



"Living in the Light"

Grand Chapter Of New Brunswick
92nd Annual Session



Fredericton, N.B.

July 6, 7 and 8th - 2023

PROCEEDINGS

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NEW BRUNSWICK

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

NINETY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

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BARBARA GREENLAW
WORTHY GRAND MATRON

KEVIN WILSON, PGP
WORTHY GRAND PATRON

DOUG SWAN, PGP
GRAND SECRETARY

2022 - 2023
“LIVING IN THE LIGHT” SESSION OF
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF NEW BRUNSWICK

DEDICATION

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

I would like to dedicate my year in the East of our Grand Chapter to some very special people in my life – firstly – to my parents. The example of dedication and faithfulness that my mother, Sister Elizabeth, showed as I watched her journey in the Order of the Eastern Star have been such an example to follow. My Dad, Brother Melvin, was one of the people who helped me continue being active in the order as my official babysitter.

My husband, Brother Brian, has always believed in me and knew I would eventually reach this position. I always said that it would never happen – but he knew better. His love and encouragement are my world.

To our children, Troy and Sister Nancy, the love, support and encouragement given to me have been a comfort and a Godsend.

To all members of St. Stephen Chapter #8, those past and present, I thank you so much for your dedication to the Order and the support you have always given to me. Star love and thanks to everyone!

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

I dedicate this year to:

- My wife, Cindy, for her love, patience and support for my undertaking as Worthy Grand Patron.
- To all my Star Sisters and Brothers in the Grand Jurisdiction of New Brunswick for their encouragement, friendship and support over the years.
- To all members of Celestial Chapter #3 and Devon Chapter #37.

“LIVING IN THE LIGHT” SESSION

Aim: To seek justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with our God. Micah 6:8

Watchwords: Faith, Friends and Family

Flowers: WGM: Carnations
WGP: Lilies

Colours:	WGM:	Lavender and Silver
	WGP:	Yellow
Fun Symbols:		
	WGM:	Bluebirds, Snowmen and Stars
	WGP:	Wolf and Mason Jars
Honour Stations:		All Stations
Scripture:		
	WGM:	<i>Matthew 5:16</i> "Let your light so shine before others, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."
	WGP:	Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."
Hymns:	WGM:	A Light is Gleaming Come to my Heart Lord Jesus It is no Secret Stepping in the Light
	WGP:	I'll Walk with His Hand in Mine On the Wings of a Dove
Songs:	WGM:	Brian's Song You Raise me Up Wind Beneath my Wings
	WGP:	You are my Sunshine Go Rest High on That Mountain Against the Wind
Special Projects:		
	WGM:	Arthritis Society
	WGP:	Camp Goodtime

Living in the Light



*Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara Greenlaw
Worthy Grand Patron, Kevin Wilson*

**MOST WORTHY
GRAND MATRON**



*Glenda Winchester
PGM of South Carolina*

**MOST WORTHY
GRAND PATRON**



*F. Lon Lowry
PGP of Ohio*

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Margaret Jagoe, Heart and PGM New Brunswick; Lynda Swan, ESTARL and PGM New Brunswick; Sharon Cormie, Worthy Grand Ruth and PGM of British Columbia and Yukon; Barbara Greenlaw, WGM; Kevin Wilson, WGP; Llynne Lambert, Canadian Chair Service Dog Committee, PGM Saskatchewan; Marjorie Pfeiffer, Registration, PGM Maine

GRAND FAMILY 2022 - 2023



Front Row

Barbara Greenlaw, WGM; Kevin Wilson, WGP

Second Row:

Vicki MacLeod, Associate Grand Conductress; Maxine MacMillan, Grand Conductress; Cindy Wilson, Grand Martha; Brenda McGibbon, Associate Grand Matron; Debbie Cawker, Grand Treasurer; Danielle Kesselring, Grand Adah; Linda Ames, Grand Ruth; Judy Gilliss, Grand Esther; Mary Pelletier; Assistant Grand Organist; Brenda Whitney, Grand Electa

Third Row

*Geoffrey Hutchin, Grand Chaplain; Ross MacLeod, PGP, AGP;
Norma Caswell, Grand Organist; Doug Cawker, Grand Marshal;
Allan Gillis, PGP, Acting Grand Sentinel;
Doug Swan, PGP, Grand Secretary; Doug Kaine, Assistant Grand Marshal*

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES



GRAND PAGES



GRAND GUARDS



GRAND OFFICERS 2022 - 2023

Worthy Grand Matron	Barbara Greenlaw
Worthy Grand Patron	Kevin Wilson, PGP
Associate Grand Matron	Brenda McGibbon
Associate Grand Patron	Ross MacLeod, PGP
Grand Secretary	Doug Swan, PGP
Grand Treasurer	Deborah Cawker
Grand Conductress	Maxine MacMillan
Associate Grand Conductress	Vicki MacLeod
Grand Chaplain	Geoffrey Hutchin
Grand Marshal	Doug Cawker
Grand Organist	Norma Caswell
Grand Adah	Danielle Kesselring
Grand Ruth	Linda Ames
Grand Esther	Judy Gilliss
Grand Martha	Cindy Wilson
Grand Electa	Brenda Whitney
Grand Warder	Leonard Mosher
Grand Sentinel	Allan Gillis, PGP, Acting
Assistant To The Grand Marshal	Doug Kaine
Assistant To The Grand Organist	Mary Pelletier

GRAND PAGES

Jean Kelly, WM (44), Head Page

Noreen Wisted, PM (3)

Betty Steeves, PM (37)

Sandra Zamora (5)

Carrie Weaver, PM (37)

Martha Evans, WM (8)

Judy Donnelly, PGM (44)

Linda Haines, PM (18)

Jean Kelly, WM (44)

Joanne Cameron, PM (19)

GRAND GUARDS

Ronald Sutherland, WP (8), Head Guard

Jim Wisted, PP (3)

Bill Verner, WP (18)

Paul Fullarton, PP (3)

Glendon Hill, WP (37)

Ronald Sutherland, WP (8)

Terrance Spence, PP (44)

GRAND CHOIR DIRECTOR

Eleanor Linton, PGM of New Brunswick

HOSTESS CHAPTERS

St. Stephen Chapter No. 8

Celestial Chapter No. 3

Devon Chapter No. 37

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

General Grand Chapter Officers

General Grand Chapter Committee Members, including our own:

Lynda Swan, ESTARL

Margaret Jagoe, Heart

Laurie Bishop, Service Dogs

Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions

General Grand Chapter Special Appointments

Elected and Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions

SESSION COMMITTEES

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Carol Sutherland, PGM

Lynne Hatt, PGM

COMMITTEE TO LINE UP DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Ann Morton, PGM

Elaine MacLean, PGM

Charlotte Jansen-Bateman, PGM

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Connie MacPherson, WM, (37), Chairperson

Helen Cormier-Stewart, PM (44)

Ann McLellan, WM (1)

HOUSING CHAIRPERSON

Debbie Hill, PGM

BANQUET RESERVATION CHAIRPERSON

Lynn Hutchin, PGM

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

General Grand Chapter Officers

Billie Bradfield, RW Associate Grand Matron, PGM of Arizona

Michael E. Berry, RW Associate Grand Patron, PGP of Kentucky

Sharon Cormie, Worthy Grand Ruth, PGM British Columbia and Yukon

Helen Delany, RW Grand Trustee, PGM of Ontario

General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors

Richard A. Farnsworth, Ambassador to Peru, PGP Maine & Gr. Organist

Rebecca S. Bibber, ESTARL Committee, PGM Maine

Lynda Swan, ESTARL Committee, PGM New Brunswick and Grand
Representative of Michigan

Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe, Heart Committee, PGM New Brunswick

Rebecca Johnson, International Headquarters Committee, PGM Maine

Gary G. Bayes, International Headquarters Committee, PGP Ontario

John H. Coombs, Necrology Committee, PGP Maine

Charles H. Jones, Regenerative Medicine Committee, PGP Massachusetts

Marjorie Pfeiffer, Registration, PGM Maine

B. Judith Fenner, Registration Committee, PGM Massachusetts

Lynne Lambert, Canadian Chair Service Dog Committee, PGM
Saskatchewan

Laurie Bishop, Service Dog Committee, PGP New Brunswick

Suzanne Aitken, Youth and PGM Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

Cynthia J. Lewis, Triennial Special Assembly – Faithful Notes, PGM Maine

Worthy Grand Matrons of other Grand Jurisdictions

Lorena Fenlason Maine

Deborah Fox Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

Jane Zimmerman Ontario

Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions:

Peter Stinson Maine

Rodney Sewall Jr. New Hampshire

Past Grand Matrons of New Brunswick

Jacque Boutilier

E. Jeanne Wheelock

Betty Danks

Brenda Saunders

Audrey Sypher

Ann Morton

Carol Sutherland

Debbie Hill and Grand Representative of California

Donna Allen

Elaine I. MacLean and Grand Representative of Montana

Donna McEwen

Lynne Hatt and Grand Representative of New York

Lynn Hutchin and Grand Representative of Massachusetts

Mildred Homer

Nancy Keirstead

Eleanor Linton and Grand Representative of Vermont

Joyce McInnes

Judy Donnelly

Charlotte Jansen-Bateman and Grand Representative of Sao Paulo

Lynda Williams and Grand Representative of North Carolina

Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick

Doug Swan and Grand Secretary

Ronald Jagoe and Grand Representative of Kansas

John Murray and Grand Representative of Quebec

Graham Vincent
 Allan Gillis, Acting Grand Sentinel and Grand Representative of Utah
 Donald E. Williams
 Rev. Raymond Kraglund and Grand Representative of Minnesota
 David Lister
 Robert McInnes
 Ross MacLeod and Associate Grand Patron
 Ronald Keith Bateman and Grand Representative of Saskatchewan
 Darrell Munn

Past Grand Matrons of other Jurisdictions

Margaret L. Coombs	Maine
Norma Crabtree	Maine
Susan Gaines	Maine
Julieanne B. Irving	Maine
Nathalie Jenkins	Massachusetts
Carol Jones	Massachusetts
Joan Atkinson	Massachusetts
Margaret Clarke	Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Angela Oleskiw	Saskatchewan, Gr Representative Brazil

Past Grand Patrons of other Jurisdictions

Arthur Carbonaro	Connecticut
Carl Larsen	Connecticut
Ralph Trafton	Maine
Brett Jervis	Maine
James Owen	Maine and Grand Secretary
Stephen Donahue	Massachusetts

Elected Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions

Jolene Farnsworth,	Assoc. Gr. Matron – Maine
Colleen McDuffie	Assoc. Gr. Matron – Massachusetts
Karen Tuttle	Assoc. Gr. Matron – New Hampshire
Dennis Tuttle	Assoc. Gr. Patron - New Hampshire
Rebecca Thompson	Grand Conductress – Maine
Ruth Jones	Assoc. Grand Conductress - Massachusetts and Ambassador to Brazil, Rio De Janeiro
Jon Thompson	Grand Sentinel - Maine

Appointed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions

Donna Larsen	Grand Chaplain, Connecticut
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Shauneaus Graff
Eleanor Carbonaro
Jennifer A MacLean

Grand Organist, Massachusetts
Grand Martha, Connecticut
Grand Esther, Ontario

Grand Representatives of Other Jurisdictions in New Brunswick

Gertrude Wilson	British Columbia & Yukon
Martha Evans	Connecticut
Terrance Spence	Delaware
Colin Allen	District of Columbia
Faye Oakley	Florida
Connie MacPherson	Maine
Cathy McGinn	Manitoba
Roxanne Pond-Stewart	Nebraska
Henry Morton	New Hampshire
Dorothy Allan	Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Kim Brown	South Carolina
Paul Fullarton	Tennessee
James Wisted	Virginia
Joyce Spence	Washington
Glendon Hill	Wisconsin
Darlene Kaine	Wyoming

Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in other Grand Jurisdictions

Karen Grabau	Massachusetts & Grand Secretary Emeritus
Richard Welch	New Hampshire
Debbie Mundy	New Jersey
Nathalie J. Smith	New York
Debi Hulse	Ohio
Tracy Jodoin	Ontario

Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions

Brenda Clarke	Bolivia in NS/PEI
Ruth Holden	NS/PEI in Maine
Debbie MacNeil	NS/PEI in Ontario
Lisa Biczi Helge	Vermont in New Jersey
Betty Ann Bunton	Washington in New York

Grand Officers Emeritus

Patrick Delaney	Ontario, Grand Secretary Emeritus
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District Deputy Grand Matrons

Martha P. Ellis	District #6, Maine
Sandra LeClair	District #8 - Maine

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons New Brunswick 2023-2024

Ann McLellan	Victoria #1, Woodstock, NB
Candace Duplisea	Celestial #3, Fredericton, NB
Doug Kaine	Frank H. Tingley #5, Moncton, NB
Ronald Sutherland	St. Stephen #8, St. Stephen, NB
Anne Murray	Zetland #26, Shediac, NB
William Verner	Philip A. Jerguson #18, Saint John, NB
Jean Kelly	Miramichi #44, Miramichi NB

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons New Brunswick 2022-2023

Joanne Gaudet	Winston Churchill #19, Riverview, NB
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Grand Chapter Assistants

Sis. Mary Pelletier	Assistant to the Gr. Organist
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INFORMAL OPENING

“LIVING IN THE LIGHT”

Ninety-Second Annual Sessions – July 6, 7, 8 - 2023

The Ninety Second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star, was held on July 6, 7, and 8th, 2023 at the Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, New Brunswick.

The Informal Opening of “LIVING IN THE LIGHT” Session was preceded by a Vesper Service in the Ballroom, conducted by Rev. John Matheson. The Offertory for the evening amounted to \$582.76 and will be given to Service Dogs.

Grand Chapter convened for the Informal Opening at 7:00 PM in the Ballroom. In the East was a beautiful backdrop of bluebirds, snowmen and wolves under the light of the moon and sun. The Grand Chapter Room was outlined with white chain link and clear lights. The corners in the west were adorned with gifts received from the chapters at Official Visits.

The Informal Opening was preceded by a musical prelude given by the Grand Organist, Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Mary Pelletier.

The Grand Choir, under the direction of Eleanor Linton, PGM, sang “Come to my Heart, Lord Jesus”.

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star, was called to order by Nancy Keirstead, PGM and Laurie Bishop, GGCCM, PGP. New Brunswick

THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 6, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Nancy Keirstead, Past Grand Matron

Laurie Bishop, Past Grand Patron

Nancy Keirstead, Past Grand Matron

Good evening Sisters and Brothers. Welcome to the Informal Opening of the Living in The Light Sessions of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, our 92nd session.

Its wonderful to see you all here from so many Grand Jurisdictions, including our New Brunswick members and I extend a heart felt New Brunswick welcome to all. I hope you will enjoy our sessions and meeting and greeting new friends and old friends alike

I would like to welcome the General Grand Chapter Committee members and would like to make special mention of our own Sister Lynda Swan on ESTARL, Sister Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe on Heart and Brother Laurie Bishop on Service Dogs.

To our Distinguished East, thank you for being here. We appreciate you including our opening session in your busy schedules.

Thank you, Sister Barbara for the privilege of opening the Thursday Evening Session with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Laurie Bishop, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Service Dogs.

It is a pleasure to open this session with you, Brother Laurie. May we hear from you.

Laurie Bishop, Past Grand Patron

Good evening and Céad Míle Fáilte (100,000 welcomes) Sisters & Brothers, welcome to the informal Opening of the Living in The Light Sessions of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, our 92nd session.

It is great to see you all here again from so many jurisdictions after our World got turned upside down for 2 years. I trust that you will enjoy our sessions as you normally do and get reacquainted once again now that we can meet in person and also form new friendships while you are with us.

I would like to welcome the other GGCCM's of New Brunswick and a far. Our own Sister Lynda Swan on ESTARL and Sister Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe on Heart.

To our Distinguished East, thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to be with us this evening. I know that it is greatly appreciated by our WGM Sister Barbara Greenlaw and WGP Brother Kevin Wilson.

Thank you, Sister Barbara, and Brother Kevin for the privilege of opening the Thursday Evening Session with my own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Nancy Keirstead, PGM of New Brunswick.

It is indeed a pleasure to open this session with you Sister Nancy. May we hear from you once again?

The Grand Officers were introduced under the direction of Lynne Hatt, PGM of NB.

INTRODUCTION OF GRAND OFFICERS 2022-2023

Presented by Lynne Hatt, Past Grand Matron

As I pondered over what information I would use for these introductions, my first delete was the Wolves, sorry Worthy Grand Patron! Although a beautiful animal that cannot be tamed was The Big Bad Wolf so...

Next the bluebirds flew out of the window. Although pretty, I just couldn't get them to fit. So now we are left with Stars, all of us, Mason Jars and Snowmen will have to be the theme.

It is my honour to introduce to you the Officers and Assistants of The Greenlaw/Wilson Grand Family.

Assistant of the Grand Organist is Sister Mary Pelleer, Past Matron. Sister Mary is a 42-year member of our Order; her favorite memory of this year is the Grand Family celebrating Frank H Tingley's 100th Anniversary together. She can be found out in the cold and snow on her cross-country skis. Although not a fan of drinking out of a Mason Jar her choice would be water. Mary is escorted by Brother William Balser Jr., Associate Patron of Frank H Tingley Chapter #5, and I've heard a lover of a GM product!

Assistant of the Grand Marshal, Brother Doug Kaine, Worthy Patron of Frank H Tingley Chapter #5, has been a member since 2018. You can find Doug in the winter months swimming in the waters of some Caribbean Country but not with a drink in a Mason Jar. His favorite memory of the year has been traveling with the Grand Family and meeting old and new friends. His escort; Sister Darlene Kaine, Worthy Matron of Frank H Tingley #5 and Grand Representative of Wyoming

Our acting Grand Sentinel, Brother Alan Ellis, Past Grand Patron of Grand Representative of Utah and Worthy Patron of Victoria Chapter #1 will be found skiing, likes the cold weather I'd say. We may see him with an après ski cool down of Orange Juice in his Mason Jar. A 24-year

member, his favourite memory of this year was the Sunspiel! He is escorted by Sister Mildred Homer, Past Grand Matron.

Brother Leonard Mosher Past Patron is our Grand Warder and has been a member for 20 years. In the winter months we will find him in his workshop tinkering away and probably with a drink in his Mason Jar of some concoction made by Debbie Hill! Leonard's favourite memory of the year was goose hunting in Quebec and seeing thousands of geese. His least favourite was a drive home from a meeting in a snowstorm. His escort is Sister Connie McPherson Worthy Matron of Devon Chapter #37 and Grand Representative of Maine in New Brunswick.

Grand Electa, Sister Brenda Whitney, Past Matron, is a 25-year member of our Order. She enjoys snowshoeing and may just stop to build a snowman along the trail. Her Mason Jar will be full of lemon juice and apple cider vinegar! She has such a sweet smile but apparently likes things a bit tart! Her favourite memories include getting lost on road trips with great people and is grateful to have some good co-pilots. Brenda is escorted by Brother Terrance Spence, Past Patron.

Sister Cindy Wilson, Past Matron, and our Grand Martha likes to sit by a nice warm fire in the winter months and do nothing! I can't see this happening much because if there is a catering or a fundraiser you will see her organizing and/ or working at the event. She is rarely seen without her Diet Coke but in her Mason Jar there may be some rye added. Cindy is a 12-year member and has enjoyed all of the Chapter visits and especially the hugs this year. She is escorted by Brother Allen Hatt, Past Patron.

Grand Esther, Sister Judy Gillis, Past Matron, will be found knitting up a storm or during a storm in the cold winter months with her Mason Jar full of tea beside her. Her new favourite tea is a loose King Cole introduced to her by her youngest son. In her 42 years as a member her worst moment was last July after having the Grand Chapters Crown and Scepter being placed in her responsible hands, it went missing! After a frantic search it was discovered that the Worthy Grand Patron, after seeing that it had been left in the meeting room had taken it with him for safe keeping. Sister Judy was relieved and thankful. Our Grand Esther is escorted by Brother Ronald Sutherland Worthy Patron of St Stephen Chapter #8.

Sister Linda Ames, Worthy Matron of St Stephen Chapter #8, a 31-year member. Grand Ruth's favourite memory of the year was hosting the Worthy Grand Matron and Patrons official visit while being Worthy Matron and Grand Ruth. Her winter is filled with quilting while drinking tea from her Mason Jar and watching the snow fall from the window, no

snowman today! Her escort is her childhood sweetheart, Brother Bob Ames.

Grand Adah, Sister Danielle Kesselring, Worthy Matron of Granite Chapter #15. Not many snowmen assembled this year, she prefers to stay inside out of the cold. While she is staying warm her Mason Jar is beside her with water of course, was her first answer, but then fessed up to a splash or two of Vodka added. Her position as a Grand Officer this year has pushed her to travel a bit to other Chapters and to learn more about our beautiful Order. She says that she has been a member more than 5 years and less than 10 but in reality, it will be 7 years in September. Her escort is Tom Borthwick, one who is a lover of a Dodge!

Sister Norma Caswell PM has served our Grand Chapter over half of her soon to be 67 years as a member! She has served 19 years as Grand Organist, 11 as the Associate, 1 as a District Deputy Grand Matron, can't you just see the eyebrow lifting? Choir Leader 3 times and as Grand Martha once. When not at a meeting Norma can be found playing Bridge and while relaxing. If she were to have a beverage in her Mason Jar it would be a Gin & Tonic. Her favourite memory was serving as Grand Martha and this past year she is thankful for all of the kindness shown to her helping to get from point A to point B. Norma is escorted by Brother Ron Keith Bateman, Past Grand Patron

Our Grand Marshal, Brother Doug Cawker, Worthy Patron of Celestial Chapter #3, an 18-year member, enjoys staying in and watching TV in the cold and snowy months. His Mason Jar would have some Rum and Coke to help him relax. He enjoys traveling to the Chapters and meeting new people. Doug is escorted by Sister Debbie Hill, PGM and Grand Representative of California

Brother Geoffrey Hutchin, Past Patron has served us well as our Grand Chaplain this year. He tells me that he is a 16-year member but how can that be when he looks 30? Geoff likes to stay inside during the winter months, but he may be found with iced coffee in his Mason Jar at Masonic meetings, playing in a band and playing his ukuleles when he has time after work. His best memory of the year was the honour of being installed as Grand Chaplain. The proudest Mom ever, Sister Lynn Hutchin, Past Grand Matron and Grand Representative of Massachusetts is his escort.

Our Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Vicki MacLeod, says that she will be staying inside during the winter months, but I do remember seeing pictures of her parasailing in the Dominican Republic! Her Mason Jar will be holding a Mudslide, I think that perhaps she found the drink on this trip as well. Vicki has been a member for 50 years and her favourite memory of the year was the beginning of her journey to the East of this

Grand Chapter. She is escorted by Brother Glendon Hill, Worthy Patron of Devon Chapter #37, and Grand Representative of Wisconsin.

Sister Maxine MacMillan, a 15-year member is serving as Worthy Matron of Philip A Jerguson # 18, and our Grand Conductress this year. She says that Barb's talks always seemed to include something special for her and touched her heart with appreciation. She enjoys winter walks and has a Ceaser in her Mason Jar. Life gets in the way sometimes and Sister Maxine will not be offering to continue this year. Best of luck Maxine! She is escorted by Sister Betty Danks, Past Grand Matron.

Sister Debbie Cawker spends her winters inside watching movies or reading books with an occasional Long Island Iced tea in her Mason Jar. Being installed as our Grand Treasurer, after 18 years as a member, is her most memorable moment and the fellowship of our meetings, greeting new and old friends is a plus as well. Her escort is Brother Paul Fullarton, Past Patron.

Brother Doug Swan, Past Grand Patron, has one of the most demanding positions among our officers. His tasks are numerous but being a 40-year member and holding various offices has helped to keep him organized! Doug says that when he was a younger man we would find him on the ski slopes in the winter months, but now he likes to snuggle under a blanket and watch TV on a cold day. He was happy this year to be able to travel to other Chapters and to renew friendships. His escort is Sister Lynda Swan, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on ESTARL and Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick.

Associate Grand Patron Brother Ross MacLeod, Past Grand Patron Ross says that he enjoys walking in the winter, but we see him most months at many of our meetings filling a station if needed, always willing to help so I am certain that the meetings are another of his favourite winter pastimes. He also enjoys all of the hugs received from the members and I am guessing that the lunches are equal to the hugs! A 50-year member, Ross's Mason Jar will be full of Sprite with a splash or two of Rye. He is escorted by Sister Roxanne Pond Stewart, Past Matron.

Sister Brenda McGibbon, Associate Grand Matron. Brenda curls her Winter months away and off ice may have a wee bit of rye and ginger in her Mason Jar. Her visits to the Chapters renewing old friendships and making new is one of her favourite things. Her most memorable moment was finding out at 5:30 pm Installation night that the incoming Worthy Grand Matron had melted a 4-to-5-inch hole in her gown and had to find a sewing machine to repair it! Worthy Grand Matron, test that iron this year! Her escort is Brother Edgar McGibbon.

Our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin Wilson has been a member for 12 years with half of them serving us in the Grand Families. A Past Grand Patron, soon to be twice, Brother Kevin's dedication is to be admired. We will find him in the winter months at a Chapter or Lodge meeting and if he finds us at the Culinary Risk His Mason Jar may be filled with Long Island Iced Tea. His most memorable activity this past year was hosting the Sunsped, carrying on the CES Rite tradition. The worst memory was the passing of Sister F. Pauline Allan, she is truly missed by us all. Sister Elaine I MacLean, Past Grand Matron is pleased to be his escort.

Last, but certainly not least, is Sister Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron. Barb became a member of St Stephen Chapter #8 before she finished high school 49 years ago! Although Snowmen are one of her symbols, she says that she is not really an outdoor person and would like to stay by the fire with a really good book, no Snow Angels either! Her Mason Jar has some Mikes Hard Lemonade to ease the nerves of all of the prep for these Sessions. Traveling the Province, attending the Official visits and meeting with friends old and new are among her favourite memories of the year. Her escort is her Hubby, Brother Brian Greenlaw.

Sisters and Brothers, I present to you the 2022-2023 Grand Officers.

FORMATIONS AND DRILLS

Donna Allen, PGM

The Grand Chapter Living in the Light. We belong to the Order of the Eastern Star but so often we shortened into Star he said we have a Star meeting tonight or what happened at Star tonight. Star is our second family. When Sister Barb asked me to do the formations, her only request was that the star be included. I'm trying to incorporate the name of the sessions, scripture verses and its star into the formations. We will form Emblems of our Grand Chapter surrounded by the circle of friendship.

The Brother Grand Officers form a pentagon around the altar. Reminding us of our Worthy Grand Patron's scripture "Be kind and compassionate to one another".

The Brother Grand Officers formed a pentagon around the altar.

The Star is formed by the remaining Grand Officers. Star Point lets the light of Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Loving kindness shine to be reveal the Worthy Grand Matron's scripture: "That your light so shine before others that they may see your good work and glorify your Father in Heaven." *(A star was formed around pentagon)*

The symbol of our Grand Chapter has the pentagon around the star.

The pentagon is formed by our Grand Guards. Our Grand Pages strengthen the base of each Star Point. This shows that our Grand Chapter, like our subordinate chapters need the support of all members.

The Grand Pages and Guards form the pentagon.

Grand Representatives form a circle of friendship between this Grand Jurisdiction and other Grand Jurisdictions.

The Grand Representatives form a circle.

All former Grand Representatives of this and other Grand Jurisdictions were asked to stand.

True friendships last our whole life through. The number in our present circle of friendship may be small but the number of people that are standing shows us the strength of friendship and family. And to quote Dolly Parton: "Being a star means you just find your own special place and that you shine where you are." To me that is what being a Star means.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers were invited to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

The Grand Officers entered the Chapter Room, with the Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara Greenlaw, and Worthy Grand Patron, Kevin Wilson, being escorted west of the Altar.

Nancy Keirstead, Past Grand Matron

Sister Barbara, welcome to your Living in The Light Grand Chapter Sessions. You have worked diligently this past year in bringing all your plans for this Grand Chapter session to fruition. Despite the many challenges, you have faced this year, you have carried on with your visitations and other duties with grace and fortitude. You have demonstrated to us all, that you can't keep a good Worthy Grand Matron down! Your faith-based speeches have been inspiring to hear. You have led us through a productive year to the beginning of your Living In The Light Grand Chapter Sessions. I wish you all the best for your sessions, for you deserve nothing less.

Brother Kevin, I believe you've been here before! You have been a great Worthy Grand Patron and have worked very hard all year promoting support for the Grand Chapter. Your grace and humour have been enjoyed as you travelled all over this Grand Jurisdiction. And through your visits and your lighthearted speeches, you have encouraged everyone to be a better version of themselves. You and Sister Cindy have been wonderful

supporters of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara. Thank you for all you've done for our Grand Jurisdiction

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, you have worked well together for our Grand Jurisdiction and I know you will be forever friends.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron for asking me to open your Thursday Evening Informal Session. I wish you both an enjoyable Living in The Light Grand Chapter Sessions.

Brother Laurie, may we hear from you.

Laurie Bishop, GGCCM, Service Dogs and Past Grand Patron

Sister Barbara, welcome to your Living in the Light Grand Chapter sessions. Despite the many challenges you have had to face for which you know you have carried on with your visitors and other duties with grace and adversity. You have shown your Sisters and Brothers that you can't keep a good woman down and have always carried a smile wherever you have been. I wish you all the best and have a very productive and harmonious Living in the Light sessions.

Brother Kevin, being the first PGP to enjoy himself so much the first time around you have done a great job of this around in promoting support for our magazine as well as the Grand Chapter OES of New Brunswick. You also have always carried a smile and hearty laughter wherever you have visited. Thank you for giving all your assistance to your Worthy Grand Matron she required when called upon. Now you are back to saying "yes dear" to your only Sister, your actual wife, but Lol.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, you have worked well together for our Grand Jurisdiction and I know that you certainly will be forever friends. I also know that you will always have your wonderful memories of your year. Now you can both join the end of the lines of the Past Grands but that doesn't mean that you will have much more rest as us Past Grands usually get put back to work. I know, Brother Kevin, your travels and adventures will continue much in and her body as we know.

I would like to leave you with you with a Scottish blessing:

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

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

Sister Nancy presented Sister Barbara with her gavel.

The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Nancy and Brother Laurie, thank you so much for opening this informal Session of our 92nd Grand Chapter – our “Living in the Light” session. Each of you have been a dedicated member of our Order, and I am so pleased you could be here with us this evening.

Sister Nancy, I have always admired your calm demeanor and your grace as you go about your duties.

Brother Laurie, you have always encouraged me on my journey to this place and for that I am so thankful.

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

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

PGM, Sister Nancy, when thinking of you I have two special memories, the first was the Funspiel that you and Brother Robert attended. And the second was my Official Visit to Winston Churchill my first time, righty after the meeting you came up and thanked me for a wonderful talk and requested a copy of it.

PGP, Brother Laurie, you have been a brother, a friend and a mentor to me. You have been a supporter of mine and Sister Cindy’s STAR journey from day one and we thank you.

Brother Laurie, please accept this gift as a token of my esteem and appreciation.

A song entitled “This is the Day” was sung.

The Bible was opened informally by the Grand Conductress and the Invocation was given by Rev. Raymond Kraglund, PGP.

INVOCATION

Rev. Raymond Kraglund, PGP

Bless, O Lord, we ask you our humble labors as we begin this the 92nd Annual Session, Living in the Light. We thank you O God for the safe arrival of those who have travelled from near and far to be with us.

We pray that as we gather in sisterly and brotherly love, we will be found, as admonished in the scriptures chosen by our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, in being kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave us.

We pray that as we try to Live in the Light, you will guide our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and their Grand Family in the deliberations of this Grand Chapter of New Brunswick May their light so

shine before us that we may be able to see and hear the report of their good works performed on our behalf during the past year while glorifying our Father in heaven.

All this we pray in the name of the One who is the Light of the World, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

My scripture passage for this evening is from Micah 6:8. 'And what does the Lord require of you? To seek justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God.'

Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends. Good Evening.

It is my pleasure to welcome each of you to this Informal Opening of our 92nd "Living in the Light" Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star. My wish for each of you is that the time spent together over the next few days will be filled with as many treasured memories as you have given to me over the past year.

I want to sincerely thank all the members from other Grand Jurisdictions who have traveled long distances to be here with us this evening. We extend to you the hand of friendship and hope that your stay with us will be an enjoyable one.

To our Distinguished Guests, I welcome you and am honored that you are able to bring us greetings from your organizations tonight. May you enjoy your time with us.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, Brothers and Friends: Good Evening

It is my honor to welcome you to this, our 92nd Grand Chapter Sessions. To our Grand Family, and all Sisters and Brothers, enjoy these, your Grand Chapter Sessions. I thank you again for all your support over the last year, also to the many visitors that have travelled to be here with us this evening. Welcome. Enjoy your stay with us. I hope you renew old friendships and create new ones over the next few days. Please do not hesitate to stop me and say Hello. As rumor has it, I like to talk.

PRESENTATION OF FLAGS

CANADIAN FLAG

Presented by Susan Glazier, Past Matron (#1)

Assembly sang "O Canada"

Tribute was given by Debbie Hill, Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick (#37)

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Elected General Grand Chapter Officers, Appointed General Grand Chapter Officer, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers. It is a great honour and privilege to pay tribute to our beautiful flag of Canada.

The following tribute was written by Sister Edith Clouston for our 2002 Grand Chapter Sessions tribute to the Canadian Flag.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

UNION JACK

***Presented by Ron Keith Bateman, Past Grand Patron of New
Brunswick (37)***

Assembly sang "God Save the Queen"

***Tribute was given by Charlotte Jansen- Bateman, Past Grand
Matron of New Brunswick (37)***

It is with honour that I pay tribute to the Union Flag, or more
commonly known as the Union Jack. The Union Jack is the national flag of
the United Kingdom.

It is so called because it combines the crosses of the three countries
united under one Sovereign — the kingdoms of England and Wales, of
Scotland and of Ireland (although since 1921 only Northern Ireland has
been part of the United Kingdom)

This flag was Canada's national flag before the adoption of the current
Canadian Flag in 1965.

