



Greetings:

Now that our Grand Officer visits are over, we begin to think about other things such as Deer Hunting, Thanksgiving and Christmas. We are looking forward to some time with our family and friends and the fun times we have with them. We are now into the fun part of the year when we can relax and have fun with our Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers and do some traveling without having deadlines and things we have to do. We have programs to put on and/or watch.

This is the traditional time to give thanks for the many blessings that have been given to us in the past seasons of Spring and Summer. We are thankful for a good harvest of all the things we have to eat such as vegetables, fruit and meat we have to share with friends and family.

We will have Grand Officer Parties, Grand Representative Receptions and honoring special stations in our chapter to attend and be thankful for the initiations that have been done and look forward to many more in the year ahead.

One of my favorite cartoons is "Peanuts" by Charles Schultz. In one strip they are talking about Thanksgiving and Linus says: In the year 1621, the Pilgrims held their first Thanksgiving feast. They invited the great Indian chief Massasoit, who brought ninety of his brave Indians and a great abundance of food. Governor William Bradford and Captain Miles Standish were honored guests. Elder William Brewster, who was a minister, said a prayer that went something like this: 'We thank God for our homes and our food and our safety in a new land. We thank God for the opportunity to create a new world for freedom and justice.'

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