reimbursed by the Grand Chapter.

Recommendation:

A maximum of \$500.00 (not exceeding \$10.00 per person) is allowed by the Grand Chapter towards a gift or a donation for Distinguished Guests, visiting General Grand Chapter Officers, G.G.C.C.M.'s, Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions and all visiting Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions. The gifts will be purchased by the Worthy Grand Matron, or her designate, who will be reimbursed by the Grand Chapter.

- 6. The Grand Chapter will pay for the hotel room for the Most Worthy Grand Matron and/or the Most Worthy Grand Patron, for three (3) nights once during their term of office; that a gift or a donation not exceeding \$100.00 each, be purchased by the Worthy Grand Matron, or her designate, who will be reimbursed by the Grand Chapter.
- Grand Chapter to provide for complimentary tickets to be given to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for all banquets, luncheons and breakfasts pertaining to their Grand Chapter Session.
- 8. As it reads now:

Complimentary tickets to be given to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and/or the Most Worthy Grand Patron and spouse or escort when visiting, for the Past Grands' Banquet, Distinguished Guests Banquet and Delegates Banquet. Their registration fee will be paid by Grand Chapter.

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Complimentary tickets to be given to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and/or the Most Worthy Grand Patron and spouse or escort when visiting, for the Past Grands' Banquet, and Delegates Banquet. and Distinguished Guests banquet. Their registration fee will be paid by Grand Chapter.

9. In the event that the host facility provides complimentary room accommodation at the Grand Chapter Session, such shall be designated exclusively for the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron. Where complimentary accommodation is not otherwise provided, the Grand Chapter will pay for an executive size room for up to 5 nights, at their Session.

Recommendation:

In the event that the host facility provides complimentary room accommodation at the Grand Chapter Session, such shall be designated exclusively for the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron. Where complimentary accommodation is not otherwise provided, the Grand Chapter will pay for an executive size room for up to 4 nights, at their Session.

10. As it reads now:

The Grand Secretary shall be provided with an executive size room or standard accommodation at the annual Grand Session, up to 5 nights, to be paid by Grand Chapter.

Recommendation:

The Grand Secretary shall be provided with an executive size room or standard accommodation at the annual Grand Session, up to 4 nights, to be paid by Grand Chapter.

- 11. The Grand Bethel of Alberta, Job's Daughters International and the Alberta DeMolay
  Association be given a donation of \$500.00 each when attending our Grand Chapter
  Session. These donations are to be taken from the OES Foundation Account.
- 12. As it reads now:

All monies received and spent by the Grand Chapter be handled through the Grand Secretary's office and records of the same to be kept.

Recommendation:

All monies arriving for the Grand Chapter be received by the Grand Secretary and all monies spent by the Grand Chapter be recorded in the Grand Treasurer's Office. Monthly reports (including copy of all invoices paid, copy of bank statements for the general and foundation accounts and copies of the investment reports from Scotia McLeod to be given to the Grand Secretary by the Grand Treasurer.

- 13. All invoices for payment to be submitted and approved by the Finance Committee chairman and that no leases or contracts be entered into without permission of the Finance Committee.
- 14. That the Triennial allotment be \$300.00 per year.
- 14. As it reads now:

Pictures to be inserted in the Proceedings will be Most Worthy Grand Matron, and/or Most Worthy Grand Patron, when attending that Session, the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron-elect, Worthy Grand Patron elect, our own G.G.C.C.M.'s, a group picture of the Grand Officers and Elected M.B.G.P., a group picture of the Grand Representatives, Grand Pages, Grand Nurses, the Assistant Grand Sentinels and the Choir. Photographs to be supplied in black and white.

Recommendation:

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15.	As it reads now: The Worthy Grand Matron, Chairman of Finance and Grand Secretary are authorized to appoint auditors for the following year.  Recommendation: The Worthy Grand Matron, Chairman of Finance and Grand Treasurer are authorized to appoint auditors for the following year.
16.	That the Registration fee for the Grand Chapter Session be \$30.00.
17.	That the Per Capita Tax be \$10.00 per member annually.
18	The Grand Chapter Distinguished Guest Committee be allotted a maximum of \$500.00. Receipts to be provided.
19.	Grand Chapter Administration fee of \$600.00 per month be charged semi-annually to the O.E.S. Foundation.
20.	As it reads now:  Expenditures for gifts for General Grand Chapter Appointments will be as follows:  General Grand Chapter Officers - \$250.00  GGCCM - \$200.00  Special Appointments by the Most Worthy Grand Matron or Patron - \$150.00  Recommendation:
	Expenditures for gifts or donations for General Grand Chapter Appointments including General Grand Chapter Officers, GGCCM's and special appointments by the Most Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron be \$100.00.
21.	When Alberta is the host jurisdiction for Hands Across the Border, the Worthy Grand Matron is entitled to reimbursement of up to \$500.00 of the cost of decorations, gifts and prizes.
22.	The Standing Rules of Grand Chapter to be reviewed every two (2) years by a special Review Committee and presented at Grand Chapter for approval and amendment, if required.

# Grand Chapter of Alberta - (24) Standing Orders June 2022

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2.	The Honorarium for the W.G.P. is \$75.00 per Chapter Official Visit, the amount to be determined at the beginning of his year, with no travelling expenses for the formation of new chapters.
3.	The Honorarium for the Grand Secretary is \$6,500.00 per year and for the Grand Treasurer \$3,500.00 per year
4.	A yearly amount of \$500.00 will be paid to the Grand Secretary to cover electricity.
5.	The Grand Chapter will pay for the hotel room for the Most Worthy Grand Matron and/or the Most Worthy Grand Patron, for three (3) nights once during their term of office; that a gift or a donation not exceeding \$100.00 each, be purchased by the Worthy Grand Matron, or her designate, who will be reimbursed by Grand Chapter.
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10.	The Grand Secretary shall be provided with an executive size room or standard accommodation at the annual Grand Session, up to 4 nights, to be paid by Grand Chapter.

11.	The Grand Bethel of Alberta, Job's Daughters International and the Alberta DeMolay Association be given a donation of \$500.00 each when attending our Grand Chapter Session. These donations are to be taken from the OES Foundation Account.
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13.	All invoices for payment to be submitted and approved by the Finance Committee chairperson and that no leases or contracts be entered into without permission of the Finance Committee.
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# Board of General Purposes – (12) Standing Orders March 2020

# Amended Deleted

1.	The Grand Organist and Session Chair, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, shall be responsible for procuring suitable instruments for the Grand Chapter Session, up to a max of \$1,000.00; receipts required for reimbursement.
2.	The expenses for the Memorial Service are not to exceed \$150.00; receipts required for reimbursement.
3.	The Grand Chaplain will be reimbursed for postage and cards upon presentation of paid receipts.
4.	That the sum of \$500.00 be paid to the Worthy Grand Matron for decorating at the Grand Chapter Sessions, upon submission of paid receipts. Delete
5.	That the Worthy Grand Matron is to be reimbursed upon submission of paid receipts for favours and corsages, flowers or boutonnieres for members of 50 years service, or greater, attending Grand Chapter Session. The cost is not to exceed \$15.00 per person.
6.	That the Grand Secretary will provide, annually, an itemized Income and Expense Statement of the Grand Session costs to the Finance Committee within ninety (90) days, and ensure all expenses are included.
7.	That the Concession Agreement for Grand Chapter will include a flat up-front fee.
8.	The Grand Secretary be authorized to pay on an annual basis the rent for the Red Deer Freemasons Hall.
9.	The Grand Secretary to send to General Grand Chapter, the Grand Chapter and subordinate Chapters yearly charitable donation total when submitting the Annual General Grand Per Capita Report.
10.	Six bound copies of the Proceedings will be printed for: the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Historian and Grand Secretary. All other bound copies will be pre-ordered at the cost of the book. The Proceedings will be posted on the website for other Jurisdictions.
11.	The cellular phone expenses of the Worthy Grand Matron will be reimbursed in the amount of \$350.00 annually. Delete
12.	At every Grand Session a separate room will be obtained by the Session Committee for Registration, providing there is no additional cost to Grand Chapter for this room.
13.	It shall require a quorum of the majority of the members of this Board in order to transact any business.

## Board of General Purposes - (12) Standing Orders March 2020

1.	The Grand Organist and Session Chair, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron, shall be responsible for procuring suitable instruments for the Grand Chapter Session, up to a max of \$1,000.00; receipts required for reimbursement.
2.	The expenses for the Memorial Service are not to exceed \$150.00; receipts required for reimbursement.
3.	The Grand Chaplain will be reimbursed for postage and cards upon presentation of paid receipts.
4.	That the sum of \$500.00 be paid to the Worthy Grand Matron for decorating at the Grand Chapter Sessions, upon submission of paid receipts. Delete
5.	That the Worthy Grand Matron is to be reimbursed upon submission of paid receipts for favours and corsages, flowers or boutonnieres for members of 50 years service, or greater, attending Grand Chapter Session. The cost is not to exceed \$15.00 per person.
6.	That the Grand Secretary will provide, annually, an itemized Income and Expense Statement of the Grand Session costs to the Finance Committee within ninety (90) days, and ensure all expenses are included.
7.	That the Concession Agreement for Grand Chapter will include a flat up-front fee.
8.	The Grand Secretary be authorized to pay on an annual basis the rent for the Red Deer Freemasons Hall.
9.	The Grand Secretary to send to General Grand Chapter, the Grand Chapter and subordinate Chapters yearly charitable donation total when submitting the Annual General Grand Per Capita Report.
10.	Six bound copies of the Proceedings will be printed for: the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Historian and Grand Secretary. All other bound copies will be pre-ordered at the cost of the book. The Proceedings will be posted on the website for other Jurisdictions.
11.	At every Grand Session a separate room will be obtained by the Session Committee for Registration, providing there is no additional cost to Grand Chapter for this room.
12.	It shall require a quorum of the majority of the members of this Board in order to transact any business.

## Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM

At this time, I would like to call Sis. Beth Tripp, PGM; Sis. Donna Richard, GGCCM; Sis. Deb Buxton, PGM; Sis. Mary Wescott, PGM; Sis. Susan MacArthur to the East.

Grand Conductress would you please escort Sis. Mary Lynn Smith to the East.

Sis. Mary Lynn, in the East you will see eight Past Grand Matrons, or soon to be Past Grand Matron. These were the Worthy Grand Matrons that you served, and did a wonderful job. For all of the times that you took our phone calls, gave us advice and just kept us on track, we really, really appreciate you. These flowers are for you and this card is for you.

The retiring Grand Secretary was given Grand Honours.

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Thank you everyone very much. I feel very honoured. It has been a good ten years, and I am going to miss it very much (most days). I just really enjoyed the work and enjoyed the people, my Brothers and my Sisters. Thank you so much.

The bouquet of flowers was the most beautiful that the Grand Secretary had ever seen. A very special thank you to my eight Past Grand Matrons present, my Angel Past Grand Matron (who I know was there) and to Sis. Donna Richard who was counting votes at the time, we had a special moment after. Thank you to Bro. Les Payne, PGM and Bro. Roy Sonley, PGM for their beautiful card and treat. A huge thank you to everyone for everything, it has been a wonderful experience.

#### JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

Sandi Gibson, PGM (Chair)

Worthy Grand Matron, we have worked very hard this year because of COVID. Everything had to pass through Jurisprudence before our Worthy Grand Matron could do anything. It was wonderful working for you, seventy times we talked. You were both very accommodating. Good luck in your future.

We have been pleased to serve you for the past two years and trust all the decisions have been to your satisfaction and for the good of the Order. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee and Sis. Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary, for her assistance and knowledge over the past ten years of service to the Grand Chapter.

Bro. Richard Ashby, Parliamentarian, we look forward to your guidance and assistance during the business of this session of the Grand Chapter.

The reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were emailed to the committee to review. It has been a pleasure to work with each of you.

I am pleased to submit the following report:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Lorna, and Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Tim, are to be congratulated for a very unusual and successful year. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron worked very closely with our committee this year. Seventy Zoom meetings were held.

Five Dispensations were approved by our committee and granted.

Questions and Answers; The Jurisprudence Committee agreed with all the answers given by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Irregularities - All were approved.

Unusuals: were read with interest. Eleven Official Visits were held outside. Notices of Motion: Eighteen Notices of Motion were approved for form.

Recommendations of the Worthy Grand Matron: The committee reviewed and approved the recommendations made. We remind the members that the recommendations and the report of the Jurisprudence Committee are to be read at the first stated meeting following Grand Chapter.

Please read the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's reports. There were a few changes this year because of COVID.

The Constitution is on the Grand Chapter web site. All chapter secretaries should have the password.

It is recommended that the Instruction Committee of each chapter should refer to the Constitution.

The Jurisprudence Committee reminds the members that the Ritual is not to be copied.

#### FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Jacquie Charlton, Grand Conductress Kim McMinis, Associate Grand Conductress

Sis. Kim and myself sent out a letter to all Grand Representatives asking three questions about their commissions:

1. Were you able to contact your counterpart and were they able to respond back to you?

- 2. Have you shared any interesting tidbits about their chapter or state/province?
- 3. Have you enjoyed any special experiences with your counterpart?

We received three responses, with two indicating that they have had great responses from their counterparts and one whom after many attempts has had little response. COVID has put a pause to visiting their jurisdictions, although some are hoping to still attend in the near future.

As we worked through the list of Grand Jurisdictions, it seems like COVID hasn't completely allowed all areas to reopen therefore not all jurisdictions have information about their sessions. A list is attached to this report.

Alabama	Oct 13 -16 Magic Moments	Sheriton Hotel, Birmingham
Arizona	Aug 3-6 Wired for Star - Get Connected!	Wigwam Resort, Litchfield Park
Arkansas		
Austrialia	June 15 -19 18th Biennial Session	Bankstown Sports Event Center, Sydiney, NSW
Bolivia	July 1 -3	Oruno Club, Oruno, Bolivia
BC & Yukon	May 30 - Ju All Things Grow with Love	Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, BC Y
California	Oct 26 29 2022 Annual Session	Visalia Convention Center, Visalia, CA
Colorado	A Musical Journey	
Connecticut	Apr 21 -23 Heart to Heart	Holiday Inn Downtown, East Hartford CT
Delaware	May 8 - 10 The Sands of Time	Atlantic Sands Hotel, Rehoboth Beach, DE Y
istrict of Columbia	May 5 - 7	Fairview Park Marriot, Falls Church VA Y
lorida	Apr 5 - 7 Friendships Are Golden	The Renaissance Resort at World of Golf Villas Y
Georgia	June 9 - 12 Follow Your Dreams	Macon Centreplex, Macon
daho	June 11- 14 Believe and Capture Your Dreamsh	Best Western Plus University Inn, Moscow
llinois	Oct 1 -5	Wyndham Springfield City Centre, Springfield
ndiana	June 10 -12 Symphony of Faith & Love	
owa	Oct 20 - 23 Swinging On A Star	Cedar Rapids Marriott, Cedar Rapids
taly	Sept 28 -30	Y
Kansas	Apr 21 23 Faith in Serving Him	Hyatt Regency Hotel, Witchita
(entucky	Sept 15 - 18 In His Hands	Louisville
ouisianna.	Mar 19 -23 Jewels of the Sea	Alexandria Convention Center, Alexandria
Maine	May 16 - 18 Angels Gather Here	Augusta Civic Center Y
// anitoba	May 30 - Jun Manitoba Sunsets	Canada Inns Destination Centre Polo Park, Winnipeg
/aryland	Apr 24 - 27 Capturing the Times of Our Lives with Eastern Star	Clarion Resort Fountainebleau, Ocean City Y
Massachusetts	May 19 - 21 Luminaries	Boxborough Regency, Boxborough Y
∕lichigan	Oct 11 -13 The Beauty of God's Blessing	Υ
Minnesota	May 5 - 7 20/20 A Renewed Vision	River's Edge Convention Center, St. Cloud
Mississippi	Apr 10 - 13 God's Treasure Chest	Whispering Woods Conference Center Y
Missouri	Nov 13-16 University Plaza, Springfield, MO	
Montana	July 14 -16 Wings of Friendship	Delta Colonial Inn Helena Y
lebraska	May 10-12 Oceans of Possibilities	Younes Conference Ce Kearney
Veveda	Oct 2-5 It's about the Journey, One Moment in Time	Palace Station
New Brunswick	July 7-9 Angels Among the Stars	Fredericton

New Hampshire . New Jersey	Aug 18 -20 Life is a Magical Journey May 23 - 25		Y
New Mexico	Oct 19-22 Life is a Labyrinth	Albuquerque	
New York	on to be one of the property	mangacique	
North Carolina	June 11-15 Plant Seeds of Friendship	Durham	
North Dakota	June 9 - 11 That Tie That Binds	Ramada Inn, Fargo	
Nova Scotia & PEI	July 3-6 Music, Dance & Laughter	Dartmouth	
Ohio	Sept 22-24	Sharonville	
Oklahoma	Oct 16-18	Guthrie	Y
Ontario	Aug 28-31	Toronto	Y
Oregon	June 19-22 Out of the Galaxy	Pendleton	
Pennsylvania	June 27-29	York	Y
Puerto Rico	May 28 &29	San Juan	
Quebec	Oct 13-15	Granby	· Y
Rhode Island	Oct 7-8	Cranston	Y
Saskatchewan	April 28-30 You Raise Me Up	Saskatoon	
San Paulo			
Scotland			
South Carolina	June 20-22	Greenville	y
South Dakota	Garden of Friendship		
Tennessee	May 8-11	Kingsport	
Texas	Aug 9-11 Living Our Legacy of Love, Faith and Hope	Beaumont	
Utah	Oct 13 - 15		
Vermont	June 1-4 Sunny Side of Life	Essex	*
Virginia	May 23-25 Heart of our Stars	Roanoke	
Washington	June 27-29	Wenatchee Conventio Wenatchee	
West Virginia	Oct 6-8	Embassy Suites Charleston	
Wisconsin	May 17-19 Follow your Heart	Stevens Point	
Wyoming	Aug 3-6 Legacy of Love	Cheyene	

#### **HISTORIAN'S REPORT**

Yvonne Roberts, PGM

The Grand Chapter was declared to be in repose until the "Stars in Northern Lights" annual session was to take place at Olds College June 4-6, 2021. Unfortunately, the Grand Session was cancelled once again due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Plans were in progress to hold a mini session the Red Deer Freemason's Hall via Zoom. Regretfully, more restrictions were put in place due to the pandemic. The only alternative was to hold an information meeting in the outdoors.

The Worthy Matron, Sis.. Susan MacArthur and Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip conducted a Zoom meeting June 5, 2021 consisting of a Program of Welcome, Introductions, Registration Report, Grand Representative 2019-2021, Memorials of Bro. Fred Osborne, PGP and Sis. Debbie Matvichuk, PGM and the annual

donations to charities totaling \$54,494.00. Sis. Susan's personal project, Service Dogs, netted \$27,370.85.

The Installation of 2021-22 Grand Officers took place in the afternoon. Sis. Lorna Richmond, WGM, and Bro. Tim Cameron, WGP, were installed outdoors. The remainder of the Grand Officers were installed via Zoom.

Twenty-Seven chapters attended the mini session via Zoom. It was an honour to have Sis. Marianne Schenefelt, MWGM, among us.

#### **INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE**

Donna-Lynn Guynup, PGM (Chair) No Report

#### HANDS ACROSS THE BORDER

Mary Wescott, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers all. Traditionally the Order of the Eastern Star, International Exchange meets for its annual Hands Across the Border on the first Saturday of May. This social get-together is hosted on a rotation basis by the Grand Jurisdictions of Alberta, BC and Yukon, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. We took a pause these past few years due to the corona virus pandemic, unanticipated restrictions and interruptions in our normal routine, moved us to take precautions to keep our Sisters and Brothers safe. During this time Sis. Lorna and her copartners continued to meet via Zoom. They made the decision to begin to explore the option of restarting the Hands Across the Border Exchange. Alberta had been scheduled to host in 2021. It was agreed that Alberta would host for 2022 and for this one time the date would be May 14, instead of the first Saturday in May.

Sis. Lorna approached me, oddly wanting to know if I had any suggestions of venues, within the Calgary district. By the time that our conversation had ended, I realized that I had agreed to take on the organization of the next Hands Across the Border.

We are a fraternal organization that strives to have good relationships with one another, but there are many challenges and road blocks in our path. Firstly, the unknown, what safety restrictions would be in place and will our sisters and brothers be able to travel. Secondly, finding a venue. This stage of the game proved to be very challenging. Sometimes we need to take risks. Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim and I began the task of finding a venue, with the anticipation of having fun, a safe gathering of renewing friendships and meeting new people. The final decision to move forward was not made until February of this year, then the plan began.

Thank you to the planning team, Sis. Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer; Sis. Carolynne Collier, Grand Representative of Minnesota in Alberta; Sis. Seona Scott, PM of Zenith Chapter No 85. The Grand Chapters of Alberta, BC & Yukon, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, along with the invited jurisdictions of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, met for Hands Across the Border Exchange on May 14, 2022 in the Premier room at the Best Western Calgary Plaza Hotel and Conference Centre. The theme was "The Gathering" show your clan pride and wear a tartan. Registration numbers were 112, much lower than anticipated. Early in 2021 we had anticipated 60% of the average numbers in previous exchanges. Unfortunately, the final registration was much lower at 25%. However, this did not take away from a memorable and enjoyable day.

The day started with a sign-in at the registration table managed by Sis. Linda Groot, PGM and Sis. Shirley Weigelt, Grand Adah. Registration was scheduled to begin at 2:00 PM, but our Eastern Star family and friends did not disappoint us by arriving as early as 1:00 PM. At 3:00 PM the head table was piped in by Bro. Neil McMillan, AGP. This was followed by welcoming remarks, introductions and much enjoyable entertainment, provided by each jurisdiction. We all had a fun, full day enjoyed by all. Games, door prizes, 50/50 draw and delicious food. Following dinner there was lots of foot tapping and hand clapping as we were entertained by the dancers accompanied by bagpipes from the Wilson School of Highland Dance.

Sis. Pamela Lee, PGM of Washington, extended an invitation to Hands Across the Border, 2023 Exchange on May 6, 2023 in Hagen, Idaho. The theme "In the Good Old Summer Time."

Sis. Lorna, WGM, thank you for your confidence that you placed in me and for your support as we navigated the path to the day of the gathering. Thank you, Bro. Tim, WGP, for your support and for being there for whenever I needed to talk and calming me whenever I had a panic attack. Finally, a special thank you to all of the Sisters and Brothers who helped makes this "Hands Across the Border" a success. Thank you.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Anyone who was at Hands Across the Border would understand the wonderful afternoon that we had. Sis. Mary, thank you and your committee for putting on a spectacular day. We all had fun. I see that the scrutineers have returned and we will now have their final report.