As Canadians, we honour the Union Flag as a symbol of our valued
membership in the Commonwealth and allegiance to the Monarchy, King
Charles III whom we proudly recognize as Canada's Head of State.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for the honour to pay tribute to the
Union Flag.

UNITED STATES FLAG

*Presented by John Coombs, GGCCM Necrology,
and Past Grand Patron of Maine*

Assembly sang "The Star-Spangled Banner"

*Tribute was given by Lorena Fenlason, Worthy Grand Matron of
Maine*

Keeper of the Free Lori Shannon

Drifting gently in the air with eagle and with clouds,
The flag, with majesty and gracefully sublime and proud
Her pride is in pastoral scenes touched pink by blooming day;
The pond at twilight and the wave, the white of winter's play;
The echoes of brave words once said by those who died for dreams,
Whose sacrifice became the source from which her triumph streams.
Because they lived and died for her with resolution
Her role as guardian of the free will live forever new.

PROVINCIAL FLAG

Presented by Ron Sutherland, Worthy Patron (#8)

CHRISTIAN FLAG

Presented by Eleanor Linton, Past Grand Matron (#8)

EASTERN STAR FLAG

Presented by Terrance Spence, Past Patron (#44)

*Tribute was given by Lynda Swan, GGCCM ESTARL and Past Grand
Matron of New Brunswick (#1)*

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

It is a privilege to pay tribute to these three flags. These flags have
been known as a symbol of identification and dedication.

The Provincial, the Christian and the Eastern Star flags are symbols of
dedication to our heritage as a free people, our allegiance to the Kingdom
of God and our obligation to the principles of our Order.

We pay tribute to our **New Brunswick Flag**. The British lion represents
our ties with the Monarchy. The sailing vessel represents the many ships
built in New Brunswick. The blue stripes represent the blue of the ocean.
May we honor this flag by flying it proudly throughout our province, thus
reminding us of our great heritage.

The **Christian Flag** is a banner of Peace and knows no boundaries, but
embraces all nations. It reminds us of our allegiance to God. The white

portion of the flag is a symbol of purity. The blue represents the unclouded skies, symbolizing fidelity and truth. The Red Cross symbolizes the Christian religion, God's love for man and the promise of eternal life. It is fitting that we accord our Christian flag a place of honor at our Grand Chapter sessions to guard over our proceedings since our Order is based on Christian beliefs.

The **Eastern Star Flag** is a symbol of the teachings of our Order. It symbolizes a great Fraternal Organization respected and recognized in all parts of the world. The five points of our Star represent biblical heroines. The virtues taught are fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love. May this flag be our inspiration and guide in the pursuit of charity, truth and loving kindness, reaching out everywhere to make this a better world in which we live.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron for the privilege of paying tribute to these flags.

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS:

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

This evening we have been graced with the presence of our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron and a Right Worthy Grand Trustee

The elected General Grand Chapter Officers and Trustee were presented at the altar for introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Billie, and Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Sister Helen, it is such a pleasure to welcome you to this "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session in our beautiful province of New Brunswick. You have been chosen to serve the General Grand Chapter, and we know this will be a busy but exciting journey for both of you. Thank you for your dedication to our Order and for blessing us with your presence here this weekend.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Brother Mike: Welcome to this 92nd, Living in the Light, Grand Chapter Session and to our beautiful picture province. We are so pleased that you could find the time to be with us this weekend. I hope you get a moment to get out and experience our capital city of Fredericton. Please do not hesitate to ask if I can help in any way.

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

Billie Bradfield

Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Thank you for welcoming us this evening, what a fun time you are going to have. I have been looking forward to this trip for a long time and I am finally glad that I am here. I see too many smiles and too many handshakes. Lets all of us have a good time the next few days. Thank you very much.

Mike Berry

Right Worth Associate Grand Patron

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I know I am supposed to just say Ditto after our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron speaks, but all this talk about mason jars tonight, is making me homesick. I come from Kentucky and everybody thinks that tasty little brown liquid that comes in the pretty bottles known as Kentucky bourbon is what would be in my mason jar, but sometimes behind the homes in Eastern Kentucky in the woods there's a still and in that still comes a real clear liquid that they put in Mason jars called white lightning. So in my Mason jar of white lightening tonight, I bring to you to this Kentucky toast: "May those that love us, love us, and may those that don't love us may God turn their hearts and if God can't turn their hearts may he turn their ankles so that we would know them by their limping.

The Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers were presented at the Altar for introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I am so happy to welcome you to New Brunswick, our beautiful picture province. These three years will be a journey that will long remain in your memory. May these times be filled with much happiness.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

It is an honor to welcome you here this evening. You have been chosen to serve, and I know you will represent the General Grand Chapter well. Welcome and enjoy your stay with us.

Sharon Cormie, Worthy Grand Ruth & PGM of BC/Yukon

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

It is with great pleasure that I give the response to the cordial welcome extended on behalf of the Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers.

Mother Theresa once said "Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless", all I have received since arriving here is kindness. This is only the second time that I have been to the East Coast of Canada. I keep asking myself why has it taken me so long to come back? It is so beautiful here and all of you have welcomed me with open arms..

I am honoured to bring greetings on behalf of Sister Glenda Winchester, Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Lon Lowry, Most Worthy Grand Patron, who are attending Bolivia's Grand Chapter, but are looking forward to being with you next year. If Sister Glenda were here, she would tell you that she has her eyes on you and that God always has his eyes on you. I know this is true because as my page Gwen and I were driving home from the Grand Chapter of Washington this past week I got a flat tire. We were in a mountain pass about 40 miles out of Wenatchee, Washington with very poor cell reception. I was trying to contact AAA and getting completely frustrated, because they couldn't hear me, and we kept getting cut off. I wanted to sit down and cry, when two guardian angels, an off-duty firefighter and deputy sheriff came to our aid. They were both so good looking, (I suspect that was Sister Glenda's doing), personable and competent that they had the flat tire off the little 'donut tire' on in no time at all. We then returned to Wenatchee to repair the tire, and would you believe we met a third Guardian angel at 'Discount Tire'. He fixed the tire, handed me my keys and said, 'No Charge'. We were back on the road in less than 25 minutes. What a comforting thought to know that someone is always looking out for you.

Sister Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron, I congratulate you both on your year of "Living In The Light". When you pass the gavel to Sister Brenda McGibbon A.G.M. and Brother Ross MacLeod A.G.P. you will look back at this past year with many fond memories that will afford you much joy and happiness in the years to come.

Thank you for the honour of responding to all the warm words of welcome.

The Appointed General Grand Chapter Officer was escorted to the East and given Grand Honours.

The General Grand Chapter Committee Members were presented west of the Altar for introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

It is such an honor for me to welcome you here this evening to our “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Sessions. You will be very busy throughout this Triennium, but I am sure you will find the work most rewarding.

Suzanne Aitken, GGCCM of Youth & PGM of NS/PEI

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

It is an honour and pleasure to be invited to respond on behalf of the General Grand Chapter Committee Members to your gracious greeting and to extend a heartfelt thanks for the wonderful hospitality we have received.

Our wish for you is to have a most successful “Living in the Light” Session filled with memories you will enjoy for many years to come.

My sincere appreciation for this great honour.

The GGCCM were escorted to the East where they received Grand Honours.

GREETINGS FROM HONOURED GUESTS:

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

An invitation was extended to Kathy Bockus, Member of the Legislative Assembly from my home community, but she was unable to be here with us this evening.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

It is again my honor to welcome Mayor Judy Wilson-Shee of the village of New Maryland to our Grand Chapter Sessions and ask you to bring greetings at this time.

Mayor Judy Wilson-Shee

Good evening distinguished guests. It is an honour to be with you this evening. On behalf of my colleagues on Council, I extend a warm welcome to all members of the Order of the Eastern Star and bring greetings to your Grand Chapter Sessions. May your sessions during the next couple of days be productive and you achieve positive results.

I personally know Kevin Wilson, PGP, Worthy Grand Patron and Cindy Wilson, Grand Martha. In the past I have had the honour to work with both Kevin and Cindy and classify them to be close colleagues. I thank

them for their friendship. As you move forward, please continue to be kind and compassionate to one another. God Bless everyone. Thank you.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

We are honoured to have Brother Laurie Bishop, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick with us this evening. Brother Laurie, would you like to bring greetings at this time.

Laurie Bishop, Most Worshipful the Grand Master

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, G.G.C.C.M.'s, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, Distinguished Masters, Sisters, Brothers one and all.

I bring you the warm and fraternal greetings from the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick as the Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

It is my pleasure to attend the opening sessions of your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Sessions. I thank you for the invitation and opportunity to bring greetings on behalf of our Grand Lodge. I am so blessed and honored to serve as the MWGM of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of NB and G.G.C.C.M. – Service Dog Committee and PGP of New Brunswick.

I truly believe that it is very important to continue our fraternal work and work with each other wherever we can. It is so great to be able to meet in person once again. Our number of candidates in the Blue Lodge and Eastern Star Chapters are once again increasing after the pandemic. There was a point in the midst of the pandemic we didn't know if we were going to survive or not. Our perseverance along with the zoom meetings kept us in touch with one another to a point. It just goes to show that we must stick together as a family and support one another to survive anything that is thrown at us for we couldn't have predicted or seen COVID-19 and the variances come to turn the world upside down.

I extend my congratulations to you Worthy Grand Matron Sister Barbara and to you Brother Kevin and my wish for both of you to have a very productive and harmonious "living in the light" Grand Chapter sessions. I also extend my congratulations to the incoming Worthy Grand Matron Sister Brenda and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Ross and wish you all the best for your upcoming year. May it be a safe year and full of wonderful memories.

Scottish proverb: "Never let your feet run faster than your shoes".

Irish blessing:

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,
may the Great Architect of the Universe
hold you in the palm of His hand.

MWGM MWB Laurie M. Bishop

Grand Master of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and
Accepted Masons of New Brunswick

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Illustrious Sir Doug Swan of the Luxor Shrine of New Brunswick is with us
tonight. May we hear from you now?

Doug Swan, Past Potentate, Luxor Shriners of New Brunswick

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter
Officers and Committee Members, Distinguished Guests, sisters, brothers,
and friends.

Our Potentate, Ill. Sir Robert McCormack sent me an email first thing
this morning indicating he is delayed at the Imperial Session in Charlotte
NC and asked if any possible way I could be in Fredericton tonight and bring
 greetings from Luxor Shriners. I told him I would have to cancel all my
plans, but I would do it just for him. Says he owes me – so we may be
getting 2 new members!

On behalf of Ill. Sir Robert McCormack and all Nobles of Luxor Shriners,
it is my honour to bring greetings to you for your 92^d Annual Grand
Chapter Session.

We hope you have a productive and harmonious “luminous night”
Grand Chapter Session. We thank you for your invitation to be here tonight
and join you in your opening evening.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

I now have a small gift to present to you on behalf of this Grand
Chapter Session.

*A presentation of a cart full of metal tabs (around 200,000 tabs), which
Shriners collect and money is used for Luxor Shriners. Brother Kevin and
all who participated in collecting the tabs were thanked for their efforts
and the donation was greatly appreciated.*

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I am very pleased to introduce Sister Joyce Spence, Queen of Nereides Temple #78, Daughters of the Nile. It is a pleasure to have you with us tonight. We realize that this is a busy time for you, and we thank you for coming. May we hear from you at this time?

Joyce Spence, Queen of Nereides Temple #78 Daughters of the Nile

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

I am pleased and honoured to represent the ladies of Nereides Temple No. 78, Daughters of the Nile, here at your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session.

The Daughters of the Nile is a fraternal organization for women founded for character building among women, social interaction and service to others. The Shriners Children, has been its sole philanthropy since 1924, giving both time and money. Serving this sort of philanthropy makes me feel so honoured to help, to make differences in the lives of Shriners Children.

I attended my first Supreme Temple Session in June and was witness to two cheques being given to the Shriners International, in the amount of \$2,100,000.00 from the Daughters of the Nile of the USA and another in the amount of \$ 283,000.00 from the eleven (11) Temples of Daughters of the Nile, Canada. I was never so proud to be sitting there hearing this presentation being made. This money was raised by approximately 1600 members from across Canada. This cheque from the Canadian Temples, is to be used only for the Canadian Shriners Children Hospital.

Here in New Brunswick, we have one Temple and we do have one club which is North Shore Daughters of the Nile Club, we also have two sewing clubs one located in Saint John and the one here in Fredericton. All three of these are kept very busy sewing, knitting, making quilts and purchases items that the Montreal Shriners Children request from us. If I may, Worthy Grand Matron, with your permission, ask the members that are present here, from the Nereides Temple in Saint John, to please stand. They are known as princesses, and how fitting it is, they are all special for all that you do for Shiner Children.

My sincere wish is that all your deliberations be successful during your "Living in the Light" Session. Thank you for all courtesies extended to me, it has been my honour to bring greetings this evening.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON & WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S
SPECIAL PROJECT PRESENTATION:

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I have been in contact with Tom Pettigrew of the Atlantic Branch of the Arthritis Society. There are only two representatives of the Arthritis Society covering the Atlantic Provinces from their office in Halifax. Neither of the representatives were able to be here with us this evening. So, I have mailed the cheque in the amount of \$2,163.07 from the Grand Chapter as well as one in the amount of \$540.00 for donations I received since the end of May. I would also like to report that my birthday fundraiser in February netted another \$350. That brings the total amount raised to \$3,053.07. I offer each one who gave their support my sincere gratitude.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

My special project this year was one that all Masons in this province can relate to very well is Camp Goodtime and as we know Camp Goodtime is run at Grand Lake about 45 minutes up the road near Fredericton and it is a camp that is sponsored by the Masons of New Brunswick that is for children that been diagnosed with cancer 13-18 years old to attend this camp free of charge that we pay the kids to go no matter what service that you need or the critically ill whatever the case maybe it doesn't matter that everything is provided for them by the Blue Lodges in New Brunswick. I have a cheque to present to Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Master Thomas Borthwick if he would come up here just one second to accept this cheque, but I want to just clarify something for some of you here this evening that this cheque I'm going to present tonight is for \$10,893.07. I know all of you have the same question that's burning in your mind – Where did the seven cents come from? Sister Arlene from California was here last year, and she was the Grand Representative of New Brunswick in California and she graciously donated \$100 checks to both of our special projects and when brother secretary cashed the cheques it was \$0.07 from exchange. As our Worthy Grand Matron alluded to that that she had a number of special projects that raised money for hers as did I have a number of projects too. I have a very dedicated group of friends, sisters and brothers that worked very diligently over the last couple of years. These tabs were all connected to a can that had been donated by family and friends that they picked up on the side of the road that would be recycled for the last couple of years. A number of projects that my two wonderful chapters, Celestial and Devon, have donated generously to Camp Goodtime through the sisters and brothers at these chapters. That is where the money comes from. I actually have a part time job that I

donated all the money to. I did manage to fit that in besides all the other tasks I've done and donated the money to this wonderful cause. Like many organizations in the last couple of years Covid has been very unkind to many charities. As we know, Special Olympics was my charity when I was here four years ago, I donated the money to Special Olympics. This time it was Camp Goodtime. I think children of with cancer and if we can't get behind that cause, we have an issue with that and you know we could have a conversation about it looking forward. I would ask at this time for Most Worshipful Brother Thomas C Borthwick who is the incoming president of Masonic Charities and Housing here in the Province of New Brunswick to come forth and accept this cheque.

Thomas C. Borthwick, President, Masonic Housing and Charities

Sisters and Brothers, I want to thank each and everyone out there for this. Most Sisters and Brothers don't realize what it costs, this represents about 22% of what it costs to run the camp each year. As the incoming president, I am very pleased to stand here and receive my first cheque for Camp Goodtime. It is near and dear to my heart and always has been since I became a Mason and always will be. As the outgoing Past Grand Master, it is a pleasure to be able to stand here, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, to be able to present this cheque to Camp Goodtime next week on behalf of all the sisters and brothers here, it means so much. To each and every one here, thank you very much and the kids appreciate it more than you will ever know. Thank you very much.

WELCOMES

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I would like to introduce Josh Barrett of the Fredericton Inn, but the representative of the hotel had stage fright and is not available this evening. He sends his regrets and asks that of anyone has any problems, not to hesitate to seek help with any hotel employee.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

I would like to call upon Sister Martha Evans, WM of St. Stephen Chapter #8, Sister Candace Duplisea, WM of Celestial Chapter #3, and Sister Connie MacPherson, WM of Devon Chapter #37 to welcome us on behalf of our Host Chapters. I invite each of our sisters to bring greetings from their Chapters.

Martha Evans, Worthy Matron St. Stephen Chapter #8

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished guests, sisters, brothers, and friends.

Hello & Good Evening. I am Martha Evans, Worthy Matron of St. Stephen Chapter #8, our Worthy Grand Matron Barb's home chapter.

On behalf of our chapter, it is my privilege to welcome you to "Living in the Light" Sessions of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

I hope you enjoy your time with us and are successful in your deliberations. Enjoy!

Candace Duplisea, Worthy Matron Celestial Chapter #3

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

Celestial Chapter is proud to be the home Chapter of our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin. We sincerely trust that your year has been all that you expected and wish you much success as you preside over these Grand Chapter Sessions.

Thank you for the honour of extending this welcome from Celestial Chapter#3.

On behalf of the Officers and Members of Celestial Chapter #3, Fredericton, it is my pleasure to welcome you to this Grand Chapter Session of "Living in the Light".

To all our guests and to all the New Brunswick members, welcome to the 92nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick Order of the Eastern Star. We sincerely hope that you enjoy your time at the Sessions, and we wish each of you a safe journey home.

Connie MacPherson, Worthy Matron Devon Chapter #37

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

We are very pleased and honoured to have the privilege of hosting, together with Celestial Chapter #3, and St. Stephen Chapter #8 the 92nd Annual Session "Living in the Light" of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star.

On behalf of the officers and members of Devon Chapter No. 37, Fredericton, N.B., we extend to you a warm and fraternal welcome.

Feel free to ask for any assistance you may need. We trust you will enjoy these sessions and revel in reconnecting with old friends and making new ones and return home with many fond memories.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barb, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, we wish you every success in your sessions. I thank you for the privilege of welcoming all to your Grand Chapter sessions.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Carol Sutherland, PGM, and Sister Lynne Hatt, PGM very kindly agreed to be our co-conveners of General Arrangements. I thank you so much for agreeing to assist us in this way. You have always been available for any of our questions or concerns. Sister Lynne, would you bring greetings at this time?

Lynne Hatt, Past Grand Matron

On behalf of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Carol and I are pleased to welcome each of you to the “Living In The Light” Grand Chapter Sessions, We would like to thank the Fredericton Inn management and staff for their cooperation, patience and assistance. If you have a problem that we can help with, please tell Sister Carol and she will direct me. That’s why I am welcoming you here tonight! Sister Barb and Brother Kevin, we hope that this Session will be all that you hoped it would be, thank you both for the honour to serve as your convenors.

The response to the greetings of the Distinguished Guests was given by Robert McInnes, PGP.

Robert McInnes, Past Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Distinguished Guest, Sisters and Brothers.

It is an honour and privilege to be invited by our WGM Sister Barbara Greenlaw to respond to the warm welcomes from our guests this evening.

To the General Grand Chapter Officers and Trustee and General Grand Chapter Committee members, welcome to New Brunswick. We thank you for taking the time to be with us and for bringing greetings from our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Glenda G. Winchester of South Carolina and Most Worthy Grand Patron Brother F. Lon Lowry of Ohio and as it just so happens is the same State as my counterpart Sister Debi Hulse is also from.

We wish you every success as you prepare for the 2021 to 2024 Triennial assembly scheduled for October 24 through November 1st 24 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Most Worshipful the Grand Master of New Brunswick, Brother Laurie Bishop, congratulations to you as you begin your illustrious journey in the Grand East. I am so pleased and proud of you and the opportunity I now have to thank you for bringing greetings from the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick

Doug Swan, Past Potentate, Luxor Temple of New Brunswick, we thank you for being here and sharing with us the amazing work Luxor Temple does to make the youth throughout Atlantic Canada who need your support feel so very special and loved.

To Nereides Temple Daughters of the Nile, Queen Joyce Spence Congratulations to you as you continue your journey along the Nile and making a difference in the lives of the children in Shriners hospitals throughout North America. We are also pleased to have Brother Tom Borthwick, Masonic Housing and Charities Camp Goodtime attend and share with us the work being done by Masons of New Brunswick to make summers very special for the young Cancer Patients who are given an opportunity to leave the confines of hospital life to enjoy summer camp just as other children do.

Thank you all for coming.

To Josh Barrett thank you and the staff of the Fredericton Inn for all you do. It is so very much appreciated.

To the Host Chapters represented by Worthy Matron Martha Evans of St Stephen Chapter No. 8, Worthy Matron Candace Duplisea of Celestial Chapter No. 3, Worthy Matron Connie MacPherson Devon Chapter and our convenors, PGM Carol Sutherland and PGM Lynne Hatt.

Thank you all for the work you have done in preparing for this weekend and making this Grand Chapter session run smoothly.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the opportunity to respond.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS (continued)

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Honored Guests, you are most welcome to remain and share the rest of the evening with us, but if you wish to leave, please go with our blessings. We very much appreciate you taking the time from your busy schedules to be with us. The Grand Marshal and Assistant Grand Marshal will escort you from the Grand Chapter Room.

The Grand Marshal and Assistant Grand Marshal escorted them from the Grand Chapter Room.

The Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented west of the Altar for proper introduction.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Welcome, our doors are always open to our Star Family, both near and far. We hope you enjoy your stay with us at this, our celebration of “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Sessions.

Deborah Fox, WGM of Nova Scotia & PEI

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

On behalf of the Visiting Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons, I offer my sincere thanks for your wonderful words of welcome and for your hospitality.

My husband's family is from New Brunswick and my Mother-in-law belonged to Woodstock Chapter for many years, so NB is kind of my second home.

We are pleased to have the opportunity of joining you in NB for your “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Session and wish you a rewarding and successful Grand Chapter Session.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron for the honour and privilege accorded to me.

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

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

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Welcome to our “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Sessions. You have been a great source of inspiration and knowledge to us this year. I thank you so much for all the encouragement you have given to Brother Kevin and myself.

The response was given by Sister Brenda Saunders, PGM.

Brenda Saunders, Past Grand Matron

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

It is indeed a distinct pleasure to speak on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick.

I thank you for your welcome to your "Living in the Light" and wish you an enjoyable and productive session

Our numbers are fewer but those of us here are here because of your love for the Order and our desire to support you (and it seems every year I get closer to the front of the line when introductions are done)

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, thank you for the memories and bless you both as you continue your travels with the order.

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick were escorted to the East and were extended the Grand Honours.

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions were presented west of the Altar for proper introduction.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

It is my pleasure to welcome you all to our "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter sessions. The sharing of your experience and guidance has proven to be so valuable to so many here this evening, for which we all will be ever so grateful. Welcome.

The response was given by Joan Atkinson, PGM of Massachusetts

Joan Atkinson, PGM of Massachusetts

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Billie, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Brother Mike, Sisters, Brothers, and Friends:

It is with honor and pleasure that I greet you on behalf of the visiting Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. We bring greetings from our respective Grand Jurisdictions along with many good wishes that this culmination of your year will be wonderful and successful. It has been said that there are no strangers in the Order of the Eastern Star, only friends we have yet to meet and that is a true statement.

It takes a lot of hard work and perseverance to attain the offices of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. You have achieved this high status by your determination, grace and zeal for our beautiful Order. We wish you continued success as you go forward with your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session and complete your duties.

May you also find relief and fun and relaxation as you enjoy the fruits of your labor. We only pass this way once in a lifetime. When your reflection on your years of dedication and service to this Grand Chapter, may you do so with memories of love, good times, and good friends.

Thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts and myself in asking me to bring this greeting

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

The Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented west of Esther's Station for proper introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

It is my sincere pleasure to welcome each of you to our "Living in the Light" sessions and to our beautiful province. From the nature of your offices, I know that you are all very dedicated members of our order, and I wish you much success as you continue on the road to the East of your respective Grand Chapters.

The response was given by Sister Becky Thompson, Grand Conductress of Maine.

Becky Thompson, Grand Conductress of Maine

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara; Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin:

On behalf of the Elected Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions, I thank you for your warm words of welcome! It is truly a pleasure to be back here in Fredericton for your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter session. It must feel not that long ago when you were in our shoes, with your minds full of great ideas and your to-do lists miles long (or perhaps I should say kilometers long). And now look where you are! Your ideas have come to fruition, your to-do lists have been checked off and your session has begun. All you have to do now is enjoy the results of your hard work. I'm sure the time will pass as quickly for all of us as it did for you. Congratulations to both of you and to your Grand Family on a wonderful and successful year. Here's to a great session!

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

The Appointed Grand Officers of Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented west of Esther's Station for proper introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

We are all truly blessed that you have taken time from your busy schedules to be with us here this evening. Having you present at our Grand Chapter sessions is an honor, and I hope that you enjoy your time spent with us here in New Brunswick.

Eleanor Carbonaro, Grand Martha of Connecticut.

It is an honor for my jurisdiction and a privilege for me to respond to your friendly welcome. We are happy to be able to travel freely across the borders of our countries and provinces once again. You have chosen a symbol of happiness, the bluebird, for an emblem. We often hear that the way to be happy is to make others happy. Your words have done that for us tonight. In return, we say, 'If we could find a rainbow, where wishes all come true, we'd reach within it, and gather many good wishes for you.' Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron.

The Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick were presented west of the Altar for proper introduction.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

It was indeed an honor for Sister Barbara and myself to select so many Grand Representatives this year. We hope you have made new STAR friends from near and far which will last a lifetime.

The response was given by Kim Brown, Grand Representative of South Carolina in New Brunswick.

Kim Brown, Grand Representative of South Carolina

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, Distinguished Guests, Sisters, and Brothers all.

Thank you for the (somewhat scary) honour of giving the response on behalf of the Grand Representatives of Other Jurisdictions in New Brunswick.

Thank you for the lovely welcome given to all Grand Representatives from everywhere. I know we will all enjoy your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Sessions.

I welcome everyone to our Grand Chapter and wish you all safe travels and please visit again.

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

The Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented west of the Altar for proper introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

We are so happy to welcome you to our "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter sessions. May your time spent with us bring you many memorable moments.

The response was given by Karen Grabau,, Grand Representative of New Brunswick in Massachusetts and Grand Secretary Emeritus

***Karen Grabau, Grand Representative of New Brunswick
in Massachusetts, and Grand Secretary Emeritus.***

WGM Sister Barbara, WGP Brother Kevin, Distinguished guests Sisters and Brothers, Good Evening. It is my pleasure and honor to have been asked to give the response for the Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in other Jurisdictions. Sister Barbara, I thank you for the honor you have given not only to me but my jurisdiction of Massachusetts and my chapters, Brockton No. 87 and Braintree No 167.

Becoming a Grand Representative is a very special honor, with many ways of receiving your commission. In Massachusetts, the Worthy Grand Matron asks the Worthy Grand Patron to read a commission leaving out the name of the new grand representative and then sends the Grand Marshal on a walk around the chapter room looking for the new Grand Representative. As you can imagine, there is surprise and shock when the Grand Marshal stops in front of you and invites you to join her. Many have been left speechless. On a personal note, I am doubly excited to be representing New Brunswick as my father grew up in the Fredericton area.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, on behalf of all the Grand Representatives to New Brunswick we thank you for all the courtesies, friendship and warm welcome that we have received. We wish you a successful and memorable "Living in the Light" Session and at the close of your session may you find that all your dreams and plans have been fulfilled.

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

The Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in Other Grand Jurisdictions were presented west of the Altar for proper introduction.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

It is a special privilege to welcome you to our "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter sessions. You have travelled from near and far. I hope you get to enjoy our beautiful scenic province and return home with fond memories and newfound fraternal friends.

Betty Anne Bunton of Washington in New York

We, your Grand Representatives, thank you for your gift of welcome. Welcome to New Brunswick, Welcome to your Living in the Light Session, and for me — Welcome to Canada.

I am Right Worthy Betty Anne Bunton, Grand Representative of Washington in New York. (And my Grandmother was born in Saskatoon.) This is my third tour of being Washington's Representative in New York--and it's a warm, fuzzy, welcome story. My first counterpart back in 2014 was a beautiful funny older Sister. In 2016 she wasn't able to attend their Sessions and her daughter invited me to room with her. A wonderful friendship developed, and I always had a roommate at Sessions. Last week I was in Wenatchee, Washington for Pam's Ocean of Blessings Session as she finished her year as Grand Matron.

Grand Representatives are grateful for all you do for us as we travel from Sea to Shining Sea.

My only questions: which one of us has the upside-down Star???

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

The Grand Officers Emeritus were presented west of Esther's station for introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

It is with pleasure I welcome you to this 92nd Grand Chapter sessions. Being selected to serve as a Special Appointment of the MWGM is indeed a great honor. Enjoy your time with us.

Patrick Delaney, Grand Secretary Emeritus Ontario

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Sisters, and Brothers.

On behalf of the Members who have the title of Emeritus, we thank you most sincerely for your kind welcome this evening.

The meaning of Emeritus is to have received and to have the honour of retaining the title to which you had when you were working.

I don't think anyone in the Order of the Eastern Star receives, do you?

We are so happy to be in the province of New Brunswick as you celebrate the ending of a prosperous year. We are looking forward to being with you for the rest of the Session.

On a personal note, being born and raised in Nova Scotia Cape Breton to be exact, I would expect nothing less than the hospitality which we have experienced and will enjoy for the rest of our visit with you.

Thank you once again for everything!

The Grand Officer Emeritus was presented to the East and given a hearty welcome.

The District Deputy Grand Matrons were presented west of Esther's Station for introductions.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Welcoming you to our 92nd Grand Chapter Sessions is a great pleasure for me. We hope you enjoy our sessions and your time spent with us.

Sandra LeClair, DDGM of District # 18, of Maine.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin.

Thank you for the honor that you have given the Grand Chapter of Maine and myself to respond to your words of welcome.

On behalf of the DDGM's I would like to thank you for your warm words of welcome and hospitality that we received today.

We would like to wish you a most successful 'Living in the Light' Session.

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

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2023 - 2024 were presented west of Esther's Station for proper introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Welcome to the "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session. I now ask you to face the West where you will be welcomed by Sister Brenda McGibbon, Associate Grand Matron & Brother Ross MacLeod, Associate Grand Patron.

***Brenda McGibbon, Associate Grand Matron and
Ross MacLeod, Associate Grand Patron***

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

As the incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ross and I want to congratulate you on your election as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron in your respective chapters. Such an honour for each of you. The year ahead will be exciting for you and also for the upcoming Grand Family as well. We look forward to visiting with each of you at our Official Visit to your chapters and attending your meetings in the capacity of Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Brother Ross and I will only be a phone call or email away if you should have any issues and we will help you in any way we can.

Again, we welcome you as our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2023 and 2024.

Sister Darlene Kaine, Worthy Matron of Frank H Tingley Chapter #5

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Kevin, thank you for the honour you have bestowed upon me and to Frank H Tingley Chapter #5 of responding on behalf of all the Worthy Matrons for 2023/2024.

I personally have truly enjoyed the inspiring and thought-provoking talks each of you have given during your official visits.

To Associate Grand Matron Sister Brenda and Associate Grand Patron Brother Ross, we, the now presiding Worthy Matrons wish you both good health and safe travels on the Star Trail and look forward to your Official Visits at each of our Chapters.

May you both enjoy YOUR year!!

Glendon Hill, Worthy Patron of Devon Chapter #37.

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

What an honour to bring the response to the greeting from Sister Brenda and Brother Ross.

On behalf of all the 2023-2024 Worthy Patrons, we are all looking forward to your Official Visits to our Chapters and we are ready to work with you and offer any assistance you might require.

Enjoy your time as our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Thank you, Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin for allowing me to give this response.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2023 - 2024 were escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2022 - 2023 were presented west of Esther's Station for proper introduction.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

We extend to you, our own Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, a warm and sincere welcome. For the past year, you have been our memory makers. Our Official Visits will forever be a reminder of an evening spent with good friends.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

To our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons this year. The generosity and kindness you have shown us over the past year has been truly inspiring and humbling. We again thank you for all your courtesies extended to us.

Joanne Gaudet, PM, Winston Churchill Chapter #19

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

It is indeed a privilege for each of us to represent our Chapters at your "Living in The Light" Grand Chapter Sessions and to bring you and your officers our best wishes for a happy, successful, and productive session.

We sincerely hope that these Grand Sessions will prove a benefit to each one attending. It was an honour to have you and members of the Grand Family visit our various Chapters this year.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, I thank you for this honour not only for myself but for Winston Churchill Chapter No. 19 for responding to your welcome.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 2022– 2023 were escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.

The Session Assistants were presented west of Esther's Station for proper introduction.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you, Sister Mary and Brother Doug. We so appreciate your willingness to share your time and talents, and for joining us in our “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter sessions.

Mary Pelletier, Assistant to the Grand Organist

On behalf of the Session Assistants, it is my pleasure to thank you for your gracious words of welcome and for asking us to serve in this **Living in the Light** Session of Grand Chapter.

The honor is not only ours but the Chapters we each represent.

We all wish you a happy and successful Session!

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

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sisters and Brothers, our introductions for this evening are complete. I want to thank Sister Maxine and Sister Vicki, our Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, and commend them for a job wonderfully done.

I would also like to commend Sisters Ann Morton, Elaine MacLean and Charlotte Jansen-Bateman for their patience and diligent work in lining up our distinguished guests for introduction. I am sure it is not an easy task. A warm thank you to our sisters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Emblem Placing Ceremony at 8:45 AM

Breakfast – PAGO breakfast at 7:30 AM

Vendors and Used clothing store.

The money received from project money goes to our WGM Special Project.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

We hope that you have a restful sleep tonight, and we look forward to seeing you tomorrow morning.

