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'Lunch & Learn' is getting closer!!

The Grand Master and the Junior Past Grand Master will be having another" Lunch & Learn" session on Sunday, April 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

We'll go over the correct way to run a meeting, protocols, introductions, bringing in the flag etc. There will be an hour break to work with Secretaries, Financial Secretaries and Treasurers.

Lunch will be provided at noon.

April's "Lunch & Learn" will be at the Olympia Odd Fellows Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW in Olympia. Please come and learn. All Odd Fellows are invited. We'll need a head count for lunch so please contact Joe Picanco at: picancoj@hotmail.com or Laurel Delony at (253) 606-7620, ldelony@orepac.com

Memorial Day marked at Olympia celebration

You are invited to the Annual Memorial Day Celebration at the Odd Fellows Memorial Park on Monday, May 27 at 12:30 p.m. The Memorial Park is located at 3802 Cleveland Ave. SE in Tumwater.

Come see the South Sound Civil Air Patrol raise the colors, a gun salute by retired Marine Corps members, a sixpiece brass band, and the "Entertainment Explosion" singers. The introductions will be given by Past Grand Master Frank Wilson. Master of Ceremonies is Grand Master Laurel Delony. The guest speaker is Pete Kmet, Mayor of Tumwater. Grand Chaplain Stuart Carlson will will give the opening and closing prayers.

The ceremony includes the laying of the wreath by the Grand Master Laurel Delony and Assembly President Joyce Miller. Also included is the playing of "Taps" and Interment of the Unknown Odd Fellows.

After the ceremony, the celebration continues with hot dogs and drinks provided by Olympia Odd Fellows Lodge.

PP Marie Scott passes in Everett

Sister Marie Emma Scott, Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, passed away March 12, 2013 in Everett, WA. She was born in Chicago on November 4, 1918 to Theophil and Mary Leona VanRoeyen. Marie

worked as a beautician, a counselor at Fir Crest School and was a member of St. Mary Magdalen Parish in Everett.

Her Mass of Christian burial was held on March 22 with her internment at Cypress Lawn Memorial Park in Everett.

Sister Marie was initiated into the Rebekahs on December 16, 1970, joining Plymouth Rebekah Lodge #142 in Everett. She served as their Recording Secretary in 1972 and was elected their Vice Grand in 1973. She served as Noble Grand in 1974 and 1975.



MARIE SCOTT

Sister Marie was elected Rebekah Assembly Warden on June 19, 1995 and served as our Assembly President at the 107th Annual Assembly Sessions held on June 22, 23 and 24, 1998 at the Best Western Towers in Richland. She chose to have two projects as President with the donations going to the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla to purchase a blanket warmer and her special President's Penny Drive donations going to the Children's Orthopedic Hospital.

Sister Marie served many years on the Home Board and Park Board and attended the IARA Sessions in Kansas City, MO in 1998.

The Rebekah Assembly will be making a donation to the Visual Aid Foundation in memory of Sister Marie in lieu of our sending flower for her services. Sister Marie served our Order well over her years as a member, despite having many health issues and failing eye sight. With the help of her many friends and family, she was always there when she was needed. She was a very gracious lady and will be truly missed.

— Fraternally, Marcia Presley, PP, Secretary Rebekah Assembly of Washington

From the desk of your Grand Master

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD IN YAKIMA

It's only a couple of months until Sessions in Yakima. Please make sure that the Representative of your lodge will be able to attend. Your lodge is entitled to voice and vote



to make decisions concerning the Jurisdiction of Washington. Come to Sessions and have your voice heard. Third Degree members can also attend Sessions once the Grand Lodge is opened in the Third Degree. Come see how the Grand Lodge functions.

TESTIMONIAL DINNER

In March I was able to attend the Testimonial Dinner for Laura Argue, President of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies. Traveling with me were your Deputy Grand Master Ronald D. Hanson and

Kathi Picanco. We enjoyed our selves immensely, renewing acquaintances and making new friends.

DDGM MEETING

March saw the Grand Lodge Officers as well as the District Deputy Grand Masters at Buckley's hall for the DDGM meeting. The DDGM's were prepared with the reports of lodges that they are responsible for. We then had a round table discussion about the issues that I have seen during my visitations.

LET'S GET BACK ON TRACK

Brothers and Sisters, we need to get back on track. You must have one business meeting a month which means you go through the opening and closing ceremonies in your ritual, the list of business, reading of records from the previous meetings, receipts and disbursements, what your treasury has, etc.. It's your right as a member to be able to know what is going on in your lodge and the correct way to run a lodge meeting. You are required to have two meetings a month, but one can be a social meeting. If we don't follow the procedures we all lose out and we won't be able to teach our younger generation to carry on rules, regulations, protocol, and traditions. If you need help running a meeting, please reach out to the Grand Lodge. We'll all be glad to help one another.

LUNCH AND LEARN

With that being said I want to remind everyone about the Grand Master's "Lunch and Learn" on Sunday, April 21, 10 a.m. is the start time at the Olympia Odd Fellows Hall. Check in will be at 9 a.m. Lunch will be provided. Get ready to work and learn. Bring your questions. No question is dumb or silly. Any and all Odd Fellows are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to myself at Idelony@orepac.com or call me at (253) 606-7620. You also can RSVP to Junior Past Grand Master Joe Picanco at picancoj@hotmail.com.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

The Sovereign Grand Master has issued a proclamation declaring Saturday, April 27 2013 as "Make A Difference Day." He is asking us all to undertake an activity, large or small, to make a difference in someone's life. What will you do to make a difference?

Don't forget about Northwest Odd Fellows/Rebekah Association Meeting April 5, 6, and 7 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

DID YOU KNOW

Code of General Laws The Grand Lodge of Washington **Independent Order of Odd Fellows** Section 3.11 — Honors of Office 3.11.4 Absence of Officer

Any officer or any elected Representative to the Grand Lodge absenting themselves from the Lodge for four successive meetings, except in the case of sickness, or any officer or Representative for misconduct or neglect or such, may be removed by a vote of two-thirds of the members voting at the next regular meeting after a resolution therefore has been offered in the Lodge at a regular meeting.

GRAND MASTER'S AGENDA

- Thursday, April 4 Monroe IOOF Lodge #156
- April 5-7 Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association Meeting, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
- Thursday, April 11 Ballard-Alki IOOF Lodge #170
- Saturday, April 13 Fraternal Newspaper Committee Meeting, Buckley
- Sunday, April 14 Odd Fellows Park Board Meeting, Camano Island
 - Tuesday, April 16 Vancouver IOOF Lodge #3
 - Wednesday, April 17 Golden Rule #207, Napavine
- Friday thru Sunday, April 19-21 Theta Rho Retreat, Olympia Odd Fellow Park
- Wednesday, April 24 So. Tacoma IOOF Lodge #211
- Friday thru Sunday, April 26-28 Home Board Meeting, Walla Walla
 - May 2-6 Washington, D.C., Tomb of the Unknowns
 - Tuesday, May 21 Bothell IOOF Lodge #124
 - Thursday, May 23 Cowlitz IOOF Lodge #66
- Monday, May 27 Memorial Day, Olympia Odd Fellows Memorial Park Cemetery

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

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

Spring Has Sprung!