#### Donna Richard, GGCCM, Scrutineer Committee Chair

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron. Thank you to all of the scrutineers for helping. It was a job well done.

Lorna Richmond, WGM, announced the results of the elections:

#### **Elected Grand Officers**

Worthy Grand Matron
Worthy Grand Patron
Associate Grand Matron
Associate Grand Patron
Grand Conductress
Associate Grand Conductress
Grand Secretary
Grand Treasurer
Grand Sentinel

Gail Anderson (133/1) Neil McMillan (126) Jacquie Charlton (85) Wayne Rinke (7/58) Kim McMinis (22) Bonnie Nelson (25/1) Lisbeth Booth (128) Pat Oberg (38) Peter Devlin (58)

## **Board of General Purposes for three years**

Ferrol Welke (128) Rhea McMane (27) Tanya Chisholm (25/1)

## **Board of General Purposes for two years**

Maureen McLean (5) Gordon McEwen (43/21) Gail Ancelet (21)

## **Board of General Purposes for one year**

Jean Langdon (133) Glenda Bailey (58) Dave Valan (38) All verbally accepted their elected positions.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, you will attend at the Altar informally.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed this session from labour to refreshment to reconvene this afternoon at 1:30 PM sharp.

Members and visitors remained seated while the Grand Officers retired.



## Saturday, June 4, 2022 – 1:30 PM

#### **Musical Prelude**

Noreen Kester (2) Grand Organist Flory Wilkins (37) Assistant Grand Organist

# Call to Order Deb Buxton, PGM Hal Welke, PGP

## Deb Buxton, PGM

Associate Grand Conductress, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Grand Officers, thank you for all that you did this past year, and for your unending support of Sis. Lorna, Bro. Tim and this Grand Jurisdiction.

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

Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim, may the scent of the heather and the bonnie blue bell waft a message to you that no words can tell. May the links in our friendship keep steadfast and true, good fortune and health be ever with you!

They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

#### Hal Welke. PGP

I have been to a fair number of Grand Chapters and I remember Sis. Mildred Rinke and the land of the little people, and then when I saw Bro. Tim and Sis. Lorna standing there, I could only think of that beloved old couple in the cartoons, and all those of you who are over 40 will remember Mutt and Jeff. It's all yours, Worthy Grand Matron.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

And you are supposed to respond to that?

Sis. Deb and Bro. Hal, thank you for your kind words of welcome at the Altar. I have so appreciated all of the advice and assistance in helping move our Order through difficult times. I'm sure, Sis. Deb, that you thought that with moving to the island you could take things a little slower. However, Worthy Grand Patron Tim

and I had other ideas for you. Bro. Hal, I thank you for all that you have done and are continuing to do to help make this session memorable.

## Tim Cameron, WGP

Acknowledging the good that you already have in your life is the foundation for all abundance. Sis. Deb and Bro. Hal, thank you for agreeing to open this afternoon's session. We are so grateful for all of your support.

## Deb Buxton, PGM

WGM Sister Lorna, thank you for giving me the honour of calling to order this afternoon's session with Bro. Hal, and congratulations to you both for a successful year of service. I now present you with your gavel.

The Grand Officers and Members of the Board General Purposes took their respective stations.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed this session from refreshment to labour.

## Donna Richard, GGCCM - Chair of Scrutineers

Sis. Donna requested permission to destroy the ballots from this morning's balloting and it was given.

#### **Tim Cameron, WGP**

When we get to the Notices of Motion can we please have the person presenting the motion move to a microphone. The person presenting the motion will talk first for the motion then we will take any speakers against the motion. We will alternate between three for and three against to speak two minutes each until we call the questions.



#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

## NOTICE OF MOTION (2022) 1

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article V Section Qualifications and Terms of Office - Grand Secretary Page 6

#### WHICH NOW READS:

- 2) The duties of the Grand Secretary should be considered as a full-time position. Experience in recording and balancing Synoptic and General Ledgers monthly, with reconciliation of all Bank Accounts, is required. The office of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Alberta shall be maintained in a room designated exclusively for that purpose.
- 1. () BE DELETED: 2.() ADD NEW TO READ: 3.(X) BE AMENDED TO READ:

#### UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended.

2) The duties of the Grand Secretary should be considered as a full-time position. Experience in the reconciliation of Bank Accounts, is required. The office of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Alberta shall be maintained in a room designated exclusively for that purpose.

RATIONALE: Recording and balancing Synoptic and General Ledgers are outdated now that the accounts are not done by hand but are done in QuickBooks on-line.

Submitted by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Seconded by: Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article V Section Qualifications and Terms of Office Grand Secretary and Qualifications and Terms of Office Grand Treasurer Page 6 - 3, Page 7

#### WHICH NOW READS:

It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary, not less than ten (10) days prior to the maturity of any investment held in the name of the Grand Chapter, to notify the Chairman of Finance, and the Chairman of the O.E.S. Foundation for that Fund, who shall determine if funds are required for operational purposes and arrange for agreed reinvestment authorization and direction by the appropriate chairman to the Grand Secretary.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.(X) BE AMENDED TO READ:

This section should be moved to the Grand Treasurer:

It shall be the duty of the <u>Grand Treasurer</u>, not less than ten (10) days prior to the maturity of any investment held in the name of the Grand Chapter, to notify the Chairman of Finance, and the Chairman of the O.E.S. Foundation for that Fund, who shall determine if funds are required for operational purposes and arrange for agreed reinvestment authorization and direction by the appropriate chairman to the <u>Grand Treasurer</u>.

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

RATIONALE: To remove duties of a financial nature from the Grand Secretary and give them to the Grand Treasurer.

Submitted by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Seconded by: Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article V Section Qualifications and Terms of Office – Grand Treasurer Page 7 WHICH NOW READS:

The office of Grand Treasurer shall not be held by any member for a period longer than five (5) consecutive years.

Nominees for the office of Grand Treasurer must have a working knowledge of bookkeeping and experience in recording and balancing their respective ledgers on a monthly basis.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( X ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

The office of Grand Treasurer shall not be held by any member for a period longer than five (5) consecutive years.

Nominees for the office of Grand Treasurer must have a working knowledge of bookkeeping and experience in recording and balancing their respective ledgers on a monthly basis. Experience in using QuickBooks on-line is an asset.

#### RATIONALE:

Now that the Grand Chapter is using QuickBooks on-line it would be a great asset to have QuickBooks on-line knowledge.

Submitted by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Seconded by: Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article VIII Section Official Bond Page 12

#### WHICH NOW READS:

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and additional signing authority who lives in the same city as the Grand Secretary and who is a Past Grand Matron or a Past Grand Patron chosen by the Finance Committee with the approval of the Worthy Grand Matron. (06/19)

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.(X) BE AMENDED TO READ:

#### UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and additional signing authority who lives in the same area as the **Grand Treasurer** and who is a Past Grand Matron or a Past Grand Patron chosen by the Finance Committee with the approval of the Worthy Grand Matron. (06/19)

#### RATIONALE:

To remove duties of a financial nature from the Grand Secretary and give them to the Grand Treasurer.

Submitted by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Seconded by: Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article XII Section Duties of Committees - Finance Page 16

#### WHICH NOW READS:

In conjunction with the Grand Secretary and not less than three (3) members of the Finance Committee, appropriate reinvestment of Grand Chapter funds will be investigated and arranged. Such investments shall be limited to:

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.(X) BE AMENDED TO READ:

#### UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

In conjunction with the <u>Grand Treasurer</u> and not less than three (3) members of the Finance Committee, appropriate reinvestment of Grand Chapter funds will be investigated and arranged. Such investments shall be limited to:

#### RATIONALE:

To remove duties of a financial nature from the Grand Secretary and give them to the Grand Treasurer.

Submitted by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Seconded by: Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article Election of Grand Officers Section VI Page 8 Section 2

#### WHICH NOW READS:

Section 2 (c) If there is only one person nominated for any office, that person shall be declared elected to that office.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2. (X) ADD NEW TO READ: 3. () BE AMENDED TO READ:

#### UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

Section 2 (c) If there is only one person nominated for any office, that person shall be declared elected to that office, except for the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. Both offices require special skills and anyone applying for either offices will submit a resume which will go before a Resume Review Board consisting of the WGM, AGM, current Grand Secretary and current Grand Treasurer to ensure that the applicants meet the qualifications for the job.

#### RATIONALE:

No one should automatically assume either of these positions without meeting the basic requirements.

Submitted by: Susan MacArthur, PGM

Seconded by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article V Section Eligibility for Grand Office Page 6

#### WHICH NOW READS:

All Past Matrons and Past Patrons in good standing in any Subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction are eligible to be nominated for all elected positions below that of Grand Conductress.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2. (X) ADD NEW TO READ: 3. ( ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

#### UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

All Past Matrons and Past Patrons in good standing in any Subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction are eligible to be nominated for all elected positions below that of Grand Conductress with the exception of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, who may be a member in good standing of any subordinate chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction.

#### RATIONALE:

The offices of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer require specialized skills and dedication to the position. We are fortunate in Alberta to have many such people who have served in these positions, but the number of candidates with the necessary skills and dedication is limited. Allowing the election of members who have served in these offices in subordinate chapters, but who have never gone through the chairs to become Past Matrons or Past Patrons, opens this position to a larger number of members who have this special talent.

Submitted by: Susan MacArthur, PGM

Seconded by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Article: VI Section Election of Grand Officers Page 7

### WHICH NOW READS:

Nominations must be signed by one of the following persons of a Chapter of this Jurisdiction: Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron, or Past Matron or Past Patron.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( X ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES (as amended)

Nominations must be signed by one of the following persons of the <u>home chapter</u> of the <u>nominee</u> of this jurisdiction: Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron or Past Matron or Past Patron.

#### RATIONALE:

Members of a nominee's home chapter have a closer experience working with and understanding the capabilities of the nominee and may also have some financial and moral support of the candidate.

Submitted by: Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM

Seconded by: Susan MacArthur, PGM

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Page 17 Article XII Section Duties of Committees

### WHICH NOW READS:

This is a new committee and does not have any current wording.

1. () BE DELETED: 2.(x) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.() BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

STEERING COMMITTEE: The Steering Committee will focus on moving Alberta OES forward. The core committee will be comprised of the following positions: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Sentinel, Grand Secretary and a chairman/facilitator to be appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron. This will be a Standing Committee and will work with all of the other Standing and Appointed Committees.

This committee would be inserted in the proper place alphabetically.

#### RATIONALE:

The work of this committee is long range and we need the continuity of the elected Grand Line to continue the progress and efforts accomplished to date.

Submitted by: Deb Buxton, PGM, Chair/Facilitator of Steering Committee

Seconded by: Gail Anderson, AGM

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution

Mission Statement\_ Page\_1

#### WHICH NOW READS:

"Our mission is to welcome women and men, who hold a belief in a Supreme Being, into a Fraternal Order whose teachings are moral, fellowship supportive and purposes beneficent and to work together in the spirit of Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness for the good of all mankind."

1. () BE DELETED: 2.() ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( x ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

Remove existing wording and replace with -

<u>Diverse individuals dedicated to improving the quality of lives in our communities</u> through fellowship, enjoyment, and charitable works.

(And move the Mission statement to the backside of the cover page).

#### RATIONALE:

Our Mission statement needs to be modernized and needs to be something our members can easily relate to. It also needs to make sense to non-members. Non-members need to be able to understand what our organization is about.

We wanted something short and powerful.

Moving the Mission statement to the backside of the cover page makes it easier for all to see it.

Submitted by: Deb Buxton, PGM, Chair of the Steering Committee

Seconded by: Jacquie Charlton, Grand Conductress

#### **DEFEATED**

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution

#### WHICH NOW READS:

This is a new statement and does not have any current wording.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( x ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

Vision Statement

Eastern Star shining brightly; to make a difference in our communities.

The Vision statement would be listed immediately following the Mission statement, on the back side of the cover page.

#### RATIONALE:

The Vision statement is where we, Alberta OES, aspire to be in the future. It's the desired end result of everyone's efforts. It provides a common focus for all members

A Vision statement speaks to the organization's purpose and why it's important for the organization to exist. It describes where an organization is going and what it will look like when it gets there.

The Vision statement goes hand-in-hand with the Mission statement.

Submitted by: Deb Buxton, PGM, Chair of Steering Committee

Seconded by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Article XII Section Duties of Committees Page 18

#### WHICH NOW READS:

This is a new committee and does not have any current wording.

1. () BE DELETED: 2.(x) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.() BE AMENDED TO READ:

#### UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

SOCIAL MEDIA: The Social Media Committee will promote OES within Alberta. The committee should be staffed by progressive-thinking members of our jurisdiction who are comfortable with the various aspects of social media. There isn't a minimum or maximum number of committee members. This will be a Standing Committee and will work with the Membership & Promotions Committee.

#### RATIONALE:

We need to attract younger members. This demographic uses social media for everything. We need a Social Media Committee comprised of progressive-thinking members and younger members who are proficient with, and know how to use, the various aspects of social media and know the right way to position our message so it will be seen and heard by the target audience.

Submitted by: Deb Buxton, PGM

Seconded by: Jacquie Charlton, Grand Conductress

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution

Article XII Duties of Committees.

#### WHICH NOW READS:

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( X ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES (as amended)

To create an "Extraordinary Circumstances Committee" to assist the Worthy Grand Matron with the decision-making process to deal with a crisis.

## RATIONALE:

Currently there is a lack of defined direction when dealing with circumstances such as the pandemic or catastrophic issues which are truly above and beyond the normal scope of expectations for the Worthy Grand Matron. The elected line officers including the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Sentinel, Grand Secretary, Jurisprudence Chairperson and Parliamentarian shall serve on this committee to help the Worthy Grand Matron with her decision-making process.

Submitted by: Susan MacArthur, PGM

Seconded by: Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause

to be moved that the duties of the Finance Committee be amended under the Constitution to permit the investment of up to 70% of Grand Chapter funds in equities, instead of the current limit of 50%. It is proposed that the Constitution, Article XII, Duties of Committees,
WHICH NOW READS:
FINANCE:
Such investments shall be limited to:
At least fifty percent (50%) of the Grand Chapter funds:
a) In cash and/or bank accounts and,
<b>b)</b> Guaranteed Investment Certificates.

- 2. Up to fifty percent (50%) of original invested value (06/18) may be invested in any of:
  - a) Common Stocks,
  - **b)** Shares in Investment Trusts,
  - c) Mutual Funds.

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Such investments shall be limited to:

- 1. At least thirty percent (30%) of the Grand Chapter funds:
  - a) In cash and/or bank accounts and,
  - **b)** Guaranteed Investment Certificates.

#### RATIONALE:

The income generated from the dividend-paying equities held by Grand Chapter since 2012 is over 6% per year on original invested value, as compared to 1% to 2% per year income currently generated by Guaranteed Investment Certificates. As well, the equities have the potential for an additional 3% to 4% annual increase in capital value (3.4% historical average since 2012), for a total return of about 10% per year compared to 2% per year for GICs.

Approval of this motion would specifically benefit the OES Foundation and enable the charitable donations from the Foundation to be increased by over \$2,500 annually in 2023 and \$6,000 annually in 2025 and subsequent years, as GICs held by the Foundation mature and are reinvested in Canadian equities with a history of stable and rising dividends.

Submitted by: Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP, Chairman Finance Committee

Seconded by: Maybeth Drozd, PGM, Vice-Chairman Finance Committee

#### **DEFEATED**

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution:

Article Instructions to Subordinate Chapters Section Duties of Officers and Committees

Chapter Secretary Page 44

WHICH NOW READS:

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( X ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

<u>ALL Chapter Secretaries use a generic email for their chapter and not their personal email address. For example, the email address for St. Hilda Chapter is: st.hildaoes@gmail.com</u>

#### RATIONALE:

When a new Secretary is elected, the other secretaries can still seamlessly continue to send information chapters via email.

Submitted by: Rhea McMane, PM No. 27

Seconded by: Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Article: Rules and Regulations for The Government of Subordinate Chapters in The Province of Alberta Section Meetings Page 34

## WHICH NOW READS:

Each Subordinate Chapter shall hold at least ten (10) stated monthly meetings a year. To transact business, a quorum consisting of seven (7) members, one of whom shall be one of the first four (4) officers, must be present. Provided, that in the absence of the first four (4) officers at any stated meeting or special meeting, the Junior Past Matron of the Chapter present shall preside

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( X ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES (as amended)

Be Amended to Read – <u>Each Chapter shall hold a minimum of six (6) stated meetings per year.</u> To transact business, a quorum consisting of seven (7) members, one of whom shall be one of the first four (4) officers, must be present. Provided, that in the absence of the first four (4) officers at any stated meeting or special meeting, the junior Past Matron of the Chapter shall preside.

All other portions of Article: Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters in the Province of Alberta section Meeting's page 34 to remain unchanged.

RATIONALE: The reason for this simple revision is as follows: Time & choice. We all have an infinite / but finite amount of time & choice. Like spoken words that once uttered cannot be rescinded, each member makes a choice as to how they allocate their time. Time & choice are valuable commodities, more so in the present-day circumstances than what may have appeared in prior times. There is need for flexibility in our chapters' manner of association that had not been present at a past time. This is evident in all associations that we may belong to as our declining membership is so abundantly evident. To use the old phase "We have always done it that way" is only another way of saying "We have yet again failed to recognize the need to be flexible." Is this going to be our legacy? Or are we willing to embrace need to be flexible?

Now I implore your support of this simple revision of our Rules and Regulations on page # 34, forthwith.

Thank you for your consideration.

Submitted by: Bro. William W. Lowrie, PP, Pioneer Chapter # 135

Seconded: Sis. Sara Lynn Burroug, PM, Pioneer Chapter # 135

This Notice of Motion was deemed to be out of order by Jurisprudence.

#### **NOTICE OF MOTION (2022) 17**

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Article Instruction Section Paragraph 7 Page 41

#### WHICH NOW READS:

The dress code for Alberta to be:

Sister Officers to wear preferable white dresses.

Members attending chapter on the sideline to wear appropriate dress, dress pants with jacket.

Jeans, sweatpants, yoga pants or casual beach wear is not to be worn to meetings.

1. ( ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( X ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES (as amended) - N/A

Members attending chapter to dress in business casual attire. (Business casual attire defined as including khaki pants, slacks, and skirts, as well as short-sleeved polo shirts and long-sleeved shirts, but excludes jeans, tight or short skirts, T-shirts. and sweatshirts.)

#### RATIONALE:

To be more modern, the Order of the Eastern Star is proposing a new Mission Statement and Vision Statement. It addresses diverse individuals and making a difference in our communities. This is a positive change for Eastern Star.

Another positive change would be to amend the dress code for Alberta. It is time to stop asking our unique and diverse individuals to dress in a uniform manner. Our members are volunteers in a voluntary organization and should not be told what to wear to a gathering. We are all adults and know how to dress appropriately.

White is a difficult colour to purchase these days and it soils so easily. My white outfit is often soiled even before entering the building due to dirty parking lots and cars.

Many of the women in our organization have Grand Chapter and Grand Representative attire that would be appropriate for a meeting but are currently hanging in a closet. They also have outfits that have been purchased for weddings

and other occasions that could be worn. Star Point officers do not have the choice of wearing outfits the colour of their stations.

Dress codes have changed dramatically over the years. Many modern working women no longer have a skirt or dress in their wardrobe as they are no longer required in the workplace. We are asking our volunteer members to incur an additional expense just to attend one of our meetings. We want new and younger members. Many may be reluctant to incur this additional expense.

I have had the opportunity to travel in the Eastern Star world and I have talked with those that have travelled extensively. I know that there are many Grand Jurisdictions that do not have a dress code like Alberta does.

Do I want to be an officer in Eastern Star? Definitely yes! Do I want to wear white at every meeting? No.

We are constantly lamenting that we need more members, we need more younger members and that we need to change. This could be a positive change for the future.

We need to cherish and celebrate our diverse individuals, not focus on what they are wearing.

Submitted by: Barbara Thompson

Seconded: Dorothy Munro

**DEFEATED** 

## NOTICE OF MOTION (2022) 18

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Article V; Section Eligibility for Grand Office; Page 6

WHICH NOW READS: (Paragraph 7)

Grand Representatives are not eligible for an elected or appointed office until the term of their commission has expired.

1. ( X ) BE DELETED: 2.( ) ADD NEW TO READ: 3.( ) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES (as deleted)

Grand Representatives are not eligible for an elected or appointed office until the term of their commission has expired. (There is no change)

#### RATIONALE:

Our Constitution says that all members in good standing are eligible for a Grand Representative appointment and Past Matrons or Past Patrons in good standing are eligible for Grand office.

It is unreasonable to assume that a Sister or Brother in good standing is incapable of fulfilling duties of both offices.

This change would also elevate the roadblocks that our Worthy Grand Matrons and Associate Grand Matrons encounter when choosing their appointments, as they do not know who has been selected until the appointment has been presented.

Submitted by: Mary Wescott, PGM

Seconded: Gail Anderson, AGM

#### **CARRIED**

#### NOTICE OF MOTION (2022) 19

Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star

At the next Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I will move or cause to be moved that the Constitution Article Instructions to Subordinate Chapters Section Open Installation Page 59

#### WHICH NOW READS:

Bullet #3 Special Dispensation is read, if required. (Constitution 58, 5th Paragraph.)

1. () BE DELETED: 2. () ADD NEW TO READ: 3. (X) BE AMENDED TO READ:

UNDERLINE ALL CHANGES as amended

Bullet # 3 Special Dispensation is read, if required. (Constitution 58,5<sup>th</sup> Paragraph.)

RATIONALE: This is a housekeeping, no longer needed.

Submitted by: Marian Sinclair, GGCCM -- Membership, Constitution Committee Chair

Seconded by: Janet Wilkinson, PGM -- Constitution Vice Chair

#### **CARRIED**

## Richard Ashby, GGCCM – Grand Chapter Parliamentarian

I would like to thank our Worthy Grand Patron for a job well done; he handled the business effectively, officially, everyone knew what was going and what was being voted on. He handled the business portion of the meeting beautifully and I congratulate you.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, I believe that we have a Grand Officer of another jurisdiction to be introduced.

Jenny Guest, Associate Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan, was introduced in the West and given a hearty welcome.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Be a friend in whatever you do and may your troubles be always a stranger to you.

#### **Tim Cameron**

May there always be something that you want to learn, somewhere that you want to go, something that you want to do, someone to meet.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, will you present our Board of General Purposes for introduction; Associate Grand Conductress, you will assist.

