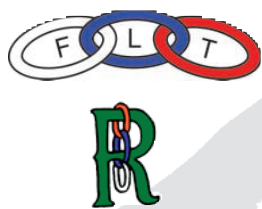


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Piper Fyffe checks out the pipe organ on the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Rose Parade Float in Pasadena.

New e-mail address for the Grand Lodge

Brothers and Sisters

The Grand Lodge has a new email address:

grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com

Please use this address when contacting the Grand Lodge via email. Everything else is the same.

— With Fraternal Hugs

Laurel Delony, PGM, Grand Secretary

An exciting start to 2019

Spunky Bluebirds ride and decorate Rose Float

On January 1, 2019, Piper Fyffe and Danny Cupps of the Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho Girls' Club had the incredible honor and thrill of riding on the Odd Fellows and Rebekah's float in the 130th Annual Rose Parade in Pasadena, California.

At Sovereign Grand Lodge Youth Days in Baltimore, the girls learned about the float work party that happens every year from Lorna Hemphill, advisor of the Florin Theta Rho Club in California. Lorna not only enticed them into joining the fun, she encouraged them to apply to become riders. When they got home, Piper and Danny promptly submitted their applications and in November they were delighted to receive an invitation to ride on the 2019 float.

See Spunky Bluebirds on page 6



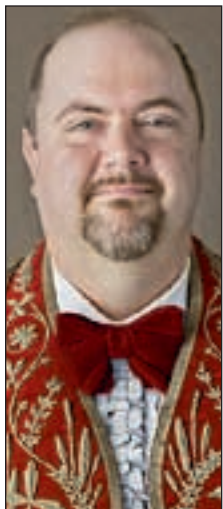
Back home again

Patricia Lowndes Jennings reminisces over her album of photos taken 74 years ago in Walla Walla. She was a freshman student at Whitman College in 1945 and lived in "College House" on the campus of the Washington Odd Fellows Home. See page 12 for story and more photos.

From the desk of your Grand Master

THE MONTH OF LOVE

February is the month of love and since love is an important virtue in Odd Fellowship, I want to share one of the greatest examples of love I've found in our Order. This story was relayed to me by PGP George Carlile.



TOBY HANSON

There was a particularly odious member of one of the lodges that Brother Carlile belonged to. This member was socially awkward, difficult, and fairly unpleasant to be around. Nevertheless, his Brothers treated him with dignity and respect. They chipped in and bought him a nice suit to wear for lodge functions, which he later sold for the cash. The Brothers of the lodge always did their best to guide this unpleasant Brother toward the best choices he could make for himself and the lodge. Even though he

rarely showed any gratitude, the Brothers persisted in their kindness toward him.

Eventually, this Brother whom everyone endured came down with a serious terminal illness. In his greatest time of need, his lodge Brothers stepped up and took care of him. They drove him to medical appointments, helped him with grocery shopping, checked in on him, and provided for his general well-being to the best of their abilities. Eventually, after his passing, they gave their Brother a dignified funeral and burial.

Most of the time, brotherhood is fairly easy. Most of us really like one another and get along with each other very well. If one of our good friends in the Order asked for help, there would be no second thought to coming to assistance. The truest test of brotherhood, however, is when the least popular of our ranks is in need. How motivated are we to help out that member who always complains about every lodge activity? Or the one who always tells us that we won't be successful? Or the one who is critical of everything the Noble Grand does?

It is those times when we must give our best as Odd Fellows. Our Ritual teaches us that one may have a rough, unseemly exterior, but a true heart within. Brotherhood means ignoring that rough, unseemly exterior and providing aid and comfort to our members in need, regardless of any externalities. In doing so we express the truest and purest form of love.

I encourage each of us to go forward in Odd Fellowship and express love toward one and all. We never set a better example for our Order than when we go into our communities with love in our hearts and actions. I will do my best to set the example for our Jurisdiction.

I'M AVAILABLE

Remember, if you have any questions or need help with anything, I'm available. Call or text me at (206) 245-8207 or email me at iooftoby@gmail.com.

— *In Friendship, Love and Truth,*
Toby Hanson, Your 2018-2019 Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Washington, IOOF

Grand Master donates another instrument!!!

Musical instrument collections have been going very well for Grand Master Toby Hanson's project — Music in Schools Pierce County. So far, he's collected a trombone, two recorders, two guitars, a single-neck steel guitar with amplifier, and a baritone ukulele. The guitar in the picture was donated by Sister Betty Young.

The stringed instruments are refurbished and then given to juvenile offenders released from Remann Hall, along with lessons, as a way of keeping the young people from returning to criminal activity after release. The band instruments, like the trombone, are refurbished and loaned out to local students in school band programs who can't afford instrument rentals.

If you or your lodge has instruments to donate, please contact the Grand Master to arrange for pickup. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated as the money goes to pay for the instrument repairs. Checks can be sent to the Grand Secretary with "Grand Master's Project" on the memo line.



Grand Master Toby Hanson with Dan Wilson, program coordinator for Music In Schools Pierce County, donating another guitar to the program.

From the desk of your Grand Secretary

ALL THE BEST TO NEW OFFICERS

Brothers and Sisters,

All installations should be completed as of this news letter. Congratulations to the new officers.



New or repeat Secretaries, if you need any help at all or need to order supplies, please be sure to let me know.

Here's one last reminder that your year-end reports are due into this office by Friday, February 15. If you are having problems filling the forms out, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-800-345-1766 or via email at: grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com

REPRESENTATIVES

LAUREL DELONY

If your lodge is an odd-numbered lodge, you should be electing a Lodge Representative and Alternate for two years during your first meeting in February. Once you have your Representative elected,

they should be making plans to attend Sessions in June. Your lodge has a voice and vote. Make sure your lodge is heard.

