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Readers praise our new magazine format

How do you like the new format of The Washington OddFellow newspaper? We have heard from many of our readers and the response has been overwhelmingly positive. Here are a few of your comments:

"First off, let me say that I am hearing nothing but good things on the new newspaper format. I also received a letter from Bill Wulff of Mt. Constitution IOOF Lodge #88, and he says, 'I just received my December Washington OddFellow. What a big step up in appearance and readability.' So congratulations."

— Laurel Delony, Grand Master

"Everyone at our Christmas party raved about the new format for the newspaper. The magazine layout with the color photos, bold headlines and illustrations surprised and delighted everyone. They commented about the good pictures that appeared with several articles. They could not believe how lucky we were to have such a bright, colorful publication. Congratulations!"

— Shirley Ruble, Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 "I like the new newsletter, very clean and snappy. Easy to read. Good job."

– Stu Carlson, Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 "Just received my Washington OddFellow. It's just great! I personally think it is a real improvement and if it turns out to cost less, that will really be a plus. Thanks for the good work."

– Rose Ringhoffer, Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 "Such a pleasant surprise to see the new Washington OddFellow! And interesting you do it in-house."

— John B. Bonsey, Cowlitz IOOF Lodge #66

Best Wishes To All Our New Officers As You Are Installed!



Three Links return

The Three Links are finally back on the facade of the historic Odd Fellows Hall in Redmond. Workers installed the restored Links on Tuesday, December 4. The building, now an historic landmark in downtown Redmond, has been restored and now houses Redmond's Bar and Grill. Built in 1903, the Odd Fellows moved into the hall in 1923. Funding for the restoration came from the Heritage Grant Program.

Blanket Dispensation

CHARTERS MAY BE MOVED FOR INSTALLATIONS

The Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly of Washington, Independent Order of Odd Fellows does hereby grant permission to all Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges to jointly and publicly install their officers for the 2013 year and to move their Charters when so required for the performance of said ceremony.

Signed:

Laurel Delony, Grand Master

Joyce Miller,

President

Attest:

Attest:

Harry W. Coulter, **Grand Secretary**

Marcia Presley, Rebekah Assembly Secretary

From the desk of your Grand Master

A New Year's Resolution

2013 has finally arrived and I want to know if you have started it with new and exciting resolutions? If you have, I hope is to go out and get new members. Remember, if we



LAUREL DELONY

all get one new member then we will have doubled our membership.

As we start out this new year I am looking forward to installing your new officers this month and getting to know you all a little better. I will also be doing my visitations. There will be a list at the end of my letter, so don't be alarmed if you see your lodge listed. The letters have gone out.

Our website is back up and running and on our own Grand Lodge server. Remember that this is a great tool for getting project information, lodge infor-

mation, etc. Thank you to Harry, Scott, and a special thank you to Holly, for all of their hard work to get the site up and running again. You also might want to check your lodge information and get any updates to the Web Master so that the site can be kept up to date.

A PROUD MOMENT

I would like to thank all of those Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, and Theta Rho Girls who participated in the Jinglebell Run/Walk to find a cure for Arthritis. We had our banner and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was announced over the microphone. Never was I more proud! I am told that the Grand Master held to her promise and bought pizza afterwards. I think everyone enjoyed their time together and we are getting the name of Odd Fellows out to the public.

LET'S COMMUNICATE

Something I would like to talk about in this letter is getting out and visiting our Brothers and Sisters in other lodges. I would really like it if your were to visit other lodges. See what it is that they do to keep their members interested and excited. Maybe you could help out another lodge by becoming an Associate Member. There are many things we can do, but we need to communicate. Let's open discussions and talk.

Speaking of Associate Membership, that brings me to my:

DID YOU KNOW?

Code of General Laws of the IOOF

Chapter III, page III-9, Sec 12. Associate Membership.

- **A.** A Grand Body may provide for associate membership in the components over which it has legislative power.
- (1) A member shall be restricted to associate membership in not more than three (3) components under each Grand Body within the Jurisdiction.
- (2) Associate membership is not authorized in jurisdictions that do not adopt provisions pursuant to this section.

B. If authorized by a Grand Body, any member may be sponsored for associate membership in any lodge, or make application in the institution of a new lodge, or in a lodge designated as a "**Historical Unit.**" Applications shall be made on regular forms and the applicant shall be interviewed and balloted on as in all other cases.

Now in "A" it states that we are restricted to no more than three (3) associate memberships. Please be aware that the Washington Digest only provides for two (2) associate memberships. That also means two (2) total associate memberships. Whether that is to be an associate in a Rebekah lodge and an Odd Fellow lodge or associate in two Odd Fellow lodges or two Rebekah lodges. You aren't allowed to be an associate member in say two Odd Fellow lodges and a Rebekah lodge.

VISITATIONS

- Tuesday, February 5 Bothell Lodge #124
- Friday, February 8 Skookumchuck Lodge #129
- Tuesday, February 12 Silvia Lodge #38
- Thursday, February 14 Titusville Lodge #34
- Monday, February 18 Olympia Lodge #1
- Tuesday, February 19 Bremerton Friendship #145
- Wednesday, February 20 Golden Rule Lodge #207
- Tuesday, February 26 Washougal Lodge #194
- Thursday, February 28 Cowlitz Lodge #66 Until next month. . .

Remember to be in the mood for Odd Fellowship and smile!

