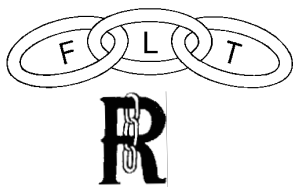


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Sessions

June is the month all Units of our Order meet in Kelso

The annual conclave of all Units of our Order for the Jurisdiction of Washington is set for June 17 through 24 at the Red Lion Hotel in Kelso. If you have not made your hotel reservations or registered for the Sessions yet, you had better hurry. The Kelso location is new this year, following a five-year run in Yakima.

Sessions will be held for the Grand Lodge of Washington; Rebekah Assembly of Washington; Theta Rho Assembly of Washington; Grand Encampment of Washington; Grand Ladies Encampment Auxiliary of Washington; Department Council of Washington, Patriarchs Militant; and the Department Association of Washington, Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant.

Officers of all Units of the Order will be elected and installed during the Sessions. The All Unit Grand Banquet will be on Monday, June 21.

Arthritis Committee report

Thank you for your donations

With Daylight Savings Time here, we have more time for yard work, an afternoon walk or a game of “pasture pool” — golf. Guess who will start coming along with you? You guessed it — it’s your old nagging buddy, Arthur Ritis.

To all of you Lodge Brothers and Sisters who did not get your contributions in by the end of March, you will be on next year’s list of contributors. Those who did give to the Arthritis Fund by the March 31 deadline will receive a certificate for their Lodge. The largest contributor will get a plaque for their Lodge.

As the summer wears on and you find that you have a new buddy, think about your Lodge giving to the Arthritis Fund.

Have a good summer and see you at Sessions.

— Lady Elizabeth Morgan, Chairperson, (360) 459-5964
Hugh A. Smith, PGM and Co-Chairperson, (360) 671-0810



North to Alaska!

There was plenty of snow to go around when Assembly President Karen Hoylman, right, visited Fairbanks, Alaska in late March. Golden North Rebekah Lodge #4A Representative Pearl O’Grady, left, showed Karen the Knotty Shop. Karen visited both the Fairbanks and Ketchikan Lodges during her trip north.

Visual Aid

It has been a great year for your Visual Aid Committee

On March 28, the Grand Secretary’s office in Buckley was the site for the final Visual Aid meeting for our 2003-04 program. Members present were Nancy Vriezema, Loletta McCormick, Tony Tamburello, Gene Coston, Val DeVall, Margaret Truttmann and Chairman Carson Inman.

The meeting’s business consisted of discussing the possibility of enlarging our donation to assist different ocular needs, other than our eyeglasses program with a maximum payout of \$100. This coming year will be an application evaluation period. We will see what kind of and how many different visual aid procedures we receive. These will tell us which way we need to go in 2005. This will allow us to set an adequate dollar amount to assist the children who need specialized care and adjust our aid within the para-

meters of the guidelines as now set.

Our “Third World Countries Used Eyeglasses” program is right on course with the 1,500 pair goal as set at the beginning of this fiscal year. On April 9, we had received 1,237 pairs of glasses and cases. With these we will present two certificates at our Grand Sessions in June. These are from goals achieved, as set forth at the beginning of the year. Hopefully we will be able to surpass this total next year.

Our next meeting will be on July 24 in Kelso’s Red Lion Inn at 2 p.m. Thanks to all members and Lodges for your participation and hard work in assisting and helping to achieve these goals. May all children have the capabilities and help to be able to see as all others do.

— In F., L. & T.,
Carson Inman, Chairman



Happy Birthday, Bluebirds!

It was the first anniversary of the Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho Club #93 and Installation of Officers all rolled into one at a celebration at the South Tacoma IOOF Lodge on February 21.

From your Grand Warden

‘Voices of Vision’ is a great new movie from Sovereign

We just finished our spring trip to Portland, OR for the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association meeting. What beautiful weather we had and with Sovereign Grand Master Hank Dupray and the rest of the Sovereign Grand Lodge Officers in attendance. We proudly displayed the Northwest.

One of the good things to come out in Portland is a movie by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, IOOF on “Voices of Vision.” Watch for it on your local PBS stations in the future. It is a worthy edition for promoting membership and telling about our charities, especially our Visual Aid Program.

This month we will be going to Richmond, British Columbia for their annual Sessions starting on May 10 and the Oregon Sessions to start in Seaside on May 16. These should be interesting trips as I wind down this year as Grand Warden.

I hope as I travel throughout the state and speak to the Lodges about Membership and Visual Aid that we have left some good words of wisdom and knowledge regarding these programs. I will continue to visit Lodges with the Grand Master right up to the end of his journey through this Jurisdiction.

This has been a year of learning, with new editions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge Code Book and the Washington Digest coming out. They have provided many hours of good reading. The many Rules of the Order are complicated, yet simplistic if you can grasp a good understanding of them. I have tried. One day it’s easy and another day I’m caught out in right field. But I keep muddling along, learning that day by day something new will crop up.

Remember, speaking fondly of Lodge activities promotes good Lodge interest to family and neighbors within your community.

*In Friendship, Love And Truth,
Carson Inman, Grand Warden*

Grand Chaplain’s Corner

Let’s express our ‘gratitude’

There was a study done last year at some university (I think it was Tulane, but I’m not sure) looking for commonalities in folks whose last ten years were healthy and happy. They found two common factors — Gratitude and Joy. This made me think of part of our Valediction — “Grateful to my Creator.”

Gratitude in action expresses as charity, so I’m asking everyone to support the Children’s SOS Project. These kids have had more suffering in their young lives than we will ever experience. If every working Brother cuts them a check for \$20, just imagine what we can accomplish. If you are on a fixed income, send a fiver or send a buck. The cost of a burger and fries will feed one of these kids for a week. Talk about a good investment!

Just by being born in this country, we all won the incarnation sweepstakes. We won the Powerball! We have freedom, enough food, a dry place to sleep and clothes on our backs (sometimes too many for our closets). Let’s give something back to our Creator.

— Rich Osborne, Grand Chaplain

Pine Forest Rebekahs #271 - Ione

Exciting events have happened at our Lodge! At our February 24 meeting we initiated three new members — Sue Brown, Linda Seebach and Irene McCoy. On March 23 we initiated Linda Mykins and Kelly Hucal.

We are busy making plans to serve dinner for the Lions Club annual Charter Night on April 17.

We have been giving our Lodge hall a good spring cleaning so we’ll be ready to host our District Meeting April 24. We certainly are looking forward to seeing our Rebekah Sisters and Brothers from other Lodges again.

Pine Forest sends a student every other year on the United Nations Pilgrimage and David Fairbairn, our representative at the United Nations last summer, will be our speaker in the afternoon.

SEASON OF SPRING

*Springtime seems to fill the air with music all its own.
Frogs and crickets come to life with such a pleasant tone.
Flowers peak their tiny heads above the fertile ground;
No other season of the year can such beauty there be found.
Dear God, I am so thankful for this season You bestow;
It fills my heart with gladness and it helps my spirit grow.*

— By Albert Theel
In F, L. & T, Bernice Emrick, Reporter



ARTHUR A. CRAIG

From the desk of the Grand Secretary

ADVANCE REPORTS HAVE BEEN MAILED

In preparation for the Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Washington, the *Advance Reports* have been mailed. These were sent to all Lodge Representatives, so please share them with your Lodge members.

The following reports did not arrive in time to be printed and must now be submitted to the Grand Secretary to be read and referred at the Session:

- Cemetery Committee
- Odd Fellows Home
- Recreational Park
- United Nations
- Web Site
- \$3,000 Educational Grant

To individuals responsible for these reports, please take note and submit on a timely basis. Should you have any questions or concerns feel free to call and I will try to assist you.

— Fraternally, Arthur A. Craig, PSGM and Grand Secretary

Contributing Factors

Creating a sunrise at sunset

As the sun rises to warm the earth and brighten each day, “sunrises” created by the thoughtful planning of our donors appear on the horizon as beautiful expressions of a new day for the Odd Fellows Home. These “sunrises” or bequests go directly into our Endowment Fund. An Endowment Fund is a special fund that provides a “payout” each year to support the mission of the Home. The corpus of the endowment is kept intact and only the interest, or a portion of it, is available for use.

An endowment, like an artesian well, never runs dry. Each year it provides a financial gift to the Odd Fellows Home. Endowments provide the warm and comforting knowledge that financial resources will be available for generations to come. This provides light for planners who peer into the future, knowing that they can count on this particular source of financial support.

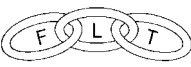
Would you like to paint a sunrise at the sunset of your life? It is as simple as including the Washington Odd Fellows Home in your will. To obtain information on creating a will, please contact me (toll free) at 1-877-311-2786.

Thank you for your support of the Endowment Fund. Together we can help ensure that future residents of the Home will continue to enjoy sunrises and sunsets for many years to come.

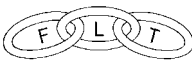


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For Our Grand Sessions!*



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From your 2003-2004 Grand Master



DAVID L. MORRIS

WHAT A TRIP TO THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN

The Spring Northwest Meeting was one to be remembered! The testimonial dinner for IARA President Sharon Magden from Oregon highlighted the event with 218 attending. During the official meeting, our own Dee Hanson was elected Vice President. It's always a pleasure to share the weekend with folks from British Columbia, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. The Fall Northwest Meeting will be in Hood River, OR November 5-7 and I hope that many more of you can attend.

By the time you read this article, we will have returned from the 71st Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns. Laying the wreath made me appreciate even more what our men and women have done and are doing to serve us all. The Wilmar Eye Institute at Johns Hopkins University and Washington, D.C. tours were outstanding. Visiting the monument erected as a tribute to Thomas Wildey, the founder of Odd Fellowship in North America, was memorable, too. My only wish is that a video be made so that all of you could get a glimpse of the weekend.

May also includes visits to British Columbia and Oregon Sessions where we will meet many of our neighboring friends and glean ideas for our own Jurisdiction. And, it won't be long until June when our own Sessions will be held in Kelso at the Red Lion Inn. If you haven't already, please complete the registration forms in this newspaper and mail to Grand Lodge ASAP. Room reservations can be made directly with the hotel.

Just to let you know, the decor of the June 21 banquet will be Mexican-American. You are encouraged to wear Mexican or Western attire, if available. Dinner will include a choice of chicken enchiladas or London broil. (We hear that beans will be optional.) Be prepared for fun!

Adios for now!

*Happy Trails in F., L. & T.,
David L. Morris, Grand Master*

VISITATION SCHEDULE

- May 3 Return from the Tomb of Unknowns, Arlington, VA
- May 4 Goodwill IOOF Lodge #188, White Salmon, 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting
- May 9 Happy Mothers' Day
- May 9-13 British Columbia Grand Sessions, Richmond, BC
- May 13 Buckley IOOF Lodge #75, 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting
- May 15 Armed Forces Day
- May 16-21 Oregon Grand Sessions, Seaside, OR
- May 26 Kalama IOOF Lodge #101, 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting
- May 31 Memorial Day
- June 7 Edmonds IOOF Lodge #96, 6 p.m. dinner, 7:30 p.m. meeting

Columbian Rebekah Lodge #220 and Washougal IOOF Lodge #194

As we can see, time has withered away another month of 2004.

