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I was Worthy Matron in 2002 for the 3rd time. I also had a hard time trying to come up with different ideas. Here are some of the things I tried: They all seemed to go over very well.

1. My theme was a cup of friendship. I had an old green teapot in which I put the names of all our chapter members who lived in the area. At each meeting, I put the teapot under a different officers chair. At some point in the meeting I would ask that officer to draw a name from the teapot. If you were not there for three meetings, your name was discarded. I had gifts in brown paper sacks, and the person could choose a sack. One basket for the men, another for the women. If I forgot the teapot, I was roundly reminded!!

2. On our Hobo Night I asked everyone to dress up as their idea of a hobo. One lady dressed as a bag lady, and was hilarious! For refreshments, they each received a sack containing 1/2 cheese sandwich, 1/2 chicken sandwich, chips, cookie, pickle. These were placed on table in advance of the meeting. Drinks were coffee and water.

3. We had a tacky night and I asked everyone to be TACKY.

4. We also had a halloween night - have you ever served 'kittyi-litter cake'? You can find it on the web.

5. On the night I honored the Grand Committee Members, I called each member up individually and explained their committee, then presented them with a gift.

6. On Mason's Honor Night we had a covered dish. Meat and baked potatoes were furnished, each member brought a large salad. We also invited friends who were not members. The program included a mason who spoke of the history of Masonry, a lady who spoke on OES, and a third person spoke of how they tie together and help each other. (Her husband, a maron, was overseas, and made her promise if she needed help to call the Master of the Lodge. Tests showed she had a serious medical condition. Masons provided transportation to doctors, baby-sitters for the children and were even able to get her husband stationed stateside. At that time she was not a star.) The meal and meeting took about an hour and 15 min., and they all left in time for our regular meeting at 7:30.

7. We do not have an organist. We borrowed one from a neighboring chapter, and did our version of the 'chicken dance'.

I am also in need of new ideas, and what about this DO-RE-MI deal?

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