The Closing Ode "When You Walk From Here" was sung.

The Grand Conductress attended at the altar informally.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed these sessions called from labour to rest to reconvene on Friday morning at 8:45 AM.

FORMAL OPENING

FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 7, 2023 8:45 AM

The Friday morning Sessions were preceded by a musical prelude by the Grand Organist, Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Mary Pelletier.

The Grand Choir sang "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore".

CALL TO ORDER

***Judy Donnelly, Past Grand Matron
and Don Williams, Past Grand Patron***

Judy Donnelly, Past Grand Matron

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers,

This is the formal opening of our 92nd Annual Year of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. It is my honour and privilege along with Brother Donald Williams, PGP to welcome each and everyone of you to "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session 2023.

To our members, this is your Grand Chapter Session. I trust, you rested well and are prepared for a busy couple of days. Without your presence, there would be no sessions. May you participate where you are needed with an open mind and a loving heart. Listen well to all that you hear, these sessions are important to the future of our Eastern Star. We hear daily of turmoil and strife in our world, may our minds be receptive and our hearts be faithful to our teachings.

We open our hands of friendship to our Distinguished Guests and to those from other Grand Jurisdictions. We extend Fraternal Greetings to you and are proud to be sitting with you during our sessions and enjoying your company in our relaxing moments.

To our OES Family, old and new, may your time with us be all that you want it to be. Ask questions and even more questions. I'll give you the answer.

And now PGP Brother Don, may we hear from you?

Donald Williams, Past Grand Patron

It is my privilege to assist Sister Judy Donnelly, PGM in this Formal Opening of these "LIVING IN THE LIGHT" Grand Chapter Sessions. Welcome to all our members and to the visitors from other jurisdictions. Thank you for taking time to join us for our sessions. We hope you enjoy your time with us.

A special welcome to our own GGCCMs, Sister Lynda Swan on ESTARL, Sis. Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe, Heart Committee; and Bro. Laurie Bishop, Service Dogs Committee and our newly elected Most Worshipful Grand Master of New Brunswick. Welcome as well, to our own members; enjoy the sessions, and consider wisely for the future of our order.

The Grand Pages and Grand Guards assumed their Stations.

PLACING OF THE HOLY BIBLE AND EMBLEMS

Written and narrated by Phyllis Kerr

<i>Music</i>	<i>Grand Choir</i>
<i>Bible Bearer</i>	<i>Geoffrey Hutchin, Grand Chaplain</i>
<i>Sword & Veil</i>	<i>Danielle Kesselring, Grand Adah</i>
<i>Sheaf of Wheat</i>	<i>Linda Ames, Grand Ruth</i>
<i>Crown & Scepter</i>	<i>Judy Gilliss, Grand Esther</i>
<i>Broken Column</i>	<i>Cindy Wilson, Grand Martha</i>
<i>Cup</i>	<i>Brenda Whitney, Grand Electa</i>

EMBLEM PLACING CEREMONY

Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, GGCCMs, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Sisters, Brothers all.

As we journey along life's road, we learn many lessons. When we place our Bible on the Altar, and the five points of our Emblematic Star place their Emblems on their pedestals, many useful and impressive lessons will be heard on how to live our life "Living in the Light"

THE HOLY BIBLE:

The Holy Bible rests upon our Altar at all meetings and from it radiates a Guiding light that shines upon the pathway of life. It is the foundation of our Faith. When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, by living the word of God, we shall prevail. The Bible teaches us how to relate to the world so that we can be •"Living in the Light".

The Bible is reverently placed on the Altar by Brother Geoff Hutchin Grand Chaplain

(The Grand Chaplain places the Bible on the Altar)

PAUSE: GRAND CHOIR sings: Holy Bible, Book Divine

Each Point of our Star radiates a special light, each a different colour with a symbolic lesson for "Living in the Light".

ADAH

The Blue Ray of our heroine ADAH reminds us that her father wanted her veil to cover her face while he fulfilled his promise to God. But ADAH showed heroic conduct. She raised her veil because she wanted to

continue to be "Living in the Light" even upon her death at the hands of her father.

The SWORD AND VEIL united alludes to her determination to live in the light. It is the emblem of ADAH's station

The EMBLEM is placed on the pedestal by Sister Danielle Kesselring, Grand ADAH.

(As the narrator speaks Grand Adah prepares and places the sword and veil on the pedestal and is seated)

RUTH

The Yellow Ray of our heroine RUTH shows us the golden harvest that God promises to those who show constancy in their daily devotion to "Living in the Light"- When we are kind, patient and humble, we reap what we sow.

The SHEAF OF WHEAT is a symbol of plenty and represents the rewards of such a life. It is the emblem of RUTH's Station

The EMBLEM is placed on the pedestal by Sister Linda Ames, Grand Ruth. *(As the narrator speaks Grand Ruth places the Sheaf of Wheat on the pedestal and is seated)*

ESTHER

The White Ray of our heroine ESTHER makes us aware of the story of how Esther who came from a lowly race had been chosen to become the Queen, yet she remained loyal to her own people. At the risk to her own safety, she begged the King to remember his promise and allow her people to continue "Living in the Light".

The CROWN AND SCEPTER united represent Royalty and Power. It is the emblem of ESTHER'S station

The EMBLEM is placed on the pedestal by Sister Judy Gilliss, Grand ESTHER.

(As the narrator speaks Grand Esther places the Crown and Scepter united on the pedestal and is seated)

MARTHA

The Green Ray of our heroine MARTHA reminds us of MARTHA's belief in her friend Jesus to do something for her recently deceased brother. It reveals God's promise of beautiful eternal life to those who spend our today's believing in His Son. Faith forms the foundation for "Living in the Light".

The BROKEN COLUMN reminds us of the brevity of our earthly life but faith allows us to have a life everlasting. It is the emblem of MARTHA's station

The EMBLEM is placed on the pedestal by Sister Cindy Wilson, Grand MARTHA.

(As the narrator speaks Grand Martha places the Broken Column on the pedestal and is seated.)

ELECTA

The Red Ray of our heroine ELECTA teaches us that God promises to give us a cup of life overflowing if we serve others. By giving generous aid to the poor and distressed, especially during difficult times, we will be rewarded aplenty. When we become helpers in the service of humanity, it is evidence that we are "Living in the Light".

The CUP is the symbol of Love, Charity, and Hospitality. It is the emblem of ELECTA's station. The EMBLEM is placed on the pedestal by Sister Brenda Whitney, Grand ELECTA.

(As the narrator speaks Grand Electa places the cup on the pedestal and is seated.)

(When Grand Electa takes her seat, all Star Points then rise. As the narrator makes a slight pause, all Star points follow the Grand Chaplain out of the Room. Narrator continues with the closing comments)

CLOSING COMMENTS:

As we follow the light of God's glorious star, we are bound to Him eternally. Our times are in His hands. Following the lessons of our Star points helps us to find inspiration and the path way to "Living in the Light".

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers were invited to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

The Grand Officers entered the Chapter Room, with the Worthy Grand Matron, Barbara Greenlaw, and Worthy Grand Patron, Kevin Wilson, being escorted west of the Altar.

Judy Donnelly, Past Grand Matron

WGM Sister Barbara, we know each other because of Eastern Star and how many times did I call you asking for a dispensation for our Rescheduled Chapter meetings. We always worked together for the Star. You have experienced several family issues during your year, you coped well and handled them in a very fashion knowing that our God was always on your side. May you experience the same positive editing as you present your session of "Living in the Light". May God Bless you and keep you well and strong. Thank you for this honour.

Brother Kevin Wilson, WGP and PGP, you have spent many hours studying and preparing for a second journey to the East. I remember a young man on his knees at the altar preparing for a Grand Chapter Session who would soon rise to become a PGP to the second. At that moment, I

am sure that thought never crossed your mind? We will always be close because we have a special bond and memories that no one can erase. May you enjoy a little Kevin and Cindy me that is free from planning or thinking about Eastern Star. May God be ever close to you and keep you safe and well.

Brother Don, May we hear from you now?

Donald Williams, Past Grand Patron

Good morning to you WGM, Sister Barbara, and to you WGP Brother Kevin and to your Grand Officers. I hope you've all had a restful night because you have 2 days of deliberations starting this very morning WGM/Sis. Barbara, thank you for the honour of asking me to assist in opening this formal opening of your "LIVING IN THE LIGHT" session with Sister Judy Donnelly, PGM.

Sister Barbara, congratulations on a great year. You have worked diligently to achieve your goals. We hope you are very satisfied with what you have accomplished this year and wish you much success with these your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter sessions.

Brother Kevin, WGP: version 2.0, you have been a dedicated member in both your home & affiliated chapters and once again, have served our Grand Jurisdiction with honour and dedication. Congratulations on meeting your donation goals and wish you success in these "Living in the Light" sessions as well. We appreciate the service you have both given and as this year of service comes to a close, we applaud your accomplishments. I look forward to seeing you both in the ranks of the Past Grands. Thank You for this honour and privilege.

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress escorted the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East, where they received the Grand Honours.

Sister Judy presented Sister Barbara with her gavel.

The Grand Officers assumed their stations.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Judy and Brother Don, thank you for opening this Formal Session of the 92nd "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter. You have helped to ensure that our journey runs smoothly. As one of my fraternal Moms and Dads, you have always encouraged me and shared your guidance. For that, I thank you.

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

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Judy, it is such a pleasure and honor to share the East at these Grand Chapter sessions with you. It is hard to believe it has been four years since we stood here together at our sessions.

Brother Don, thank you for agreeing to open our Grand Chapter Sessions this morning. It is indeed an honor and a pleasure working together on a passion we both share, our Eastern Star Magazine.

Brother Don, please accept this gift as a token of our appreciation along with our thanks.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron:

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. Today is a new day in our Grand Chapter. I hope that everyone will take an active role for we depend on all of our membership to assist us with the decisions that need to be made.

The most precious gift you can give someone is the gift of your time and attention.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. Welcome to the formal opening of your 92nd, “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Sessions. It is certainly an honor to welcome you all here this morning and please enjoy the day.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

The Invocation will be given by Ron Jagoe, PGP.

INVOCATION

Ron Jagoe, Past Grand Patron

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we ask that you be with us during our deliberations for this “Living In The Light” Grand Chapter Session. We thank you for all of the blessings you have bestowed on Sister Barbara, Brother Kevin and their Grand Chapter officers as they performed the work that needed to be done this past year and especially ask you to be with them for these two days of important deliberations.

We thank you for the privilege of being able to meet together for the benefit of our wonderful order, for the many friendships we hope to make and renew. We also ask you to be with those who are unable to be with us this year for various reasons.

We ask that you continue to watch over those who will be put in positions to continue the work of our order. Grant them wisdom, health, strength and love as each one carries out their duty.

We ask you to be with all those who are gathered here and at the completion of our work be with them as we return home.

In your name we pray. Amen

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron:

My scripture passage for this morning is taken from Ephesians 4:32 – “Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

Sister Lynda Swan will now share the musical selection “Deep In Our Hearts”

Solo “Deep in our Hearts” by Lynda Swan

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara thanked Lynda for sharing her gift of music.

The Grand Secretary called the Roll of Officers with all being present.

The ritualistic opening of the Chapter was carried out, with the Opening Ode being "Morning Has Broken", followed by the singing of "O Canada", "God Save The Queen", and "The Star-Spangled Banner".

Presentation of Distinguished Guests not previously introduced:

Worthy Grand Patron of Other Grand Jurisdictions:

Brother Rodney Sewell Jr. of New Hampshire

Grand Representatives of Other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick:

Sister Gertrude Wilson of British Columbia and Yukon

Sister Cathy McGinn of Manitoba

Brother Paul Fullarton of Tennessee

Grand Representatives of New Brunswick in Other Grand Jurisdictions:

Brother Richard Welsh of New Hampshire

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Brother Bill Verner, Philip A. Jerguson (18)

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron, read Roberts Rules of Order.

Minutes of Saturday evening, July 9, 2022: *It was moved by Doug Swan, PGP, Grand Secretary and seconded by Laurie Bishop, GGCCM, that*

the minutes of the Saturday Evening Sessions, held on Saturday, July 9, 2022, be approved as printed in the Proceedings. Motion carried.

An alarm at the magazine table sounded. There were two draws, and the winners were Gert Wilson, Grand Representative of British Columbia in New Brunswick, and Michael Berry, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Allan Gillis, PGP, Acting Grand Sentinel

We the committee on unfinished business have reviewed the proceedings and that all motions have been dealt with and require no action

There was one recommendation of the outgoing Worthy Grand Matron that the Finance Committee and the New elected officers meet soon after their installation

I move that the elected officers, Finance Committee and the Jurisprudence Committee meet as soon as possible after installation to ensure all issues can be addressed in an expedient manner.

Allan Gillis PGP

Betty Danks PGM

Brenda Saunders PGM

It was moved by Allan Gillis, PGP, that the report be accepted as read. The report was accepted as read.

APPOINTMENTS TO VACANCIES ON COMMITTEES

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, reported that she found it necessary to fill 3 vacancies on committees during the year.

Brother Ross MacLeod, AGP, was replaced on the Jurisprudence Committee by Brother Darrell Munn, PGP.

Sister Vicki MacLeod, Associate Grand Conductress, was replaced on the Credential Committee by Sister Connie MacPherson, PM.

Sister Beverley Lyons, PM was replaced on the Credential Committee by Sister Helen Cormier-Stewart, PM

Connie MacPherson, WM, presented the first report of the Credential Committee.

The initial report of the Credential Committee was presented.

Grand Officers of New Brunswick	14
Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron	0
Past Most Worthy Grand Matron & Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	0
Elected General Grand Chapter Officers	3
Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers	1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors	14
Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions	5
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick	31
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions	14
Elected Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions	7
Appointed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions	4
General Grand Chapter Special Appointments (Deputies, IGRA Executive Officers, International Headquarters Administrator)	0
Grand Officers Emeritus	1
Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick	14
Grand Representative of New Brunswick in other Grand Jurisdictions	5
Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions	4
Special Appointments of the MWGM & MWGP	0
District Deputy Grand Matrons of New Brunswick & Others	2
Voting Members of New Brunswick (Other than those listed above)	29
Members of other grand Jurisdictions (other than those listed above)	16
New Brunswick Chapters represented	12
Grand Jurisdictions represented	13
Total Order of the Eastern Star Members registered	164

Respectfully submitted:

Connie MacPherson, WM #37, Chair

Ann McLellan, WM #1

Reading of Greetings – Grand Secretary

Mab Cole Smith sends her regrets for not being able to be here this year. She encourages members to order from her Fifth Avenue Collection online and a percentage of her sales from NB Members will be given to our Special Projects. She will miss seeing all the smiling faces but hopes to attend next year. She hopes we have a successful Grand Chapter Session.

Marilyn Hutchinson hopes we have a successful session. She is slowly recovering from her treatments.

NOMINATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Under the leadership of Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron, the following are the nominations for Grand Officers:

WORTHY GRAND MATRON	Brenda McGibbon of St Stephen #8 by Martha Evans, WM #8
WORTHY GRAND PATRON	Ross McLeod, PGP, of St Stephen #8 by Martha Evans, WM #8
ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON	Joanne Gaudet of Frank H. Tingley #5 by Darlene Kaine, WM #5
ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON	Allan Gillis, PGP of Victoria #1 by Ann McLellan, WM #1
GRAND SECRETARY	Doug Swan, PGP, of Victoria #1 by Ann McLellan, WM #1
GRAND TREASURER	Debbie Cawker of Celestial Chapter #3 by Candace Duplisea, WM #3
GRAND CONDUCTRESS	Vicki MacLeod of St Stephen #8 by Martha Evans, WM #8
ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS	Cindy Wilson of Celestial # 3 by Candace Duplisea, WM #3
GRAND SENTINEL	Glendon Hill of Devon #37 by Connie MacPherson, WM #3

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron:

We are very fortunate to have 2 very talented Organists. One is Sister Norma Caswell, and she has taken the time to write a special march for Kevin and myself for our year. Sister Norma, we would love to hear you play it at this time, for the members to enjoy.

Sister Norma played the march.

Thank you, Sister Norma, for playing for all to enjoy. Norma has made copies of the music for sale. We are pleased to announce that Norma will be giving the proceeds to our ESTARL fund.

We are blessed with the presence of the Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter at our “Living in the Light” sessions. May we hear from you at this time?

Michael Berry

Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron

Thank you. Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Elected General Grand Chapter officers, Appointed General Grand Chapter Officer, distinguished guest sisters and brothers of New Brunswick and elsewhere.

It is great to be with you and to be back in Fredericton. It's been a couple years since I have been here, but I have a great fondness of New Brunswick. When I was younger and young in the order, my mother served as an Appointed General Grand Chapter Officer – she was Worthy Grand Ruth - and the lady who was Worthy Grand Warder at the time was Pauline Allan from New Brunswick. Pauline and her sister Florence insisted that before your Grand Chapter Session in 1983 that we come up here and spend a week in New Brunswick with them at their home in Saint John. They took me to the Bay of Fundy, and they took me all over New Brunswick and then to Eastern Star. Pauline has stayed a wonderful friend over the years, and I know that she is missed by this jurisdiction and is missed worldwide as well. She was a remarkable lady and I know that she and my mom are up above enjoying critiquing this great Chapter Session.

There are some folks that I want to thank for all the courtesies received since I have been here. Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, you all have been wonderful to greet us and myself personally, I just appreciate all the courtesies and kindness you've extended. I want to say special thank you to Lynn Hutchin. This lady wishes I would lose her e-mail. She was the only e-mail address that I had in my phone and when Air Canada decided to do their little dance on my schedule yesterday, I would keep emailing her to tell her about what changes etc. and I am sure she was thinking I am just the meal chairman, why is he telling me all this stuff? Sister Lynn, thank you for helping me on that – I promise I will lose your e-mail address.

To Darrell Munn and Phyllis who picked me up at the airport yesterday. I'm sure that the Canadian Mounted Police wondered what you were doing arriving at the airport – arriving, leaving returning a few times to the airport because Air Canada changed my flights a few times. It got to a point I was texting with a Past Grand in Kentucky and she said where are you and

I said well right now I am on a plane to Chicago that they're going to take me off of this plane and put me on a plane to Charlotte, then to Toronto, and then to Fredericton. She said I'm going to pray for you to have patience and strength. I said pray for me to have patience, because if you pray for me to have strength, I am going to need bail money.

I do bring you the greetings of the General Grand Chapter. I do want to remind you that as we are beginning to re-emerge from the pandemic, many of us are getting to travel again, not just for Eastern Star but also personally. You know you can kill two birds, so to speak, if you're traveling and taking that summer vacation and you get the urge to stop at some of the Eastern Star landmarks.

There are four physical landmarks of General Grand Chapter. Our International Headquarters in Washington DC. Our Right Worthy Grand Secretary would love to welcome you and give you a tour of that magnificent, one hundred year plus year old mansion. We have a new way to support the Perry Belmont House Foundation and it's really beginning to be able to pay for itself as we rent it out to groups and it's quite the place to be in Washington DC.

We also are very proud to have the Chapel named after Eastern Star at the International Peace Garden that's at the border of Manitoba and North Dakota. It is a beautiful facility in Gods country, if you get a chance to visit. .

The Little Red School House in Mississippi where Rob Morris taught and wrote the ritual for the order of Eastern Star.

Of course, the one that is near and dear to my heart, is the Rob Morris Home, where Rob Morris lived the last years of his life and where he passed away and is buried outside of Louisville, my home town in Kentucky

Those last 3 , the International Peace Garden Chapel, The Little Red School House and the Rob Morris Home, all have events that are picnics and pilgrimages and things like that in the year that you could attend. I would just encourage you to mix travel and Eastern Star heritage if you get a chance.

In closing, I know a few of you know my history. I've worked for 33 years as the CEO of the Kentucky Derby Festival. I also have 5 grandchildren and my grandchildren give me a lot of material up here - in fact the jokes. I am leaving today to go home for my grandsons' birthday party that's at my house at our pool tomorrow and he was supposed to provide me with a joke to tell but he didn't. He's turning 13 and he's misplaced his brain. Simon, his little brother, who is 10 provided me with this one. Simon asked me where I was going, and I said to New Brunswick in Canada. I didn't realize at the time that living in the light means that the sun comes up here 5:30 in the morning. Simon asked me what I would be doing and I said I

was going to meetings with couple of meals He asked me if I was going to speak and I said yes and he said what are you going to say to them and I said I don't know Simon and he said are you going to tell a joke and I said sure what joke would you want me to tell . Well last night during the session, I got a text from Simon - he said remind them that a dog is man's best friend especially when you lost money betting on a racehorse. Thank you so much.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron:

Thank you so much, Brother Mike.

We are also blessed with the presence of our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron and ask if she would like to have a few words at this time.

Billie Bradfield

Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron

Protocol having been established. Thank you!

I want to thank you WGM for this opportunity to speak at this Grand Chapter Session "Living in the Light". It is indeed a pleasure to be here in New Brunswick.

Your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have travelled around visiting various Grand Chapters, representing the members of New Brunswick. They have done a great job this year and you should be proud of them as members of your Grand Chapter

I would like to thank the General Grand Chapter Committee Members who have been travelling and supporting the General Grand Chapter Charities. We know and recognize the work you have done here in New Brunswick. I also want to thank you for the support that you have shown to Brother Michael and myself. This has been a long journey for both of us, and we are almost there. Only one year and three months – but who is counting. Mike is ready, and I am counting. We are to be installed October 31, 2024, on Hallowe'en, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. I am not promising anything, but we'll do something for Hallowe'en. You'll have to come see if I am the good witch or the bad witch. We hope each one of you will be there. Thank you for the courtesies shown here and I will be back, maybe before you know it.

I have 2 small gifts, one for the WGM and one for the WGP. I did not think it was appropriate to put the wine in the bag, so I just put in the opener.

Enjoy the rest of your session and I have enjoyed being here.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron:

Sister Billie, I thank you so much for your kind words of kindness and inspiration. I also thank you for visiting with us here in our beautiful province of New Brunswick. I hope you get the opportunity to see what our province has to offer during your stay with us.

ANNUAL REPORTS

WORTHY GRAND MATRONS ANNUAL REPORT

Sister Barbara Greenlaw

Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Disenfranchised Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

I don't even know where to begin. I cannot imagine where the last year has gone. It has been a wonderful journey travelling around our province and to other Grand Jurisdictions to represent the members of our Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. It is with an open heart that I welcome you to this 92nd Grand Chapter Session. It is our wish that you feel as welcome as you have made us feel over the past year.

This past year as your Worthy Grand Matron was the culmination of so many years of service to the Order of Rainbow for Girls and to the Order of the Eastern Star. If memory serves me correctly, I served the Order of Rainbow for Girls for five years, reaching my majority at age 19, after I became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. I became a member of this Order before I graduated from high school and have held several offices over the years. The principles of our Order have certainly been a huge part of my life, and I hope that in spite of my mistakes and mishaps the lessons and virtues taught by our Star Points have shone through.

Our theme of "Living in the Light" can be a challenging one as we try to follow the guidance and direction of scripture. I have been shown nothing but kindness as I have made my Official Visits and answered invitations from our concordant bodies. Brother Kevin and I have strived to make new memories and to look for the joys and blessings around us. "A meaningful life is not about being rich, popular, or highly educated. It is about being real, being humble and being kind, being able to share ourselves and to touch the lives of others." ~ *Tiny Buddha*

Brother Doug, you have been a wonderful friend to me this year and have helped me in immeasurable ways. Communication has always been open and any questions or concerns I had were dealt with promptly. Thank you for all your assistance, and for a job well done.

Sister Debbie, as Grand Treasurer, you have ensured that our finances were in very good hands. An accurate account of our finances was always available, and I thank you for your service to our Grand Chapter.

To all of our elected Grand Officers, my wish for you is happiness and success as you continue on your journey to the East of our Grand Chapter. I look forward to seeing your plans unfold. Please be sure to enjoy yourselves along the way!

APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS:

It was such a pleasure for Brother Kevin and I to choose our Appointed Grand Officers. With so many worthy members around our province, it was a bit difficult to pick only a few. I am sure that Brother Kevin and I are no different than any other Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in believing that we have chosen perfectly and that our Grand Family is second to none. You have travelled many miles to attend our Official Visits, and I am so thankful for each member of the Greenlaw/Wilson Grand Family for all your support and assistance over the last year. You have been a blessing and have greatly enriched our lives with your presence. To our Assistant Grand Officers – I thank you for making this journey with us and have enjoyed making new friendships.

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES:

Our Grand Chapter Committees provide the strength needed to keep our foundation firm. When we asked each of you to fill positions on our various committees, there was no hesitation in responding favourably. Knowing you were only a phone call or an email away brought much assurance. I thank you for doing your work with efficiency and dedication to our Order. During the year, I did have some committees where replacements needed to be made. Brother Ross MacLeod, AGP, was replaced on the Jurisprudence Committee by Brother Darrell Munn, PGP. Sister Beverley Lyons was replaced on Creds by Sister Helen Corrie Stewart and Sister Vicki MacLeod was replaced with Sister Connie MacPherson.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES:

Choosing Grand Representatives to represent our Grand Chapter around the world was an honour as well as a highlight of our year. We had the pleasure of appointing Grand Representative Commissioners to 27 of our members. I received thank you notes from several of our members for their commissions, and I hope these friendships will last well into the future. I also had the honour of signing 25 Commissions of Grand

Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick These will be listed in our proceedings.

James Robinette	Alabama
Kathy Adams	Arkansas
Wendy Wozniak	British Columbia & Yukon
Raul DeDiego	California
Shawn I Piercey	Connecticut
Wayne Stacey	Delaware
J Sherwin Wilson	Idaho
Jean Osbourn	Kansas
Jada Elliott	Kentucky
Darlene Mayet	Louisiana
Tammy Wellings	Maryland
Karen Grabau	Massachusetts
Curt Speller	Minnesota
James DeBree	Montana
Elizabeth Hannon	Nevada
Nathalie J Smith	New York
Susan Godsell	North Dakota
Ann Kerr	Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island
Debi Hulse	Ohio
Tracy Jodoin	Ontario
Deborah Thompson	Rhode Island
Susan Bear	Saskatchewan
Jean Paton	Scotland
Willis Holland	South Carolina
Mary Gipson	Texas

The Grand Representative Commissions that Brother Kevin and I presented together are listed in my travel schedule at various chapter meetings. Several commissions were presented on my behalf by DDG Ms, WGP and others. They are –

- Brother Jim Hanley of Granite Chapter #15 to Illinois
 - presented by Sister Lynne Hatt, PGM
- Brother Robert McInnis of Lord Beaverbrook Chapter #33 to Ohio
 - presented by Sister Vicki MacLeod, DDGM
- Sister Heidi Dychow of Philip A Jerguson Chapter # 18 to Kentucky
 - presented by Sister Maxine MacMillan, DDGM
- Sister Sylvia Bannister of Fidelity Chapter #36 to Nevada
 - presented by Brother Kevin Wilson, WGP
- Sister Carol Ferris of Philip A Jerguson Chapter #18 to Arizona
 - presented by Sister Maxine MacMillan, DDGM

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS:

Rather than Schools of Instruction, Brother Kevin and I chose to have the instructions given by the District Deputy Grand Matrons brought directly into the individual chapters. In this way, all members present at a meeting received help if or when they were able to ask any questions they may have. A huge thank you to Sisters Brenda McGibbon, our Associate Grand Matron; Maxine MacMillan, our Grand Conductress; and Vicki MacLeod, our Associate Grand Conductress, for performing their duties in a really professional manner, sharing the ritualistic work and other changes the Worthy Grand Matron wished to have carried out.

DISPENSATIONS:

Throughout the year, several chapters required Dispensations to ensure that regular meetings and special events were attended safely by everyone. I approved sixteen dispensations and they are:

September 24th – to move regalia from Celestial Chapter #3 to Fredericton Motor Inn for Maine in New Brunswick Grand Family Exchange.

To move dates, times and venues due to inconvenience weather:

October 6th – Winston Churchill Chapter #19 to Coverdale Masonic Hall

December 13th – Zetland Chapter #26 from December 27th

January 16th – St. Stephen Chapter #8 to January 23rd

March 2nd – Winston Churchill Chapter #19 to 7:00 pm

March 15th – Miramichi Chapter #44 to March 16th

March 21st – Zetland Chapter #26 to Coverdale Masonic Hall

To accommodate Chapter celebrations and friendly visits:

October 10th – Frank H Tingley Chapter #5 from 7:30 to 2:00 pm

October 19th – Miramichi Chapter #44 to October 22nd

November 16th – Miramichi Chapter #44 to November 19th

November 18th – St. Stephen Chapter #8 from November 21st

October 20th – Celestial Chapter #3 from Masonic Hall in Fredericton to Masonic Hall in Minto and to move any necessary regalia.

November 17th – Celestial Chapter #3 to November 30th – no quorum

December 2nd – Devon Chapter #37 from December 9th due to booking conflict with their meeting place

December 10th – Miramichi Chapter #44 from December 21st due to closeness to Christmas.

July 5th – Celestial Chapter #3 to move regalia from the Masonic Hall on Prospect Street to the Fredericton Motor Inn for the purpose of

holding the 92nd Annual Sessions of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

WARRANTS:

To ensure that the business of Grand Chapter ran smoothly and to meet its necessary expenses, I approved Warrants 11– 29. The details of these warrants will be listed in our Financial Report.

CHAPTER CLOSURE:

I regret to announce that Lord Beaverbrook Chapter #33 went into darkness on May 11th, 2023. Through the years, their officers and members have worked diligently to promote the principles of our Order. The very difficult decision to surrender their charter did not come easily. The Worthy Patron, Brother Mark Reid, informed me that his grandparents were charter members of Lord Beaverbrook Chapter, and I know it was indeed a very difficult evening for Brother Mark and Sister Rachel.

At the close of the meeting Brother Mark asked me what would happen to their charter. I informed him that it would be put into storage as far as I knew. After a few minutes of thought on my part, I approached one of the Past Grand Patrons to inquire if what I had told Brother Mark was correct and whose decision it would be to do something different with the charter.

I was told that indeed it would be put into storage and as Worthy Grand Matron, he believed I would be the person to make the decision to change the storage arrangements. So, I asked Brother Mark if he would like to have the charter. He gave me a very emotional hug and said he would be proud to have the charter in his possession. After all, his grandparents' names were listed as charter members. I did tell him that if I was incorrect in what I had done, things may have to change but for now it would hold a prominent place in the Reid home. A very happy Past Matron and Past Patron indeed!

EVENTS I ATTENDED:

I have listed 44 dates in the proceedings when I have attended Official Visits, Special Events, Installations, meetings and acceptances from other concordant bodies. I pray that I have represented our Grand Chapter in a manner that brought honour and credit to our Order of the Eastern Star.

On September 24th, 2023, our Grand Chapter welcomed the members of the Cookson/Babb Grand Family of Maine. Our Maine in New Brunswick Grand Family Exchange was hosted by Celestial Chapter #3 St. Stephen

Chapter #8 and Devon Chapter #37. It was a beautiful day for travelling and the Grand Officers from Maine initiated three members— one from Granite Chapter #15 and two members from Philip A Jerguson Chapter #18. Their initiatory work was exemplary, and I am sure the new members took home pleasant thoughts from their experience. A huge thank you is extended to our three host chapters for making sure everything ran smoothly.

On April 15th, 2023, members of the Greenlaw/Wilson Grand Family travelled to Presque Isle, Maine for the New Brunswick in Maine Grand Family Exchange. We had a wonderful day, and I thank Brother Geoffrey Hutchin, Grand Chaplain, for chauffeuring a vanload of ladies. I am sure his ears rang for awhile after he got home. Our Grand Family Officers performed their work to perfection. Many were surprised when I announced this was the first one our Grand Family had carried out the initiatory work. I received a comment that our Prayer Circle flowed so beautifully. Brother Kevin and I were so proud!

On April 22nd, we travelled on to Halifax for the Maritime Grand Family Exchange hosted by Evening Star Chapter #28 also known as BeeBear Chapter #1 of Halifax. Nine of our members participated in their initiatory work, once again doing their work beautifully. Another moment of pride!

SPECIAL PROJECT:

My Special Project this year was the Arthritis Society. Many members of my family have contracted different forms of the disease over the years – the latest being my 5-year-old grandson. I have successfully dealt with disintegrating hip joints, and my daughter is dealing with disintegrating knee joints. The funds that have been raised for this project will help in so many ways. I am very happy to announce that my surgeries went very well, and my mobility is so much improved from this past year. I thank everyone for the kindness and compassion shown to me from all areas of the province and beyond.

OFFICIAL VISITS:

The highlight of my year had to be my Official Visits to our Chapters. I had the privilege to represent this Grand Chapter as we travelled around our province to the various chapters, some for the first time. I discovered that the strength of our membership lies in their caring hearts.

The programs carried out on my behalf included such themes as bluebirds, snowmen and even baking. Every program held something special for me, and the Apple Cinnamon Cake was delicious! After warm welcomes and special programs, I was also showered with monetary gifts

for my Special Project as well as mementos of the evening. Your gifts, your food and your fellowship brought me fond and lasting memories. All signs of our Official Visits will be included in my schedule of travels.

Often a meal preceded our meetings, and I thank each one for their generosity in sharing of their culinary gifts. All you have to do is look at me to know that I find food very comforting! For all your hard work, I offer my gratitude.

At each of our Official Visits, we were so pleased to see members of our Grand Family in attendance whenever possible. I send a special thank you to Sister Linda Ames, Grand Ruth, and Brother Doug Kaine, Assistant to the Grand Marshal, for attending each visit! The support of all members of our Grand Family has been such a blessing, and I am so thankful that you agreed to fill your positions.

There are two unusual evenings -

Our first Official Visit was scheduled for August 18th at Celestial Chapter #3. My husband had an event with his heart on that day giving me a difficult choice to make. He urged me to go to Fredericton, but my heart couldn't do that. So, I missed my first Official Visit. I thank everyone for their kindness and understanding of our situation. Brother Brian was able to get the medical help he needed, and everything worked out! Brother Kevin was honoured in his mother chapter and was presented with a program and accolades so much deserved. I was overwhelmed by the notes and cards of support.

