

Aloha Sisters and Brothers,

As we come to the season of Advent, we enter into a season of preparation and a time for reflection. The Spirit of Love and Aloha Grand Family just spent a fantastic weekend in Hutchinson. Eastern Star was well represented in a multi-masonic body parade entry at the Hutchinson Christmas Parade. Following the parade, the Grand Officers conferred degrees on three new members for Silver Leaf chapter. Just one more demonstration of how across the state we are Growing and Promoting our beautiful order.

On December 15th, we will lay wreaths at Leavenworth National Cemetery for Wreaths Across America, an event to help Teach, Honor & Remember those who have given so much for our Freedom. I know a few of our chapters participate in similar events at cemeteries closer to home, and other community service projects this time of year, thank you for transforming lives in our communities.

May this season that brings us the Nativity Star we have seen in the East, bring you time to reflect and prepare for the reason for the season, not "the presents" but His Presence. In the Spirit of Love & Aloha, we wish you and yours, Mele Kalikimaka hau'oli makahiki hou (*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year in Hawaiian*).

Star Love & Aloha,

*Mary RK Hayselden*

Worthy Grand Matro



*Steve Rize*

WorthyGrand Patron