

# CHAPTER OF EASTERN STAR INSTITUTED

## Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron and Other Grand Lodge Officers Take Part In Ceremonies

Over two hundred members of the Order of the Eastern Star gathered in Marmora Town hall last Saturday afternoon and evening to institute a new Chapter in Marmora. The institution of the Chapter was presided over by the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Arthur Ashford, of Ottawa. The worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mabel Mackereth, Toronto, occupied a seat of honor in the East. Also occupying seats in the East were Brother James McClinton, Past Grand Patron of Saskatchewan Grand Lodge and sister Vera Ashford, wife of the Worthy Grand Patron.

The meeting was called to order at 4 P. M. and the following Grand Lodge Officers took their stations.

Worthy Grand Patron — Brother Arthur Ashford

Associate Grand Matron — Sister Bell Linchan

Associate Grand Patron — Brother Wellington Smith

Grand Secretary — Sister Lillias Turriff

Grand Conductress — Sister Allison Gooch

Grand Chaplain — Sister Marion Bain

Grand Marshall — Sister Marion Ross

Grand Ruth — Sister Margaret Williams

Grand Electa — Sister Cathrine Cross

Grand Warder — Sister Olive Adams

Grand Sentinel — Brother Ernest Burgis

The vacant offices were filled by the following sisters:

Grand Treasurer — Sister Fannie Hayes, P. W. M.

Associate Grand Conductress — Sister Agnes Young, D. D. G. M. District No. 11

Grand Organist — Sister Minnie Tweddy, D. D. G. M. District No. 14

Grand Adah — Sister Anna Solomon, P. M.

Grand Esther — Sister Josephine Allen, P. D. D. G. M.

Grand Martha — Sister Pearl McDonald, P. G. M.

Following the various ceremonies the meeting was declared open for the instituting of a Chapter of the Eastern Star. The Grand Secretary read the names of 51 petitioners, who took the obligation and were admitted into the Order.

Sister Mary McGinnis was presented as the first Worthy Matron and the choice having been approved by the new members she announced the officers for the ensuing year as follows:

Worthy Matron — Sister Mary McGinnis

Worthy Patron — Brother Donald McInroy

Associate Matron — Sister Mabel Naylor

Associate Patron — Brother Howard Sabine

Secretary — Sister Edith McInroy

Treasurer — Sister Helen Maynes

Conductress — Sister Beatrice Loveless

Associate Conductress — Sister Nettie Buskard

Chaplain — Sister Rosa Wells

Marshall — Sister Ada Sweet

Organist — Sister Leah Prentice

Adah — Sister Mary J. Hewitt

Ruth — Sister Audrey Hegadorn

Esther — Sister Doris Young

Martha — Sister Catherine Frost

Electa — Sister Myrtle Lavender

Warder — Sister Mary Kerr

Sentinel — Brother Manley Lavender

Following the afternoon session, dinner was served in St. Andrew's church hall. The menu was provided by members of the new Chapter and served by Marmora Women's Institute and was much enjoyed.

The first meeting of Marmor Chapter No. 267 U. D. O. E. L. was opened at 8 o'clock. The chairs were occupied by the Officers of Lakeside Chapter, Wellington, Ont. The Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Marmora Chapter were also in the East with the presiding officers of Lakeside Chapter. The Worthy Grand Patron, after a few remarks turned the meeting over to the visiting Chapter officers and they exemplified the conducting of a meeting and initiation of candidates in an exceptionally capable manner.

Many distinguished visitors were introduced and given a seat in the East. Visitors were present from Hamilton, Stoney Creek, Toronto, Ottawa, Kingston, Peterborough, Belleville, Port Hope, Brighton, Trenton, Ameliasburg, Havelock, Tweed, Madoc, Bancroft, Wellington and other places.

Gifts were presented to the Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patron, Mrs. Morrow, D. D. G. M. of this District No. 12; Mrs. McFaul, P. D. D. G. M., and a number of other guests. The newly instituted Marmora Chapter also received a number of lovely gifts from neighbouring Chapters to aid in furnishing the Chapter room. At the close of the session refreshments were served by Marmora Chapter.