My second evening that I would like to have to do over was my Official Visit to my home chapter at the Masonic Hall in Harvey. As I was preparing for the meeting, my computer printer decided to go on the blink. So I decided to just bring my computer along and read from it. When that time came, my computer died. And all of this happened after I backed into Sister Eleanor and Brother Daryl's car. Some days I should just not get out of bed!

HOST CHAPTERS:

Much appreciation goes out to the members of Celestial Chapter #8 and to Devon Chapter #37, Brother Kevin's chapters. You were so willing to help whenever asked, and your devotion to our Grand Chapter does not go unnoticed. I send you a huge vote of gratitude.

To the members of my home chapter, St. Stephen Chapter #8, words cannot express my respect and gratitude for you. I always knew that you had my back in whatever had to be done. Your devotion to our Order of the Eastern Star is second to none. You willingly changed the date of my Official Visit to accommodate my surgery and that will never be forgotten.

You have made the impossible possible for me. I am so proud to call you my sisters and brothers as well as my friends.

To Unity Chapter #35 as well as Cherry Mountain Lodge, please accept my appreciation for so willingly opening your Chapter room to St. Stephen Chapter #8 when our building was unavailable. I am sure Brother Geoffery Hutchin, Grand Chaplain and Worshipful Master of Cherry Mountain Lodge had a hand of kindness in the offer to use your building and for that you hold a special place in my heart.

CONVENERS:

To Sister Carol Sutherland and Sister Lynne Hatt, two better conveners you could never find. Your years of experience and expertise have shown through in the smooth running of our "Living in the Light" Sessions. Trying to keep one of the world's worst procrastinators focused is not easy but you two have done it splendidly. I thank you so much for your help, your encouragement, your experience and your friendship.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

Brother Kevin – I have saved the best for last. You have been a very special Worthy Grand Patron to me. You are the first in the history of our Grand Chapter to journey to this Grand East for the second time and for that I sincerely thank you. The experience and encouragement you have given to me and the kindness and compassion you have shown to me were truly a blessing. Not every Worthy Grand Patron has to deal with a Worthy Grand Matron who spends too much time in surgery and recovery! My gratitude to you is unending, and the special memories we have gathered will always be a delight. Your friendship means the world to me!

LOSSES:

During the year, we all mourned the passing of Past Grand Matron, Sister F. Pauline Allen, a stalwart member of our Order and one of the sweetest ladies we will ever know. She lived a kind and caring life and was truly devoted to our Order of the Eastern Star. She taught many of us many things, and she will be sadly missed throughout our Eastern Star World. One of the sweetest things that I will remember about Sister Pauline was the touching and beautiful messages she sent to me when my Mom passed away. It was one of those tender moments that touch your heart and find a home there.

Each of our chapters have lost sisters and brothers who served this Grand Chapter of New Brunswick with kindness and diligence. Their

memories will live on as we look back over their lives and call to mind the memories of those spent together serving our Order.

CLOSING:

In closing, I want each of you to know how much I appreciate your taking the time from your busy lives to be here with us for our "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Sessions. Many of you have travelled far to spend time with us. I am moved and blessed by your friendship and your devotion to our Order. I offer each of you my gratitude.

As I end my report, I want each member of the Order of the Eastern Star to know how important this organization has become in my life. With my husband working away from home so much, this Order has become my second home and family. I have met so many wonderful and interesting friends along my journeys, and my heart is full to overflowing with appreciation, respect and love for each one of you.

I move the adoption of this report.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S

Schedule of Travels

- July 9th -** On the last evening of the "Angels Among the Stars" Grand Chapter Session, I had the privilege to present a Grand Representative Commission to North Carolina our Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Linda Williams.
- July 23rd -** St. Stephen Chapter #8 hosted a School of Instruction for the Greenlaw/Wilson Grand Family. It was only twelve days from surgery for me, so Sister Brenda McGibbon, AGM, led the afternoon session. A delicious lunch was served at noon. Many aspects of the ritual were discussed and demonstrated so the DDGM's could share with the membership during their Official Visits.
- August 14th -** Sister Cindy and Brother Kevin graciously hosted members of the Order for a fun day of fellowship, wonderful food and a washer toss competition. At the Sunspid, generous donations were received for the WG Mand WGPs Special Project.
- August 18th -** Our first Official Visit to Celestial Chapter #3 was scheduled for this evening. My husband had health issues which gave me a very difficult decision to make, and I was not able to attend the Official Visit. Members of Celestial Chapter #3

hosted our WGP, Brother Kevin, with a program and courtesies for him.

September 6th The Officers of the Greenlaw/Wilson Grand Family made an Official Visit to Fidelity Chapter #36. It was a lovely evening and the Star Point program for me was a delight. A Grand Representative Commission to South Carolina was presented to Sister Kim Brown.

September 8th Our Official Visit to Lord Beaverbrook Chapter #33 in Hampton took place on this date. We were warmly welcomed by Sister Rachel Reid and Brother Mark Reid and the members of the chapter.

September 13th A delicious meal was enjoyed by everyone before our Official Visit to Victoria Chapter #1. Brother Allan Gillis was presented with a Grand Representative Commission to the State of Utah.

September 20th The members of Zetland Chapter # 26 hosted the Grand Family with a delicious meal before our Official Visit. During my program, the Star Points constructed a snowman that was so cute.

September 28th Unity Chapter #35 was host to the Official Visit of the Grand Family. Here the Star Points presented love gifts as they shared their program for me. Sister Serena Bradford was presented with a Grand Representative Commission to the State of Oklahoma.

October 6th - On this date, the Grand Family made their Official Visit to Winston Churchill Chapter #19 at the Masonic Hall in Riverview. The Masonic Hall in Riverside-Albert had received damage from Hurricane Fiona and had to move their meeting place. I had the pleasure of presenting Brother Colin Allen with a Grand Representative Commission to The District of Columbia. An auction was enjoyed by all following the meeting and some lovely surprises were bid on to raise funds for the chapter.

October 8th - Reception for Brother Laurie Bishop GGCC Mon Service Dogs. It was a lovely day for travelling, and the meal and entertainment were wonderful. Congratulations Brother Laurie on your appointment.

October 10th Official Visit to Frank H Tingley Chapter #5 who celebrated their 100th anniversary. The chapter room was full as members joined in the anniversary celebration. Several forty, fifty and sixty-year pins and certificates were given

out. A Grand Representative Commission to the State of Indiana was given to Brother Gordon Rattray. A delicious meal brought the celebration to a close.

October 12th - Worthy Matron Danielle Kesselring, Grand Adah, and Worthy Patron Brother Don Taylor welcomed the Grand Family on their Official Visit to Granite Chapter #15. I had the honour of presenting Sister Lynne Hatt with her 50 year pin and certificate for her many years of dedication to our Order. Congratulations Sister Lynne!

October 17th - At the regular monthly meeting of St. Stephen Chapter #8 Grand Representatives were presented to Sister Lynda Swan to the State of Michigan and to Sister Jean Hogan to the State of Missouri.

October 20th - Meeting of Celestial Chapter #3 was held in Minto in the hope that members who were unable to travel to Fredericton could attend a meeting. It was a very special meeting for me as I was presented an Honourary Membership to Celestial Chapter #3 by Sister Elaine, WM. As I was unable to attend the August meeting of the Chapter for my Official Visit, tonight brought fond memories for me as I attended chapter in Minto once again.

October 22nd - Official Visit to Miramichi Chapter #44. I was pleased to present Grand Representatives to the State of Washington to Sister Joyce Spence and to the State of Kansas to Brother Ron Jagoe. An interesting program where Brother Kevin and I received ingredients for baking an Apple Cinnamon Cake was delightful. The cake was delicious!

November 2nd Philip A Jerguson Chapter #18 hosted the Grand Family for their Official Visit. We were warmly welcomed by WM, Sister Margaret McCully and WP, Brother Bill Verner. A lovely evening was enjoyed by all.

November 11th Devon Chapter #37 hosted the Official Visit of the Greenlaw/Wilson Grand Family. The Star Point program for the Worthy Grand Matron celebrated bluebirds and a lighted house to hold them. Just lovely! I was presented with an Honourary Membership to Devon Chapter #37 by WM Sister Cindy Wilson, our Grand Martha.

November 18th The monthly meeting of St. Stephen Chapter #8 was moved to the Masonic Hall in Harvey due to ongoing issues

at the Hall in St. Stephen. The members generously agreed to change the date of our Official Visit from November 21st to November 18th as our WGM will be having her second hip replacement on Monday, November 21st. Our Chapter was pleased to present Honourary Memberships to Brother Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron and Sister Cindy Wilson, Grand Martha for all their support and assistance to our Chapter.

January 11th - I was warmly welcomed to the regular meeting of Granite Chapter #15 where I had the honour to present Sister Lynne Hatt with a Grand Representative Commission to the State of New York.

January 21st, 2023 - I was honoured to be invited to the Installation of Robert MacCormack as Illustrious Potentate of Luxor Temple.

January 23rd - Sister Martha Evans of Granite Chapter #15 and St. Stephen Chapter #8 was presented with a Grand Representative Commission to the State of Connecticut.

February 4th - Many members of our Grand Chapter attended the Funspiel in St. Stephen. Curling and card games were enjoyed, and a delicious meal was served by The Charlotte County Curling Club. It was wonderful to be able to enjoy the fellowship and fun of the Funspiel after the pandemic restrictions.

February 20th - Grand Representative Commissions were presented to Brother Paul Fullerton of Celestial Chapter #3 to the State of Tennessee and to Brother Glendon Hill of Devon Chapter #37 to the State of Wisconsin at the regular monthly meeting of St. Stephen Chapter #8.

March 8th - I attended the meeting of Granite Chapter #15

March 16th - I attended the regular meeting of Celestial Chapter #8 where I presented Sister Elaine MacLean with a Grand Representative Commission to Montana

March 22nd - I was off to Harvey for their meeting and election of officers. I had the pleasure of presenting Brother Vernon Lister with a Grand Representative Commission to the Grand Chapter of Italy. I know Sister Sue is looking forward to a trip!

March 25th - I was pleased to attend the Installation of Sister Joyce Spence, WM of Miramichi Chapter #44, as Queen of Nereides Temple #78, Daughters of the Nile. It was a

beautiful ceremony, and I extend my congratulations to Sister Joyce!

- April 5th -** I attended the Installation of Officers at Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18, where Sister Maxine MacMillan was installed as Worthy Matron.
- April 12th -** On this evening, Brother David Hooper was installed as Worthy Patron of Granite Chapter #15. Unfortunately, Sister Danielle Kesselring was ill and unable to be installed as Worthy Matron on that evening.
- April 13th -** I was pleased to install Brother Mark Reid as Worthy Patron of Lord Beaverbrook Chapter #33 on this evening. Sister Rachel Reid, Worthy Matron-elect, was unavailable for installation at this meeting. I also shared instructions regarding surrendering of their Charter, and the vote was duly passed for a Resolution to Surrender Their Charter to be sent to each member in good standing within the chapter for a final vote to be taken in May.
- April 14th -** Sister Connie MacPherson and Brother Glendon Hill were installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Devon Chapter #37. At this meeting I had the honour to present a Grand Representative Commission to Alberta to Sister Shirley McBride of Victoria Chapter #1.
- April 15th -** The Grand Family of New Brunswick travelled to Presque Isle, Maine for the New Brunswick in Maine Grand Family Exchange. The officers of New Brunswick carried out the initiative very well in an exemplary manner, and this Worthy Grand Matron was so proud!
- April 21st -** Nine members of the New Brunswick Grand Family along with six others travelled to Evening Star Chapter in Halifax for the Maritime Grand Family Exchange. Once again those officers from New Brunswick taking part did their work to perfection.
- April 26th -** On this evening, Sister Carol Sutherland and Brother Vernon Lister were installed into the East of Unity Chapter #35. Brother Vernon shared this was Sister Carol's twelfth installation as Worthy Matron and Brother Vernon's eighteenth. Such dedication to our Order.
- May 3rd -** On this evening, several members of St. Stephen Chapter #8 travelled to the meeting of Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18.

- May 10th** - Sister Dannielle Kesselring was installed as Worthy Matron of Granite Chapter #15, and I was honoured to be a guest and see our own Grand Adah installed into this position.
- May 11th** - This was a sad occasion as the members of Lord Beaverbrook Chapter #33 voted in favour of surrendering their Charter. I do believe this to be one of the most emotional and unfortunate duties for a Worthy Grand Matron.
- May 12th** - I was honoured to bring greetings from The Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star to the Informal Opening of The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick.
- May 15th** - Several members of The Grand Chapter of New Brunswick travelled to The Grand Chapter of Maine where Brother Kevin Wilson presented the Canadian Flag. I was honoured in being asked to present the Tribute to the Flag of our country at the informal opening of their Grand Chapter Sessions.
- May 18th** - Sisters Carol Sutherland, Lynn Hutchin and Lynne Hatt then chauffeured me from Maine to the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts where we attended the Grand Representatives' Banquet as well as the Informal Opening of their Grand Chapter. We were pleased to meet Sister Lynn Hutchin's counterpart, Sister Karen Grabau.
- May 24th** - I attended the regular monthly meeting of Unity Chapter #35 where four of their members were installed to complete their slate of officers.
- May 27th** - Several members of St. Stephen Chapter #8 travelled to Victoria Chapter #1 in Woodstock to attend a reception for Sister Lynda Swan, GGCCM on Estar!, and also a member of St. Stephen Chapter. It was a lovely afternoon and Sister Lynda was showered with many congratulations and accolades. Well done, thou good and faithful servant!
- June 4th** - I was invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Eastern Star Magazine Committee in Riverview, NB. It was a very informative meeting and all members of our Order should be very proud of the publication produced in our province. A very special vote of appreciation for all members of the Committee – both those who have served for many years and those who have volunteered to take up the gauntlet as older serving members retire.

WORTHY GRAND PATRONS ANNUAL REPORT

Brother Kevin Wilson

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Barbara, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron Sister Billie, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron Brother Mike, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Family, Dis tinguished East, Sisters and Brothers: Welcome

As my tenure for a second term as Worthy Grand Patron nears its end there are so many great memories. Sister Barbara, when it was proposed to me to be your running mate, as you know I was skeptical, there had never been a repeat Worthy Grand Patron. I was told it would be the beginning of the end, but here we are. We have managed to get to all our official visits not always at the same time we had Maine New Brunswick and New Brunswick in Maine exchanges and the Maritime Exchange. We had a Funspiel and initiated the Sunspiel. Presented and gave a tribute to our National flag in Maine at their Grand Chapters Sessions and an entire Grand Chapter Session this weekend to name just a few. Not too shabby. You have been a true Champion dealing with not only Brother Brian's health issues but those of your own, never letting any of them affect your duties to the Grandest Jurisdiction. Thank You.

To our Grand Family you have been so supportive your work at the exchanges outstanding, attending official visits outstanding, I would be remiss not to give a gold star to Sister Linda Ames our Grand Ruth and Brother Doug Kaine our Assistant to the Grand Marshal who attended every visit. So proud of each of you. Thank you so much.

To my two chapters, Celestial No 3 and Devon No 37 when seeking your support for my second term you never hesitated with your moral support, your willingness and constant encouragement. Thank you so much to all the members of these two wonderful Chapters. To St. Stephen Chapter who honoured Sister Cindy and me with an Honorary Memberships - thank you.

To my ongoing second "Special Project" over the last few years, our Eastern Star Magazine. A huge debt of gratitude goes out to Sister Donna Allen, PGM who has served as chairperson, Brother Colin Allen, PP who chaired distribution Sister Dorothy Allan PM who served as secretary/treasurer who are leaving accolades with the magazine. It has indeed been an honour to serve on this project with you and I thank you. To our newest members to join the team, Sister Debbie Hill, PGM as editor: Brother Doug Swan, PGP as secretary/ treasurer, Sister Connie MacPherson, PM, Brother Leonard Mosher, PP taking on distribution and Sister Lynda Swan, PGM, proofreader, thank you for stepping up and filling

these large shoes. To Brother Don Williams, PGP moving to chairman, Sister Lynda Williams, PGM staying in charge of subscriptions and Sister Cindy Wilson, PM for doing the Home-Makers page. Thank you all so much!

Thank you to all the Sisters and Brothers who served on Grand Chapter Committees: to our General Grand Chapter appointees, Sister Lynda Swan, PGM, Sister Peggy Jagoe, PGM and Brother Laurie Bishop, PGP, well deserved and kudos to each of you. Lastly, to our wonderful choir under the direction of Sister Eleanor Linton, PGM and Sister Norma Caswell, PM and Sister Mary Pelletier, PM for all the wonderful music you play for each of us year after year.

To all the Sisters and Brothers who have helped with registration, housing, meals, transportation setting up the Chapter, organizing and escorting visitors for introduction, giving responses, to the Frederick Motor Inn for all your continued support, Thank You, Thank You, Thank You.

Lastly, I wanted to acknowledge the absence of two very special people, Sister F. Pauline Allen, PGM and Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP. Two long serving Star contributors who are missed, even more at Grand Chapters Sessions everywhere. God Bless.

Thank You.

Our Official visits to our Chapters began in August and ended in November.

August 18 th	Celestial Chapter No. 3
September 6 th	Fidelity No. 36
September 8 th	Lord Beaverbrook No. 33
September 13 th	Victoria No. 1
September 20 th	Zetland No. 26
September 28 th	Unity No. 35
October 6 th	Winston Churchill No. 19
October 10 th	Frank H. Tingley No. 5
October 12 th	Granite No. 15
October 22 nd	Miramichi No. 44
November 2 nd	Philip A. Jerguson No. 18
November 11 th	Devon No. 37
November 18 th	St. Stephen No. 8 (Due to repairs being done in St. Stephen, held in Masonic Hall in Harvey Station)

Special events attended during the year:

- July 2nd: The Bubble ten, organized a cupcake selling Fundraiser for my special project, Camp Good me
- July 23rd: School of Instruction in St. Stephen was held
- July 24th: Attended the Daughter's of the Nile, Nereides Temple No. 78 reception
- August 14th: Hosted the first Sunspeil at our home with 55 people in attendance. We raised \$1085.00 to be split between our two charities
- August 18th: This was our first Official visit at my mother chapter, Celestial No. 3. I had two honour stations this evening Adah and Martha. Adah had been held for several year by Sister Norma Jean Belyea (accepted by Sister Carol Sutherland) and Treasurer by Sister Jean E. Duncan until recently due to health concerns (received by Paul Fullarton who delivered it to her). Both very special people in my Eastern Star journey. The Worthy Grand Matron due to health concerns could not attend this evening, 45 members were in attendance.
- September 6th: Official visit to Fidelity No. 36, a wonderful evening with 40 members attending. I received a beautiful, framed photograph done by Br. Gordon Rattray.
- September 8th: Lord Beaverbrook No. 33., here I received a beautiful hand stitched pillow with my wolf symbol embroidered on it, 40 members in attendance.
- September 13th: Victoria No. 1, the official visit was preceded by a homecooked meal, delicious. A fun evening as always was had by 40 members.
- September 20th: Zetland No. 26, An amazing variety of entrees and desserts were enjoyed by all, with a little something to take home. There were 41 in attendance.
- September 24th: Maine in New Brunswick Exchange, at the Fredericton Motor Inn, hosted by St. Stephen, Celestial & Devon Chapters.
- September 28th: Unity No. 35, this meeting was half way through our visits, 30 members had signed the guest book this evening. Unity collects in their bear, special project money to be counted and distributed in May. This year the amount was \$220.00, a very special Thank you.
- October 6th: Winston Churchill No. 19, I was unable to attend this Official visit, due to a personal commitment.

- October 8th: I was asked to bring greetings at Brother Laurie Bishop's reception as he is the General Grand Chapter Committee member on Service dogs. Fellowship, entertainment, and cold plate meal was enjoyed by all.
- October 10th: Frank H. Tingley No.5, this was the 100th Birthday celebration and our official visit. A meal was served for the meeting 51 members were in attendance I had the privilege of being present for their recognition of years of service awards.
- October 12th: Granite No. 15, the Chapter of our Grand Adah, Sister Danielle who is Worthy Matron greeted all. 30 members were in attendance. Sister Lynne Hatt was presented with a 50 year service certificate
- October 20th: This was the regular meeting of Celestial Chapter, it was special for two reasons, firstly it was held at the former Remembrance Chapter location because upon going into darkness many of its former members affiliated with Celestial Chapter and secondly because our Worthy Grand Matron was unable to attend the first Official visit, Sister Barbara made this her Official visit.
- October 22nd: Miramichi No.44, held their meeting on a Saturday afternoon where I was instructed to the fine art of baking (hair net included). 51 members signed the guest book with a great majority being Grand Representatives
- November 2nd: Philip A. Jerguson No. 18, An enjoyable day was had with Sister Margaret McCully presiding in the East. 28 members in attendance with a light lunch served afterwards.
- November 11th: Devon No. 37, my affiliated Chapter gave me a warm welcome with watch word in Mason jars to keep me on the right path. 37 members were in attendance.
- November 18st: St. Stephen No.8, was my final Official visit with our Grand Ruth, Sister Linda presiding in the East. Due to flooding in the St. Stephen Chapter this meeting was held in Harvey at Unity Chapter with 29 in attendance. Thank you, Unity Chapter for coming to the rescue.
- November 27th: Attended an Annual Church service at United Church in Fredericton.
- February 4th: Attended the Funspeil hosted by St. Stephen Chapter.
- March 19th: Eastern Star magazine committee meeting
- March 25th: Attended the installation of Sister Joyce Spence as Queen of Nereides Temple No. 78.

- April 8th: Attended the Installation of new officers to Weston Churchill No.19th, making this my unofficial visit. I was able to present a Grand Representative's commission to Sister Sylvia Bannister.
- April 10th: I had the pleasure of joining Sister Mildred Homer in the East to do the installation of officers for Frank H. Tingey. It was exciting to install first the Worthy Patron Sister Darlene Kaine. Also, for the first time I had the honour of presenting Brother Doug Kaine with his Past Patron's jewel.
- April 15th: Maine hosted the New Brunswick in Maine exchange, the host Chapter being Lunar Chapter. I was pleased to do the Worthy Patron's initiatory work at this exchange.
- April 17th: I performed the task, also for the first time as installing Marshal in St. Stephen Chapter. We were very excited to welcome another first time Worthy Patron Sister Martha Evans.
- April 22nd: I headed to Halifax, for the Maritime exchange. I had the pleasure of doing the initiatory work of the Worthy Grand Patron again.
- May 12th: I was able to represent the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star at the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.
- May 15th: I had the honour of presenting the Canadian flag at the Grand Chapter sessions in Maine, held in Bangor this year.
- May 27th: I was asked to speak at the reception for Lynda Swan, General Grand Chapter Committee Member for ESTARL. A lovely meal was served hosted by Victoria Chapter and St. Stephen Chapter.
- June 3rd: A Grand Family picnic was hosted here in Fredericton, many showed up for a very rainy day.
- June 4th: I attended an Eastern Star magazine committee meeting where several officers retired and a few new ones will resume their responsibilities.

At all my Official visits after dealing with the required announcement, I touched on the promotion of the Eastern Star magazine and talked about my special project, Camp Goodwill. I wish to thank each Chapter for all their generous support of my special project and the hospitality, and all courtesies shown to me.

Philip A Jerguson Chapter No. 18 By-Law change voted and approved by Chapter on Nov. 2nd 2022.

ARTICLE NO. II

Sect. 2 The Stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the first Wednesday of the month at the hour of 7:30 PM except the months of January and February.

Sect. 3 When a stated meeting falls on a holiday or conflicts with the Grand Chapter Sessions in July it shall be held the third Wednesday of July or may be changed by vote of the Chapter at a stated meeting and Members notified of such change.

Notice of Motion to change By - Laws of Victoria Chapter # 1

Article X1

Section 1 Initiation Fee for the degrees shall be ten dollars (10.00). Payment for degrees not be presented at a regular meeting accompanied by the initiation fee.

To be changed to:

Section 1 Initiation fee for the degrees shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00). Payment for degrees not be presented at a regular meeting accompanied by the initiation fee.

Section 2 Affiliation Fee- the fee for affiliation shall be five dollars (\$5.00) in which amount must accompany the application and in case of rejection be returned to the applicant.

To be changed to:

Section 2 Affiliation Fee- the fee for affiliation shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) this amount must accompany the application and in the case of rejection will be returned to the applicant.

Section 3 Annual Dues - There shall be an assessment of ten dollars (\$10.00) laid upon each member of this Chapter at each annual meeting which assessment shall become due and payable at that meeting

To be changed to:

Section 3 Annual Dues – There shall be an assessment of twenty dollars (\$20.00) laid upon each member of this chapter at each annual meeting This assessment shall become due and payable at that meeting

Section 4 New Members Dues – new Members shall be assessed ten dollars at the next stated meeting after they receive the degree. All such assessments shall become due and payable at the next they are assessed

Section 4 - delete

Notice of Motion for Frank H. Tingley No. 5

Article 4- Meetings

As it reads now...

Section 1 The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the second Monday of each month at seven-thirty o'clock p.m. The Chapter may, however, suspend its meeting during the months of July and August by resolution or by order of the Worthy Matron.

Changed to Read...

Section 1 The stated meeting of this Chapter shall be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at seven-thirty o'clock p.m. With the exception of the December meeting to be held on the third Wednesday of that month at seven-thirty p.m. The Chapter, may however, suspend its meeting during the months of July and August by resolution or by order of the Worthy Matron

Addendum to report

June 15th, Celestial Chapter #3 and Devon Chapter #37, initiated 4 new members, I attended in the East as the presiding Worthy Patron.

June 19th, At the regular meeting of St. Stephen Chapter meeting Sister Vicki and Brother Ross MacLeod were honored with receiving their 50-year pin. I had the pleasure of giving Brother Ross's to him.

June 25th. I attended the Supreme Queen, Patricia (Patty) Larimore's visit to Nereides Temple No. 78, as a representative of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, Order of the Eastern Star.

Distribution Committee Report - 2022-2023
Margaret Jagoe, GGCCM Heart, Past Grand Matron

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

We, the Distribution Committee, have reviewed the reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and find them to be in order. These reports were distributed to the Jurisprudence Committee within the recommended time frame. The reports and financial records of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were submitted to the Audit Committee shortly after the close of the Grand Chapter fiscal year end.

We thank the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer for submitting their reports in a timely manner.

Elaine I MacLean, PGM

Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe, GGCCM Chair

It was moved by Allan Gillis, PGP and seconded by Laurie Bishop, GGCCM, that the reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer be tabled pending the Auditors Report

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

Doug Swan, Past Grand Patron, Grand Secretary

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

Another year has been written in the history books of our Grand Chapter and another year has slipped by all too quickly.

It has been another busy year in the Grand Secretarie's office. Normal office routines were completed, correspondence by email and written were responded to, Grand Representative Commissions were prepared and mailed out as well as Grand Representative Commissions were requested, received recorded and delivered to our Worthy Grand Matron and / or Worthy Grand Patron for delivery. Warrants were prepared for payment of bills and expenses. I extended sympathy to other jurisdictions on behalf of our Grand Chapter.

Annual Per Capita reports were sent to chapter secretaries for completion and return, of which I compiled their information and completed the Annual return for our Grand Jurisdiction. For this year, at the end of May 2023, our memberships is 581 members. We had 8 initiations and 6 affiliations. Unfortunately, we lost 81 members through death, demits and suspensions.

Proceedings were completed and a hard copy was sent to the Junior Past Grand Matron, Junior Past Grand Patron and a Past Grand Matron for proofing. Once returned, a copy was sent to website and was posted and a copy to the printer for printing. Hard copies are no longer sent to Sister Jurisdictions or to General Grand Chapter so this has been a significant saving in printing and mail costs.

To the Chapter Secretaries, thank you for all you do for your chapters. It is a busy role, and many members are not aware of the workload you have for your chapters. I appreciate all you have done for me.

To our Grand Treasurer Sister Debbie Cawker. It has been a pleasure working with you this year. There were a few challenges getting up and running with the bank, but you were a trooper and held on. Congratulations on a job well done in your first year as our Grand Treasurer.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin. I am pleased to be among the first to congratulate you on a successful year as the leaders of our jurisdiction. It has been a pleasure working with both of you.

Sister Brenda and Brother Ross. Let me congratulate you on your willingness to be our leaders next year. You will have a great year and I look forward to working with you both.

To the elected Grand Officers – I look forward to watching and helping you on your journey to the East of our Grand Chapter. The time will pass all too quickly, so be sure to take the time to enjoy the trip.

To the Appointed Grand Officers and Assistants. I hope you have enjoyed your year as the chosen officers for our Grand Chapter.

To my secretary assistant Sister Candace, I appreciate you agreeing to be my assistant this year. You do a great job keeping up with the pace and keeping the records of the session in proper order.

To my Page, Sister Jean Kelly. You have been my page for a number of years and I am grateful you agreed, without hesitation, to be my page again this year. You do a wonderful job and I appreciate all you do.

To our New Brunswick members. Thank you for your continued trust in having me as your Grand Secretary. I enjoy working for you.

Finally, to my Wife, Sister Lynda, thank you for your ongoing support. I always say that behind every good man is a strong woman - usually rolling her eyes. She is my proofreader as I can prepare text on my computer and the screen looks so nice, I print it off and show Lynda but when it comes back, I can hardly read it for all the red marks circles and strikeouts. If you receive a letter and you see a mistake you'll know that Lynda did not proof it before it went out.

My report was distributed at registration. Does anyone have any questions?

I move the acceptance of my report and this report be tabled pending the approval of the auditor's report.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT
Doug Swan, Past Grand Patron, Grand Secretary

June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023

GENERAL FUND FOR THE GRAND SECRETARY

Money received by Grand Secretary:

Lottie L. Kyle	2160.00
ESTARL	1230.37
Special Account, Service Dogs	436.07
General Funds	<u>21415.26</u>
TOTAL RECEIVED	<u>25241.70</u>

Transferred to the Grand Treasurer	25241.70
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PETTY CASH FUND
June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023

Balance as of June 1, 2022	624.28
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Receipts:

From Grand Treasurer	<u>1356.53</u>	
Total Receipts	1356.53	<u>1356.53</u>
		1980.81

Disbursements:

Phone, internet and Long Distance	960.00	
Supplies	68.99	
Postage	158.54	
Safety Deposit Box	69.00	
Misc.: out of pocket expenses (Gr Chapter		
2022, US Post	<u>100.00</u>	
Total Disbursements	1356.53	<u>1356.53</u>
Balance as of May 31, 2023		624.28

DISBURSEMENTS

Honourariums:

Donald Williams, PGP, Grand Treasurer	600.00
Doug Swan, PGP, Grand Secretary	1,600.00
Candace Duplisea, Grand Secretary Assistant	150.00

Travel Expenses:

Barbara Greenlaw, WGM	754.50
Kevin Wilson, WGP	693.75
Brenda McGibbon, DDGM	286.00
Maxine MacMillan, DDGM	234.50
Vicki MacLeod, DDGM	158.00

Printing:

Printing of Session Booklets	540.90
Printing Proceedings 2021-2022	689.71

Donations:

Memorials: Pauline Allan, PGM, Clinton Shaffer, PGP,	100.00
Arthritis Society of New Brunswick	2136.07
Camp Goodtime	10,893.07
NB Childrens Foundation	1060.09
Childrens Dyslexic Centre of NB	1060.08
Lottie L Kyle Scholarships	3250.00

Expenses:

JM & CW Hope Grant – Liability Insurance	1317.00
General Convenor 2022-2023 Session	2000.00
Complimentary meals Grand Chapter	650.93
Grand Chapter Quebec – service pins	89.92
Petty Cash Replacement	1356.53
Magee Jewellers (Jewels for Junior PGM and PGP)	1587.00
Allan Gillis, PGP (Flag cleaning and posts for seating signs)	158.51
General Grand Chapter:	
Supplies: Dues Cards 2022 \$117.50 US	156.77
Dues Cards 2023 \$69.84 US	103.43
Rituals, \$320.80 US	437.96
Sign in Registers \$113.08 US	152.30
Rituals \$288.56 US	394.72
Per Capita and International Temple \$1430.00 US	<u>1851.12</u>

Total Disbursements

34462.86

GRAND TREASURERS REPORT
Debbie Cawker, Grand Treasurer

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been a privilege for me to submit to you my Financial Report for 2022-2023.

It has been a year of learning for me as your Grand Treasurer and it has been an honor to serve this Grand Jurisdiction. I paid the warrants quickly upon receiving them and sent out all the quarterly reports in a timely manner. The GIC's were reinvested, taking advantage of the higher interest rates annually. I changed the Bank account to a better service package; 30 e-transfers per month, no service fees as long as \$5000.00 is maintained in the account each month.

Brother Don, thank you as everything was organized and easy to follow and I appreciate it. It has been a pleasure working with Brother Doug, Grand Secretary, who is always very helpful and patient even though he is extremely busy with his duties. Thank you for your friendship and assistance. I wish to thank our Finance and Audit committees for standing by if I needed their advice and guidance. It has been a pleasure working with all of you.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, it has been a pleasure to be a part of your Grand Family. As your "Living in the Light" sessions come to a close; I wish you both fond memories of this time in the years to come. Sister Brenda and Brother Ross, my wish for you both a wonderful and successful year. Your time to lead our Grand Chapter is almost here and I look forward to being part of your Grand Family.

To the membership of this Grand Chapter – Those two small words that say so much "Thank you" for electing me as your Grand Treasurer. I have enjoyed this position immensely.

My report was distributed at registration. Does anyone have any questions? I move my report be tabled pending the auditor's report.