Sis. Bonnie Nelson (25/1), Sis. Ferrol Welke (137), Sis. Glenda Bailey (58), Sis. Jean Langdon (133), Sis. Maureen McClean (5), Bro. Gordon McEwen (43/21), Bro. Peter Devlin (58)

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

These are Members of the Board of General Purposes, and they never ever get introduced at Grand Chapter but they do the work to keep Grand Chapter going along with the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and elected Grand Officers. I think that they really deserve a round of applause.

The Members of the Board of General Purposes were given a hearty welcome and returned to their seats.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

We will now continue with reports.

#### . MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Hal Welke, PGP (Chair)

The Membership Committee is looking forward to working together with the Steering Committee and getting together with their committee, now that COVID restrictions are lifting.

#### **MUSEUM REPORT**

Darlene McMullen, PM (Chair)

Sis. Darlene McMullen and Sis. Joan Ainsworth reported to the Board that the Bowden Museum was continuing to house our items at no cost to us. We have not contributed to the operation of the museum since 2015 when a donation of \$300.00 was given at the request of the museum chairperson at that time, when the government funding discontinued. They proposed an annual donation to the Bowden Museum by the Grand Chapter of Alberta in the amount of \$500.00. The Board approved and this has become part of the Board Standing Orders.

Everyone is encouraged to go to the museum and have a look.

#### **OES FOUNDATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Terry Skelton, PGP (Chair)

So now it is March of 2022 and things are just starting to change. The chapters are starting to meet in person, and everyone is trying to get used to being able to see people smile. We still don't know how comfortable our members will be coming out to meetings, but the next three months will tell.

In June, I will be turning the chair over to Vice-Chair, Sis. Lorna Richmond, Worthy Grand Matron.

Personally, I question whether the Committee should continue at all in its current form, for these reasons:

- The committee consists of the Chair, Vice Chair, and Grand Secretary.
   Very difficult to make any meaningful decisions.
- The Chair is an invited guest to the Finance Committee meetings and as such, has no voice or vote unless the Finance Chair requests input.
- All financial decisions are made by the Finance Committee.

If the committee is to continue, then I suggest that the new Chairperson work with the Finance Committee Chair to develop new terms of reference and constitutional amendments to make the committee meaningful.

And still these same questions remain:

- Are the Teas a thing of the past?
- Should the District concept be continued, or should each chapter be responsible for their own fundraising?
- How, if we don't have Teas, do we retain the fraternal opportunity that Teas provide?

It is my understanding the Finance Committee has determined the following donations for this year:

 Alzheimer's
 \$11,280.96

 Caregivers
 \$11,280.96

 Juvenile Diabetes
 \$9,024.77

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Brookfield sale profits)

As well, there are the usual donations to Job's Daughters, DeMolay, Service Dogs, WGM project, for a total of \$2,330.00.

#### **PROPERTIES**

Bonnie Nelson, MBGP (Chair)

Sis. Bonnie reported that there had been no requests for properties this year. They are looking forward to Grand Session!

However, I would like to thank Mountain View Chapter No. 1 in Olds for donating pedestals, chairs, Altar and the other regalia, which saved us from transporting these things from Red Deer.

I would like to thank all of the chapters and the individuals who contributed to this fantastic table of baskets which will be drawn for tonight at the banquet. We still have a number of items for sale and I would like to thank you all for your support.

#### **PEARL G. SRIGLEY FUND**

Doris Burak, PM (Chair) Terry Skelton, PGP (Secretary)

I would like to thank the entire committee for all their diligent attention in handling the duties of this unique committee. The Pearl Srigley Committee had a couple of changes following Grand Chapter 2021. Bro. Terry Skelton, PGP, was re-elected to a six-year term. At the end of August, PGM Sis. Lois Brown resigned as secretary, a position she held for 16 years. Bro. Terry Skelton, PGP, was elected to fill the vacancy of secretary for a five-year term. Sis. Linda Sonley, PM, was elected to fill the vacancy on this committee for a six-year term. Sis. Maureen Akitt, PM, resigned from the committee in February for personal family issues. I am grateful to Sis. Ethel Newman, PM, for her expertise in handling the Treasurer duties efficiently and professionally.

No face-to-face meetings were held during the year; however, ZOOM, e-mail and telephone are great tools to stay in touch, discussing issues and approving applications in a timely manner. During 2021, eight applications were

approved. one applicant received \$482.04 and seven applicants each received \$500.00. Grants issued to the eight applicants totalled \$3,982.04 and did not exceed the amount of interest received.

Members of this committee are:

Five Years Janet Wilkinson, PGM (Chairman)

One Year Sheila Trueblood, PM

Two Years

Three Years Maureen Akitt, PM
Four Years Mildred Rinke, PGM
Five Years Linda Sonley, PM

The committee will be electing a member to fulfill the four-year term vacated by Sis. Maureen Akitt, PM. It should be noted that Sis. Janet Wilkinson, PGM, will complete her term in June 2022. A replacement will not be elected to fill this vacancy, as the Pearl G. Srigley Trust Fund mandate states this committee will consist of seven members. When Bro. Terry Skelton, PGP, was elected secretary, the committee voted to allow the secretary a "vote" and a "voice" on the committee. By not replacing one member on the committee, we will be in compliance with the mandated Rules & Regulations of the committee of 7 members.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

For those of you who do not know, Sis. Doris has resigned from her position due to several other commitments. The new chairperson of the Srigley Fund is Sis. Janet Wilkinson, PGM. We should all give Sis. Doris a big hand as thank you.

#### SERVICE DOG COMMITTEE REPORT

Susan MacArthur, PGM (Chair)

There has been no activity of the Service Dog Committee but with the upcoming in-person events we will be busier. We have plans for basket raffles at the "Come to the Ceilidh" Grand Session as well as selling our Alberta Shooting Star pins at some events. Looking forward to raising funds for the Guide Dogs.

#### STEERING COMMITTEE

Deb Buxton, PGM (Chair)

Members: WGM Lorna Richmond, WGP Tim Cameron, AGM Gail Anderson, AGP Neil McMillan, GC Jacquie Charlton, AGC Kim McMinis, Grand Sentinel Wayne Rinke, Grand Secretary Mary Lynn Smith, Chair/facilitator Deb Buxton, PGM.

Wow! What a year we've had and, oh my gosh, has it been rewarding.

WGM Lorna and WGP Tim had some thoughts on how to move Alberta Eastern Star forward. After attending General Grand Chapter workshop, "The Path Forward", initiated by the then Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Marianne Shenefelt, they knew they were definitely on the right track. They recruited Sis. Deb Buxton, PGM, to help put their thoughts into action. We started by developing the mandate for the committee and determining who would be on the committee. A committee was created composed of the elected Grand Chapter line officers and the Grand Secretary, with Sis. Deb Buxton, PGM, facilitating. Having the elected line involved will ensure the committee maintains its momentum. This committee became known as the Steering Committee.

We began working on a Mission statement (tells people, including non-members, what we are about, our purpose, aim, etc.) and a Vision statement (describes what we are striving to achieve, what we want our future to look like). Then we received lots of ideas on what we needed to work on to deal with current issues facing our chapters.

Our next step was to roll out the proposed Mission and Vision statements. We presented at the Nov 14, 2021 Board of General Purposes meeting and received their support for the Mission and Vision statements. Our next item was to socialize our achievements so far. A special edition of the Alberta Eastern Star Newsletter was published (January 2022) and distributed to the chapters for distribution to their members. The newsletter nameplate (header) has been updated to include the Mission and Vision statements. We also asked the Grand Chapter committees to establish short- and long-term goals to help with Moving Alberta Eastern Star Forward. So far, we have received goals from the Finance Committee and Jurisprudence. The goals will definitely help our jurisdiction move forward.

We have submitted three (3) Notices of Motion to be debated at our 2022 Grand Chapter Session: Establish the Steering Committee as a Grand Chapter Standing Committee; adopt the revised (more modern) wording of the Mission statement; and adopt the Vision statement. We look forward to spirited debate on these motions.

We are continuing to collect ideas and to put changes in place to fix some of the challenges facing our jurisdiction which will strengthen our foundation for the future. In March 2022, we sent a letter to the chapters providing an update on what we've accomplished so far, asked for chapter feedback on several questions, and for volunteers to work on some of the initiatives. We are very pleased to have the Grand Chapter Membership & Promotion committee, the Grand Secretary (Chapter Secretaries), and the Grand Chapter Instruction Committee assist us in meeting with chapter volunteers to work on gathering ideas, suggestions and, in some cases, implementing solutions.

Sisters and Brothers, we are very excited for the future of our jurisdiction. We look forward to hearing from you.

A big thank you to all of the chapters and individuals for all of your input to the committee. We are receiving really good quality ideas and are going to be

sending those back out to the chapters for consideration. We are only a conduit, we are not here to make you do something; we are just giving you ideas of things that you might want to do.

#### Mission Statement:

Diverse individuals dedicated to improving the quality of lives in our communities through fellowship, enjoyment, and charitable works.

#### **Vision Statement:**

Eastern Star shining brightly; to make a difference in our communities.

# ALBERTA EASTERN STAR WEBSITE REPORT FOR 2022 GRAND CHAPTER

Webmaster: Sis. Deb Buxton, PGM, & Tom Buxton

I have continued to update the calendar and special events (and mark events as cancelled when COVID interfered with our plans). The 2020 chapter meetings and events were added and subsequently updated to cancelled as COVID invaded our lives. Some 2021 meetings and events were added when some COVID restrictions were lifted, but many had to be subsequently cancelled. The 2022 chapter meetings have been added to the calendar. I hope the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday events that had to be cancelled due to COVID will be rescheduled. I'll continue updating the website as information is received.

I also posted letters and updated the main page as we received guidance from our 2019-2021 and 2021-2022 Worthy Grand Matrons and the Most Worthy Grand Matron.

I'm working on modernizing and re-developing the website (with the assistance of my husband!) to have greater appeal and to attract potential members. I'm hoping the Social Media committee (see Notice of Motion) will be able to assist with this. All suggestions are appreciated.

We are working on reducing the website costs (domain renewal and hosting)

Please send pictures of your chapter's donations, community service, fun events, social events, etc. If your chapter is doing it, we are interested in the pictures. Also, please send pictures of thank you messages you receive, and any articles from the charities, that reference your chapter.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Secretary, do we have any correspondence?

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

We do not have any correspondence, Worthy Grand Matron.

## Sister Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM

I am making this announcement for Sis. Bonnie Nelson. The main banquet tonight is being held in this room. The Grand Chapter needs to be taken down so we will need some assistance. Once the officers have retired and the Grand Marshal has removed the regalia, would anyone who is able to assist us please do so. Everything has to go onto the stage with the exception of the carpet, which needs to be rolled. Thank you for your help.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

It has been decided that the Foundation awards and the Graham/Astle Membership awards will not be presented again this year, due to our friend COVID. Sister Mary Lynn, do we have any unfinished business?

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

There is no unfinished business, Worthy Grand Matron.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Associate Grand Matron, do you have any requests regarding your Installation? Would you please announce the date and location of the 2023 Grand Session?

#### Gail Anderson, Associate Grand Matron

I would request that all Grand Pages, Assistant Grand Sentinels and the Medical Team remain in their positions for Installation, please. The 2023 Grand Session will be called the "Wheels of Time" and it will be held in Olds, Alberta on June 2, 3 and 4, 2023.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Do we have any announcements?

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

Chinook Chapter No. 133 is inviting everyone to attend the Jubilee Tea, to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's reign on the throne, Saturday, June 18, 2022 at Bowmont Hall in Calgary and will cost \$15.00. Chinook members have tickets.

This one is anonymous but asks that anyone coming to the banquet tonight please bring their loose change.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Oh my! You know, paper money would even be better. It could be bribable, you never know. Chinook Chapter would like you all to dress up for their tea in hats and your summer dresses and gloves.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter from labour to rest to reconvene on Sunday morning, June 5, 2022 at 9:00 AM sharp.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

The officers will retire. I ask that you remain seated until the officers have retired and then vacate the Grand Chapter room in a timely manner so that the room may be rearranged for this evening's banquet.

The Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes retired.

#### "Kin Folk Ceilidh"

Saturday June 4, 2022

The Kin Folk Ceilidh banquet was a very enjoyable time for all. We had a wonderful meal and \$975.00 was raised for CASS, the Worthy Grand Matron's project. The more change your table had, the quicker you got your supper. As you can tell by the amount raised, we were all hungry. The food was delicious and the company even better.

After the banquet, Sis. Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary, and Bro. Richard Ashby, GGCCM and Grand Chapter Parliamentarian, were brought to the stage at the front of the room.

Sis. Mary Lynn was presented with a plaque and beautiful necklace and earrings from members of the Grand Chapter of Alberta and the title of Grand Secretary Emeritus.

Bro. Richard was presented with a plaque and a wooden puzzle perpetual calendar from the Grand Chapter of Alberta and the title of Grand Parliamentarian Emeritus.

Both Sis. Mary Lynn and Bro. Richard were very proud to receive these honours.



## **SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022** 9:00 AM

#### **Musical Prelude**

Noreen Kester (2), Grand Organist Flory Wilkins (27), Assistant Grand Organist

## Call to Order Linda Groot, PGM David Johnson, PGP

#### Linda Groot, PGM

Good morning to you all, in this final session of "Come to the Ceilidh." This morning we will be remembering those dearly departed members in the Memorial Service along with the long serving members for their years of service in our Order. I am pleased to serve this morning with Bro. David Johnson, PGP. It is hard to believe that it was eleven years ago that we shared the East together.

## David Johnson, PGP

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. Sis. Linda Groot, PGM, I am very pleased to share the East with you this morning and to assist you in bringing the Sunday morning session to order. Worthy Grand Matron Sis. Lorna and Worthy Grand Patron Bro. Tim, the lights are quickly fading on your Grand Session and on your year. Thank you for your hard work and support that you have shown to all of our chapters. I look forward to working with you in the upcoming years.

#### Linda Groot, PGM

Associate Grand Conductress, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

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

Sis. Lorna, we have served together in Didsbury for quite a few years now. It is such a pleasure to be able to welcome you this morning. It has been quite a journey for you these last few years working to make it possible to have this meeting in person. You have supported your scripture; "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean unto thine own understanding." I know the last few years that you have had to be very true to that. Soon you and your flock of sheep can go home and enjoy some relaxation and rest. Bro. Tim, congratulations on a busy year, and for all of your assistance to Sis. Lorna and to this Grand Chapter as you have helped us through the trials of these last few years. We have lived by your motto "Let us Unite" and Grand Chapter has had to unite a lot this last while. All the best for getting back to a more normal life for you.

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They were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

#### Linda Groot, PGM

Thank you, Sis. Lorna, for the privilege of being able to open this session. I now present you with your gavel.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Linda and Bro. David, I cannot thank you enough for opening the Sunday morning "Come to the Ceilidh" session. Your willingness to help whenever I have asked means a lot to me. Please remain in the East for the morning service.

#### **Tim Cameron. WGP**

Everything happens for a reason; live it, learn from it! Make your smile change the world but don't let the world change your smile. Sis. Linda and Bro. David, thank you for opening the Sunday morning session.

The Grand Officers and Board of General Purposes took their stations.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the session from rest to labour

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

For those chapters that I did not get to there is some shut-in gifts that we have. If you are from one of those chapters please see Sis.Lorel. There are quite a few left so please go and collect some for your shut-ins. It is sad that we did not get to do that but let's hope that we get back to normal and can go visit our shut-ins in the future. We are now going to start the Memorial Service.

Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Chaplain, you will drape the Altar in memory of our dear departed members.

The Altar was draped and there was a moment's silence for the passing of the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sis. Barbara Benton, and the Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Henry S. Martin.

We will now have Sis. Pat Senetza, PGM, give the tribute, written by Sis. Gwen Leighton, PGM, for PGM Bro. Bill Martin.

## Pat Senetza, PGM

## William (Bill) Martin, PGP

Bro. Bill was my first Worthy Grand Patron, in 1981. We went back a long way. He was a member of Amity Chapter No. 66 in Edmonton.

In Memoriam for Bro. Bill Martin, PGP. Bill was born January 15, 1932 and passed away October 18, 2021. Bro. Bill passed away of heart failure at the age of 89. He joined Amity Chapter and was a fifty-plus member of Eastern Star. He served

in the Grand East with Sis. Noreen Burnett from 1983 to 1984.

As a member of the Board of General Purposes he participated in many Grand Chapter committees, and was especially helpful in the work of the Eastern Star Homes in Edmonton, until they closed. He instituted Elizabeth Trapp Chapter No. 138; the last chapter instituted in this jurisdiction.

Following the closing of Amity Chapter, Bill affiliated with Allenby Chapter No. 38 and was Worthy Patron in 2010 with Sis. Marian Sinclair, PGM. Bill was the kind of person who loved to be busy and if given a position he would give it his all. His assistance in chairing or co-chairing Grand Sessions was greatly appreciated. He was a participating member of his Masonic Lodge, Shrine and Preceptory, where he was Chaplain for many years.

His hobbies included golf, ballroom dancing, pool and travelling. He also had a number of part-time jobs which kept him busy in his retirement. Bro. Bill will be missed by his family of two daughters, their husbands, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild, his many friends and memories of Eastern Star. Rest in peace, Bro. Bill.

Sweet hour of passing waiting 'til the path we have trod Shall enter the father's gateway and reap of the gifts of God.

Thank you, Sis. Lorna, for allowing me to read that for Sis. Gwen Leighton, PGM.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

I will now ask Bro. Richard Ashby to come and do the tribute to John Alexander.

## Richard Ashby, GGCCM

#### John Alexander, PGP

"Pray every day; love those that you live with; do what needs to be done, leave the results to God"

Bro. John Alexander was forced by ill health to take his demit from Eastern Star and according to the Constitution, taking his demit did preclude an Eastern Star funeral. However, it does not mean that we cannot honour his memory and his term as a Past Grand Patron. As members of Eastern Star, we can still show honour in his memory for the office that he held.

Bro. John Alexander, PGP, was born on August 9, 1929 in Hamilton, Scotland, and passed to the Grand Chapter on High September 24, 2021 in Edmonton. John's family was very special to him, and he bragged that his grandchildren were the most adorable and intelligent children.

Bro. John served as Worthy Grand Patron with Sis. Lois Brown, PGM at the "Music, Music, Music" Grand Chapter Session in Red Deer June1 to 3, 2001. He was the General Grand Chapter Committee Member – Eastern Star Journal from 2003 to 2006. John was initiated into Battle River Chapter No. 47 in 1983 and was on demit (due to illness) at the time of his passing.

He became a Freemason in Scotland and continued his membership with Freemasonry in Alberta when he emigrated here. At the time of his passing he

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was a member of Victoria Lodge No. 13, with which he affiliated on October 9, 2012; and he was serving as Worshipful Master of Palestine Lodge No. 46, with which he affiliated on September 15, 2015.

One by one our links are severed From that golden chain of love One by one our links are forming In thy Father's house above.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

The chain of fraternal friendship
Is made of links of gold
Which we fondly hold and cherish -Our friends, both new and old.
Then, one by one, they sever,
Just why we cannot tell,
But we trust the Heavenly Father
Who doeth all things well.

We will now have the report of the Grand chaplain, Sis. Corinne Skelton.

## Corinne Skelton, Grand Chaplain

Worthy Grand Matron Sis. Lorna, Worthy Grand Patron Bro. Tim, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers – good morning.

It has been my honour to serve this grand jurisdiction as Grand Chaplain for the past two years. I would like to especially acknowledge Sis. Susan MacArthur, PGM, and Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP, for asking me to assist them in the completion for their extended term in the Grand East and to serve as their Grand Chaplain for a while.

I must report that, sadly, I have been kept very busy. I have on behalf of all of us who make up the Grand Chapter of Alberta extended our sympathies on the loss of 171 Sisters and Brothers across our Eastern Star world. We lost two Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons and one Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, 78 Past Grand Matrons,79 Past Grand Patrons. Of those numbers 17 were Canadian, nine Past Grand Matrons and eight Grand Past Patrons. Four officers, a Grand Electa, a Grand Treasurer, an Associate Grand Patron and a Grand Secretary. Three Grand Representatives and one Worthy Grand Patron. Of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, many of them had dual roles as GGCCM's, Grand Secretaries and Grand Treasurers from their jurisdictions. General Grand Chapter also lost their webmaster. Dedicated members all, who will be sadly missed.

We in Alberta were not spared the loss. We were saddened by the loss of Sis. Debbie Matvichuk, PGM, three Past Grand Patrons: Bro. Fred Osbourne, Bro. John Alexander and Bro. Bill Martin, and one Grand Representative, Bro. Art Boggs (22). All will be remembered and missed by many.

It was also my honour to hear from members who had suffered loss and illness in

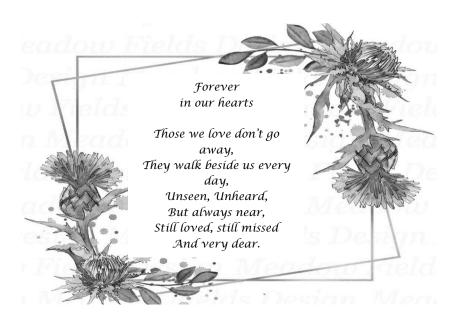
Alberta and sister jurisdictions. I extend our sympathies to all chapters and family members who have suffered loss or illness in the past two years. All of us remember we were taught in our Initiation that a friend in whom we trusted walked beside us. Don't hesitate to reach out for help, it will be there for you.

We are grateful for our health and wellbeing of our "Come to the Ceilidh" Grand Family. We have learned a lot in the past two years but we are here and we are happy. Worthy Grand Matron Sis. Lorna, Worthy Grand Patron Bro. Tim, I want to thank you for honouring me firstly and Innisfail Chapter No. 37 for my appointment as Grand Chaplain. I would also like to thank Sis. Kathy Harrington for the two sets of beautiful handmade cards which she donated to me. Thank you. In closing, as I read the many memorials, I found some were very detailed and told me a great story of the Sister or Brother who had passed. Others were very brief and said very little about the member. It was in those moments that I had this thought: Although I know nothing of the life of this Sister or Brother, I did know one very important thing and that is this: their journey in Eastern Star began exactly the same way my journey in Eastern Star began, at an Altar with a Brother saying "you will repeat after me the following obligation." Words that I list together, words that make us family. Sisters and Brothers, my Eastern Star family, remember, each day is a blessing, let go of your worries and be grateful for all of the possibilities. Thank you for your kind attention.