Hello! We are still waiting to hear from you with your recipes. It might be easier for many of you to e-mail them to harryandkathyj@msn.com. Our cookbook wants to be the best of many cooks from all over the state.

May Day with baskets of flowers hanging on your door is a great way to warm your hearts and getting ready for Mothers' Day on May 9. to those who have mothers, may God bless you both. Share a hug for all of us. Thank you.

Don't forget the National Day of Prayer. Pray for our military personnel who are defending our nation and keeping it free. While remembering them, we also can remember Memorial Day on May 31, the day we decorate the graves of those who have gone before us.

WE DO REMEMBER

Their graves are not forgotten and

*They did not die in vain,
But every act of bravery
Because another gain.
We still remember every deed
And every gun that roared,
The ships and submarines that sailed
And every wing that soared.
They were the gallant heroes of
That fateful yesterday,
When every hope was pinned upon
The mighty U.S.A.
And in this hour we recall
And we salute each name,
And promise there will never be
The slightest cause for shame.
For we will keep the stars and stripes
Forever at the mast,
And there will be democracy
As long as life will last.
— By James F. Metcalfe
Until next time, may God bless you all.*

*In F., L. & T.,
Joyce Miller,
Reporter*

~ In Memoriam ~

- **Gladys Isaacson**, Leah #289, Des Moines.
- **John Simpson**, Samaritan Rebekah Lodge #22, Goldendale.
- **Arnold E. Millbrooke**, Kalama IOOF Lodge #52, Spokane.
- **Coleen Pease**, PNG, 19 year member, Hillyard Rebekah Lodge #145, Spokane.
- **Louise Sheppard**, 57 year member, Lorraine Rebekah Lodge #289, Des Moines.
- **Delores Kringen**, PNG, Tieton Rebekah Lodge #314, Tieton.
- **June Lust**, PNG, Tieton Rebekah Lodge #314, Tieton.
- **Marjorie Christman**, Alkaziah Rebekah Lodge #325, Coulee Dam.
- **Esther Busroe**, PNG, Sun Lakes Rebekah Lodge #329, Soap Lake.

God bless our Mothers

*God bless our oldest Mother,
With silver in her hair.
The golden age, is this Mother,
And many memories
hidden there,
Memories of the past,
Are her treasures,
She has tucked away.
All of them more valuable,
Than gold and silver is today.*

*God bless our youngest Mother,
She has a long way yet to go.
Doing for her loved ones,
And the right things
she must know.
She must keep her family happy,
And to see that they grow strong,
Keep them on the straight
and narrow,
And to see they do no wrong.*

*God bless the Mother,
With many children.
For a busy one she must be.
Keep them healthy, strong
and happy,
This is a big job for her you see,
Some times she is so tired
and weary,
That she knows not what to do,
She even feels related,
To the woman in the shoe.
God bless all our Mothers,
For with out them,
what would we do,
The hand that rocked the cradle,
Raised all children, me and you.
Be them big or be them small,
Be them short or be them tall,
Yes, God bless all our Mothers!
God bless them one and all.*

— Dema V. Scalp

South Tacoma IOOF Lodge #211

Greetings one and all.

Our newest members, Linda Dodge, Joe Barsac and Doug Simpson, were initiated in the Second and Third Degrees with the help of Olympia Odd Fellows Lodge #1. For those of you who have never seen the Degrees presented, go to Olympia. They do a fantastic job! A couple of our members got to help out and we had a lot of fun. South Tacoma initiated another new member, Joanne

Rhein, in the Initiatory Degree.

The more new members we get the better we're getting. Thanks to Butch and Allen Reitan for helping the Lodge out.

Thank you to the Building Committee. They've gone in and lit up our hall. The lights have been fixed and bulbs replaced. Let there be light!

*In F., L. & T.,
Laurel Delony,
Reporter*

Waterville Rebekah Lodge #77

It looks like this is going to be another short one, but we'd like to let everyone know we are still active in Waterville. We definitely can say spring has sprung! Our days are bright, shiny and warm. The wheat is looking good up here on the plateau and the fruit trees are in full bloom in the valley. It is a most beautiful time of the year.

So far this year we have been fortunate to have all our officers in attendance at our meetings. We miss Sisters Doris Matthiesen and Eva Payne who are unable to attend. Calls and cards are needed from all of us to let them know we really do miss them.

At our April 5 meeting — Friendship-Birthday Celebration — we were privileged to have Assembly President Karen Hoylman visit with us. We began the afternoon with a bounteous salad bar, followed by cake and ice cream for the birthday party. We had many visitors. There were

three from Tempest, four from Ephrata, two from Alkaziah and two from Grand Coulee. They were most welcome which made for an extra special meeting. (Sorry girls, we ran out of Bingo time.) President Karen was honored and presented with gifts for her project and personal use. Come again, Karen, whenever you wish.

As reported last month, we will be well represented at the District Association #17 Meeting in Wenatchee. Our PNG Nadra Rivers will be seated as the 2005 President.

Past President Irene is going to be off again traveling, so we will give you more details next month. Otherwise, things are quite normal (?) around here.

Happy Mothers' Day greetings are being sent to all mothers. Hopefully I will have a longer report next month.

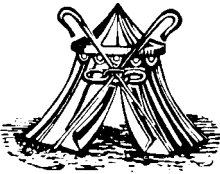
*In F. L. & T.
And Fraternal Love,
Fay Bowers-Holland, PP*

From your Grand Patriarch

Thank you one and all!

NOTES FROM THE “BIG TENT”

The Installations of officers are now complete and with that comes best wishes for a most successful and interesting year in your Encampment or Unified Encampment. Your Grand Officers salute each of you and extend their support as you press forward in our work.



I wish to thank everyone for the courtesies which have been extended along the trail and know that as long as we work together, we can be assured of a successful year for our Order.

Thank you also for the good wishes expressed at my Reception. I hope that Patriarch Ward Martin will enjoy his year with good health and cooperation from each of you.

NEWS ITEM

When Pilgrim Lodge #187 sold their building on Broadway, there wasn't room for storage at their new location which caused lots of their materials to be left behind. Downtown Dennis, an Everett Real Estate salesman, became the proud owner and is in the process of putting it all together as an IOOF museum to be located at 2911 Pacific Avenue in Everett. He expects to announce the opening any time now. It is my understanding that this will be a no-charge museum. I've had a sneak preview and I know that when everything is finally in place that it will bring many pleasant memories to members of the Order. Should any Lodges or individuals have any items they would like to contribute, arrangements can be made by calling Dennis at (425) 257-2000.

In Faith, Hope and Charity,

George Carlile, Grand Patriarch, Grand Encampment of Washington

On Camano Island

H.P. Downs Unified Encampment

On Saturday, April 17, we held our Installation of Officers. The officers were installed by a team composed of Grand Encampment and Grand LEA officers led by Grand Patriarch George Carlile and Grand Matriarch Mary Robinson. They did a wonderful job.

Those installed were: Chief Patriarch Harlan Grant, High Priestess Carolyn Carlile, Sr. Warden Edith Kane, Scribe Larry Phillips, Treasurer George Carlile, Jr. Warden Blossom Phillips, Guide Elizabeth Pettit, Sentinel Hilda Sprague, 1st Watch Judy Diekman, and Keeper of the Tent Lynnetta Livingston.

There were many distinguished guests and they were all welcomed appropriately.

After the installation, those present enjoyed a spaghetti dinner. The dinner was followed by the reception for Grand Patriarch George Carlile, hosted by our Encampment. C. Allan Reitan was the Master of Ceremonies. Those bringing greetings to Brother George from their respective units were: Theta Rho Assembly, Kristyna McCloskey RS to the Warden; Department Council, Major General Retired Edmund L. Reitan Jr.; Department Association, Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant, Lady Marjourie Schaaf, President; Rebekah Assembly, Karen Hoylman, President; Grand Lodge, David Morris, Grand Master; and Grand Ladies Encampment Auxiliary, Mary Robinson, Grand Matriarch.

Following the presentations and greetings, everyone was treated to cake and coffee.

We are proud to have the Grand Patriarch as a member of our Unified Encampment and congratulate him and wish him the best as he finishes out his year of service.

— Judy Diekman, Jr. PCM and Reporter

Buckley Unified Encampment #40

Grand Patriarch George Carlile and Grand Matriarch Mary Robinson led a team which installed our officers on Wednesday, April 14 following a spaghetti dinner. Woody Esterly was installed as Chief Patriarch. Other officers are: High Priestess Peg Ogilvie, Senior Warden Kathy Pierce, Scribe Karen Hoylman, Treasurer Doris Wigglesworth and Junior Warden Don Eddy.

A past Chief Matriarch's jewel and certificate were present to Jan Eddy for her service the past year.

Several guests were present including the Grand Patriarch's wife, Carolyn Carlile, and a group from the Fall City area.

Our next meeting will include plans for Sessions in June.

*In Faith, Hope and Charity,
Kathy Pierce, Senior Warden*



Installation for LAPM #1

The officers of Walla Walla LAPM #1 gathered after the installation of officers. In the front row, from left, are Ladies Ayris Fulton, Marilyn Duffy, Barb German, Jeannette Oswald, Henrietta Everson and Anna Martien. In the back row are Ladies Freida Church, Rose Ringhoffer, Karen Schultz, Marge Schaaf and Barbara Jane Hanson.

Tempest Rebekahs #114 - Wenatchee

Hello from the Tempest Rebekahs. As I write this, cherry trees are in bloom with apricot and peaches not far behind. What a beautiful time of the year it is in the Wenatchee Valley!

The District Association #17 Meeting was hosted by our Lodge with Sister Blanche Forst serving as President.

Attendance at our meetings has increased as our newer members are taking part and learning the work. They have been a blessing to us.

Our Past Noble Grands' Club has switched to a Social Club so all the Sisters can take part.

Several of our Sisters attended the Waterville Rebekah Lodge meeting when President Karen made her visit. They enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and getting acquainted.

Our NG Lois Clark, her husband, Sharin Brown and Wanda Goll have done some upgrading in the rest rooms in the hall. Mission Odd Fellows are moving ahead with some of the much-needed repair work on the room.

The Entiat Odd Fellows have consolidated with Mission Lodge. A visit from the Grand Master was enjoyed by the members. The Rebekahs served a lunch for the group and the Brothers expressed their appreciation.

As I write this, it is hard to know when to write in the present, past or future. Hopefully I will get the hang of it.

Have a wonderful spring and take time to enjoy the flowers.

*In F., L. & T.,
Marjorie Farrens, Reporter*

Hope Rebekah Lodge #38 - Spokane

My goodness, as I think back on the many things we have been doing this past month, I wonder how I had time to do my income taxes and get them in the mail and still be somewhat sane. We were a busy bunch of Rebekahs.

Sherry Pond attended the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association meeting in Portland, OR. She gave us a report and was very impressed with the movie that was made about the Odd Fellows. Also, she reported that the Odd Fellows Village for the SOS program was being built in Cambodia.