## O.E.S. OFFICERS INSTALLED

One of the largest Eastern Star meetings ever held in Marmora took place on Wednesday of last week when nearly 200 members of the Order gathered in Marmora for the Annual installation of officers.

The Installing Grand Officer was Mrs. Audrey Elliott, of Stirling, Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Ontario. She was assisted by the following:

Installing Patron—Mr. Wm. Brady, Campbellford

Installing Chaplain—Mrs. Mabel Naylor, Marmora.

Installing Marshall — Mrs. Marion Thompson, Arden

Installing Organist—Mrs. Lottie Archer, Warkworth.

Installing Floral Marshall—Mrs Anne Newman, Warkworth.

They were assisted by Mr. H. Tompkins, Stirling; Mrs. Helen Maynes and Mrs. Mary McGinnis, Marmora; Mrs. Evelyn Hadley, Trenton; Mrs. Gladys McFaul, Wellington; Mrs. Elma Morrow, Brighton, Mr. C. H. Buskard, Detoro and Mrs. Verna Fraser, Marmora

Soloists for the occasion were Mr. Jack Grant and Mrs. Catherine Frost and Mr. Eric Smith of Trenton played a trumpet selection.

Marmora officers installed were:  
Worthy Patron—Mrs. Hazel Mumby  
Worthy Patron—Mr. Wm. Barlow  
Assoc. Matron—Mrs. Myrtle Jarvis  
Assoc. Patron—Mr. Gordon Jarvis  
Secretary—Mrs. Theresa Bateman  
Treasurer—Mrs. Laura Barlow  
Conductress—Mrs. Marion Heath  
Assoc. Conductress—Mrs. Vera Vastone

Chaplain—Miss Miriam Savage  
Marshall—Mrs. Betty Trumble  
Organist—Mrs. Peggy Heath  
Adah—Mrs. Reta McInroy  
Ruth—Miss Ruth Bateman  
Esther—Mrs. Merle Rathwell  
Martha—Mrs. Helen Bell  
Electa—Mrs. Marion Prest  
Warder—Mrs. Ruth Argo  
Sentinel—Mr. Gordon Argo.

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## Eastern Star Officers Installed

One of the largest Eastern Star meetings ever held in Marmora took place at the Marmora Town Hall when the officers of Marmora Chapter for 1960 were installed.

The installing matron for the occasion was Mrs. Ida Broad of Madoc P.D.D.G.M. She was assisted by the following officers of the Order:

Installing Patron, Mr. C. H. Buskard, of Cobourg.

Installing Marshall, Mrs. Audrey Elliott, of Stirling, A.G.M.

Installing Organist, Mrs. Verna Fraser, Marmora

Installing Chaplain, Mrs. Mary McGinnis, P.M. Marmora

Honorary Warder, Mrs. Gladys Nayler of Madoc.

Honorary Sentinel, Mr. W. M. Brady, P.P. of Campbellford.

Also assisting were Mrs. Hazel Mumby, Spring Brook; Mr. Dave Hollinger, Belleville; Mrs. Mabel Nayler, Marmora; Mrs. Beatrice Loveless, Marmora; Mrs. Evelyn Hadley, Trenton; Mrs. Doris Whittemore, Delore; Mrs. Nettie Buskard, Cobourg; Mrs. Catharine Frost, Marmora; Mrs. Helen Marston, Bancroft; and Mr. Ted Nayler, Madoc.

The soloist for the occasion was Mrs. Anne Davidson of Belleville.

