

Communication annual high point of Masonic year

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Master Masons and Eastern Stars from Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and Idaho joined their Masonic kin from Nevada during the 18th annual communication June 4-7 at the Las Vegas Club and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

Grandmaster Willie R. Waters and Grand Worthy Matron Tommie Wooden Medlock presided over the 4-day Grand Lodge session which featured a fellowship night, elegant banquet, business meetings and a memorial service.

Each year, awards are meted out to deserving Prince Hall Masons, Eastern Stars, Lodges and Chapters. Brother Damon Hodge won the 1997-1998 Master Mason of the Year award.

Sister Ida Patterson took Eastern Star of the Year honors.

For his diligent service to the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nevada and its Jurisdiction,

Grand Worthy Matron Tommie Wooden Medlock, left, enjoys dinner with Grand Worthy Master Tracey Patron Odis Ward and Denver's Grand Worthy Matron Clara Young.

Haywood Lodge No. 6 was given the Grandmaster's Award while Patricia Armstrong was crowned Eastern Star Queen for the 1998-1999 Masonic year.

Jack Haywood Lodge No. 6 claimed its fourth consecutive Lodge of the Year award and Bells of Joy, with Carrie Sanders



Worshipful Master Tracey Preston of Jack Haywood Lodge No. 6 holds up the plaque he earned through dedicated service to the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nevada and its Jurisdiction.

as its Worthy Matron, won Easter Star Chapter of the Year.

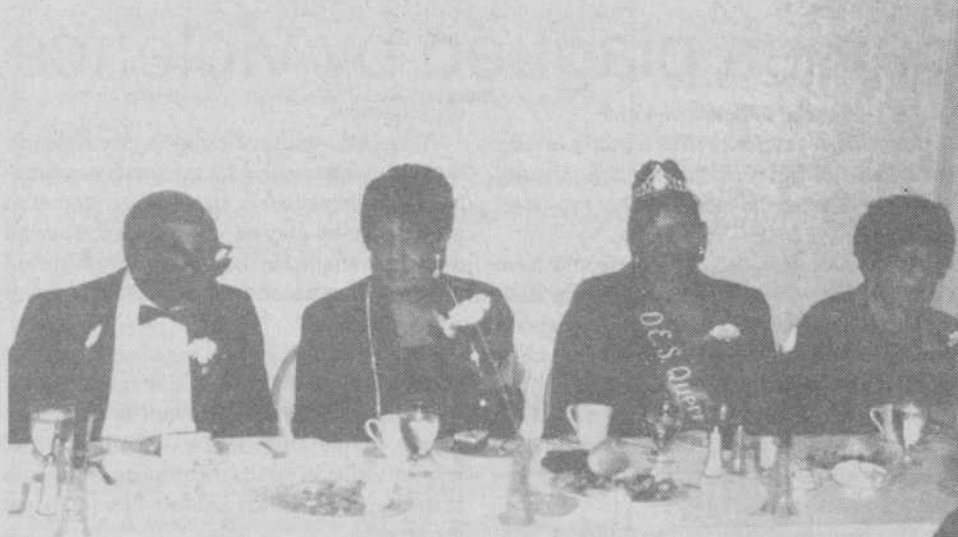
The annual session reviews the work of the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter for the Masonic year. The highlight of each session is the election of officers for the coming year.

The Grand Lodge officers for 1998-1999 are:

- Grand Master, Willie R. Waters;
- Deputy Grand Master, Charles W. Searcy;
- Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden, Tyrone C. Freeman;
- Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden, Albert L. Crosby;
- Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, Tracey Preston;
- Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, John H. Woodard;

Right Worshipful Grand Tyler, Jonathan Tarver; The Grand Chapter officers for the Desert Rose Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star are:

- Grand Worthy Matron, Tommie Wooden Medlock;
- Grand Associate Matron, Gladys Collick Palmer;
- Grand Conductress, June I. Ward;
- Grand Associate Conductress, Patricia Armstrong;
- Grand Secretary, Gloria H. Freeman;
- Grand Treasurer, Micaela Jones;
- Grand Sentinel, Bobbie Meniffee;
- Christopher Rice was named Mason's Mason.




Patricia Armstrong, second from right, was voted Eastern Star Queen. Joining her at the head table during the banquet are, from left, Past Grand Worshipful Master Ollie Mitchell, Tommy Kennedy and Gladys Palmer, both members of the Order of Eastern Stars.

Brother Damon Hodge accepts his Master Mason of Year award from Grandmaster Willie Waters, left, and Deputy Grandmaster Charles Searcy during Friday night's banquet inside the third floor banquet hall at the Las Vegas Club. The hotel also hosted the annual session the next day where Grand Lodge officers were elected.



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