At our first meeting for the month of April, Karen Hoylman, President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, made her visit. We had a nice turn out with visitors from Beacon, Ramona and Hillyard Rebekah Lodges. Noble Grand Carol Hare had prepared a nice skit and we presented Karen with bird houses, seed and water for the birds. The bird houses were made by Marie Volesky and Marie Putman.

Since we will be having a Bazaar in November, we have been having workshops to make things for the bazaar. At the April workshops we

made wreaths and potato bags. You ask what are potato bags? These are for cooking baked potatoes in the microwave.

On April 10, we hosted a District Lodges fun time together. We went to the greenhouses and conservatory at Manito Park in Spokane. We all went to Kentucky Fried Chicken for lunch. The spring flowers were pretty and the Chicken was great.

On April 17, we had a rummage sale at the IOOF Temple. We met lots of interesting people and shared our tale of Odd Fellowship with a few by giving them pamphlets and invited them to come visit again.

We attended two luncheons at Beacon Rebekah Lodge. One was in honor of the District Officers and the other was in honor of Karen's visit to their Lodge. We enjoy going to their luncheons as they feed us well. You will notice that our favorite pastime on this side of the state is eating.

Well that is about it for this month. Here's a thought for you — Tact is rubbing out another's mistake instead of rubbing it in.

*In F., L. & T.,
Sherry Pond,
Reporter*

Karen's Korner

From Your Assembly President



KAREN HOYLMAN

THE LILY - THE FOURTH EMBLEM

Assembly officers, please wear silver colored shoes with your Assembly dresses if at all possible. You may wear any jewelry you choose.

The Lily is the fourth emblem of the Rebekah Degree. We are admonished to try to make the world purer and better with this symbol, which is snow white. It prompts us to govern our thoughts and actions as though the world were to read one and see the other. This is the last emblem of the Degree which I have chosen as symbols in my program. It is my hope that we will remember their meanings in our lives.



Lorraine Mills has been appointed Assistant Musician. Letters have gone out for committee appointments and requests for tributes, etc. I will appreciate your acceptance of these.

I had a wonderful trip to Alaska and enjoyed being with the Sisters there and attending their meetings. it was 5 degrees when I left Fairbanks — a new adventure in weather for me.

CORRECTION

In last month's newspaper, there was a picture of me and DoRis Klotzner in which she was presenting me with a ceramic bee hive cookie jar. The gift was from Warren Rebekah Lodge #308 and not Mt. Tacoma Lodge as was printed. Sorry, Sisters of Warren.

— *In Rebekah Love,*

Karen Hoylman, President, Rebekah Assembly of Washington

VISITATION SCHEDULE

- May 1, 2 — Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns
- May 4 — Alkaziah Rebekah Lodge #325, Coulee Dam
- May 5 — Ramona Rebekah Lodge #238, Spokane
- May 7 — Isabella Rebekah Lodge #23, Yakima 1:00 p.m. (re-scheduled)
- May 9 — Mothers' Day with my family. A happy day to all moms!
- May 11-13 — British Columbia Assembly, Richmond, BC
- May 17 — Tieton Rebekah Lodge #314, tieton
- May 18 — Grand Coulee Rebekah Lodge #315, Electric City
- May 19-21 — Oregon Assembly, Seaside, OR
- May 25 — Althea Rebekah Lodge #182, Kennewick, 1:30 p.m.
- May 25 — Alder Rebekah Lodge #80, Bickleton, 7:30 p.m.
- May 27 — Tempest Rebekah Lodge #114, Wenatchee
- June 1 — Leah Rebekah Lodge #22, Goldendale
- June 2 — Golden Rule Rebekah Lodge #242, Pasco
- June 3 — Grandview Rebekah Lodge #246, Grandview

In Richland

All States Rebekah Lodge #319 and Richland IOOF Lodge #338

Mothers' Day and Memorial Day are two of the most important days all year. On Mothers, Day, let's pause and remember to give thanks for the many thousands of ways our great grandmothers, grandmothers and mothers have helped us to blaze the trails, keep on course and make life great. Truly we have been blessed.

On Memorial Day, let's fly our flag high to honor and support our servicemen and women who have served our great country and are still serving for us worldwide.

Our rummage sale was a great success. Our thanks to everyone who

donated and worked. Our Noble Grand Mary Jo's project can now be completed.

Happy birthday to Hazel Horning as she celebrated her big 90th on April 10. Great going, Hazel! Happy birthday to Nina Hames on April 16. Her big party was at the Red Lion in Richland on Sunday, April 18. Great going, Nina!

Best wishes to Valda Reynolds, Veda Egbert and Brother Ed Powell. Thinking green!

*In F., L. & T.,
Juanita McElveny,
Reporter*

From the desk of the Assembly Secretary



BETTY WELDON

REMEMBER, YOU ARE THE ASSEMBLY

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

At last we are having some bright and sunny days — a great and welcome change from the winter. Several of our Unit Officers are having their receptions in the near future. I hope you are able to support them by attending. These officers work very hard for their Units and for the entire Odd Fellow/Rebekah organization and deserve to be appreciated.



Is your Lodge taking care of their finances properly? It is important that the general rules be followed: a receipt for every warrant (exception for Lodge expenses of rent, allowances and donations, of course), a warrant for every check, (Secretary's and Noble Grand's signature on every warrant), two signatures on every check and, most of all, a bound record of these transactions and of

your income.

Your income must cover your expenses. You cannot spend Lodge funds for lunch or other personal expenses. The rule of thumb is: money raised in the name of Rebekahs can only be spent for Lodge and donation purposes. If you have saved money over the years and plan to give up your Charter, do not give your money away. When a Lodge closes, that does not mean the expenses of the organization as a whole changes. It means that the burden is increased for the remaining Sisters. These Sisters are your friends. None of us would deliberately cause hardship for our friends and that is what happens as Per Capita has to be increased.

I have heard members say, "The Assembly will get the money and they don't need it, they just spend it frivolously." This is not true. Look at the year-end reports in your "Take Me" and Journal and you will find that very little goes to the Officers' Expenses, the rest goes to the expenses of running the Assembly. Think of the work involved in managing this organization to keep it running smoothly and remember — **you** are the Assembly. That is my lecture for the day.

Assembly time is rapidly approaching and I hope a lot of you will be able to attend. As you know, starting this year, you do not have to be a Past Noble Grand to attend the meeting. This is your chance to come and see what happens, how legislation is passed, why reports are important, etc. We have fun, too, and have the pleasure of greeting our friends, some of whom we do not see too often. Mark your calendar June 21-23. Secretaries, be sure your Per Capita is sent in timely so your Representative can be recognized.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

- Faith Rebekah Lodge #16 May 25, 1888
- Sunbeam Rebekah Lodge #147 May 27, 1903
- Nisqually Rebekah Lodge #233 May 5, 1911
- Ramona Rebekah Lodge #238 May 14, 1911
- Lorraine Rebekah Lodge #289 May 10, 1919
- Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313 May 28, 1927
- Sun Lakes Rebekah Lodge #329 May 20, 1954
- Revilla Rebekah Lodge #9A May 24, 1929

Thank you all for the kind words, notes, e-mails and phone calls you have given me. They are greatly appreciated.

Now, after having read this heavy column, you need to sit down, have a cup of coffee, think good thoughts and count your blessings.

*With Rebekah Love,
Betty Weldon, Secretary, Rebekah Assembly of Washington
E-Mail: bweldon@crpud.net*

Aurilla Rebekahs #133 - Bremerton

Happy Mothers' Day to all our dear ladies.

Get well and stay well wishes are extended to everyone. The doctors like our Lodge hours, too.

Dottie Freeman is still at Belmont Terrace, a spry 99-year-old who we find with her beautician when she gets visitors. Winnie Vanderpool remains at Ridgemont in Port Orchard.

Sister Louise Johnson has had many tests on her bones. Brother Ray Johnson's scrapes are healing after a fall on his steps and Brother Harold Colson is better and able to do his household chores, but he could use a driver.

Others, please come to Lodge. We miss you.

Florence Cowdery, Secretary

Happy Mothers' Day!

In Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho #79

Well, spring is here and we hope everyone is having nice weather by now. We had a good time with Theta Rho Assembly President Kendall when she visited our club and participated in the Holland Happening Parade with us. We had a nice new convertible for her to ride in along with Christina Bond, Vice President of the Assembly, and Lindsay Knaus, Treasurer of the Assembly. Other club members walked along with the car. After the parade we took Kendall to lunch and then the girls went to the carnival and the adults went to the street fair.

We are looking forward to the Youth Retreat to be held at the Odd Fellows Park in Olympia at the end of the month. This will not only be a time for us to learn our responsibilities for Assembly, but also to have fun with the members from the other clubs.

Speaking of Assembly, we are busy making preparations for our assignments, our entries for Fun Night and our scrapbook. It sounds like Kendall and Tina both have some fun things planned for us this year and we are all excited about being in a new location.

Our club has a car wash scheduled for May 16 from 10a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Walmart Store in Oak Harbor, so if any of you are in our area come by and see us.

Our raffle for the afghan to raise money for Christina’s reception this summer is going well. Thank you to all who have purchased tickets so far. We will be drawing at Sessions in Kelso. While we are talking about Christina’s reception, it will be held on July 31 at 2 p.m. at the IOOF Hall in Oak Harbor, so put that on your calendar. We are starting to make plans for honoring her on that day and hope many of you will plan to join us. The retreat for the youth will once again be held in conjunction with the reception.

See you in June in Kelso! — *The members of Acorn #79*

Mystic Rebekah Lodge #168 and
Bremerton Friendship Lodge #145

Hello to all. We were happy to see so many of our friends at our District Association Meetings. District President Judy Inman had a well-planned meeting. The Brothers re-elected President Don Cowdery, Vice President LeRoy Inman and Secretary John Gaiski. The next meeting will be in Port Angeles on September 25.

At our last breakfast we had a good turnout of Brothers, Sisters, widows and friends in Port Orchard.

Getting tests and treatments are Louise, Ray and Brad Johnson, and Harold Colson. Walt Dodge had eye surgery and John Gaiski had his knee worked on. Get well and better days also to Gordon Cooper, FR MacPherson, Mabel Bishop, Vickie Davis and Helen McCausland.

To all our Sisters, moms and aunts, have a wonderful Mothers’ Day!
*In F, L. & T,
Don & Florence Cowdery, Reporters*

Chaplain’s Corner

A Mother’s love . . .

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter and rejoiced in the words of our Lord. Now that May is here and we celebrate Mothers’ Day, we are reminded that a mother’s love is one of His precious gifts.

*A Mothers Love is like a beacon
Burning bright with Faith and Prayer,
And through the changing scenes of life,
We can find a haven there.*

*For a Mother’s Love is fashioned
After God’s enduring love,
It is endless and unfailing
Like the love of Him above. . .*

*For God knew in His great wisdom
That He couldn’t be everywhere,
So He put His Little Children
In a Loving Mother’s Care.*

*By Helen Steiner Rice
— Nita Sherwood, Chaplain,
Rebekah Assembly of Washington*

Leah Rebekah Lodge #22 - Goldendale

We hope everyone had a blessed and happy Easter. It certainly seems like spring as the temperature has risen to the 65 degree mark and that is pretty nice for April. Daffodils and forsythia are blooming everywhere.