Officers of Marmora Chapter installed were:

Worthy Matron — Mrs. Marion Heath

Worthy Patron — Mr. R. E. Neal

Associate Matron — Mrs. Vera Vanstone

Associate Patron — Mr. D. McInroy

Secretary — Mrs. Teresa Bateman

Treasurer — Mrs. Laura Barlow

Conductress — Mrs. Mary Hickey

Associate Conductress — Mrs. Reta McInroy

Chaplain — Mrs. Marion Prest

Marshall — Mrs. Jennie Neal

Organist — Mrs. Peggy Heath

Adah — Mrs. Merle Rathwell

Ruth — Miss Phyllis Hickey

Esther — Mrs. Helen Bell

Martha — Miss Miriam Savage

Electa — Mrs. Grace Gray

Warder — Mrs. Betty Trumble

Sentinel — Mr. Ted Bonter

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# Eastern Star Elects Officers For 1970-71

Marmora Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, met the evening of Nov. 4th, with the new slate of officers in the chairs.

Following the opening of the chapter our Worthy Matron, Mae Simmons welcomed four visitors, two from Ameliasburg, Mr. Ted Young and his wife Berna, who is an appointed Officer of Grand Chapter of Ontario for this year, and two from Stirling, Mrs. Olive Whitehead and Mrs. Hogle. Our Worthy Matron congratulated Mrs. Whitehead on her appointment as District Deputy President of the Rebecca Assembly of District 4.

The regular transaction of business was followed by a splendid report of the Grand Chapter Session held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, on September. This was given by our W.M. Mae Simmons.

Mrs. Hazel Mumby who is in charge of Estarl for our Chapter, reported \$57 already contributed and from sale of chocolate bars. Last year our Chapter raised \$135 for Estarl. This goes toward a yearly bursary of \$300 given to a person usually in our district, who is training for the ministry. At Grand Chapter 84 such students received this \$300 each — 42 accepted in person.

Our plans for raising money

in the near future are a Bake Sale to be held Saturday morning Nov. 14th, at Bennett's Insurance Office and tickets on a grocery basket to be drawn Christmas week.

At the close of our meeting, Mrs. Hogle showed delightful pictures of a trip she and Mrs. Mae Clarke had to Australia, New Zealand, Fiji Islands and Hawaii this summer.

Tea was served by Audrey Hewitt and her assistants.

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# O.E.S. Holds Election Of Officers

The regular meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star was held on the evening of Sept. 1st, the Worthy Matron Mrs. Mae Simmons presiding.

After the opening ceremony guests were introduced from Guelph, Port Hope and Ohio.

The election of officers for 1971 - 72 followed with these results: Worthy Matron - Mrs. Merle Rathwell; Worthy Patron - Mr. Wm. Barlow P.P.; Associate Matron - Miss Grace Warren; Associate Patron - Mr. John Solmes; Secretary - Mrs. Teresa Bateman; Treasurer - Mrs. Laura Barlow; Conductress - Mrs. Verna Woodbeck; Associate Conductress - Mrs. Marion Prest, P. M.

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# Installation of new officers

The installation of new officers in Marmora chapter 267 of The Order of the Eastern Star will be held on Oct. 25 at 8 p.m.

This installation is open to anyone who is interested. The Eastern Star is not part of the Masonic Fraternity, but membership does require Masonic affiliation and a minimum age of 18.

There are Chapters of the Order in most states of the U.S., eight Canadian provinces and many

are scattered through out other parts of the world.

Because of the relationship with Masonic Brothers, members of the Eastern Star assist them in some of their projects such as the

Burns Division of the Children's Hospital, sponsored by the Shrines.

Under the sponsorship of the Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Ontario many causes are aided and assisted, such as the

Cancer Fund, the Heart Fund, Muscular Dystrophy, Cystic Fibrosis, and the Mentally Retarded.

There is also a Grand Benevolent

Fund, established to aid and assist members and their

families in times of need and distress. This year the Worthy Grand Matron's project is directed to The Ontario Association for Children and

Adults with Learning Disabilities.

Other projects will

include the Belleville School for the Deaf and the Marmora Chapter will be assisting at the Belleville Handicapped Children's Treatment Centre. Members of the Eastern Star will also contribute their time as volunteer drivers, nurses aides and other related duties in their various communities.