— With Fraternal Hugs

Laurel Delony, PGM, Grand Secretary

Lodge Card updates

Brothers and Sisters,

To better control the lodge cards listed in *The Washington OddFellow*, the run date for cards will be from March 1 through February of the following year. This should give lodges plenty of time to send in updated information following their Installation of Officers in January.

We are keeping a list here in the office to make sure we are on track.

Please do not send in the lodge card update without the required \$20.

If you have any questions, please contact the Grand Lodge office at:

grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com
or call 800-345-1766.

In Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho #79

WELCOME NEW OFFICERS

We held our Installation of Officers last month and our new officers are: President Hailey Scheiderer, Vice President Piper Lanning, Secretary Evelyn Nichols, Warden Lucy Crouch, Marshal Stacy Gardiner, Chaplain Desiree Gardiner, Conductor Catherine Hopkinson, Guardian Tessa Thornton and RS President Rebecca Johnson.

We made Valentines to give to the residents of the nursing home as our community service project for this month. At our first meeting in February, we will celebrate Valentine's Day ourselves with a Valentine craft and special refreshments.

Our advisor is leaving us for her annual trip to Germany, but when she gets home in March it will be spring and we will get back in full swing since the weather should be warmer. We are looking forward to being able to do some outdoor activities like the retreat and the Holland Happening Parade.

Until later. . .

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



LongviewRebekahs

We need your help

A member of Longview Rebekah Lodge #305 recently passed along a photo of a canned food drive sponsored by her lodge. However, no details were provided for a caption. Hopefully someone from Longview can contact Grand Secretary Laurel Delony with details about the food drive (when, who received the canned goods, etc.) and the names of the folks in the photo. Laurel can be contacted at:

grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com

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~ In Memoriam ~

• **Priscilla (Penny) Messinger**, 96-years-old, 60-year member, Longview Rebekah Lodge #305.

From the desk of the Assembly President

THE MONTH OF CHANGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

February is the month of change. The new officers have been installed and have begun their terms. We must support them and respect their ideas with the same support and



JENNIE REED

respect that was given to us when we were newly-installed. Change can be beneficial for all branches of our Order.

February also brings the anticipation of better weather. I'm sure we all are ready for spring! It is my sincere hope that each of you fared well during the December snows and the floods of January. The principles of our Order, "To relieve those in affliction or distress," became real when we were faced by nature at it's worst.

MY FEBRUARY

VISITATION SCHEDULE

- **Tuesday, February 5** — Pine Burr #300

- **Wednesday, February 6** — Fall City #59
- **Thursday, February 7** — Monterose #46
- **Wednesday, February 13** — Ruth #17
- **Thursday, February 14** — Bucoda #144
- **Thursday, February 21** — South Tacoma #160
- **Thursday, February 28** — Eola #63.

VALENTINE'S DAY

This is the month for Valentine's Day. Love is one of our most precious gifts. It is true, the more you give, the more you receive.

JUST FOR THOUGHT

"A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust." (— Gertrude Jekyll)

— In Friendship, Love & Truth

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In Walla Walla

Bee Hive Rebekahs #70

Here's hoping everyone had a good Christmas, a happy New Year, and you are back to lodge with a cheerful heart.

A BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY SEASON

Here at the Odd Fellows Home, we had decorated trees all over the place (inside and out) and attended many programs. If you have never been to the Home during the holiday season, you have missed a treat. They took us out on tour to see the lights and ours was one of the best with the lights and decorations outside. **But**, by far, the Manger scene the men built with life-sized figures was the best. Thanks to all the staff for the love and care they give us.

During the past month, our Secretary Joy Selby was in the hospital (but back with us for our first meeting of 2019. Naomi Bruce has problems the doctors cannot determine. Bernice Mock had a bad cold and now Susan Akers has a cold.

We had a Santa steal party and everyone brought refreshments. It was a **good** way to end the year.

Our Installation of Officers was on January 22.

REMINDER TO ALL BEE HIVE MEMBERS

Dues of \$40 are due now. Send your dues to Secretary Joy Selby, 1558 Alder, Walla Walla, WA 99362

In F., L. & T.,

Beverley Johnson, Reporter

SMILE! YOU MAY MAKE SOMEONE'S DAY



The Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla held a competition for the best decorated section of the Home. The winner by votes of residents and staff were Maintenance and Gardeners with a newly-installed and lighted Nativity scene.

From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

FEBRUARY IS EDUCATIONAL MONTH

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The month of February brings Valentine's Day and Presidents Day. In addition Sovereign Grand Master Douglas E. Pittman has declared February "Educational



MARCIA PRESLEY

Foundation Month." There will be special certificates that will be presented to lodges that make a \$1 donation for each of its members. The Educational Foundation is also Assembly President Jennie Reed's project for this year.

TIME TO ELECT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

February is the month that the *even numbered* Rebekah Lodges elect their Assembly Representative and Alternate Representative for a two-year term. Be sure that you read the proper procedure to do your elections. They are located in Section 3-8 in your Lodge Constitution printed in the Charge Book.

WE MISS YOU, YVONNE

It is with great sadness that I report to the Rebekah Lodges of the Jurisdiction of Washington the passing of

another of our Past Assembly Presidents. Past President Yvonne Haugeto passed away December 4, 2018 in Spokane. Yvonne was the Assembly Treasurer for a number of years and she was my cohort and sidekick when I was elected Assembly Secretary. It was always a standing joke that Yvonne would call me on my birthday, June 4, and say, "You're older than I am." Her birthday was June 6, so I was older than she was for two days. I also made sure that I did not call her on days there was a basketball game scheduled. She really loved watching basketball games.

I am asking all of the Rebekah Lodges to drape their Charters in her memory for 30 days. Yvonne will truly be missed.

SOME THOUGHTS

The world is moving so fast these days that the man who says "It can't be done" is generally interrupted by someone doing it.

You can't have everything. Besides, where would you put it???

"What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other?"