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Corinne, I truly appreciate all the work you have done and for stepping up when we needed you to help with the last two years, it is not an easy job.

Grand Secretary, will you read the Memorial List, please



## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

## In Memoriam

In loving memory of the subordinate chapter members whom our Heavenly Father has called from our midst June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022

"You may be gone from our sight but you are never gone from our hearts"

## Mountain View Chapter No. 1

Sis. Sharon de La Mare

#### Venus No. 2

Bro. James Richards, Sis. Violet Elliot, Sis. Doris Kinnear, Sis. Dorothy Haynes-Walsh, Bro. Walter Jamieson

#### Alexandra No. 4

Bro. Irvine Suggett

#### Bow Valley No. 5

Sis. Muriel Munro, Bro. Morley McDougall

## Maple Leaf No. 7

Sis. Beryl Carmine, Sis. Gail Matlock, Sis. Donna Faras. Sis. Jackie Moors

#### Victoria No 14

Sis. Heather McKee

#### Edmonton No. 19

Sis. Dora Christiensen, Sis. Lorraine Spaulding

#### Castleview No. 21

Sis. Mary Simpson, Sis. Diane Hayman, PGM of Nova Scotia and PEI

#### Queen Esther No. 22

Sis. Grace Beloglowka, Sis. Helen Chesterman

#### Edith Cavell No. 25

Sis. Patricia Gough-Brausse, Sis. Nancy Turner, Sis. Shirley Richardson

#### St. Hilda No. 27

Sis. Susan Prior

Innisfail No. 27

#### Allenby No.38

Sister Greta Cooke, Brother Alban Smith, Brother Bill Martin, PGP, Brother Clif Westly, Sister Barbara Spellman

#### Laurel No. 43

Sister Audrey Joyce Long, Sister Lorna Brown

#### Aurora No. 46

Brother Lyle Scribner, Sister Lois Scribner

## Forestburg No. 54

Sister Doreen Oberg, Sister Isabel Frizzell, Sister Isabel Dahl, Sister Ruth Peacock

#### Murray No. 58

Sister Florence Cowan, Sister Lora Hobbs, Sister May Sherwin

Zenith No. 85

#### Sunset No. 95

Sister Patricia Thiessen, Brother Lyle Scribner, Sister Lois Scribner

## Serenity No. 113

Sister Evelyn Ferguson

Majestic No. 126

## Primrose No. 127

Sister Helen Dygert

#### Pembina Valley No.128

Sister Grace Campbell, Sister Edith Horricks

#### Chinook No.133

Sister Judith Hay, Sister Kathleen Kipke, Brother Douglas Bedford, Brother Andrew Sands

#### Pioneer No. 135

Sister Isabella Frizzell, Sister Vietta Martin, Robert (Bobbie) Reid

Fort McMurray No. 137

#### Elizabeth Trapp No. 138

Sister Nelda Wright, Sister Cay Sexauer, Sister Grace Schellenberger

The Grand Marshal laid the Memorial Scroll on the Altar.

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Sis. Sheila Gow, Grand Representative of Louisiana in Alberta, sang "I Come to the Garden Alone."

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

You have seen the Worthy Matrons putting a disc onto the Memorial Tree. There is a robin on each disc. Robins to me remind you of the people who have gone before. They remind me of my dad and they came to my son's wedding for the first time and they are very special to me. Each Worthy Matron please come and take the robin and take it back to your chapter and have it there as a memory, that you will always have a friend with you.

I will now ask Bro. Gordon McEwan to guide us in our morning service.

#### Gordon McEwan, MBGP

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers; I want to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for the privilege of leading this Sunday morning Worship Service. You may be wondering why it is me up here. I don't have any special qualifications for this job, although the Worthy Grand Matron thinks otherwise. It is awfully hard to say no to her. The service will be short, with a hymn, a reading, a prayer and an offering, which will go to ESTARL. Please be generous, although after last night there may not be much change in your pockets.

Many of you may be aware that on the Christian calendar today is the day or feast of Pentecost, the celebration of the descending of the Holy Spirit among us, and which changed the apostles of Jesus to the apostles of God. Please be silent for a moment and quiet your mind to focus on your belief in the Supreme Being.

Please stand for our opening hymn, "One More Step Along the Way."

This is a reading from the book of Acts, Chapter 2, verses 1 to 21:

"On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from Heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers. They were completely amazed. "How can this be?" they exclaimed. "These people are all from Galilee, and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! Here we are—Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!" They stood there amazed and perplexed. "What can this mean?" they asked each other. But others in the crowd ridiculed them, saying, "They're just drunk, that's all!" Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, "Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this. These people are not drunk, as some of you are assuming. Nine o'clock in the morning is much too early for that. No, what you see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel: 'In the last days,' God says, 'I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servants—men and women alike— and they will prophesy. And I will cause wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below— blood and fire and clouds of smoke. The sun will become dark, and the moon will turn blood red before that great and glorious day of the LORD arrives. But everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved."

The word of the Lord.

We will now have the offering.

The Assistant Grand Sentinels will please receive the offering.

#### Gordon McEwan, MBGP

Thank you for your generosity. The ESTARL award recipients will grateful. Will you please be seated for prayer.

Creator of all things, in whom we live and move and have our faith. Descend your Holy Spirit to be with the Queen as she celebrates seventy years on the throne, please be with the leaders of our government as they lead our country into the future. Holy Spirit, please be with the leaders of the Ukraine to assist in any peace process. Holy Spirit, please be with us in the process of reconciliation with our Indigenous peoples. Holy Spirit, be with our Sisters and Brothers who have departed this life in thy faith and fear. Holy Spirit, please be with "The Wheels of Time" Grand Family as move forward into a new year so that our beloved Order may prosper. A special thank you for the rain that we have received today. Almighty and ever living God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every grace and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your spirit and every tongue may tell of your glory through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

We will now have a very joyous closing ode," May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You"

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Thank you, Bro. Gordon, very kindly for the service. Thank you.

## Janet Dryburgh, PM, Pioneer Chapter No.135

Worthy Grand Matron, may I approach the East?

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters, Brothers and visitors of the Grand Chapter of Alberta. First of all, I would like to say thank you to each and every one of you who have come shopping at "Second Hand Rose and Thorn." We are open until noon, today is bargain day, please come in. Sheila Trueblood does an excellent job of cashier and has for many

years. I just want to say that I would like to present to you into the Secretary and Treasurer's hands, \$1,547.24. This does not include any of our sales from today. I can't thank each and every one of you enough for helping us out in Second Hand Rose and coming in and shopping and harassing the staff. Thank to both of you and enjoy the rest of your session.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

I would like to thank Sis. Janet and Sis. Sheila for all of their hard work and I am sure many of us are going home with some great finds. Thank you is not a big enough word for all the hard work that you ladies have done not just this year, but for many years.

Bro. Roy Sonley, will you please give the final Registration report?

## Roy Sonley, PGP

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. It is my pleasure to give the final report of the Registration Committee. Members registered including ten fifty-year members - 194

Visitors - 26

Total - 220

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Lisbeth Booth, do you have a hospitality report?

## Lisbeth Booth, PM (138)

I would like to thank all of those members from the Grand Representatives' Association and their chapters for contributing cookies for us to all enjoy. I would also like to acknowledge the fact that Majestic Chapter No. 126 gave us a donation which we have used to offset some of the expense of the Hospitality Room. All of the remaining cookies have been brought across to the foyer for you to enjoy after the Long Service awards. We have learned a lot this year after three years of not doing this. I hope that you all had a good time.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Thank you all for hosting and I'm sure everyone enjoyed the hospitality. We will now have the presentations of the new 70, 60 and 50 year members that have not been presented at Grand Chapter before.

The following were introduced at the Altar, given their pins, escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

## **Fifty Years**

Donna Richard, GGCCM (2) [51]; Glenda Bailey, MBGP (58) [50]; Elizabeth Didow (22) [50]; Marian Campbell, (85/5) [50]; Marjorie Neely, PGM (43) [50]; Pat Senetza, PGM (133) [50]; Shirley Barnes, PM (127) [51]; Wendy McWilliams, PM (127) [50]

Total years -- 402

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Occasions such as today
Are pleasant ones indeed -We meet to honour those who've helped
Our Grand Chapter succeed.
This happy time is happier still
Because good friends are here
To share your joy and wish you well
For many a future year.

Thank you for all of the years of dedication to our beautiful Order.

#### **Tim Cameron, WGP**

Commitment unlocks the doors of imagination, allows vision, and gives us the right stuff to turn our dream into reality. It is with deep gratitude that we thank you for all your commitment to our beautiful Order.

The 50-year members were escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, you will present the 50 year-plus members for introduction.

Recognized in the West were:

Linda Spokes, PM (27) [54]; Carol Sorum, PM (4) [59], Monica Ostopovich, PM (38) [57]; Sonja Sim, PM (2) [58]; Margaret Erickson, PM (1) [68]; Marlene Chorney, PM (1/27) [54]; Yvonne Roberts, PGM (2) [61]; Joyce Reid, PM (38) [57]; Maxine Armet, PM (2) [66]; Charlene Bethel, PM (133) [59]; Ursula Nelson, PM (1) [66]; Geraldine Cook, PM (5) [69]; Milly Hartley, PM (133) [57]; Helen Marshall, PM (37) [59]; Linda Groot, PGM (27/133) [60]; Donna Tufts, PM (43) [59]; Janet Wilkinson, PGM (138) [57]; Doris Burak, PM (5) [58]; Maureen McClean, PM (5) [58]; Maybeth Drozd, PGM (19) [54].

They were given a hearty welcome.

Total years – 1191 Adding on the 402 from the first group: Total - 1593

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

It is always a special part of Grand Chapter when we get to honour you all. I am in awe of how many of you are here so we can celebrate you and your dedication to our beautiful Order. Without all of your years of service the Grand Chapter would not have the rich history and foundation on which we are building our future. We have some refreshments for you in the foyer where we registered.

#### **Tim Cameron, WGP**

Individually, we are one drop. Together, we are an ocean. We thank you for your years of service and lighting the way for the rest of us.

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress, would you please escort Sis. Stephanie Gross to the East, please.

I have been asked by Venice Chapter No. 2 to present you with your Past Matron's Jewel because Sis. Stephanie was a first time Worthy Matron during COVID.

## Stephanie Gross, PM Venus Chapter No. 2

I am very anxious to be up here; I hosted four meetings, one of which was the Official Visit and it was inside, which was exciting and fun. It was a really delightful year and we had several Zoom meetings. I have been so busy I have been unable to attend a meeting to get Installed as Esther yet, which is why I have not received my Past Matron's pin yet. I am very glad that I was able to get it here. Thank you to my chapter, I really appreciate all of the support the officers and everyone have been so kind and generous with their time and support. Thank you very much, everyone.

### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, please escort Sis. Katherine Freeman and Rory Michael, Sis. Barb Prochnau, Sis. Mary Wescott, Sis. Karen Scribner and Bro. Terry Skelton to the East.

One of the fun things that you get to do as a Worthy Grand Matron is to give Grand Representative appointments. They have been kind of crazy this year due to COVID and not many in-person meetings. I have had this one with me for a little while and it was so important that we did it. I am really happy that you are here. Sis. Katherine and Rory Michael get to be Grand Representatives of Colorado in Alberta. Rory Michael has his own Grand Representative collar and tie, and his name is also on Sis. Katherine's commission certificate.

Sis. Barb, you get one too. You are going to be the Grand Representative of New Mexico in Alberta.

Sis. Mary, you are now the Grand Representative of Indiana in Alberta.

Sis. Karen, you are going to be our new Grand Representative of Mississippi, but we have not received your pin and paperwork yet.

Bro. Terry, I thought about sending you to the wild west, but decided on you being the new Grand Representative of West Virginia in Alberta. We have no paperwork for you either, but we are trying really hard to get it.

All of the new Grand Representatives of other jurisdictions in Alberta were given a round of applause of congratulations.

#### Lorna Richmond, WGM

Grand Secretary, do we have any announcements?

#### Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

I was asked to say that Castleview's Official Visit will be at the Johnsons' home. I am sure that there will be more information coming out soon.

If Wendy McWilliams could see me after session closes at lunch.

Sis. Pat Oberg, would you please come to the Grand Secretary's desk after the closing march.

I would also just like to say that I want to thank all of my ladies at my desk very much for all of their help. Sis. Doris and I have waited three years to be together and keep wondering if it is going to happen this year. I am so glad that it did happen, Thank you, Sis. Doris. Sis. Lisbeth is sitting and learning and helping out. Thank you so much, Sis. Elaine, for being at my beck and call. Then there is Sis. Carrie Weinrich, who was just helping me set up when we found out we were unable to use the regular recorder and she has taken over and looked after me and toted and carried and I just can't thank her enough.

I also would like to say how very grateful that I am for all the kindnesses that have been shown to me and thank you so much for the Grand Secretary Emeritus. I am very, very proud to have that. Yes, I am going to miss it, it will be different but Sis. Lisbeth is ready and able to take over. Thank you all very much.

#### Tim Cameron, WGP

Worthy Grand Matron, here we stand before you as we did approximately 365 days previous; it's hard to believe that Sis. Lorna, WGM, and my time in the Grand East is coming to a close in just a few short hours. I humbly stand before you bursting with gratitude from the abundance of love exhibited as we travelled about the Grand Jurisdiction. Although faced with many challenges, you, our Sisters and Brothers, took each one in stride doing what we needed but always there to extend a warm and loving hand of friendship, inviting us into your homes, but more importantly into your hearts. This year has been filled with many memories that will be with me forever. There have been many wonderful accomplishments and lessons learned, as we travelled and visited throughout the jurisdiction. It was overwhelmingly clear how members love and cherish this beautiful Order. Everyone was eager to share what we do as an Order; we raise monies and give our time to local and provincial charities through fundraisers and other social events. This is important and good to understand, but it is from the outside in where this true inspiration comes from the inside out. I would challenge every Sister and Brother to ask "why we do what we do" it is in understanding our why that we will find real inspiration that will help this beautiful Order in the future. Sis. Lorna, Worthy Grand Matron, what an amazing journey we have shared together in the Grand East. In fact, other than just a few Official Visits, I have had the great pleasure of travelling with you to all of the other events throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, including a few road trips in other jurisdictions to attend their Grand Sessions. I know this year was not what you had originally planned, but what an incredible year it turned out to be. Your skilful management and positive approach to each situation has been truly inspiring, making our Order better for it. I am truly blessed to have had the opportunity to share the Grand East with you. I will leave everyone with the following saying:

"Be the change that you wish to see in the world." – Mahatma Gandhi. Star love, thank you.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

Sis. Gail and Bro. Neil, I would like to wish you both an amazing year and that you make some wonderful memories. I also hope that your year is a bit smoother sailing than the previous ones.

When Worthy Grand Patron Tim and I started discussing how we saw our Grand year, one thing we both hit upon was that we both wanted to different. Be careful what you wish for, because oh, boy! Have we ever had a different year.

To start, the entire thing was delayed by a year by that pesky global pandemic. Then when we finally got to be installed it was in a different but unique outdoor setting. Of course, to keep it even more interesting we had a tornado alert in the middle of the ceremony. We should have known then that the year was going to be an interesting one.

I have thoroughly enjoyed our year, which has pushed us all to grow and stretch and create with one another. We have had such a variety of outdoor social visits, in-chapter meetings, with masks, without masks, sitting six feet apart and eventually close together again. Of course, we cannot forget the many, many Zoom meetings and our new-found technological abilities. The past years have forced our chapters to accept new technology. Something that we probably really needed but were perhaps nervous about.

When we started the year, Wooliam had five friends, these five at the front here. There were Ewnie, Shearly, McBleat, Ramsey and Woolamina.

However, as you can see around us, Wooliam has gathered a rather large flock of sheep throughout the year. After the Official Visit to Queen Esther in Vermilion, Sis. Jacquie managed to squeeze in as she had to share a seat with a very large sheep. My grandchildren are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the flock at Granny's house.

Having the use of technology has certainly helped us to manage at a very difficult time, and kept us all in touch with one another. I have heard that some missed Zoom meetings and that others could attend meetings at the opposite end of the province, which otherwise is not feasible. Maybe this is something that we need to think about as we move forward. One of the very good experiences that I had over the last few years was the Zoom meetings with my counterparts from other jurisdictions. We had a Zoom meeting every month, which has given us the ability to get to really know each other and support each other through the craziness that we had to deal with as guidelines for COVID kept moving. I owe each and everyone of them a great big thank you as without our monthly meetings and the love and laughter that we have shared, it would have been a very difficult time.

Yes, we are going to continue with these meetings as we had so much fun. I would like to suggest to the line officers that you have similar meetings with your counterparts, as that is a great support system.

To our Grand Family, the year isn't what you signed up for but the constant support and the smiles and laughter that you brought to each event or meeting that you attended made my heart burst with pride and joy. I thank each and every one of you for sharing your love and laughter. This year would not have happened without both chapters who are sitting here, St. Hilda Chapter No. 27 and Zenith Chapter No. 85. Your constant support was very much appreciated as you went with the flow with the ever-changing times. To each and every one in the Grand Chapter of Alberta, I thank you for your constant support even when things changed at a moment's notice; without your support, my job would have been more difficult.

Past Grand Matron Sis. Susan MacArthur, thank you for answering all of the phone calls and the many decisions we had to make over the last two years. We would make plans, then we would remake plans, only to have to start all over again and again. However, we came through it all and I thank you for your friendship and support.

Sis. Mary Lynn, there is not enough words of gratitude that I can say to thank you for all of the guidance and support that you have given me over the last two years. You were always there to answer any questions and to help point me in the right direction. I hope that with your retirement from Grand Secretary that you will have more time to spend with your family and all the things in life that bring you joy.

Worthy Grand Patron Tim. Well, we made it. I am not sure of how I would have managed without you. However, whenever I had a question, or needed guidance or support, you were there. We have driven many miles -- well, you drove, thanks for that. I also learned what type of cladding was on buildings and that woodpeckers can do lots of damage to the outside of buildings. I will never look at a building the same way again.

On our travels we had many conversations on how to make this beautiful Order the best it can be. My hope is that the legacy we will leave is one of looking to the future, and all of the members fully engaged on the journey to the future. Remember, someday, everything will make perfect sense. So, for now, laugh at the confusion, smile through the tears, be strong and keep reminding yourself that everything happens for a reason, and I leave you with a Scottish Blessing: "Lang may your lum reek." Thank you.

Grand Secretary, is their any further business that we need to do?

## Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary

There is none within my knowledge but I do have one more quick announcement. Elizabeth Chapter No. 138's Official Visit is June 15, a Wednesday, supper is at 5:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally.

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The Grand Marshal proclaimed the session from labour to refreshment, to reconvene this afternoon at 2:00 PM sharp for the Installation of the 2022-2023 Grand Officers.

## Lorna Richmond, WGM

We have such a generous Grand Chapter. The Service Dog Basket Raffle raised \$3010.00.

## Retiring of the Badges 2021-2022 Mildred Rinke, PGM

The Ceilidh Grand Family will retire by forming a circle around the Altar, each returning their badge by placing it upon the Altar before signing Worthy Grand Matron Sis. Lorna's Bible.

The sun now is setting as the 2021-2022 year now ends
Our Grand Officers return their jewels to the Altar, they attend.
It's been their joy to serve you and to wear their badges true
and a privilege for them to walk the Star path with you.

Here they lay their Jewels shining fair
Leaving them with reverence and with prayer.

Grand Officers, the jewels that you have proudly received and worn this year will now be returned to the Altar.

Bro. Wayne Rinke, Grand Sentinel, your jewel of crossed swords, and Bro. George Norton, Grand Warder, your jewel of the dove within the star together have given this Grand Chapter protection and safety. We have relied upon you to keep our proceedings secret and to protect our doors from harm.

Sis. Irene Norton, Grand Electa – with your badge of the cup within the triangle, you have exemplified love, charity, and hospitality. With a mother's love and a rose of red, the lesson you exemplified above all others is God's great commandment -- that we should love one another.

Sis. Tanya Chisholm, Grand Martha – the broken column you have worn has guided us with the faith we all needed this year. With uncertainty, the lamb, hope of immortality, a fern of green, nature's beauty and life, the death of a brother, sorrow and strife.

Sis. Fiona Fowler, Grand Esther – has worn the crown and sceptre always shining brightly with loyalty. From a lowly damsel to a noble queen, she saved the Jewish race. A perilous decision she courageously chose to face.

Sis. Rhea McMane, Grand Ruth – your jewel displays the sheaf, reminding us that sunshine will surely follow the pain we sometimes bear. A widow and a daughter-

n-law, she left behind her homeland and patiently gleaned in Boaz's field, being faithful to justice and honour's demand.

Sis. Shirley Weigelt, Grand Adah – your jewel with the sword and veil of blue reminds us that spoken vows should remain true. Fidelity, the cloudless sky of blue, and obedience to the word of God, to your father's vow you were true.

Sis. Noreen Kesler, Grand Organist – your jewel with the lyre has united harmony with music, enhancing our work and adding to our lessons. The melody and harmony have truly made a lasting impression.

Bro. Duncan Strachan, Grand Marshal — our directions came from you with crossed batons your jewel. Your duties have been to superintend and marshal all processions and make proclamations. Your duties have not yet ended as you have been accorded the honour of investing the new officers who will soon spread their light.

Sis. Corinne Skelton, Grand Chaplain – Your jewel is adorned with the Holy Book, always reminding us from where to seek counsel. Throughout our work you have often attended at the Altar striving to walk circumspectly with man and with God.

Sis. Kim McMinis, Associate Grand Conductress, with your jewel of batons, and Sis. Jackie Charlton, Grand Conductress, whose jewel displays the scroll and baton, you have traversed the Grand Chapter room ably exemplifying leadership, always working together making lasting impressions while serving with dignity, introducing our members and welcoming visitors too.

Sis. Pat Oberg, Grand Treasurer – crossed keys are on the jewel of our Grand Treasurer, who has assured our funds and paid our bills in good measure. Always honest and doing her part as she worked closely with our Grand Secretary, Sis. Mary Lynn Smith -- with her jewel of crossed pens, she has managed the numerous duties of Grand Secretary for 10 years and a job well done, she now places her badge on the Altar for the last time.

Bro. Neil McMillan, Associate Grand Patron – has worn the jewel of a star within a star and has proven to us that he is competent in assuming his duties while reminding us to trust the Lord's design.

Sis. Gail Anderson, Associate Grand Matron, places her jewel of the effulgent sun on the Altar. We know that the sun is about to rise again in the East and she will lead the way.

Sis. Gail and Bro. Neil will sign together as the team they will soon become.