In March, Sister Bea Mesecher was presented with her 50-year jewel. Congratulations, Sister Bea.

On April 6, Sister Mary Gosney reported that 75 units of blood were collected at the blood drive held at the high school. Thank you to the high school students who participated and thanks to our members for doing the telephoning. Sister Mary is planning to attend the Health Fair on May 6 to advertise the accomplishments of donating blood and talk about the many people who are helped by each donation.

In January, Sister Kathleen Kubler married Wayne Berg. Our congratulations to Wayne and Kathleen. We are very happy for you.

Sister Ann Thompson recently broke her arm. Sister Loleta Zumwalt has been having a lot of pain from inflammation of the cartilage on her ribs. This was caused from a recent fall. Sister Elnora Winterstein had cataract surgery on April 13 in Yakima. Cards were sent and our

prayers go out to these Sisters.

Our own Sister Christene Sweetin presided over our District #15 Meeting in Kennewick on April 10. At least six people from our Lodge were planning to attend. Sister Christene had a very interesting program planned.

Our NG and VG are planning a big yard sale very soon. If you have donations, call Sister Belinda at (509) 773-3867. The date will be announced at the next meeting.

On April 6, Sister Ann Thompson had several poems, one written by her mother, for the program. Sister Pat Benjamin had cake and Jello for refreshments. On May 20, Sister Floydene Lyon has the program and Sister Shari Stewart has the refreshments.

On May 4 we will celebrate Mothers’ Day. Sister Avis O’Brien has the program and Sister Loleta Zumwalt has the refreshments.

May 18 is PNG night. Sister Christene Sweetin has the program and Sister Belinda Sweetin has the refreshments.

Happy spring days to everyone!
*In F, L. & T,
Loleta Zumwalt,
PNG and Reporter*

Pilgrim IOOF Lodge #187 - Everett

Pilgrim Lodge #187 highlighted the IOOF career of Brother H. Elmore Elliott on April 22 at their regularly scheduled meeting. Brother Elmore celebrated his 104th birthday on January 13 and is still going strong. He attends our meetings regularly and always takes an active part. His honors note that he is now a 75-year member of our Order. The *Everett Herald* has been notified and hopefully will be present when he receives his Veterans jewel with the big “75” in the middle.

Our Lodge donated money to Everett’s Christmas House and in addition to a thank you note we were pleased to see our name in a full-page ad of “Thank You” in the *Everett Herald*.

Other organizations who have received help from us include the Boy Scouts of America, Salvation Army Delta Rehabilitation Center, an elementary school reading program, a medical clinic, a hospital and several others. We also gave health and beauty supplies to a battered women’s shelter. If we keep mum about the good things we do, how can we expect anyone to know where to find us.

In another 18 months we’ll have another 75-year member to honor. Keep watching for our announcement as to who and when that event will occur.

*In F, L. & T,
George W. Carlile,
Secretary and Lodge Deputy*

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Members of South Tacoma Rebekah Lodge #160 were all smiles following the Easter Hat Parade.

South Tacoma Rebekahs #160

Well, we're busy as ever. Our Noble Grand Barb Nelson has us collecting "Trial Sizes for the Troops" who are serving in Iraq. We also are collecting personal products for the patrons at "My Sisters Pantry." Some of our members still go the the Pantry on the fourth Saturday of the month and cook up a storm. Last month we must have cooked more than 20 dozen hard boiled eggs. Now that's a lot of egg salad sandwiches.

The Past Noble Grands initiated a new member for South Tacoma. Welcome to the Rebekahs, Dixie Fisk. Dixie now makes it a "family affair" as her daughter Lacey is a Theta Rho Girl and her husband Kevin is an Odd

Fellow.

April 17 saw us at the semi-annual meeting of District Association #3. South Tacoma was asked to show the correct way to introduce dignitaries and I think we all learned. And a big *yippee* for our members because we won the attendance banner.

Our Lodge also had an Easter Hat Parade. As you can see by the picture, we were in fine form. Participants were Dixie Fisk, Holly Houser, Joanne Balmert, Hazel Thompson and myself. We had a lot of fun.

Until next month. . .

*In F, L. & T,
Laurel Delony,
Reporter*

Longview Rebekah Lodge # 305

It has been quite some while since this reporter has done her job, so I want to let you all know we are still alive and kicking. This year many of the Sisters and Brothers have been on the sick list which has slowed us down a lot. Sister Kathryn Byrnes is the latest casualty with a broken rib. Sister Sue Woods now lives with her daughter in Graham and Brother Lloyd Bjorge now lives in Vancouver near his family. Although we keep in touch, we haven't seen either of them for some time and miss them very much. Thankfully Sisters Ellen Vossen and Annie Southard are feeling well enough to attend meetings again.

It is our good fortune that two

Sisters from Harmony Lodge in Vader, Mary Dunivan and Lila Jordan, are now Associate Members in Longview. I am sure many of you are aware of these Rebekahs and know what splendid ladies and Rebekahs they are.

NG Betty Weldon, hubby George and daughter Georgia have been sunning themselves in Hawaii. We shall hear all about their adventures at our next meeting. I'm sure it wasn't a plain old quiet peaceful time. Their vacations never are, but they are lots of fun!

We're looking forward to seeing you at Assembly in Kelso.

*In F, L. & T,
Mary Elder, PNG and Reporter*

Alkaziah Rebekahs #325 - Coulee Dam

Spring greetings to all. Thoughts of Easter surround us as I write this. God's beauty is abounding in all the blossoms on the trees and ground.

This week started out great with our visit to Waterville. A fun meeting followed a delicious salad luncheon and a celebration of all birthdays. Have you ever had the fun of riding up Waterville's stairway on the electric lift? It was great to see and hear from our President Karen. A suggestion was made about the possibility of combining some of our Districts. This will be discussed at our meetings.

The next day we had our regular

meeting with all officers in their chairs. It was great to welcome snow-bird Ainie Powell back and now we are eagerly awaiting for our other one to return.

A "thinking of you" card was sent to Evelyn Easling-Smith who has been unable to attend Lodge this winter. We miss all of our out-of-town members and hope all are well.

Plans were made for President Karen's visit in May We hope to see everyone here.

Happy May Day to all.

*In F, L. & T,
Ruth Walberg, Reporter*

In Long Beach

Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313

The losers of our attendance contest put on an outstanding evening of dinner, Bingo and an awards show for the winners on March 16. St. Patrick's Day was the theme and dress was wearing of the green. Corned beef was on the dinner menu, along with baked potatoes, "special" baby carrots, rolls and a green salad. Mint ice cream and praline cookies were served after the regular meeting. The first annual "Blarney Stone Awards" were presented by the losers, with each Sister named as a winner in her category. She was presented with a Blarney Stone (a rock painted green) for her prize in being named the winner. It was a blast. Linda Zuern gave the best acceptance speech. Vivian Currie wrote the program and acted as our "orchestra," with special selections for each category. Special praise for their hard work in planning, cooking and decorating goes to Olney Patch, Diane Eneix, Helen O'Neal, Sandy Thissell, Marla Johnson, Vivian Currie and Polly Reed. Yours truly, as chairman, thanks them ever so much.

We hosted the District #18 Meeting on April 3 and had 56 Sisters attending for the day. Donna Merrill gave the Unwritten Work in the absence of the Sylvan Glen #184 representative. Ocean Beach's greeting was given by Bessie Braschuk. Introduction of Past Presidents of District #18 included Betty Worthington of Ocean Beach who was President in 1949. The Lodge hall and dining room were decorated with a lighthouse theme and packets of seashell postcards were donated for each Sister by Frances O'Neil. A seafood basket and a baking basket were raffled, with lucky winners receiving a large assortment of goodies. Our special Sister friends from Seaside attended the meeting,

also. It was a nice, sunny day and as the sun warmed the outdoors, the love of sisterhood warmed the indoors. President Alberta Luurs will preside once again at the fall meeting in October to be hosted by Maple Leaf #326 in Winlock.

April 6 was our Easter meeting and serving angel food cake decorated with "green grass" and Easter eggs were Sandy Thissell and Beverly Gilpin. It was yummy. We made plans for donating cookies and breads for the Jazz Festival bands and discussed projects of the Friendship Club. We are still playing Bunco as one of our money-making projects. We made a donation of \$50 to the Loyalty Day princess courts for their participation in the Loyalty Day festivities on May 1 and 2.

Sister Fritz Mose is on the mend and we hope will be able to attend Lodge again soon. Sister Judy Williams suffered a stroke and is now rehabilitating at her daughter's home in Battleground. Our prayers are with her for a speedy recovery.

Betty Pierce and Charlie are gallivanting across the country to the east coast for a month's trip. Cathy Kary and husband Dean traveled to Nevada to attend an award ceremony for their granddaughter.

Sister Donna Merrill's husband Ronald had a stroke and is on the road to recovery. Donna has our thoughts and prayers for him to be well soon.

We have "April Showers" and the "Merry Month of May." I am waiting for "June Is Busting Out All Over." In the meantime, be merry in May and we hope you have an enjoyable spring. Happy Mothers' Day and our blessings for your honorees on Memorial Day.

*With Rebekah love,
Sue Johnson, Reporter*

In Electric City

Grand Coulee Rebekah Lodge #315

Hello everyone! Well, I guess it really was an April Fools joke! Somewhere my April news went astray. I checked and saw that I had mailed in my news, but that's okay. I'm back and we will go forward.

We enjoyed a great St. Patrick's Day and now we just finished an Easter celebration. It is so much fun to come to our meeting wondering what or how our meeting room will be decorated. We have some clever Sisters in our group and we thank them for all they do.

In March, Betty Roller and Jeanette Kelley made a visit to Ephrata and enjoyed a fun afternoon. We were surprised when we found the President of the Rebekah Assembly was in attendance. Karen Hoylman was there to greet us all and we had a fun time.

We recently made a donation to the Arbor Day Foundation in memory of one of our oldest deceased members, Sister Margaret Anderson.

We have four Sisters in the Lincoln Hospital Nursing Home and we send them greetings on all the holidays. They are Sisters Marge Cowley, Lily McAllister, Oline Wyborney and

Marge Wyborney.

We recently enjoyed a luncheon held at the VFW Auxiliary Hall in Wilbur. All our Rebekah members were invited to attend.

On April 5, Sisters Betty Roller and Jeanette Kelley attended the Friendship Luncheon and meeting in Waterville. We also were able to meet and visit with President Karen again.

We must remember she is coming to our Lodge on May 18, so we hope to see you all here.

Once again, here's a reminder to get your Community Service hours in for credit.

We will make a trip to Moses Lake to donate our filled baggies to the Hope Center. There is a work day set for May 4 to fill the baggies. Remember to bring a sack lunch. The meeting is in the afternoon. Then on May 5 we will make the deliveries to Moses Lake. Thanks, Sisters, for all your giving help in this project.

Until next time, I will leave you with this thought — "Don't avoid problems, solve them."

*In F, L. & T,
Jeanette Kelley, Reporter*



New members in Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge #54 are, from left, Ross Jacobus, Sharen Wilson, Betty O'Donnell, Sharon Vitolo and Betty Hugg.