From the desk of your Grand Secretary

'TAKE ME'

The Advance Reports or "Take Me" will be put together this month, so all Grand Lodge Elective Officers and Grand Loge Committee Chairmen should have their reports and

budget request in the Grand Lodge office.



HARRY W.
"BILL" COULTER

ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE

Thank you to all lodges and their Secretaries. Most of the lodges have submitted their Annual Reports on time to meet the February 15 deadline. Good job to those lodges.

Now that you have completed your Annual Reports, we suggest that you check on the date when your lodge is required to submit your Form 990 as appropriate for your lodge to IRS. They seem to have a varying or different due dates for each lodge. Upon completion

of your filing, forward a copy to the Grand Lodge office to be placed in your lodge file. The same could be said for the Lodge's Annual Corporation report/renewal filed, if required with Washington's Secretary of State.

GRAND SESSIONS

The Annual Sessions of the Grand Bodies of the Order will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Yakima on June 23, 24 and 25. Registration forms, including forms for meal, appear in this issue of *The Washington OddFellow*. The can be found on page 12. Registrations for Sessions this year will be handled by Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 under the Chairmanship of Joe and Kathi Picanco.

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Should you have articles to be printed in the Washington OddFellow, they are due to the Grand Lodge office *no later*

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— Fraternally,

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

Picnic on Camano Island

Is it East or West?

It's both! It will be a great picnic for all members of all units of our Order in our jurisdiction.

Mark your calendar now so you won't miss it. The date is Sunday, September 8. Feel free to bring your friends and family, too! Let's get together for an afternoon of fun and relaxation, at the Odd Fellows Park on Camano Island. Gather at noon for an hour and then enjoy a potluck lunch at 1 p.m.

— Karen Hoylman, East-West Picnic Secretary

On Camano Island

Try a camping weekend at your Odd Fellow Park

The Odd Fellow Park on Camano Island is *your* park and we want and need you to utilize it.

The Odd Fellows Recreational Park is located at 96 South Camano Ridge Road, Camano Island, WA. The park is 80 acres on Camano Island with quiet surroundings with birds and eagles flying in the early mornings. The park is open year around. There is a two-level auditorium with meetings room, a large kitchen and a small kitchenette. Rest rooms are available on the upper and lower floors. Showers available on the lower level. There are fire pits at each campsite.

The park features a rustic outdoor covered kitchen with barbecue pit, picnic tables, tent spaces, and 16 RV hook-ups and 50 additional parking spaces, a pickle ball court, horseshoe pits, hiking trail and more. Rates for the park are: RV sites \$25 for non-member and \$20 for members, tent sites \$15, and hall rental \$500 for weddings and receptions. There is a \$250 deposit for damage/cleaning. The hall is also available for bazaars, birthdays, family reunions and more.

So make a reservation or come for the day. Call Manager Ron Clifford, (360) 387-4737 or (425) 244-5390. Come out and use *your* park

See You On Camano Island!

From the desk of the Assembly President

SEE YOU AT SESSIONS

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Don't be an *April Fool!* Plan to attend Sessions in June. Make your reservations and come to a great meeting. The



JOYCE MILLER

banquet theme will be "Big Bands of the 40s, 50s and 60s Era." Dress for it! We always have a great time.

REPORTS ARE DUE

Lodges, please get your reports and monies due to Assembly sent in if you have not done so. There are due dates and they may have passed you by.

ACCEPT NEW IDEAS

Keep your lodges healthy! Work together and make your lodge a worthy one. Get new members. Make meetings fun and social time pleasant. Make

everyone welcome with new ideas and give chances to new members who have good ideas.

APRIL VISITS

April visits are in the planning stages. I will have to

Mystic Rebekahs #168 and Bremerton Friendship # 145

Hello again! In February, the Cowderys were elected the respective Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly Representatives for Sessions in June.

Also in February, we had our Annual Temple Corporation meeting where we elected President Gordon Cooper, Vice President Don Cowdery and Secretary Florence Cowdery.

As we do not have the ability and finances to maintain and operate our lodge hall, our only realistic decision was to ask and receive permission to sell it "as is" to an interested buyer. We are now working through the logistics to make it happen. No date has been set to vacate the building and we have not found a location to rent.

As we are the respective lodge Secretaries, our home address is: 1052 SE Deep Lake Rd., Port Orchard, WA 98367-7531. Our phone number is (360) 876-1819.

OUR GREAT NEWS

Our new member, Greg D. Hulet, received his Initiatory Degree at the South Tacoma IOOF Lodge #211 on March 13. The five participating Odd Fellows here gave him a big welcome!

We hope you all had a happy Easter, full of hope of the spring renewal with sun and fresh colors.

> — In F. L. & T., Donald Cowdery, Secretary #145 Florence Cowdery, Secretary #168

report on them in the next issue. In May I hope to attend the Oregon Sessions to see how they go.

THE WORD NOT SPOKEN

By James Joseph Huesgen

Be kind to each other, for life is so short;
Be loving and thoughtful. Have a good heart.
Never end the day when you're of a bad mind;
Be close to each other. Be thankful and kind.
Remember the good things, the fine younger years;
Recall of the past the grace of your peers.
You will never be sorry you said the good word;
There is nothing sadder than a word not spoken. . .
The word not heard.

"Encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word." — 2 Thessalonians; 2·17

As I close: "Be Friendly, love one another and forever be truthful."

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

From your 2012-13 Grand Matriarch

SPRING VISITATIONS

Greetings Matriarchs and Patriarchs.

It was so good to be able to attend two meetings. One



SANDRA MOON

was at Alpha #1 and the other was at Kent #15. I am trying to figure out how to attend the last three. On Tuesday, April 2, Unique #32 will have a big day as it will be Installation along with my official visit. I also will visit Mt. Angeles #88 on Monday, April 8. I am working on getting Goldendale #99 on the visits to be done in April, but I may have to make that visit in May. On Friday, April 12, I will be at Kent for their Installation.

LOW MEMBERSHIP

One problem that I have seen on my visits is membership is low. How can this be changed?? One problem is members not wanting to go out at night or that

they don't want to drive. Maybe a car pool is the answer. That could be fun.