Sis. Lorna Richmond, Worthy Grand Matron, and Bro. Tim Cameron, Worthy Grand Patron -- the jewels of the gavel and the square and compasses

respectively have been worn with honour and with pride in a year dedicated to service in God's design. Your duties were many and responsibilities great. But

with the friends you have both made and the memories grand, you have completed your journey with the help of God's hand.

To these 18 jewels we add the 9 badges of our Board of General Purposes and thank each of them for their dedication and support.

Three-year terms served by --

Sis. Maureen McClean Bro. Gordon McEwan Bro. Peter Devlin

Two-year terms served by--

Sis. Jean Langdon Sis. Bonnie Nelson Sis. Glenda Bailey

One-year term served by--

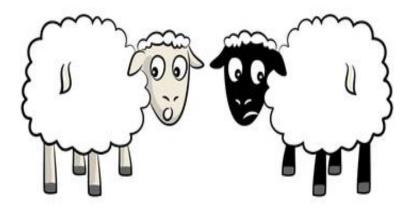
Sis. Lexie Rogers Sis. Ferrol Welke Sis. Joanne Fisher

All these emblems have been worn with dignity and with pride this past year.

They are retired now with our prayer most sincere.

May our Father in Heaven hold secure with his might --

Our new leaders of tomorrow who will receive these precious jewels and unite.





Gail Anderson Worthy Grand Matron 2022-2023



Neil McMillan Worthy Grand Patron 2022-2023

#### INSTALLATION

Gail Anderson, Worthy Grand Matron-Elect Neil McMillan, Worthy Grand Patron-Elect

Sunday, June 5, 2022 - 2:00 PM

#### **Musical Prelude**

Noreen Kester (2) Grand Organist Flory Wilkins (37) Assistant Grand Organist

# Call to Order Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM, Canadian Chair, Youth Committee Les Payne, PGP

#### Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers and visitors. It is a great honour to be in the East again with my Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Les Payne. We are here to extend a warm welcome to all who have come here this afternoon to see a new slate of officers installed into our Grand Chapter.

## Bro. Les Payne, PGP

Good afternoon. Thank you for the honour and privilege of opening this afternoon's session and Installation of the 2022-2023 Grand Family. It's good to be in the Grand East again with Sis. Donna-Lynn Guynup. May the new officers have a smooth year and hopefully this pandemic is under control and out of our lives.

## Donna-Lynn Guynup, GGCCM

To Sis. Lorna and Bro. Tim, your session is now complete and now the real work begins. To Sis. Gail and Bro. Neil, my hope for you and your Grand Family is that you enjoy your year. Try to travel as much as you can. The experience can add such enthusiasm for our Order and enjoyment to all.

I now declare this session open for the Installation of Officers.

I will now call on Sis. Mary Westcott, PGM, for the Bible and Emblem Ceremony.

## **Bible and Emblem Ceremony**

Mary Wescott, PGM

To everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven — a fixed time — a predetermined purpose, on which — and not on man's care, thought, or effort — everything depends.

God brings us to new seasons, changes our circumstances, and adds fullness to our existence. There is indeed a time for everything and a season for every activity under Heaven.

And so, throughout the ages, God has shed His Light upon mankind in various ways...physical light, the sun, the moon and the stars; the spiritual light...the Bible, His guide for us.

From this great Light came the lessons of our Order, Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty. Faith and Love.

The Holy Bible is placed on the Altar by Bro. Dave Valan, Grand Representative of Wisconsin in Alberta and Past Patron of Allenby Chapter No. 38.

#### Susan MacArthur, PGM

I now declare the Grand Chapter open for the Ceremony of Installation. Assisting Bro. Hector and I this afternoon will be the following Installing Officers:

Associate Grand Matron Sis. Mildred Rinke, PGM Bro. Roy Sonley, PGP Associate Grand Patron Sis. Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary Emeritus Grand Secretary Grand Treasurer Sis. Joyce Reid, PM Sis. Colleen Hozack, PGM, Saskatchewan **Grand Conductress** Sis. Helen Bilou, GGCCM Associate Grand Conductress Grand Chaplain Sis. Corinne Skelton, Grand Chaplain Bro. Duncan Strachan, Grand Marshal Grand Marshal Sis. Noreen Kester, Grand Organist **Grand Organist** 

Thank you all for helping us this afternoon.

# Introduction of 2022-2023 Grand Family Janet Wilkinson, PGM

Good afternoon everyone. I am Janet Wilkinson, a Past Grand Matron of our lovely Order. It is my pleasure to introduce the Grand Family for the 2022-2023 year. Thank you for this honour to me and to my chapter, Elizabeth Trapp #138. I will begin by introducing the trustees for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and then members of the Board of General Purposes. Sis. Gail and I selected some questions for all of the officers to answer so we will share the comments. The questions were:

- 1. "If you had the opportunity to travel to a different time, which era would you visit and why?
- 2. Name one thing you would like to see happen in your chapter, in the next year, so we can get back to being bigger and better. Social activities to consider?

#### **Minions: Personal Trustee**

**Sis. Sherry McBride** is from Mountain View Chapter No.1 and is escorted by David Carter, the Worthy Patron of her chapter. She would like to be transported to the era of her grandparents, who came to Canada from the U.S.A. in 1909 and

settled in Lacombe, later moving to Cessford, Alberta. She feels these were interesting times.

Sherry hopes we can learn more about our concordant bodies by having guest speakers. These speakers could also bring information on the history of chapters and the Order.

**Sis. Dorothy Munroe** is from Edmonton Chapter No.19 and Allenby Chapter No.138. She would like to be twenty years hence because world sanity will be restored and Electa's words will hold sway.

She would like to bring back members by allowing Zoom to be added to our inperson meetings.

## **Board of General Purposes -- One Year**

**Sis. Glenda Bailey** represents Murray Chapter No. 58. She is escorted by Sis. Linda Sonley. She says Tic toc the mouse ran up the clock. Tic toc the mouse ran down the clock. We have to learn with all the ups and downs of life: our lives revolve around the concept of TIME which is measured by the clock.

Glenda feels we can sustain the Order of the Eastern Star by continuing to develop constructive plans of action. With the uncertainty of the future we all need to have positive attitudes and enjoy life today. As time moves forward, we too must move forward by adapting to change.

**Sis. Jean Langdon** represents Chinook Chapter No. 133 and is escorted by Sis. Linda Spokes.

Jean would like to be transferred to the future so she could see what her five grandchildren have accomplished. She would see if they had a degree or a trade, were happy in life, etc. It would be a gift to see them.

For chapter renewal she wishes the dresses for appointments weren't so expensive. She feels this does not make us very inclusive. She would prefer a white or black skirt and the top could be what was chosen for the year.

**Bro. Dave Valan** is from Allenby Chapter No. 38 and is escorted by Monica Ostapowich.

He is happy where he is and wants to be in this era.

Dave was also very non-committal about chapter rejuvenation. He is a man of few words.

## **Board of General Purposes -- Two years**

**Sis. Gail Ancelot** is from Castleview Chapter No. 22. She is escorted by Sis. Shirley Weigelt.

Amelia Earhart is her rock star hero so she would like to be transported to her era. She feels she was the first woman feminist along with the suffragettes and the beginning of women's liberation.

She feels chapters must have a larger presence in the communities.

**Bro. Gordon McEwan,** from Castleview Chapter No. 22 and Laurel Chapter No. 43, is escorted by his wife Phyllis.

He would like to visit with Leonardo da Vinci around 1500 AD. He was a remarkable engineer and scientist as well as an artist. But as a retired engineer and RCAF navigator he would talk to him about his ideas on aircraft and flight. He would like to see a regular social function, which could be monthly or less frequently depending on the nature of the planned activity -- a luncheon, games, events -- the objective being to get to know the members better.

**Sis. Maureen McClean** is from Bow Valley Chapter No. 5. She is escorted by her sister, Doris Burak.

Maureen would like to be transported back to the fifties as she remembers them as a happy, happy time.

She has had wonderful ideas to attract members, such as a Teddy Bear Picnic to which city police came. 100 teddy bears went to the children's hospital. The police and the hospital really appreciated it. She is hoping to do something like this again and have the families invited.

## **Board of General Purposes - Three Years**

**Sis. Tanya Chisholm** is from Edith Cavell Chapter No. 25 and Mountain View Chapter No. 1. She is escorted by Sis. Dianne Cooper-Ponte.

Tanya liked the fifties for the fun poodle shirts and motorcycles.

She feels chapters from the bigger cities should help rural chapters get more public exposure in their communities.

**Sis. Rhea McMane** is from St. Hilda Chapter No. 27 and is escorted by Sis. Lorna Richmond. PGM.

Her era would be after the war in 1945 as the music and gaiety were everywhere to celebrate and have fun.

Chapters need more use of electronic technology.

**Sis. Ferrol Welke** represents Pembina Valley Chapter No. 128 and is escorted by Barbara Spencer.

Ferrol would like to be transported to 1863 to sit down with Rob Morris and get his views on the organization he created,

She would like to see the return to casual gatherings such as BBQs and parties.

**Grand Sentinel -- Bro. Peter Devlin** represents Murray Chapter No. 58 in Medicine Hat. He is escorted by Kandie Devlin.

The time he has chosen is the 1920's because he feels it was a time of innocence, of discovery and new fashions. It was a world coming out of a time of war with a feeling of new-found freedom and a time of new beginnings.

His ideas for chapter renewal are to bring a friend, have a get acquainted evening and have an event for demitted members.

**Grand Warder -- Sis. Margaret Haynes** from Chinook Chapter No. 133 is escorted by Bro. David Hongisto.

Margaret would choose the Victorian age, also known as the "Golden Age." (1837-1901) which centres on family, motherhood and responsibility. An ideal Victorian woman is symbolized as an "angel" submerging herself in family, existing only as a "daughter, a wife and a mother", in short, the domestic woman who dedicates her entire life and resources to the well-being of others.

As golden autumn leaves prepare nature for winter, the hot spring sun ushers an abundance of new life. To prevent Alberta OES extinction, the most pressing issue is increased membership in all Alberta chapters. Since a Masonic tie is required for new OES petitions, the solution is a united Alberta-Fraternal Fun Day. That is, include all fraternal families, their families and most important, potential new members to the largest fraternal party Alberta has ever experienced. Let the hot sun once again usher an abundance of new OES members to a bigger and better Order of the Eastern Star in Alberta.

**Grand Electa -- Sis. Marlene Chorney** represents Mountain View Chapter No. 1 and St. Hilda Chapter No. 27. She is escorted by her daughter, Sis. Nicole Chorney. After much thought she decided that she would not really want to be a woman in an era in the past. A woman has a much better life in today's society with many more freedoms and choices. Perhaps a better option would be to be a woman of the future with even more opportunity to illustrate her strengths and talents to make a better world for all.

Marlene feels we have gone away from much of what made our chapter meetings more meaningful and interesting. We need much more than just a business meeting. It does not need to be fun and games, although these things are important, but it can be educational, informative and include the broader community. Many chapters used to have two meetings a month, one for business and one for fun and work bees. Also, we used to do more addendums to add interest to the meetings. Chapters need to be more than business meetings.

**Grand Martha -- Sis. JoAnn Telford** represents Mountain View Chapter No. 1. I have communicated with Sis. Jo-Ann and wish her a speedy recovery from her surgery. She wanted me to extend her congratulations to all of the installed officers.

**Grand Esther – Sis. Leslie Peppler** is representing Pembina Valley Chapter No. 128. She is escorted by Sis. Mary Ann Kosinski.

If she could choose, she would go back to the early 1900's to spend time with her grandparents, on both sides of the family, that she has never met.

Leslie would have meetings packed with activities that draw in visitors and absentee members

**Grand Ruth – Sis. Carrie Weinrich** is from Majestic Chapter No. 126 in Fort Saskatchewan. She is escorted by Sis. Britany Flores.

Carrie would choose to travel back to the 1930's and 1940's and learn more about her grandparents when they were young adults and see and learn more about what life was like for them.

Majestic Chapter has always done well to plan social activities and make sure there is a bit of fun added at each meeting. Social activities she's enjoyed that she would like to see continued are weekend breakfasts at a local restaurant with members and their families, BBQ's and potlucks, and enjoying trivia games after the meeting.

**Grand Adah – Sis. Pam Berry** is representing Aurora Chapter No. 46 and is escorted by Bro. Stan Berry.

She would travel to Mara Lake, as she had great times all summer with other families, swimming, boating, water skiing and fishing.

**Grand Organist –Sis. Diane Gillies** is from Bow Valley Chapter No. 5 and Edith Cavell Chapter No. 25. She is escorted by her husband Don.

Diane would like to look into the future, perhaps ten years ahead. Has the world and our lives become more positive and fulfilling? Hopefully a better place.

She would like to focus on bringing in new members to join, and reach more members who are unable to attend. Perhaps provide for guest speakers, tours, sight seeing performances. Health care and other senior's issues to encourage more members to come to our meetings and events.

**Grand Marshal – Sis. Joann McMillan** is from Majestic Chapter No. 126 and is escorted by Sis. Helen Bilou, GGCCM. She would like to be transported to the future because we can look back on history and see what has happened and learn from it. The future has so many unknowns, which makes it a mystery, and she would like to see what our children will be part of.

**Grand Chaplain –Sis. Val Ballance** is from Murray Chapter No. 58 and is escorted by Bro. Les Payne, PGM.

She would like to be transported to Victorian times, as these were simpler days, pre-electricity, everything was powered by steam, time meant something to people, and the materials in this era were wood and copper, no plastics. It was a time when etiquette and manners were important, heroic men remained gentlemen and feisty woman were always feminine and well thought of.

She would like to see card and board games played in the afternoons and evenings, breakfast, lunch or supper for no reason once a month, go to a park for a picnic, trips locally or explore the beautiful resources of Alberta by car, SUV's, buses or trains.

**Associate Grand Conductress – Sis. Bonnie Nelson** is from Edith Cavell Chapter No. 25 and Mountain View Chapter No. 1. She is escorted by her 94-year-old father, Bro. Mac Sinclair.

Bonnie loved the 1970's. This is when she got married and had both of her children. The great music and fashion and also great memories.

She would like to see fun skits, addendums and/or a game added to the meetings, before, during and after.

**Grand Conductress – Sis. Kim McMinis** represents Queen Esther Chapter No. 22 and is escorted by Gordon Bothner.

Kim would choose the 70's as it was a fun and carefree time, Last year during COVID and staying at home, she tackled several boxes of family photos, so she would like to go back and really listen to all the great family stories and would put names on the back of old photographs.

She thinks for their chapter, this is the time to renew our relationships with our local Masonic Lodge. In the next year she would like to see her chapter reach out and make that connection. By doing this, she believes, their masonic families' future and their community's future would be brighter and stronger.

**Grand Treasurer – Sis. Pat Oberg** represents Allenby Chapter No. 38 and is escorted by Joyce Reid.

Pat would travel back to post WW II with rock and roll music and popular culture of reinforcing values such as family, religious faith and patriotism.

She would like to see our members supporting more OES events outside of their chapters. We need to get out and meet our Sisters and Brothers, adding encouragement rather than being judgmental.

**Grand Secretary – Sis. Lisbeth Booth** from Pembina Valley Chapter No. 128 is escorted by Sis. Mary Lynn Smith, Grand Secretary Emeritus.

She would travel back to the Tudor era, with a particular intent to see Elizabeth I, Shakespeare and Marlowe and other persons of great historical note and importance. It would be fascinating to see how Elizabeth I interacted with members of her court and those of the courts of France, Spain and others, just to name a few. Yes, the conditions would be less than ideal with rats, mice, lice and other health concerns, including not bathing regularly.

She would like to make the meetings short and to the point, conduct the business that is required and then spend as much time as possible getting to know our fellow members, their values, skill sets, and interests and efforts other then chapter activities. She would like to see a return to our soup and sandwich, followed by an afternoon playing cards and/or games such as Trivial Pursuit. Even do a fundraiser at our local Sobey's as it is again a chance to spend quality time with our members. Time is a finite item and we need to learn to appreciate each other.

**Associate Grand Matron – Sis. Jacquie Charlton** is from Zenith Chapter No. 85 and is escorted by her husband, Dennis Charlton.

If she had the opportunity to time travel, she thinks she would go back to the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Although she has two left feet when it comes to ballroom dancing, she

loves to watch the couples move around the dance floor as though they are floating on air.

She would love to see the communications open up between our Eastern Star and our Masonic brothers. I believe if we could host a social function that would be of interest to the Masons and their wives, it might give us some potential members to help our chapters grow. This has been a challenge for Jacqui for a few years but this year she hopes to succeed.

Associate Grand Patron –Bro. Wayne Rinke is from Maple Leaf Chapter No. 7 and Murray Chapter No. 58. He is escorted by his wife, Sis. Mildred Rinke, PGM. Wayne would like to go to the year 2099 to observe how our accomplishments in the world today will impact the world and how the world will look in 75-80 years. He wishes that each current member would commit to signing the petition for one new member from their family or friendship list.

**Worthy Grand Patron – Bro. Neil McMillan** is from Majestic Chapter No. 126. He is escorted by Sis. Marilynne Zulkoskey.

Neil would be transported to the days of the tall ships, where they travelled to the unknown. Adventure awaits in every corner and they are exploring the New World.

His tips for our chapters are just being back in chapter and doing the things that have made the chapter successful. The members have always been open to new ideas and accepting change.

**Worthy Grand Matron – Sis. Gail Anderson.** We have saved the best for last. Gail is representing all of our Grand Jurisdiction as our Worthy Grand Matron. She is escorted by her children, Laura and David.

She thinks as we get older and wiser, our romantic view of the past era may be a bit tarnished so she has chosen a fictitious era, brought to life by the imagination of some very creative people. The Victorian Steampunk Era is a whimsical mix of Victorian styles with imaginative mechanical inventions, involving timepieces, gears, wheels, cogs and metal bits and pieces added to everything used in everyday living. Nothing is impossible, from amazing steam trains to hot air balloons and crazy flying machines.

Recent events have made us aware that time is even more precious, so let's bring any old fun tradition or a new one to meetings.

### **GRAND OFFICERS** 2022-2023

Worthy Grand Matron
Worthy Grand Patron
Associate Grand Matron
Associate Grand Patron
Grand Secretary
Grand Treasurer
Grand Conductress

Sis. Gail Anderson (14/133)
Bro. Neil McMillan (126)
Sis. Jacquie Charlton (85)
Bro. Wayne Rinke (7)
Sis. Lisbeth Booth (128)
Sis. Pat Oberg (38)
Sis. Kim McMinis (22)

**Associate Grand Conductress** Sis. Bonnie Nelson (25/1) **Grand Chaplain** Sis. Val Ballance (58) Sis. Joann McMillan (126) Grand Marshal Sis. Diane Gillies (5/25) **Grand Organist Grand Adah** Sis. Pam Berry (46) Sis. Carrie Weinrich (126) **Grand Ruth** Sis. Leslie Peppler (128) Grand Esther **Grand Martha** Sis. JoAnn Telford (1) Sis. Marlene Chorney (1/27) Grand Electa Sis. Margaret Haynes (133) **Grand Warder** Bro. Peter Devlin (58) **Grand Sentinel** 

All officers were duly Installed, with the exception of Grand Martha.

### Star Point Addendum Mary Wescott, PGM

Dear Star Points, we have just stepped into a new season and have witnessed the silent and gentle opening of the door of time upon another year in our Order, and the freshness of it is upon us.

God has set the wheels of time in motion. He has charted the seasons, a tapestry woven with time, and we cannot thwart His purposes.

You have assumed new challenges and new responsibilities. Embrace the seasons of life and learn well the lessons that you will portray in the coming year, for they are the great fundamental principles of life. Entrench them into your lives so that you may show beauty in your character, beauty in your words and beauty in your actions.

**Grand Adah**, the sword is a powerful instrument, representing death and protection. The veil is a symbol of revelation, meaning that nothing can be hidden between God and man. It is a symbol of God's authority and teaches us fidelity.

**Grand Ruth,** here is the sheaf, your emblem, reminding you that, in spite of all of the trials and adversities of life, God will reward you for your constancy if you faint not. How familiar are the words from the story of Ruth: "Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee, for whither thou goest I will go, and where thou lodgest I will lodge; thy people shall be my people and thy God my God." Be constant, oh, Maid of Mizpah.

**Grand Esther,** we learn from the book of Esther one of the great virtues of life, that of loyalty. Be loyal at all times to that which is right, and defend it with your life, as she did.

This year you will wear the cloak of loyalty, and be queen in your own right. May light, purity and joy abide in you.

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**Grand Martha,** your emblem is a broken column, reminding us of the uncertainty of life. We can plan for the future, but we are not assured of it. Though we cannot understand all of the mysteries of this great divinity, we are aware of God's promise of life beyond the grave, through faith.

**Grand Electa**, your cup represents the great power of charity and truth. It teaches us of the great outpouring of God's love for us, but it also admonishes us to love one another even as Christ loves us. Love is the greatest virtue of all, because it encompasses all others.

My Sisters, reflect these attributes in your lives as a living testimony of love in your hearts for God the father, for our beautiful Order and for your fellow man.

### **Members of The Board of General Purposes**

### **Three Years**

Sis. Rhea McMane (27)

Sis. Ferrol Welke (128)

Sis. Tanya Chisholm (25/1)

### **Two Years**

Sis. Maureen McClean (5)

Bro. Gordon McEwen (43)

Sis. Gail Ancelet (21)

### One Year

Sis. Jean Langdon (133)

Sis. Glenda Bailey (58)

Bro. Dave Valan (38)

### Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP

My Sisters and Brothers, you have been elected to positions of trust and it will be your duty to exercise a general supervision over the affairs of this Grand Chapter and carefully safeguard its assets. Each of you will now be invested with the badge of your office.

### Susan MacArthur, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron, my job here is done. May I present to you your gavel; use it wisely and use it well. Congratulations.

### Presentation of Jewels

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. The first thing that I will do is call upon Lorna Richmond. Past Grand Matron.

### Lorna Richmond, PGM

Worthy Grand Matron, it is my pleasure to present the travelling jewel which you

will wear and hopefully get to travel all over and have interesting journeys. It hasn't travelled very far in the last three years, but you should wear it with pride and travel well.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

We will make up for lost time.

### Tim Cameron, PGP

Worthy Grand Patron, it is my pleasure to present you with your travelling jewel. Travel well!

### Neil McMillan, WGP

Thank you.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, will you please escort Sis. Rhea McMane and Sis. Allie Whitbread to the East.

