

in every year, and hence is styled the Annual. It can be communicated to you by the Preceptress of your Chapter only, or by a Preceptress or Deputy on her written order. It should be given by you to an officer of the Order only in the discharge of her duty, or to an Associate in the proper discharge of yours. It must always be given in a whisper.

The entrance password is * * * * *, which being transposed signifies * * * * *, Countess of Blois, the daughter of William, the Conqueror, and heroine of the First Crusade.

The hailing sign signifies Watchfulness and Silence, but more especially the revelation that eye hath not seen nor tongue confessed the happiness reserved for those who truly love God. Within the Chapter Room the sign is given thus Without the Chapter Room the sign is to be divided. The challenger will advance the sign indicating watchfulness, and the challenged will respond with the sign denoting silence.

Transposed they may be used as a sign and answer of distress.

The grip is thus given, and denotes the union of the three basic principles of the Order.

The number of the Order is Three. The Motto of the Order is "Crux mea Anchora est,"