It is fun to travel and visit and see how each Auxiliary meets. "Sing, Sing a Song" and have fun. Thank you Kent for the song.

In Faith, Hope & Charity Sandra Moon. Grand Patriarch

From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROMPTNESS

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

I would like to thank all the Rebekah Lodges that paid their Sovereign Grand Lodge dues before the deadline and have returned all of their reports in a timely manner. These reports are used for my reports to the SGL on membership and the financial reports for each Rebekah Lodge in this Jurisdiction.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Sovereign Grand Master Charles L. Renninger has proclaimed Saturday, April 27, 2013 to be Odd Fellows and Rebekahs *Make A Difference Day*. He is asking all units of the Order to hold special festivities in celebration of the day, such as community work projects; or hands across your city, town, village, or communities, followed by an open house in your lodge hall or meeting place. There is a *Make A Difference Day* report form in the *I.O.O.F. News* to be filled out and returned to the Sovereign Grand Lodge on what your Rebekah Lodges did to *Make a Difference*.

REPORTING NEW MEMBERS

Just as a reminder, make sure that when you have a new member join your Rebekah Lodge you notify Grand Secretary Harry Coulter with the member's name, mailing address, etc. so he can add it to *The Washington OddFellow* mailing list. Also, notify my office with this information. Please do not wait until you send in your Annual Reports.

LEGISLATION IS DUE

I am asking all Committee Chairman and Executive Committee members that any legislation that needs to be submitted at our Sessions by in my office no later than April 15, 2013 to be included in the "Take Me."

In Napavine

Trinity Rebekahs #179

Hello again from Trinity. Spring is here and we have set our clocks back. I lost an hour of sleep, but I enjoy the longer days.

On March 8-9, we held a Community Garage Sale, along with a bake sale table. Hamburgers were served in the kitchen with Candy Koons and Sandy Beane in charge.

Alberta Luurs is putting together a program on how to bring in an Associate Member for the District #18 Meeting on Saturday, April 6. The program includes the steps you take. It should be interesting.

Tickets are on sale for our Spaghetti Feed on Friday, April 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. here at our lodge. The cost is \$5 a plate and the warm fellowship is free. Hopefully we will have a good turnout of Rebekahs.

This wraps it up for April. Until later. . .

In F., L. & T., Cookie Music, PNG and Reporter

Our Rebekah Assembly Sessions will be here before we know it. We will be meeting on Monday through Wednesday, June 24, 25 and 26, 2013 at the Clarion Hotel

in Yakima, which is a week later than in the past. Make sure that you made your reservations for the right dates. I hope that many of you can attend our Assembly Sessions and join in having a voice in the running of our Rebekah Lodges.

Until next month I leave you with this:

Each morning when you wake up, say to yourself, "Today I choose to be happy. I will smile often, count my



MARCIA PRESLEY

blessings and be alert to a need I can alleviate." Today with its many possibilities will soon be forever gone. I do not want to waste it. *Now is the time*. Today is the day you worried about yesterday and tomorrow is not here yet.

— In Friendship, Love & Truth, and many Rebekah hugs, Marcia Presley, PP, Secretary

In Ballard

Salmon Bay Rebekahs #217

To quote a famous "A-Team leader," "I love it when a plan comes together!" The Salmon Bay Rebekahs' benefit for the Ballard Food Bank by selling books, baked goods and jewelry was a success. It brought in \$200 and a was a great fellowship opportunity for our Brothers and Sisters. As usual, Norene Lucas and Francis Zimmerman showed up early and had everything rolling by 9 a.m. when the rest of the Salmon Bay members showed up. Loraine Rebekahs lent us their very own sister Shelley Haneck to be our cashier for the event.

Salmon Bay works so hard on these sales — *but* — the best customers are the Sisters themselves. Only a few live in the Ballard area, so it is not as convenient for our friends and neighbors to support our events. Sister Katie Rose Aldridge suggested a fund-raising drive amongst the Sisters instead of a sale might bring better results in our efforts to raise money for the Ballard Food Bank.

In comparison to the sale, the regular meetings were rather dull, except the financial team worked hard to bring our books into perfect order and balance. Thank you!

The last scheduled yearly donation to the Arthritis Fund was completed. Some of our left over bake sale goods were donated to the Ballard Alki Odd Fellows for their meeting and the rest were frozen to serve at later meetings.

Please think of Salmon Bay if you'd like "lunch with the gang" on the first or third Thursdays. It's bring your own lunch at noon. We provide coffee and yummy desert items.

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



Photo by Robert Jacobson

Gathered around Rebekah Assembly President Joyce Miller at Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313 on March 5 are, from left, (seated) Cathy Kary, Polly Reed, NG Aletha Miller and Sue

Johnson. Standing in the back row, from left, are: Opal Eaton, Sandy Thissell, Marla Johnson, Charles Miller, President Joyce, Linda Zuern, Rosalie Davis, Donna Merrill, Cookie Music, Ailene Wideman and Betty Pierce.

Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313 in Long Beach

Our second meeting in February was routine. Cathy Kary served a delicious cherry dessert after our meeting. We discussed our President's visit and designated all the responsibilities to our Sisters and Brother Bob.

Betty Pierce once again won the silver drill door prize. She sure has been lucky lately. She wins at Bunco all the time, too. Bunco has been turning in their split of the profits to the lodge. That's nice of those Bunco ladies. Cathy Kary is doing a great job of managing our Bunco nights. Betty Pierce makes the phone contacts, which gets our ladies there. They are two great lodge ladies.

Cathy's daughter had a cancer scare and Cathy cancelled our Friendship Club meeting, but luckily the cancer scare was just that — a scare — and her daughter is fine. Friendship Club was hosted by Opal Eaton in March.

March 5 was our first meeting of the month and the Rebekah Assembly President made her official visit to us. We had dinner at 6 p.m. and served chicken alfredo, salad, rolls, deviled eggs and condiments of pickles and beets made by Sandy Thissell. Bob Jacobson took lots of pictures. President Joyce Miller was accompanied by her husband, Charles. He was in charge of selling us tickets and her Teddy bear pins.

Guests for the evening, making a long drive, were Rosalie Davis from Monterose #46, Ailene Wideman from Harmony #335, and Cookie Music from Trinity #179. It was really nice having them there to enjoy the evening with us. Thanks, Sisters, for coming.

Corsages were made for President Joyce and NG Aletha by Frances O'Neil. A gift basket was presented to President Joyce with some of our "beachy" stuff and a check was also presented to her for the IOOF Home in Walla Walla.