— With lots of Rebekah Hugs,
In Friendship, Love and Truth, Marcia Presley,
PP & Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington

In Walla Walla

Narcissa Rebekahs aid homeless kids!

Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 has partnered with Walla Walla Public Schools to provide assistance to homeless students. Their donation to the Homeless Fund will be used for coats, hoodies and jackets for elementary, middle and high school students, along with socks, underwear, hygiene products, laundry detergent and gift cards for new shoes.

According to Christy Krutulis, Director of Teaching and Learning, about 215 students experience homelessness each year. Intervention specialists at each school are the main contact for students in need. Then the intervention specialist accesses the needed funds to make a purchase.

Jeanne Elder, a Narcissa Rebekah member, knitted 14 winter hats with tassels and donated them to Christy Krutulis, who is the district coordinator for students experiencing homelessness. Christy contacted the intervention specialists in each public school regarding the need for warm hats. Two schools requested them for their students. Before long, Jeanne received a thank you card in appreciation for the beautiful woolen hats.

Narcissa Rebekahs have contributed to local non-profit organizations since they were founded in 1885. Recently, they have focused their support on students at

Walla Walla Community College, Teen Center at Lincoln High School and Tabitha's Closet.

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



From left, Shirley Ruble (Rebekah), Christy Krutulis (WWPS), Barbara Lechner (Rebekah), and Ali Walker (WWPS) initiate their partnership between the Narcissa Rebekahs and Walla Walla Public Schools with a \$200 donation to the Homeless Students Fund.

Spunky Bluebirds shine in Pasadena

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DAY 1 – LET THE ADVENTURES BEGIN

In the wee hours of December 28 Piper, Danny, and I set off from SeaTac Airport on a spectacular four-day adventure of a lifetime. Upon our arrival, the California Odd Fellow float team warmly welcomed us to the “barn” and encouraged us to look around before they put us to work. Even though Lorna had described in detail what to expect, we were completely taken aback by the enormity of the operation. It turns out the “barn” is a gigantic warehouse. In addition to the IOOF float, 15 other massive floats covered with scaffolding were parked side-by-side, end-to-end and stretching from ceiling to floor. Hundreds and hundreds of volunteers were busily climbing, gluing, grinding, cutting, sorting, stripping, and arranging an endless assortment of dried flowers, leaves, branches, beans, lentils, rice, coffee, brussels sprouts, oranges, potatoes, eggplants and, of course, roses. We learned parade rules require that every surface of the float be only covered with materials that “are alive, have been alive, or will be alive.” Thrown into the mix of all this were tourists who came by busloads to watch the building of the floats. The “barn” was a-buzz with activity!



Danny Cupps and Piper Fyffe spent many hours preparing the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Rose Parade Float.



Piper is sitting on the float as it wind its way through Pasadena on January 1.

Danny and I spent 8-plus hours meticulously gluing white beans to the “Odd Fellows & Rebekahs” sign while Piper climbed the scaffolding to glue silver leaves to the float’s pipe organ. Danny and Piper quickly found a flow, having similar experience in theatre with set decoration. When I asked Piper how it was going up on the scaffold, she turned around and replied, “I love it! I’m having a great time!” We all enjoyed spending hours visiting with folks from all branches of the Order and from across the United States and Canada, as well as locally. It was a unique and fun opportunity as well to get to know our SGL officers. An added pleasure for Piper was having people share their fond memories of her dad and grandparents who had been active lodge members in California. She was deeply touched hearing how loved and well respected they were.

DAY 2 – AN ACCIDENTAL HERO

By the second day we felt like pros. . . at least at gluing. We went right to work. Piper was back on the scaffolding gluing, I was promoted to gluing lentils and pedals, and Danny was tasked with sitting on the floor gluing rice onto the lower part of the float.

All was progressing well when suddenly all worked stopped. Deborah (California Theta Rho Advisor), who working alongside Piper, accidentally stepped backwards off the scaffolding. Fortunately, Danny was right under her and in her path. Although she took a foot to the nose, Danny unintentionally broke Deborah’s fall. This prevented Deborah from directly landing on the cement floor. Both were banged up — Deborah with cuts on her head and hand and Danny with a mild concussion. Thankfully neither had any major injuries. Although she was uncomfortable with claiming a hero status, Danny quickly became known as “The girl who saved Deborah.” A trip to the emergency room followed by lunch at IN/OUT Burgers made us all feel better.

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Rose Float - We worked through the night

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At midnight, day two turned into day three as we continued to work into the night putting on the final touches in preparation for the official judging that was only hours away. Efforts throughout the barn were sped up as everyone was focused finishing their float and cleaning up the messes that surrounded them. A bell would ring and everyone would applaud each time a float was completed. Having only heard six or seven bells ring, some of us called it a night at 2 a.m. It was clear that some folks were staying the night.

DAY 3 – READY FOR JUDGING

When we arrived for the judging, miraculously all the scaffolding and messes were gone. An incredible amount of work had been done during the night. All the riders and walkers took their places on or around the float and we were in full parade mode for the judging. Once the judges made the inspection, nothing more could be added or changed. It was finally time to celebrate New Year's Eve. Since everyone had to be up by 3 a.m. the next morning, it was a mini celebration. Our gracious host, Lorna, volunteered to be our tour guide. She brought us to the Griffith Conservatory to enjoy a fabulous view of Los Angeles. From there we were off to see the Hollywood stars — their names on the Hollywood "Walk of Fame." The highlight of the tour was a ride down the parade route where we experienced a long-time, but very unique tradition of people throwing Tortillas filled with a squirt of shaving cream at cars. We thankfully followed Lorna's directions to *not* roll the windows down for any reason.