Bothell Odd Fellow Lodge #124 Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge #54

On March 23, we enjoyed a nice dinner and then we conducted a short meeting before having the pleasure of welcoming five new members into our Lodge.

The Degree Team did a wonderful initiation under the direction of Captain Guyida White. Everyone had a good time that evening.

Our new members are Ross Jacobus, Sharen Wilson, Betty O'Donnell, Sharon Vitolo and Betty Hugg. We look forward to many years of Friendship, Love and Truth with them.

This is about all the news that we have now, but keep all the members who are ill in your prayers.

In F., L. & T., Jean Oja, Reporter

Hillyard Rebekahs #145 - Spokane

With a saddened heart I report that Colleen Pease passed away April 9. She joined Hillyard Lodge on October 18, 1974 and was a Past Noble Grand. Our prayers are with her family.

Due to so many illnesses this month, our first meeting had to be cancelled. The District #2 officers are attending the May 3 meeting. We look forward to having a full house.

We have Debbie McDonald joining us by transfer and a new Sister, Dusti Trebe, coming in as an Associate.

What a treat for Hillyard to have some new blood.

On June 6 our regular meeting will be a social event to host the June District #2 get-together. All are invited. The barbecue will be at the Spokane Temple. The weather here has been great. We just hope it is that night, too. We will be eating inside no matter what the weather.

*In F., L. & T.,
Linda Bradley,
Reporter*

Mansfield Rebekah Lodge #281

Hello once again from Mansfield.

We were happy to have Anne Matthiesen at our March 16 Lodge meeting. She is one of our members who now lives in Spokane and we have missed her. Come again, Anne! We welcome visitors anytime, so Sisters, stop and visit a while with us. We meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 1:30 p.m.

We're happy to report that Sister Doris Matthiesen is doing a lot better now. She is one of our members who lives in Waterville.

Sister Darline Hodges had another bad case of shingles. We hope it won't be long until she can attend Lodge again.

Several members are ordering new Constitutions.

We received invitation from the Waterville Lodge for their Friendship Day and Birthday Party which was held April 5.

Our Lodge has been working on our part for the District #17 Meeting, which was in Wenatchee on April 17. Several Sisters planned to attend.

We received the Community Service Spirit Award and the Spirit Award of Higher Education from

Sovereign Grand Lodge.

On April 6 we were most happy to welcome Assembly President, Karen Hoylman and PPRA Irene Kossow of Waterville to a noon potluck with 11 present. Frances Haworth, who resides in Harmony House in Brewster, was also able to be with us. During the meeting, President Karen answered many questions for us. Thank you!

Our Lodge voted to help out the Salvation Army with some of their needed items as another Community Service Project. We are to bring items to the first meeting in May.

It was reported that Cora Nordby has been a Rebekah for 75 years. Cora reminded us she will be entertaining the PNG Club on April 14.

Under the Good of The Order, several Sisters exemplified the Three Links.

Sister Karen was presented with a personal gift and a gift for her project.

Greetings to our Sisters who can't be at the meetings. We miss you and think of you.

*In F., L. & T.,
Helen Kemp,
Reporter*

In Walla Walla

Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2

I am sure that spring has finally arrived in your area. May you enjoy all the work and play that goes with this lovely season.

We had 30 in attendance on March 16 when we met at the Home. Both Narcissa and Bee Hive members were represented in the 13 Home residents who were present. We thank Jeanine Griffin, Betty Harpe and Beth Entze who served as hostesses that evening.

Rose Ringhoffer was presented with a gift of appreciation for her excellent leadership as Noble Grand, this past year. We are also grateful to Aramae Buckingham for her work in the completion of our new by-laws which are now available to the membership.

Alice Swafford had an eye operation, recently and Barbara Lechner is doing well following her surgery. Others who were reported ill were Alice Davidson and Allene Marti. We wish all of you complete recoveries.

We were happy to learn that Patty Newman, whom we helped with proceeds from our "Seed Money," is home following her cancer treatment. She is in a state of remission and able to work her paper route again. She is also looking forward to attending a special occasion which will require traveling to another town. As a result of her extensive treatment, Patty did lose her hair. We voted to continue to support Patty by providing her with a wig of her choice. Thanks to the members of LD2, their additional contribution will make it possible for Patty to have her wig styled and have some spending money for her trip.

Proceeds from our Silver Drill, to be contributed to the Arthritis Fund, amounted to \$100. April's Silver Drill proceeds will be used for Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day flowers for the Home. We voted to contribute \$100 to the Living Legacy in conjunction with

the Enterprise Lodge's Living Legacy project. Also, we are sending a donation to the Wheel Chair Jamboree.

So far, we have had good response to our "Famjestic" raffle project and will continue to accept monetary donations until our drawing on May 18.

Our sympathies to the families of Melvin Simons and Jane Green who passed away in March. Melvin was 99-years-old and was a 68-year member of Narcissa. Jane Green joined Narcissa 37 years ago.

Under the direction of Rose Ringhoffer, a presentation was given to honor Schuyler Colfax. Several of our Sisters participated in a very interesting and educational dialogue as they discussed the vision and accomplishments of Schuyler Colfax, the founder of the Rebekah Degree.

NG Elsie reported on NW Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association Meeting and was very enthusiastic about what the speakers had to share about the S.O.S Project, the Arthritis Project, as well as the inspirational talk on membership.

Linda Joseph and Elsie Wells have been recent cash door prize winners.

Narcissa was scheduled to honor Past Presidents and conduct the Memorial Ceremony at District Association #5 on Saturday, April 17.

Following our very productive meeting of April 6, we enjoyed a time of fellowship and delicious refreshments served from a lovely decorated table by Aramae Buckingham and Fran Putnam.

We have been looking forward to the visit from our Rebekah Assembly President Karen Hoylman on April 20.

We hope you all had a blessed Easter.

*In F., L. & T.,
Nancy Klicker, Reporter*

District Association #2 members enjoy a great Spokane afternoon

On April 10, ten Sisters attended the monthly get-together hosted by Hope Rebekah Lodge. Elsie Estell came up from Waverly to attend. I got to speak with her and what a pleasure it was! We went to the Manito Greenhouse and the Japanese Gardens, then to lunch at the KFC/A&W. The weather was wonderful for the event and I think everyone had a fabulous time. The green house was in full bloom with spring flowers, even the cactus had flowers on them.

I'm not sure what is planned for May. On June 6 Hillyard is having a barbecue. Please bring friends and family. Hillyard will supply the meat, buns, and serving utensils. Others are asked to bring side dishes — potluck style.

— Linda Bradley, District Association #2 President

Concrete Rebekah Lodge #226

With sadness we finally were able to drape the Charter for our dear Sister Jewell Falconer. Also, our hearts go out to Sister Adrienne Nelles who lost her daughter-in law. The rest of our Sisters are doing well.

Shirley Poe should be back for the District Meeting after her trip to Arizona with her son. We intend to have a cute program at our first April meeting by wearing Easter bonnets to Lodge.

We have submitted a small scholarship for a Concrete High School grad-

uate. We have several applicants.

At our last meeting we celebrated Adrienne's 87th birthday with cake ice cream and a gift.

We are to do the memorial at the District #10 Meeting. We hope everything goes well. There is a new starting time. The meeting starts at noon and no lunch will be served.

Happy Mothers' Day to all the special mothers out there.

*In F., L. & T.,
Betty Hendrickson,
VG & Reporter*

In Pe Ell Sylvan Glen Rebekahs #184

Because of my cancer and chemotherapy, things have been very hectic. I lose information for articles, but things are going alright. This year I have been a Rebekah for 50 years. It is very special.

Sylvan Glen is a healthy Lodge. We have fewer members than before — most were lost by death. The Odd Fellow newspaper is such a fine way to find out about other Lodges.

We have lunch before every meeting and we always have a hostess gift or two or three. Secret Pal gifts are always given out after lunch. We keep track of all the ill ones in our community and cards are sent. Being a Rebekah is truly something special.

Although we are probably going to sell our hall because it needs more care than we can give, we will still be a strong Lodge. We will still be meeting here in Pe Ell and we will be strong.

Edna Kindell lives just out of town at “Candy Potter’s Peace & Quiet.” Sisters have been up to see her. When she was able to come to Lodge, she was our Musician for many years.

I do enjoy writing the reports for the newspaper and will be thrilled when I can get back to doing a better job.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“Don’t argue with idiots. People watching may not be able to tell who’s who.”

MOTHERS NEVER DIE. . .

THEY JUST KEEP HOUSE UP IN THE SKY

*When we are children, we are happy and gay
And our Mother is young and she laughs as we play,*

*Then as we grow up, she teaches us truth
And lays life’s foundation in the days of our youth.*

*And then it is time for us to leave home
But her teachings go with us wherever we roam,*

*For all that she taught us and all that we did
When we were often just a “bad, little kid.”*

*We will often remember and then realize
That Mothers are special and wonderfully wise
And as she grows older, we look back with love
Knowing that Mothers are “Gifts from Above.”*

*And when she “goes home” to receive her reward
She will dwell in God’s Kingdom and “keep house for the Lord
Where she’ll “light up” the stars that shine through the night
And keep all the moonbeams “sparkling and bright.”*

*And then with the dawn she’ll put the darkness away
As she “scours” the sun to new brilliance each day*

*So dry tears of sorrow, for Mothers don’t die —
They just move in with God and “keep house in the sky,”
And there in God’s Kingdom, Mothers watch from above
To welcome their children with their undying love!*

In F., L. & T.,

Luellyn Ainsworth, PNG & Reporter

Althea Rebekah Lodge #182 Kennewick IOOF Lodge #222

Our Lodges have been involved in District meetings. The Odd Fellows attended the District #16 meeting in Richland while the Sisters in Althea hosted the District Association #15 meeting in our hall.

Brother David Morris, Grand Master, visited the Odd Fellows in April. Brother Phil Crawford, DDP from Pomeroy, also attended the meeting.

Sister Karen Hoylman, President of the Rebekah Assembly, plans to visit Althea Rebekah Lodge on May 25. We are glad to see our Assembly offi-

cers.

We made a tidy sum at our rummage sale. This will be donated to a local charity.

After being reporter on and off for many years, this may be my last news. My brother Bruce and I are moving to the Clinton Street Apartments at the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla. It will be sometime in early summer. We have planned to do this for some years and feel now is the time. We will miss our Kennewick Lodges

In F., L. & T.,

Jean Lucke, Reporter

Red Apple IOOF Lodge #276 and Grandview Rebekah Lodge #246

Red Apple Lodge has changed its meeting nights to the first and third Thursdays at 7 p.m. Wouldn’t you know, they all forgot their meeting would be on April 1 and “Brother Mom” had to phone and find out what happened.

The Odd Fellows have set up a scholarship with the Grandview Community Dollars for Scholars and the Grandview Rebekahs also have donated to the program.

The Rebekahs filled Easter eggs with candy and also fixed several eggs for diabetics. They also furnished Easter napkins. The goodies were taken to the Orchard House Retirement Center in Grandview. The next project will be something for Mothers’ Day.

The Odd Fellows skipped their monthly breakfast in April as it fell on Easter Sunday. The next breakfast will be on Mothers’ Day and we are planning for a large turnout.

