

*Priscilla Chapter No. 51, O. E. S.*



*Boscawen, New Hampshire*

August 25, 1965

Priscilla Chapter, No. 51, Order of the Eastern Star of New Hampshire was instituted on April 17, 1914 with the following charter members:

Mary A. Amor  
George E. Amor  
Alice M. B. Ranney  
Nettie Bowen  
Ann F. Burbank  
Bertha L. Brockway  
William B. Ranney

The original officers of the Chapter were:

Mary A. Amor, Worthy Matron  
George E. Amor, Worthy Patron  
Alice M. B. Ranney, Associate Matron  
Nettie Bowen, Secretary  
Ann F. Burbank, Treasurer  
Bertha L. Brockway, Conductress  
William B. Ranney, Sentinel  
Dolly E. Engel, Associate Conductress  
Mildred E. Blanchard, Adah  
Susan T. Dodge, Ruth  
Alice R. Berry, Esther  
Lillian E. Fifield, Martha  
Marion G. Alexander, Electa  
Ida M. Bowen, Chaplain  
Inez E. Angell, Warder  
Augusta E. Perley, Organist

The name "Priscilla" for the Chapter was suggested by Miss Ann Burbank

The first meetings were held in Exchange Block. In the early 1950's the Congregational

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Church on North Main Street was purchased by Horace Chase Lodge. After renovations by the Lodge, Priscilla Chapter, in 1955, moved to their new quarters.

To date we have been privileged to have six grand officers:

Alice M. B. Ranney, Grand Matron  
Marion G. Alexander, Grand Marshal  
Edith E. McNeil, Grand Warder  
Aroline J. McNeil, Grand warder  
Katherine C. Butt, Grand Warder  
Shirley E. Taylor, Grand Ruth

In 1964 Priscilla Chapter observed its 50th anniversary. Under the direction of Worthy Matron Rhoda W. Hardy and Worthy Patron Harold M. Hardy the various committees arranged a fitting celebration at Penacook High School. In attendance were the Worthy Grand Matron Elna Dustin Stevens, Worthy Grand Patron Walter Gibbs and five 50-year members. A catered banquet was served, followed by a singing program by the Conchordettes. After this dancing was enjoyed until 12:00. A history of the Chapter's first 50 years was written and read by Marion G. Alexander, Historian.

At the present time we have approximately 200 members, of which number we have 26 Past Matrons and 14 Past Patrons.

Louise B. Philbrick, Worthy Matron  
Frank C. Gray, Worthy Patron