— In Friendship, Love and Truth, Laurel Delony, Grand Master



Friendly welcome!

Noble Grand Louann Hoffman, along with Sisters from Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge #300 of Onalaska, gave a very warm welcome to the Rebekahs at their Friendship Meeting on Tuesday, December 4. They served a chicken casserole luncheon with pies for dessert. They also had a white elephant table with goodies for sale.

— Cookie Music, Reporter

From the desk of your Grand Secretary

A New Year, A Fresh Start

During the current economic hard times we may look for opportunities in our local communities to "Relieve the Distressed." This year we may also wish to search our



HARRY W.
"BILL" COULTER

jurisdictional programs to support with lodge donations. Please give these programs and funds some consideration in this season as they all need continued funding to do their good work. These programs and funds are: Arthritis Fund, L.J. Jones Scholarship Fund, Children's Visual Aid Fund, and the Grand Master's Project. Other funds that you may consider are the Fisher House and SOS. Checks for the above funds should be made payable to the "Grand Lodge of Washington" with a notation at the bottom left corner showing what fund you are donating to. Please remember our

Theta Rho Sisters with donations to their Travel and Lodging Funds, which should be sent to the Rebekah Assembly Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP

Please ask your Secretary for the lodge's copy of the November-December, 2012 issue of the *IOOF News* and turn to page 21. Read the article by Paul J. Cuminale, PSGM, and Brenda L. Reed, PP-IARA, Co-Chairman of the Committee on Membership. This article has, and makes, many good points for members to use in talking on Odd Fellow membership.

While you have this issue in your hands, turn to page 23 and check the line for the Jurisdiction of Washington. We

Sylvan Glen Rebekahs #184

Our family Christmas party was held at the Methodist Church Social Hall. Secretary Leona Treznoski cooked the turkey. The dinner was delicious. Dressing, pies, salad, potatoes with gravy, and much more were furnished by the rest of the members. Elayne Novotny decorated.

Everyone is on the mend.

Luellyn Ainsworth will be celebrating her birthday on January 1. It will be a quiet one. She is still having bladder cancer treatments. It gets a little tiresome, but there surely *must* be a *rainbow* soon. It started in July of 1999. I'll be 93!

After a hot dry summer, we are having cold and wet weather. It has come close to flooding, but so far we are safe.

We wish the Lord's blessing on everyone. Have a wonderful year ahead.

THOUGHT

"Happiness is nothing more than good health and a bad memory."

> — In F., L. & T., Luellyn Ainsworth, PNG, Chaplain and Reporter

did as well as we did last year at this time as we have reported a total of 51 new or reinstated members again this year. The brightest spot is the Odd Fellows Lodges with 40 new members, followed by the Rebekah Lodges along with the Theta Rho Girls' Clubs have reported no new members. Our Encampments, reported two new members, Patriarch Militant five new members, with the LEA's reporting four new members. The LAPM's and Theta Rho Girls' Clubs have yet to report a single new member to this point.

The sad news for the Jurisdiction of Washington is that we moved from the sixth position, back to the ninth in the Sovereign Grand Lodge community standing. Let's all pledge to recruit or reinstate and report more members during the year 2013.

A NEW BEGINNING

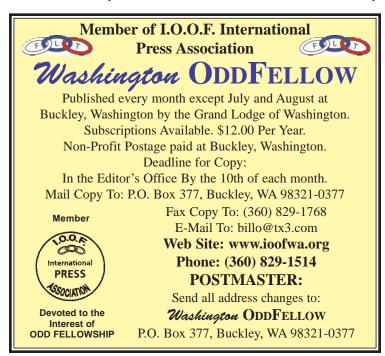
We hope all of you experienced a joyous holiday season. And as we enter the month of January and the Installation of Officers season, we have an opportunity for a fresh start. Let's get behind our new officers and make them successful, as well as our lodges.

Here's wishing everyone much success as we all work together to make our Order grow and prosper.

The first issue of *The Washington OddFellow* newspaper using the new format went out a little late last month, for that I apologize. For those members that did not receive their copies, does the Grand Lodge office have your correct mailing address? If you are using a P.O. Box, we need that information. For those members that wish to discontinue receiving the paper by mail and want to receive it by *email*, send me an email stating so. (grandsec@qwestoffice.net)

— Fraternally,

Harry W. "Bill" Coulter, PGM, Grand Secretary



Best Wishes In 2013

From the desk of the Assembly President

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dear Bothers and Sisters,

With the new year beginning, I wish you all a prosperous and friendly, loving and truthful year!



JOYCE MILLER

Be sure to get your year-end reports in on time.

Installations of Officers will take place January. I hope you have chosen your officers wisely with the trust needed to run your lodge. Remember, all members have a voice and can vote on things happening in your lodge.

I will be making the rounds to Installations. I hope to see you.

My Visitations

- Saturday, January 5 Joint Installation in Bothell, 11 a.m.
 - Sunday, January 6 Joint

Installation of Des Moines Odd Fellows Lodge #305 and Lorraine Rebekah Lodge #289.

- **Saturday, January 12** Consolidation of Monterose #46 and Maple Leaf #326 Rebekah Lodges, 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, January 12 Joint Installation for Lodges in Napavine, 1 p.m.
- Sunday, January 13 Joint Installation of Ballard Alki Odd Fellows Lodge #170 and Salmon Bay Rebekah

Lodge #217, 2 p.m.