DAY 4 – THE VERY BIG DAY

The big day began at 3 a.m. for our parade participants (riders, walkers, and viewers). In high spirits, we were loaded on to buses and shuttled to the parade grounds well before the sun rose. What we encountered can only be described as organized chaos on a huge scale. Buses were



Lorna Hemphill is surrounded by a sea of roses. Lorna is the Advisor for the Florin Theta Rho Club in California.

everywhere. Forty-three floats and their riders were lined up for a mile. Twenty-three huge marching groups, plus horses and riders, were assembled on the intersecting side streets all while 700,000 viewers scrambled to find their seats. Amazingly in the midst of the bedlam, hundreds of volunteers dressed in white suits and zipping around on scooters kept everything moving and everyone in order and safe. And as if planned, just as the parade began, the sun broke out brilliantly intensifying the already dazzling floats. It was truly a spectacle to behold.

After continuously smiling big and waving like princesses through the five-mile route, the girls were exhausted and feeling on top of the world. . . at least until we had to hustle off to the airport. When we arrived at our gate and saw the parade being replayed on monitors, we were once again astonished to realize we had been a part of something so extraordinary and immensely proud that our Order has been a part of it for 67 years.

We are humbled by all the help and support that was so kindly and generously given to us to make this adventure possible. Our thanks go to the Grand Lodge of Washington, South Tacoma Odd Fellows Lodge #211, Grand Secretary and our travel agent Laurel Delony, our wonderful host and enticer Lorna Hemphill, our chauffeur and ER transporter Ron Hansen and the United Sikh float team for providing the best late-night hot drinks. We extend special thanks to all the folks on the IOOF Float Committee who work all year long to make this incredible feat happen year after year. Please continue or consider supporting them with your generous donations.

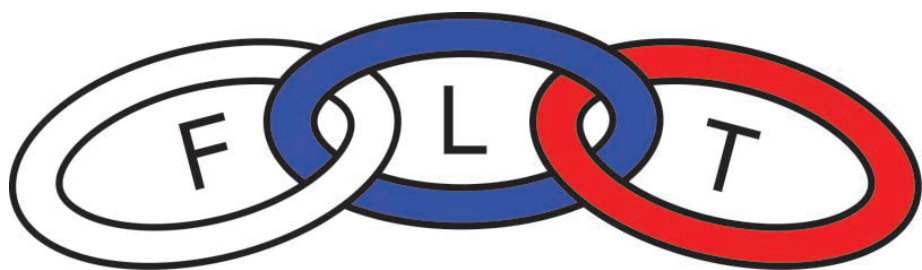
This adventure will always remind us that Odd Fellows are fun people working hard to inspire one another to do great things in the world.

— *In Happiness Through Service,*
Sylvia Summers, Spunky Bluebirds Advisor



Piper Fyffe and Danny Cupps take a quick break in the "Float Barn" during a long night of work.

~ Lodge Cards ~



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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:** Jerry Ray Smith, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 781-4610. **Sec'y:** Nora Carria, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 250-2165

BREMERTON FRIENDSHIP

I.O.O.F. LODGE #145

Meets At: DAV Hall, 2315 Burwell St., Bremerton. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** John Gaiski, 3460 4th Dr. NE, Bremerton, WA 98310. **Ph:** (360) 479-0193. **Sec'y:** Larry Seward, Jr., 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale, WA 98383. **Ph:** (360) 620-7741

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

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Holly Houser, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Sec'y:** Madi Martin, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Email:** madimartin216@hotmail.com

BUCODA REBEKAH LODGE #144

Meets At: Bucoda Community Center, 101 E. 7th, (Second Floor), Bucoda. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Michelle Patrick, PO Box 144, Bucoda, WA 98530-0044. **Ph:** (360) 278-3188. **Sec'y:** Lou Ann Hoffman, PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717

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:** Orlee Groh, 17715 SE 261st St., Covington, WA 98042. **Ph:** (206) 307-7897. **Sec'y:** H. Morgan Hicks, 20410 9th Ave. S., Des Moines, WA 98198. **Ph:** (206) 697-4623

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

Meets At: 4217 - 337th Pl. SE, Fall City. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 p.m. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Phillip (Tom) Harper, 917 - 212th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA 98074-6719. **Sec'y:** Florence Harper, 2818 238th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075. **Ph:** (425) 392-3013

FALL CITY REBEKAH LODGE #59

Meets At: 4217 - 337th Pl. SE, Fall City. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 12 Noon. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Arlene Workman, 280 SE Darst St., Issaquah, WA 98027. **Ph:** (425) 241-3212. **Sec'y:** Florence Harper, 2818 - 238th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075. **Ph:** (425) 392-3013

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

Meets At: Hunters IOOF Lodge, 4945 Hwy. 25 B., PO Box 44, Hunters, WA 99137. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Michael Schwartz, PO Box 133, Hunters, WA 99137. **Ph:** (509) 722-3382. **Sec'y:** Gina Sundeston, PO Box 44, Hunters, WA 99137. **Ph:** (509) 342-8897

LONGVIEW REBEKAH LODGE #305

Meets At: IOOF Hall, (Corner of Pacific & Pine) 400 S. Pacific Ave., Kelso, WA 98626 **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 10 am. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Ann VanAntwerp, PO Box 363, Yacolt, WA 98675 **Ph:** (360) 686-8587. **Sec'y:** Cynthia Washington-Mattson, 825 32nd, #86., Longview, WA 98632 **Ph:** (360) 562-2391

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

Meets At: 21714 Old Owen Rd., Monroe, WA 98272. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Hugh Smith, 137 Kirby Dr., Monroe, WA 98272. **Ph:** (360) 863-1876. **Sec'y:** Aloha Zurfluh, 21714 Old Owen Rd., Monroe, WA 98272. **Ph:** (360) 794-8338

MONTEROSE REBEKAH LODGE #46

Meets At: Toledo Fire Station, 150 N. Second St., Toledo, WA 98591. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 12:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug., **NG:** Virginia Erckenbrack, 316 Tennessee Rd., Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 508-4215. **Sec'y:** Kay Pratt, PO Box 267, Toledo, WA 98591. **Ph:** (360) 864-4299