We discussed the District #18 meeting to be hosted by Harmony and held in Kelso on Saturday, April 6. We are hoping to have eight members attending, maybe nine. We will partake in one of the exemplifications and have Sisters on committees and taking offices. There will be more to report after

the meeting, as it will be held before the newsletter reaches us. And there will probably be pictures in the May Washington OddFellow as our Brother Bob will be clicking away.

After discussing District, we had very little business to take care of and President Joyce talked to us about Friendship, Love and Truth. She congratulated us on our meeting, knowing our parts and how enjoyable our dinner was. For dessert we had apple crisp, made by Marla Johnson, and ice cream. We decorated tables in blues and whites for dinner and the meeting and tables were decorated in green for dessert in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Everyone got "green" packages that were spread across the tables. We want to say what a great job was done by our NG Aletha Miller. And thanks Bob for doing dishes. And thanks to everyone else who helped so much.

Hope you all had a wonderful Easter and we wish you pretty flowers, bright and sunny days and happy hearts for spring. In F., L. & T., Sue Johnson, PNG and Reporter



Photo by Robert Jacobson

Sue Johnson pins a corsage on Rebekah Assembly President Joyce Miller when she made her official visit to Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313 on March 5.



Members of the Odd Fellows Motorcycle Club had a great time participating in Seattle's St. Patrick's Day Parade. From left are: Lisa Ghramm, Charlie Ghramm, Katie Gray, Greg Powers, Caleb Alexander, Kanjin Cederman, Ron Sykes and the Keystone Cop.

From the saddle of the OFMC

Our bikes are riding toward your lodge!!

Members of the Odd Fellows Motorcycle Club have been visiting other Odd Fellow Lodges. Thank you to Olympia IOOF Lodge #1, Washougal IOOF Lodge #194, and Des Moines IOOF Lodge #305 for letting us visit.

We really enjoy seeing other Brothers and Sisters when we attend other meetings. That what Odd Fellowship is all about. . . right?

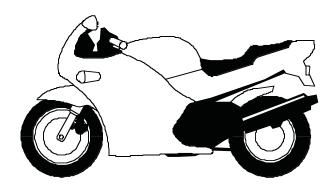
We will be sending out letters to other lodges soon asking for permission to visit. If you would like us to come visit your lodge, send an email to:

OddFellowsMotorcycleClub@hotmail.com.

Ballard-Alki IOOF Lodge #170 invited us to attend the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Seattle on March 16. The parade was a lot of fun as we walked and waved at lots of people along the parade route. The weather, for the most part, cooperated with us, however the wind was a little chilly at times.

After the parade, Ballard-Alki Lodge members had soup and baked potatoes with all the fixings waiting for us. Thank you for inviting us and feeding us. We had a blast!

— In F., L. & T., The Odd Fellows Motorcycle Club





Charlie Ghramm of the Odd Fellows Motorcycle Club, at February's Teddy Bear Run. The ride was a benefit for the children at Multicare Hospital in Auburn.

In Memorian

- Marie Emma Scott, Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, 42 year member, Plymouth Rebekah Lodge #142 in Everett.
- Edward F. Powell, 60 year member, Richland IOOF Lodge #338. Brother Edward was the 18th member to sign the Lodge Register when #338 was Chartered on November 28, 1952,
- Shirley Jeanne Pappila, Salmon Bay Rebekah Lodge #217, Ballard.

District #18 Meeting set

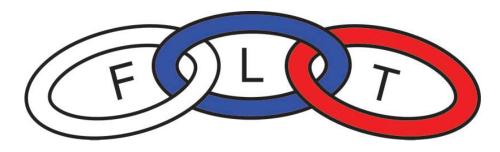
The spring meeting for Rebekah District #18 will be held at Longview Rebekah Lodge #305 on Saturday, April 6. District President Rosalie Davis invites you to attend.

Coffee and cookies will be served at 9 a.m. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. and lunch will be served at

Members of harmony Rebekah Lodge #335 are hosting the meeting.

\$20

~ Lodge Cards



LODGE CARD UPDATE

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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 98620. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Betty Wilde, 90 Adams Loop Rd., Goldendale, WA 98620. **Ph:** (509) 773-5774. **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

BOTHELL I.O.O.F. LODGE #124

Meets At: 10116 NE 185th, Bothell. Time: 1st & 3rd Tues, 7:30 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Bruce Kenyon, 16564 NE 97th Pl., Redmond, WA 98052. Ph: (425) 885-2741. Sec'y: Cheryl Kenyon, 16564 NE 97th Pl., Redmond, WA 98052. **Ph**: (425) 885-2741.

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: Bryan Rennaker, 7707 - 195th St. Ct. E., Spanaway, WA 98387. Ph: (253) 875-5061. Sec'y: Stacey King, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (253) 880-4788

BUCODA REBEKAH LODGE #144

Meets At: 202 S. Main St., Bucoda. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: None. NG: Jamie Rhoads, 18016 Charlotte Pl., Rochester, WA 98579. Ph: (360) 273-3604. Sec'y: Jennifer Rhoads, 18016 Charlotte PI, Rochester, WA 98579. **Ph**: (360) 273-3604

CHEWELAH REBEKAH LODGE #162

Meets At: N. 108 Second St. E., 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: D.e. Joey Locke, 2197 Heine Rd., Chewelah, WA 99109. Ph:

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: Jeremy Edwards, 2252 Ventura Ave., Enumclaw, WA 98022-9257. Ph: (253) 680-9676. Sec'y: Karen Hoylman, 2252 Ventura Ave., Enumclaw, WA 98022-9257. 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. Mary 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 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Lorraine Kramer, 8915 - 107th St. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. Sec'y: Lena Swetz, 199 Canyon Rd., Silvercreek, WA 98585. Ph: (360) 983-3105

KENT L.E.A. #15

Meets At: 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines. Time: 2nd Fri., 7:30 pm Recess: July, Aug. CM: Kendra Frogge', 1418 - 5th Ave. SW, Puyallup, WA 98371. Ph: (253) 370-2723. Scribe: Betty Young, 26501 - 128th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98030. Ph: (253) 631-5503

LORRAINE REBEKAH LODGE #289

Meets At: 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA 98198. Time: 1st & 3rd Wed., 8 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Jean Coston, 2312 S. 128th St., Burien, WA 98168. Ph: (206) 246-8079. 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

MONROE I.O.O.F. LODGE #156

Meets At: 610 So. Lewis, Monroe, WA 98272. Time: 1st & 3rd Thurs., 8 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Carol Manni, 21730 Old Owen Rd, Monroe, WA 98272. Ph: (360) 794-1197. Sec'y: Aloha Zurfluh, 21714 Old Owen Rd., Monroe, WA 98272. Ph: (360) 794-8338

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, 1052 SE Deep Lake Rd., Port Orchard, WA 98367-7531. Ph: (360) 876-1819