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# The Order of the Eastern Star - what it's all about

The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world to which Women and Men belong. It is the largest "family organization" in the related Masonic bodies. The Eastern Star is not part of the Masonic Fraternity, but it is related by the closest family ties. Membership requires Masonic affiliation and a minimum age of 18 years. Affiliated Master Masons, their wives, daughters, legally adopted daughters, mothers, widows, sisters, half-sisters, grand-daughters, step-mothers and step-sisters who express a belief in a supreme being are eligible for membership. Any qualified person having resided in the jurisdiction of the chapter being petitioned for twelve months or more is welcome to request a petition. The petition must be signed by two Eastern Star members and a unanimous vote of the chapter being petitioned is required for a petitioner to be elected to membership.

There are four chief governing bodies of the Order in the world. Ontario Grand Chapter belongs to the largest division known as General Grand Chapter with headquarters in Washington, D.C. General Grand Chapter includes the Chapters in all states (except New York and New Jersey), eight provinces of Canada and scattered chapters in many other parts of the world including Japan, The Phillipines, Mexico, Puerto Rico, West Germany, Italy and Saudi Arabia. Ontario has about 34,000 members in 245 chapters. World wide there are over 10,750 chapters with a membership of approximately two million members, which approximately 40 per cent are men.

The teachings of the order are based on the morality of brotherly love, relief and truth. These principles are expressed through ritualistic ceremonies portrayed through stories of

several Biblical heroines. Business is never conducted without an open Bible on the altar nor the presence of the flag of the country where the meeting is held. From these facts, some think of the order as setting itself up as a religion in competition with established religions. However, this is a misconception. Those members who best understand most truly live by the teachings of the order, are better members of their respective churches and communities.

Because of relationship with Masonic brothers, members of the Eastern Star assist them in some of their projects such as the Burns Division of the Children's Hospitals (sponsored by the Shriners). In addition there are many special projects such as the Grand Benevolent Fund which was established to aid and assist members and their families in times of need and distress. The Cancer Fund, the Heart Fund, Muscular Dystrophy, Cystic Fibrosis and the Mentally Retarded are other causes which have been aided and assisted by our Grand Chapter under the sponsorship of the presiding Worthy Grand Matron. This year our Worthy Grand Matron's project is directed to O.A.C.L.D. (Association for Children with Learning Disabilities). Contributions to various aspects of Cancer Research are the largest of the organization in Canada. Many of the members of the Order contribute of their time as volunteer drivers, nurses aides and other related duties in their various communities.

Possibly the best known Eastern Star project is one that is world wide and is known as "ESTARL". This word is coined from Eastern Star Awards for Religious Leadership. It is an on-going project conceived in 1952 at the General Grand Chapter Triennial Assembly. Since that time, Ontario Grand Chapter has been the leading Grand Chapter in the world in the amount of contributions. The amount is some Two Million Dollars. This money is to assist young men and young women studying for the ministry, the mission field, youth leadership, religious teachers and church music. Awards are based upon need, scholastic record and funds available. A student need not have masonic or Eastern Star affiliation to apply for an award. While these and other projects require much time and effort on the part of members, social aspects of the Eastern Star meetings are not neglected. Parties, receptions, dances, etc. broaden horizons and lead to friendships and fellowship.

The members of the Eastern Star invite inquiries and interest in membership. For information contact any Eastern Star member or Mrs. Marguerite Burgis 653-1072 or Mrs. Marion Pollock, Secretary, Prosperity Chapter No. 63, Havelock; phone 778-3734.

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# Order of the Eastern Star

## Chapter celebrates 39th birthday

On Dec. 5, Marmora Chapter 267 celebrated its 39th birthday and honoured Chapter Members and The Grand Family of Ontario, including the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, 5 Past Grand Matrons, other Grand Chapter Members, the District Deputy Grand Matron and 14 Worthy Matrons and Patrons.

Approximately 70 members attended a turkey dinner in St. Paul's Anglican Church, with the Rev. Don Skowronski giving the Invocation, and nearly 100 members enjoyed an excellent, fun-filled evening under the capable direction of Marmora's Worthy Matron, Dianne Cole.