~ Lodge Cards ~

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:** Shirley Ruble, 30 S. Clinton St., #7107, Walla Walla, WA 99362. **Ph:** (509) 525-4015. **Sec'y:** Barbara Trvrz, 30 S. Clinton St., #7201, Walla Walla, WA 99362. **Ph:** (509) 394-2042

OAK LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #254

Meets At: Odd Fellow Hall, 721 SE Barrington Ave., Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Allison Wyum, PO Box 958, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 720-0421. **Sec'y:** Mary Stewart, PO Box 958, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 499-9860

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

Meets At: Olympia IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia, WA 98501. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Patricia Smith, 11902 Woodland Ave., Puyallup, WA 98373. **Ph:** (253) 441-1500. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501. **Ph:** (253) 468-1949

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

Meets At: 2431 Rucker Ave., Everett, WA 98201 **Meeting Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Rockne Johnson, 21827 54th Pl. NE, Granite Falls, WA 98252. **Ph:** (425) 359-8799. **Sec'y:** Mark Wilson, 711 N. Indiana Ave., Granite Falls, WA 98252. **Ph:** (425) 367-1232

PINE BURR REBEKAH LODGE #300

Meets At: 204 Leonard Rd., Onalaska, WA 98570. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., Lunch at noon, meeting at 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Alberta Luurs, 497 State Highway 505, Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 219-7629. **Sec'y:** Lou Ann Hoffman, 305 S. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531-4010. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717

RICHLAND I.O.O.F. LODGE #338

Meets At: 500 Amon Park Dr., Richland, WA 99352. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Elaine DeLozier, 1514 Wilson, Richland, WA 99354. **Ph:** (509) 946-7342. **Sec'y:** Glen DeLozier, 1514 Wilson, Richland, WA 99354. **Ph:** (509) 946-7342

RUTH REBEKAH LODGE #17

Meets At: IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Kathi Picanco, 13020 Langridge Ave. NW, Olympia, WA 98502. **Ph:** (360) 561-2220. **Sec'y:** Cathy Garcia, 5010 - 103rd Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98513. **Ph:** (360) 413-7014

SKOOKUMCHUCK I.O.O.F. LODGE #129

Meets 2nd Wednesday At: 101 E. 7th St. (Upstairs), Buncoda, WA. **Meets 4th Wednesday At:** 118 Marcy, Montesano, WA. **Time:** 7:00 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Debra Hughes, PO Box 248, Buncoda, WA 98530-0248. **Ph:** (360) 402-1600. **Sec'y:** Lou Ann Hoffman, PO Box 131, Buncoda, WA 98530-0131. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717

SOUTH TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #160

Meets At: 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA 98409. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Dave Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (253) 590-6208. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (253) 468-1949

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

Meets At: 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA 98406. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Al Howe, 5424 So. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA 98409. **Sec'y:** Duard Fyffe, PO Box 261, Roy, WA 98580 **Ph:** (253) 282-3472

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

Meets At: 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA 98198. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Edmond L. Reitan, Jr., 858 Reiten Rd., Kent, WA 98030. **Ph:** (253) 854-3254. **Sec'y:** Christina M. Reitan, 25915 177th Pl. SE, Covington, WA 98042. **Ph:** (253) 886-6311

TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179

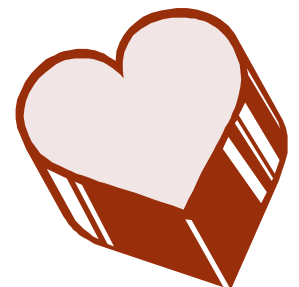
Meets At: 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Linda Deem, PO Box 585, Napavine, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 262-9616. **Sec'y:** Alberta Luurs, 497 State Hwy. 505, Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 219-7629



Fun in Ballard

On January 6, outgoing Noble Grand of Ballard Alki Lodge#170, Jerry Smith, was presented with a giant rooster to be passed to the next outgoing Noble Grand upon the occasion of next year's Table Lodge. Many Muscovites were on attendance and \$73 was raised for Ballard Food Bank.

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Be My
Valentine!*



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

Meets At: 888 Washougal River Rd., Washougal, WA 98671. **Meeting Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Chuck Miller, 9406 NE 151st Ct., Vancouver, WA 98682. **Ph:** (360) 892-3409. **Sec'y:** Joyce Gilson, 527 NE 6th Ave., Camas, WA 98607. (360) 823-8187

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

Meets At: 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** June, July, **NG:** Chad Quesnell, 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima, WA 98902. **Ph:** (509) 453-3093. **Sec'y:** Tom Cox, 610 Pleasant Ave., Yakima, WA 98902-4341. **Ph:** (509) 452-0910

Yvonne Haugeto, Past President, passes away

Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, Sister Yvonne June "Vonnie" Haugeto, passed away on December 4, 2018 in Spokane. She was 76. Yvonne was initiated into Spokane Theta Rho Girls Club #16 in 1957 and was initiated into Imperial Rebekah Lodge #58 on October 25, 1961.



YVONNE HAUGETO

She was elected their Noble Grand in 1966 and held the office of Financial Secretary or Treasurer for more than 20 years. Yvonne was a member of Hillyard Rebekah lodge #145 when she passed away.

Sister Yvonne was the Assembly Treasurer for many years and was awarded the title of Treasurer Emeritus in 2015.

Yvonne served as the Rebekah Assembly President in 1995, at the 104th

closed.

Yvonne was born in Spokane on June 6, 1942. She graduated from North Central High School. Yvonne married Dallas Haugeto on July 16, 1960. They were married until his passing in 2002 (41 years). Yvonne was a homemaker.

She was a foster parent for many years and also volunteered as a Guardian Ad Litem.