Respectfully submitted,

Sister Debbie Cawker, Grand Treasurer

GRAND TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 1, 2022- May 31, 2023

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance Forward June 1, 2022 \$ 8,240.75

RECEIPTS:

Received from Gr. Secretary for General	\$21,415.26	
CIBC Service Charge Adjustment	\$ 22.00	
Hope Grant Ins Chq #679 -not debited from acct (Destroyed at Processing Centre)	\$ 1,317.00	
Hope Grant Ins Chq #683 not debited from acct (Lost in Mail)	\$ 1,317.00	
Transfer from Special Account	<u>\$ 10,180.00</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	<u>\$ 34,251.26</u>	<u>\$ 34,251.26</u>
		<u>\$ 42,492.01</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Candace Duplisea - Secretary Assist. at Gr. Chapter	\$ 150.00
Gr. Treasurer Honourarium	\$ 600.00
Gr. Secretary Honourarium	\$ 1,600.00
KK Print Woodstock - Session Booklets	\$ 540.90
Magee Jewellers & Designers	\$ 1,587.00
Complimentary Meals <u>17@\$38.29</u>	\$ 650.93
GC Insurance JM & CW Hope Grant Ltd. (Outstanding)	\$ 1,317.00
Allan Gillis GGC Cleaning Supplies & Seating Signs	\$ 158.51
GC Insurance Hope Grant Ltd. – Reissued Chq #683	\$ 1,317.00
GC Insurance Hope Grant Ltd. – E-transfer	\$ 1,317.00
Grand Chapter of Quebec, OES	\$ 89.92
WGP Official visits mileage 2274km @ \$0.25/km	\$ 693.75
Vicki MacLeod DDGM Official Visit Mileage <u>632KM@\$0.25/KM</u>	\$ 158.00
Grand Chapter 2023	\$ 2,000.00
Maxine MacMillan DDGM Official Visit Mileage <u>938KM@\$0.25/KM</u>	\$ 234.50
Barbara Greenlaw WGM Official Visit Mileage <u>3018KM@\$0.25/KM</u>	\$ 754.50
Brenda McGibbon DDGM Official Visit Mileage 1144 <u>KM@\$0.25/KM</u>	\$ 286.00
KKP Woodstock Printing Proceedings 2021-2022	\$ 689.71
Grand Chapter of NB (Petty Cash Reimbursement Gr. Secretary)	\$ 1,356.53
Deluxe Bags/Slip/Cheques	\$ 132.40

Bank Fees (June 2022 – May 2023) and Fees (June 2022 – May 2023)	\$ 84.67
Subtotal	15718.32
<u>GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER</u>	
GGC Rituals \$320.80 US for \$437.96 Cdn	\$ 437.96
GGC Dues Cards \$117.50 US for \$156.77 Cdn	\$ 156.77
GGC Per Capita & Int. Hdqtrs Fund \$1430 US for \$1851.12 Cdn	\$ 1,851.12
GGC 2xRegister \$113.08US for \$152.30 Cdn incl S/C	\$ 152.30
GGC Uniform Receipt for Dues 2022 \$69.84 US/\$103.43 Cdn	\$ 103.43
GGC Rituals – US \$288.56 for \$394.72 Cdn	\$ 394.72
Subtotal	\$ 3,096.30

MEMORIALS: to WGM & WGP Special Project

Memorial Donation – PGM F. Pauline Allan	\$ 50.00
Memorial Donation – PGP Clinton Shaffer	\$ 50.00
Subtotal	\$ 100.00

DONATIONS:

WGM Special Project Arthritis Society of NB	\$ 2,136.07
WGP Special Project Camp Goodtime	\$ 10,893.07
WGM (L. Williams) Spec Proj Children's Foundation	\$ 1,060.09
WGP (D. Munn) Spec Proj Children's Dyslexia NB	\$ 1,060.08
Subtotal	\$15,149.31

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$34,063.93 **\$34,063.93**

BANK BALANCE Forward MAY 31, 2023 **\$ 8,428.08**

GRAND TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 1, 2022- May 31, 2023

SERVICE DOG ACCOUNT

Balance Forward June 1, 2022		\$ 795.00
RECEIPTS: Received from Gr. Secretary	\$ 436.07	\$ 436.07
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	\$ 0.00	
DISBURSEMENTS:	\$ 0.00	
BANK BALANCE MAY 31, 2023		\$ 1,231.07
AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR SERVICE DOG Awards		\$ 1,231.07

GRAND TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 1, 2022- May 31, 2023

LOTTIE L. KYLE ACCOUNT

Balance Forward June 1, 2022 \$ 2,920.48

RECEIPTS:

Received from Gr. Secretary \$ 2,160.00

Redeemed GIC 00841 LLK \$ 5,459.73

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$ 7,619.73 \$ 7,619.73

\$10540.21

CHEQUES NOT DEBITED FROM ACCT:

Alexa MacNeill (nsf on her acct) \$ 250.00

Katie Dickinson (incorrect address/returned) \$ 250.00

TOTAL: \$ 500.00 \$ 500.00

\$11,040.21

DISBURSEMENTS:

L. L. Kyle Scholarship -:

Emma Kelly \$ 1,000.00

Meredith D. Gillis \$ 250.00

Katie Lynn Dickinson \$ 250.00

Jessica Reid \$ 250.00

Zoey Amelia McNamara \$ 250.00

Alexa Jacqueline E. MacNeil \$ 250.00

Joshua Power \$ 250.00

Brigid Heather McCormack \$ 250.00

Bryce Stockford \$ 250.00

Robin Reid \$ 250.00

Subtotal \$ 3,250.00

REISSUED LLK CHQ

Alexa Jacqueline E. MacNeil \$ 250.00

Katie Lynn Dickinson \$ 250.00

Subtotal \$ 3,750.00

Purchased GIC #965 @2.40/1 year \$ 5,544.79

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 9,294.79 \$ 9,294.79

BANK BALANCE MAY 31, 2023 \$ 1,755.42

Available for scholarships > Sept 1st: GIC 00841 \$ 5,544.79

Note: GIC is redeemable at any time with a reduced return. \$ 7,300.21

GRAND TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023

ESTARL ACCOUNT

Balance Forward June 1, 2022 \$ 810.94

RECEIPTS:

Received from Gr. Secretary	\$ 1,230.37	
Redeem GIC 00868 ESTARL Aug 31st	<u>\$ 8,915.52</u>	
	\$10,145.89	<u>\$10,145.89</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$10,956.83

DISBURSEMENTS:

Buy Flex Rate GIC 00868		
\$10301.52@2.4% Red.> 1mo. / 1 yr.	\$10,301.52	
ESTARL Scholarship – No Applicants	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	<u>\$ 10,301.52</u>	<u>\$10,301.52</u>

BANK BALANCE MAY 31, 2023 \$ 655.31

Available for scholarships > Sept 1st: GIC 00868 \$10,301.52

Note: GIC is redeemable at any time with a reduced return. \$10,956.83

GRAND TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023

SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Balance Forward June 1, 2022 \$ 12,758.42

RECEIPTS:

Redeem BBGIC 00833 @ 0.45% / 1yr	\$ 20,090.00	
Redeem FLGIC 00884 \$20,000 @ 0.40% / 1 YR	\$ 20,080.00	
Redeem BBGIC-00906 \$25,000 @ 0.45% / 1 YR	\$ 25,112.50	
Redeem GIC BBLT-00922 \$20,000 @ 0.90% / 1 Yr.	<u>\$ 20,180.00</u>	
	\$ 85,462.50	<u>\$ 85,462.50</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$ 98,220.92

DISBURSEMENTS:

Purchase BR GIC 00833 \$20,090	
Matures Aug 31, 2023 (3.5%)	\$ 20,090.00
Purchase FL GIC 00884 \$20,080	
Matures Sep 28, 2023 (2.40%)	\$ 20,080.00
Purchase BR GIC 01007 \$25,112.50	
Matures Nov 9, 2023 (4.15%)	\$ 25,112.50

Purchase BR GIC 00922	\$20,000.00	
Matures Feb 9, 2024 (3.5%)	\$ 20,000.00	
Transfer to General	<u>\$ 10,180.00</u>	
Total Disbursements	\$ 95,462.50	<u>\$ 95,462.50</u>
BANK BALANCE May 31, 2023		\$ 2,758.42

INVESTMENTS & ASSETS

Balances Forward June 1, 2022

Special Account Balance May 31, 2023	\$ 2,758.42	
General Balance May 31, 2023	\$ 8,428.08	
LLKyle Balance May 31, 2023	\$ 1,745.42	
ESTARL Balance May 31, 2023	\$ 655.31	
Service Dog Balance May 31, 2023	<u>\$ 1,231.07</u>	
Ledger Balance May 31, 2023	\$ 14,818.30	\$ 14,818.30

INVESTMENTS:

BR GIC 00833 \$20,090		
Matures Aug 31, 2023 (3.5%)	\$ 20,090.00	
FL GIC 00884 \$20,080		
Matures Sep 28, 2023 (2.40%)	\$ 20,080.00	
BR GIC 01007 \$25,112.50		
Matures Nov 9, 2023 (4.15%)	\$ 25,112.50	
BR GIC 00922 \$20,000		
Matures Feb 9, 2024 (3.5%)	<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>	
Total of Investments as of May 31, 2023	\$ 85,282.50	\$ 85,282.50

OTHER INVESTMENTS:

LLK Flex GIC 00841		
Redeemable > 1 mo. (Mat. Aug31)	\$ 5,544.79	
ESTARL Flex GIC 00868		
Redeemable > 1 mo. (Mat. Aug 31)	<u>\$ 10,301.52</u>	
TTLI of Other Investments as of May 31, 2023	\$ 15,846.31	<u>\$ 15,846.31</u>

TOTAL NET ASSETS HELD BY TREASURER May 31, 2023 \$115,949.11

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers: on June 27th 2023 sister Lynn Hutchin, Past Grand Matron and I of the audit committee met to examine the books of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer along with all information presented to us by these officers for the year ending May 31st 2023. Brother Phillip Belyea was unable to attend due to illness.

After examination of the books presented, we the Audit Committee are in agreement of the financial statements, presented to the membership, are an accurate account of the financial position of this Grand Chapter as of May 31st, 2023.

We thank the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for their work on our behalf and thank them for their continued support of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for allowing us to serve this Grand Jurisdictions as members of the audit committee.

Lynn Hutchin, PGM

Dorothy Allan, PM, Chair

Dorothy Allan, PM moved and seconded by Lynn Hutchin, PGM, that the Auditors Report be accepted, and that the Grand Secretary's and Grand Treasurer's Reports be lifted from the table and accepted as read. Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT 2022 - 2023

Robert McInnes, Past Grand Matron, Chair

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

We the Finance Committee present this report for the year June1st, 2022 to May 31st, 2023.

Warrants Numbering #1 to #29 were presented to the committee and approved for payment.

All warrants and applicable information were emailed to all of the committee members. This allowed us to respond in a timely manner allowing the treasurer to pay all bills promptly. All warrants met the approval of the committee members.

I would like to thank the members of the finance committee Sister Carol Sutherland PGM and Sister Lynda Williams PGM for their work and attention to detail and Sister Debbie Cawker Grand Treasurer and Brother Doug Swan, PGP and Grand Secretary for their work in presenting the warrants in a timely manner and answering any questions we may have had throughout the year.

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

Lynda Williams, PGM

Carol Sutherland, PGM

Robert McInnes, PGP, Chairperson

It was moved by Robert McInnes, PGP, and seconded by Lynda Williams, PGM, that the report be accepted as read. Report was accepted as read.

An alarm was heard from the magazine table. A ticket was drawn and the winner was Peggy Jagoe, GGCCM. A second ticket was drawn and the winner was Nathalie Smith, Grand Representative of NB in New York.

Announcements:

Brother Kevin, WGP announced that tickets for the items at the back were on sale at the magazine table. All proceeds will go to the WGM's Special Project.

An announcement was made by RW Billie Bradfield, Assoc. Grand Matron that the appointments for General Grand Chapter will be presented at CanAM in Niagara Falls March 1, 2 and 3, 2024.

The Grand Marshal called the Friday morning sessions from labour to refreshment to reconvene at 1:45 PM with a presentation by Mildred Homer, PGM and the Mason-Star Brothers.

Presentation by Star Masons

Mildred Homer, Past Grand Matron, Narrator

Tonight, we pause for a few moments to honor the brothers of our Order. Founded in the mid 1800's by Dr. Rob Morris, a very prominent Mason, the Order of the Eastern Star was created to allow women to join with their Masonic relatives in promoting the values and charitable purposes that are so known to the Masonic fraternity. Over the years the Order of the Eastern Star has made some changes but has always remained rooted in its charitable endeavors and fraternal fellowship, both of which are drawn from the masonic fraternity.

Our Masonic brothers are very important to our order. In fact, no chapter can be formed without a brother. In our chapters brothers are given the responsibility of conveying some of the lessons of our beautiful order while before the meeting. Sometimes a brother may be seen carrying a hammer to do some maintenance work or don a chef's hat to make lunch. We appreciate everything the brothers do for our meetings and tonight we are calling upon them to trade in the carpenter belt and chef's hat for formal attire, complete with white gloves, so that we may honor them as they prepare the labyrinth for our opening ceremony.

Every Mason strives to value brotherly love, relief and truth. However, that is not always easily visible in a man. To show the world that he is one who has brotherly love, encompasses relief and values truth, the mason often wears a Masonic Ring. This shows the people he meets, the kind of person he is - someone who could be trusted as a true friend. Some Masons purchase a Masonic Ring with the centre surrounded with diamonds. This is meant, not for the adornment, but only to draw attention to the noted G within the Square and Compasses which will identify the quality of the wearer.

The music for this ceremony this afternoon is provided by Howie Damron, his rendition of the Masonic Ring.
The Brothers will now place the Star Point Officers chairs.

The brothers place the star point officers chairs, pedestals, and emblems while the song plays.

The WGP places the Bible on the Altar.

THE MASONIC RING

*He always shines a special light
To everyone he meets
He loves to talk
And shake the hands
Of everyone he greets*

*He's always optimistic
He'll give you anything
On his hand he proudly wears a ring*

*I'd seen the emblem often
On signs in many towns
And you'll see it on old tombstones
In graveyards all around
So I asked if he would tell me
Exactly what it means
He smiled and said
I'll tell you about this ring*

*It's the way that I can tell the world
The kind of man I am
And I put my trust
In God above
And for brotherhood I stand
It reminds me to be honest
To remember whence I came
I'm a man that you can count on
That's why I wear this ring*

*So with shaking voice
I returned all my three degrees
And just before I saw the light
While bending on my knees
The room was all so silent
All at once I got to see
My eyes began to focus
On Dad and my own ring*

*It's the way that I can tell the world
The kind of man I am
And I put my trust
In God above
And for brotherhood I stand
It reminds me to be honest
To remember whence I came
I'm a man that you can count on
That's why I wear this ring*

FRIDAY AFTERNOON JULY 7, 2023 - 2:00 PM

The Friday Afternoon Session was preceded by a musical prelude by the Grand Organist, Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Mary Pelletier. The Pages, Guards and Assistants assumed their stations.

CALL TO ORDER

Mildred Homer, Past Grand Matron

John Murray, Past Grand Patron

Mildred Homer, Past Grand Matron

Good afternoon Sisters and Brothers. It is an honour and a privilege for me to share the East with Brother John, and to extend a sincere welcome to each of you to this Friday afternoon "Living In The Light" Session.

As we continue with the reports of Grand Chapter and later join together in paying tribute to the memory of our departed Sisters and Brothers who have left their Legacy with us

It is indeed a pleasure to welcome our Sisters and Brothers from other Grand Jurisdictions. We are honoured to have you with us and hope you continue to enjoy our sessions and time with us.

I extend a sincere welcome to our own faithful members and wish for you a rewarding Grand Chapter Session as you make new friends and renew old acquaintances,

Brother John it is a pleasure to share the East with you. May we hear from you at this time?

John Murray, Past Grand Patron

It is indeed a pleasure to assist Sister Mildred in opening this afternoon session of "Living in the Light".

I extend a warm welcome to each and every member and a special welcome to our visiting sisters and brothers some of whom have travelled many miles to be with us. Your presence shows your love and devotion to our order.

To our own faithful New Brunswick members , we welcome you and ask for your continued support and participation. May each of us benefit from this Grand Chapter.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter Room.

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

Mildred Homer, Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Kevin. Welcome to your Friday afternoon session of your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter.

Sister Barbara, you are to be commended on your year of service which is quickly coming to a close. I am sure you will be rewarded with many happy memories of your achievements. As a Past Grand Matron, it will be my pleasure to welcome you to the back of the line.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, you have supported your Worthy Grand Matron with dedication and competence. This being your second time as our Worthy Grand Patron, you did not disappoint us the first time and you certainly did not disappoint us this time either. Congratulations on a very successful year.

Brother John, would you bring your message now?

John Murray, Past Grand Patron

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin thank you for the privilege of participating in this opening of your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session and to share this privilege with Sister Mildred. You have both worked hard and travelled many miles this past year and I thank you for your dedication to our beautiful order. You are now about to begin an important part of your duties as you oversee your sessions and look after the business that needs to be done.

Sister Barbara, you have faced many health problems and I congratulate you on your courage and tenacity of continual working towards your goal.

Brother Kevin, I once again commend you on your work this past year and to your dedication to our order. You have travelled many, many miles. No matter what chapter we visited this past year, you were undoubtedly there. It's encouraging to see this much dedication.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin thank you for your dedication and I hope your sessions are as successful as you could possibly hope for.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours. Sister Mildred presented Sister Barbara with her gavel. The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Mildred and Brother John:

Thank you so much for opening the Friday afternoon session of this "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter session. Each of you has been so encouraging to me during my journey to the East of this Grand Chapter,

and I am very blessed to have you as my friends. I hold you both in great esteem and thank you for all the encouragement and support you have given to me.

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

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Mildred, it is indeed my honor to share this stage with you. You have been a loyal friend and supporter from day one, always going above and beyond with your vests, supporting Funspiels and your passion for our order is truly laudable.

Brother John, I have always admired you as a role model, future WGP's would be wise to emulate you. Your advice to me when I was AGP the first time was "to be myself" has served me well over the last four years.

Brother John, please accept this gift as a token of our esteem and appreciation.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sisters and Brothers, welcome back to our "Living in the Light" Friday afternoon session. I hope everyone had a chance to sit for a minute and put your feet up. After a delicious lunch, I think it quite natural to want a short nap, but I am so glad you are here.

Be bold enough to use your voice, brave enough to listen to your heart, and strong enough to live the life you always imagined.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sisters and Brothers, I hope everyone enjoyed their lunch, and please enjoy this Friday afternoon session.

The Invocation was given by Carol Sutherland, PGM.

INVOCATION

**Written by Margaret McCully, PGM
and presented by Carol Sutherland, PGM**

Our heavenly Father, we realize the importance of having your presence with us as we continue the business of the living in The Light" Grand Chapter Session.

We especially reflect on those who have gone before us. Let Thy spirit rest upon us that we may be kind and charitable in word and deed.

We ask your blessings on this day and may each thing that is done be only for good to inspire us to greater work in the future.

Bless and guide our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin and give them strength as they continue to serve.

All these things we ask in Thy name. Amen

The Worthy Grand Matrons scripture for the afternoon was from Matthew 5:16 – “Let your light so shine before others, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”

A beautiful song entitled, “You Raise Me Up”, was rendered by Ruth Holden, PM from Maine. Sister Barbara, WGM, thanked her for the sharing that message with us as that particular piece had special meaning for her mother and herself. She thanked her for bringing back those sweet memories.

Introductions:

Presentation of Distinguished Guests not previously introduced:

Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick

Brother Graham Vincent

Past Grand Patron of other Grand Jurisdictions:

Brother Brent Jervis of Maine

The minutes of the Friday morning session were read. It was moved by Doug Swan, PGP, Grand Secretary that the minutes be accepted as read. They were approved.

An alarm was heard from the magazine table. A ticket was drawn, and the winner was Sister Margaret Coombs of Maine. Another ticket was drawn, and the winner was Betty Danks, PGM. A third ticket was drawn, and the winner was Annie Watson, PM.

OES MAGAZINE REPORT 2023

DONALD WILLIAMS, PGP – CHAIRMAN

WGM, WGP, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, PGMs, PGPs, Distinguished Guests, Sisters & Brothers,

Sixteen years ago, we almost closed the Eastern Star Magazine which has been published regularly four times a year since 1949. There were good reasons given - the magazine was too costly to print and to mail, subscription money was almost gone, subscriptions price was \$10 per year, and it was felt that no one would pay more than that for a fraternal publication.

Sister Donna Allen was asked to see what we can do to keep it alive. She contacted me and several others and a new committee was formed. We had a few challenges right away. With money short and only a month to design and fill our next issue, we decided that we needed to format and publish the magazine ourselves. This would save \$700.00 per issue or \$2800 a year.

Somehow, we did it! The first magazine was a little rough around the edges, but it worked. We revived the advertising, made Christmas Greetings desirable and received support from the Chapters. Everyone pitched in after a few months we were actually moving into the black, growing more financially secure and increasing our subscriptions with each issue.

Five of us stuck with it since 2007, Donna and Colin Allen, Dorothy Allan, myself and Lynda Williams. Where did the time go! Sixteen years have gone by and it is time for change and new ideas.

NEW COMMITTEE

Transitional Chair	Donald Williams, PGP*
Advertising	Kevin Wilson, WGP,PGP*
Mailing and Distribution	Connie MacPherson, WM Leonard Mosher, PP
Secretary – Treasurer	Doug Swan, PGP, Grand Secretary
Subscriptions	Lynda Williams, PGM*
Editor / Publisher	Debbie Hill, PGM
Homemaker Page	Cindy Wilson, Grand Martha*
Proofing	Lynda Swan, GGCCM
Funny Bones	Joan Riddle, PM, Australia*
What's that word	Corley Byras, PGM, Maine*

The new committee takes over creation publication with the August 2023 magazine. Some of the old group are staying on* to ensure continuity of the 74 year old publication. The full list of volunteers these 16 years was published on page 32 of the May 2023 magazine. A huge thank you to all of our 'retirees' for your dedication and a big thank you to our new volunteers.

DEBBIE HILL, PGM, EDITOR

WGM, WGP, I am not sure yet what I'm doing but I'm going to do the best I can. The next issue might be a little late I have the Home Makers Page done, but the rest I am still working on. Everybody received the green paper survey so please fill it out and put on our desk. We really want to know what your feelings are - if there are any changes you would

like to see, and things you don't like to see in the magazine or if you would like to start getting the magazine. We also are trying to raise some money, so we still have the calendars, they are \$5 each – only 15 left.

I just want to thank everybody for their kind words and all their support on the magazine and we will try to fill Don and Donna's shoes and do the best we can. Thank you all.

Brother Donald Williams, PGP moved and Sister Debbie Hill, PGM, seconded that the report be accepted as read. It was accepted.

Sister Barbara, WGM, thanked Brother Don Williams and the previous magazine committee for all of their diligent and faithful work on the magazine for our Grand Chapter.

NEW BRUNSWICK EASTERN STAR MAGAZINE FINANCIAL REPORT

Doug Swan, PGP Secretary/Treasurer

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sister and Brothers. I am pleased to present the following financial report for the N.B. Eastern Star Magazine for the period April, 2022 to May 31, 2023.

Balance forward April 1 st 2022	\$2095.94
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RECEIPTS

Subscriptions	\$ 3315.07	
Donations	\$ 1602.85	
Memorials	\$ 95.00	
Christmas Greetings	\$ 1280.00	
Advertising	\$ 1427.50	
Thank yous	\$55.00	
Total Receipts	\$ 7775.42	\$9871.36

EXPENDITURES

Printing	\$ 3949.07
Postage	\$ 1020.35
Bank charges	\$ 92.47
Honorarium	\$ 2000.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 7061.89

BALANCE MAY 31, 2023	\$ 2809.47
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I took over as Secretary Treasurer from Dorothy Allan, after the annual meeting in June 2023. We are to commend Dorothy for her 35 years of service to this position. It was decided that we would change the year end to May 31 from March 31 to show all the activities posted up to the transition from old executive to the new executive.

Money is always a concern, and we hope we can entice all members of New Brunswick to purchase a subscription. We are trying a fundraiser this year by selling pocket calendars. If profitable, we will look at doing it again. Fundraising is not what we really want to do, but rather than raise subscription prices, we are looking at other sources of revenue. We are not a profit-making entity, but we do want to break even by year end.

Subscriptions do not cover the bills and we rely on Christmas Greetings, donations, and advertisers to make up the balance. We encourage members to support the magazine by buying a subscription for themselves or a member or counterpart in another jurisdiction, make a donation as a gift, an in memoriam, in honour of or on the occasion of a special event. The amount of donation is up to the donor, but all donations are appreciated.

We thank the previous committee for the work they did to deliver a high-quality magazine to you, and wish Donna, Colin and Dorothy a happy retirement. They left a huge void which the new members will try to replace. We thank the others who are staying on – Don, Lynda, Kevin and Cindy. We will all work together to deliver the same quality magazine.

Doug Swan, PGP moved and Debbie Hill, PGM, seconded that the report be accepted as read. The report was accepted as read.

ESTARL

The Committee had no applications and had nothing to report.

LOTTIE L KYLE MEMORIAL AND EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Ann McLellan, WM #1

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

The committee awarded fourteen scholarships.

The \$1,000.00 scholarship was awarded to Bruce Stairs.

There were 13 scholarships valued at \$250.00 each that were awarded. The total amount awarded was \$3250.00,

It was moved by Ann McLellan and seconded by Cindy Wilson that the report be accepted as presented. It was accepted.

OES WEBSITE
Lynne Hatt, PGM

Sister Winnie does what she can with what information she has, and I've always said this - you cannot put the information on if you don't receive it. Brother Don I'm sure would welcome any feedback that anybody would have, and I am very proud of our web page. If you look at the other jurisdictions there are some nice ones but I'm very proud of what our jurisdiction has. Brother Don designs our web page. As an advisor, I would just like to say to our membership please get anything you would like to see on the website, any information, anything for the chapter get it to Brother Don and he will put it on. Thank you.

It was moved by Sister Lynne Hatt, PGM, and seconded by Donald Williams, PGP that the report be accepted as given. Report was accepted.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

At this time in our Grand Chapter Sessions, we pause to pay tribute to the memory of our Sisters and Brothers who have departed from this life. We will have the Report of the Grand Chaplain, Brother Geoffrey Hutchin.

GRAND CHAPLAIN'S REPORT
Geoffrey Hutchin, Grand Chaplain

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, it has been an honour and pleasure to be a part of your Grand Family during your "Living In The Light" Grand Chapter year.

It is with deep sadness and regret that we mourn the loss of 25 members in the Grand Jurisdiction of New Brunswick from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023. Cards of sympathy were sent by the Grand Chaplain to the subordinate chapters on behalf of the Grand Chapter.

It was also with sadness that we mourned the loss of a Past Grand Matron and a Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick.

Sister Pauline Allan, PGM. Sister Pauline served as our Worthy Grand Matron 1981-1982.

Brother Clinton Shaffer, PGP, Brother Clinton served as our Worthy Grand Patron 1986-1987.

In other Grand jurisdictions, we share in the sorrow of their losses.

Nothing Gold Can Stay by Robert Frost

Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for the privilege of serving as your Grand Chaplain.

I move that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.

The following memorial was read by Betty Danks, PGM:



***F. Pauline Allan
Past Grand Matron
1981 – 1982
Grand Chapter of New Brunswick
Order of the Eastern Star***

Sister F. Pauline Allan, PGM, passed away on Sunday November 20, 2022 at the age of 102. She was initiated into membership in Saint John Chapter #14 on February 28, 1940. She became a Charter Member of Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18, in 1945. She served as Worthy Matron for the two Chapters and has had several offices in both Chapters. Sister Pauline served as a Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, in New Brunswick. In 1981 she was elected Worthy Grand Matron of New Brunswick and in 1982, along with her Worthy Grand Patron, Douglas Hannah held their "Precious Jewels" Grand Chapter Session.

Pauline's early exposure to the wider Eastern Star world occurred in 1946 in Tampa Florida where she attended the installation of our New Brunswick Brother R. Donald Stewart as MWGP. Since then, she has attended several Triennial Assemblies of General Grand Chapter.

She was honoured by an appointment as Worthy Grand Warder from 1982 – 1985. As an officer of the General Grand Chapter, Pauline attended the Grand Sessions of most jurisdictions throughout the United States and

Canada. In 1967, she travelled to Naples, Italy for the Institution of Naples Chapter No. 1. This was the first chapter in Italy formed under General Grand Chapter. Pauline served as Ambassador to New Jersey from 2000-2003. In 2010 she was presented with a seventy-year membership pin from her mother Chapter. Sister Pauline has been a member of Eastern Star for 82 years.

She was predeceased by her parents Giles and Eva (Givan) Allan and 5 siblings. She is survived by one sister-in-law, six nephews and nieces, seventeen grand-nieces, nephews and great-grand nieces and nephews.

Proudly employed for forty-four years with NBTel and Aliant Telephone, she retired in 1981. She was a life-long member of the United Church of Canada

An Eastern Star Service was held on Sunday November 27 and her funeral service was held at 11:00 on Monday November 28 from the Carleton-Kirk United Church.

To a beautiful Garden, Sister Pauline has gone
To the land of perfect rest.
Her work is done, and the setting sun
Has sealed her life long quest.
She has left this earthly garden
For a home beyond the sea
Though she is gone, she still lives on
In our garden of memory.

Nancy Keirstead, PGM, read Clinton Shaffer's memorial:



***Clinton Shaffer
Past Grand Patron 1986-1987
Grand Chapter of
New Brunswick
Order of the Eastern Star***

Born April 7, 1930 in Beaverbrook, NB to Stanley & Janey (Steeves), he began work in the woods at age 13; worked at Fundy Park and later at Marven's Bakery. He retired in 1992 after 32 years as a television technician at Eaton's in Moncton.

Brother Clinton joined Winston Churchill Chapter No.19 in August 1967 and was Worthy Patron six times. He served as our Worthy Grand Patron with Sister Florence E. Wilson in 1986-1987 during the "Star Light" Session. He was a Grand Representative of New Brunswick and in 1997-2000 a General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Payroll.

Brother Clinton was active in Masonry. He was Worshipful Master of Howard Lodge in 1967 and District Deputy Grand Master, District #7, in 1996-1997. In 1995, he was Potentate of Luxor Shrine.

He was predeceased by his wife, Sister Hilda (nee Lyman), PGM in 2016. He is survived by three daughters, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Brother Clinton died April 2nd, 2023, five days short of his 93rd birthday. A Masonic service was held April 5th at Tuttle's Funeral Home in Riverview, followed by an Order of the Eastern Star Memorial Service. The funeral service was held on April 6 from Tuttle's Funeral Home. He will be buried later in the spring next to his beloved Hilda at the Alderwood Cemetery, Riverview, NB.

"We do not lose the ones we love,
They only go before,
Where there is everlasting life,
Where sorrow is no more."

NECROLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT

April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023

Report of Necrology was given by Dorothy Allan, assisted by Linda Ames, Grand Ruth and WM #8 and Brenda Saunders, PGM.

The names of those departed members were read:

Victoria #1	0
Celestial #3	Dr. Herbert Fillmore Stella Sansom
Frank H. Tingley #5	Helen Elliis Wendall Ferguson Barbara A. Tait
St. Stephen #8	Jean Christie Evan Moffitt

Granite #15	Josephine Gowan Joan Justason Bessie McLanaghan
Philip A. Jerguson #18	Pauline Allan, PGM Vesta Allan Ramona Dow Elenore Moyer
Winston Churchill #19	0
Zetland #26	Betty MacKaigne
Lord Beaverbrook #33	Ruth Ganong Merriam Gillis Frank Withers
Unity #35	0
Fidelity #36	0
Devon #37	Thelma Craig Avis King
Miramichi #44	Judy Adams Constance Shirley Elaine Black Joseph Grefford Annie Jean Simpson Dora Mae Ullock

MEMORIAL SERVICE

We recognize and honour the members who served our Order and died this past year. We were blessed to know and count them as friends and are thankful that their lives touched ours.

You can shed tears that they are gone, or you can smile because they lived. Your heart can be empty because you can't see them, or you can be full of the love you shared. You can turn your back on tomorrow and live

yesterday, or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday. You can remember them and that they are gone or you can cherish the memory and let it live on. You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back, or you can do what they would want smile, open your eyes, love, and go on.

We will cherish their memory always to brighten the coming years.

Adah---The lesson of Adah admonishes us to be faithful unto death that we may be given the crown of life.

Ruth---The lesson of Ruth teaches us that those who are faithful in least are also faithful in much.

Esther—We learn from Esther how blessed are those who have suffered persecution for the sake of right, for the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

Martha--- Martha exemplifies that it is through faith and patience that we inherit the promises.

Electa---- We learn from Electa how blessed are they that consider the poor and needy. The Lord shall deliver them in times of trouble.

Chaplain---O Heavenly Father, who in thy Son Jesus Christ has given us true faith and sure hope, we praise and magnify Thy holy name for all thy servants who have finished their course in thy faith and fear, especially thy servants who are remembered before Thee this day. We beseech Thee that encouraged by their examples and strengthened by their fellowship, we also may, at the last, enter with them into the fullness of Thine unending joy: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Solo: "Softly and Tenderly" by Brenda Whitney, Grand Electa and Mary Pelletier, Assistant Grand Organist.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, thanked Sisters Dorothy Allan, Brenda Whitney, PGM, Mary Pelletier and Star Point Offices for a beautiful memorial service.

The Altar was draped in loving memory of our departed members.

The Closing Ode, "Thank You, Lord", was sung and the Grand Marshal, proclaimed these sessions called from labour to rest to reconvene on Saturday Morning, July 9th at 8:45 AM, SHARP!

IN MEMORIAM

This page is lovingly dedicated

In Memory

Of the

Sisters and Brothers

Of the Subordinate Chapters

Of New Brunswick

And

Other Grand Jurisdictions

Who Have Been Called to Rest

2022 - 2023

*“Those we love must some day pass,
beyond our present sight
To leave us, and the world we know,
without their radiant light.
But we know that, like a candle,
their loving light will shine
To brighten up another place,
more perfect, more divine”*

Author unknown

SATURDAY MORNING - JULY 8, 2023 - 8:45 AM

The Saturday Morning Session was preceded by a musical prelude given by the Grand Organist, Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Mary Pelletier.