- Monday, January 14 Official visit with Fern Rebekah Lodge Lodge #26, 1:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, January 19** Joint Installation Olympia Odd Fellows Lodge #1 and Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17, 7 p.m.
- Sunday, January 27 Joint Installation of Buckley Odd Fellows Lodge #75 and Eola Rebekah Lodge #63. Here's a poem I found that you all should enjoy.

"OPEN YOUR LIFE"

Open your life to see the world you live in every day;
Hear the songs that fill the air when people work and play.
Feel the love that blooms and grows in ever form of life;
See the faith that adds to love in struggle and strife.
Open your life to see the world and let the world come in —
See the rays of hope and prayer that darkness cannot dim.
Open your life to what is yours to see and hear and know
And find the love God means for you to harvest, reap & sow.
— By Michael Dubina

Psalm 119:18 — Open my eyes to see clearly the wonders on your teachings.

As I close, be friendly to others, love one another and be forever truthful.

In Friendship, Love and Truth, Joyce Miller, President. Rebekah Assembly of Washington

Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 in Walla Walla

This report dates back to mid-November. We are looking forward to an exciting New Year.

Helen Morris, a remarkable 103-year-old woman, sent a thank you card for the donation to her fund and expressed her deepest gratitude for the generous gift. John Paulson thanked us for donating to the Odd Fellows Endowment Fund in memory of Barbara Jane Hanson.

Barbara Tvrz read the condolence for three Sisters. Ilea Bennett passed away on October 24 after celebrating her 100th birthday. She became a member on November 3, 1942 and had 70 years of service. Alice Davidson ended her journey on November 6. Her husband's work took them around the world, including Saudi Arabia and Alaska. They settled in Walla Walla where Alice was a member since June 5, 2001. Dorothy Watson passed on November 24. She joined on October 5, 1982 and received many tributes as a member for 30 years.

Sister Alco Canfield's mother, Alco Wyse Canfield, died in Seattle on November 4 at 89 years of age. She ended a well-lived life and left a legacy of four children.

The L. J. Jones Scholarship is now available. It is awarded to a graduating senior who plans to attend college. Several applicants are being considered.

Applications for transfer were filed by Mary Ann Applebee and Myrtle Milliman. After balloting, both were welcomed to become members.

Aramae and Ken Buckingham submitted their resignations effective December 31, 2012. They will be moving out of town. Aramae did an excellent job as Recording Secretary and Ken as Inside Guardian. Aramae joined in 2002 and Ken in 2003. We will miss them and wish them well.

Barbara Lechner and Mary Ann Applebee hosted our Christmas Party on December 18. Everyone wore red and brought a white elephant gift for the silent auction. The decorations were festive and the assorted Christmas cookies were delicious. The auction provided a generous donation for a family in need.

We had the first readings of our By-Laws changes. One change is to allow a time change to 2 p.m. meetings. Members voted unanimously to continue having meetings at 2 p.m. instead of 7 p.m. All agreed it was much easier to drive in the afternoon than in the evening.

Installation of Officers for 2013 is scheduled for Sunday, January 13 at 4 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Dinner will be catered by Bon Appetit. The slate of officers is: NG Rose Ringhoffer, VG Barbara Lechner, Sec. Shirley Ruble, Fin. Sec. Barbara Tvrz, Treas. Marthann Hall, and Trustee Sharon Sousa.

In F., L. & T., Shirley Ruble, Reporter

Guidelines for Washington OddFellow reporters

We have printed these guidelines for reporters in *The Washington OddFellow* newspaper several times. As a result, many of your stories are now easier to read and put into type for the newspaper. However, several of you may have overlooked these guidelines. If you can, please keep these guidelines by your typewriter, computer or writing desk for future reference.

Again, here are a few suggestions which will make *The Washington OddFellow* a better newspaper for all of us:

- Be sure to include the name and number of your Lodge and the name of your town if the Lodge name is different. As a reporter, please include your name, too, so we can give you credit.
- If your story is handwritten, leave plenty of space between lines and please print any names so I can get them spelled correctly. Please double check all names. We have spent many hours researching membership rosters to make sure questionable names are spelled correctly and we have corrected the spelling on dozens of names. However, I am sure there are many more misspelled names that have slipped through.
- If your story is typed, please double space and *do not* type your entire story in all capital letters and *do not* use both sides of the paper. Please use *plain white typing paper*, not the onion skin type.
- If you are sending your story via e-mail, *do not* double space. We know it is a little confusing, but it makes our job much easier.
- Please include the names and pertinent information about deceased members on a *separate* piece of paper for the Memoriam column. Information should include the persons name, how long they have been a member and what offices they have held.
- Pictures are always welcome. Make sure when you e-mail a photo, it is high resolution. What looks good on a computer screen doesn't necessarily print well.
- Remember, *The Washington OddFellow* is received in your home and everyone else's on or about the first of the month. Keep this in mind when you are writing about events that will already have taken place by the time the newspaper is in your mailbox. Even if an event has not yet happened when you write your story, please word your story in the "past tense" if your event takes place before the newspaper comes out.
- Try to keep your stories as concise as possible. You have probably noticed that we have many more Lodges reporting now than we had in the past. Concise stories mean we can fit in news from more Lodges.
- Finally, when you are finished, read over your story to make sure everything is spelled correctly. Then, as a final measure, read the story out loud to yourself or to

someone else. This is an easy way to tell if you have left out some important word or fact.