NARCISSA REBEKAH LODGE #2

Meets At: Washington Odd Fellows Home, 534 Boyer Ave., Walla Walla. Time: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 2 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Rose Ringhoffer, 1853 Rustic Pl, Walla Walla, WA 99362. Ph: (509) 525-1768. Sec'y: Shirley Ruble, 30 S. Clinton St., #7202, Walla Walla, WA 98362. Ph: (509) 525-4015

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

Meets At: 405 Columbia St. NW, Olympia. Time: 1st & 3rd Mon., 7 pm. Recess: None. NG: William Perez, 7828 Mountain Aire Lp. SE, Olympia, WA 98503. Ph: (360) 349-5669. Sec'y: Cathy Garcia, 5010 - 103rd Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98513. Ph: (360) 701-5896

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: Valorie Hoffmeister, 19210 - 46th Ave. NE, Arlington, WA 98223-4760. Ph: (360) 572-0055. Sec'y: Bill Wade, 63631 NE 194th Pl., Gold Bar, WA 98251-9493. 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, C/O Naomi Dow, PO Box 191, Onalaska, WA 98570. Ph: (360) 978-4281

RUTH REBEKAH LODGE #17

Meets At: IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia. Time: 2nd & 4th Wed., 7:30 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Diane Devoe, 1715 - 11th Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98502. Ph: (360) 943-5987. Sec'y: Cathy Garcia, 5010 - 103rd Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98513. Ph: (360) 701-5896

SALMON BAY REBEKAH LODGE #217

Meets At: 1706 NW Market St., Seattle (Ballard). Time: 1st & 3rd Thurs, 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Susan Dare, 3619 SW Holly St., Seattle, WA 98126. Ph: (206-937-1775. Sec'y: Katie Rose Aldridge, 3217 W. Elmore St., Seattle, WA 98199-1306. Ph: (206) 283-1999

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: Barbara Nelson, PNG, 8010 East 'C' St., Tacoma, WA 98404-1033. Ph: (253) 473-1720. Sec'y: Carol Robertson, PNG, 1803 - 139th St. Ct. E, Sp. 172, Tacoma, WA 98445-6096. Ph: (253) 472-0081

SO. TACOMA I.O.O.F LODGE #211

Meets At: 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma. Time: 12nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Steve Tjelde, 13208 Bingham Ave. E., Tacoma, WA 98466. Ph: (253) 640-1136. Sec'y: Duard Fyffe, 4501 S. 'J' St., Tacoma, WA 98418. Ph: (253) 282-3472

TITUSVILLE I.O.O.F. LODGE #34

Meets At: 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: None. NG: Barbara J. Reitan, PO Box 337, Kent, WA 98035-0337. Ph: (253) 854-3254. Sec'y: Edmond L. Reitan, Jr., PO Box 337, Kent, WA 98035-0337. Ph: (253) 854-3254

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: Dave Delony, 8703 Dolly Madison St. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. Ph: (253) 983-7619. Sec'y: Brian Brewer, 905 E. Beacon Ave., Montesano, WA 98563. Ph: (360) 249-5711

TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179

Meets At: 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Florence Reith. Sec'y: Alberta Luurs, 497 S. R 505, Winlock, WA 98596. Ph: (360) 219-7629

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., 32101 NW Eagle Crest Dr., Ridgefield, WA 98642-9156 Ph: (360) 263-8134. Sec'y: Jessica Moore, 11238 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682. Ph: (360) 624-5291.

WARREN REBEKAH LODGE #308

Meets At: 220 1st E., Roy. Time: 2nd & 4th Mon., 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Deb Gulley, PO Box 1071, 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: Jim Boyd, Jr., 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: 206 - 3rd St. SE, Yelm, WA. Time: 1st & 3rd Mon., 1:00 pm. Recess: June, July. NG: Jennie Cole, 1841 Trosper Rd. SW, #7, Tumwater, WA 98512. Ph: (360) 352-5199. Sec'y: Nancy Huddleston, 14129 - 93rd Ave. SE, Yelm, WA 98597. Ph: (360) 458-2361



In Walla Walla

Narcissa Rebekahs #2

We were honored to have guest speaker Howard Ostby, Director of Center at the Park, describe their community services. As head of Senior Roundtable, Howard manages Meals on Wheels in Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin counties. More than 100,000 meals a year are delivered to homes and eight neighborhood sites. Other services are classes, activities, day care, senior store, "Operation Warmup" that collects and distributes scarves, and "Voice Care" that offers an emergency call system.

Our District Meeting will take place at the Odd Fellows Home on Saturday, April 20. Preparations are underway for a morning coffee hour and salad bar luncheon.

Our District officers are: President Barbara Tvrz, Warden Barbara Lechner, Conductor Jeanne Elder, RS President Maryann Applebee, LS President Marthann Hall, and Finance Committee Maryann Applebee and Elsie Wells. We invite all members to come to this popular spring event.

Annual donations to the Food Pantries are being accepted for Easter. Blue Mountain Action Council delivers food to individual pantries that supply three food banks in Walla Walla County. Entrees, breakfast items, and canned goods for the drive are great appreciated.

Our donation of \$400 helped put the Jessica Schmaltz Fund over its goal of \$4,000. Vice Grand Barbara Lechner brought Jessica's cause to our attention. Eight-year old Jessica of Milton-Freewater, Oregon has scoliosis and requires extensive daily care. The family was able to provide Jessica with the necessary medical equipment — a car seat, bath chair, walker, and nutritional supplements. Jessica's family expressed their gratitude on Facebook:

"Dear Narcissa Rebekahs,



Vice Grand Barbara Lechner brought the fund-raiser for 8-year old Jessica Schmaltz to our attention. Our donation put the family over their goal. Today she has the medical equipment she needs for her extensive daily care.

Thank you so much for your generous donations to help Jess get the equipment she needs. If anyone knows any of these ladies, please tell them how grateful we are. We are very humbled and thankful to live in such an amazing community. You ladies did a great thing. Thanks to you we reached our goal.

— Bob, Kori, Ky, Jazz and Jess Schmaltz" More than 300 readers expressed their appreciation for our gift. Donations may be made to the Jessica Schmaltz Fund, American West Bank, 1850 E. Isaacs Avenue, Walla

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Don't forget your June trek to Yakima

On behalf of Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 and the Grand Lodge Host Committee of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, we welcome you to the 135th Grand Sessions in Yakima, Washington. We consider it an honor to host this year's Sessions and look forward to seeing each and every one who attends.

We would like to begin by thanking Ernie and Mavis House for their many years of dedication and hard work chairing the Grand Lodge Host Committee. The House's did a superb job and it's comforting to know as we assume those duties that they are just a phone call away.

