Dedication of our Eastern Star Flag

W.P. Sister Marshal, you will present our Eastern Star Flag behind the Altar. We dedicate this flag, our own Eastern Star flag, to all the members who have gone on before us, our present members, and those to come after us. This flag is also dedicated to those who contributed to her purchase: the memory of Ted Boutrous, Joe Nicola, Paul Angell, to the Past Matrons Club, Clare Smith, the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of our Bismarck Chapter.

The first point was the heavenly blue, to symbolize Adah's virtues of honor and right and the vows to which she was true. The word of God teaches the story of Adah's courage. As she sacrificed her life for the honor and right, she was prepared to fulfill her father's vow.

The color chosen for the second star point was golden yellow, like ripened grain, to symbolize Ruth's constant virtues of humble obedience without thought of gain. Ruth's trust in the word of God was constant and true all her days, she did not forget the law of His light as she worked for others in humble ways.

The color chosen for the third Star Point was white, representing light and joy, to symbolize Esther's virtue of loyalty as her queenly right she did employ. Queen Esther faced snares and dangers, but strayed not from God's pure light, her bravery in asking favor of the King saved her people from their desperate plight.

The color chosen for the fourth Star Point was Martha's own living green, to symbolize her faith and hope in things that are to us unseen. Jesus gave to Martha words of hope and light and her heart was filled with faith sublime, as her heart rejoiced in His kindness, her testimony became known for all of time.

The color chosen for the fifth Star Point was the beautiful fervent red, to symbolize Electa's love for others as by way of the cross she was led. Electa inclined her heart to acts of kindness to perform God's word to those in need, she defended her faith in God to the end and charity to others became her creed.

In the center of the Star is our altar with the White Holy Bible sitting on it. The altar represents the place where one meets God face to face, for one cannot approach and stand without feeling Him take your hand. Our heartbeat roars within our chest, and we wonder if we can meet the test of life as He will decree for each of us. As we kneel to confess what we feel, to repeat our weaknesses and fears, and to cleanse our soul with salty tears, He awaits for us to seek His strength so we may not falter. The Altar and Holy Bible is in the center so as we go through the labyrinth of human life, we may reap the blessings and lessons of our heroines.