

# Welcome Guards and Chaplains

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# The Guard Will:



You will conduct a visual verification of membership prior to the start of the meeting.

Recent changes include:

Stating “Madam president all who are present are entitled to remain” is back.

Password is no longer taken/given verbally prior to a meeting.

# Ceremony of Initiation and Meetings

## ► **Ceremony of Initiation**

At the chapter's discretion, the Ceremony of Initiation may be read from the P.E.O. Ceremony of Initiation booklets provided by International Chapter. If the official booklets are used, each participant is required to hold her booklet during the Ceremony of Initiation. An exception may be made for the president who memorizes.

## ► **Chapter Meeting Responsibilities**

The password is not taken at any meeting. The guard shall confirm the membership of all who join the meeting in accordance with the President's Book. Any unknown unaffiliate will show her current membership card or, if attending by telephone, notify the chapter of her chapter letters and location (city and s/p/d).

From the IOLC please see:

▶ **GUARD'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
INITIATION**

# The Chaplain Will:

## ► Ceremony of Initiation

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If the official booklets are used, each participant is required to hold her booklet during the Ceremony of Initiation.

An exception may be made for the president who memorizes. The Chaplain's Prayer for initiation is included in the official booklets.

If the official booklets are not used, the chaplain may read the prayer from the official printed card. (Constitution, Part III, ARTICLE VI, Sec. 10)

# The Chaplain Will:

## ▶ Devotions

It is not necessary for the chaplain to address the chair before conducting the devotions.

Conduct the devotions of each meeting following instructions in the President's Book. Devotions are limited to a reading from the Bible or other inspirational text which is acceptable to the chapter.

Any version of the Bible which is acceptable to the chapter may be used; the P.E.O. prayer may be read by the chaplain or the recorded version may be used.

If the chapter chooses to recite the Lord's Prayer, they may recite it in unison or use a pre-recorded version.



Questions?????