### Rhea McMane, MBGP

Junior Past Grand Matron Sister Lorna, thank you very much for the honour of allowing me to pin your Past Grand Matron's jewel on you. We started this journey five or six years ago on Stoney Trail. I said, Lorna, what do you think about being a Worthy Grand Matron? She replied No. In typical Lorna style she went home, discussed it with her family, discussed it with her chapter, St. Hilda, and you know the results. But Lorna, I have to tell you that this Past Grand Matron's jewel has a problem, and you are going to have to fix it. This Past Grand Matron's jewel sprinkles fairy dust wherever it goes. It belonged to Sis. Debbie Matvichuk, PGM. Sis. Debbie would be very proud that you are now wearing her jewel.

### Lorna Richmond, PGM

I am very very proud to wear Sis. Debbie's jewel. I was Grand Martha for Sis. Debbie and just loved her to bits. There will be fairy dust wherever we go, and she will be sitting here on my shoulder going tap, tap, time to do some work. Thank you.

### Allie Whitbread, PM

Bro. Tim, it gives me great pleasure to present to you Bro. Butch's Past Grand Patron's pin. I pinned it onto him eighteen years ago and now it is your turn. You spent many evenings with us and he would be very very proud for you to receive this from him. I am sure that he is looking down on us.

### Tim Cameron, PGP

Sis. Allie, I couldn't be prouder to wear Bro. Butch's Past Grand Patron's jewel, and I am so honoured that you were able to present that to me today. Thank you very much.

# Worthy Grand Matron's Installation Address Gail Anderson, WGM

Sister Conductress, will you present my Personal Trustee, Sis. Sheryl McBride, and Sis. Dorothy Munroe for introduction.

### **Kim McMinis, Grand Conductress**

Worthy Grand Matron, I am getting instructions from "Dave" and "Stewart" so I hope that I won't be messing this up! It is my pleasure to introduce Sheryl McBride and Dorothy Munroe.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Thank you for taking on this task. These wonderful Sisters will have a multitude of wares to sell throughout the year. Two years of a pandemic lockdown has given me and quite a few helpers lots of time to make all kinds of quilted and handmade projects for you to buy. Thank you to all of you who contributed. Please extend a hearty welcome to our soon to be hard working Sisters.

They were given a hearty welcome by all.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Never in my wildest dreams, when I came to my first Grand Chapter as a young woman, did I ever expect to be standing in this position. First, I would like to thank Sis. Donna-Lynn Guynup and Bro. Les Payne for calling our Installation ceremony to order. I have the pleasure as serving as Grand Page to the East at your Grand Session, "The Garden of Life," in 2014. I am so proud to have you here today to participate in this special day.

To Sister Janet Wilkinson, PGM, thank you for being here today to introduce the Grand Family. I always have had time in my mind to reflect on my year and we have all been made more mindful of how we spend our time together after the last two years. The questions posed made us think about past times and how to plan our future.

Sis. Mary Wescott, PGM, thank you for the most beautiful Bible and Emblem ceremony and Star Point Addendum. You conducted it with the utmost respect and reverence, which is a hallmark of everything that you do.

Sis. Susan MacArthur, PGM and Bro. Hector van Vierssen Trip, PGP, thank you for doing such a wonderful job of Installing the Grand Officers, it was so nice to be able to have it done in person.

Thank you to all of the Installing Officers for assisting today in our Installation. Sis. Corinne, thank you for your prayers. Bro. Duncan, you made sure that everyone heard who was installed with great gusto. Thank you Sis. Noreen and Sis. Florrie for all of your beautiful music today.

I would like to thank all of my sisters and brothers from Victoria Chapter No. 14, Stettler, newly joined with Mountainview No. 1, Olds and Chinook No. 133, Calgary, for their support in getting me here today and the upcoming year planning for the "Wheels of Time Session." It is so lovely to see you all here today. My

family joining me today as you saw, was my daughter Laura and my son David, who escorted me. I have a very special friend here today, Diana Scott. On the front of your programs is a picture and that is a painting that Diana did especially for this year. Thank you so much Diana. At this time I would like to recognize my Assistant Grand Organist, Sister Phyllis Culbertson. Thank you for accepting this position and I look forward to hearing you play.

My Bible is a gift from Bro. Neil and Sis. Joann McMillan. My Bible marker, was made by Sis. Donna-Lynn Guynup. It will hold special memories of my year as Worthy Grand Matron.

My Steam punk gavel has not appeared yet because my son didn't quite get it finished. It has a sounding block as well. I hope it wasn't my Suzuki dirt bike tranny that you tore apart to get the gears. In case the Worthy Matron's of the chapters that I will be visiting find this one a bit unwieldly, a gavel that belonged to Sister

Heather McGee as well as one from Morning Light Chapter will accompany me as well.

My project this year is Courageous Companions charity that assists with trained service dogs for military veterans and first responders.

Sis. Conductress, you will escort my trustees back to their seats.

You will all be receiving a booklet as you go out. I will just tell you a few of the things that are in it. This year is dedicated to the Sisters and Brothers of Morning Light Chapter No. 44, who accepted and introduced me to a wonderful organization that has brought lifelong friendships and knowledge. To Marj Duff, who said, "Do the best you can and rejoice for those who can do better." Thank you for your guidance and support as I was starting my journey in the labyrinth of life in the Order of the Eastern Star.

My scripture is "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven; a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that is planted, a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance, a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embrace; a time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace."

My motto is "Have a heart that never hardens, and a temper that never tires, and a touch that never hurts." Charles Dickens

My watchwords are: Tradition, Respect and Patience

My symbol is the scroll and baton of the honoured station of Conductress.

Snoopy is my mascot for Courageous Companions.

My fun emblems are Minions, clocks and time pieces, watches and gears and wheels, steam punks' style of trains, hot air balloons and flying machines. My flowers are the poinsettia and my colours are the vibrant ones of fall, with gold, silver, copper, bronze and pewter.

Grand Conductress, will you please escort Sis. Katherine Freeman and Rory Michael to the East.

As I said before, Courageous Companions is my charity and Sis. Katherine is here to tell you a little bit about these wonderful dogs, and what they are capable of doing. She is a member of my home chapter, Mountain View No.1, as well.

### **Katherine Freeman**

Thank you, Worthy Matron. People ask why I have a service dog and especially a service dog from Courageous Companions. To give you a bit of background, in 1986 during the Easter holidays myself and a coworker Patrick travelled to El Salvador to check on charitable projects in the capital city, San Salvador. We wanted to confirm or deny reports and rumours of multiple human rights violations that were occurring. They were reported by a friend of ours, Herbert Anaya, a judge. He was also the director of the Human Rights Commission.

El Salvador has both the Red Cross and the Green Cross providing relief and medical aid throughout the country. A Red Cross ambulance pulled up beside us and we were abducted and kidnapped off of the street, put in handcuffs and transported to the paramilitary facility called the "Treasury." Like thousands before us we were beaten, interrogated and tortured for eight days. We were questioned about our involvement with our non-government charitable organization, our relationship to the head of the Human Rights Commission, who had been held, tortured and interrogated in that very facility.

After eight days we were thrown in the back of a van and disposed of in a dump. After our hoods were removed, I was stabbed multiple times in the chest and my partner Patrick was shot.

Any doctor who helped or treated an ex-detainee that had been tortured would have been arrested by the paramilitary and detained themselves. A wonderful family who risked their lives to save us took us to a country veterinarian, who saved our lives.

Back in Canada I decided to dedicate my life to human rights issues, social justice and helping those affected by the worst disasters caused by war or national devastation. In my journey I studied theology, psychology, social justice, humanitarian aid and disaster management. I became a chaplain who worked for non-government organizations and provided international aid during earthquakes, tsunamis, hurricanes and tornadoes.

In 1998 and 1999 I completed my residency as the psychiatric chaplain at the Rockyview Hospital in Calgary. With a gifted psychiatrist, we treated many trauma survivors and victims of torture. I started an organization for torture survivors in Calgary and continued my studies after this position. I am now a Disaster Management Supervisor with the Red Cross.

The men in my family have a proud tradition of being Masons, and I decided to take the lead and become a member of the Eastern Star in 1998 at Acacia Chapter at the main lodge in Calgary.

Long gone as my archeology dust was and tortures in El Salvador, I threw myself heart and soul into my studies and work, and most importantly the raising of my son. He too went onto become a Mason.

In 1988 Amnesty International released its report that the death squads had abducted, tortured and killed thousands of human rights workers, members of the judiciary, clergy, ministers, first responders, charitable workers and students. They were chillingly efficient in torturing their captives, with many found in the dump, mutilated, decapitated, dismembered, strangled, stabbed. Others were injected with battery acid. At the end of the massacre over 70,000 people had disappeared, tortured and killed. Never once did it make our news.

I continued working as a first responder in disaster zones all over the world. Mudslides in Nicaragua, earthquakes in Central America, school shootings, bombings, and wars in Israel.

I had just returned from three earthquakes in South America when I was called to go to New York City after the twin towers fell on September 11. I worked at 911 site digging out bodies and accompanying them to the city morgue, because I was an interfaith chaplain who could go with any member who had fallen. We referred to ground zero as the "pile," and many of us suffered lung death from all of the dust and toxins that we inhaled. In fact, more first responders have now died from the toxic exposure at 911 than died during the collapse of the towers. And then the nightmares started. The memories, the hyper vigilance, I was cutting myself off from friends and isolating at home. My liberation from the torture chamber had actually imprisoned me in tremendous fear and mistrust. The scars all over my body began to haunt me. The ambulance run triggered a flashback that would trigger a near fatal asthma attack. I stopped breathing and had to be resuscitated. After carefully reviewing my file I was then accepted as a fulltime patient at the United Nations Centre for Torture Survivors in Ireland. After months of extensive treatment, I was told that I needed a service dog. Before they would let me return home to Canada, I had to have one in place. The head of the United Nations medical team had contacted many service dog agencies for me, but none could be trained for all of the special medical needs that I had. Finally, through the grace of God, I contacted Courageous Companions. My service dog, Rory Michael, was trained to stabilize me with balance, pull my socks off at the end of the day, when all of my injuries were too stiff and sore, to respond to all of my commands in sign language, to bark at strangers at the door, making me feel safe; for PTSD he was trained to run into a dark house and turn on all of my lights, wake me from nightmares, paw at my leg when I am shaking and give comfort when I am upset. He uses compression to mitigate any of the anxiety attacks by lying on my legs, my lap and to reassure me. He is trained very specially to detect when my oxygen levels are low and he alerts me and brings my medication. He even wakes me up in the middle of the night if my oxygen levels are low. He puts his paws on top of me and pushes my mouth to breathe, breathe. If I fall or collapse, he is trained to run to me, rescue me and then bark for help. Simply put, I would not have a life if

it wasn't for the dedicated teamwork and support of Courageous Companions. Their work with veterans and first responders is lifesaving. Their service dog organization helps those that dedicate their lives to serving and protecting others. Our military veterans and first responders go to the dangerous places that others run away from. They keep you safe and rescue you from harm. These service dogs rescue us. Rory Michael has helped me to go from fear to courage, with him by my side, I have gone from a crushing, suffocating, life-changing experience to a life of forgiveness, acceptance and inspiration. Eastern Star has taught me that inner changes are far more powerful than external changes. Wisdom and compassion are key components to our work in Eastern Star.

I have gone from torture survivor to living a life embracing our five points of Fidelity, Constancy, Charity, Faith and Zeal. My Masonic grandfather, father and son have taught me that our job is to lift the fallen, to restore the broken and to heal the hurting. I want to offer my sincere and heartfelt thank you to Eastern Star for supporting our Courageous Companions service dogs. Thank you to our Worthy Grand Matron, Gail, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Neil, and for all of you for choosing to help us. You are continuing to save lives with your ongoing support of us and because of your generous support, those of us in the military, RCMP and first responders will live another day with the help of our service dogs. Thank you.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Thank you, Sis. Katherine, for being here today and sharing your experiences and explaining the help that Rory Michael gives to you. Sis. Katherine and Rory Michael will accompany myself and the Worthy Grand Patron on some of the Official Visits. She looks forward to meeting you at the meetings and answering any questions that you may have. Bro. Neil, would you like to give your address?

### Neil McMillan, WGP

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers. Thank you for attending the Installation of our new Grand Officers for the year 2022-2023, Sis. Donna-Lynn and Bro. Les, thank you for opening the session this afternoon. Sis. Donna-Lynn when you came to Patience Chapter on your Official Visit, I remember going on an Easter egg hunt, that is when you presented me with a Grand Representative appointment of Maine in Alberta. Thank you very much. I am very honoured to be installed as your Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you for your encouragement. I will continue to follow the expectations of the office of Worthy Grand Patron. I look forward to travelling the province with Sis. Gail from north to south, east to west.

There are so many to thank. To the many members who have encouraged me to follow this path and for those who had believed in me to obtain the position of Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you. I know I will be able to count on you.

To the Installing Officers and the Emblem Bearers, you made a nice afternoon into a wonderful ceremony.

Past Grand Matron Sis. Susan and Past Grand Patron Bro. Hector, a special thank you for presiding over the Installation ceremony. You had to wait longer than

usual for the opportunity, but it was a job well done. Past Grand Matron Sis. Janet, thank you for the introductions. When asked, Sis. Janet was quick to help out. Sis. Noreen, thank you so much for all of the special tunes that you played. That was very special.

Sis. Gail, Worthy Grand Matron, it is going to be a busy year now that the restrictions have been lifted. Let's hope there won't be any changes due to pandemics or even bad weather. Thank you for appointing Sis. Joann as Grand Marshal, it will be a wonderful year.

Grand Family, thank you for accepting your positions, and for those who let their names stand for elected office, I hope you will continue supporting the Order. Your dedication is appreciated. Consider letting your name stand for elected office next Grand Session.

To the members of Majestic Chapter, a special and a most heartwarming thank you. Your support for me is overwhelming and very humbling. You are the definition of what the Eastern Star represents. You make a difference; I am very happy to be a member of Majestic Chapter. Thank you, Sis. Marilynne, for being my escort. Sis. Helen and Sis. Mary Lynn, thank you for making the hearts for members to wear with the tartan and bluebells.

My journey in the Eastern Star started on the Official Visit to Patience Chapter by Sis. Donna Bigl and Bro. Ken Larsen in 1998. My introduction to the Eastern Star started way back with my mother Mary. I remember her being dressed all in white and with her fur coat, she was off to pick up the ladies with my Aunt Margaret and then off to the chapter meeting. Her chapter was Edmonton No. 19. My granny was a member of Busby Chapter and Worthy Matron in 1944 in Scotland. Most of my aunts and my sister Janice were members of the Eastern Star as well. So I have been exposed to the virtues of the Order for a long time, but it was Sis. Joann that sponsored me to the Order. Thank you, Joann, you have been the best thing that has happened to me. There are so my memories I could be up here for hours. The Eastern Star has been a bright light in my life.

I am dedicating my year to my family, Sis. Joann for her love and support, and my mom. To my Eastern Star family for their support and encouragement, and to Majestic Chapter No. 126.

My scripture: "Thou shall not avenge nor bear any grudge against thy children but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." Leviticus 19:18

My motto: Be the best you can.

My watchwords are: Persistence, Determination and Courage

My Symbols: Crown and Sceptre

My fun emblems: Tigger and Winnie the Pooh (because of their friendship there was always a lesson to be learned from their kindness to each other)

My flowers and colours: Bluebells and Tartans

My songs: The Dark Island, Sweet Caroline, Morning Has Broken, Hallelujah I would like to have a 50/50 draw for Sis. Gail's project, Courageous Companions. My hope is that it will give the opportunity for every member to participate. Plans are that the draw will be online with Rafflebox on July 1<sup>st</sup> and the draw date to be on the last Official Visit at Sis. Gail's chapter on October 22, 2022.

I met a new friend, a new Brother, Bro. Rory. He came over and I gave him a scratch underneath his chin. I would also like to thank Sis. Milly Hartley for this gift of Tigger. You know what Tiggers can do, they can bounce, bounce, bounce. Finally, to all of the members, thank you for placing this trust in me. I will promise to fulfil the duties of your Worthy Grand Patron this year. Thank you very much.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Thank you, Bro. Neil. Sis. Janet Dryburgh, you may approach the East.

### Janet Dryburgh, Second Hand Rose and Thorn

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers and customers. On behalf of Sheila Trueblood and myself, I would like to present another \$440.00 for a grand total of \$1,987.25 from Second Hand Rose and Thorn.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Thank you all who helped to support our Rose and Thorn. Is Sis. Linda Spokes here?

Grand Conductress, you will escort Linda Spokes to the East.

### Linda Spokes, Trustee to Sister Lorna Richmond, PGM

I do not have an exact number but I am guessing that we are hitting the \$20,000.00-plus mark. I have been given a lot of money here this weekend and when I go home tomorrow morning, my first job is to count the money that has been given to me and making a deposit on Tuesday morning. Thank you, everyone.

### Gail Anderson, WGM

Grand Secretary, do you have any final announcements.

### **Lisbeth Booth, Grand Secretary**

Yes, I do. Would the Grand Officers and the Members of the Board of General Purposes please be sure to return their badge cords to my station here, please. The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Innisfail Chapter No. 37 will be held on August 6, 2022 at the Innisfail golf course, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Tickets are available from Sis. Corinne and Sis. Flory for \$10.00. Proceedings will no longer be printed and distributed as they have been in the past. You will now have to order them from me. The price will be determined when we know how many will be ordered. My email address is gsecretary@easternstar-ab.ca for ordering.

Closing Ode - Auld Lang Syne

The Mizpah Benediction was recited.

The Grand Conductress attended at the Altar informally.

Sis. Joann McMillan, Grand Marshal, proclaimed the 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Session, the "Come to the Ceilidh," closed, to reconvene on June 2, 2023 at Olds College, Olds, Alberta, for the "Wheels of Time Grand Session."

The newly installed Grand Officers and Members of the Board of General Purposes retired.



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ARIZONA	Linda Groot (27)	Mar 31, 2024
ARKANSAS	David Johnson, PGP (137/21)	Feb 28, 2023
AUSTRALIA	Malcolm Hough (2)	Mar 31, 2023
B.C. & YUKON	Bill Bethell (133)	Dec 31, 2022
CALIFORNIA	Howie Canning, PGP (19)	Dec 31, 2023
COLORADO	Katherine Freeman (1)	Feb 01, 2024
CONNECTICUT	Amber Hunt (43)	Dec 31, 2023
DELAWARE	Linda Sonley (58)	Dec 31, 2023
DIST. of COLUMBIA	John Miller (4)	Dec 31, 2022
FLORIDA	Karen Oakes (25)	Dec 31, 2022
GEORGIA	Tanice Nichol (19)	Mar 1, 2023
IDAHO	Jeanette Evans 547)	Dec 31, 2023
ILLINOIS	Marilynne Zulkoskey (126)	Apr 1, 2024
INDIANA	Mary Wescott (133)	Dec 31, 2024
IOWA	Phyllis McEwan (21)	Mar 31, 2024

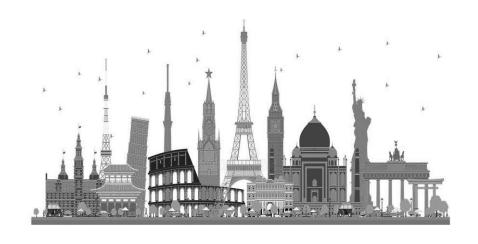
Barb Spicer (128)	Aug 1, 2022
Shawn Lamonthe (22)	Jan 1, 2024
Sheryl Rombough (54)	Mar 1, 2023
Sheila Gow (85)	May 1, 2024
Stephanie Gross (2)	Mar 1, 2023
Tawnya Jennings (5)	Dec 31, 2022
Margaret McCuaig-Boyd (95)	Dec 31, 2022
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Dan Cox (127)	Dec 31, 2022
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Michelle Lockridge (25)	Dec 31, 2022
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RHODE ISLAND	Clayton Stobbs (7)	Dec. 31, 2021
SASKATCHEWAN	Ted Mikkelsen, PGP (37/1)	Dec. 31, 2022
SCOTLAND	Marianne Ashby (46/126)	Dec 31, 2019
SOUTH CAROLINAS	Gina Davis (137)	Sep 30, 2022
SOUTH DAKOTA	Margaret Erickson (1)	Mar 31, 2023
TENNESSEE	David Anderson (14/133)	Sep 30, 2022
TEXAS	Diane Schneidmiller (27)	Mar 3, 2022
UTAH	Valerie Walton (126)	Mar 31, 2023
VERMONT	Bert Johnson, PGM (1/2)	Feb 1, 2023
VIRGINIA	Hilda Bell (22)	Dec31, 2022
WASHINGTON	Bonnie Paulovich (43)	Dec 31, 2022
WEST VIRGINIA	Phyllis Culbertson (135)	Dec 31, 2022
WISCONSIN	Dave Valan (38)	Dec 31, 2022
WYOMING	Tracy Bain (133)	Dec. 31, 2021