- Remember, our deadline is the 10th of each month for the next month's edition. For instance, the deadline is February 10 for the March edition. You may mail your stories or fax them to: (360) 829-1768. You may e-mail your stories to: billo@tx3.com
- We have change of address forms for your convenience. If you do not have these forms, please contact the Grand Lodge of Washington office at 1-800-345-1766 and we will mail you these forms.

We know that with the change of officers this month, there will be some new reporters. If you have any questions, feel free to e-mail the editor.

Thanks, Your Editor

Ballard Alki plans food bank benefit

Ballard Alki IOOF Lodge #170 will hold a second fund-raiser for the Ballard Food Bank on Saturday, February 9. The 7 p.m. event is a musical concert featuring three bands and an auction of artwork and donated items.

On December 29, Ballard-Alki Odd Fellows, along with the SUFI Community, raised \$300 for the food bank. Rich Osborne said the food bank is an on-going concern of the lodge.

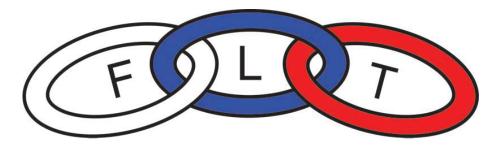
Tickets are available at Brown Paper Tickets in Seattle. For more information, contact Brother Rich at (206) 713-6917 or email him at:

ecotoolsllc@comcast.net

All Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and their guests are invited.



~ Lodge Cards



LODGE CARD UPDATE

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For new Lodge Cards, information must be received by the 10th of the month for insertion in the next month's edition.

F., L. & T. DRILL & DEGREE TEAM

NOW MEETS AT THE ELK PLAIN GRANGE HALL,

21817 Mountain Hwy. E. (Hwy. 7), Spanaway the 3rd Thursday every other month. We're available for Installations and Initiations.

Call Drill Captain Lena Swetz for details!

(360) 983-3105

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: Terry Hardie, 215 Old Mountain Rd, Goldendale, WA 98620. Ph: (360) 708-7082. Sec'y: Mavis. House, 786 Cedar Valley Rd., Goldendale, WA 98620-2307. **Ph:** (509) 773-4604

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

Meets At: Ballard IOOF Hall, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: None. NG: Dr. Bob Duniway, 8010 13th Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98117. Ph: (206) 789-9677. Sec'y: Nora Carria, 7711 8th Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98117. Ph: (206) 250-2165

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

Send To:

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Elizabeth Morgan, PO Box 5861, Lacey, WA 98507 Ph: (360) 459-5964. Sec'y: Stacey King, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. Ph: (253) 880-4788

BUCODA REBEKAH LODGE #144

Meets At: 202 S. Main, Bucoda. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. NG: Jamie Rhoads, 18016 Charlotte Pl. SW, Rochester, WA 98579. Ph: (360) 273-3604. Sec'y: Lou Ann Hoffman, PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530. Ph: (360) 736-6717

CHEWELAH REBEKAH LODGE #162

Meets At: N. 108 Second St., Chewelah, PO Box 1122, Chewelah, WA 99109 Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Barbara Miller, 1051 E. Lincoln, Chewelah, WA 99109. Ph: (509) 935-6751. Sec'y: Mary Firor, 401 S. Fifth St. E., Apt. 25, Chewelah, WA 99109. Ph: (509) 935-8449

CLOVER LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #54

Meets At: 10116 NE 185th St., Bothell, WA 98011. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. Recess:, July, Aug., NG: Jackie Hallstrom, 18714 103rd NE, Bothell, WA 98011. Ph: (206) 390-1732. Sec'y: Christine Nagel Russell, 18831 - 24th Ave. W., Lynnwood, WA 98036. Ph: (206) 719-5627

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: None. NG: John Otterstrom, 1680 Lake Tapps Dr. SE, #204, Auburn, WA 98092. Ph: (253) 740-8038. Sec'y: John F. Crispin, 22601 - 18th Ave. S., Des Moines, WA 98198. **Ph:** (206) 799-9233

EOLA REBEKAH LODGE #63

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar Street, Buckley. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Kathy Pierce, 15212 Carbonado - South Prairie Rd. E., Buckley, WA 98321. Ph: (253) 334-2632. 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. "Tom" Harper, 917 - 212th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA 98074. Ph: (425) 836-4871. Sec'y: Florence A. Harper, 2818 - 238th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075-9414. **Ph:** (425) 392-3013

FERN REBEKAH LODGE #26

Meets At: 116 Marcy Ave. W., Montesano. Time: 2nd & 4th Mon, 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Donna Tonn, 388 Giesler Rd., Montesano, WA 98563. Ph: (360) 249-6290. Sec'y: Frances Jonason, PO Box 205, Cosmopolis, WA 98537. Ph: (360) 533-6232

HARMONY REBEKAH LODGE #335

Meets At: Vader Lions Hall. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 3 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Lila Jordan, 129 Enchanted Valley Dr., Vader, WA 98593. Ph: (360) 295-3682. Sec'y: Ailene Wideman, 773 Winlock-Vader Rd., Winlock, WA 98596. Ph: (360) 785-3837

