

To get into proper position the Star Points go behind the back of their chairs to go into the Prayer Circle and for other ceremonies conducted around the Altar.

It would be well to read the portion of the secret work covering your Star Point at least twice a year to make certain your wording is correct.

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## The Star Point Sister Ruth

Each officer in a chapter is important. All officers are charged with specific duties at the time of installation. Each officer should strive to perform these duties in a manner becoming the solemnity of our Order. To make our Ritualistic work as impressive as possible, all officers should memorize their work.

The Star Point Officers exemplify the teachings of our beautiful Order and it is important that they strive to present their work with beauty and dignity. To make their work more impressive, their lectures

should be memorized.

When the Star Point Officers are explaining their badge of office, they should have their arms and hands at their sides. Each one should hold her sign and remain silent until after the membership gives the response (Ritual page 34-38).

Each Star Point's sign is held until after the Pass is given.

The Sisters chosen to represent the five heroines upon whose virtues our Order is founded are valued Officers in every Chapter. In the design of our Chapter room they occupy very prominent positions, all facing the Presiding Officer in the East, and in a semicircle around our sacred altar. Reverently they face the Altar, assuming the Reverent Attitude for prayers, for our obligation and for draping ceremonies.

They lead us in our opening

ceremonies, reminding us of their badge and its meaning for our lives. The beauty of the Altar Circle and the expression used in delivering their lectures are all part of their unique contribution. Their Ritualistic work can greatly enhance the quality of every meeting and indeed can raise the Chapter's image by their performance. No matter how often we hear their lectures or their opening charges, it is ever new for us the listener.

After each Star Point has completed her lecture, if the pedestal is on the Altar side of her chair she steps back of the chair to pick up the Emblem. If it is behind the chair, she steps back and then steps behind the pedestal and picks it up. The Emblem is picked up and held in the right hand, resting it on the left palm. The Emblem is held in this position until all have passed

the station. The Emblem is then replaced and the officer seated.

Ruth is a famous and much-loved lady from the Scriptures. Ruth gathered culms of barley to bring home food for Naomi, but her real story is in the seeds she sowed by being the faithful and caring lady she was. Day by day, each of us also can sow seeds of loving service wherever we go.

Ruth felt an overwhelming responsibility to care for the helpless Naomi in spite of a seemingly bleak future.

The amber-gold topaz of Ruth is a very rare gem in color and clarity. certainly a friendship and a devotion such as that of Ruth toward Naomi is a rare gem worth treasuring.