I. PRESENTATION OF PAST MATRON'S PIN

Sister --- --- ---:

Perhaps you guess the box I hold
Contains a precious gift of gold
Which shall be yours tonight, my dear,
Because now ended is your year.

Your character, like gold so bright,
Has made us think each meeting night,
That Adah, Ruth, and Esther fair
Were represented at your chair;
For you possess the virtues, too,
Which they possessed; and so to you
We'll give this pin which shall make fast
Your title of: "Our Junior-Past".

(presents pin)

We hope the future years will be
Chuck-ful of happy mem-o-ry
Of when you were our Matron dear,
Because we'll not forget your year.

II. PRESENTATION OF A PAST PATRON'S JEWEL
(To be presented by his wife)

Salutation --- --- ---, In one of the lessons taught by our order, a husband extends a golden sceptre to his wife.

In this chapter, tonight, a very proud wife extends to her husband - a Past Patron's jewel. (Extends it.)

I am very happy to present this jewel to my husband on behalf of ---- Chapter because I feel that he has served the chapter faithfully and well.

It is with great pleasure that I present this gift to you, Brother --- --- ---
(Junior Past Patron, husband, pal or whatever word you wish to use). May you wear it with pride.

May you realize that besides the satisfaction which must be yours because of having done your best to serve creditably in the capacity of Worthy Patron, an equal share of joy has come to me because I know that you have done your best. I am glad to have this opportunity to thank you on behalf of ------ Chapter as well as for myself. Thank you.

III. PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO A GRAND OFFICER

a. Salutation: --- --- ---, I wish to express appreciation, not only on behalf of --- ----- Chapter in my capacity as Worthy Matron but also my personal appreciation for your presence and help today. I am sure each one
present must feel as I do that this has been a truly worthwhile meeting. I want you to know that you will always be a most welcome guest in this chapter.

Because we feel that you have given so much to us, and because we wish to express some degree of our sincere appreciation and fraternal love, we ask you to accept this gift. It gives me very much pleasure to present it on behalf of this chapter.

b. Salutation: --- --- ---, Because we deeply appreciate your current instruction and your gracious willingness to help and advise pertaining to all matters which may be perplexing; and because we wish to express to you our deep appreciation together with our love, loyalty, and friendly good wishes, we ask you to accept this gift. We hope you will like it and that it may bring you some pleasure.

IV. PRESENTATION OF FLOWERS TO GRAND OFFICER

Salutation: --- --- ---, In Bryan's "Thanatopsis" we find the lines "To him who in the love of Nature holds communion with her visible forms, She speaks a various language". If I were a poet, perhaps I should be able to express the beautiful things we should like to say to you. Since I am not, however, we shall try to express with one of Nature's fairest messengers (some of her flowers) our love, loyalty, and kindliest wishes. Please accept them from me on behalf of --- --- Chapter.

V. PRESENTATION OF FLOWERS TO A SECRETARY

Who Has Served Many Or A Number of Years

(This may be given under the "Good of the Order".
Have as many roses as the number of years the Secretary has served. The roses may be presented by the Worthy Matron or by Flower Girls who will enter chapter room through the door in the west, go across west to the South aisle in front of the Secretary's desk. Leaders of the double line stop when they reach Secretary's desk. Girls in the line will pass their flowers to the leaders of the lines. The leader of the South line will pass the flowers from that line to the leader of the North line who will present them to the Secretary.

A flower basket may be placed near Marshall's chair where North leader can easily reach it. Or if the Secretary has served an uneven number of years, the leader of the North line may carry the flower basket but not any flowers.

At the proper time, the Worthy Matron will address the Secretary who will stand when addressed.

WORTHY MATRON:

Sister Secretary, for ---- years you have served ---- ---- Chapter, faithfully and well. So tonight on behalf of the chapter, I wish to express to you our thanks and grateful appreciation for your service.

"Fresh with dew, a rose-full blown,
As a smile of God is known."

Work well done is always acceptable to our Heavenly Father, so we think that you deserve some of HIS smiles. (She now either takes hold of the
basket of roses to be presented, or the Flower Girls, if they are to present them, enter at this time and proceed as instructed above.)