The Grand Choir sang "What A Wonderful World".

CALL TO ORDER

**Donna McEwen, Past Grand Matron and
Graham Vincent, Past Grand Patron**

Donna McEwen, Past Grand Matron

Good morning Sisters and Brothers. What a pleasure it is to welcome you to this morning of our "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session. I am pleased to share the East this morning with Brother Graham, my own Worthy Grand Patron.

I hope you enjoyed last evening and are well rested up for we have a busy day ahead of us. We will be making decisions that will affect our future as well as choosing our leadership not only for this coming year, but for the next four years.

A special welcome to all our distinguished guests and the sisters and brothers who travelled far to be with us. I do hope you enjoyed your time with us and will return. We love having you here. Please come back.

Brother Graham, may we hear from you?

Graham Vincent, Past Grand Patron

Good Morning Sisters and Brothers. I, too, wish to welcome each of you here this morning. A special welcome to all our distinguished guests and especially our own General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Lynda Swan on ESTARL Committee, Margaret "Peggy" Jagoe on Heart Committee and Laurie Bishop on Service Dogs Committee. I wish you well as your complete your term of service.

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

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

Donna McEwen, Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers. Welcome to this the last day of your “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Sessions. This has been quite a year hasn't it. You may have gotten off to a rocky start but my you are finishing your year in top form.

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Barbara, I was honoured to be your installing Grand Marshal last year. And I was very impressed with your messages at your official visits. So much thought into each one of them. How quickly the year has passed.

Congratulations to you and your Grand Officers for a job well done.

Worthy Grand Patron Brother Kevin you have been a wonderful support, always present, always ready. I wonder, was it any easier this year? I know it still took a lot of time and effort and energy. Thank you.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for asking me to open this session with Brother Graham it feels kind of good to be in the East here with him once again.

Graham Vincent, Past Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Kevin, welcome to this Saturday morning session of your “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter. Thank you for inviting me to share the East with Sister Donna. You are to be congratulated on a very successful year. Soon you will take your much deserved place standing at the end of the line of Past Grands.

Today will be a busy day for both of you as you continue to have a watchful care over the interests of this Grand Chapter. For you, Worthy Grand Matron as you guide us through the business to come before us and for you, Worthy Grand Patron as you conduct our elections. Again, thank you both for a job well done.

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

Sister Donna presented Sister Barbara with her gavel.

The Grand Officers assumed their stations.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Donna & Brother Graham, thank you for your kind words of welcome as you called our Saturday morning “Living in the Light” session to order.

Sister Donna, you have always approached any task with your beautiful smile. I dearly appreciate all you have done for me and for our

Grand Chapter – and I hope you keep on smiling.

Brother Graham, you have always reminded me of one of my uncles – with your shoulders back and your pleasant demeanor. I thank you for opening our Saturday morning session with your own Worthy Grand Matron.

Sister Donna, please accept this gift as a token and remembrance of our “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter session.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Donna, I still remember my visit to the workshop that your husband established for special needs children, in the Campbellton area. It was truly memorable.

Brother Graham, you have set a great example of being a gentleman and a Brother. Your preparedness and willingness to assist in any station is a great example to us all.

Brother Graham, please accept this gift as a token of our appreciation and esteem.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. I hope everyone had a restful sleep. I am pleased to welcome each of you here this morning. Today we will continue with the business of our “Living in the Light” sessions, and also find out into whose hands we will repose the government of the Order in this place in the upcoming years. My prayer is that we are mindful of our obligation and continue to seek guidance during our deliberations.

May you know that God is by your side, and may you feel His deep tender love with you every moment of every day.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Good morning, Sisters and Brothers. I trust everyone enjoyed their evening and look forward to today's sessions.

The Invocation was given by Audrey Sypher, PGM.

INVOCATION

Audrey Sypher, Past Grand Matron

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, at the beginning of this new day, we pause and give thanks for the many blessings bestowed upon us, and for all the wonderful

privileges which you provide for each of us. Guide us in being more loving and caring, one toward another.

We ask for continued guidance as we enter upon the important business of this day. Grant that the spirit of love and understanding will guide us in all decisions made, so that we may be successful in accomplishing the work before us.

We ask for your continued blessing on our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara, and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin on this final day of their sessions.

This evening, a new Grand Family will be Installed. May their year be blessed with good health and safe travels.

Finally, may all who attend this Grand Chapter session return home safely. All we ask in Thy name's sake, Amen.

The Worthy Grand Matron's scripture passage for this morning is from Psalm 100:3 – "Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His. We are His people, the sheep of His pasture."

The opening Ode "It Only Takes A Spark" was sung.

PRESENTATION OF GUESTS NOT PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED

Past Grand Matron of New Brunswick:

Jacquie Boutilier

Grand Representatives of Other Jurisdictions in New Brunswick:

Faye Oakley - Florida

James Wisted - Virginia

The minutes of the Friday afternoon session were read. It was moved by Doug Swan, PGP, and seconded by Laurie Bishop, GGCCM that the minutes be approved. They were approved as read.

Sister Jeanne Wheelock sang "It's My Desire". Sister Barbara, WGM, thanked Sister Jeanne for travelling from Florida to be here with us this morning and share her music talent.

The Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, escorted Sister Jeanne and Brother Doug Swan to the East.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Jeanne, you have been a faithful member of the Order of the Eastern Star for over 65 years. This record is something you should be very proud of. And St. Stephen Chapter #8 is very proud and honored that you are a member of our chapter. With your living in Florida and not able to attend meetings of your home chapter, we are taking advantage of your presence here to present you with your much deserved 65-year certificate and pin. Sister Jean asked if it would be possible for Doug to present her pin. She used to babysit him.

Sister Barbara presented Sister Jeanne with her certificate.

Pin was presented by Doug Swan, PGP.

Doug Swan, Past Grand Patron, Grand Secretary

Sister Jeanne, I was pleasantly surprised and pleased that you requested me to present you with your 65-year service pin to the order of the Eastern Star. Our parents were neighbours and friends for many years, and on several occasions, you were called upon to babysit at the Swan household. I honestly don't remember that as I was just a newborn. What I do remember growing up there were several neighbours who were members of the Eastern Star. But back then it was called Star. I had no idea what that meant but I grew up thinking Jeanne must be a movie star as at the time she lived in California and was coming home and there was talk of star. Of course when you are a kid and always busy you aren't really paying attention but pick up on words every now and again so I probably picked up on a conversation between our moms. I hear the words Jeanne – California – star. Probably your mom said. Here's that Jeanne coming home from California and I told her not to come this week as I will be at Star.

Sister Jeanne you may not be movie star but you are a true Star and I value our friendship. I miss the annual get togethers we had in Myrtle Beach SC where we would alternate houses for happy hour and dinner. Jeanne was always a gracious host and when it was her turn to have us for dinner, she always came up with a different drink to try– I can tell you she is a great bartender, I can't say she is a good cook because I am not sure if we ever did eat.

Would the members of St. Stephen Chapter #8 rise if not already standing?

We are both members of St. Stephen Chapter #8, and on behalf of our Worthy Matron, Sister Martha Evans, our Worthy Patron, Brother Ronald Sutherland, the officers and members of St. Stephen #8, I have the honour of presenting you with your 65-year pin. Congratulations

Jeanne Wheelock, Past Grand Matron

One time I was here, I met Doug out in the entry way along with Clyde Townes who was Worshipful Grand Master at the time. The three of us were standing together and where my parents home was, I could look up to the next road and see the Swans home and to the right was the Townes home. With the three of us together, it felt like a moment in time because I used to babysit these two boys.

One time I was babysitting at the Swan's; I was sitting on the sofa trying to do my homework. At that time, we had little bottles of ink, and I was holding Dougie and didn't I spill that bottle of ink on the sofa. I thought for sure Doug's mother would kill me when she got home.

Over the years, our families were connected; my mom and Norma were great friends, my dad grew up with Doug's father, and when we got connected here, Doug became like a son to me.

I was thrilled the other night, I thought "Gee, I am the oldest Past Grand here". I want to just say a word about being a long-time member of star. I joined when I was 18 with my mom. When the conductress took me around the Star Points, I felt like a cow on ice. I did not want to go where she wanted me to go. I was scared to death of those people but over the years they were my mentors. I was so thrilled this morning to see Sister Jackie Boutilier. She was my first Grand Chapter mom - thank you for being here this morning, it is just wonderful.

One more thing about the Eastern Star, the year I was Worthy Grand Matron, our eldest son was killed in service in California. I went through my Grand Chapter year with a broken heart and broken spirit. There are some in this Grand Chapter room today that got me through that time – it was awful. But you know, over the years, you have to get through these things. I was a nurse, and I stayed with my job until a year ago.

The other night, the minister talked on loving each other. We don't have to like each other, but we have to get along and when we come here this is a sacred ground for us to come together, love each other and forgive. Thank you, sisters and brothers this is just wonderful.

Connie MacPherson, WM, presented the second report of the Credential Committee.

SECOND REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Grand Officers of New Brunswick	14
Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron	0
Past Most Worthy Grand Matron & Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	0
Elected General Grand Chapter Officers	3
Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers	1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors	14
Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons	5
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick	32
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions	15
Elected Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions	7
Appointed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions	4
General Grand Chapter Special Appointments	0
Grand Officers Emeritus	1
Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick	15
Grand Representative of New Brunswick in other Grand Jurisdictions	6
Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions	5
Special Appointments of the MWGM & MWGP	0
DDGM's of New Brunswick & Others	2
Voting Members of New Brunswick (Other than those listed above)	33
Members of other Grand Jurisdictions (other than those listed above)	20
New Brunswick Chapters represented	12
Grand Jurisdictions represented	13
Total Order of the Eastern Star Members registered	177

Respectfully submitted,
 Credential Committee
 Connie MacPherson, WM (37)
 Ann McLellan, WM (1)

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Donna Allen, Past Grand Matron

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

We, your committee on Jurisprudence, submit the following report.

We have examined the reports of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and find them in order. We thank them for sending the reports to us at an early date for consideration.

The Worthy Grand Matron sought our advice on different day- to- day matters to which we gave our opinion and suggestions. We agree with decisions made and dispensations granted by the Worthy Grand Matron. We discussed her decision to allow a Charter to be given to a member but agree that she had the authority to do this as the CLR does not give a clear guideline.

We were pleased to assist the Worthy Grand Patron in reviewing and approving changes to the bylaws for Victoria Chapter #1, Frank H. Tingley Chapter #5, and Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18. These bylaw changes are listed in detail in the Worthy Grand Patron's report.

We commend them both on their year of service to our Grand Chapter.

We have one recommendation:

The CLR committee review "ARTICLE XLII SURRENDERING CHARTER" page 47 and page 50

4 (d) which now states" The Worthy Grand Matron or her designate, the Grand Secretary and a Committee of (3) appointed by the Worthy Matron shall arrange for disposal of all property and funds of the Chapter; i.e., return to Grand Chapter, donors, or as gifts to other Chapters."

Rationale: any property that definitely needs to be returned to the Grand Chapter should be listed and shown on APPENDIX 'B' page 50 and APPENDIX 'C' page 51.

We thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of serving on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Brother Darrell Munn, PGP
Sister Lynda Swan, GGCCM
Sister Donna Allen, PGM Chairperson

It was moved by Donna Allen, PGM, and seconded by Lynda Swan, GGCCM, that the report be accepted. Report was accepted as read.

CONSTITUTION AND LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

Audrey Sypher, Past Grand Matron

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

We the Committee on Constitution Laws and Regulations submit the following report.

We are pleased to report that no proposals to alter or amend the Constitution or Laws and Regulations of this Grand Jurisdiction have been received this past year.

We have examined previous proceedings for motions passed and find all have been included in the CL&R.

We thank our Grand Secretary, Brother Doug, for his diligence in keeping this updated.

Worthy Grand Matron thank you for the privilege of serving on this committee.

Respectfully submitted.

Brother Donald Williams, PGP

Sister Debbie Hill, PGM

Sister Audrey Sypher, PGM Chairperson

It was moved by Audrey Sypher, PGM and seconded by Donald Williams, PGP that the report be accepted. Report was accepted as read.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS COMMITTEE REPORT

Ann Morton, Past Grand Matron, Chairperson

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

We, your committee on Grievances and Appeals, are pleased to report that nothing has been referred to us during the 2022-2023 Grand Chapter year. We assume that Peace and Harmony has prevailed within our Grand Jurisdiction.

It was moved by Ann Morton, PGM and seconded by Ron Jagoe, PGP that the report be accepted. Report was accepted as read.

COMMISSIONER OF TRIALS

Lynne Hatt, Past Grand Matron

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

We are very pleased we have nothing to report. I move the adoption of this report.

Moved by Lynne Hatt, PGM, and seconded by Laurie Bishop, GGCCM, that the report be accepted. Report was accepted as read.

INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

David Lister, Past Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished guests Sisters and Brothers. We, your Committee for the International Temple are pleased to report, by the information received from the Grand Secretary, that our New Brunswick Grand Chapter, O.E.S. is paid up in full with the International Temple Fund.

Respectfully submitted; Sister Mary Pelletier PM

Sister Judy Donnelly PGM

Brother David Lister PGP, Chairperson

It was moved by David Lister, PGP and seconded by Judy Donnelly, PGM, that the report be accepted. Report was accepted.

An alarm was heard from the magazine table and a winning ticket was drawn and the winner was Linda Ames, Grand Ruth. A second ticket was drawn and the winner was Betty Bunton.

The choir sang a collection of favourite tunes at this time.

Election of Officers: The following were elected for the year 2023-2024:

Worthy Grand Matron	Brenda McGibbon
Worthy Grand Patron	Ross MacLeod, PGP
Associate Grand Matron	Joanne Gaudet
Associate Grand Patron	Allan Gillis, PGP
Grand Secretary	Doug Swan
Grand Treasurer	Debbie Cawker
Grand Conductress	Vicki MacLeod
Associate Grand Conductress	Cindy Wilson
Grand Sentinel	Glendon Hill

FRATERNAL REPORT

Brenda McGibbon, Associate Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, GGCCM's, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers all:

It is my pleasure and honour to take you along on a little trip across our country and also the United States of America and to make a few stops along the way to visit Grand Chapter Sessions and make new and renew

old acquaintances as we go along, Brother Edgar and I, back before Covid, used to take road trips just about every year—most of the time we had no set destination- just drive in one of the four directions , stopping when we saw something we would like to explore or take a picture of and when we felt we went far enough we would turn back towards home only on a different route and as long as the vehicle was headed in the homeward direction we were happy. We always enjoyed ourselves and saw a lot of this beautiful country and met a lot of friendly people along our way.

Well this time we are going to do the same and head out across Canada making our first stop in Granby, Quebec where we checked into the Hotel Castel & Spa Confort. A beautiful place to meet Worthy Grand Matron Sister Janet Patch and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Robert Weidner who are excited to open up their "Believe In The Magic Of Christmas" the 97th Grand Chapter Sessions. At the entrance to the Grand Chapter room members passed through a huge, illuminated arch of coloured snowballs with snowflakes on each side, The backdrop and decorations were beautiful, and all Christmas related. Buddy the "Eif" had the best seat in the house perched on top of a Christmas gift with the Worthy Grand Matron's name on it and from where he sat he could observe all the action. The Worthy Grand Matron's special project was the Mental Health Estrie which also sponsors the HUGS program. The members all collected hats, socks, scarves, etc. for the homeless shelters and it went under the name of Starbright Gifts. In our province of New Brunswick we have our OES Magazine, in Quebec they have "The Winter Wonderland " newsletter which they subscribe to as their way of keeping in touch. They close their Grand Chapter Sessions with a very impressive Badge Ceremony.

Our next stop was in beautiful Regina, Saskatchewan and the "Legacy Of Love" 103rd Grand Chapter Sessions were about to begin. Worthy Grand Matron Sister Angela Oleskiu and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Albert Helian gave me such a warm welcome. Their motto was Free Masonry a Way of Life—Eastern Star a Life of Lovea Their Aim was Believe Belong Become. Their Special Project was Summer Performance Tours and the Saskatchewan Library Association, and they raised an impressive \$6267.38. They have 14 Subordinate Chapters with a total membership of 646 as of end of 2018. Our Most Worthy Grand Matron Sister Marianne Shenefelt was also in attendance and it was so nice to meet and talk with her.

After spending a few days touring around we were ready for another stop and this time we found ourselves in beautiful British Columbia in the city of Kamloops. The mountains were so spectacular. The 111th British Columbia and Yukon Grand Chapter " All Things Grow With Love" Sessions

under the leadership of Worthy Grand Matron Sister Eileen Howells and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Larry Holte were being held. Our Most Worthy Grand Matron Sis Glenda Winchester was in attendance, and she was presented with a gift of a native drum and drumsticks which were hand painted by the Worthy Grand Matron with a hummingbird design. I found the opening of their sessions very interesting. As each officer was escorted in and introduced, a sister sang a line or two of a song—each one different. I am assuming the songs were picked to describe some of the officers' personalities or looks and brought smiles to our faces. Obviously, that being said, the membership is of a certain age as some of the songs probably would not be recognized by young people today. At the end of their sessions when the badges are retired they had a program and say something about each officer as they turned in their badge. Found this to be a nice gesture as it showed their appreciation to their officers.

At this time on our trip, we decided that we had gone west long enough and thought we should head in the direction of the east coast by way of the United States. As we traveled along, the state of Michigan caught our interest and we soon found ourselves in Muskegon at the Delta Hotel where the " With Faith and Hope All Things Are Possible" 154th Grand Chapter Sessions were being held. Worthy Grand Matron Sister Dawn Talbot and Worthy Grand Patron Brother John Groves were having a great time greeting new and old friends. Our very own Sister Betty Steeves was the Grand Representative to Michigan at this time. They have a large Grand Jurisdiction with 96 Subordinate Chapters and over 7000 members. The total number of visitations made in 2020 was a whooping 520 and the Grand Committee made 562 visits. cannot imagine making that many. I daresay they meet themselves coming and going. Their Special Project was Grand Chapter Charities which consists of Benevolence and Education, Service Dogs, Pathway Computer room, Library Renovations and Community Shelter project. One way they raised money during Covid was by designing and selling masks with the OES and Masonic emblems on them. Who knew face masks would become so fashionably trendy.

Next, we are off to Rhode Island for their 125th Grand Chapter Sessions. We are greeted by Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Denise Shipper and Worthy Grand Patron pro tem, Brother Keith Moan, Associate Grand Patron. It was with sadness that the Worthy Grand Patron Brother Ronald Ayers, GGCCM on Rituals passed away. A special memorial chair which held a black cat, his fun symbol and his jewel was placed in the East. Their Special Projects were scholarships and food banks. They only have 6 Subordinate Chapters in their Grand Jurisdiction and only 494 members. I

noticed that when the sisters and brothers are nominated for an elected office the candidate gives information about themselves as to how long they have been members, and their hopes and dreams for the jurisdiction. They may be a small Grand Jurisdiction, but they seem to be fairly well off financially. They had a Ceremony of Colour which was done by the Rainbow Girls. Also, they do a History Report, and it covers from when OES first started in Rhode Island in 1895 right up to the present day. It is compiled by about seven members on a committee and it is very detailed.

Our last visit was to the State of Vermont—a lovely place to visit. The 149th "Sunny Side Of Life" Sessions were held in Essex. Worthy Grand Matron Sister Donna Masterson and Worthy Grand Patron Brother George Supernaut did an awesome job in the East and certainly made everyone feel welcomed. Their aim is to promote OES in a positive light to ourselves and our communities. I think they may be on to something there as our membership numbers seem to be declining and we need to make ourselves better known in our communities. This Grand Jurisdiction has a total of 25 Subordinate Chapters and a total membership of 1314 as of May 2022. Their Special Project was Make A Wish Vermont and they raised an awesome amount of over \$20,000.00

A point of interest I noticed was they give their Grand Secretary an honorarium of \$3,600.00 and the Grand Treasurer \$1,000.00.

I am glad I am not doing a Fraternal Report in Vermont as they cover all States and Canadian Provinces, Brother Doug and Sister Debbie may be looking for a raise.

Finally, we arrive back in New Brunswick and the main street in our little town of St Stephen sure looks good to us. We certainly covered a lot of territory, and the sights were just wonderful to see but it sure was good to be back home again. I have enjoyed making this trip on behalf of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick and thank Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin for sending me on it. We saw and learned many things on our journey, and we hope we did our "Living in The Light" Grand Family justice.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda McGibbon, AGM

Sister Brenda, Associate Grand Matron, moved her report be accepted as read. It was accepted as read.

The Grand Conductress, Sister Maxine MacMillan, was escorted to the East to present the inaugural F. Pauline Allen Humanitarian Award.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

At this time, Sister Maxine, who is the Worthy Matron of Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18 is going to present the F. Pauline Allan Humanitarian Award.

Maxine MacMillan, Worthy Matron, Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished guests, sisters, and brothers all. The F. Pauline Allan Humanitarian Award is to be presented yearly at the Grand Chapter Sessions of New Brunswick. Each chapter in our jurisdiction may nominate a sister or brother who, in their opinion, emulates dedication and service to their community over and above their regular work. The award is accompanied by a cheque, not less than \$300.00 for the recipient to donate to a charity of their choice.

It is my pleasure, as Worthy Matron of Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18 to present the inaugural F. Pauline Allan Humanitarian Award to Brother Kevin Wilson, WGP.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

I'm so humbled to be considered and to receive this award. Thank you so much. It is hard to believe I am the first recipient of this award - this is truly an honour and pleasure that the sisters and brothers of this jurisdiction would take the time to find me worthy to be the recipient of this award. Thank you so very much.

New Business:

Debbie Hill, Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers. From our Past Grands meeting, we have some recommendations to bring forward at this time: *(the following 4 recommendations were presented)*.

1. The Past Grands Association recommends we authorize Brother Doug Kaine to dispose of all items that are stored in the Masonic Temple in Moncton and to be reimbursed for all costs. We are looking for a motion so we can have this done as the items have to be removed right away. *It was moved by Allan Gillis, PGP. And seconded by Laurie Bishop, GGCCM. Motion carried*

2. In July of 2017 the motion was made and was put in the CLR that all members serving as a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron that have been

introduced in a higher office, can stand at their stations when the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons have been introduced. This is not going to change. But a good point in case, all Past Grands and others with the exception of GGCCM and Past Grands if elected Grand Officer, only be introduced in their highest office. Which means going forward, I would not be introduced as Debbie Hill, PGM and Grand Representative of California. You would only have one title.

Moved by Allan Gillis. Seconded by Noreen Wisted. Motion carried.

3. *Debbie Hill, PGM recommended that the bags which are used to store our flags be replaced as necessary.*

Moved by Allan Gillis. Seconded by Laurie Bishop. Motion carried.

4. *Debbie Hill, PGM recommended that new totes be purchased to store the Grand Chapter paraphernalia at the Fredericton Inn. This will make it easier to find our items when setting up Grand Chapter.*

Moved by Allan Gillis and seconded by Laurie Bishop. Motion carried.

ADDITONAL MOTIONS:

5. *Doug Swan, Grand Secretary, would like permission from Grand Chapter to be able to purchase a new laptop with a limit of \$600.00.*

Moved by Laurie Bishop, GGCCM. Seconded by Allan Gillis, PGP.

Lynda Williams, PGM moved that an amendment be made to have no dollar limit to purchase a new laptop for the Grand Secretary. Seconded by Allan Gillis. Motion carried with amendment.

6. *Lynda Swan, GGCCM moved that the framed picture of Lottie L. Kyle be present at all future Grand Chapter Sessions. Seconded by Mildred Homer, PGM. When the question came up where the picture would be stored during the year, Lynne Hatt, PGM, amended the motion to say that the Worthy Grand Patron take possession of the picture along with the Charter. Seconded by Debbie Hill, PGM. Motion carried with amendment.*

Sister Brenda announced there would be a practice for the incoming officers after the session this afternoon.

Sis. Brenda MacGibbon requested and moved that an open installation for this evening. Motion seconded by Bro. Allan Gillis. Motion carried.

Barabra Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I'm going to make a few comments and if I am out of order, I apologize for that, you can wrap my knuckles. There has been some controversy throughout our Grand Chapter in regards to the donations that have been presented to each of our special projects. As you will notice or remember from Thursday evening, Brother Kevin's amount was a fair amount larger than mine. For that I have absolutely no issue. Whenever tickets were sold or whenever things that we had worked on together were done all funds were split equally. However, both Kevin and myself received personal donations some from family some from star members and we were asked that those donations go specifically to our own special projects. I have absolutely no issue with the fact that Brother Kevin's donations amounted to more than mine. I congratulate Brother Kevin on his work, his diligent work to raise funds for Camp Goodtime and I do hope that no the further discussion or controversy will arise. I received donations that were exactly the same personal donations the same as he did and I find no problem with the fact that he raised more money than I did, if that is an issue with people. Thank you

Announcements:

Barbara Greenlaw, our WGM announced that the second-hand shop now has a "make an offer" sale. Hurry up and get the bargains.

Sister Barbara urges everyone to participate in buying tickets for the articles at the back of the room.

There are still pocket calendars for sale for a price of \$5 and if there are any more orders for them, they will become available. So, you can buy tickets on articles, buy a magazine subscription, and buy a pocket calendar all in one spot!

It was also announced about the Grand Representatives Luncheon was at 12:15.

The Assistant to the Grand Marshal proclaimed the Sessions called from Labour to Refreshment to re-convene at 2:00 PM Sharp!

SATURDAY AFTERNOON – JULY 8, 2023 – 2:00 PM

The Saturday afternoon sessions were preceded by a musical prelude given by the Grand Organist, Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Mary Pelletier.

CALL TO ORDER

**Lynn Hutchin, Past Grand Matron and
David Lister, Past Grand Patron**

Lynn Hutchin, Past Grand Matron

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers, distinguished East and all members:

It is my pleasure to share the East with Brother David Lister in opening this the Saturday Afternoon “Living in the Light” session.

A special welcome is extended to our visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions, it has been especially nice to have the Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Billie Bradfield and the Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Brother Michael E. Berry attend this year’s session. It is always a pleasure to renew old friendships and make new ones. I hope that you have enjoyed your visit to our beautiful province, and we wish you safe travels home.

To our own General Grand Chapter Committee Members: Sister Lynda Swan – ESTARL Committee, PGM; Sister Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe – Heart Committee, PGM; and Brother Laurie Bishop – Service Dog Committee, PGP; congratulations on your appointment, enjoy your term of service and we are looking forward to welcoming you to our Chapters.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our own members gathered here this afternoon for our final business session. May all of our decisions be in harmony to ensure that we never fail in our efforts to uphold the principles of the Order of the Eastern Star. Congratulations to the newly elected slate of officers. I hope that your year ahead is all that you wished for.

Brother David, may we hear your words of welcome?

David Lister, Past Grand Patron

Distinguished guests, Sisters and Brothers, and members, Good Afternoon.

It is a pleasure to share the East with Sister Lynn Hutchin in opening the Saturday Afternoon "Living in the Light" session.

I would like to extend a sincere and heartfelt welcome to our visitors from other jurisdictions, and it is a wonderful pleasure to have with us our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Billie Bradfield and our Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Brother Michael E. Berry. It is also great to see old friends and to have this opportunity to make new ones. I sincerely hope you enjoy our beautiful province and that you have a safe journey back home.

To our own General Grand Chapter Committee Members; Sister Lynda Swan, PGM — ESTARL Committee; Sister Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe PGM — Heart Committee and Brother Laurie Bishop, PGP — Service Dog Committee, congratulations on your appointments and hope you are enjoying your time as committee members and we look forward to seeing you at our chapter.

To our own members, welcome, and thank you for taking the time to be here for our final business session.

Congratulations to our Elected Officers, I hope your year ahead will be a wonderful experience.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Officers were invited to enter the Chapter Room.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were presented at the Altar for introduction.

Lynn Hutchin, Past Grand Matron

Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Kevin, Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Officers - It is a pleasure to welcome you to your Saturday afternoon session. I hope that as you all look back on your year, you remember the friendships that you have formed, and I congratulate you on your year of serving this Grand Chapter and the manner in which you performed your duties.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, your time as the leaders of the Grand Jurisdiction is ticking away and I know that you have followed your watchwords: Faith, Friends and Family in all that you have done. Thank you for the opportunity to open the afternoon's session and this has been the first time that I have ever shared the East with Brother David.

Sister Barbara, I know that this has been a challenging year, as you had to adjust your schedule to accommodate your hip replacements and your husband's health issues, but you did it. I got to know you better and share a few laughs on a few road trips we have taken to other jurisdictions. In the future we are going to have you check off a list of what you are

bringing in your luggage. Your meaningful messages at all of our Chapters, has left a permanent mark in all of our hearts. Thank you for your service.

Brother Kevin, the first time that I remember meeting you was at a Funspiel where had the pleasure of demonstrating my perfect sweeping technique. Since then our paths have crossed many times. Congratulations on all that you have accomplished.

Brother David.....

David Lister, Past Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Kevin, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers, it is a pleasure to welcome you to this Saturday Afternoon session,

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, as your time in the East is quickly coming to an end, I hope you can look back at your year and be filled with joy at all you have accomplished.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to open this afternoon's session with Sister Lynn. It is the first time for me to open a Grand Chapter session and to be assisting Sister Lynn makes it have more meaning to me. Thank you once again.

Sister Barbara, although my friendship with you may not be as long as yours with Sister Lynn, I always have enjoyed our visits and your kindness towards others and the smile that we see during your visits, shows the true meaning of Star love. This has been a challenging year for you, and we all are proud of everything you have accomplished. Thank you once again for your service.

Brother Kevin, thank you for everything you have done for this jurisdiction. I have known you for a while and I always look forward to visiting with you at our meetings. Congratulations on making it through your second term in the East and you should be really proud of all you have accomplished, I am.

Sister Lynn.....

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

Sister Lynn presented Sister Barbara with her gavel.

The Grand Officers assumed their stations.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Lynn, PGM and Brother David, PGP, thank you for the warm welcome to our Saturday afternoon "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter Session.

Sister Lynn, you have been a devoted member of our Eastern Star family, and we appreciate that you are always willing to lend a helping hand. If you ever need a navigator, just give me a call.

Brother David, PGP, you are also one of my Eastern Star Dads as I served as a DDGM in your and Sister Lynda's Grand Family. I truly appreciate the kindness you have always shown to me, and I am so very glad you took the time from the golf course to share your time with us this afternoon.

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

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Lynn, PGM, and Brother David, PGP, thank you for opening this afternoon session of our Grand Chapter.

Sister Lynn, as a regular visitor to Unity Chapter, I always enjoy your minutes and the gold stars you earn. Your dedication to our beautiful order is always evident in the very generous manner in which you serve your community.

Brother David, I always enjoy our chats, sharing work, golf and Star Trail experiences. Bailing me out with initiatory work is always good for a laugh. It is such an honor to share this East with you. Please accept this small gift of appreciation.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. This afternoon we will be focusing on the "New Business" of our Grand Chapter Sessions. I urge all members of our Grand Jurisdiction to participate in the discussions by asking questions and offering opinions. Everyone's thoughts provide food for discussion and should always be respected.

*'Tis easy enough to be pleasant,
When life flows along like a song.
But the friend worthwhile is the one who will smile,
When everything goes dead wrong. ~ Ella Wheeler Cox*

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Good afternoon, Sisters and Brothers. I trust everyone had a great lunch and are ready to get back to the business at hand.

The invocation was given by Betty Danks, PGM.

INVOCATION

Betty Danks, Past Grand Matron

Our Father, as we gather on the final day of this Grand Chapter, we give grateful thanks for your presence among us and for the many blessings you have bestowed upon us.

We ask that your blessing be with all present. We pray for all who are unable to be here and ask that they be in your care.

We thank you for keeping a watchful eye over our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Grand Officers keeping them safe as they travelled serving our order.

We ask that your blessing be on our incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron as they begin their duties.

May all we say and do, bring honour to your name and strengthen our order.

May our travels home be safe and our hearts happy.

All this we ask in thy name.

Amen.

The Worthy Grand Matrons afternoon's scripture passage comes from James 1:19: You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger.

There were no Distinguished Guests to be presented.

A solo "I'll Walk With His Hand in Mine" by Sister Eleanor Linton, PGM.

The WGM thanked Sister Eleanor for sharing one of her favourite pieces. The message in the music is so fitting for our "Living in the Light" theme.

The minutes of the Saturday morning session were read. It was moved by Doug Swan, PGP, that the minutes be approved. Minutes were approved as read.

An alarm was heard from the magazine table and the winner of the first ticket drawn was Sister Billie Bradfield, RWAGM. A second winner was Terrance Spence and a third winner was Eleanor Linton, PGM.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I am sure most of you are curious from Sister Lynn's welcome today. Sister Lynn along Sister Lynne Hatt, Sister Carol Sutherland and I attended

the Grand Chapter of Maine and travelled on to the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts. The first morning after we had attended the formal opening and sessions in Maine, when we got up in the morning, we were all getting ready, and I couldn't find my pants. Anyway, I went to the other girls to see if they had seen my blue capris. They looked in suitcases and checked the car but come to find out I had left them home. When I was talking to my husband later, he told me they were in still in the bedroom where I left them.

When we left on our trip, Sister Lynne and Sister Carol very very quickly got into the backseat, which left the passenger seat in the front for me. Come to find out, who ever sits in the passenger seat, is the navigator. My being a navigator doesn't always go well.

Debbie Hill, PGM declared that the next Grand Session be held on July 11, 12, 13, 2024 at the Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, NB. Motion carried.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Barbara, I think it is time to do something with the wonderful donations at the back of the room.

We were originally going to split the ticket sale money, but Sister Barbara will receive the funds for her project. I thank everyone who donated the gifts.

Depending upon travel, it may be inconvenient for people that come from afar may not want to take a wooden chest with them so there are some options. The first name drawn will get first pick. You have to name your product that you want, but do not take too long to select. While you are shopping, we will be drawing another ticket.

If a name is drawn and not present, we will notify them that they won something.