HUNTERS I.O.O.F. LODGE #216

Meets At: Hunters IOOF Lodge, 4945 Hwy. 25, Hunters, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Russ Stringfellow, 5693 B Mudget Lake Rd., Fruitland, WA 99129. Ph: (509) 722-6580. Sec'y: Mick Schwartz, PO Box 133, Hunters, WA 99137. Ph: (509) 722-3382

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

Meets At: 106th & 1st St., Ilwaco. Time: 1st & 3rd Wed., 7 pm. NG: Brenda Molsby, PO Box 4, Ilwaco, WA 98624. Ph: (360) 642-4510. Sec'y: Fred Molsby, PO Box 4, Ilwaco, WA 98624. Ph: (360) 783-2465

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: Charlene Boyd, PO Box 24, Eatonville, WA 98328. Sec'y: Lena Swetz, 199 Canyon Rd., Silvercreek, WA 98585. Ph: (360) 983-3105

LORRAINE REBEKAH LODGE #289

Meets At: 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA 98198. Time: 1st & 3rd Wed., 8 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Nancy Foster, 23411 25th Ave. S., Des Moines, WA 98198. Ph: (206) 375-5256. Sec'y: Betty Young, 26501 - 128th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98030. Ph: (253) 631-5503

MONTEROSE REBEKAH LODGE #46

Meets At: Toledo Fire Dept., 150 E. 2nd St., Toledo. Time: 1st & 3rd Thurs., 12:30 pm. Recess:, July, Aug., NG: Rosalie Davis, 569 Jackson Hwy., Toledo, WA 98591. Ph: (360) 864-2042. Sec'y: Dorothy Music, 222 Gish Rd., Onalaska, WA 98570. Ph: (360) 262-3186

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

Meets At: Odd Fellows Park, 96 S. Camano Ridge Rd., Camano Is. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Harlan Grant, 55 Bluebird Ln., Camano Island, WA 98282. Ph: (360) 387-8475. Sec'y: John L. Avena, 79 Wren Lane, Camano Is. WA 98282. Ph: (360) 387-7080

MYSTIC REBEKAH LODGE #168

Meets At: IOOF Temple, 100 S. Dora, Bremerton, WA. Time: 1st & 3rd Tues., 8 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Ettamay Strang, 5798 Eells NW, Bremerton, WA 98311. Ph: (360) 479-1261. 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. Recess: None. NG: Bob Brunetti, 3308 - 33rd Lp. SE, Lacey, WA 98503. Ph: (360) 438-2351. Sec'y: Cathy Garcia, 5010 - 103rd Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98513. Ph: (360) 413-7014

OAK I.O.O.F. LODGE #291

Meets At: Odd Fellow Hall, 721 SE Barrington Ave., Oak Harbor, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Mon., 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: John Hannam, 6452 S. Harding Ave., Clinton, WA 98236. Ph: (425) 971-1302. Sec'y: Alyce Lane, PO Box 985, Oak Harbor, WA 98277-0985. Ph: (360) 279-1412

OAK LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #254

Meets At: Odd Fellow Hall, 721 SE Barrington Ave., Oak Harbor, WA. Time: 1st & 3rd Wed., 6 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Diana Hammond, 1261 Eagle Ridge Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277. Sec'y: Mary Stewart, PO Box 958, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. Ph: (360) 632-9231

PILGRIM I.O.O.F. LODGE #187

Meets At: Everett Masonic Center, 234 Olympic Blvd., Everett, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug & the 4th Thursdays in June, Nov. & Dec. NG: Terry Grove, 1427 - 100th St. SW, Unit 47, Everett, WA 98204-1102 Ph: (425) 610-4561. Sec'y: Bill Wade, 63631 NE 194th Pl., Gold Bar, WA 98251-9125. Ph: (360) 793-0665

PINE BURR REBEKAH LODGE #300

Meets At: Silver Creek Ethel Grange. Time: 1st & 3rd Tues., 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Lou Ann Hoffman, 305 S. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531 Ph: (360) 736-6717. Sec'y: Carol Vaughn, PO Box 124, Onalaska, WA 98570. Ph: (360) 978-4108

RUTH REBEKAH LODGE #17

Meets At: IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia. Time: 2nd & 4th Wed., 7:30 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Jennie Nagel Cole, 1841 Trosper Rd., NO 7, Tumwater, WA 98580. Ph: (360) 352-5299. Sec'y: Elizabeth Morgan, PO Box 5861, Lacey, WA 98509-5861. Ph: (360) 459-5964

SALMON BAY REBEKAH LODGE #217

Meets At: 1706 NW Market St., Seattle (Ballard). Time: 1st & 3rd Thurs, 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Donna Flatt, 4223 - 5th Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98107. Ph: (206) 307-4112. Sec'y: Regina Thomas, 206 NW 40th St., Seattle, WA 98107. Ph: (206) 624-8093

SKOOKUMCHUCK IOOF LODGE #129

Meets At: 202 S. Main, Bucoda. Mailing Address: PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530. Time: 2nd & 4th Fri., 7:30 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Sylvia Sutley, 17915 Leitner Rd., Rochester, WA 98579. Ph: (360) 273-9724. Sec'y: Jamie Rhoads, 18016 Charlotte Pl. SW, Rochester, WA 98579. Ph: (360) 273-3604

