A Valentine Service for Honoring Past Matrons and Patrons or any Special Guests.

Worthy Matron:

As Past Matrons and Past Patrons, it gives us much pleasure at this time to speak endearing words of love to you for you are very near and dear to us. For all of your kindness, and for all the service you have given through the years, we bring to you at this time a very special message. We could not do this at a more appropriate time, for Valentine Day is a time for sweethearts to speak words of love to each other. This special day derives its name from the good Saint Valentine who was martyred February 14, 271. Saint Valentine wrote words of friendly greetings and love to his friends, and from this there originated a custom of sending lyrics and greetings of love and affection to sweethearts, friends, and loved ones on this special day. Today it gives us much pleasure to speak words of love to you who are so dear to our hearts, as we bring to you our special message.

(This verse may be given for your special guest.)

Sweetheart of yesterday, and of years to come,
We now bring a message just for you,
It may be just words of devotion and love,
But these words will always be true.

We may speak of roses as red as can be,
We may tell you of violets so blue,
We may say you’re as sweet as the sugar you eat,
In words that are all meant for you.

But whatever we say, and whatever we do,
You will know that we mean what we say,
You’re not only the sweetheart of years gone by,
For you’re also our sweetheart today.

The five Star points, Assoc. Matron, Secretary, Marshal, Treasurer and Chaplain form circle around Altar as in Fig. 1. Other members may join in formation, if desired. Each officer carries heart cut from cardboard, and covered with red crepe paper. They would be very effective if sprinkled with metallics. If Valentines are presented to guests, they may be carried back of these hearts.

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Diagrams for formations above. As soon as officers form circle around Altar as in Fig. 1, Conductress and Assoc. Conductress rise, and standing at their stations, speak as follows:
Conductress:

With hearts we form a circle so big and broad and wide,
And all the love within our hearts you'll find enclosed inside;
And as we bring our message which tells of love for you,
You'll find the circle of our hearts is now encircling you.

Officers in circle now move to form heart as in Fig. 2. Treasurer marches to position in point of heart, and Secretary to position next to Treasurer in south part of heart formation, other officers taking positions as may be necessary in heart formation. If more members are used, the formation will be more perfect. As soon as heart is formed, Associate Conductress speaks:

Associate Conductress:

The heart now formed will say our love is just the same each day,
And that we'll always love you in the very same old way;
For hearts that are so full of love will always beat so true,
And you will know this heart is filled with all our love for you.

While officers are in heart formation around Altar, soloist sings:

Tune: "Oh, My Darling Clementine."

We now greet you with a message,
Telling you our hearts are thins;
We call each of you our sweetheart,
For you are our Valentine.

Chorus:
Be our Sweethearts, only sweethearts,
As each heart our love entwines;
And our love is yours forever,
For you are our Valentines.

Our Past Matrons and Patrons,
We shall ever hold you dear,
And you'll always be our sweethearts,
Throughout each and every year.

Our dear members on the side lines,
You can be our sweethearts too;
For we cannot do without you,
For you are so loyal too.

At close of song, officers march to East beginning with the one at point of heart formation, the ones on south turning to follow as in Fig. 3. Valentines (or gifts) may be presented to guests in the East as line of March passes. After valentines are presented, officers return to stations. If desired, officers may pass around outside of labyrinth and give valentines to members on side lines.

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