The winners of the items were:

Lynne Hatt

Lorna Maxwell

Rachel Reid

Lisa Helgie

Rose Clifford

Nancy Keirstead

Judy Gilliss

Joanne Gaudet

Darlene Kaine

The furniture was made and donated by Brother Leonard Mosher. Brother Leonard also made Sister Barabra and myself a wooden box to hold our Bibles. Two paintings were donated by Debbie Cawker. The food items were donated by a work acquaintance of Brother Kevin.

Brother Kevin announced that he has several flashlights and if anyone would like one, they will be on the magazine table for you to pick one up. They were donated by the University Team he has been coaching for the past ten years.

Brother Kevin presented Sister Barbara with \$518 earned from the purchase of tickets for the items at the back wall to go toward her special project.

Sister Barabra announced she has several pocket prayer shawls that were handed out to those who were introduced. If anyone would like to have one they are available to pick up.

An announcement was made that practice would follow immediately after the afternoon session ended.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Sessions called from Labour to Refreshment to re-convene at 7:00 PM sharp!

SATURDAY EVENING - JULY 13, 2023 - 7:00 PM

The Saturday Evening Sessions were preceded by a musical prelude given by the Grand Organist, Norma Caswell, and the Assistant Grand Organist, Mary Pelletier.

CALL TO ORDER

**Lynda Williams, Past Grand Matron and
Darrell Munn, Past Grand Patron**

Lynda Williams, Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand Chapter Officers, Ambassadors and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Sisters and Brothers, Good Evening.

Welcome to this, the last session of the "Living n the Light," 92nd Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. Our Grand Chapter has been truly blessed by your presence and support and we have enjoyed that wonderful feeling of being together once again. We hope you have found an abundance of fraternal love and hospitality in our midst and that you will return often.

As this Grand Chapter year comes to a close, we can be proud of all that was accomplished by our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their Grand Family.

It is an extra special pleasure for me to be in the East once more, with my own Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Darrell and to be able to share with him, the calling to order of this evening's session.

Brother Darrell, may we hear from you?

Darrell Munn, Past Grand Patron

Good evening, Sisters and Brothers. What a pleasure, once again, to look out and see all our Sisters and Brothers in person after so many months/years of COVID restrictions and modified Sessions. Welcome! To share this Podium again with my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lynda, is also a great honour and I extend a warm and sincere welcome to each of you for attending as we begin this final Session of the 92nd Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, "**Living in the Light**". As we have had the pleasure of so many visitors from other jurisdictions to include our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Billie Bradford, and the Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Michael E. Berry in attendance, we are indeed blessed. We wish everyone safe travels and hope you will come this way again. To our members, thanks once again for supporting this Grand Family Session.

Under the direction of Sister Donna Allen, PGM, the Grand Officers, Pages, Guards and Grand Representatives did formations around the altar, creating the star and pentagon.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers were invited to enter the Chapter room for the last time.

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

Lynda Williams, Past Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Barbara and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kevin, thank you for the honour of opening the final session of your "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, you have worked diligently on the goals you set forth for yourselves and you can be proud of all you both have achieved this past year. Congratulations on a job well done!

Sister Barb, you and I have had the privilege of being together in many Grand Families over the years and I treasure our friendship. I was so pleased when you started your journey behind me. You are to be commended on all you have accomplished this past year, even with 2 hip surgeries.

Brother Kevin, I remember when you and Sister Cindy were initiated during Sister Jeanie and Brother Don's term. You "hit the ground running" as the expression goes. You have a deep dedication to our Order as we've witnessed, and you now hold the title of being our Worthy Grand Patron, twice. I was pleased to serve as Grand Conductress in your Grand Family and then had the pleasure of having you serve with me and Brother Darrell.

To you both....what a wonderful Grand Chapter session you have had, and I know you will remember this past year and especially these last few days, with fond memories that will last a lifetime.

Darrell Munn, Past Grand Patron

Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Kevin, Worthy Grand Patron, thank you for the invitation to assist Sister Lynda in opening this Saturday evening Grand Chapter Session, "Living in the Light". To you Brother Kevin, I remember clearly when I started my own personal Journey to the East that you were ahead of me as Worthy Grand Patron, then you were behind me as Grand Seniors and now you are ahead again as Worthy Grand Patron. Tomorrow, however, you will be behind me once more and your title just might be "The Junior Past Grand Patron". Seriously, you have brought your own unique style to our Order and the experience

gained during your two attempts at getting it right in these challenging times has been beneficial not only to you but the Grand Chapter as a whole. Thank you for allowing me to participate in the opening of your final Session. Congratulations and enjoy a well-deserved rest.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and extended the Grand Honours. Sister Lynda presented Sister Bardarawith her gavel. The Grand Officers assumed their Stations.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Lynda and Brother Darrell, thank you for opening the final session of our "Living in the Light" Grand Chapter. Over the past few years, we have gotten to know each other quite well as we worked and travelled across our province. I thank you so much for all of your advice, your support and your encouragement. I have learned that the sun will come up no matter what may have happened today.

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

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Lynda and Brother Darrell. Sister Lynda, that we had years of working on the magazine together – it was a great experience for me and a great education. Brother Darrell and I have talked on many occasions of the great knowledge of this jurisdiction that you have and have gained from many Sisters and Brothers. You are always very happy to share that knowledge.

Brother Darrell, I do recall a couple of conversations that we had the first time as Worthy Grand Patron. We were both in that position of would we run, would we not run. I remember you coming to me on a couple of occasions asking, Kevin will you let your name stand? I said no. a while later, Kevin will you let your name stand? No. Kevin will you let your name stand? Maybe, and Kevin we need an answer, will you let your name stand? Yes. I was very pleased to go forward. We have become good friends and Brothers in Star and Lodge. It is a real pleasure and honour and I would ask you to accept this small gift.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sisters and brothers, I extend to you a warm welcome to the 'Living in the Light' final session and I thank each of you for coming and sharing your time with us. It does not seem possible that a year has passed since our installation into these offices. I have enjoyed my year tremendously and I offer my thanks to each of you for the past few days in making this journey such an enjoyable one. Life has taught me I am not always in control. Life

is full of experiences, lessons, heartbreak and pain but it has also shown me beauty, friendship, possibilities and new beginnings. Embrace it all for it makes us who we are. After every storm comes a clear sky.

Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sisters and Brothers, as many of you know, when I flip back this page to where my reading for Sister Lynda and Brother Darrell was, it says: thank you both for opening our session. But what I said was more than that, but generally I talk from my heart and not my cuff. This is our last session, and I will have a few words at the end, but certainly appreciate, welcome and thank everyone that has attended these sessions. Is Sister Donna Allen still here? Sister Donna has been a great inspiration and I thank you for that. Sister Donna and I share a commonality in that we seem to get in the middle of something that's a little controversial. Ever since joining this order, we become a north pole and a south pole, but we always seem to find that eclipse to meet in the middle, and have common ground. She has become a very good friend and mentor and I thank you for that.

I welcome you all to this last session.

The Invocation was given by Peggy Jagoe, GGCCM.

INVOCATION

Peggy Jagoe, GGCCM Heart

Let us pray. Thank you, Lord, for watching over and guiding our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and officers throughout this past year, for keeping them safe in travels and for their dedication to our wonderful order. Lord, we are grateful to be able to hold regular meetings in our Chapters once more and be with all who were able to attend our Grand Chapter Sessions. Thank you, Lord, for giving us guidance in decisions made and hope for the future. May you continue to bless all of our star members near and far and keep them safe on their journey home from our Grand Chapter Session.

May you watch over our incoming Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their officers.

May they be given the strength and knowledge needed to carry on the duties of this Grand Chapter and travel safely throughout their year.

All this we ask in your name. Amen.

The Worthy Grand Matrons evening's scripture passage is taken from Psalm 46:10 –

“Be still and know that I am God.”

Membership sang “A Light is Gleaming”.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

I thank each of you for indulging me over the past year. You have touched my heart each time you sang my special piece. I find it very fitting as our “Living in the Light” Grand Chapter Sessions draw to a close to sing it one last time. Thank you everyone.

There was no Presentation of Distinguished Guests.

Sister Barbara, WGM congratulated and thanked Ann Morton, PGM, Charlotte Jansen-Bateman, PGM, Elaine I MacLean, PGM and Donna McEwen, PGM for all their hard work with organizing introductions.

The minutes of the Saturday afternoon session were read. It was moved by Doug Swan, PGP and Grand Secretary, that they be approved. They were approved as read.

Grand Secretary, Brother Doug reported that since the close of the afternoon session, he received money from the sale of Sister Norma Caswell's music of \$40. It will be donated to ESTARL.

Sister Jeanne Wheelock, PGM sent greetings expressing her thanks and appreciation to St. Stephen Chapter # 8 in receiving her 65-year membership.

Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Matron, reported that the proceeds from the dress shop amounted to \$1554.00 which will be divided equally between the WGM and WGP special projects.

The final report of the Credential Committee was given by Connie MacPherson.

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Grand Officers of New Brunswick	14
Most Worthy Grand Matron & Most Worthy Grand Patron	0
Past Most Worthy Grand Matron & Past Most Worthy Grand Patron	0
Elected General Grand Chapter Officers	3
Appointed General Grand Chapter Officers	1
General Grand Chapter Committee Members and Ambassadors	14
Worthy Grand Matrons & Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions	5
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of New Brunswick	33
Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions	15
Elected Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions	7
Appointed Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions	4
General Grand Chapter Special Appointments	
Grand Officers Emeritus	1
Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in New Brunswick	16
Grand Representative of New Brunswick in other Grand Jurisdictions	6
Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in other Grand Jurisdictions	5
Special Appointments of the MWGM & MWGP	
District Deputy Grand Matrons of New Brunswick & Others	2
Voting Members of New Brunswick (Other than those listed above)	35
Members of other grand Jurisdictions (other than those listed above)	20
New Brunswick Chapters represented	13
Grand Jurisdictions represented	12
Total Order of the Eastern Star Members registered	181

Respectfully submitted.

Connie MacPherson, WM(37)

Connie MacPherson, Chairperson, moved the adoption of this Report. It was seconded by Ann McLellan. The report was adopted as read.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Sister Connie, you and your committee have worked diligently both prior to and during this Grand Chapter Session to ensure that the registration and reports were accurate. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for a job well done.

Farewell Address Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

Over the past year, you, the membership of the Order of the Eastern Star, have made my dreams come true. I am unable to find the words to describe how wonderful this experience has been and how much I appreciate all that you have done to make it happen. Thank you just seems so inadequate. But I thank you anyway.

Brother Kevin, I thank you so very much for sharing the East of this Grand Chapter with me this year. I believe that we have worked quite well together. It has been a year of beautiful memories, and you and Sister Cindy have been so much a part of that. Now we can enjoy a much-needed rest, and truly become a Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron.

Sister Brenda and Brother Ross, you have worked diligently making plans and preparing for the next year of this Grand Chapter. May your year be filled with good health, safe travels and all the joys that I hope the future holds for you.

And now on to Brother Kevin. I have a very special presentation to make this evening. Sister Brenda and Brother Ross have allowed me perform one of their duties at this time. I am very pleased to present to you a Grand Representative Commission to the Province of Ontario. You are most deserving, and I am sure you will enjoy this experience to represent our wonderful Grand Chapter of New Brunswick. I have been able to keep this a secret and a surprise.

Sister Barbara, WGM, presented Brother Kevin the Grand Representative Commission to Ontario.

Farewell Address Kevin Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron

Sister Barbara, it truly has been a wonderful experience serving with you, for the second time as WGP. I could not have had a better partner. Thank you, and the entire jurisdiction for giving me this journey. I do look forward to joining the ranks of the Past Grands. Much gratitude to the Bubble ten for all you have done for me this year.

Sister Brenda and Brother Ross, Congratulations to you both. I look forward to the upcoming year, sitting on the sideline (silently) watching you and your Grand Family enjoy your year.

Sister Barabra, you certainly are very good at keeping a secret. As many of you know, I have never been able to have a Grand Representative Commission but that has since changed. I thank you Siter Barbara for presenting this to me and to Sister Brenda and Brother Ross for allowing you to present it. I am very appreciative of everything I received during this session, and I thank everyone.

At 8:00 P.M., the Grand Marshal and Assistant Grand Marshal retired to escort the families and friends of the incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron into the Chapter Room.

Sister Barbara Greenlaw, WGM, welcomed the guests and hoped they enjoy the evening.

Barbara Greenlaw, Worthy Grand Matron

It is a pleasure to welcome each of you to the Installation Ceremony of the 2023 - 2024 Grand Chapter Officers. As family and friends, you have joined us to make this Installation a very special night for Sister Brenda, Brother Ross and their Grand Family Officers. I know that your presence here means so much to them. We hope that you enjoy your evening.

Sister Barbara, Worthy Grand Matron, introduced the Installing Officer, Sister Carol Sutherland, PGM of New Brunswick, who introduced her Installing Suite.

INSTALLING SUITE

Installing Grand Officer	Carol Sutherland, PGM
Assisted by:	Audrey Sypher, PGM
	Debbie Hill, PGM
Grand Chaplain	Donna McEwen, PGM
Grand Marshal	Betty Danks PGM
Associate Grand Matron	Charlotte Jansen-Bateman, PGM
Associate Grand Patron	Ronald K. Bateman, PGP
Grand Secretary	Laurie Bishop, GGCCM
Grand Treasurer	Elaine I. MacLean, PGM
Grand Conductress	Brenda Saunders, PGM
Associate Grand Conductress	Lynda Swan, GGCCM
Grand Organist	Mary Pelletier, PM

Grand Adah		Lynne Hatt, PGM
Grand Ruth		Lynn Hutchin, PGM
Grand Esther		Lynda Williams, PGM
Grand Martha		Mildred Homer, PGM
Grand Electa		Donna Allen, PGM
Grand Warder		Don Williams, PGP
Grand Sentinel		Ron Jagoe, PGP
Grand Soloists	for WGM	Eleanor Linton, PGM
	For WGP	Grant Good
	Chaplain	Jeanne Wheelock, PGM

A short recess was called to prepare for the Installation of Grand Officers. The Grand Officers of 2022-2023 retired for the final time.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS 2023-2024

Worthy Grand Matron	Brenda McGibbon, PM (8)
Worthy Grand Patron	Ross MacLeod, PGP (8)
Associate Grand Matron	Joanne Gaudet, PM (5)
Associate Grand Patron	Allan Gillis, PGP (37)
Grand Secretary	Doug Swan, PGP (1)
Grand Treasurer	Debbie Cawker, PM (3)
Grand Conductress	Vicki MacLeod, PM (8)
Associate Grand Conductress	Cindy Wilson, PM (3)
Grand Chaplain	Ronald Sutherland, WP (8)
Grand Marshal	Rachel Reid, PM (18)
Grand Organist	Norma Caswell, PM (15)
Grand Adah	Ann McLellan, WM (1)
Grand Ruth	Roxanne Pond-Stewart, PM (37)
Grand Esther	Nancy Gallop, PM (1)
Grand Martha	Rosemarie Fitzgerald, PM (18)
Grand Electa	Noreen Wisted, PM (3)
Grand Warder	Terrance Spence, PP (44)
Grand Sentinel	Glendon Hill, WP (37)

Assistants

Assistant to the Grand Marshal	Susan Glazier, PM (1)
Assistant to the Grand Organist	Mary Pelletier, PM (5)

ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON AND WORTHY GRAND PATRON

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Oh, my what a wonderful site from this point! My being here tonight is something I never in my wildest dreams ever thought would happen to me. Yet back in 2019, I took the "Great Leap" and let my name stand for the office of Associate Grand Conductress and because of Covid, it has taken me the extra year to this point. Oh well another year's experience to fall back on.

Growing up, my parents belonged to the Orange Lodge, and I remember many nights my father rushing in from work, having his supper and putting on a suit and out of the door to a lodge meeting place near or far. My mother although she didn't go as often always went to her monthly meetings and on very special nights donned her long white dress. Even though I never quite understood what all the hoopla was about, it did make an impression on me. When I joined the Order of the Eastern Star, my mother wrote me a letter and I quote "your father and I are so pleased and happy that you joined a fraternal organization. You will find that no matter where you go you will always have a friend". She was right. I feel as if I have many friends be them from our neighbouring provinces of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and State of Maine and other parts of our great country and the United states. Whatever or whenever I need help or answers, you are always there. Without this wonderful order, I would not have met you and been able to share so many blessings in my life. I thank you for this.

The members of the Order of the Eastern Star have an aim which is to help others wherever needed. Through our charity work and doing in giving hearts we raise many thousands of dollars for various worthwhile projects, and we strive to make a difference in the lives of others. This year my special project is Juvenile Diabetes. It is a disease that requires the administration of insulin several times a day for the rest of their lives to keep blood sugar levels where they should be. Unlike type 2 diabetes which can often be controlled by lifestyle changes, diet and exercise without the help of insulin. Our grandson Seth has been a juvenile diabetic since he was seven years old, and I have watched him over the years deal with it and the complications it can cause. He does really well and is fortunate enough to have an insulin pump and other modern equipment to keep track of his blood sugar levels. They have come a long way in the

treatment of this disease and someday who knows maybe a cure will be found. We can only hope and pray for this.

Many people have helped me reach this point in my life and where do I begin. You know who you are so I will not name names as I might miss someone, but I extend my sincerest thanks to you for all of your help and encouragement along the way.

To our Grand Family, every Worthy Grand Matron thinks they have the best of the best and I am no different. Thank you for accepting your elected office and a big thank you for the appointed officers for accepting their positions as well. I think Brother Ross and I chose wisely, and I am looking forward to traveling together and getting to know you all better as the year progresses.

To Sister Barb and Brother Kevin, thank you for setting an example to me for what to do and not to do it over the last four years. You both deserve a rest. Enjoy your years ahead as Past Grands.

To our Installing Suite, what can I say, you did an awesome job tonight. For those who may not know, all this work is done by memory. What better way to ward off demons. To Sister Carol our Installing Officer, you and I go back many years. I joined Eastern Star with you, two of your sisters and your cousin way back in February 1975. We have been friends ever since. Thank you for all you have done for me. Your knowledge of Eastern Star work is unsurpassable and with you as one of my general conveners for this year, I know everything will go smoothly. You will keep me informed as to what needs to be done and how and when to do it. Sister Audrey our Assisting Installing Officer, you were my first Grand Mom. Our friendship goes back into the 90's. I remember very well the year I was your Grand Martha. Who but you should install me into this position tonight. You did a marvelous job. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Sister Debbie, also our Assisting Installing Officer, thank you for installing Brother Ross. Your friendship and help are a blessing and along with Sister Carol, you being one of our conveners, will also keep me in line this year.

Sister Betty, our installing Marshal, you did a wonderful job as I knew you would. I enjoyed watching you do the floor work so gracefully. Your friendship means a lot to me. Thank you.

Sister Donna, our installing Chaplain and my second Grand Mom, we also go back many years and I appreciate all of your advice and your asking God to be present with us here tonight. Thank you.

To Sister Eleanor, you sang one of my favorite pieces and your voice certainly added to the evening. It surely is a gift. Thank you.

Brother Grant, your solo tonight was fantastic. It brought tears to our eyes, especially to Brother Ross's. Thank you.

Sister Jeannie, we have known each other many years. Your music is always wonderful to listen to and your choice of music to sing tonight could not have been better. Thank you.

To each and everyone who agreed to be an Installing Officer this evening, thank you for this and your friendship and love.

To Brother Ross, thank you for sharing the East of Grand Chapter with me. You are coming to this position for the second time and you are full of advice and know how; whether I follow it remains to be seen, but I am sure we will have a great year.

At this time I would like to introduce our Assistant Grand Officers. Sister Susan Glazier who is our Assistant Grand Marshal and Sister Mary Pellegrino who is our Assistant Grand Organist. Thank you for agreeing to be our assistants this year- we will try not to work you too hard.

Now last but definitely not least my family. First my husband and best friend of almost 56 years, Brother Edgar, our son Steven, his partner Carrie, daughters Kathy and her husband Jody, and Susan and her husband David and last but not least, the youngest of our grandchildren. Thank you for everything. You all are the most important things in my life and you mean the world to me. I would like to introduce my family who have come tonight to share this evening with me. When I say your name would you please rise. My brother Donnie and his wife Jackie, my sister Sally and her husband Shirley. I thank you very much for coming.

To members of St. Stephen Chapter #8 - would they please rise. You are here tonight to show your support to myself and to Brother Ross and I appreciate this very much. Thank you for being here.

To members of Devon Chapter #37 who are here, would they please rise - thank you for all the support you have shown to Brother Ross and myself. It is very much appreciated.

To everyone who has helped in any way to make this evening a success, thank you all.

Our official visitation schedule is printed in the bulletin but like everything, it is subject to change.

A few announcements- practice of Grand Officers is July 22nd at the St. Stephen Masonic Hall starting at 10 30 A M. All right lunch will be provided. I ask that you please look over your memory work.

On Sunday, August 13th, Brother Ross and I will be hosting a Sunspiel event at my and Edgar's home 8427 Route 3, Moores Mills - this is just about 6 miles outside of St. Stephen. I hope those who can come, will join us for a night of fellowship and perhaps a washergame. This event will be a fundraiser for our special projects with all donations greatly appreciated.

The honour bestowed on myself and our chapters is overwhelming and I thank you all for your support and love. I only hope I can represent the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick and do it justice. With God's help I am hopeful the "Follow the Star" will only spread peace and harmony wherever we go.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members, Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Sisters, Brothers, and guests!

Again, I stand before this Grand Chapter as your Worthy Grand Patron. You would think that I would have learned my lesson the first time to keep my mouth shut, but the people that know me, know that that it is not possible. I thought that I could help this Grand Chapter as your appointed Grand Sentinel, but I should have known that once you start on the elected line, that I would end up here.

I am following in my grandfather's footsteps. Brother Wallace Hyslop was your Worthy Grand Patron in 1961-1962.

Worthy Grand Matron, let me be one of the first to call you Worthy Grand Matron, and how happy I am that you and I ended up in the East of the Grand Chapter. Sister Brenda and her husband, Brother Edgar, ran a business in Moores Mills. She kept Brother Edgar on the straight and narrow, so you have had some practice. I would like to present you with your Bible to be used as you see fit. It is from me and Sister Vicki. Also, Brother Leonard and Sister Connie, made you a wooden Bible box.

I would like to thank the installing suite, especially to Sister Debbie for agreeing to install me and for the fine job that was done by all.

To my soloist, Brother Grant, for singing my favourite children's hymn, it took me back to the summer days of June of 1964. Grant and I have been friends for over 40 years.

I would also like to thank our conveners, Sister Debbie and Sister Carol for the support and guidance that we need to prepare for our sessions.

Sister Barbara and Brother Kevin, Junior Past Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron, thank you for such a wonderful year. It is going to be hard to follow in your footsteps.

Thank you also to those sisters and brothers who agreed to the position of elected or appointed to our Grand Family. Sister Brenda and I will have a remarkable year, with your help.

I would also like to thank the members of St. Stephen Chapter #8 and the members of Devon Chapter #37 for their love and support, and for

any future guidance. Could the members of these Chapters please stand and be recognized?

At this time, I would like to introduce the members of my family. My wife of almost 53 years, Vicki, who will be our Grand Conductress this year. Our daughter Wendy and my sister Marilyn and her partner Murray, who are here tonight.

Our children Kelli and husband Martin and their daughters Sarah and Mae, along with our son Mark, who are unable to be here tonight. My cousin Carol Sutherland, Past Grand Matron, and her husband Brother Ronald Sutherland Past Patron, who is our Grand Chaplain this year.

In closing, our Grand Family looks forward to travelling throughout the province and beyond as we share in our common goal of unity, peace and love!

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

Barbara Greenlaw, Junior Past Grand Matron, was presented her Past Grand Matron's Jewel, by Cindy Wilson, Associate Grand Conductress.

Cindy Wilson, Associate Grand Conductress

Sister Barbara I am so blessed to be part of your Grand Family this year and when you asked me to present your jewel to you, it was a great honor for me to do so. It has been my pleasure to help you with a few little projects which if anyone knows me, I love doing it.

You have become a very good friend to both myself and Brother Kevin this year. And even though we grew up in the same small little town and went to the same high school for all our life, it took Eastern Star for us to meet. I wish you all the best in the future and will see you join the Past Grand Matron line. You did it. Breathe now.

Sister Cindy pinned the jewel on Sister Barbara.

Sister Barbara, PGM, accepted the jewel and will wear it with pride.

Kevin Wilson, Junior Past Grand Patron was presented his jewel by his wife, Sister Cindy Wilson. He was presented with his Past Grand Patron jewel with a new bar that has been added.

Cindy Wilson, Associate Grand Conductress

Protocol having been established except for our new Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, let me be the first - Sister Brenda and Brother Ross.

It is my honor to be presenting brother Kevin with this bar to be added to his Past Grand Patron jewel - it is the very first one in our New Brunswick's jurisdictions history.

The origin of this jewel is that it belonged to Brother Stuart Norton, Past Grand Patron. I never had the pleasure of meeting Brother Stuart, but I did have tea and always sweets with Sister Elsie every couple of months. By the stories she would tell, he was a very special person as was she. Sister Elsie was so excited to have Brother Kevin receive this jewel. Brother Kevin had asked Sister Margaret McCully to do this honour but due to health concerns, she couldn't be here. I would like everyone to keep her in their thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery. Brother Kevin, I am very proud of you for everything you have accomplished in your year and now it's your turn to help me out for the next few years, so you're really not done yet.

Sister Cindy pinned the jewel on Brother Kevin. Brother Kevin said he will wear this jewel with pride.

Sister Jeanne Wheelock was escorted to the East and Sister Brenda, WGM presented her with a Grand Representative commission to Florida. Sister Barbara Greenlaw, PGM received a Grand Representative commission to New Hampshire.

The travelling jewel was presented to Brenda McGibbon, WGM by Barbara Greenlaw, Junior Past Grand Matron. Sister Brenda thanked Sister Barbara and said she would wear the jewel with pride.

A Travelling Jewel for our WGP was presented to Brother Ross MacLeod from Kevin Wilson, PGP. This is the inaugural year for having a Travelling Jewel for our Worthy Grand Patron.

Announcements

*Grand Family School of Instruction, July 22, 2023 (St. Stephen)
Sunspiel August 13 in Moores Mills, NB*

The Membership present sang the closing ode "Go Now In Peace". The Bible was closed informally by the Grand Conductress and the Mizpah Benediction was said.

The Flags were retired.

The Grand Marshal called these Grand Chapter Sessions from labour to rest, to reconvene at the Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, NB on July 11, 2024.

2022-2023
Grand Chapter of New Brunswick
“Living in the Light” Session”

DEDICATION

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Brenda McGibbon

I would like to dedicate my year in the East of this Grand Chapter to some very special people in my life – first to my parents, who set an example of dedication and love for a fraternal organization in my growing up years. Although not Order of the Eastern Star members, they did belong to the LOL and LOBA Orange Lodge and I watched many years as they dedicated their lives to their fraternal organization.

Secondly to my husband, Brother Edgar. Without his support and belief in my abilities, I would not have made it to this point. He knew I could do it. He is my “sounding board – one who I can depend on for good and fair advice – even though sometimes I ignore it. His love and encouragement mean everything to me.

To our children, Stephen, Kathy and Susan, your love and support shown to me along the way has been wonderful. Thank you.

To all members of St. Stephen Chapter #8 past and present, I thank you so much for your dedication to the Order and the support you have always given to me.

Star love and thanks to everyone.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Ross MacLeod

I dedicate this year to my wife, Vicki Ann for her dedication, love and support.

To our children Kelli, Wendy and Mark

To the memory of my parents, Carl and Sister Eva. My grand-parents, Brother Wallace, Past Grand Patron and Sister Louise, Sister Emma and Daniel.

To the members of St. Stephen #8 and Devon #37 for their love, support and drive.

Aim:	WGM	To do the best I can to seek peace and harmony
	WGP	To do what I can do

Flowers:	WGM:	Yellow Rose
	WGP:	Red Rose and Red Clover
Colours:	WGM:	Blue and Silver
	WGP:	Black and Blue
Fun Symbols:		
	WGM:	Red Cardinal, Angels and Stars
	WGP:	International Farm Tractor
Honour Stations:		
	WGM:	Martha
	WGP:	Chaplain
Scripture:	WGM:	<i>Matthew 7, Verse 12:</i> Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the Prophets
	WGP:	<i>John 4, Verse 8:</i> He that loveth not does not know God for God is love.
Watchwords:	WGM:	Faith, Hope. Love
	WGP:	Live, Laugh, Love
Hymns:	WGM:	How Great Thou Art Because He Lives In the Bulb There Is A Flower One Day At A Time I Come to the Garden Alone
	WGP:	Take It to The Lord In Prayer O Master Let Me Walk With Thee Jesus Bids Us Shine Jesus Loves Me
Songs:	WGM:	I Have A Dream Wind Beneath My Wings Waltz Across Texas I Believe
	WGP:	Can't Help Falling In Love Take A Chance On Me Land Of New Brunswick
Special Projects:		
	WGM:	Juvenile Diabetes
	WGP:	Shrine Hospital

OFFICIAL VISITS AND EVENTS

DATE	CHAPTER / EVENT
July 22	School of Instruction
August 13	Sunspiel Moores Mills
September 5	Fidelity # 36
September 12	Victoria # 1
September 16	Maine in NB Fredericton Inn, Fredericton
September 23	Miramichi # 44
September 26	Frank H. Tingley # 5
October 5	Winston Churchill # 19
October 13	Devon # 37
October 17	Zetland # 26
October 21	NB in Maine Ellsworth Maine
October 25	Unity # 35
November 1	Philip A. Jerguson # 18
November 8	Granite # 15
November 16	Celestial #3
November 20	St. Stephen # 8
2024	
February 3, 2024	Funspiel – St. Stephen Curling Club
April 6	Maritime Exchange NB
April 20	Maine Maritime Exchange - PEI
July 11 – 13	Grand Chapter NB

COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS

Linda Ames, PM (8)
Helen Cormier Stewart, PM (44)
Connie MacPherson, WM (37)

DISTRIBUTION

Elaine I. MacLean, PGM (3)
Laurie Bishop, GGCCM (37)
Donna Allen, PGM (26)

JURISPRUDENCE

Lynda Swan, GGCCM (1)
Darrell Munn, PGP (37)
Donna McEwen, PGM (3)

CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Donald Williams, PGP (36)
Debbie Hill, PGM (37)
Barbara Greenlaw, PGM (8)

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

Eleanor Linton, PGM (8)
Ron Jagoe, PGP (44)
Charlotte Jansen-Bateman, PGM (37)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Betty Danks, PGM (44)
Brenda Saunders, PGM (36)
David Lister, PGP (35)

FINANCE

Carol Sutherland, PGM (8)
Lynda Williams, PGM (36)
Robert McInnes, PGP (18)

COMMISSIONER OF TRIALS

Mildred Homer, PGM (5)
John Murray, PGP (26)
Peggy Jagoe, PGM (44)

NECROLOGY

Linda Ames, PM (8)
Dianne McBride, PM (15)
Barbara Greenlaw, PGM (8)

AUDIT

Dorothy Allan, PM (18)
Lynn Hutchin, PGM (35)
Kevin Wilson, PGP (3)

COMMITTEES

LOTTIE L KYLE SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATIONAL FUND

Bonnie Anderson, PM (3)
Graham Vincent, PGP (24)
Dianne McBride, PM (15)
Cindy Wilson, PM (37)
Gertrude Wilson, PM (1)

ESTARL

Candace Duplisea, PM (3)
Margaret McCully, PGM (18)
Ron Sutherland, WP (8)
Noreen Wisted, PM (3)

SERVICE DOGS

Geoffrey Hutchin, PP (35)
Will Johnston (5)
Susan Glazier, PM (1)

INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Mary Pelletier, PM (5)
Judy Donnelly, PGM (44)
Doug Kaine, WP (5)

MEMBERSHIP

Ronald Keith Bateman, PGP (37)
Connie MacPherson, WM (37)
Anne Murray, PM (26)

OES MAGAZINE

Debbie Hill, PGM, (37)
Doug Swan, PGP (1)
Kevin Wilson, PGP (3)

EASTERN STAR JOURNAL

Joyce McInnes, PGM (33)
Debbie Cawker, PM (3)
James Wisted, PP (3)

WEB ADVISORY

Winnie Bateman, PM (26)
Lynne Hatt, PGM (15)
Don Williams, PGP (36)

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PAST GRAND MATRONS

The Year in Which They Were Elected

Since Organization of Grand Chapter, November 5th, 1930

*Deceased +Suspended xDemitted

- 1930 Fredericton, Lottie L. Kyle, Moncton No. 5*
- 1931 Woodstock, Lottie L. Kyle, Moncton No. 5*
- 1932 Moncton, May King, Woodstock No. 1*
- 1933 Milltown, Gladys Douple, St. Stephen No. 8*
- 1934 Grand Falls, Ida Bedell, Andover No. 9*
- 1935 Fredericton, Mary J. McCain, St. Stephen No. 4*
- 1936 St. Stephen, Blanche White, Andover No. 10*
- 1937 Moncton, Edna Kilpatrick, Woodstock No. 7*
- 1938 Woodstock, Elizabeth Noddin, Calais, Maine No. 2*
- 1939 Andover, Jeanne Murray, Fredericton No. 3*
- 1940 Saint John, Laura Shaw, Woodstock No. 1*
- 1941 Woodstock, Anna Laubman, St. Stephen No. 8*
- 1942 St. Stephen, Linnie Siddall, Port Elgin No. 11*
- 1943 Fredericton, Mildred A. Porter, Saint John No. 14*
- 1944 Moncton, Daisy Wheeler, Moncton No. 5*
- 1945 Saint John, Jean Stewart, Hartland No. 6*
- 1946 Milltown, Eva McBride, Woodstock No. 1*
- 1947 Saint John, E. Mae Earle, Perth No. 9*
- 1948 Saint John, Evelyn R. Wright, Fredericton No. 3*
- 1949 Fredericton, Mary E. Wright, Calais, Maine No. 2*
- 1950 St. Andrews, Marjorie Fryars, Moncton No. 5*
- 1951 Moncton, Hazel P. Hagerman, Saint John No. 14*
- 1952 Saint John, Hazel St. C. Doyle, Hampton No. 18*
- 1953 Saint John, Hilda Akerley, Fredericton No. 3*
- 1954 Fredericton, Exie Dougherty, St. Stephen No. 15*
- 1955 Woodstock, Eula Guptill, Pennfield No. 16*
- 1956 St. Stephen, Louise Hicks, Havelock No. 25*
- 1957 Moncton, Grace Brooks, Aroostook No. 9*
- 1958 Fredericton, Madeline Raymond, Woodstock No. 1*
- 1959 Woodstock, Edith Mersereau, Fredericton Junction No. 12*
- 1960 Fredericton, Ruth Lewis, Chatham No. 27*
- 1961 Newcastle, Velma Branch, Bathurst No. 22*
- 1962 Saint John, Margaret Sommerville, Woodstock No. 7*
- 1963 Fredericton, Vola Barker, Fredericton No. 3*
- 1964 Fredericton, Mildred Trenholme, Port Elgin No. 11*
- 1965 Moncton, Elva Godfrey, Saint John No. 18*

