

## WELCOME VERSES

### WORTHWHILE

Some people know the way to make each day seem more worthwhile,  
They do the nicest things for you and always wear a smile,  
They make this world a better place by practicing the art  
of reaching out to others and by giving from the heart.

### WELCOME TO VISITORS

Dear Visitor, to have you with us tonight adds a great measure of happiness to our meeting. We all look forward to the extras that make such meeting memorable, and guests always make any meeting special. You come not just as a visitor, but as one of us—for you aspire to the same goals as we do, and you travel a similar road. You add interest and enrich the hours by sharing your knowledge and experience; and as any perfect guest would—you compliment us by listening to what we have to say. You even laugh at our jokes! We invite you to come to our meetings as often as you can, that the bonds of friendship be woven ever closer. And when you must leave, you take with you our love and good wishes.

### BLUE SKIES

Dear Guest, today the skies are bluer-  
And happiness makes a radiance bright  
Over the road we walk together,  
For friendship adds to our delight.  
Today, tomorrow, and forever,  
Whether it's joy or whether it's care-  
Side by side we will dare the future,  
As friends, in love, all things we share.

### "SHORT" WELCOME

Salutation\_\_\_\_\_. I am very happy to welcome the visitors to our Chapter tonight.

When I was a child the coming of visitors to our home or the expectation of their coming was cause for much joyous anticipation. I think not many of us have outgrown that characteristic of our childhood. At

least I am sure that I have not. I am delighted because I haven't and because I do get a thrill over having guests.

I think it is good, not only for the Worthy Matron, but for all the officers as well as for the members also, to have visitors. I think there should be more visiting between our chapters.

Just as we children were "on" our best behavior when we "had company" in our home, so nearly all officers have an incentive to do their best when guests are present or expected.

If the work hasn't been given perfectly, I hope you understand that it has been because we have been excited over your presence.

I hope you have enjoyed being with us tonight and that you will come again.

#### ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Salutation: ... .., Sisters and Brothers. I am indeed happy to have this opportunity of saying not only the words used quite frequently by media artists and speakers, namely: "Hello everybody" but also these words: "Welcome everybody".

..... Chapter is your very willing and happy host today. We hope that you are feeling quite welcome and that you will each receive both pleasure and benefit from your attendance at this meeting.

I am very glad to say, "you are welcome" because I think those three words are almost as sweet as three other words: "I love you". If there is any thing that I or the members of this chapter can do to add to your comfort or to aid you in any way necessary, please do not hesitate to let me know [or, to make your needs or wishes known.]

Welcome to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron [District Deputy Grand Matron.]

To you Sister..... And Brother....., I am grateful for the opportunity and privilege of speaking the words, "We welcome you because we love you."

I consider it an honor indeed to have this opportunity of extending to you a most cordial welcome on behalf of ..... Chapter, its officers and members, as well as from all those present. Your presence will add much to this meeting, and we deeply appreciate having you with us today. We hope you will have a most enjoyable visit to our School of Instruction.