SO. TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #160

Meets At: 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma. Time: 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Joan Lundy, 17622 19th Ave. Ct. E., Spanaway, WA 98387. Ph: (253) 847-5230. Sec'y: Carol Robertson, PNG, 1803 - 139th St. Ct. E, Sp. 172, Tacoma, WA 98445-6096. Ph: (253) 472-0081

SUNRISE REBEKAH LODGE #189

Meets At: Above Hunters Store, Hunters, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 6 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Nadine Johnston, PO Box 63, Hunters, WA 99109. Ph: (509) 722-4745. Sec'y: Jean Hartill, 2114 Hwy. 395 S., Chewelah, WA 99109. Ph: (509) 935-0564

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

Meets At: 116 W. Marcy Ave., Montesano. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues, 7 pm. Recess: Second Tuesdays of July & Aug. NG: Jan Eddy, 1321 17th St. NE, Auburn, WA 98002. Ph: (253) 632-9093. Sec'y: Brian Brewer, 905 E. Beacon Ave., Montesano, WA 98563. Ph: (360) 249-2080

TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179

Meets At: 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Alberta Luurs, PO Box 314, Napavine, WA 98565. Ph: (360) 219-7629. Sec'y: Kira Verrall, PO Box 314, Napavine, WA 98565. Ph: (360) 269-7977

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

Meets At: Barberton Grange #571, 9400 NE 72nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665 Time: 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Jeanette R. Jarosz, DF. Ph: (360) 263-8134. Sec'y: David L. Morris, 32101 NW Eagle Crest Dr., Ridgefield, WA 98642-9156 Home Ph: (360) 263-8134. Cell Ph: (360) 903-7712

WARREN REBEKAH LODGE #308

Meets At: Parkside Chapel in Roy. Time: 2nd & 4th Wed., lunch at noon, meeting at 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Deb Gulley, PO Box 107, Roy, WA 98580. Ph: (253) 843-1502. Sec'y: Marlene Lentz, 5928 S. 280th St., Roy, WA 98580. Ph: (253) 843-2319

WASHOUGAL I.O.O.F. LODGE #194

Meets At: 888 Washougal River Rd., Washougal, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 7:30 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Harry Jester, 3904 NE 122nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98682. Ph: (360) 882-0993. Sec'y: Joyce Gilson, 1849 NW 27th Ave., Camas, WA 98607. Ph: (360) 844-5495

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

Meets At: 206 W. Walnut, Yakima. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. Recess: None. NG: Robert Quesnell, 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima, WA 98902. Ph: (509) 453-3093. Sec'y: Chad Quesnell, 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima, WA 98902. Ph: (509) 453-3093

YELM REBEKAH LODGE #296

Meets At: Deschutes Grange Hall, 16435 Vail Road SE, Yelm, WA. Time: 1st & 3rd Mon., 1:00 pm. Recess: June, July. NG: Jennie Cole, 1841 Trosper Rd., #7, Tumwater, WA 98512. Ph: (360) 352-5199. Sec'y: Nancy Huddleston, 14129 - 93rd Ave. SE, Yelm, WA 98597. Ph: (360) 458-2361

In Long Beach

Ocean Beach Rebekahs #313

Well, that last year sure went by fast. We all got a year older and are ready for 2013 ahead.

Last month was a time for a lot of Christmas parties and festivities. We had our tasting party at our first meeting, with everyone (all nine of us) bringing a treat to share with everyone. We had deviled eggs to pound cake, with assorted cookies, too. Yum, yum! We also played Bingo, with our Entertainment Committee (Linda Zuern and Sue Johnson) distributing lots of packages to the winners. At our second meeting of the month, we enjoyed our gift exchange and refreshments provided by Brother Bob Jacobson.

December was a busy month for us. Sister Bette Snyder treated our Midway Friendship Club to lunch at The Shelbourne in Seaview and then we went to Bette's house for a gift exchange. What a wonderful day! There was more food as we celebrated birthdays for Betty Pierce and myself at The Cove, the restaurant at our Long Beach Golf Course.

Betty Pierce prepared several cards for us to sign at our December 4 meeting for those ill and in care facilities. We also sent Christmas wishes to others.

We are keeping in our prayers Sisters Fritz Mose, Beverly Gilpin, Frances O'Neil and Judy Williams. At this time of the year, it seems especially nice to think of others and do what we can to help those less fortunate than us. Several Sisters mentioned donating to charities and providing packages for names on the Angel Trees last month.

Our first meeting in January was on New Year's Day and surprisingly we showed up. Well, not all of us. There's nothing else to do on that day except watch football and by 7 p.m. we had even had enough of that. Cathy was our hostess and we enjoyed good conversation and revelations of our Christmas. It also was time for New Year resolutions and they seem to be the same old things — lose weight, exercise more, eat

less, stay in touch with friends and relatives, don't spend so much money, fix the sink, clean out the garage — the list goes on and on. The only one I can cross off the list is fixing the sink.

We hope you all had a blessed Christmas and are all geared up for a great 2013. Sounds weird, but that's the year. Our past year saw ups and downs as I am sure most of you did. We would like to express our thanks to Noble Grand Cathy Kary for a great year and we look forward to our Installation of Officers at our Tuesday, January 15 meeting when we will be installing Aletha Miller as our new Noble Grand.

Happy New Year to you all and may we all have a prosperous and healthy 2013.