The conference will begin Friday, June 21 with the Theta Rho Assembly and concluding on Thursday, June 27 with the Encampment Sessions. May your visit and stay be a wonderful and memorable occasion filled with Friendship, Love, and Truth. It is our sincere hope that your experience be a good one.

Members are responsible for making their own lodging reservations. Please call the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center at: (509) 248-7850. In order to receive the conference room rate, indicate that you're attending the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Sessions. We strongly recommend that you make hotel reservations as soon as possible.

In the this month's newsletter you will find conference registration forms for Session events, meals, and additional hotel information on page 12. Please complete the "2013 Sessions Registration" and/or "2013 Theta Rho Registration" forms as soon as possible. Send them to your host committee to the address provided on the forms.

May you, enjoy your stay in Yakima.

— Fraternally, Joe and Kathi Picanco Grand Lodge Host Committee

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Walla, WA 99362.

"LD Club," a branch of our lodge, fulfilled a wish of the Veterans Administration Medical Center for rubber shower sandals known as "flip-flops." When Sister Judith Pippin distributed the sandals, they were eagerly accepted and immediately put to use. We thank the veterans who served our country and are pleased to give this small token of our

Noble Grand Rose Ringhoffer enjoyed her 90th birthday parties with the lodge, her neighbors, and family and friends in Seattle. Five generations of her family traveled from as far away as the East Coast and Germany to celebrate with Rose. Next on her busy schedule is a trip to Portugal.

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

News from the Capital City

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

I need to start this month with a correction. It sees I tried to combine the Rebekah and Odd Fellow meetings in my last newsletter. Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 meets on the first and third *Monday* of each month at 7 p.m. with dinner being served on the third Monday at 6 p.m. Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17 meets on the second and fourth *Wednesday* at 7:30 p.m. I am so sorry for any confusion I may have caused.

Now — on to new information.

Last weekend Olympia #1 and Ruth Rebekah #17 hosted our annual Easter Egg Hunt. What fun!! Cardboard bunny houses decorated the grounds at the Puget Beach Park, and eggs were scattered and hid all around. The Easter Bunny visited our egg hunters and even let several of them have their picture taken with him. The teenagers enjoyed an interesting scavenger hunt that necessitated their interacting with adults at the event. There were prizes, raffles and food. If you missed it, you will want to put the date on your calendar for next year.

It is time for the "Little Red School House BBQ" again. The date is May 16. Please contact any member of Olympia #1 for your ticket. This is a wonderful organization that provides back packs, school supplies and coats to needy children in the Olympia area. PJ Fluetsch first brought this group to the attention of the Odd Fellows and we are honored to continue our involvement with them.

Don't forget our Grand Master's "Lunch and Learn" day coming up on Sunday, April 21 at Olympia IOOF Lodge #1. You will be surprised at how much helpful information is presented in one short day. The more we learn the easier it is to do our jobs efficiently and accurately.

The Cemetery Board is busy putting together the schedule of events for the Memorial Day celebration that will once again be held at the IOOF Cemetery. Be watching for more information.

Stu and Walt are busy mowing the grounds at the Beach Park again this year, and Glenn has been busy weeding and planting in the flower beds. We are fortunate to have so much volunteer labor keeping our park in wonderful condition. Thank you so much guys.

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

What would you like to see?

Let us know what you would like to see in future editions of *The Washington OddFellow*. Would you like to see some puzzles, historical articles or more pictures?

Please let Grand Secretary Harry Coulter know. We hope to be adding some new features in our September edition.



Photo courtesy Cookie Music

New Longview officers

There were smiles all around when Longview Rebekah Lodge #305 installed their officers on February 21. New officers are: Supporters Penny Messinger and Lila Jordan, VG John Bonsey, NG Cynthia Washington and Treasurer Adrienne Galvez. A big thank you goes to Rosalie Davis and her Installing Team. A delicious luncheon was served following the ceremony.



Photo by Robert Jacobsor

Ilwaco Odd Fellows gathered around Grand Master Laurel Delony when she made her official visit on March 7. In the front row, from left, are: Max Bloom, Vicky Beamguard, Joyce Benson, GM Laurel, Mardela Bull and Brenda Molsby. In the back row, from left, are: Thurston "Cal" Middleton, Dave Delony and Fred Molsby.

Ilwaco IOOF Lodge #118

We were proud and delighted to have had the honor and pleasure to host our Grand Master Laurel Delony and her husband Dave for dinner and our meeting on March 7. Our Grand Master was inspirational and very informative in her address to our small lodge. We thank her for not forgetting us in her visitations. We also thank Dave for his input about the Odd Fellows Museum they are starting in Olympia.

— In Friendship, Love and Truth, Thurston Middleton

2013 Washington Grand Sessions

~ Registration Form ~ Clarion Hotel, Yakima, WA June 21 thru 27, 2013

ONE PERSON per registration, please. Make copies as necessary.

PLEASE PRINT

Name		
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Highest Current or Past Title		
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SATURDAY, JUNE 22		
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	s \$16.00	
Theta Rho Banque		
SUNDAY, JUNE 23		
4:00 p.m. Past President's Meeting / I	Banquet	
Beef or Chicken (Circle One)	\$22.00	
MONDAY, JUNE 24		
7:30 a.m. Grand Master's Breakfast Buffet		
Country Buffet	\$12.00	
7:30 a.m. President's Breakfast Buffe	t	
Yakima Buffet	\$12.00	
6:00 p.m. All Branch Banquet Theme	: "1940s Big Band Hanger Dance"	
	\$22.00	
TUESDAY, JUNE 25		
7:00 a.m. TaNaMaKa Breakfast Buffe	t	
Country Buffet	\$12.00	
7:30 a.m. IOOF Representatives' Brea	akfast Buffet	
Country Buffet	\$12.00	
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26		
7:30 a.m. Rebekah Representatives' B	reakfast Buffet	
Clarion Continental Buffet	\$12.00	
7:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social	\$TBA	
THURSDAY, JUNE 27		
7:30 a.m. Grand Senior Warden's Breakfast Buffet		
All American Buffet	\$12.00	
Noon. Grand Patriarch / Grand Matr	iarch Luncheon Buffet	
Soup and Salad Bar	\$15.00	
Pre Registration Prior to June 1	\$20.00	
Registration AFTER June 1, 2013	\$30.00	
Chaperones, Advisors & Assistants		
Attending Theta Rho Assembly ONLY	\$10.00	
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2013 Grand Sessions

Hotel Reservation Information

Make your room reservations directly with the Hotel Clarion Hotel & Conference Center

1507 N. 1st St., Yakima, Washington 98901

Phone: (509) 248-7850 • Fax: (509) 576-4940

Be sure to mention that you are with the Odd Fellow & Rebekah Convention

Please provide the hotel with the following information: Room type (King or Queen) • Number staying in room Any special needs or requirements

Rates are:

\$77 Single and Double \$87 Triple • \$97 Quad

Cut-off date for these rates is June 1, 2013

Get your ads in the Sessions program!!