### **Grand Representatives of Alberta in Other Jurisdictions**

JURISDICTION		EXPIRES
ALABAMA	Faye Swanner (271)	Dec. 31, 2021
ARIZONA	Dottie Hardenbrook (69/48)	Mar. 9, 2020
ARKANSAS	Denise Johnson (482)	Feb. 28, 2022
AUSTRALIA	Lynda Waycott (188)	Mar. 01, 2022
B.C. & YUKON	Lynn Schewhr (71)	Dec. 31, 2021
BOLIVIA	Maria DelCarmen Anez (15)	Dec. 1, 2022
CALIFORNIA	Linda Kephart (245)	Dec. 31, 2020
COLORADO	Jaimee McCullough (83)	Dec. 31, 2021
CONNECTICUT	Lynn Evans (17)	Dec. 31, 2022
DELAWARE	Kathy L. Lee (8)	Dec. 31, 2020
DISTRICT of COLUMBIA	Irene C. Staddick, PGM (17)	Mar. 15, 2023
FLORIDA	Barry Rosenthal (84)	Dec. 31, 2021
GEORGIA	Terry Ziegler (208)	Dec. 31, 2022
IDAHO	Joani Pauls (36)	Dec. 31, 2021
ILLINOIS	Michael Eastburn (217)	Dec. 31, 2019
INDIANA	Sharon Hutchison (162)	Dec. 31, 2022
IOWA	Alwx Strong (32)	Dec. 31, 2020
KANSAS	William McCord (14)	Dec. 31, 2022
KENTUCKY	Jon Elbert (1)	June 30, 2022
LOUISIANA	Joanne Travis	Sep. 30, 2021
MAINE	Patricia Ott (16)	Dec. 31, 2022
MANITOBA	Charlene Bobby (24)	Dec. 31, 2022
MARYLAND	Kristen V. Winnerd (70)	Mar. 31, 2021
MASSACHUSETTS	Thomas Butler (63)	Dec. 31, 2022
MICHIGAN	Jeanne Burt (341)	Dec. 31, 2022
MINNESOTA	Jill Cotton (26)	Dec. 31, 2019
MISSISSIPPI	Shirley Hansen (356)	Mar. 31, 2021
MISSOURI	Barbara Dragar (237)	Oct. 01, 2021
MONTANA	Elaine Tucker (54)	Dec. 31, 2023
NEBRASKA	Tami Osentowski (13)	Dec. 31, 2021
NEVADA	Jeanine Digilio (30)	Dec. 31, 2020
NEW BRUNSWICK	Jodi Corey (1)	Dec. 31, 2021
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Terry Clairmont (43)	Jan. 1, 2021
NEW JERSEY	Norman Sloan (219)	Dec. 31, 2019
NEW MEXICO	Diane Youngren (20)	Dec. 31, 2021
NEW YORK	Catherine Woods (289)	June 30, 2021
NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA	Ruth Jennings (321) Cindy Schwab (8)	Dec. 31, 2021 Dec. 31, 2021
NOVA SCOTIA & P.E.I.	Claude Shears (49)	Dec. 31, 2021 Dec. 31, 2021
OHIO	Barbara Tuyller	Dec. 31, 2021 Dec. 31, 2021
OKLAHOMA	Lillian "Ann" Kinser (25)	Dec. 31, 2021
ONTARIO	Dorothy Felix (11)	Mar. 31, 2021
OREGON	Robert A. Galas (3)	June 30, 2021
PENNSYLVANIA	Pearline Campbell Spencer (255)	Dec. 31, 2021
PUERTO RICO	Samuel Olan (25)	Mar. 31, 2021
QUEBEC	Helen Black (34)	Dec. 31, 2021
RHODE ISLAND	Jennifer Lawson (18)	Dec. 31, 2022
SASKATCHEWAN	Ernie Bitz, PGP (1)	Mar. 31, 2021
SCOTLAND	Jean Hill (133)	Dec. 31, 2020
SOUTH CAROLINA	Dianne Campbell (298)	Dec. 31, 2022
SOUTH DAKOTA	Carol Grabin (81)	Dec. 31, 2021
TENNESSEE	Michelle Shanks (80)	Dec. 31, 2021
TEXAS	Charlotte Fairchild (1023)	Dec. 31, 2021
UTAH	Debra Mae Madsen, PGM (9)	Dec. 31, 2022
VERMONT	Deblyncin (Dee) Tidd (47)	Dec. 31, 2021
VIRGINIA	Joanne Stanto (106)	Dec 31, 2021
WASHINGTON	Kathleen Mitchell (173)	Dec. 31, 2020
WEST VIRGINIA	Carolyn Powell (31)	Dec. 31, 2021
WISCONSIN	Ashley Christensen (37)	Sept. 1, 2022
WYOMING	Joe Boster (4)	Dec. 31, 2021

77 Iris

79 Magdalene

Milk River

Mannville

### Charters Surrendered/Consolidated Since Organization

Cha	arters Surren	dered/Consolidate	ed Since	Or	ganization	
3	Chinook	Calgary		80	Castor	Castor
6	Mizpah	Calgary		81	Orion	Manyberries
9	Killam	Killam		82	Barrhead	Barrhead
8	Connaught	Wainwright		83	Acme	Acme
10	Electa(A)	Alix		84	Bessborough	Coronation
12	Occidental	High River		87	Evangeline(B)	Irricana
14	Victoria	Stettler			• , ,	
15	Coaldale	Coaldale		89	Foremost	Foremost
16	Stavely	Stavely		90	Claresholm	Claresholm
17	Athabasca	Athabasca		91	Helen	Brooks
18	Alberta Star	Gleichen		92	Hussar	Hussar
20	Crescent	Hillcrest		93	Delburne	Delburne
23	Naomi	Strome		94	Tweedsmuir	Edgerton
24	Norwood	Edmonton		96	Mary Keohane	Bassano
26	Unity	Calgary		97	Memorial	Medicine Hat
28	Isis	Provost		98	Highland	Delia
29	Star of the West	Edmonton		99	Sam Blair	Strathmore
30	Trinity	Bashaw			Elmose(C)	Bawlf
31	Perfection	Granum			Rose	Picture Butte
32	Victory	Wetaskiwin			Meridian	Empress
33 34	Hardisty North Star	Hardisty			Bertha Berry Creek	Redcliff Pollockville
35	Somme	Calgary Oyen			Mastar	Grassy Lake
36	Champion	Champion			Astrea	Vauxhall
39	Bethel	Calgary			Elizabeth Norris	Peace River
40	Fidelity	Three Hills			Kingsmere	Chauvin
41	Minerva	Coleman			Starlight	Crossfield
42	Peace River	Peace River			Windsor (E)	Leduc
44	Morning Light	Hanna			Peace Valley	Spirit River
45	Sedgewick	Sedgewick			Dawn	High Prairie
47	Battle River	Ponoka			Elizabeth	Trochu
49	Temple	Camrose		115	Chief Mountain	Cardston
48	Evening Star	Okotoks		116	Hardisty	Hardisty
50	Harmony	Mirror		117	Leta	Blairmore
51	Heather	Carmangay/Nobleford		118	Nina	Viking
52	Vimy	Blairmore		119	Stony Plain(F)	Stony Plain
53	Fort Macleod	Ft. Macleod			Golden Jubilee	Rimbey
55	Ruth	Drumheller			Margaret Rose	Elk Point
56	Acacia	Calgary			Patience (I)	Edmonton
57	Joan of Arc	Vegreville			Bow Island	Bow Island
59	Eureka	Big Valley			Martha(D)	Irma
60	Excelsior(G)	Jasper			Friendship	Calgary
61	Acadia	Craigmyle			Lochearn	Rocky Mtn House
62	Carstairs	Carstairs			Whitecourt	Whitecourt
63	Mt. Aylmer	Banff Banff			Mayerthorpe	Mayerthorpe
64	Spray Valley	Banff			Drayton Valley	Drayton Valley
65 66	Ferrodale	Vulcan Edmonton			Frantzen Centennial	Nanton
67	Amity Jubilee	Edmonton		130	Centenniai	Calgary
68	Bethany	RockyMtnHouse		Co	nsolidated with:	
69	Rosalon	Taber			Trinity30,	
70	Wimodausis	Bowden			) Starlight 109;(0	Tomple 40:
71	Rosebud	Rosebud		(D	Comment O.	7) Temple 49,
72	Ionic	Tofield			) Connaught 8;(I	
73	Douglas Haig	Edson			Pembina Valley	
74	Bellecrest	Hillcrest			) Elizabeth Trap	
75	Sask	Edmonton		(H	Edmonton 19;	(I) Allenby 38;
76	Standard	Standard		(J)	Mountain View	1
77	Irie	Milk River		` '		

# ELECTIVE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA SINCE ITS FORMATION – July 20, 1912

X Suspended

# Demitted

\* Deceased

Year	Worthy Grand Matron	Worthy Grand Patron	Associate Grand Matron	Associate Grand Patron
1912	* Mrs. Isabella Duff (1)	* Sam J. Blair (3)	# Mrs. Lizzie Bruce (4)	* Phil Pidgeon (2)
1913	* Mrs. Etta Beveridge (6)	* Wallace Zweiner (3)	* Mrs. Lottie I. Kenny (8)	* Francis E. Nicol (9)
1914		* Francis E. Nicol (9)	* Mrs. Jessie Armstrong (3)	* John Duff(1)
1915	* Mrs. Jessie Armstrong (3)	* John Duff(1)	# Mrs. Cora L. Graham (7)	* W.G. Congdon (11)
1916	# Mrs. Cora L. Graham (7)	* Frank R. Mitchell (10)	* Mrs. Margaret E. Carter (10)	* Hugh C. Ritchie (13)
1917	* Mrs. Margaret E. Carter (10)	* Hugh C. Ritchie (13)	* Mrs. Charity P. Norton (7)	* David J. Garnes (5)
1918	* Mrs. Charity P. Norton (7)	* David J. Garnes (5)	* Mrs. Kizzie C. Dallas (17)	* Thomas H. Wilson (19)
1919	* Mrs. Kizzie C. Dallas (17)	* Thomas H. Wilson (19)	* Mrs. Mary C. McCleneghan (7)	* Theo P. Neumann (21)
1920	* Mrs. Mary C. McCleneghan (7)	* Theo P. Neumann (21)	* Mrs. Jennie M. Blair (56)	# C. H. Stone (2)
1921	* Mrs. Jennie M. Blair (56)	* Phil Pidgeon (2)	* Mrs. Alice Darlow (10)	# John L. Milligan (25)
1922	* Mrs. Alice Darlow (10)	# John I. Milligan (25)	* Mrs. Jessie Flett (5)	* Ralph R. Bryant (25)
1923	* Mrs. Jessie Flett (5)	* Ralph R. Bryant (25)	* Mrs. May E. Wilson (24)	* Wm. C.A. Watt (37)
1924	* Mrs. May E. Wilson (24)	* Wm. C.A. Watt (37)	* Mrs. Ella L. Beaubier (36)	* Thomas W. Bull (38)
1925	* Mrs. Ella L. Beaubier (36)	* F.B. Watson (32)	# Mrs. Sophia Chute (14)	* John S. McHardy (12)
1926	# Mrs. Sophia Chute (14)	* John S. McHardy (12)	* Mrs. Jennie C. Carmichael (23)	* S. J. Hughes (39)
1927	* Mrs. Jennie C. Carmichael (23)	* S. J. Hughes (39)	* Mrs. Mary E. Savage (56)	# M. W. Dawson (19)
1928	* Mrs. Mary E. Savage (56)	# M.W. Dawson (19)	* Miss Mamie G.E. Gibson (7)	* Geo E. Wiseman (32)
1929	* Miss Mamie G.E. Gibson (7)	* Geo E. Wiseman (32)	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Thomas W. Bull (38)
1930	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Thomas W. Bull (38)	* Mrs. Maude Cullens (38)	* Wm J. Steele (6)
1931	* Mrs. Maude L. Cullens (38)	* Wm J. Steele (6)	* Mrs. E. Grace Scaife (6)	* H. G. Stretton (43)
1932	* Mrs. E. Grace Scaife (6)	* Herbert G. Stretton (43)	* Mrs. Mabel C. Hartman (1)	* E.A.W. Rutherford (26)
1933	* Mrs. S. Edith Dawson (19)	* E.A.W. Rutherford (26)	* Mrs. Mabel C. Hartman (1)	* Charles Stuart (62)
1934	* Mrs. C. Margaret Logie (34)	* Charles Stuart (62)	# Mrs. Grace K. Tilley (56)	# George H. Taylor (19)
1935	# Mrs. Grace K. Tilley (56)	# George H. Taylor (19)	* Mrs. Charlotte Price (10)	* Chas F. Forckel (48)
1936	* Mrs. Anne Lundy (43)	* Chas F. Forckel (48)	* Mrs. Charlotte Price (10)	* D.H. Tomlinson (5)
1937	* Mrs. Mary Turner (11)	* D.H. Tomlinson (5)	* Mrs. Mary Harwood (6)	* R.H. Ennismore (38)
1938	* Mrs. Mary Harwood (6)	* R.H. Ennismore (38)	* Mrs. Harriet Washburn (8)	* E.G. Pepper (34)
1939	* Mrs. Harriet Washburn (8)	* E.G. Pepper (34)	* Mrs. Helen P. McGhee (91)	* W.G. Niven (6)
1940	* Mrs. Helen P. McGhee (91)	* W.G. Niven (6)	* Mrs. Grace B. Shaw (60)	* A.C. Wagner (26)
1941	* Mrs. Grace B. Shaw (60)	* A.C. Wagner (26)	* Mrs. Grace P. Hughes (39)	* E.A. Wagler (76)

Year	Year Worthy Grand Matron	Worthy Grand Patron	Associate Grand Matron	Associate Grand Patron
1942	* Mrs. Grace P. Hughes (39)	* E.A. Wagler (76)	* Mrs. Eva Lonsberry (7)	* Percy Cull (7)
1943	* Mrs. Eva Lonsberry (7)	* Percy Cull (7)	* Mrs. Louise West (66)	* W.J. Harwood (6)
1944	* Mrs. Louise West (66)	* W.J. Harwood (6)	* Mrs. A. M. Sparling (39)	* John W. Munro (62)
1945	* Mrs. A. M. Sparling (39)	* John W. Munro (62)	* Mrs. E.S. Richard (5)	* John A. Cullens (38)
1946	* Mrs. E.S. Richard (5)	* John A. Cullens (38)	* Mrs. Mary Keohane (58)	* Harry Chamney (63)
1947	* Mrs. Mary Keohane (58)	* Harry Chamney (63)	* Mrs. Mabel Armitage (34)	* Wm. T. Young (64)
1948	* Mrs. Mabel Armitage (34)	* Wm. T. Young (64)	* Mrs. J.A. Thompson (66)	* J.A. McGhee (91)
1949	* Mrs. J.A. Thompson (66)	* J.A. McGhee (91)	* Mrs. M.C. Bell (92)	* C.E. Cosgrove (56)
1950	* Mrs. M.C. Bell (92)	* C.E. Cosgrove (56)	* Mrs. Kathleen Young (64)	* A. L. Harvey (44)
1951	* Mrs. Kathleen Young (64)	* A.L. Harvey (44)	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	* Dean E. Holroyd (77)
1952	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	* Dean E. Holroyd (77)	* Mrs. Agnes Ingram (26)	* W. Merton Atkin (19)
1953	* Mrs. Agnes E. Ingram (26)	* W. Merton Atkin (19)	* Mrs. Elizabeth E. Harte (40)	* J.H. Fooks (7)
1954		* J.H. Fooks (7)	* Mrs. Anne Miron (43)	* Vernon R. Speare (60)
1955	* Mrs. Anne Miron (43)	* Vernon R. Speare (60)	* Mrs. Ann E. LaFleche (66)	* Alex D. Stewart (38)
1956	* Mrs. Ann B. LaFleche (66)	* Alex D. Stewart (38)	* Mrs. Margaret Anderson (87)	* Rod S. Drever (110)
1957	* Mrs. Johanna L. Haire (19)	* Rod S. Drever (110)	* Mrs. Margaret Anderson (87)	* Clyde C. Coe (36)
1958	* Mrs. Evelyn Hillebrecht (5)	* Clyde C. Coe (36)	* Mrs. Ellen Armstrong (92)	* H. Norman Lukes (56)
1959	* Mrs. Ellen Armstrong (92)	* H. Norman Lukes (56)	* Mrs. Laura Bird (25)	* Marwood Swain (4)
1960	* Mrs. Laura Bird (25)	* Marwood Swain (4)	x Mrs. Elfreada Dick (39)	* Brock Christie (115)
1961	x Mrs. Elfreada Dick (39)	* Brock Christie (115)	* Mrs. Frances Miller (7)	* Thomas Morris (27)
1962	* Mrs. Frances Miller (7)	* Thomas Morris (27)	* Mrs. Vera Oliphant (55)	* Lloyd Keith (38)
1963	* Mrs. Vera Oliphant (55)	* Lloyd Keith (38)	# Mrs. Jessie Kennedy (99)	* Alonzo Haines (38)
1964	# Mrs. Jessie Kennedy (99)	* Alonzo Haines (38)	* Mrs. Mary Ellis (83/91)	* Wm. J. Robertson (63)
1965	* Mrs. Mary Ellis (83/91)	* Wm. J. Robertson (63)	* Mrs. Hazel (Hall) Hoge (17)	* Trygve Seland (55)
1966	* Mrs. Hazel (Hall) Hoge (17)	* Trygve Seland (55)	* Mrs. Amy Drever (110)	* Norris Yates (55)
1967	* Mrs. Amy Drever (110)	* Norris Yates (55)	* Miss Mary Quinn (48)	# Ernest Brooks (39)
1968	* Miss Mary Quinn (48)	* Everett Cameron (125)	* Mrs. M. Victoria Baldwin (99)	* Gordon Cannam (122)
1969	* Mrs. M. Victoria Baldwin (99)	* Gordon Cannam (122)	* Mrs. Ada Sharp (80)	* Ellwood Irwin (51)
1970	* Mrs. Ada Sharp (80)	* Ellwood Irwin (51)	* Mrs. Anne Guild (60)	* F. Sydney Bird (25)
1971	* Mrs. Anne Guild (60)	* F. Sydney Bird (25)	* Mrs. Irene McDougall (5)	Harold Gulliver (10)
1972	* Mrs. Irene McDougall (5)	Harold Gulliver (10)	* Mrs. Lillian French (44)	* Ernest Williams (24)
1973	* Mrs. Lillian French (44)	* Ernest Williams (24)	* Mrs. Irma Fenton (4)	# C. Ray Barker (48)
1974		# C. Ray Barker (48)	* Mrs. Irene Hendrickson (26/2)	* H.E. Ray Roberts (70)
6/61	* Mrs. Irene Hendrickson (26/2)	* H.E. Kay Koberts (70)	* Mrs. Jane Salisbury (11)	* Samuel F.G. Slater (5)

Year	Worthy Grand Matron	Worthy Grand Patron	Associate Grand Matron	Associate Grand Patron
1976	* Mrs. Jane Salisbury (11)	* Samuel F.G. Slater (5)	* Mrs. Isabelle Norrie (43)	<ul> <li>* Marvin Kuykendall (58)</li> </ul>
1977	* Mrs. Isabelle Norrie (43)	* Marvin Kuykendall (58)	* Mrs. Kay McBain (58)	# Jack B. McCully (98)
1978	* Mrs. Kay McBain (58)	# Jack B. McCully (98)	* Mrs. Eileen Mackay (53)	* E.A. (Ted) Lawrence (7)
1979	* Mrs. Eileen J. Mackay (53)	* E.A. (Ted) Lawrence (7)	* Mrs. Joy McDonnell (49)	* Allan N. Douglas (2/46)
1980	* Mrs. Joy McDonnell (49)	* Allan N. Douglas (2/46)	* Mrs. Madeleine Rutz (55)	* George Zimmerman (120)
1981	* Mrs. Madeleine Rutz (55)	* George Zimmerman (120)	* Mrs. Margaret Berreth (87)	* Cliff Bennett (109)
1982	* Mrs. Margaret Berreth (87)	* Robert I. Lewis (60)	* Mrs. Frances Treacy (92)	* Sterling Davies (5)
1983	* Mrs. Frances Treacy (92)	* Sterling Davies (5)	* Mrs. Noreen Burnett (93/128)	William J. Martin (66)
1984	* Mrs. Noreen Burnett (93/128)	* William J. Martin (66)	* Miss Connie L. Hoskyn (34)	* Andrew Duff (44)
1985	* Miss Connie L. Hoskyn (34)	* Andrew Duff (44)	Mrs. Dorothy Browne (135)	* Alfred Rutz (55)
1986	Mrs. Dorothy Browne (135)	* Alfred Rutz (55)	* Mrs. Muriel Graham (65)	* Gordon Astle (46)
1987	* Mrs. Muriel Graham (65)	* Gordon Astle (46)	* Mrs. Margaret Herron (113)	* Alfred Rands (54)
1988	* Mrs. Margaret Herron (113)	* Alfred Rands (54)	Miss Winona Rouleau (90/21)	* Donald Cameron (11)
1989	Miss Winona Rouleau (90/21)	* Donald Cameron (11)	# Mrs. Myrna Manuel (37)	* Carl Burns (26)
1990	# Mrs. Myrna Manuel (37)	* Carl Burns (26)	Mrs. Yvonne Roberts (2)	* Herb Dickieson (34)
1991	Mrs. Yvonne Roberts (2)	* Herb Dickieson (34)	Mrs. 'Bert' (Davie) Johnson (1)	* Hector Rose (96)
1992	'Bert' (Davi	* Hector Rose (96) *	* Mrs. Sheryl Frey (126)	* Elwood (Chartrand) Hillman (56)
1993	* Mrs. Sheryl Frey (126)	<ul> <li>* Elwood (Chartrand) Hillman (56)</li> </ul>	* Dr. Margaret Pearson (136)	Harry Cramton (128)
1994	Mrs. Violet James (133/135)	Harry Cramton (128)	* Mrs. Ellanor Geddes (34)	* Roger Kinney (1)
1995	* Mrs. Ellanor Geddes (34)	* Roger Kinney (1)	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	Malcolm Hough (2)
1996	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	Malcolm Hough (2)	* Mrs. Marina McLaren (5)	* Fred Osbome (46/95)
1997	* Mrs. Marina McLaren (5)	* Fred Osborne (46/95)	* Mrs. Donna Bigl (19)	Kenneth Larsen (92)
1998	* Mrs. Donna Bigl (19)	* Kenneth Larsen (92)	Mrs. Mildred Rinke (7/129)	* Andy Lockhart (133)
1999	Mrs. Mildred Rinke (7/129)	* Andy Lockhart (133)	Mrs. Lois Brown (6)	# John Alexander (47/57)
2000	Mrs. Lois Brown (6)	*# John Alexander (47/57)	Mrs. Marjorie Neely (43)	Howie Canning (19)
2001	Mrs. Marjorie Neely (43)	Howie Canning (19)	Mrs. Maybeth Drozd (19)	* Jim Armet (129)
2002	Mrs. Maybeth Drozd (19)	* Jim Armet (129)	Mrs. Pat Senetza (133/109)	<ul> <li>* H.E. (Butch) Whitbread (85)</li> </ul>
2003	Mrs. Pat Senetza (133/109)	* H.E. (Butch) Whitbread (85)	Mrs. Lorraine Hough (2)	* Keith Fossen (54)
2004	Mrs. Lorraine Hough (2)	* Keith Fossen (54)	Ms. Sandi Gibson (25)	* Jim Hartley (133)
2005	Ms. Sandi Gibson (25)	* Jim Hartley (133)	Mrs. Janet Wilkinson (138/60)	John Parkinson (91/43)
2006	Mrs. Janet Wilkinson (138/60)	John Parkinson (91/43)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Ted Mikkelsen (37)
2007	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Ted Mikkelsen (37)	Mrs. Irene Allan (34/25)	Daryl Calder (57/22)
2008	Mrs. Irene Allan (34/25)  * Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Daryl Calder (57/22) Douglas Brown (6)	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85) Mrs. Linda Groot (109)	Douglas Brown (6) David Johnson (137)
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Year	Worthy Grand Matron	Worthy Grand Patron	Associate Grand Matron	Associate Grand Patron
2010	Mrs. Linda Groot (109)	David Johnson (137)	Mrs. Karolyn Calder (57/22)	Terry Skelton (2/129)
2011	Mrs. Karolyn Calder (57/22)	Terry Skelton (2)	Ms. Beth Tripp (4/137)	Allen Smith (11)
2012	Ms. Beth Tripp (4/137)	Allen Smith (11)	Mrs. Donna-Lynn Guynup (14/1)	Leslie Payne (91)
2013	Mrs. Donna-Lynn Guynup (14/1)	Leslie Payne (91)	Mrs. Donna Richard (2)	Paul Febrey (138/60)
2014	Mrs. Donna Richard (2)	Paul Febrey (138)	Mrs. Debbie Matvichuk (122)	Dan Guylai
2015	*Mrs. Debbie Matvichuk (122)	Dan Guylai (7)	Mrs. Helen Bilou (126)	Richard Ashby (46/126)
2016	Mrs. Helen Bilou (126)	Richard Ashby (46/126)	Mrs. Deb Buxton (25)	Hal Welke (128)
2017	Mrs. Deb Buxton (25)	Hal Welke (128)	Mrs. Mary Wescott (133)	Roy Sonley (58)
2018	Mrs. Mary Wescott (133)	Roy Sonley (58)	Mrs. Susan MacArthur (137)	Hector van Vierssen Trip (25)
2019-21	Mrs. Susan MacArthur (137)	Hector van Vierssen Trip (25)	Mrs. Lorna Richmond (27)	Tim Cameron (85)
2022	Mrs. Lorna Richmond (27)	Tim Cameron (85)	Mrs Gail Anderson (1/133)	Neil McMillan (126)

