Diagrams

Ritual: 170-194 - Initiation and Installation

Book of Instruction: Page 59; Pages 90- 97 - Chapter Room Preparation, Introductions, Balloting

General Instructions:

Every member should be familiar with the diagrams found in the Ritual and Book of Instruction should a question arise as to who goes where, and when, and how the Chapter room should be set up.

Please remember that square corners are **always** observed when moving about the Chapter room once your meeting starts **except** where indicated by the diagrams. Please pay close attention to those changes.

Page 170 in the Ritual explains the various symbols used in the diagrams.

Initiation:

Please pay close attention to how candidates are to be lined up prior to entering the Chapter room for initiation should you have more than one candidate. (BOI, pg 59)

The Conductress places a single candidate in front of the Associate Matron by simply turning right when she reaches that station and does not countermarch.

When entering the Labyrinth for the Obligation, the Conductress leads the candidate(s) from the northwest corner into the Labyrinth on the south side of the Altar and then after the Obligation leads the Sister(s)/Brother(s) out on the north side of the Altar to the southeast corner. If seen from above, a heart is created around the Altar.

After weaving the Labyrinth, remember it is closed by escorting the new Sister/Brother in a curved line around the chairs and not square corners. (Ritual, pg 180)

Please check the diagram on page 97 in the Book of Instruction to be sure where the Officers stand in the Prayer Circle.

If there is only one Sister/ Brother, the Conductress **does not** countermarch but simply turns right to lead her/him to the Secretary's desk.

Installation:

Square corners are used when escorting the Officers-Elect into the Chapter room. Curved lines are used when seating them and escorting them to and from the Altar

(Ritual, pgs. 190-191)

A curved line behind the chairs is also used when escorting the Star Points from the Alter to their respective stations. (Ritual, pg. 194)

Introductions:

If you know you are going to do introductions, take the time to check the diagrams for the proper placement of your visitors. (BOI, pgs. 91- 95) If you have questions, please ask for help!