Yvonne is survived by her four children Debbie (Steve) Bartel, Dan Haugeto, Sandi Haugeto, Kristi (Pat) Johnson; seven grandchildren Beth (Allen) Eveland, Kory (Carlene) Bartel, Amber Hays, Garrett and Caleb Johnson, Trinity and Mason Danner; five great-grandchildren Autumn and Madison Eveland, Bailey Bartel, Zaeshaun and TaeZhanae Hays-Cormier. She was preceded in death by her parents Raymond and June Taylor, brother Kenny Taylor and husband Dallas Haugeto.

Her funeral service was held December 11 at the Sunset Chapel, Fairmount Memorial Park in Spokane

Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and all her friends, until we meet her again.

*In F., L. & T., Marcia Presley,
Past President and Secretary
Of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington*

Annual Sessions held in Richland.

YVONNE'S PROGRAM

- **Aim:** To generate enthusiasm and interest in our Rebekah meetings. To encourage the reading of our Ritual and Constitution from cover to cover.
 - **Emblem:** Old Fashion Telephone
 - **Motto:** "Use that telephone for Rebekahship"
 - **Colors:** Purple, Pink and Silver
 - **Mascot:** Garfield the Cat
 - **Scripture:** "And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand." — Mark 3, Verse 25
 - **Prayer:** Serenity Prayer — God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.
 - **Songs:** "One Day at a Time" and "Amazing Grace"
 - **Fun Songs:** "Meat Ball" and "Old Gray Mare"
 - **Project:** Living Room furniture for the new infirmary at the Home in Walla Walla.
- Yvonne was also a member of Unique Unified Encampment #32 and Spokane LAPM #2 until they

Happy New Year!

- H** – Happiness depends upon your outlook on life - Find the good in all situations.
- A** – Attitude is just as important as ability - Keep your attitude positive.
- P** – Passion, find your this year! - Do what you love and you will never work.
- P** – Positive thoughts make everything easier - Stay focused and stay positive.
- Y** – You are unique, with special gifts, use them - Never forget you have talent.
- N** – New beginnings with a new year.
- E** – Enthusiasm, a true secret of success.
- W** – Wishes, may they turn into goals.
- Y** – Years go by too quickly, enjoy them - Wisdom from your elder, listen.
- E** – Energy, may you have lots of I - Take care of yourself.
- A** – Appreciation of life, don't take it for granted - Live each day.
- R** – Relax, take the time to relax in the coming year - Keep a balance in your life.

— Written by Catherine Pulsifer

~ From your 2018-19 Grand Chaplain ~

HAVING IT ALL

The day before Thanksgiving, I received a phone call from my uncle letting me know that my grandmother had passed on at the respectable age of 102. A week-and-a-half later, at her memorial service, the minister reported



BOB DUNIWAY

ed that when he was asking close friends and family members to describe her, almost to a person they related that she was a kind and loving person, *and* she was a truth teller.

He pointed out that such a combination is rare. Many people are kind, and out of kindness, they pull back from speaking difficult truths. Other people seem to delight in speaking difficult truths, but not in a spirit of love and kindness. Yet my grandmother, in exhibiting both grace and truth, was following the example of Jesus. (*John 1:17*).

As family and friends rose to share their memories, it became clear that his words accurately reflected a lifetime of love, service and honest encouragement. Cousins talked about being taken in, fed, loved, and encouraged to get back on their feet. My uncles related that they always knew what was expected of them, and they always knew they were loved. Friends talked about her love of bowling, the multiple leagues she participated in and supported, and her uncanny ability to coach bowlers by clearly letting them know what they were doing wrong and how they could fix it.

Personally, I knew that, as a child, she had been one of my most important allies, expecting me to behave properly, but defending me from unfair and unkind judgment and criticism directed at me from a mother who, it later became apparent, suffered from mental illness. I knew she saw me clearly, would correct me when necessary, but always and unquestionably loved me.

As I listened to these words, I thought of the challenge of the three links of Odd Fellowship. We are expected to stand for friendship, love *and* truth. How can we practice the truth telling that will help our Brothers and Sisters grow, and will guide them to live up to the ideals they have vowed to uphold, while still maintaining kind friendship?

I think the answer is that love is the middle link for a reason. If we greet others with a friendly demeanor, but do not feel love toward them, then we are unlikely point out to them truths they may not want to hear to hear that may help encourage them to grow. If we see errors in the

conduct of our Brothers or Sisters, and point it out truthfully, but do not feel love for them, then we are likely to close off any friendship that might have otherwise existed. However, friendship can be strengthened by truth constructively and lovingly communicated, and we will feel compelled to address the truth of any situation that we can see threatens to harm someone we truly love.

When you think about the members of your lodge, your family and your community, are there relationships where love is calling on you to be a kind truth teller? How can you contribute to elevating the character of those around you by relating to them with friendship, love and truth? Will you be remembered as someone who is a kind and loving truth teller?

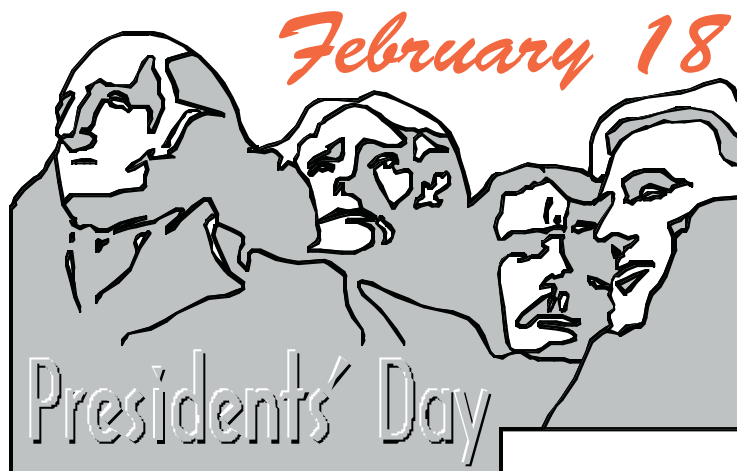
Bob Duniway,

Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Washington



Narcissa's new leaders

The 2019-2020 Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 officers are, from left: Marthann Hall, Treasurer; Barbara Lechner, Vice Grand; Patty Newell, Noble Grand; and Barbara Trvz, Recording and Financial Secretary. The lodge was founded in 1885 and has served southeastern Washington for 134 years.