# ELECTIVE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA SINCE ITS FORMATION - July 20, 1912

According O and Dadustees	Associate Grand Conductress	* Mrs. Lottie I. Kenny (8)	* IMFS. Anna Johnson (1)	# Mrs. Adeline Panrucker (10)	* Mrs. Charity Norton (7)	* Mrs. Kizzie Dallas (17)	* Mrs. M.C. McClenaghan (7)	* Mrs. Jennie M. Blair (56)	* Mrs. Alice Darlow (10)	* Mrs. Jessie Flett (5)	* Mrs. May E. Wilson (24)	* Mrs. Ella Beaubier (36)	# Mrs. Sophia Chute (14)	* Mrs. J.G. Carmichael (23)	* Mrs. Mary E. Savage (56)	* Miss Mamie G.E. Gibson (7)	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Maude Cullens (38)	* Mrs. E. Grace Scaife (6)	* Mrs. Mabel C. Hartman (1)	* Mrs. Edith Dawson (19)	* Mrs. Margaret Logie (34)	# Mrs. Grace G. Tilley (56)	* Mrs. Anne Lundy (43)	* Mrs. Mary Turner (11)	* Mrs. Mary Harwood (6)	* Mrs. Helen P. McGhee	* Mrs. Grace B. Shaw (60)	* Mrs. Grace P. Hughes (39)	* Mrs. Eva Lonsberry (7)	* Mrs. Louise West (66)
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* Deceased		<del>(</del> -)	* Sam J. Blair	*	*	1916 * Sam J. Blair (3)	1917 * Sam J. Blair (26)	1918 * Sam J. Blair (26)	*	1920 * Sam J. Blair (26)	1921 * Sam J. Blair (26)	1922 * Sam J. Blair (26)	1923 * Sam J. Blair (26)	*	1925 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1926 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1927 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1928 * Sam J. Blair (56)	* Sam J. Blair	1930 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1931 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1932 * Sam J. Blair (56)	* Sam	1934 * Sam J. Blair (56)	*	1936 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1937 * Sam J. Blair (56)	1938 * Sam J. Blair (56)	* Sam J. Blair	* Sam J. Blair	1941 * Sam J. Blair (56)

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1942	* Sam I Blair (56)	* Mrs F & Richard (5)	* Mrs I onise West (66)	Mrs Alice M Sparling (39)
1943	* Sam I Blair (56)	* Mrs Mahel Armitage (34)	* Mrs Alice M Sparling (39)	Mrs F & Richard (5)
1077	* Sam I Blair (56)	* Mrs Mabel Armitage (34)	* Mrs F S Dichard (5)	Mrs. Mary Roshana (5)
1015	* Sam J. Blair (56)	* Mrs Vothleen Voung (64)	* Mrs. Mary Voobana (5)	Mrs. Mahal Armitaga (34)
1946	* Sam I Blair (56)	* Mrs Kathleen Voung (64)	* Mrs Mahel Armitage (34)	Mrs. I.A. Thompson (66)
1947	* Sam J Blair (56)	* Mrs Kathleen Young (64)	* Mrs. I.A. Thompson (66)	Mrs Margaret C Bell (92)
1948	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. A. E. Ingram (26)	* Mrs. Margaret C. Bell (92)	Mrs. Kathleen Young (64)
1949	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. A. E. Ingram (26)	* Mrs. Kathleen Young (64)	Mrs. Bessie Bloom $(34)$
1950	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Elizabeth E. Harte (40)	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom $(34)$	* Mrs. A.E. Ingram (26)
1951	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Ann B. LaFleche (66)	* Mrs. A.E. Ingram (26)	Mrs. Elizabeth E. Harte (40)
1952	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Margaret B. Anderson (87)	* Mrs. Elizabeth E. Harte (40)	Mrs. Anne Miron (43)
1953	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5	* Mrs. Margaret B. Anderson (87)	* Mrs. Anne Miron (43)	Mrs. Ann B. LaFleche (66)
1954	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Ellen Armstrong (92)	* Mrs. Ann B. LaFleche (66)	Mrs. Margaret Anderson (87)
1955	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Ellen Armstrong (92)	* Mrs. Margaret B. Anderson (87)	* Mrs. Johanna L. Haire (19)
1956	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Ellen Armstrong (92)	* Mrs. Johanna L. Haire (19)	Mrs. Evelyn Hillebrecht (5)
1957	* Miss Ella C. Isaac (5)	* Mrs. Laura Bird (25)	* Mrs. Evelyn Hillebrecht (5)	Mrs. Ellen Armstrong (92)
1958	* Mrs. Helen P. McGhee (91)	* Mrs. Frances Miller (7)	* Mrs. Laura Bird (25)	# Mrs. Elfreada Dick (39)
1959	* Mrs. Helen P. McGhee (91)	* Mrs. Vera Oliphant (55)	# Mrs. Elfreada Dick (39)	Mrs. Frances Miller (7)
1960	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	# Mrs. Jessie Kennedy (99)	* Mrs. Frances Miller (7)	Mrs. Vera Oliphant (55)
1961	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	* Mrs. Mary Ellis (83/91)	* Mrs. Vera Oliphant (55)	t Mrs. Jessie Kennedy (99)
1962	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	* Mrs. Hazel (Hall) Hoge (17)	# Mrs. Jessie Kennedy (99)	* Mrs. Mary Ellis (83/91)
1963	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	* Mrs. Amy Drever (110)	* Mrs. Mary Ellis (83/91)	Mrs. Hazel (Hall) Hoge (17)
1964	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	* Miss Mary Quinn (48)	* Mrs. Hazel (Hall) Hoge (17)	* Mrs. Amy Drever (110)
1965	* Mrs. Bessie Bloom (34)	<ul> <li>Mrs. M. Victoria Baldwin (99)</li> </ul>	* Mrs. Amy Drever (110)	Miss Mary Quinn (48)
1966	# Mrs. Elfreada Dick (39)	<ul> <li>Mrs. Ada Sharp (80)</li> </ul>	* Miss Mary Quinn (48)	Mrs. M. Victoria Baldwin (99)
1967	# Mrs. Elfreada Dick (39)	* Mrs. Anne Guild (60)	* Mrs. M. Victoria Baldwin (99)	Mrs. Ada Sharp (80)
1968	* Mrs. Myrtle McLevin (136)	<ul><li>* Mrs. Irene McDougall (5)</li></ul>	* Mrs. Ada Sharp (80)	Mrs. Anne Guild (60)
1969	* Mrs. Myrtle McLevin (136)	* Mrs. Lillian French (44)	* Mrs. Anne Guild (60)	Mrs. Irene McDougall (5)
1970	* Mrs. Myrtle McLevin (136)	* Mrs. Irma Fenton (4)	* Mrs. Irene McDougall (5)	Mrs. Lillian French (44)
1971	* Mrs. Myrtle McLevin (136)	* Mrs. Irene Hendrickson (2/26)	* Mrs. Lillian French (44)	* Mrs. Irma Fenton (4)
1972	* Mrs. Ann B. LaFleche (66)	* Mrs. Jane Salisbury (11)	* Mrs. Irma Fenton (4)	<ul> <li>Mrs. Irene Hendrickson (2/26)</li> </ul>
1973	4.)	* Mrs. Isabelle Norrie (43)	* Mrs. Irene Hendrickson (2/26)	Mrs. Jane Salisbury (11)
1974	_	* Mrs. Kay McBain (58)	* Mrs. Jane Salisbury (11)	Mrs. Isabelle Norrie (43)
1975	* Mrs. Myrtle McLevin (136)	* Mrs. Eileen Mackay (53)	* Mrs. Isabelle Norrie (43)	* Mrs. Kay McBaın (58)

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1976	* Mrs. Myrtle McLevin (136)	* Mrs. Joy McDonnell (49)	Mrs. Kay McBain (58)	* Mrs. Eileen Mackay (53)
1977	* Mrs. Irene McDougall (5)	* Mrs. Madeleine C. Rutz (55)	* Mrs. Eileen Mackay (53)	* Mrs. Joy McDonnell (49)
1978		* Mrs. Margaret Berreth (87)	* Mrs. Joy McDonnell (49)	* Mrs. Madeleine C. Rutz (55)
1979		* Mrs. Frances Treacy (92)	* Mrs. Madeleine C. Rutz (55)	* Mrs. Margaret Berreth (87)
1980	* Mrs. Isabel Platt (56)	* Mrs. Noreen Burnett (93/128)	* Mrs. Margaret Berreth (87)	* Mrs. Frances Treacy (92)
1981	* Mrs. Isabel Platt (56)	* Mrs. Dorothy Woolsey (46)	* Mrs. Frances Treacy (92)	* Mrs. Noreen Burnett (93/128)
1982	* Mrs. Isabel Platt (56)	* Mrs. Dorothy Woolsey (46)	* Mrs. Noreen Burnett (93/128)	* Miss Connie Hoskyn (34)
1983	* Mrs. Isabel Platt (56)	* Mrs. Muriel Graham (65)	* Miss Connie Hoskyn (34)	Mrs. Dorothy Browne (135)
1984	* Mrs. Isabel Platt (56)	* Mrs. Margaret Herron (113)	Mrs. Dorothy Browne (135)	* Mrs. Muriel Graham (65)
1985	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	Miss Winona Rouleau (90)	* Mrs. Muriel Graham (65)	* Mrs. Margaret Herron (113)
1986	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	# Mrs. Myrna Manuel (37)	* Mrs. Margaret Herron (113)	Miss Winona Rouleau (90/21)
1987	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	Mrs. Yvonne Roberts (2)	Miss Winona Rouleau (90/21)	# Mrs. Myrna Manuel (37)
1988	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	Mrs. 'Bert' (Davie) Johnson (1)	# Mrs. Myrna Manuel (37)	Mrs. Yvonne Roberts (2)
1989	_	* Mrs. Sheryl Frey (126)	Mrs. Yvonne Roberts (2)	Mrs. 'Bert' (Davie) Johnson (1)
1990		* Dr. Margaret Pearson (136)	Mrs. 'Bert' (Davie) Johnson (1)	* Mrs. Sheryl Frey (126)
1991	_	Mrs. Violet James (133/135)	* Mrs. Sheryl Frey (126)	* Dr. Margaret Pearson (136)
1992	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	* Mrs. Ellanor Geddes (34)	* Dr. Margaret Pearson (136)	Mrs. Violet James (133/135)
1993	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	Mrs. Janice Burrough (135)	Mrs. Violet James (133/135)	* Mrs. Ellanor Geddes (34)
1994		Mrs. Janice Burrough (135)	Mrs. Gwen Leighton (122)	* Mrs. Marina McLaren (5)
1995	Mrs. Linda Groot (109/85)	Mrs. Janice Burrough (135)	* Mrs. Marina McLaren (5)	* Mrs. Donna Bigl (19)
1996	Mrs. Linda Groot (109/85)	Mrs. Janice Burrough (135)	* Mrs. Donna Bigl (19)	Mrs. Mildred Rinke (7/129)
1997	Mrs. Linda Groot (109/85)	Mrs. Janice Burrough (135)	Mrs. Mildred Rinke (7/129)	Mrs. Lois Brown (6)
1998	Mrs. Linda Groot (109/85)	Mrs. Maybeth Drozd (19)	Mrs. Lois Brown (6)	Mrs. Marjorie Neely (43)
1999	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Mrs. Marjorie Neely (43)	Mrs. Maybeth Drozd (19)
2000	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Mrs. Maybeth Drozd (19)	Mrs. Patricia Senetza (133/109)
2001	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Mrs. Patricia Senetza (133/109)	Mrs. Lorraine Hough (2)
2002	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Mrs. Lorraine Hough (2)	Ms. Sandi Gibson (25)
2003	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Ms. Sandi Gibson (25)	Mrs. Janet Wilkinson (138/60)
2004	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Mrs. Janet Wilkinson (138/60)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)
2005	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Mrs. Marian Sinclair (38)	Mrs. Irene Allan (34/25)
2006	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Mrs. Irene Allan (34/25)	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)
2007	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	* Mrs. Isabel McPherson (85)	Mrs. Linda Groot (109)
2008	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Mrs. Linda Groot (109)	Mrs. Karolyn Calder (57/22)
2009	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Joanne Fisher (129/2)	Mrs. Karolyn Calder (57/22)	Ms. Beth Tripp (4/137)

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2010	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Joanne Fisher (129/2)	Ms. Beth Tripp (4/137)	Mrs. Donna-Lynn Guynup (14/1)
2011	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Joanne Fisher (2/4)	up (14/1)	Mrs. Donna Richard (2)
2012	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Joanne Fisher (2/4)	Mrs. Donna Richard (2)	*Mrs. Debbie Matvichuk (122)
2013	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Joanne Fisher (2/4)	*Mrs. Debbie Matvichuk (122)	Mrs. Helen Bilou (126)
2014	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Mrs. Helen Bilou (126)	Mrs. Deb Buxton (25)
2015	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Mrs. Deb Buxton (25)	Ms. Mary Wescott (133)
2016	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Ms. Mary Wescott (133)	Mrs. Susan MacArthur (137)
2017	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Mrs. Susan MacArthur (137)	Mrs. Lorna Richmond (27)
2018	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Lee Clay (133)	Mrs. Loma Richmond (27)	Mrs. Gail Anderson (14/133)
2019	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Pat Oberg (38)	Mrs. Gail Anderson (14/133)	Mrs. Jacquie Charlton (85)
2021	Ms. Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms. Pat Oberg (38)	Mrs. Gail Anderson (14/133)	Mrs. Jacquie Charlton (85)
2022	Ms Mary Lynn Smith (126)	Ms Pat Oberg (38)	Mrs. Jacquie Charlton (85)	Ms. Kim McMinis (22)

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1	Mountain View	Olds Masonic Hall 4625 – 48 Ave.	Donna-Lynn Guynup, PGM Ted Mikkelsen, GGCCM Joan Ainsworth, PM Shawn Kemp	Tanya Chisholm, PM Mountain View Chapter #1 338 Cooper's Drive SW Airdrie, AB T4B 0L8	(closed Jan&Feb) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. 7:30 pm 403-807-2138
2	Venus	Red Deer Masonic Hall 4811 – 52 Street	Stephanie Gross Terry Skelton, PGP Sonja Sim, PM James Innes, PP	Laurinda Parkinson Venus Chapter #2 Box 1846 Blackfalds, AB TOM 0L8	OCT. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon. 403 885-1891
4	Alexandra	Lacombe Masonic Hall 4722 – 49B Ave.	Joy Shackleton, PM Wes Shackleton, PP Beth Tripp, GGCCM Daryl Calder, PGP	Lorna Rost, PM Alexandra Chapter #4 5102 – 52 Ave Ponoka, AB T4J 1H5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. 7:30 pm 403-783-4274
ν,	Bow Valley	Calgary Bowmont Masonic Hall 7704 - 39 Ave. NW	Irene Norton, PM George Norton, PP Geraldine Cook, PM	Doris Burak, PM Bow Valley Chapter #5 127 Cantrell Drive SW Calgary, AB T2W 2M5	1st Wed. 7:30 pm 403-238-4144
_	Maple Leaf	Lethbridge Masonic Hall 315A - 10 St. S.	Shirley Weigelt, PM Howard Archibald, PP Levy Wohlwend Wayne Rinnke, PP	Ami Oliver, PM Maple Leaf Chapter #7 119 Beaverbrook Road N. Lethbridge, AB T1H 5Z5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 7:30 pm 403-317-0287

41	Victoria	Stettler Masonic Hall Corner 52 St. & 50 Ave	Jo"AnnTelford, PM Dave Carter Heather McKee, PM John Emmons, PP	Sheryl McBride Victoria Chapter #14 Box 8747 Drumheller, AB T0J 0Y0	(closed Jan & Feb) 3rd Mon. 7:30 pm 403 742-4080
19	Edmonton	Edmonton Freemasons' Hall 10318 - 100 Ave.	Tanice Nichol, PM Bob Nichol Jeannette Blue, PM	Sue Canning Edmonton Chapter #19 30 Applewood Road Sherwood Park, AB T8A 0L3	1st Wed. 7:30 pm 780-464-0508
21	Castleview	Cowley Masonic Hall	Cindy Heschl Bill Skelly Phyllis McEwen, PM Gordon McEwen, PP	Maureen Akitt, PM Castleview Chapter #21 Box 177 Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0	Dec. 1st Tues. 3rd Tues. 1:30 pm 403-627-2443
22	Queen Esther	Vermilion Masonic Hall 4902 – 50 Avenue	Carol Fulton, PM Gerry Fulton, PP Colleen Hozack, PGM Richard Glasgow, PP	Hilda Bell, PM Queen Esther Chapter #22 5001 - 44 Ave. Vermilion, AB T9X 0A9	(closed Jan & Jul) 3rd Tues. 7:30 pm 780-853-6252
25	Edith Cavell	Calgary Freemasons' Hall 330 - 12 Ave. SW	Janis Risi Jason Risi Tanya Chisholm, PM Wade Bell, PP	Tanya Chisholm, PM Edith Cavell Chapter #25 338 Cooper's Drive SW Airdrie, AB T4B 0L8	1st Tues. 7:30 pm 403-807-2138
27	St. Hilda	Didsbury Masonic Hall 21 St. & 21 Ave	Terry Russell, PM Gary McMane, PP Cheryll Dahl, PM Jack Segstro, PP	Rhea McMane, PM St. Hilda Chapter #27 Box 4, Didsbury, AB, T0M 0W0	3rd Tues. 7:30 pm 403-335-3457

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Flory Wilkins, PM	Brenda Norgard, PM	Shirley Weigelt, PM	Helen Kenny, PM	Linda Johnson, PM	Margaret Pettern
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104, 4612 – 50 Ave.	10318 - 100 Ave.	315A - 10 St. S.	11315-94 St.	5118–50 Ave (Railway Ave)	42 Bannon Ave. SW
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Zenith	Sunset	Serenity	Majestic	Primrose	Pembina Valley
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133	Chinook	Calgary Bowmont Masonic Hall 7704 39 Ave NW	Sheila Briggs Norm Ink, PP Robert	Mary Wescott, PGM Chinook Chapter #133 195 Windermere Road SW	$2^{\text{nd}}$ Thurs. 7:30 pm
			Palmieri, PP	Calgary, AB T3C 3K9	403-270-7883
135	Pioneer	St. Albert Cornerstone Hall	Joan Lowrie, PM 2019 Carol Fiorini, PM 2020	Wendy McKenzie, PM Pioneer Chapter #135	$2^{\rm nd}$ Wed 7:30 pm
		6 Tache St.	Bill Lowrie, PP Colin Brown, PP	9948-82 Street, Edmonton, AB T3C 3K9	780-948-0709.
137	137 Fort McMurray	Fort McMurray	Mavis Paetschke, PM	Wendy McIlveena Fort McMurray Chanter #137	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues
		9902 Manning Ave	Helen John, PM	109 Ermine Crescent	780-977-5953.
			Bradley Edstrom, PP	Fort McMurray, AB T9H 4M7	
138	Elizabeth Trapp	Edson	Janet Wilkinson, PGM	Eileen Claridge, PM	3rd Wed.
		Masonic Hall	Brian Drysdale, PP	Elizabeth Trapp #138	7:30 pm
		4725 - 9 Ave.	Tara MacKay	5802-12A Avenue	780-723-5933
			Paul Febrey, PGP	Edson, AB T7E 1W5	

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Srigley Trust Fund Report and Accounting	128
Rose and Thorn	
Standing Orders	
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Ballot Balls and Cubes, per dozen	1.10
Bible – (White only)	20.00
By-Laws (Standard) per booklet	2.00
By-Laws and Roll of Membership Book	8.00
Centennial History Book (1912-2011)	
Centennial History Book (1912-2011) – with shipping	20.00
Certificates:	
Affiliation	2.00
Honorary	2.00
Life Membership	
Membership (Initiation)	2.00
Past Matron	2.00
Past Patron	
50 years + (5-year increments)	2.00
Constitution	6.00
Dispensation (as per Constitution)	3.00
Dues card (8 per sheet)	1.50
Forms (Initiation, Affiliation, Ref. on Petition, Demits - on Website)	
International Eastern Star Headquarters Certificate	5.00
(ordered with yearly Per Capita report)	
Ledger Pages, per dozen ( <i>specify</i> 9 ½" x 6" OR 10 ¼ "x 7 ½")	3.50
Pins – 25 years (small)	6.75
Pins – 40 years	
Pins - 50-, 60-, 70- and 75-year (presented by Grand Chapter)	n/c
Proceedings – current year	20.00
Proceedings – previous year	10.00
Minute book – computer/typing pre-printed Post style (25 pages)	25.00
Minute book – blank pages Post style (50 pages)	
Minute book – old style bound hard covered for handwritten	50.00
Register Book – (Members sign in)	
Ritual 2018 – Large print Spiral (Dark Blue or White)	
Ritual 2018 – Extra Large Print Spiral	
Secret Work (2009)	
Secret Work (lost) + letter (Constitution Page 36)	
Secretary's Account Book (hard cover)	
Warrants on Treasurer	
Special Ordersat cost (	(+10%)

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