The presentation then continues as follows:

Your faithful service through the years
Has brought us smiles instead of tears;
And so the least that we can do
Is to send back smiles to you.

We'll give them now; these roses bright
Shall bring to you our smiles tonight;
And if their beauty brings you cheer,
Know this: Each rose stands for a year
Made beautiful by perfect work
Which you have done. You did not shirk
Your slightest task! Oh, if we could,
We'd give you more; you've been so good!

(Presents roses)

VI. PRESENTATION OF WORTHY MATRON'S PIN
(To be worn by the incoming newly installed Matron during her year in the East)

May the light of the Star which shone in the East many centuries ago shine upon your pathway so that you may walk safely with sure footsteps through the year now beginning.

May the rays from our Star in the East give you wisdom, courage, strength, and peace while you preside in the Worthy Matron's chair.

May there come to you, with the presentation of this Worthy Matron's pin, a realization of the presence of loving hands to help you, confident voices to encourage you, and loving thoughts to uphold you in your work throughout the year. I ask you to accept this on behalf of --- --- --- Chapter and in token of the high honor which has been conferred upon you together with our pledge of loyal cooperation and support.

VII. RAINBOW PRESENTATION OF PAST PATRON’S and Past Patron's Jewels

SETTING: Make a rainbow across the East. At each end have a jar or beanpot. The Past Matron's pin is placed in one of these and the Past Patron's jewel in the other. A Past Matron, or the newly installed Worthy Matron, may make the presentations. The retiring Matron and Patron will be asked to stand and (if they are not already in the East) to approach the East. If the Past Matron goes to the East before the retiring Matron and Patron, she or the newly installed Worthy Matron shall stand facing them (facing west) while speaking. If they go before the Past Matron does, they shall turn to face the west and she shall come to stand before them while presenting the jewels.

a. Presentation of Pin to Past Matron.

Salutation: --- --- ---, When we were children, we read the story which told of a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

Now, since we are grown to womanhood, we know that something very precious must always be at the end or be the ending of every beautiful thing.
We have come to the end of your year of service in the East. It has been a year made bright and beautiful by the reflection of those principles and virtues which are taught by our order and which have been exemplified by you throughout the year.

The blue, yellow, white, green, and red rays from our Central Star, being manifested through friendship, brotherly love, loyalty, relief, and Truth, tinted the morning, or the beginning of your year, with beauty and promise, and carried us over and through the noonday, or activities of the year, into the quiet, peaceful stillness of the evening - or the end of your year. Thus the operation and influence of those rays have expanded upward and outward across the year and have formed a bow of promise.

Every good deed, kindly smile, and loving word, which you contributed to the year have, like drops of dew down a blade of grass, coursed down the sides of this arch, and have landed gently where they solidified and formed - not a pot of gold but a precious emblem - symbolic of faithful loving service well done. (She goes to get the Past Matron's pin, at this time or the Chaplain may bring it to the one making the presentation. Chaplain returns to her seat. Presentation continues.)

This emblem was lifted from its place at the end of the rainbow and with loving thoughts of appreciation, it is presented to you from --- --- Chapter. (Presents pin)

b. Presentation of Jewel to Past Patron

Salutation: --- --- ---, I believe that every life has its bow of promise which is generally not revealed until some storm or adversity has passed and has left in its stead rays of hope or thanksgiving.

Many people prefer above all else to find a pot of gold at the end of their rainbow; while others, enjoying the beauty of the rainbow, forget to look for the pot of gold.

Your presence, example, and influence during the year now ended, have given color and beauty to the work and have caused it to rise in effect and significance - spanning the year from a hopeful beginning to a successful ending.

Your good deeds have coursed down the other side of this year's bow of promise and have solidified into another symbol of service well done. (She goes to get the Past Patron's jewel, or the Marshal may bring it to her. Marshal returns to her seat and sits, Presentation continues.)

Because you have earned the right to wear it, may you do so with genuine pleasure and with pride.

All resume seats. (March music while they do so.)

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