40's Whitman student returns to Odd Fellows Home campus

By SHIRLEY RUBLE

When Patricia (Lowndes) Jennings came to Walla Walla in 1945 as a freshman at Whitman College, she lived in College House on the campus of the Washington Odd Fellows Home. The building had been renovated into a women's dormitory, which was leased by Whitman College.

Originally, College House was the first frame structure built by the Odd Fellows in 1897. It had two full stories, a basement, attic with turret and a veranda in front. On the first floor there was a reception room, dining hall, library,



Photo courtesy of Patricia Jennings
Freshmen women dried their hair in the sun at College House in 1945). At left is Pat Mitchell, Milton-Freewater, Oregon; Mary Macy and Patricia Lowndes Jennings (front) from Port Angeles. The rooftop was accessed through a door from the second story, about in the center of the building.

Patricia, who recently became a resident of the Merriam Apartments at the Odd Fellows Home, recalls living in College House. "It was my first home as a freshman at Whitman in 1945," Patricia said. Fifty freshman women were admitted to College House. "The floors creaked but most of the rooms were spacious and light."

Smoking was not permitted in the rooms at College House, but a smoking room was just inside the front door. Another popular smoking area was the front steps of "Mem" (Memorial Building) between classes.

Patricia's photo albums are a treasure chest of memorabilia from the 1940s.

She was able to pin-point the exact location of College House as the site where the West Care Dining Room is situated now. Rob Grandstaff, Director of Environmental Services, confirmed they unearthed part of the College

smoking and sitting room. Bedrooms and bathrooms were on the first and second floors. Twenty-five residents were admitted, 13 were orphans and the others were elderly IOOF members and widows.

In 1939, the original building was remodeled into a dormitory for orphan girls. The turret and veranda were removed after a fire. When the last child was adopted in 1941, the girls' building was leased to Whitman College and became a student dormitory until it was dismantled in 1954.



Photo courtesy of Patricia Jennings

College House in 1945 was located just west of the brick building on Boyer Avenue. The sign reads: "College House Whitman."

House foundation when they poured cement for a new sidewalk in 2016.

There were only three Odd Fellows buildings when Patricia lived on the campus in 1945: College House, built in 1897 and remodeled in 1939, the Men's building constructed in 1909, and the brick Administration Building built in 1925.

Today, there are 10 buildings on the 10.5 acre campus, listed in chronological order: Brick building (1925), Maintenance Paint Shop (1950s), West Care Center (1962), Clinton Street Apartments (early 1960s), Administration Building/East Care Center (1977), Greenhouse (1995), Merriam Street Apartments (2000), Bus Barn (2001), Gardener's Shop (2002), and the West Care Center Addition (2016).

Today, Patricia is happy to be a resident in the independent living apartments. She said, "I have a collection of photos, letters and yearbooks from the 1940's. Now I am beginning to see how they integrate with the present landscape."



The first frame structure of the Washington Odd Fellows Home was built in 1897 as a dormitory for orphans.



**BETHANY
STRUTHERS**

From your 2018-19 Theta Rho President

HELLO EVERYBODY

I hope that you all had a great New Year, and I hope that your year is already going well. I was able to spend Christmas with my family at my grandparent's house, and New Year's at my cousins' house. Both were extraordinarily fun and I had a wonderful time.

During the past month I have already been preparing for Theta Rho Assembly, with a lot of typing and putting things together. It has been

stressful, but very fun! I hope that everybody will find it to be both fun and educational.

This month I have my first visit with Spunky Bluebirds #93, and I am ecstatic to see all of the members, both old and new, and how their club functions out of Theta Rho Assembly. I hope that I will find everybody well.

In Happiness Through Service,

Bethany Struthers,

Theta Rho Assembly President Of Washington

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A large crowd was on hand at the Installation Ceremony in Olympia last month. Front row, from left, are: Evelyn McNeil, Maggie Truttman, Judy Diekman, Alberta Luurs, Kristina Samuelson, Peg Ogilvie, Elayne Novotny, Mashelle Patrick, and LouAnn Hoffman. In the second row, from left, are: John Otterstrom, Linda Dain, Michael Scheurich, Bob Duniway, Joe Picanco. Lorrie Bonnell,

Cathy Garcia, Laurel Delony, Joanne Balmert, David Hammond, Lorraine Hammond, Cindy McCluer, Kathi Picanco, and Joyce Miller. In the back row, from left, are: Greg Powers, Stu Carlson, Nora Carria, John Suessman, Steve McCord, Toby Hanson, David Reed, Jennie Reed, Kim Owens, Patricia Smith, Laura Purcell, Steve Purcell, Frank Wilson, and Dave Delony.

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY FROM THE CAPITAL CITY

Members of Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 and Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17 were honored to host the Bucoda Rebekahs and Skookumchuck Odd Fellows for a traditional Installation Ceremony this past month. Grand Lodge Officers, along with Rebekah Assembly Officers, did a wonderful job installing members into their respective positions for the 2019 year. Thank you so much to all of them for being a part of our special day.

Ruth #17, led by Kathi Picanco, served a chicken lunch prior to the installation — no one went hungry. All in all, it was a great day of friendship, food and fraternal tradition.

Christmas is barely behind us, but Ruth #17 is planning ahead for the 100 stockings we will be filling next December. As you do your regular shopping over the next ten months, be on the lookout for items that would excite a child as he/she pulls them from their Christmas stocking. If you prefer making a \$\$ donation, we estimate that it takes about \$10 to fill a stocking well. Thank you everyone for supporting of the children in our community.