Dianne's officers this year are: Howard Cole, Worthy

Patron; Neva Vandervoort, Associate Matron; Morris Black, Associate Patron; Marion Prest, Secretary; Marion Heath, Treasurer; Mary Black, Conductress; Linda Dexter, Associate Conductress; Verna Woodbeck, Chaplain; David Dexter, Marshal; Corinne Thomson, Organist; Star Points: Merle Rathwell; Mae Clarke; Phyllis Hickey; Donna Craven; and Lillian Johnson. Doreen Ackers is Warder and Harry Vanderwoort, Sentinel.

The Worthy Grand Patron appointed Howard Cole as a Grand Guard for the September Sessions in 1991 at The Constellation Hotel. The Worthy Grand Matron's project this year is the Ontario

Heart and Stroke Foundation, and Worthy Matron Dianne Cole's project will be for Camp Oochigeas, a camp for children with Cancer. This is a very worthwhile cause, towards which the members of Marmora Chapter 267 will be having draws during 1991 to enable Worthy Matron, Dianne Cole to reach her goal.

Last year, the Worthy Grand Matron's project for Alzheimer Research resulted in over \$65,000 being contributed by the Ontario members of The Order of the Eastern Star. Also 102 ESTARL (Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership) were made to students studying for the Ministry and one local recipient of an award was Aleace Davidson, a former member of St. Andrew's United Church, who is now a Student Minister at the Georgina Island United Church.

Each year contributions in the thousands of dollars are made by the Ontario members of the Order of the Eastern Star towards research on cancer, heart, arthritis, Alzheimer, Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis and other diseases.

The Order also encompasses youth through The Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters and the

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# *Order of the Eastern Star install new officers*

Marmora Chapter 267, Order of the Eastern Star, installed new officers on Saturday, October 24, 1992 as follows: - Worthy Matron, Mary Black, Worthy Patron, Howard Cole; Associate Matron, Linda Dexter; Associate Patron, David Dexter; Secretary, Marion Prest; Treasurer, Marion Heath; Conductress, Ruth Linton; Associate Conductress, Verna Woodbeck; Chaplain, Dorothy Glover; Marshal, Roger Linton; Organist, Dianne Cole; Adah, Phyllis Hickey; Ruth, Mae Clarke; Esther, Donna Craven; Martha, Neva Vandervoort; Electa, Lillian Johnson; Warder, Doreen Ackers; Sentinel, Harry Vandervoort.

Many visitors from our own District 12 and from other districts attended a well packed chapter room. There were also four Past Grand Matrons, the Grand Secretary,

Ruth Wales, all of whom took part in the installation, together with the Grand Sentinel, who delighted all with his renditions of "My Task" and "You'll Never Be Alone", and our Grand Organist, Mary Campney was also present. The Worshipful Master of Marmora Lodge 222, Brother James McConnell and his wife Donna, were welcomed and Brother James addressed the assembly, stating that he enjoyed the installation ceremony.

1992-3 will be called "The Northern Tranquillity Year" and the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sandra Bain has for her emblems the open Bible and stained glass church window and with scriptures such as "He Leadeth Me Beside Still Waters" etc., we are endowed with a sense of peace and serenity.

The Order works for chari-

ties such as cancer, heart and stroke, multiple sclerosis., etc and last year donated over \$40,000 to the arthritic society. For the Worthy Grand Matron, genetic eye degeneration research is her special project and Marmora Chapter will endeavour to assist the Canadian Children's Foundation (Kids Help Phone) hoping to save some of our lost children. To this end Marmora members will be selling tickets on a beautiful tablecloth with eight napkins and a multicoloured large afghan, the draw to be made in September, 1993. There is also a Christmas food draw. Tickets will be drawn December 19, 1992. On 1 Nov. 4, an initiation 1 welcomed to our chapter, Mrs. Dorothy and Mr. Tom Hill. We trust they will enjoy fellowship with us.

To all - A wonderful Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

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