CHUCKLE OF THE MONTH

My mother taught me about religion: “You’d better pray that will come out of the carpet!” My mother taught me about logic: “Because I

said so, that’s why.” My mother taught me about foresight: “Make sure you wear clean underwear in case you’re in an accident.” My mother taught me about contortionism: “Will you look at the dirt on the back of your neck?” My mother taught me about weather: “Your room looks as if a tornado went through it.” My mother taught me about hypocrisy: “If I’ve told you once, I’ve told you a million times — it’s not right to exaggerate.” My mother taught me about anticipation: “Just wait until we get home.” My mother taught me about wisdom: “When you get to be my age, you’ll understand.”

I think we can all remember special things our mothers did and said. My mother had been a school teacher and applied her knowledge to my life — not by spankings and scoldings, but by explanations. I know I deserved my punishments when they were meted out, but it was with love and not anger.

Happy Mothers’ Day!

*In F., L. & T.,
Val DeVall,
Reporter*

In Spokane Valley

Ramona Rebekah Lodge #238 & Wilford Odd Fellow Lodge #269

Four Ramona Sisters became Odd Fellows in February. They were honored to have Past Grand Master Robert Budweg as their initiating officer. He was supported by Wilford’s NG Elmer Lindor and Samaritan’s Sandi and Jack Moon.

The new members are Ellen Nunn (Beacon), Maxine Gregory, Selma Lindor and Donna Flatt (Ramona).

Brother Joe Gardner was presented with his 55-year Veteran Jewel by NG Elmer Lindor. Joe’s proud wife, Shirley, witnessed the event. Shirley and Joe are pretty much house-bound, but keep in touch.

Sister Lillian Davis has been in and out of the hospital. She is on oxygen and has dialysis three times a week, but it is hard to keep a good Sister down. She and John attend meetings and Wilford’s business luncheons whenever possible.

Sister Georgia Jameson has become a non-contributing member and is now living in the Good Samaritan Nursing Home.

Brother Don Schmidt and Sister

Fran are not well, but Fran tries to attend meetings.

Ellen Nunn, our Associate Member from Beacon, had a spine operation on April 8. We hope that by the time you read this, she will be back to her old self and walking without pain.

Ramona has been on a social whirl for two months.

District #2 officers officially visited all Lodges and since we are all officers, we were royally entertained by Beacon, Hope and Hillyard. We were the host at the end of April with a salad bar. There were spring wind sock gifts for each officer.

Assembly President Karen Hoylman also visited each Lodge. It will be hard to go back to ordinary meetings after all this excitement.

Ramona sent representatives to Ione’s and Pomeroy’s District Meetings.

We hope you all will be able to attend the Rebekah Assembly this year.

*In F., L. & T.,
Donna Flatt, Reporter*

Beacon Rebekahs #91 - Mead

We have been traveling and visiting the other Lodges for our District #2 officers and spending time with President Karen. We have visited with Hope for District and President Karen.

On April 13, Beacon hosted a pot luck dinner for the District Officers and on April 27 we had a salad luncheon for President Karen. Some of us went out to Ramona for our visit for District officers and will visit again on the May 5 for President Karen’s visit.

On April 24, a group of members

from the Spokane Lodges drove to Ione and attended their District Meeting. So you can tell we have been busy meeting with our Sisters and enjoying lots of good *wholesome* food.

We are getting ready for Assembly by having a work day to help Vice President Sandi with things she will be needing to start her year. We will have more news from our little group of happy travelers next month.

*In F., L. & T.,
Blanche Berry,
Reporter*

*May Day Is Here!
Can Sessions Be Far Behind?*

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*See You In Kelso
For Our 2004 Sessions*

Please note dietary restrictions

If any of you who are attending Sessions in Kelso have any special dietary restrictions, please make a note of it when you send in your registration and meal form. This way we can mark your meal tickets so the servers know you will need something different.

Assembly PP’s schedule formal sale at the Kelso Sessions in June

Dear Sisters,

This year the Rebekah Assembly Past Presidents will have a sale of formal dresses at Rebekah Assembly Sessions in Kelso. If you have any formals you would like to donate, please bring them to the Sessions. I will be there from Saturday on and you can get in touch with me then. It depends on the activities scheduled for Sunday, but I will let you know if we can start our sale that day.

We will again have our odd and ends sale table and raffle at the Sessions on Monday and Tuesday. If you would like to donate to this sale, please bring it to the Sessions and get a hold of me on Sunday.

To the Past Presidents, I have requested our meeting be set at 4 p.m. with dinner at 5 p.m. on Sunday. Be sure and check the program. I look forward to visiting with you all at this time.

— Barbara Reitan, PP, President Past Presidents Association

2004 Washington Grand Sessions

~ Meal & Banquet Reservations ~

	PRICE	Number of Persons	TOTAL
FRIDAY, JUNE 18			
Grand Patriarch / Grand Matriarch Luncheon			
Cobb Salad	\$14.00	_____	_____
6:30 p.m. — Grand Encampment / Grand Ladies Encampment Banquet			
Oven Baked Salmon	\$23.00	_____	_____
Grilled Pork Medallions	\$23.00	_____	_____
SATURDAY, JUNE 19			
7:00 a.m. — Past Grand Patriarch / Past Grand Matriarch Breakfast			
Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Sausage	\$12.00	_____	_____
Noon — Grand Senior Warden / Grand Senior Warden Luncheon			
Oriental Chicken Salad	\$13.00	_____	_____
6:00 p.m. — Youth Banquet — See Special Registration Form On page 7			
SUNDAY, JUNE 20			
7:30 a.m. — Assembly President’s Breakfast			
Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Sausage	\$12.00	_____	_____
5:30 p.m. — Past Presidents’ Banquet			
London Broil	\$22.00	_____	_____
Oven Baked Salmon	\$23.00	_____	_____
Past Grand Masters’ Banquet			
Chicken Marsala	\$22.00	_____	_____
MONDAY, JUNE 21			
7:00 a.m. — Friendship Breakfast (Open to Everyone)			
Biscuits and Gravy	\$12.00	_____	_____
7:00 a.m. — Grand Master’s Officers’ Breakfast			
Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Sausage	\$12.00	_____	_____
6:30 p.m. — Odd Fellow / Rebekah Grand Banquet			
London Broil	\$22.00	_____	_____
Enchilada Plate	\$20.00	_____	_____
TUESDAY, JUNE 22			
7:00 a.m. — TaNaMaKa Breakfast			
Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Sausage	\$12.00	_____	_____
7:00 a.m. — IOOF Representatives’ Breakfast			
Scrambled Eggs, Potatoes, Sausage	\$12.00	_____	_____
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23			
7:00 a.m. — Rebekah Representatives’ Breakfast			
Cinnamon French Toast	\$12.00	_____	_____
6:30 p.m. — Canton / LAPM Banquet			
Grilled Pork Medallions	\$23.00	_____	_____
Oven Baked Salmon	\$23.00	_____	_____
THURSDAY, JUNE 24			
Noon — Luncheon Hosted by Nurses (All Members Welcome)			
Cobb Salad	\$14.00	_____	_____
Pre Registration Prior to June 1			
	\$12.50	_____	_____
Registration AFTER June 1, 2004			
	\$17.50	_____	_____
TOTAL DUE WITH REGISTRATION			
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Deadline is nearing for the 2004 Kelso Session Program

Do you wish to have an advertisement from your Lodge in the 2004 Grand Session book? It is good advertising for your Lodge and if the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs go together, it doesn’t cost much, either. But please hurry. The deadline for all ads is May 15.

The rates are \$110 for a full page, \$60 for a half page and \$35 for a quarter page.

Rates for commercial ads are \$125 for a full page, \$75 for a half page and \$50 for a quarter page. Lodges selling commercial ads to businesses will receive a 10 percent commission. This is a great way for your Lodge to make some extra money.

If you are interested in an ad, please write down what you want printed on it and send it to: **Grand Lodge of Washington, P.O. Box 377, Buckley, WA 98321-0377.**

If you have artwork or logos, please make sure you send along a good clear copy on white paper.

PNG's Association**Mothers' Day on the agenda**

The Past Noble Grands will meet on Thursday, May 20 at Collins Grange Hall, 3404 - 120th St. E. in Tacoma. Hostess Lodge for the day is Mt. Tacoma Rebekah Lodge #69. A luncheon will be served at noon and the meeting follows at 1 p.m.

President Florine Roehl's program theme is "Oldest Article Regarding Mothers' Day."

Nominations and election of officers for next year will be held. Dues for the next year will be collected, too.

Best wishes for good health go out to Sister Guyida White and Elizabeth Wallace. Our thoughts and prayers are with them both.

The F., L. & T. Drill Team is busy preparing to seat the officers at Assembly in June.

To all our mothers, happy Mothers' Day!

In F., L. & T., Dorothy Nelson, Reporter

Oak Leaf Rebekahs #254 - Oak Harbor

Spring is here and it is so nice to have warm weather and to enjoy all the beautiful flowers. We had several members attend the meeting of District Association #10 in Custer. The day was gorgeous for the drive. We had an enjoyable meeting and especially enjoyed having Rebekah Assembly Warden Linda Dodge there and listening to her talk on membership and also the Living Legacy Program.

Each year the IARA President has special certificates that can be purchased to recognize something a Sister or Brother has done that you feel deserves special recognition. I was honored to present one to our Noble Grand, Sister Alyce Lane. Sister Alyce took a call at work one day from a person who was going to commit suicide by jumping off the Deception Pass bridge. After the person hung up, she immediately called 911 and reported the incident and they were able to get a response team to the scene in time to prevent this person from jumping. This all happened because of her quick reaction. Hats off to you, Sister Alyce.

Another one of our Sisters had an article published in the local newspaper entitled "What is the Military?" I was hoping to share it in full with you, but I have not been able to track down

a copy yet, but I hope to be able to have that in the next newspaper. Cindy McCloskey is our Jr. PNG. Hats off to you too, Cindy.

We decided to have another "No Bake Bake Sale" instead of our Spring Rent-A-Table Flea Market. All members should be on the look out for your flyer regarding this fund-raiser for our treasury.

We still have several members who are having health problems. Sister Doral Shelton, our wonderful Musician, has been down with bronchitis and a sinus infection. Sister Mary Blanton had tests and has cancer of the blood. Sister Cecelia Holt has had a triple by-pass and Sister Robin Bond has a torn ligament in the back of her knee and will be having physical therapy for four weeks. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you ladies and any others who may need them.

Sister Irene, it was great to see you back at Lodge. Sister Nita Sherwood continues to show improvement from her stroke. Sister Mae Blevins has been permanently moved to the Whidbey Island Nursing Home.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at assembly in Kelso.

*In Rebekah Love,
Judy Diekman,
Reporter*

Alder Rebekahs #80 - Bickleton

Seventeen members attended the first Tuesday meeting in March.

Fifteen members welcomed District Deputy President Ramona Niccolson, Noble Grand of Grandview Lodge #246 Val DeVall, and Vice Grand of Grandview Lodge #246 Helen Thiel to the second March meeting.

Sisters Ramona, Val and Helen assisted with our practice of the ritual for introducing visiting dignitaries. After the meeting we had a reception for Sarah Jean Merfeld, Sister Crystal Merfeld's four-month-old baby.