On January 7, we had the privilege of initiating five new members into the Odd Fellows — three into Olympia #1 and two into Skookumchuck #129. It is always exciting to watch new members take the oath of Odd Fellowship and become part of our fraternity. We look forward to seeing each of you at future meetings, as

well as serving alongside of us in community projects.

Have a wonderful February and let's all hope for an early spring. I know I am more than ready to get back into my yard.

— With F., L. & T., Cathy Garcia, Reporter

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C.C. Hewitt and the establishment of Olympia IOOF Lodge #1, part 1

BY HAL BELLERUD

This year, 2019, marks the 200th Anniversary the establishment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in the United States of America.

As part of the commemoration of that anniversary, I present to you a history of Christopher Charles Hewitt, better known as C.C. Hewitt, who instituted the Olympia Lodge #1 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, on July 13, 1855. He was considered the “Father of Odd Fellowship in Washington Territory.”

The city of Olympia was then just five years old, consisting of a few buildings among a great many stumps still not ripped up. It sat on a spit of land jutting out into southernmost Puget Sound, adjacent on three sides to miles of mud flats at low tide.

The infant settlement, however, had been designated the capital city of newly-formed Washington Territory in 1853 and like a flood tide it's population began to build with all the attendant problems, politics, discord and need for fellowship and mutual cooperation such an increase entails.

Those recent pioneer immigrants with ties to fraternal organizations back east saw a useful purpose in establishing new lodges here in the new country of the west. To that end, the first honors in Olympia and Washington Territory go to Olympia Lodge #1, F. & A.M., or Masons. The initial meeting was held on December 11, 1852.

Close on the heels of the Masons were previous members of various lodges in the east of the relatively new Independent Order of Odd Fellows, who also saw a need for fraternal society. It is not presently known who prompted the movement, although there must have been a discovery of common affiliation either here in the Territory or on the arduous journey all had to endure in those pioneer days.

Somehow, 5th Degree Brothers, Victor Munroe (lawyer), John Head (carpenter), Samuel Davenport (carpenter), Russel Smith (farmer), Cyril Ward and 2nd Degree Brothers, Daniel Kiser (farmer), James Head (carpenter), and Ancient Odd Fellows, George Blankenship (carpenter) and D.C. Beaty (carpenter), residents of Olympia or rural Thurston County, managed to get together with another fairly new arrival and fellow Odd Fellow living in Seattle, one C.C. Hewitt (attorney), and determined with him to open the first Odd Fellows Lodge in Washington Territory.

These 10 charter members (Pioneer Links is incorrect, listing nine, but combining John and James Head, in error)



met July 13, 1855 on the upper floor of an old storehouse belonging to William Rutledge. It was probably on what is now Olympia Avenue (2nd Street) and, near corner of Capital Way (Main Street). Thereafter, the membership in the lodge increased quickly, the first initiate being Dr. Gallis Willard on July 27, 1855.

Unfortunately, after a good start, the Olympia Lodge suffered setbacks due to land and gold rushes to which many members left for and eventually the Charter had to be surrendered in 1858. The Charter was eventually restored due to the efforts of Brother Hewitt.

Christopher was a lawyer by profession. He practiced law in Dundee, IL until 1852. Leaving his family in Dundee, he traveled across the country to Milwaukie, Oregon in the Northwest Territory. After a brief stay there, he went to Seattle where he took a temporary job as a carpenter. He joined the volunteer militia, being captain of a company during the Indian War of 1855-1856, and led the command which buried the massacred settlers on the White River in Washington.

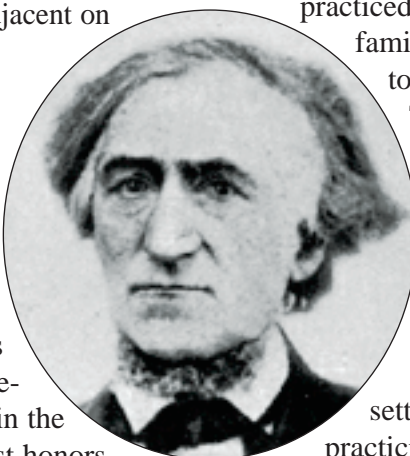
Christopher began his law practice as more settlers arrived, becoming the first practicing lawyer in Seattle. He later became the first District Judge.

A warm and personal friend of Abe Lincoln while both were young lawyers in Illinois, Christopher was appointed by President Lincoln as Chief Justice of Washington Territory in 1861, a job he held for eight years. He established a home in the growing town of Olympia and then returned to Dundee, Ill, in 1862 to bring his wife and family to the frontier by covered wagon. When his second term as Chief Justice was over, Christopher retired from public office and resumed his law practice in 1869. He was a respected and successful lawyer in the rapidly settled Northwest.

In later life, he took up farming in Olympia, but still retained his active interest in civic affairs. Judge Hewitt was considered the father of the Fraternal Order of Odd Fellows in the Territory, eventually to be the State of Washington. He was an involved member of that organization until he died.

Top photo: C.C. Hewitt, founder of Odd Fellowship in Washington.

Lower photo: Dr. Gallis K. Williard, first Odd Fellow initiated in Washington.



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The museum is open Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Special tours available upon request. The museum is located directly behind the Grand Lodge Office, 711 Main Street, in Buckley.

Come check out your history.

Get ready for our retreat in Olympia

HAPPY NEW YEAR THETA RHO GIRLS!

Get your calendars out and mark April 12, 13 and 14, 2019 for the next Theta Rho Retreat. Get ready to learn and have some fun. Invitations will be going to each of your clubs soon.

The retreat will be held once again at the Olympia Odd Fellows Park in Olympia. By now your Advisors’ cars should know the way. However, we will include directions.

All elective officers are asked to bring an activity of your choice to include all the girls. Bring your briefcases, as well, for inventory and updating.

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