- 1966 Saint John, Eileen Jackson, St. Stephen No. 4*
- 1967 St. Andrews, Edythe Hathewaye, Bathurst No. 22*
- 1968 Bathurst, Eileen Price, Moncton, NB No. 5*
- 1969 Moncton, Mary Fanjoy, Rothesay, No. 33*
- 1970 Saint John, Rhoda Steeves, Moncton No. 36*
- 1971 Moncton, Blanche Grant, St. George No. 15*
- 1972 St. Andrews, Glenna Taylor, Lower Derby No. 42*
- 1973 Newcastle, Annie Saunders, Rothesay No. 33*
- 1974 Sussex, Geneva Oliver, Fredericton No. 37*
- 1975 Fredericton, Kay Bleakney, Moncton No. 5*
- 1976 Moncton, Anne Steeves, Campbellton No. 24*
- 1977 Campbellton, Thelma Peacock, Saint John No. 14*
- 1978 Saint John, Myrtle Fillmore, Fredericton No. 3*
- 1979 Fredericton, Lottie MacCallum, Saint John No. 34*
- 1980 Saint John, Ethel Tweedie, Kouchebouquac, No. 27*
- 1981 Chatham, F. Pauline Allan, Saint John, No. 18*
- 1982 Saint John, Jean Scott, Bathurst No. 22*
- 1983 Bathurst, Norma Jean Belyea, Fredericton, No. 3*
- 1984 Fredericton, Jacquie Boutilier, 25 Vista Drive, Moncton
E1A 4L6 (382-3217) No. 36
- 1985 Moncton, Margaret McCully, 9 Wayne Terrace,
Saint John E2M 5Z1 (672-3774) No. 18
- 1986 Saint John, Florence Wilson, Quispamsis No. 33*
- 1987 Sussex, Jeanne Wheelock, 5139 Clover Mist Drive,
Apollo Beach FL 33572 ((207) 825-3752) No. 8
- 1988 St. Stephen, Betty Danks, 343 Goderich Street, Dalhousie
E8C 1V1 (684-4933) No. 24
- 1989 Saint John, Jean Belding, Fredericton No. 3*
- 1990 Fredericton, Ann Lister, 665 Clements Dr, Fredericton
E3G 7J2 No. 35
- 1991 Fredericton, Joan Hicks, Riverview No. 1*
- 1992 Woodstock, Hilda Shaffer, Riverview No. 19*
- 1993 Moncton, Hazel Harris, Bathurst, No. 22*
- 1994 Bathurst, Brenda I. Taylor, Saint John No. 18*
- 1995 Saint John, Brenda J. Saunders, 214 Downey Avenue
Riverview E1B 1W7 (386-3595) (854-0401) No. 36
- 1996 Moncton, Shirley MacDonald, 255 O'Keefe Road,
Miramichi E1V 6J3 (773-6685) No. 27
- 1997 Fredericton, Rose Scott, Moncton No. 36*
- 1998 Moncton, Audrey Sypher, 172 Morris Street, Miramichi
E1V 0A2 (836-9083) No. 24

- 1999 Moncton, Ann Morton, 1075 Route 114, Lower Coverdale
E1J 1A1 (386-8626) No. 19
- 2000 Moncton, Carol Sutherland, 1231 Route 127, Rollingdam
E5A 2W2 (466-4077) No. 8
- 2001 Fredericton, Debbie Hill, 101 Hilltop Drive, Fredericton
E3A 2J3 (472-2402) No. 37
- 2002 Fredericton, Leitha Holmes, Four Falls, No. 9 and No. 1*
- 2003 Fredericton, Marjorie Colton, 16-28 Heritage Road,
Miramichi E1N 3C2 (773-7875) No. 27
- 2004 Fredericton, Donna Allen, 1345 Route 955, Murray Corner
E4M 3H6 (538-2672) No. 11
- 2005 Fredericton, Elaine MacLean, 135 Reynolds St., Apt 103,
Fredericton E3A 4K8 (454-9555) No. 3
- 2006 Fredericton, Donna McEwen, 9 Matheson St, Apt 13
Campbellton, E3N 3P8 (759-9893) No. 24
- 2007 Fredericton, Lynne Hatt, 74 Artemus Hatt Road, L'Etang
E5C 2B7 (755-6157) No 15
- 2008 Fredericton, Linda Cogswell, 203 Wood Lane, Fredericton
E3B 7N9 (206-1151) No. 37
- 2009 Fredericton, Lynn Hutchin, 4482 Route 640, York Co., Harvey
E6K 2X5 (261-1711), No. 35
- 2010 Fredericton, Sherry Mitton, 923 Picot Avenue, Unit #1
Bathurst, E2A 4T7 (546-6345), No. 22
- 2011 Fredericton, Mildred Homer, 33 Converse Lane,
Riverview E1B 5J3 (386-6535) No. 5
- 2012 Fredericton, E. Jean Duncan., 125-55 Patience Lane, Fredericton
E3B 0K4 (455-7487) No. 3
- 2013 Fredericton, Nancy Keirstead, 49 Caledonia Rd,
Hopewell Hill, E4H 3K4 (882-2023) No 19
- 2014 Fredericton, Margaret (Peggy) Jagoe, 8053 Route 11,
Stonehaven E2A 5N9 (546-3934) No. 22
- 2015 Fredericton, Lynda Swan, 169 St. John St., Woodstock
E7M 2T9 (328-6929) No. 1
- 2016 Fredericton, Eleanor Linton, 268 Ledge Road, Crocker Hill, NB
E3L 3Z8 (466-3487) No. 8
- 2017 Fredericton, Joyce McInnes, 248 Kennebecasis River Road,
Hampton E5N 6K9 (832-5591) No. 33
- 2018 Fredericton, Judy Donnelly, 102 Vancouver Crescent, Miramichi
E1N 2E5 (625-7544) No. 44
- 2019 Fredericton, Charlotte Jansen-Bateman, , 21 Gould Street
- 2020 Lincoln, NB E3B 9V2 (357-7053) No. 37

2021 Fredericton, Lynda Williams, 13 Harlow St., Unit 4, Salisbury
E4J 0C6 (215-1212) No. 36
2022 Fredericton, Barbara Greenlaw, 10 St. David Ridge Road,
St. Stephen E3L 4P6 (466-3200), No. 8

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PAST GRAND PATRONS

The Year Which They Were Elected

Since Organization of Grand Chapter, November 5th, 1930

1930 Fredericton, R. Donald Stewart, Hartland No. 6*
1931 Woodstock, R. Donald Stewart, Hartland No. 6*
1932 Moncton, O. B. Dobson, Moncton No. 5*
1933 Milltown, John E. Andrews, Andover No. 10*
1934 Grand Falls, H.S. Wright, Fredericton No. 3*
1935 Fredericton, Rev. Canon J.E. McAlden, St. Andrews No. 9*
1936 St. Stephen, James Walker, Moncton No. 5*
1937 Moncton, Cecil R. Fitzsimmons, Woodstock No. 5*
1938 Woodstock, Bertrum Wilson, Moncton No. 5*
1939 Andover, Earl Nason, Fredericton Junction No. 12*
1940 Saint John, Arthur Kearney, Hartland No. 6*
1941 Woodstock, Frank Thomas, Petitcodiac No. 3*
1942 St. Stephen, C. Scott Currie, Woodstock No. 1*
1943 Fredericton, G. I. Nugent, Fredericton No. 3*
1944 Moncton, Walter S. Allen, St. Stephen No. 8*
1945 Saint John, John Akerley, Fredericton No. 3*
1946 Milltown, Kenneth W. Warden, Saint John No. 14*
1947 Saint John, Kenneth Anderson, Lawrence Station No. 8*
1948 Saint John, Charles Wry, Bath No. 7*
1949 Fredericton, Harle E. Winslow, Bering, ME No. 2*
1950 St. Andrews, Arthur Carvell, Lakeville No. 6*
1951 Moncton, Judson Tompkins, Perth-Andover No. 9x
1952 Saint John, Leonard Wilson, West Saint John No. 18*
1953 Saint John, Harry Hersey, St. George No. 15*
1954 Fredericton, Eldon Atkinson, Campbellton No. 24*
1955 Woodstock, Glendon Smith, Upper Mills No. 2*
1956 St. Stephen, Roy H. Colwell, Fredericton No. 3*
1957 Moncton, James Ingram, Oromocto No. 4*
1958 Fredericton, Allison Knowlton, Harvey Station No. 35*
1959 Woodstock, Rev C.E. Miller, Amherst, NS No. 38x
1960 Fredericton, W.T.F. Johnston, Saint John No. 14*
1961 Newcastle, Wallace Hyslop, Moores Mills No. 8*

1962 Saint John, Alexander MacCallum, Hamilton, Ont No. 34*
 1963 Woodstock, Austin Steeves, Moncton No. 36*
 1964 Fredericton, Donald W. Kyle, Riverview No. 19*
 1965 Moncton, Bernard Oliver, Fredericton No. 37*
 1966 Saint John, Howard Saunders, Rothesay No. 33*
 1967 St. Andrews, Everett McKinnon, Tide Head No. 24*
 1968 Bathurst, W. Burton Scott, Saint John No. 14*
 1969 Moncton, H. Douglas Ball, Fredericton Junction No. 12*
 1970 Saint John, Robert Jackson, St. Stephen No. 4*
 1971 Moncton, Gerald Fowler, Lepreau No. 18*
 1972 St. Andrews, Leonard Kelloway, Centreville No. 7*
 1973 Newcastle, Edward Crowther, Bathurst No. 22*
 1974 Sussex, Frank Bean, Fredericton Junction No. 12*
 1975 Fredericton, James Clouston, Newcastle No. 42*
 1976 Moncton, Cecil Jeffries, Sussex Corner No. 21*
 1977 Campbellton, Ernest W. Grant, Saint John No. 36*
 1978 Saint John, J. Stewart Brooks, Aroostook No. 9*
 1979 Fredericton, Harry Livingstone, Riverview No. 5*
 1980 Saint John, Ralph T. Haley, St. Stephen No. 4*
 1981 Chatham, Douglas Hannah, Shediac No. 26*
 1982 Saint John, Fred Woodworth, Riverview No. 11*
 1983 Bathurst, Joseph A. Potter, Moncton No. 5*
 1984 Fredericton, DeWitt Lister, Harvey Station No. 35*
 1985 Moncton, Stuart Norton, Fredericton No. 22*
 1986 Saint John, Clinton Shaffer, Riverview No. 19*
 1987 Sussex, James Page, Centreville No. 7*
 1988 St. Stephen, Basil Leckey, Chipman No. 30*
 1989 Saint John, Eldon Libby, Riverview No. 36*
 1990 Fredericton, Peter Colton, Chatham No. 27*
 1991 Fredericton, George Theal, Moncton No. 5*
 1992 Woodstock, John Beattie, Sussex No. 21*
 1993 Moncton, Rupert Sypher, Chaleur, No. 17*
 1994 Bathurst, Joseph Holmes, 2863 Route 130, Four Falls,
 E3Z 2H2 (273-3512) No. 9
 1995 Saint John, Elderic Thorne, Minto No. 30*
 1996 Moncton, Dale Nicklin, Pond Stream (Minto) No. 37*
 1997 Fredericton, Carr Graham, Moncton No. 26*
 1998 Moncton, Murray Clouston, 4489 Cape Hwy, Salmon Beach
 E2A 6C3 (546-6504) No. 22
 1999 Moncton, Gordon Steeves, Fredericton No. 23*
 2000 Moncton, Charles Rafuse, St. George No. 15 *

- 2001 Fredericton, Doug Swan, 169 St. John Street, Woodstock
E7M 2T9 (328-6929) No. 1
- 2002 Fredericton, Ronald Jagoe, 8053 Route 11, Stonehaven
E2A 5N9 (546-3934) No. 22
- 2003 Fredericton, Evan Thomas, Riverview, No. 26*
- 2004 Fredericton, John Murray, 3803 Route 132, Scoudouc
E4P 3M5 (532-2906) No. 26
- 2005 Fredericton, Ambury Newman, Miramichi No. 42*
- 2006 Fredericton, Graham Vincent, 9 MacLean Street, Charlo
E8E 2M7 (684-3887) No. 24
- 2007 Fredericton, Burton Hall, Utopia No. 15
- 2008 Fredericton, Bob King, 1221 Logan St. East, Sarnia ON
N7S 1V7 (506-576-7848) No. 26
- 2009 Fredericton, Ebby Kuhn, 67 Limekiln Rd., Stanley,
E6B 1E9 (461-6339) No. 37
- 2010 Fredericton, Ron Oakley, Moncton, No. 26*
- 2011 Fredericton, Allan Gillis, 260 Lower Durham Road,
Durham Bridge E6H 1G9 (289-1599) No. 37
- 2012 Fredericton, Donald E. Williams, 13 Harlow St, Unit 4
Salisbury, E4J 0C6 (215-1212) No.36
- 2013 Fredericton, Laurie Bishop, 381 Canada Street,
Fredericton, E3A 4A5 (458-8807) No. 37
- 2014 Fredericton, Rev. Raymond Kraglund, 30 Vitality Way, #305,
Saint John E2K 0S5 (693-2965) No. 24
- 2015 Fredericton, David Lister, 386 Frog Lake Road, Harvey,
York Co., E6K 2G4 (476-8896) No. 35
- 2016 Fredericton, Robert McInnes, 248 Kennebecasis River Road,
Hampton E5N 6K9 (832-5591) No. 33
- 2017 Fredericton, A Ross MacLeod, 23 MacLeod Rd., Tower Hill
E5A 2N3 (466-4769) No. 8
- 2018 Fredericton, Kevin Wilson, 60 Bradshaw Drive, New Maryland
E3C 1H5 (459-3089) No. 3
- 2019 Fredericton, Ronald Keith Bateman, 21 Gould Street
- 2020 Lincoln, NB E3B 9V2 (357-7053) No. 37
- 2021 Fredericton, Darrell Munn, PO Box 432, Boiestown
E6A 2A2 (369-1815) No. 37
- 2022 Kevin Wilson, 60 Bradshaw Drive, New Maryland
E3C 1H5 (459-3089) No. 3

*Deceased +Suspended xDemitted

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR - 2021–2024
General Grand Chapter Elected Officers and Trustees

Glenda G. Winchester Most Worthy Grand Matron PGM of South Carolina	F. Lon Lowry Most Worthy Grand Patron PGP of Ohio
Billie Bradfield Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, PGM of Arizona	Michael E. “Mike” Berry Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron PGP of Kentucky
Charles Chadler Right Worthy Grand Secretary PGP of West Virginia	Linn McNary Right Worthy Grand Treasurer PGM of Louisiana
Debbie Dhayer Right Worthy Grand Conductress PGM of West Virginia	Barbara Ann K Holmes Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, PGM of Nevada
Jo L. Cullifer , Chairman Right Worthy Grand Trustee PGM of Georgia	Helen Delaney Right Worthy Grand Trustee PGM of Ontario
K Arthur Drescher Jr. Right Worthy Grand Trustee PGP of Texas	Eddie Yaun Right Worthy Grand Sentinel PGP of Tennessee

General Grand Chapter Appointed Officers

William Shoulders Worthy Grand Chaplain PGM of Indiana	Susan White Worthy Grand Marshal PGM of California
HM Sonny Dycus Jr Worthy Grand Organist PGP of Georgia	Diane R Bargfrede Worthy Grand Adah PGM of Iowa
Sharon M Cormie Worthy Grand Ruth PGM of British Columbia and Yukon	Bonnie G Youngblood Worthy Grand Esther PGM of Ohio
Kaye Rackley Worthy Grand Martha PGM of South Carolina	Marlene Wilds Worthy Grand Electa PGM of South Carolina
Pamela Waack Worthy Grand Warder PGM of Michigan	

GRAND SECRETARIES – ALL JURISDICTIONS

ALABAMA	October	Janice Epp, PGM 1423 Upper Kingston Road Prattville, AL 36067
ALBERTA	June	Lisbeth J Booth 10236 104 Street Westlock, AB T7P 1V6
ARIZONA	August	Lois Griffin P O Box 80040 Phoenix, AZ 85060
ARKANSAS	December	Roberta Fooks PGM 3322 County Avenue Texarkana, AR 71854
AUSTRALIA	June	Elizabeth Taylor Worthy Grand Secretary 44 Cobbs Hill Road Lower Dromedary TAS 7030 Australia
BOLIVIA	July	Patricia Morales Calle 27, #25 Cota-Cota La Paz, Bolivia
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON	June	Jean Pifer #68 – 9208 208 th St Langley BC V1M 2M9
CALIFORNIA	October	Tammy Kinzey 16850 Bastanchury Rd, Suite C Yorba Linda, CA 92886-1608

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COLORADO	September	Rene Ballinger 2495 So. Quebec, #60 Denver, CO 80231-6068
CONNECTICUT	April	Lynn Wakefield PO Box 143 Plymouth, CT 06782-0143
DELAWARE	May	Barbara F. Lott, PGM P. O. Box 186 Dagsboro, DE 19939-0186
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	May	Marilyn Haroutunian, PGM 122 C Street, NW Suite 115 Washington, DC 20001-2109
FLORIDA	April	Brenda Keepin 11813 Hwy 77 Panama City, FL 32409
GEORGIA	June	Betsy Nibeck, PGM P.O. Box 2436 Kennesaw, GA 30156-2436
IDAHO	June	Liz Hughes PGM 140 Powell Road St. Maries, ID 83861
ILLINOIS	October	Damon R. Stotts, PGP P.O. Box 317 Macon, IL 62544-0317
INDIANA	June	Anna M. Burton 523 Archway Franklin, IN 46131
IOWA	October	Nancy J. Ramthum, PGM P.O. Box 72 Knoxville, IA 50138-0072

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ITALY	April	Rosaria Maniaci Via Alessio Nabone 75 Palermo, Italy 90138
KANSAS	April	Christine M. Hard 221 SW 33rd Street Topeka, KS 66611
KENTUCKY	September	Janice Yankey 102 E. Washington Street LaGrange, KY 40031
LOUISIANA	March	Diane Smith, PGM P O Box 99 Mt. Hermon, LA 70450-0099
MAINE	May	James A. Owens, PGP P O Box 60 Madison, ME
MANITOBA	May	Maralice Blagden, PGM 52-525 Cathcart Street Winnipeg, MB R3R 0S6
MARYLAND	April	Donna Runyan 304 International Circle Cockeysville, MD 21030-1300
MASSACHUSETTS	May	Anna B. Craig P.O. Box 600583 Newtonville, MA 02460-0006
MICHIGAN	October	Jan S. Cross 20411 W. 12 Mile Rd, Suite 108 Southfield, MI 48076-6404
MINNESOTA	May	Joyce McCurdy, PGM 11501 Masonic Home Drive Bloomington, MN 55437-9998

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MISSISSIPPI	April	Kayla Smith 130 Clara Foote Rd. Florence, MS 39073
MISSOURI	October	Debbie L. Olds 6033 Masonic Drive, Suite C Columbia, MO 65202-6568
MONTANA	June	Sheryl McGuire P.O. Box 330 White Sulphur Springs, MT 59645
NEBRASKA	May	Jan E. Thoman, PGM, 301 N. Cotner Blvd, Suite 200 Lincoln, NE 68505-2335
NEVADA	October	Dawn Bibbey 8969 Wynne Street Reno, NV 89506
NEW BRUNSWICK	July	Doug Swan, PGP 169 St. John Street Woodstock, NB E7M 2T9
NEW HAMPSHIRE	August	Joan Smith PGM 196 Main Street, Suite 20 Nashua, NH 03060
NEW JERSEY	May	Patti L. Rhinesmith, PMWGM Right Worthy Grand Secretary 111 Finderne Avenue Bridgewater, NJ 08807-3101
NEW MEXICO	October	Diana Youngren POB 1209 Las Cruces, NM 88004-1209

GRAND SECRETARIES – ALL JURISDICTIONS

NEW YORK	October	Karen Marshall-King, PMWGM Most Worthy Grand Secretary Pounder Hall #106 1400 Utica Street Oriskany, NY 13424-5437
NORTH CAROLINA	June	Louise M. Taylor PGM 513 Elam Church Road Garysburg, NC 27831
NORTH DAKOTA	June	Cindy Schwab 1405 3rd Street N. Fargo, ND 58102
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OHIO	September	DuAnne Farus 377 Main Street Duncan Falls, OH 43734
OKLAHOMA	October	Leatrice Massey, PGM 1415 N. Walnut St. Guthrie, OK 73044-2003
ONTARIO	August	Lillian Gohn 30A Heritage Square Fergus, ON N1M 0E9
OREGON	June	Mary M. Duncan POB 55217 Portland, OR 97238
PENNSYLVANIA	June	Virginia Lynn Plyler, PGM 105 Freemason Drive Elizabethtown, PA 17022-3156

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PUERTO RICO	May	Maria Quinones PO Box 458 Sabana Grande, PR 00637
RHODE ISLAND	October	Kathy Newman, PGM 65 Ethan St Warwick, RI 02888-3905
SAO PAULO	April	Elaine Cristina Costa Dominguez Ru Monteiro Lobata, 315 ato 72- Ocian Praia Grande, SP CEP-11.704-150 Brazil
SASKATCHEWAN	April	Thea Howe, PGM Site 709 Comp 2 RR#7 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 1N2
SCOTLAND	April	Pat Brown, MWGM Worthy Grand Secretary 54 Market Place Carluke South Lanark, ML8 4BP SCOTLAND
SOUTH CAROLINA	June	Katherine Gerner, PGM 533 Greenbriar Drive Seneca, SC 29678-5418
SOUTH DAKOTA	October	Sandra Vanneman PGM 2113 Stratford Place Pierre, SD 57501
TENNESSEE	May	Mary Wolfe, PGM 2153 Highway 411 Vonore, TN 37885-2221

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TEXAS	September	Dr. Ellen Pickrell 8101 Valcasi Drive, Suite 101 Arlington, TX 76001-7701
UTAH	October	Karen B. Pullman 1651 South 2095 West Woods Cross, UT 84087
VERMONT	June	Mrs. Jerri K. Riegler, PGM 65 Lindale Drive Colchester, VT 05446-7219
VIRGINIA	May	Margaret K Witt 500 Masonic Lane, Suite B Henrico, VA 23223-5560
WASHINGTON	June	Patti Marie DeMuth 817 South Vassault Street Tacoma, WA 98465-2046
WEST VIRGINIA	October	Pat Kennedy, PGM P.O. Box 148 Buckhannon, WV 26201
WISCONSIN	May	Jane M Blackwood, PGM 36275 Sunset Drive Dousman, WI 53118-9349
WYOMING	August	Margie George 3819 Snyder Ave. Cheyenne, WY 82001

DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS – 2023-2024

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St. Stephen Chapter #8

9 Main St., St Stephen

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Secretary– Barb Greenlaw, PGM

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Oak Bay, NB E3L 4P6

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Granite Chapter #15

2 Carleton St, St George

2nd Wed@7:30

Closed Jul & Aug

Secretary - Lynn Hutchin, PGM

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WP – David Hooper, PP

865 Route 72

Back Bay, NB E5C 1X4

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Philip A. Jerguson Chapter #18

40 McLaughlin Cres, Saint John

1st Thursday @ 7:30

Closed Jul & Aug

Secretary – Dorothy Allan, PM

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DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS – 2023-2024

Winston Churchill Chapter #19

36 Bradford, Riverview

1st Thursday @ 8:00 PM

Closed Jan & Feb

Secretary-Nancy Keirstead, PGM

49 Caledonia Mountain Road

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WM – Dianne Manning, PM

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WP – Robert Keirstead, PP

49 Caledonia Mountain Road

Hopewell Hill, NB E4H 3K4

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Zetland Chapter # 26

Route 133, Shediac Cape

3rd Tuesday@8:00

Closed Jan & Feb

Secretary – Cathy McGinn, PM

174 Old Coach Rd.

Riverview, NB E1B 1N8

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WM –Anne Murray, PM

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(506) 532-2906

WP – John Murray, PGP

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(506) 532-2906

Unity Chapter #35

8 Candlelight Lane,

Harvey Station

4th Wed @ 7:30pm

Closed Jan & Feb

Secretary – Lynn Hutchin, PGM

4482 Route 640

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WM – Carol Sutherland, PGM

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WP – Vernon Lister, PP

125 Charles Street

St. Andrews, NB E5B 2J4

(506) 260-1314

DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS – 2023-2024

Fidelity Chapter #36

36 Bradford, Riverview
1st Tuesday@7:30
 Closed Jul & Aug

Secretary-Brenda Saunders, PGM
 214 Downey Ave.
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WM – Cathy McGinn, PM
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WP – Gordon Rattray, PP
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Devon Chapter #37

110 Johnston Ave.
 Fredericton North
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 Closed Jan & Feb

Secretary – Gayle Rusk
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 Hanwell NB, E3C 1M5
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WM – Connie McPherson, PM
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WP – Glendon Hill, Gr Sentinel
 101 Hilltop Drive
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Miramichi Chapter #44

Newcastle Blvd. Miramichi
3rd Wed @ 7:30
 Closed Jul & Aug

Secretary - Judy Donnelly, PGM
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WM – Jean Kelly, PM
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WP – David Bucklow, PP
 25 Chambers Street
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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
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Alabama	Phyllis Mossman	Aug 31/24
Alberta	Shirley McBride	Aug 31/24
Arizona	Carol Ferris	Aug 31/24
Arkansas	Owen Firth	Aug 31/23
Australia	Elizabeth Goldie	Aug 31/24
Bolivia	Norma Caswell	Aug 31/24
British Columbia/Yukon	Gertrude Wilson	Aug 31/23
California	Debbie Hill	Aug 31/23
Colorado	Joanne Henderson	Aug 31/23
Connecticut	Martha Evans	Aug 31/24
Delaware	Terrance Spence	Aug 31/23
District of Columbia	Colin Allen	Aug 31/24
Florida	Faye Oakley	Aug 31/23
Georgia	Irene Fowler Sharpe	Aug 31/22
Idaho	Kaye Southard	Aug 31/23
Illinois	James Hanley	Aug 31/24
Indiana	Gordon Rattray	Aug 31/24
Iowa	Ron Bateman	Aug 31/24
Italy	Vernon Lister	Aug 31/24
Kansas	Ron Jagoe	Aug 31/24
Kentucky	Heidi Dychow	Aug 31/24
Louisiana	Will Johnston	Aug 31/23
Maine	Connie MacPherson	Mar 01/24
Manitoba	Cathy McGinn	Aug 31/23
Maryland	Ruth Saunders	Aug 31/23

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OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN NEW BRUNSWICK**

Massachusetts	Lynn Hutchin	Aug 31/23
Michigan	Lynda Swan	Aug 31/24
Minnesota	Larry White	Aug 31/23
Mississippi	Edgar Cove	Aug 31/24
Missouri	Verna Poley	Aug 31/22
Montana	Elaine I MacLean	Aug 31/24
Nebraska	Roxanne Pond Stewart	Aug 31/23
Nevada	Sylvia Bannister	Aug 31/24
New Hampshire	Henry Morton	Aug 31/23
New Jersey	Judy Gilliss	Aug 31/23
New Mexico	David Harding	Aug 31/23
New York	Lynne Hatt	Aug 31/24
North Carolina	Lynda Williams	Aug 31/24
North Dakota	James Maxwell	Aug 31/23
Nova Scotia/PEI	Geoffrey Hutchin	Aug 31/24
Ohio	Serena Bradford	Aug 31/24
Oklahoma	Serena Bradford	Aug 31/24
Ontario	Kevin Wilson	Aug 31/25
Oregon	Carrie Weaver	Dec 31/22
Pennsylvania	Ralph Bain	Aug 31/22
Puerto Rico	Patti Borthwick	Aug 31/23
Quebec	John Murray	Aug 31/23
Rhode Island	Allan McKinley	Aug 31/23
Saskatchewan	Ron Keith Bateman	Aug 31/23
Sao Paulo	Charlotte Jansen-Bateman	Aug 31/23

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

Scotland	Hugh Goldie	Aug 31/23
South Carolina	Kim Brown	Aug 31/24
South Dakota	Martha Burden	Aug 31/23
Tennessee	Paul Fullarton	Aug 31/24
Texas	Christine Trenholm	Aug 31/23
Utah	Allan Gillis	Aug 31/25
Vermont	Eleanor Linton	Aug 31/23
Virginia	James Wisted	Aug 31/23
Washington	Joyce Spence	Aug 31/24
West Virginia	Betty Dawson	Aug 31/23
Wisconsin	Glendon Hill	Aug 31/24
Wyoming	Darlene Kaine	Aug 31/23

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OF NEW BRUNSWICK IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

Alabama	James Robinette	Dec 31/224
Alberta	Mary Ann Kosinski	Dec 31/23
Arizona	Shin Anderson	July 1/24
Arkansas	Kathy Adams	Dec 31/24
Australia	Ivor Player	Dec 31/24
Bolivia	Gilka Arellano DeZubieta	Dec 31/20
British Columbia/Yukon	Jan Hermiston	Mar 31/22
California	Raul DeDiego	Dec 31/25
Colorado	Richard Markell	Dec 31/23
Connecticut	Sis. Shawn Piercy	Dec 31/24

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OF NEW BRUNSWICK IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

Delaware	Wayne Stacey	Dec 31/24
District of Columbia	Lena Kahn	Mar 31/24
Florida	Carla Girtman	Dec 31/23
Georgia	Eric Dyer	Dec 31/23
Idaho	J Shirwin Wilson	Dec 31/24
Illinois	Joe Zavoral	Dec 31/22
Indiana	Margaret Smith	Dec 31/23
Iowa	Pam McKay	Dec 31/23
Kansas	Jean Osbourn	Dec 31/24
Kentucky	Jada Elliott	Dec 31/24
Louisiana	Darlene Mayes	Dec 31/24
Maine	Judith Sprague	Dec 31/23
Manitoba	Tim McIsaac	Dec 31/24
Maryland	Nancy Clark	Mar 31/23
Massachusetts	Karen Grabau	Dec 31/24
Michigan	Nicki Clair	Dec 31/23
Minnesota	Curt Speller	Dec 31/24
Mississippi	Mark Hopkins	Dec 31/24
Missouri	Jessie Gartner	Feb 1/24
Montana	Jame DeBree	Dec 31/24
Nebraska	April Ott	Dec 31/20
Nevada	Elizabeth Hannon	Dec 31/24
New Hampshire	Richard Welch	Dec 31/23
New Jersey	Debbie Mundy	Dec 31/23
New Mexico	Westlena Huskey	Dec 31/23
New York	Nathalie J Smith	Dec 31/24

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North Carolina	Mary Flowe	Dec 31/22
North Dakota	Susan Godsell	Oct 1/24
Nova Scotia/PEI	Ann Kerr	Dec 31/25
Ohio	Debi Hulse	Jun 25/24
Oklahoma	Margaret Wait	Dec 31/24
Ontario	Tracy Jodoin	Dec 31/24
Oregon	Casey Reynen	Dec 31/24
Pennsylvania	Nancy L Line	Dec 31/23
Puerto Rico	Petey Soteno de Ramirez	Dec 31/23
Rhode Island	Deborah Johnston	Dec 31/24
Saskatchewan	Susan Bear	Dec 31/24
Sao Paulo	Nilton Goncalves	Dec 31/23
Scotland	Elizabeth Hoise	Dec 31/23
South Carolina	Willis Holland	Dec 31/23
South Dakota	Desirae Stotz	Dec 31/23
Tennessee	Martha Ann Sloane	Dec 31/23
Texas	Mary Gipson	Dec 31/24
Utah	Shirley Poate, PGM	Dec 31/23
Vermont	Arlene Hunt	Dec 31/23
Virginia	Gail Lee	Dec 31/23
Washington	Al Hailey	Jun 30/25
West Virginia	Rusty Wetzel	Dec 31/23
Wisconsin	Mavis Melstrom	Apr 1/24
Wyoming	Danella DeVries	Dec 31/23

RECAPITULATION OF CHAPTERS

April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023

No	Chapter	2022	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Total Increase	Deceased	Suspended	Demitted	Total Loss	2023
1	Victoria	51				0		1	1	2	49
3	Celestial	38			2	2	2			2	38
5	Frank H Tingley	52		1	1	2	3	1	2	6	48
8	St. Stephen	56				0	2	2	1	5	51
15	Granite	60	4			4	3	3		6	58
18	Philip A Jerguson	52	3			3	4		2	6	49
19	Winston Churchill	36		1		1			7	7	30
26	Zetland	45				0	1		3	4	41
33	Lord Beaverbrook	36			1	1	3		1	4	33
35	Unity	48				0		1		1	47
36	Fidelity	48			2	2	1			1	49
37	Devon	35	1			1	2			2	34
44	Miramichi	62				0	5		3	8	54
	TOTALS	619	8	2	6	16	26	8	20	54	581

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GRAND OFFICERS 2023-2024

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