In F., L. & T., Sue Johnson, PNG and Reporter



Thank you Laura Lee

Noble Grand Rosalie Davis of Monterose Rebekah Lodge #46 in Toledo hands Laura Lee Bowen a bouquet of flowers. Laura Lee not only helps Cookie Music and our Noble Grand with their duties, but she gives 100 per cent to our lodge. Presently Laura Lee is taking on the huge responsibility of filling out our Annual Report. Thank you again, Laura Lee.

- Cookie Music, Reporter

In Oak Harbor

Oak Leaf Rebekahs #254

Happy New Year to all our Sisters and Brothers.

I forgot to report in our last article the names of our new officers. Those who will be serving in elected offices this year are: NG Diana Hammond, VG Kathy Reed, Sec. Mary Stewart, and Treas.Judy Diekman. With so few of us, we decided just to do our own installation. We are working on getting some new members and two of our Theta Rhos are planning on joining. We are planning

an initiation for our second meeting in February when Rebekah Assembly President Joyce Miller makes her visit to our lodge.

At our last meeting in December, we had a social meeting and met at one of the local restaurants for dinner and a gift exchange. We had a nice time and it was nice not to have to cook or clean up.

Our Brother Les Hassler has been in the hospital and is unable to return to his home at this time, so is living with his brother in Marysville. We miss you Les, but hope you continue to get better. To our other members who continue to battle health problems, you are in our thoughts and we hope for improvement for you in the New Year.

A reminder to our members that dues are due for everyone in January, so send you dues either to myself or Secretary Mary Stewart.

— In F. L. & T., Judy Diekman, PPRA & Reporter

From your Theta Rho **Assembly President**

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Belated happy holidays everyone! I hope everyone



SHAMANICE GORDON

enjoyed their winter break and had a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

I'm encouraging everyone to try and keep up their community service, especially around the holiday season.

Also, there are going to be lots of installations coming up, so it would be nice if the girls could try to attend their sponsoring lodges and show their support.

In Happiness Through Service, Shamanice Gordon, Assembly President

Red Apple IOOF #276 & Grandview Rebekahs #246

Happy New Year to all of you! Grandview Rebekahs had a wonderful 2012 and are looking forward to 2013.

We have elected our officers for 2013. They are: NG Susan Lopez, VG Cindy Talley, Sec/ Deana Alaniz, and Treas. Sam Powell. Congratulations officers! We are looking forward to your installation and leadership in 2013.

The Grandview Rebekahs have added a new member to our roster, Katie Lopez. Katie comes to us with many talents and a lot of ambition. We are all excited that Katie chose to join us.

On a sadder note we lost our Sister Gay McClure in November. We will miss her.

Please continue your prayers for our PNG Freda Keelin. She is very ill.

As 2012 comes to an end, we have concentrated on bringing some cheer to those less fortunate. We sponsored a family for Christmas through the Salvation Army, donated money for Christmas dinners to the Union Gossip Mission, clothing and toys for the Crises Center and contributed to a holiday project or whatever they needed to the IOOF Home in Walla Walla. It was our hope that every family or individual who received the benefit of our fund-raising activities had a merrier holiday.

In closing we wish you and your family a wonderful 2013. In F., L. & T.,

Sally Edwards, Reporter



Members of Acorn Theta Rho Girls' Club #79 set up shop at the Oak Harbor Albertson's store last month and raised \$130 for Jingle Bells for Arthritis. Standing is Mrs. Claus, (Diana Hammond). Seated are Olivia Thrailkill, Judy Diekman and Cassie Flitcroft.

In Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho #79

Happy New Year! We hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas.

Early last month we did "Jingle Bells for Arthritis" and collected \$130. We even had some help from Mrs. Claus. After we were done we had pizza and watched a movie. We had an open house and invited prospective members. Our Advisor treated us to gingerbread men and sugar cookies and gave each of us a nutcracker ornament for our tree. Sister Diana, our Assistant Advisor, helped us make a cute snowman box.

We do have some girls who are planning on joining. We have initiation planned for our first meeting in February.

We do not have a community service project planned for this month, and we do have another movie night scheduled when our Advisor gets back from her trip.

We hope all of you are staying warm.

— Until Next Month In Happiness Through Service, The members of Acorn #79

Happy 2013 Theta Rho's!



Why I like Theta Rho? Members of the Spunky Bluebirds Girls' Club of South Tacoma demonstrated their favorite things about their club at the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association Meeting in November. From left are Christina Dirks, Faith Ghramm and Lauren Lozano.

In South Tacoma

Spunky Bluebirds a big hit at Northwest

Along with Etta Theta Rho girls of Oregon, the Spunky Bluebirds were invited to make a presentation at North Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association Meeting in Wilsonville, OR in November. The girls were asked to share why they like Theta Rho. The Spunky Girls chose to demonstrate their favorite things by acting out different things they love about Theta Rho. These included conducting meetings, getting dressed up, travelling, doing community service, and meeting and spending time with their friends in the Order. Always up for adding a bit of humor to all they do, the girls elicited participation by a few unsuspecting audience members. Dave Reed actually looks pretty cute in a headband.

The Spunky girls had more fun that weekend staying with former Theta Rho Past President, Vicki (Flagan) Schmall who lives in the Portland area. While they were there, they helped Vicki with a community service project which provides Christmas gifts for elderly folks who are overlooked during the holidays. The girls had a great time wrapping coffee mugs and other gifts.

