

FLAG SALUTE

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- The Flag Salute is given immediately after the Worthy Matron declares the Chapter “OPEN”, the Warder gives her/his report and the Conductress and Chaplain return to their stations.
- In Nebraska, the flag is not presented, as all must be in place before the opening march.
- All remain standing.
- The Worthy Matron says: **“Sisters and Brothers, you will unite with me in saluting the Flag and repeating the Pledge of Allegiance.”** *These words may be written out or copied from the BOI and inserted into your notes because they are not from the Ritual.*
- Following this instruction, everyone turns to face the Flag.
- It is important that the Worthy Matron knows the correct wording and remember **** there is **NO** comma after “one nation” and therefore there should be no pause.
- **The Worthy Matron seats the Chapter with a rap of the gavel.**