As March had a fifth Tuesday, Noble Grand Audrey Haynes invited the Odd Fellows to join us for a potluck supper. Cards and games followed. Everyone ate well and enjoyed the evenings festivities. We had fun. What a great idea, Sister Audrey!

April is wearing a festive jacket of green. It is time to think about planting the garden — one that is large enough to produce plenty of good eating to share with friends (and, no doubt, deer)!

*In F., L. & T.,
Pam Rapach, Reporter*

In Walla Walla**Enterprise IOOF Lodge #2**

Making a visit to the Washington Odd Fellows Home, with the Brothers and Sisters of Enterprise Odd Fellow's Lodge #2, was Past Grand Master H.E. Holmes (aka Brother Ron Klicker). Brother Holmes was one of the founding fathers of Odd Fellowship in Walla Walla and the Washington Territory. Brother Klicker

will again portray Brother Holmes at the Fort Walla Walla Museum on the afternoon of May 16.

The open meeting at the Home was held on April 29 for the residents, staff and their families. Cookies and beverages were served by the Home.

*In F., L. & T.,
Art Schreiber, Reporter*

Ocean Beach #313 hosts a lively District #18 Meeting

District #18, comprised of Ivy #21, Monterose #46, Fraternity #78, Bucoda #144, Trinity #179, Sylvan Glen #184, Pine Burr #300, Longview #305, Ocean Beach #313, Harmony #335, Maple Leaf #336 and Cowlitz #337, met at Ocean Beach in Ilwaco on April 3. Fifty-one Sisters were present.

After delicious snacks, Lodge opened with Ocean Beach presiding. After opening, the Unwritten Work was given perfectly by Donna Merrill.

Introductions of Sisters out of our Jurisdiction were made. There were five from Oregon, including Helen Davis, Past President of the Oregon Rebekah Assembly. Then officers of the Washington Rebekah Assembly were introduced. Given the honors was Mary Robinson, Grand Matriarch of the Grand LEA.

Then the officers relinquished their chairs to the District officers. Seating the officers were members of Monterose #46. Each officer was given a gift of soap all fancy packaged. President Alberta Luurs requested Vice President Frances O'Neil to open the meeting and then Chaplain Noma Clark gave the invocation. Roll call of officers and Lodges was taken by Secretary Kay Pratt. The Address of Welcome was given by Ocean Beach #313. The response was given by Maple Leaf #326.

• **Old Business:** It was voted that the District transfer funds to Key Bank because it is a local bank in all three outlying Districts.

Prizes were given to names picked out of the basket of "eggs." Then the two prizes donated by Ocean Beach and raffled off were awarded. Bonnie Dillon of Ivy #21 and Kay of Maple Leaf #326 were the winners. President Alberta gave out gifts to the seating team and those out of our Jurisdiction.

An exemplification was given by Ocean Beach #313 — the PNG charge of initiation. Donna again gave a word perfect performance. It was very inspiring. Other members did the tableaux and it was beautiful.

Luncheon was served at noon and all enjoyed sandwiches, salads and dessert.

After lunch, the proper way of using a paper ballot was exemplified by Trinity #179. Then Monterose #46 honored the 13 Past Presidents in attendance. All were asked to give a short anecdote of something they remembered during their year. A spray of pink carnations and a gift were presented to each one.

Questions deposited with the silver drill were answered by the District Presidents. A memorial service was given by the Condolence Committee. Doing this was Jerry Bierdeman, Mary Dunivan and Betty Allen. A candle was placed on the altar and lit. Then Sister Mary read the names of the two deceased members and Sister Jerry gave a prayer.

The state of the order and the financial reports were given. Those receiving money were Ocean Beach for hosting, Harmony for most new members and the attendance award was given to Maple Leaf. The invitation to the Fall Meeting in October was given by Maple Leaf #326 and the response was given by Harmony #335.

President Alberta passed out gifts to her officers and then the District officers vacated their chairs and the meeting was closed by Ocean Beach.

— In Friendship, Love and Truth, Jerry Bierdeman, Reporter

In Des Moines**Lorraine Rebekah Lodge #289**

Lorraine Rebekah Lodge is saddened by the deaths of two members in February. Marie Hudlow, who lived at the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla, died February 21. Longtime member, Louise Sheppard, age 95, died on February 29. For years Louise and Earl Sheppard attended Grand Sessions and also Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions. She was active and held office in the Lodge until shortly before her death. She will be missed.

We are busy planning for our main

event of the year, the Holiday Bazaar, which will be in November.

Several of our members will be going to Grand Sessions in June.

Our Des Moines Odd Fellows entertained us with a corned beef and cabbage dinner in March and plans are underway for them to hold a clam chowder feed. We are fortunate that our two Lodges work and play so well together.

*In F., L. & T.,
Betty Young, Reporter*

Wearin' the green

Assembly President Karen Hoylman celebrated St. Patrick's Day at Faith Rebekah Lodge #16 in Pomeroy with Hazel Crawford. She shows the "Rebekah Degree Tree" with it's greenery that the Lodge later presented to Karen.



Ivy Rebekah Lodge #21 - Centralia

May! What a wonderful month May is. Almost summer time. Almost Rebekah Assembly time.

Mary Robinson is our Representative here at Ivy #21 in Centralia. At the last meeting we gave her permission to protest the Manchester Unity part of the Unwritten Work. We'll see if it does any good. It seems to me that people have been saying for a long time that it will be repealed, but I haven't seen any sign of it yet.

Bonnie Dillon, Mary, Helen Petrie, LouAnn Hoffman and I attended District #18 meeting in Ilwaco April 3 and had a grand time. Bonnie even won the fish basket which she eagerly investigated upon returning home. She reported it contained all sorts of goodies pertaining to fish. Mary stayed overnight at my house and we

got an early start. We played cribbage all night and I came out a game ahead of her. Ha, ha, Mary!

We got the usual letter from the Rose Parade Float Committee and sent them money to help defray costs for last year's float.

One of our Sisters mentioned the John Paulson article in the Odd Fellows newspaper and recommended our reading it very carefully. It was a very well written article. Thanks, John!

NG LouAnn read a story about "Loving Father."

Refreshments were served by Betty Cardwell after the meeting.

And that's it for this month. Take care 'til next month.

*F., L. & T.,
Jerry Bierdeman,
Reporter*

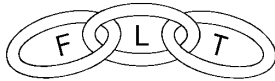


105 pairs and still counting!

Zachary Hollis, who is 6-years-old and attends kindergarten in Enumclaw, turned in 105 pairs of eyeglasses to Carson Inman, chairman of the Visual Aid Committee. Zach said he and his family worked together to collect the glasses.

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See You In Kelso This June!



~ Lodge Cards ~



ALIMUS I.O.O.F LODGE #15

Meets At: 301 NW 2nd St., Goldendale, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Dale Bowdish, 2215 Centerville Hwy., Centerville, WA 98613. **Ph:** (509) 773-3608. **Sec'y:** Ernest L. House, 786 Cedar Valley Rd., Goldendale, WA 98620. **Ph:** (509) 773-4604. **Fax:** (509) 773-5412.

BALLARD ALKI I.O.O.F. LODGE #170

Meets At: Ballard IOOF Hall, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 8 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Toby Hanson, 700 E. Mercer, #302, Seattle, WA 98102. **Ph:** (206) 860-6856. **E-Mail:** jthanson@seanet.com **Sec'y:** Rich Osborne, 9430 - 220th SW, Edmonds, WA 98020. **Ph:** (425) 672-9201. **E-Mail:** redneckmuslim@comcast.net

BUCKLEY I.O.O.F. LODGE #75

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 3rd Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Jim Devlet, 25007 Entwistle Rd. E., Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (253) 862-1900. **Sec'y:** Arthur A. Craig, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321-0777. **Ph:** (360) 829-1514

CONCRETE REBEKAH LODGE #226

Meets At: Birdview Grange, Russell Rd. & Cape Horn Rd. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Cathy Sabatinos, 7796 Wilderness Dr., Concrete, WA 98237. **Ph:** (360) 853-9120. **Sec'y:** Adrienne Nelles, 7296 First St., Concrete, WA 98237. **Ph:** (360) 853-8546

DEBORAH REBEKAH LODGE #321

Meets At: Blaine Senior Center, 763 "G" St., Blaine, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Mon., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Elaine Murphy, PO Box 1027, Blaine, WA 98231. **Ph:** (360) 332-6933. **Sec'y:** Elinor Blakely, 1168 Hughes Ave., Blaine, WA 98230. **Ph:** (360) 332-8890

DES MOINES I.O.O.F. LODGE #305

Meets At: IOOF Hall, 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** John Crispin, 23260 Marine View Dr. S., Des Moines, WA 98198. **Ph:** (206) 878-7002. **Sec'y:** Genie Coston, PO Box 98651, Des Moines, WA 98198-0651. **Ph:** (206) 246-8079. **E-Mail:** geniejean@msn.com

EDMONDS I.O.O.F. LODGE #96

Meets At: 515 Dayton, Edmonds, WA. **Time:** 1st (business) & 3rd (social) Mon., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** John Hannam, 6452 S. Harding, Clinton, WA 98236. **Sec'y:** George W. Carlile, PO Box 3176, Everett, WA 98213-1176. **Ph:** (425) 338-1082

ELLIVORO REBEKAH LODGE #234

Meets At: F.A.O.'s Restaurant, 1412 Main St. Oroville. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 3:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Gloria Engelbretson, 310 Hungry Hollow Rd., Oroville, WA 98844-9675. **Ph:** (509) 485-1925. **Sec'y:** Dolores "Dee" Patterson, 1611 Cherry St., Oroville, WA 98844. **Ph:** (509) 476-3563

ENTERPRISE I.O.O.F. LODGE #2

Meets At: 7:30 pm Thursdays. The 1st & 4th Thurs. is our business meeting in the IOOF Hall, 28 S. Spokane, Walla Walla. 2nd Thurs. is Degree practice. On the 3rd Thurs. we confer Degrees. Meets the 5th Thurs. at 7:30 pm. at the IOOF Home, 534 Boyer Ave. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Thomas East, 2160 Old Milton Highway, Walla Walla, WA 99362. **Ph:** (509) 522-0892. **Sec'y:** Barbara "Jane" Hanson, 172 Green Street, Walla Walla, WA 98362. **Ph:** (509) 525-8281. **E-mail:** scribe@valint.net

EOLA REBEKAH LODGE #63

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar Street, Buckley. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Kathy Pierce, 15212 Carbonado-South Prairie Rd., Buckley, WA 98321. **Sec'y:** Karen Hoylman, 2252 Ventura Ave., Enumclaw, WA 98022. **Ph:** (360) 825-3554. **E-Mail:** KarensKastle@aol.com

FALL CITY I.O.O.F. LODGE #59

Meets At: 4217 - 337th Pl., Fall City. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** P. Thomas Harper, 917 - 212th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA 98074. **Ph:** (425) 836-4871. **Sec'y:** Florence A. Harper, 2818 - 238th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075. **Ph:** (425) 392-3013