During the month of December, the Spunky girls helped "My Sister's Pantry" Food Bank in several ways. They delivered food donated by Grand Master Laurel's workmates, created candy bags for the kids, and made up toiletry bags for the adults. It truly did bring happiness through service to our community.

> In Happiness Through Service Sylvia Summers, Advisor



December's service

Spunky Bluebird members Faith Ghramm and Lauren Lozano check out the mountain of food items donated by Grand Master Laurel Delony's co-workers before they delivered them to "My Sister's Pantry" Food Bank in Tacoma. In addition, the girls created candy bags for the kids, and made up toiletry bags for the adults.



Spunky wrappers

Following their presentation at the Oregon Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association Meeting, members of the Spunky Bluebirds Girls' Club stayed with former Theta Rho Past President, Vicki (Flagan) Schmall who lives in the Portland area. While they were there, they helped Vicki wrap Christmas gifts for elderly folks who are overlooked during the holidays. From left are Christina Dirks, Lauren Lozano, Vicki and Faith Ghramm.

Patriarch Militant news

Wearing the Patriarch Militant uniform

There are three types of uniform that a Patriarch Militant member can wear:

CLASS A:

Full dress black coat, black slacks with a gold stripe running down the outside seam of the slacks, a sort-sleeved



BRIG. GENERAL WILLIAM SNYDER

white shirt with equipment straps on the shoulders, black four-in-hand tie, (no clip on), shined black shoes and black socks. Over the coat is to be worn a "Sam Brown" style belt This is a gold colored waist belt with a right shoulder strap coming from the back left hand side, over the shoulder and going through a loop on the left side at the waist. This belt is to support the sword attachment and sword when worn.

All patches, ribbons and rank devices worn on the uniform coat should conform to a standard placement, per the

Uniform Regulations set by the General Military Council.

Also the proper hat for the rank. Wearing of this uniform will qualify for a officer position in the Cantons. Only those wearing this uniform can be nominated and elected to the three positions in the Canton of Captain of the Canton, Lieutenant of the Canton, and Canton Clerk/Accountant of the Canton.

CLASS B:

Short sleeve white shirt with shoulder straps. All rank devices should be worn on a sleeve over the equipment

straps. Ribbons should be worn over the left shirt pocket. The slacks will have a gold stripe running down the outside from in front of front pocket to the end of the leg, centered on the leg. A military style brass buckle and black belt will be worn. Shined black shoes and socks, and the proper hat for the rank.

NON-UNIFORM MEMBERS TO ATTEND ALL CANTON, BATTALION, DEPARTMENT MEETINGS:

A black or dark colored suit coat and matching slacks, with white shirt and black tie. To be worn with shined black shoes and socks.

You, as a member of the PM, must have a uniform to hold the major offices of the Canton and beyond.

Please do strive to obtain either an "A" or "B" uniform. You can vote at meetings with just the suit and tie, but it is important to the PM that all members prepare themselves for the leadership positions.

Hats can be ordered through the Department Adjutant. Coats and trousers and belts are difficult to come by, but look around, ask, and scour lodge closets.

Send an e-mail to my address and I'll try to help with whatever I can come up with.

— In F., L. & T. and F., H. & C. and Chivalrously, Brigadier General William (Bill) Snyder, Department Commander for Washington, Oregon & Idaho

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News from the Capital City

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 & Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

Happy New Year from Olympia Lodge #1 and Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17!

2012 was truly a productive year in the Capitol city. Work parties at both our beach park and our cemetery brought members together outside of lodge meetings and produced terrific improvements to our properties. Our recent work day at the cemetery boasted 17 members, several of whom worked both days. There was only one minor accident and a lot of camaraderie as members got to know each other better. Thank you so very much to everyone who helped with this project.

Our annual Christmas dinner was great fun again this year. "Entertainment Explosion" put on a wonderful show of Christmas music and dancing. The proceeds from the silent auction were split between the Rebekahs and the Odd Fellows. Laurel and Joanne outdid themselves with dinner, and Santa put a smile on everyone's face. If you missed it — you will definitely want to watch for the date

next year.

In a couple of short weeks we will be hosting a joint Installation of Officers. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the formal installation ceremony will begin at 7 p.m. Family members are invited to share this very special evening with us.

Stu Carlson has informed us that in January he will be taking orders for personalized IOOF shirts. If you are interested in ordering a shirt (or a jacket), the information will be available at the Olympia Lodge on our meeting nights — the first and third Mondays, or you can reach Stu at (360) 943-1976.

In F., L. & T., Cathy Garcia, Secretary

~ In Memoriam ~

- Dale Stover, State Lodge S-1.
- Gay McClure, Grandview Rebekah Lodge #246.

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Two lodges come together!

Mount Vernon IOOF Lodge #23, a longtime lodge, came into existence on October 23, 1882. Time has run it's course and time has run out — it was time to think about consolidating with a functional lodge. Members of Monroe IOOF Lodge #156 were asked about consolidating with them. Both lodges voted and all members were in favor of having Mt. Vernon consolidate with Monroe. The Consolidation Ceremony was held on December 20, 2012. The ceremony was presided over by Past Grand Master Hugh A. Smith. We at Monroe IOOF Lodge #156 thank all the visiting lodges that helped in this Consolidation Ceremony.

— Hugh A. Smith, PGM & DDGM of District #6.