In this ceremony, "Worthy Matron" is to be spelled in any one of the following ways:

I. Twelve officers or members will hold the letters necessary for spelling the words "Worthy Matron". Each in turn may raise her letter, while reciting an appropriate verse for that letter,

II. One by one, the letters may be hung in a row -- at a convenient place in the chapter room.

III. Letters of uniform size may be entirely covered with very thin paper and hung over a line of electric bulbs.

The electric current may be turned on after the last letter ( N ) has been added. Thus the light will shine through and illuminate the letters.

"W" The WORTHY PATRON may have this letter. He will speaks as follows:

The letter "W" (double you) begins
So very many things:
There's -- "Warder", "Work", and "Wagon Wheels"
"Worthy" and "Water Wings".
So we decided it should be
First, in a word we'll make for thee.
(He raises his letter or goes to place it.)

"O" The CHAPLAIN may have the letter "O". She speaks as follows:

The letter "O" should be next to
This first letter call'd "W", (double you)
If we're to spell the words aright
In honor of some one tonight.
(He raises his letter or goes to place it.)

"R" RUTH has a letter "R". She speaks as follows:

I'm sure a "R" which begins Ruth,
And has a place in True and Truth,
Should have a place beside this "O"
In honor of --- ---; you soon shall know.
(He raises his letter or goes to place it.)

"T" The TREASURER has the letter "T". She speaks as follows:

Some people drink a cup of tea
When they feel tired as can be;
This "T" shall have another fate
And be held here --a fact to state.
(He raises his letter or goes to place it.)
"H"  The SECRETARY has the letter "H".  She speaks as follows:

You can't spell happy, here, nor health,
Without this letter -- found in wealth!
So here I'll place it -- next to "T"
Where it belongs -- as you shall see.
(Holds or places "H").

"Y"  The MARSHAL has a "Y".  She speaks as follows:

Yawn, Yell, or Yodel, you will find
That "Y" is necessary to
The spelling of the word which tells
Just what our members think of you.
(She holds or places the letter, and pronounces the word thus finished:
Worthy.)

Then the six sing:

Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, Happy birthday!  You're Worthy!  Happy birthday to you.

ASSOCIATE PATRON speaks:

You are worthy of our love and praise
And of many, many, more birthdays;
You are worthy of our wish so true --
That success in all things come to you.

"M"  MARTHA has the letter "M".  She speaks:

Many a Matron has brought to her chapter
Success and praise, through hard work,
with much laughter;
Ours has exchang'd for us all, through the year,
Sorrows for joy -- and a smile for a tear.
(Holds up or places letter "M").

"A"  ADAH has a letter "A".  She speaks:

Angels may be to us mortals superior,
But to no Matron is our own inferior.
Therefore, we pause on this day of her birth,
To celebrate it -- with song and with mirth.
(Holds up or places her "A").

"T"  ELECTA has a "T".  She speaks:

Truthful and tactful -- it's quite tantalizing
How our dear Matron has been supervising
All the affairs of this chapter.  Today we
Let her know that we're as pleas'd as can be.
(Holds up or places the letter "T").
"R" ESTHER has a "R". She speaks:

Re-al-i-ty is not made of
A Maiden's tender dreams of love
Nor is it found in dreams which flee
And leave no good with you or me.
Re-al-i-ty is found in living
A life of most unselfish giving.
(Holds up or places her letter.)

"O" ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS has an "O" and speaks as follows:

Only those who may not know
Why it is we love her so,
May express surprise -- we'd make
For her such a lovely cake.
("O" is held up or placed with the other letters. )

Sentinel may enter with a birthday cake which she gives to the Warder who carries it to the Worthy Matron,

"N" CONDUCTRESS has a "N". She speaks:

Never growing older;
Always well and gay,
This, we wish for you, dear.
On this happy day,
(Raises "N" or places it with other letters, )

All sing:

Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
Happy birthday, Worthy Matron, happy birthday to you.

The ASSOCIATE MATRON speaks:

Twelve letters placed a certain way
Have spell'd a certain word today;
This word: Official title of
A certain lady whom we love,
Has brought a certain message to --
You, WORTHY MATRON, just you,

We hope this special message may Have made you glad on your birthday. We hope that many, many more --Birthdays tor you may be in store.

THE END