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It has been my honor and privilege to serve as AGM of our Order and to be asked to send you greetings and encouragement as we embark on this new adventure.

To the wonderful ladies who have been appointed as DGS:

Your acceptance of your position as DGS and its duties have indeed been extended to twice the length of your original agreement and, with the current pandemic situation, will definitely continue through the end of the current calendar year. I admire and thank you for your tenacity and faithfulness to fulfill your commitment and to serve our Order. You have indeed been a source of encouragement for me personally and for the members you are serving so well. It will be a challenge to be prepared for another year given our shortened School of Instruction and the new format; but you were well prepared at last year's School and your dedication proves that you will continue to work on your command of the ritual, laws and regulations and the work of our Order. I am certain that you will be an excellent resource for our members for the remainder of this year. Thank you for your service and your dedication.

To the precious Sisters and Brothers of our Chapters:

Thank you for agreeing to attend this school of instruction with our District Grand Supervisors. Your dedication is also remarkable and so encouraging to our Board of District Grand Supervisors members. You are to be commended for your dedication to our Order as well. Your willingness to "Hang on" and "Do it S'more" has been so inspiring. The love gifts that you have delivered to our membership, phone calls, cards, emails, etc have been so inspiring and I know so welcomed by many of the recipients! It has been a joy for many to see the posts you have shared on the NE OES face book page.

I trust that you will find that all of your questions are answered and that you will feel comfortable asking for clarification as needed. Remember, the only "dumb question" is the one that you were afraid to ask. You are among friends and as Sisters and Brothers we want to support each other as much as possible.

I wish to personally thank Karan, the Jurisprudence Committee and all who have assisted with this school in anyway. And to wish you all a successful and helpful experience.

Star Love

Dottie Arent, AGM