The Grand Lodge Host Committee, as in years past, accepts paid advertisements for the Grand Sessions Program Booklet. The ads help offset the costs of publishing and distributing the program.

The advertisement charges for lodges are:

FULL PAGE, 5" BY 8" FOR \$50 HALF PAGE 5" BY 4" FOR \$25

All advertisement bills must be paid to the "Grand Lodge Host Committee" prior to them being placed into the program. Deadline for submission is June 1.

You may send your request by email followed by your check or mail both to:

JOE OR KATHI PICANCO 3020 LANGRIDGE AVE NW OLYMPIA, WA 98502-4478 PICANCOJ@HOTMAIL.COM (360) 705-1966

Please include the following with your ad:

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Thanks in advance for your support.

— Fraternally, Joe and Kathi Picanco Grand Lodge Host Committee

See You In Yakima June 21 Thru 27



Photo by Robert Jacobson

Theta Rho history

Eight Past Presidents of the Theta Rho Assembly of Washington gathered at the Spunky Bluebirds Installation on February 23. From left are: Janie (Curtis) Kuja (1963), Laurel (Balmert) Delony (1981), Loletta (Craig) McCormick (1953), Allison Stewart (2012), Vicki (Flagan) Schmall (1967), Sylvia (Johnson) Summers (1975), Becky Jo (Baccus) Baker (1976), and Holly Houser (1985). From newest to most senior, eight Theta Rho Past Presidents all came together for the first time to cheer on the Spunky Bluebirds. These ladies share more than 60 years of Theta Rho Sisterhood. Spending time together brought back a flood of fond memories and reaffirmation of the special bonds Theta Rho nurtures. Once a Theta Rho Girl, always a Theta Rho Girl.

In Montesano

Fern Rebekah Lodge #26

In the fall we had a yard sale with members of Silvia IOOF Lodge #38. The Odd Fellows Lodge donated their share of the earnings to the Rebekah Lodge. That was greatly appreciated.

At our first meeting in December, our Noble Grand Donna Tonn brought many stuffed animals that she had. We sacked them up and they were presented to the Montesano Fire Department, Montesano Police Department, and the Grays Harbor County Sheriff's Office.

Assembly President Joyce Miller installed our lodge officers in January. This was her official visit to our lodge. This was a great help as we do not have too many active members. Our officers for 2013 are: Noble Grand Donna Tonn, Vice Grand Karyl Martinson, Secretary Frances Jonason, and Treasurer Donna Hamilton.

Our lodge had a bake sale on March 25 at the local senior center. Our Sister Donna Hamilton celebrated her 90th birthday on March 29.

We are busy planning the District Meeting that will be held on Monday, April 22 in the Montesano IOOF Hall. Dinner is at 6 p.m.

We are looking forward to spring. The daffodils and tulips are starting to bloom. That's all the news for now. Here's wishing everyone a good spring and summer.

In F., L. & T., Frances Jonason, Reporter

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Theta Rho Of Washington

~ Pre-Registration & Banquet Form ~

Clarion Hotel - Yakima, WA June 21 thru 23, 2013

One girl per registration, please. Make copies as necessary.

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THIS FORM STRICTLY FOR THETA RHO ASSEMBLY YOUTH ONLY Adults Please Use Annual Grand Sessions Registration Form

Name			
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Highest Current or Past	Title		
Club Name & No			
Assembly Jurisdiction			
Advisor's Name/Phone _			
Attending Banquet Yes	No Satur	day, June 22, 2013, 5 p.m.	
Banquet Theme: Formal			
Banquet Meal: Clarion Clar	ssic Buffet, Sliced Sirloin o	f Beef in Mushroom Deli Glaze	
Mail Your	Pre-Registration & M	leal Forms to:	
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In Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho #79

Spring is definitely here. We are excited about getting together with the other Theta Rho Clubs at the retreat in Olympia. The retreat last year was so much fun.

The following weekend we are participating in the Holland Happening Parade here in Oak Harbor. We will have a sleepover at the hall the night before the parade and then we usually go to lunch together at Wendy's.

We have two more new members, Audry and Alia Gibson. We hope they will enjoy being a part of our club.

We completed our project of 60 Easter baskets for the assisted living facility last month and delivered them in time for Easter. We want to thank Miss Diana for all her help in getting these ready to put together.

We also had a movie and game night at our advisor's home.

We will see some of you in Olympia and hopefully others in Yakima at the June Sessions.

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

From your Theta Rho Assembly President

CONGRATULATIONS, NEW OFFICERS

Hello.

I hope everyone has been well and enjoying our beautiful spring weather!

Congratulations to all the clubs upon the installation of



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their officers and a special thank you to everyone who filled the sidelines. It's always a pleasure to see all of you who support us.

A reminder to the girls — Sessions are just around the corner. I have sent out letters to the clubs letting them know what their different responsibilities are for Theta Rho Assembly. For those who wish to participate in the Ritualistic Contest, ages 8-11 will be Second Herald page 45, and ages 12 and

up will have the Chaplain's part on initiation on page 41.

Also, be sure to attend Theta Rho Assembly Retreat April 19-21 at the Olympia IOOF Park. This weekend is a great opportunity for everyone to learn their various responsibilities and duties that will need to be carried out during our Sessions. If everyone practices and learns their part then this will help our meetings run more smoothly and efficiently, leaving more time for fun and social time.

In Happiness Through Service , Shamanice Gordon, Theta Rho Assembly President



Theta Rho Assembly President Shamanice Gordon and Faith Ghramm ham it up for photographer Robert Jacobsen at the Spunky Bluebirds' Installation on February 23. Shamanice was the Installing Marshall and she was placing the Junior Past President's regalia on Faith.



Photo by Robert Jacobson

Gathered together on February 23 for the Installation of Officers for Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho Girls' Club are, from left, Vice President Alley Emmons, Treasurer Lauren Lozano, LS President Julia Collier, President Christina Dirks, Assistant Advisor Rebecca Burk, Advisor Sylvia Summers, Marshal Piper Fyffe, Junior Past President Faith Ghramm, RSVP Shamanice Gordon, Secretary Britney Jahner, Chaplain Madeleine Martin, and Assistant Advisor Laurel Delony.

