Worthy Matron: Welcome

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Song for Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron: (Tune: "At Dawning")

1. When our star shines on High,
   Welcome here!  
   Harken (listen) to our ringing cry
   Welcome here!
   When the Nodding flowers say
   This is such a lovely day,
   Because you have come our way,
   You're welcome; You're welcomed!

2. Colored rays are shining bright,
   Just for you
   May your heart enjoy their light
   Pure and trust
   Our good wishes for you meet,
   Burst with fullness at your feet
   As we sing our Welcome, sweet!
   We love you; We love you!

1st escort: (For W.G.M. and W.G.P.)

If we could be an artist,
We'd paint a picture rare,
A scene of historical ages,
And I'm sure we'd find you there.

2nd escort:

And tripping down the mountain side,
Fair Adah's form we see,
'Tis you in face, in thought, in deed,
In faith, and fidelity.

3rd escort:

Between the field and the mountain
The river flows.
And there a King by his Castle
And you in queenly clothes.

4th escort:

Across in a wayside village
There's a rustic Church on the green
And those who seek to tear it down,
Are lowly, base, and mean.

5th escort:

With all of these splendid virtues,
What more can anyone say
Than you are more than Welcome in our Chapter,
From now, "'Till Eternity's Day"!

6th escort:

We hope that sometime in the future when you think of this night, that your memory will bring to mind a very lovely and beautiful picture.

Because it has been a thrill and joy to have you with us, we have tried to wield our brush with loving hands. We have used only the very loveliest colors of Faith, Hope, Charity, Love, and Constancy. We hope you have found our efforts pleasing.

We'd like to give this small token as a material remembrance of the pleasure which your coming has given the picture which we shall have of this evening. In behalf of .............Chapter, I'm delighted to present this little gift, and may I add that we hope your memory will often flash back and bring to mind the picture of this night.

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