FIR REBEKAH LODGE #149

Meets At: Dutch Cup Restaurant, 922 Stevens (Hwy. 2), Sultan. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Doris Jelinek, PO Box 486, Sultan, WA 98294. **Ph:** (360) 793-1381. **Sec'y:** Wanda Wade, 63631 NE 194th Pl., Goldbar, WA 98251. **Ph:** (360) 793-0665

HUNTERS IOOF LODGE #216

Meets At: 4945 Hwy. 25, Hunters, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 6:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Ralph Edwards, Box 173, Hunters, WA 99137. **Ph:** (509) 722-3211. **Sec'y:** Michael Schwartz, Box 133, Hunters, WA 99137. **Ph:** (509) 722-3382

ILWACO I.O.O.F. LODGE #118

Meets At: 106th - 1st St., around corner from Main Lodge, Ilwaco. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 7 pm. **NG:** Thurston Middleton, PO Box 4, Ilwaco, WA 98624. **Ph:** (360) 3887. **Sec'y:** Fred Molsby, PO Box 4, Ilwaco, WA 98624. **Ph:** (360) 642-4510

KAPOWSIN REBEKAH LODGE #241

Meets At: Elk Plain Grange, 21817 Mountain Hwy. E., (Hwy. 7) Spanaway. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 1:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Dorothy Nelson, 2314 - 148th St. E., Puyallup, WA 98445. **Ph:** (253) 537-0663. **Sec'y:** Lena Swetz, 199 Canyon Rd., Silvercreek, WA 98585. **Ph:** (360) 983-3105

LONE STAR REBEKAH LODGE #141

Meets At: 4217 - 337th Pl., Fall City. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 1:00 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Diane Keener, Box 326, North Bend, WA 98045. **Ph:** (425) 888-4347. **Sec'y:** Lorraine Mills, 24315 NE Redmond-Fall City Rd., Redmond, WA 98053. **Ph:** (425) 868-4266

LORRAINE REBEKAH LODGE #289

Meets At: 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA 98198. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Beverly Palermo, 1030 S. 100th St., Seattle, WA 98168. **Ph:** (206) 767-4037. **Sec'y:** Betty Young, 26501 - 128th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98030. **Ph:** (253) 631-5503

MT. TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #69

Meets At: IOOF Hall, 5424 S. Puget Sound St., Tacoma. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Kenneth Rhein, 5202 S. 12th St., #5F, Tacoma, WA 98465. **Ph:** (253) 752-6147. **Sec'y:** DoRis Klotzner, PO Box 449, Yelm, WA 98597. **Ph:** (360) 458-3641

MT. VERNON I.O.O.F. LODGE #23

Meets At: Odd Fellows Park, 96 S. Camano Ridge Rd., Camano Is. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 1:00 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Harlan Grant, 9 Bluebird Ln., Camano Island, WA 98282. **Ph:** (360) 387-8475. **Sec'y:** Larry Phillips, 29 Blue Bird Lane, Camano Is. WA 98282-6548. **Ph:** (360) 387-7151

MYSTIC REBEKAH LODGE #168

Meets At: IOOF Temple, 100 S. Dora, Bremerton, WA. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Vera Paulsen, 3416 Preble St., Bremerton, WA 98312. **Ph:** (360) 377-3381. **Sec'y:** Florence Cowdery, 100 S. Dora Ave., Bremerton, WA 98312. **Ph:** (360) 876-1819

OLYMPIA I.O.O.F. LODGE #1

Meets At: 405 Columbia St. NW, Olympia. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 7 pm. **NG:** Scot Turner, PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501-0400. **Ph:** (360) 943-4075. **Sec'y:** Tom Day, PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501-0400. **Ph:** (360) 357-9307

OAK LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #254

Meets At: Odd Fellow Hall, 721 SE Barrington Ave., Oak Harbor, WA (This is NOT our mailing address). **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Alyce Lane, 4346 N. Rhododendron, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 279-1412. **Sec'y:** Judy Diekman, 1373 NE 10th Ave, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 675-4455. **E-mail:** jldiekman@cs.com

PEACE REBEKAH LODGE #336

Meets At: Odd Fellows Park, 96 S. Camano Ridge Rd., Camano Is., WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 11 am. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Blossom Phillips, 29 Blue Bird Lane, Camano Island, WA 98282. **Ph:** (360) 387-7151. **Sec'y:** Betty Peake, PO Box 1756, Stanwood, WA 98292. **Ph:** (360) 389-0931

PLYMOUTH REBEKAH LODGE #142

Meets At: Everett Masonic Center, 234C Olympic Blvd., Everett. **Time:** 2nd Wed., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Madge Thomson, 22902 - 56th W., Mountlake Terrace, WA 98403. **Ph:** (425) 774-1025. **Sec'y:** Carolyn J. Carlile, PO Box 3176, Everett, WA 98213. **Ph:** (425) 338-1082 or 1-800-448-0658

RAMONA REBEKAH LODGE #238

Meets At: East Valley Grange Hall, 1621 N. Park Rd., Spokane, WA **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., Lunch at 11:30 am, meeting at 12:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Donna Flatt, 9802 E. Shannon, Spokane, WA 99206. **Ph:** (509) 891-6996. **Sec'y:** Selma Lindor, 205 S. Park Rd., #41, Spokane, WA 99212. **Ph:** (509) 891-5374

RUTH REBEKAH LODGE #17

Meets At: IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7:30 pm. 2nd Wednesday business, 4th Wednesday social. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Mary Lisius, 602 Seahawk St. SE, Olympia, WA 98503. **Ph:** (360) 456-0677. **Sec'y:** Mary Rose Trudell, 7649 Mesplay Ave. SE, Lacey, WA 98503-1809

SALMON BAY REBEKAH LODGE #217

Meets At: Ballard Odd Fellow Temple, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 1-4 pm. Refreshments at noon. **Recess:** July, Aug. **Sec'y:** Cynthia Wakefield. **Ph:** (206) 783-3458

SEQUIM I.O.O.F. LODGE #299

Meets At: 426 W. Cedar St., Sequim. **Mail Address:** PO Box 178 Sequim, WA 98382-0178. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 8 pm. **NG:** Ralph Berger, 621 S. 9th St., Sequim, WA 98382-3646. **Ph:** (360) 683-4402. **Sec'y:** Jack Krnoul, 3123 S. Regent, Port Angeles, WA 98362. **Ph:** (360) 683-5668

SILVIA I.O.O.F. LODGE #38

Meets At: 116 W. Marcy Ave., Montesano. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed, 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Brian Brewer, 965 E. Beacon, Montesano, WA 98563. **Ph:** (360) 249-2080. **Sec'y:** Mary Ellen Peterson, 467 State Rt. 12, Montesano, WA 98563. **Ph:** (360) 249-4264

SKAGIT REBEKAH LODGE #82

Meets At: Mt. Vernon Senior Center, 1401 Cleveland St., Mt. Vernon. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Helen LaMarsh, 2413 Horizon St., #1, Mt. Vernon, WA 98273. **Ph:** (360) 428-5610. **Sec'y:** Nora Lee Bennett, 2619 N. LaVenture Rd., Apt. #106, Mt. Vernon, WA 98273. **Ph:** (360) 848-8443

SKAMANIA REBEKAH LODGE #211

Meets At: Grange Hall, 520 SW Rock Creek Dr., Stevenson, WA. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Esther Brown, 132 NE Shepherd Ave., Stevenson, WA 98648. **Ph:** (509) 427-5912. **Sec'y:** Mabel Niedert, 261 Frank Johns Ave., Stevenson, WA 98648. **Ph:** (509) 427-5505

SOUTH TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #160

Meets At: 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Barbara Nelson, 8010 E. 'C' St., Tacoma, WA 98404. **Ph:** (253) 473-1720. **Sec'y:** Holly Houser, 514 Lafayette St. S., Tacoma, WA 98444. **Ph:** (253) 535-5460. **E-mail:** holly84tra85@aol.com

SUNRISE REBEKAH LODGE #189

Meets At: 4945 Hwy. 25, Hunters, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 6:30 pm. **Recess:** June, July, Aug. **NG:** Penny Floyd, Box 232, Inchelium, WA 99138. **Ph:** (509) 722-3884. **Sec'y:** Annabell Lehrbas, 6180 Carpenter Rd., Fruitland, WA 99129. **Ph:** (509) 722-5074

TOLERO REBEKAH LODGE #119

Meets At: 610 S. Lewis, Monroe, WA 98272. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Frances Poppino, 914 - 4th St., #10, Snohomish, WA 98290 **Ph:** (360) 862-9674. **Sec'y:** Nadine Coatney, 471 W. Camano Hill Rd., Camano Is. WA 98282. **Ph:** (360) 387-2711

TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179

Meets At: 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Dorothy Graham, 102 Sargent Rd., Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 785-3500. **Sec'y:** Patricia Harader, 574 Avery Rd., Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 262-9209

UNITY REBEKAH LODGE #53

Meets At: Grandma's Corner Day Care Center, 922 - 12th St. NE, Auburn. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Nancy Pelland, 1401 - 17th St. NE, Auburn, WA 98002. **Ph:** (253) 939-7208. **Sec'y:** Janie Kuja, 1001 - 17th St. SE, Apt. 202, Auburn, WA 98002. **Ph:** (253) 833-9474. **E-mail:** pptra@comcast.net

VALLEY I.O.O.F. LODGE #60

Meets At: Grandma's Corner Day Care Center, 922 - 12th St. NE, Auburn. **Time:** 1st Sat. 8:30 am breakfast meeting. 3rd Monday, 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Delmer Robinson, 201 Union Ave. SE, Renton, WA 98059. **Sec'y:** Judy Sansom, PO Box 2239, Auburn, WA 98071-0239. **Ph:** (253) 941-2134. **E-Mail:** jojusan@comcast.net

VANCOUVER I.O.O.F. LODGE #3

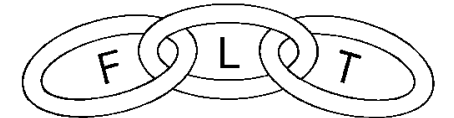
Meets At: Barbarton Grange #571 Hall, 9400 NE 72nd Ave., Vancouver, WA. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Miles M. Johnson, 912 Ash St., Brownsville, OR 97327-2109. **Ph:** (541) 760-8864. **Sec'y:** David L. Morris, 32101 NW Eagle Crest Dr., Ridgefield, WA 98642-9158. **Ph:** (360) 263-8134, Cell: (360) 903-7712

WARREN REBEKAH LODGE #308

Meets At: Roy Grange Hall, 102 Water St., Roy. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 1:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Kenneth Rhein, 5202 S. 12th St., #5F, Tacoma, WA 98465. **Ph:** (253) 752-4259. **Sec'y:** DoRis Klotzner, PO Box 449, Yelm, WA 98597. **Ph:** (360) 458-3641

YAKIMA I.O.O.F. LODGE #22

Meets At: 206 W. Walnut, Yakima. **Time:** Every Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Dallas Hickman, PO Box 1673, Yakima, WA 98901. **Ph:** (509) 453-8535. **Sec'y:** Gary Bound, 10 Enterprise Dr., Selah, WA 98942-1238. **Ph:** (509) 697-4967



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