In South Tacoma

Bluebirds are loved

Based on the incredible turnout for the Spunky Bluebird's Installation of Officers on February 23, it is obvious the Theta Rho girls are loved and supported by our Order. In addition to being pleased by the faithful support of their families and friends, the girls were delighted by the number of adult members and other special guests who attended their installation. The South Tacoma IOOF Lodge room was packed with members of the Order, including several Grand Officers. The girls felt pretty special to have the Grand Master, Rebekah Assembly President and the Theta Rho Assembly President all in attendance. They were also pleased to have eight Theta Rho Assembly Past Presidents, one Grand Ruler and two United Nation's Pilgrimage delegates attending.

The installation is a highlight of the year for the girls. They love getting all dressed up and being part of the pomp and circumstance. The members of the Odd Fellow Motorcycle Club added a special flare to this year's ceremony by escorting each of the girls into the installation.

The success of the day was made possible by the dedicated members of our sponsoring Rebekah lodges: Eola and South Tacoma, whose members once again worked behind the scenes to provide a delightful luncheon and ensured everything ran smoothly so the girls could just enjoy their day. We are so blessed to have their support and that of our South Tacoma Odd Fellows who generously provide us with a meeting space throughout the year. We extend a special thanks to all of them and also to Robert Jacobsen and his amazing "eye" for capturing our memories in brilliant photographs. Thanks for the memories, Robert.

Not wasting any time, our new President Christina Dirks got right to work supporting her project — My Sister's Pantry Food Bank. On March 7, she, Lauren and Piper donned aprons, rolled up their sleeves and became servers at the food bank's annual fund-raising dinner. It is sure to be an active year with our super volunteer Christina at the helm.

In Happiness Through Service, Sylvia Summers, Advisor

From your Department Commander

Invite non-members to your picnics

These are some comments as we near the summer months. Hopefully the rain and not-so-good weather will stop, and sunny, warm days will be with us again.

As our Lodges, Encampments and Cantons are in meet-



BRIG. GENERAL WILLIAM SNYDER

ings and summer picnics are being discussed, include guests who are not members of the Order and the different Degrees. This may bring up curiosity about the Order and it may be an avenue of recruitment.

This is a for all members of the Odd Fellows. We should concentrate on getting members and keeping them involved in our Lodges, Encampments and the Cantons.

PROVIDING INFORMATION

As you seek information from the prospective members, advise them that

the Secretaries, Scribes and Clerks have the most information for the different Degrees — and they would be the ones to contact for the advice and direction for admission to the Degrees.

In Pe Ell

Sylvan Glen Rebekahs #184

I am not sure if Elayne Novotny sent in an article. She was called to Oklahoma as her aunt Rita had open heart surgery and needed her for the recovery period. Elayne will be gone for about a month.

Our Noble Grand Carolyn Turner has been having medical problems, but she is a little better now.

Wayne and Jerry Purtell have been on another trip. They are doing quite well now.

Our officers not installed at Napavine were installed during our last meeting.

Chaplain Luellyn Ainsworth is having another malignant tumor removed from her bladder. Hopefully there will be no more after the chemotherapy treatments. I just cross my fingers and pray.

Corky and Warren Walker are having physical problems, but they are improving now. Hopefully all will go well the rest of the year.

Our high school girls won third place in the state basketball tournament held in Spokane. That pleased us very much!

Our lunches are always delicious and healthy. All of our members are such good cooks.

— In F., L. & T., Chaplain Luellyn Ainsworth And members of Sylvan Glen The Grand Lodge website is a starting point for them to seek information. The website lists all Lodges, Encampment and Cantons and other information necessary for them to gain some knowledge of our Order.

SPRING SESSIONS IN IDAHO

I will be attending numerous event and visits in Oregon during the next few months and will be at the Spring Sessions Meeting in Idaho in April. Plan to attend the Idaho Spring Sessions Meeting to welcome the Canton members into the Pacific Northwest Council.

OUTSTANDING MEMBERS AND FOOD

I have enjoyed meeting all the members and getting to know new ones. And the food has been outstanding. From pork chops and mash potatoes with gravy to salads — all home cooked by an extremely talented chef, assisted by a razor sharp culinary master whose skill created an excellent cuts of pork for each person. I enjoyed a spaghetti dinner with all the fixings for Valentine's Day at a hall that was decorated in Valentines, heart shaped table settings and balloon figures representing the icons of Valentine's Day There was a feeling of love for everyone who attended. I hope to see you in Idaho at the Spring Sessions in April.

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

Battalion Meeting set in Olympia on April 13

March 9, 2013

To all Chevaliers and Ladies:

You are hereby ordered to mobilize for the Battalion Meeting to be held on Saturday, April 13 in Olympia at the IOOF Hall. Registration will be at 10 a.m. and the meetings will start at 1 p.m. following lunch.

The registration fee is \$10 which includes your lunch. The Chevaliers are asked to wear their uniforms with swords, if possible. If not, dress is suggested to be dark slacks with white shirt and black tie. We are hoping to see you all there, as it was voted and approved in November of 2011 to have two meetings per year.

CANTON MOUNT SI #36 WILL HOST

Canton Mount Si #36 members take note, we are scheduled to act as the host Canton for this meeting, so please plan accordingly.

— Chivalrously,

Maj. Gen. (R) Edmond L Reitan Jr., Clerk

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Ballard Alki IOOF Lodge had a busy, busy March!

We have been very busy here at Ballard Alki Lodge IOOF #170 during the month of February with many activities and events. At our first meeting on February 14, we held a rededication to Odd Fellowship night. During this event we rededicated ourselves to Odd Fellowship. In the meeting we reconfirmed our Obligations to our Order, received the Noble Grand's charge, and went over all the signs and signals of the Unwritten Ritual. Then we had Mardi Gras themed potluck with the special food of New Orleans.

At our second meeting held on the February 28, we had a wonderful First Degree ceremony for two candidates in the traditional fashion.

On the community front we held our third "Street Cleanup" for the streets we have adopted. The event was held March 3, followed by a pizza party to thank our volunteers.

We were very excited for the month of March. At our first meeting on March 14, we had a guest speaker from the Seattle Police Department, followed by a Saint Patrick's themed potluck. On Saturday, March 16, we were in the Seattle Saint Patrick's Day parade. Many Odd Fellows walked with us.

On March 28 we had a Second Degree planned, but we wished to assist the Titusville Lodge #34 in Kent

with their Initiatory Degree. We are attempting to have a dispensation to move our Charter to their lodge to hold our meeting and assist them in this degree. It was a fun month. Please join us in the future.

- Fraternally, Kanjin Cederman, Noble Grand



Members of Ballard Alki's March 3 Street Clean-Up crew are, from left, Michael Douglas, Kanjin Cederman, Greg Powers, Katie Gray, Nora Carria, Bob Gale, Jean Coston, Genie Coston, and Carlene Coston.