An addendum honoring Past Matrons and Past Patrons, which may be given at close of meeting, or for the Good of the Order. Past Officers do NOT put on the work.

Worthy Matron: We are happy tonight in our meeting fair,
With our dear Past Matrons and Patrons to share;
For in the labors of days gone by
They stinted nothing to satisfy,
That we may honor their enterprise...

Will these dear Past Officers please arise?

They rise.

Worthy Matron: Sisters Marshall and Associate Conductress, you will present
These Past Matrons and Past Patrons for introduction.

Past Matrons and Past Patrons are led in regular form to lines back of
Esther's chair, the Past Matrons in the front line, and the Past Patrons in the second line. The Marshall asks them to name their Chapters, and their year of service. They do.

Worthy Matron: Sisters and Brothers, in days gone past,
Yours was the pioneers' forecast;
You looked to the future with courage and love,
Untiring and faithful, with help from above.
We honor your labors throughout the long years,
Your presence, as always, brings pleasure and cheers.

Two Sisters in formations step forward, with baskets of flowers, which are presented (or, pinned on,) to the honored guests.

Worthy Matron: Sisters Marshall and Associate Conductress, you will escort our
Past Matrons and Past Patrons to the East.

As they are being conducted to the East, Chapter sings to tune "Happy Day," the following words:

We welcome you This happy night,
For in the past you served us well;
To honor you Is our delight,
We love you more than we can tell.
Happy night, Happy night,
When you can share our meeting bright,
You marched before us all the way,
As you our Chapter's aims portray;
Happy night, Happy night,
You do but add to our delight.

As soon as the Past Matrons and Past Patrons are seated in the East, where rows of chairs are arranged, a Member... possibly the Secretary, stands. Facing the room, he or she reads a brief outline of the high lights of the Chapter's growth, in
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which these Past Officers had so large a share.

Worthy Patron: A glowing tribute, this, to you.
Here, where you left your foot-prints clear,
Your inspiration gleams anew,
A pledge of service through our year.
Through years of growth you blazed the way,
And left a path of radiance bright;
So, from my heart, to you I say:
"We greatly honor you, tonight."

As Worthy Patron seats himself, a knock is heard at Chapter room door, and at door of Preparation room.

Warder: Worthy Matron, there are alarms at the doors.
Worthy Matron: Sister Warder, you will ascertain the cause of the alarms.

After going to the door, the Warder reports.

Warder: Worthy Matron, the alarms are caused by Sisters who desire to enter, with messages of good-will.

Worthy Matron: Open wide the doors that they may enter.

One Sister enters by each door, dressed in formal, bearing tall white tapers. Soft music is played as they slowly march East, countermarch West, turning to enter the labyrinth from Southwest and Northwest, toward the Altar. Placing their candles on the North and South top of Altar, one speaks.

First Sister: A Matron and Patron of the Past
With Adah shared the light
Of sacrifice and courage,
And Fidelity so bright.

Adah rises and bows toward East, where honored Guests sit.

Second Sister: The sacrifice of Sister Ruth
By these Past Officers was shared;
As with both love and Constancy,
There was no labor spared.

Ruth rises and bows to East.

Two more Sisters enter with tapers, march East, countermarch West, to soft music, to enter labyrinth, and place tapers on Altar, beside the two already there.

Third Sister: These Matrons dear, and Patrons here,
Were loyal as Esther, the Queen;
They shed their light, so pure and bright,
And scattered a joy serene.

Esther rises and bows toward East.

Fourth Sister: These Pioneers in our Chapter's past,
Lived their hope and trust in God;
They shared with Martha, faith in Him,
Blest were the paths they trod.

Martha rises and bows toward East.
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Two more Sisters enter with tapers, march East to soft music, counter-march West, enter the labyrinth and place tapers on Altar, beside the four already there.

Fifth Sister: These Officers deemed no sacrifice Too great for their abiding love; They shared Elec ta's charity, They served to honor God above.

Elec ta rises and bows toward East.

Sixth Sister: These Sisters, and these Brothers, too, All knew the power of prayer; They found their greatest glory When their Master's burdens bear.

Chaplain rises and bows to Past Officers.

The last two Sisters enter with tapers, march East to soft music, counter-march West, enter the labyrinth and place tapers on Altar, where there are now two rows of four tapers each.

Seventh Sister: So, neath the Star they labored long, All difficulties overcame;

Eighth Sister: And, are we greet them with a song... Let honored East give them acclaim.

Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron rise and give the salutation sign to the Past Officers.

The eight Sisters in labyrinth face East, begin marching, circling Adah and Electa. They re-enter labyrinth, one line between Adah and Ruth, the other between Electa and Martha. They crisscross between Altar and Esther's chair, and turn at West corners, marching toward each other. They halt and stand in a line along the West, and sing, (if preferred, Chapter may join in,) to tune of "Memories," the words:

Memories, memories, Thoughts of service true; In our fields of labor, none Could have done more than you. Steadfast, true, in love we grew, You served our Chapter well; And this is a tribute from our hearts, The half we cannot tell.

Sisters seat themselves.

This concludes ceremony.

God has given a beautiful Star To light the pathway of years; You accepted its call, as it shone afar, Its service has been your careers.

And so, tonight, this beautiful Star Reflects back its light so fair,- Brighter, Past Officers, where you are... For your service beyond compare.