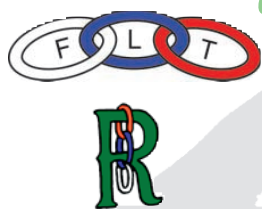


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All lodge checks must have two signatures!!!

Brothers and Sisters,

I continually receive one signature lodge checks. **ALL** lodge checks **MUST** have **TWO** signatures. There is no exception to this rule. If I receive a check with one signature I am required to send it back. This gets expensive, not only for your lodge, but the Grand Lodge as well.

So please make sure there are two signatures on your lodge checks even if the checks are written for one cent (.01).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

— Fraternally

Laurel Delony, PGM, Grand Secretary



Proud daughter (& Papa)

Neelah Dean is plenty proud of her dad Dustin Deane who was installed as the new Vice Grand for Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301 in Wenatchee. For more photos and story, see pages 11 and 12.



Longview food drive

A member of Longview Rebekah Lodge #305 recently passed along a photo of a canned food drive sponsored by the 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

Donations needed for Sessions silent auction

Brothers and Sisters,

There will be the silent auction again at our Grand Sessions in Yakima this June.

We need your donations. All proceeds will go the Heads of the Orders projects.

Please contact Laurel Delony to donate your items at (253) 468-1949 or laureljdellony@gmail.com

From the desk of your Grand Master

WHAT TO DO ABOUT MEMBERSHIP?

As Grand Master, I get the opportunity to travel around the Northwest and interact with members of this jurisdiction and others and learn about what's going on in Odd Fellowship. That interaction and learning is one of my favorite parts of the job. The question that comes up more often than any other is what to do about membership.



TOBY HANSON I have tried very hard to make sure that any membership suggestions I make come with concrete ideas behind them so that the answers are actually usable and can be readily acted on.

Odd Fellowship used to sell itself. Every town and city across the country had at least one lodge because Odd Fellowship was essential to civic life. In those days all it took to have a successful lodge was to have a sign on the front of the building which told the public when the lodge met. That's no longer sufficient. In today's world, it takes active outreach to rebuild the bonds between a lodge and its community.

There are numerous paths that bring new members into Odd Fellowship. Some members found their way here from a mushroom club; some attended punk rock shows at an Odd Fellows Hall in high school; some have a family legacy of membership in a lodge; some were investigating an old piece of artwork with our symbols. In my case, Brother Verne Eke told me I would make a good Odd Fellow at the end of a business meeting and handed me an application.

The one common element is that there was an opportunity for interaction with a member available to share information about Odd Fellowship. Finding new members means making yourself or another member available to the public in some way. For example, Prosperity Lodge #301 of Wenatchee is participating in the "Pybus Market Non-Profit Day" where they can meet with members of the public and share the message of Odd Fellowship.

HOW ABOUT AN OPEN HOUSE?

For those lodges that have a building, have you considered having a community open house? Find a time when there's a community event going on in your area and invite the public to tour your building. Be sure to get

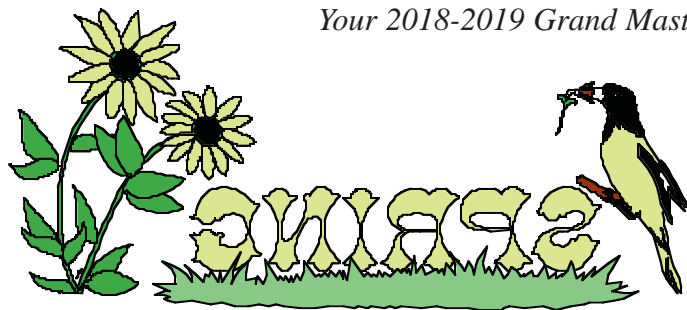
some goodies from the Grand Lodge to hand out so that your visitors walk away with a reminder of Odd Fellowship. Our Order's bicentennial in April is an excellent opportunity to introduce your lodge to your community and vice-versa. Hold an event in your town to commemorate the 1819 founding of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. And for those lodges that don't have their own building, is there a space you use for events that you could use for a bicentennial event? If not, try partnering with another organization in your community that has a space to use.

IDEAS TO INCREASE MEMBERSHIP

I don't have enough space here to outline all the possible ways your lodge can interact with the public to attract members. However, you can find my Grand Warden articles about membership ideas in back issues of *The Washington OddFellow* from September of 2016 to June of 2017 on our website at <https://ioofwa.org/newsletter>. There are several great ideas in those columns to try. The most important thing is to get your lodge active in the community so that you get the chance to talk to new people about Odd Fellowship.

The best news is that Odd Fellowship is growing and regenerating all around the world, and especially in our jurisdiction. New people are discovering our message all the time. Your job is to make sure you're available to welcome them into the fold. Don't just sit and wait for new people to drop into your lap; make the effort to connect with your community and find them. As always, I'm here to help you out or answer your questions. 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



District Association #3 to meet in Tacoma April 20

District Association #3 will hold its semi-annual meeting on Saturday, April 20 at the South Tacoma Odd Fellow Hall, 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave. in Tacoma

The hall will be open for some hospitality at 9:15 a.m. and the meeting will open at 10 a.m. Lunch is pot luck.

We hope to see you there.

From the desk of your Grand Secretary

REMINDER

Brothers and Sisters,

Time is flying and Grand Sessions in Yakima will soon be upon us. If you have anything for the "Take Me," please be sure to get it into this office no later than April 15. This includes any reports from Grand Lodge Officers and committee heads.



LAUREL DELONY

ITEMS FOR SALE

I have items for sale in the Grand Lodge Office including Three Link baseball caps, bolo ties, insulated mugs, license plate covers, long-sleeve denim shirts and short-sleeved polo shirts. Contact the Grand Lodge Office for prices and size availability on shirts.

If you happen to be near Buckley, stop by the Grand Lodge office. Come have a cup of coffee and check out our window. There is always something displayed for the

Good of the Order and the coffee pot is always on. While you're here we'll give you a tour of the Washington Odd Fellow Museum.

— With Fraternal Hugs
Laurel Delony, PGM,
Grand Secretary



Museum corner

Historic items beckon you to our Museum!!

Shown to the right is a beautiful piece of tapestry that is hanging in our Washington Odd Fellows Museum.

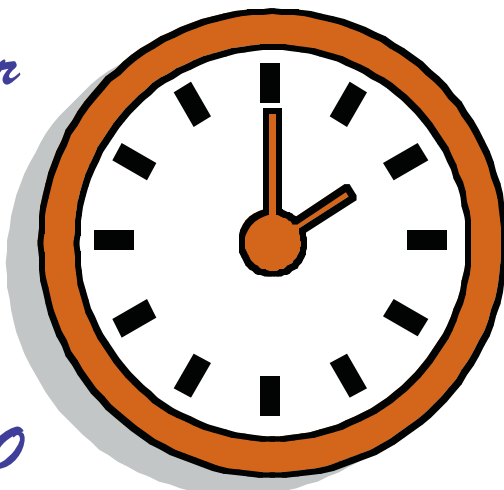
The top is in a purple velvet with gold embroidered letters and fringe. The body is of a satin or silk type material with the Patriarch Militants coat of arms.

This piece can be seen, along with many other beautiful and historic Odd Fellow and Rebekah items.

Our museum is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday at 116 Cedar Street, Buckley WA, located next to the Grand Lodge office.

Drop in, have a cup of coffee and check out your history.

Turn Your
Clocks
Ahead
On
Sunday.
March 10



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From the desk of the Assembly President

YES, IT IS MARCH ALREADY

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Can you believe it is March already and only three months until Assembly? I hope this has been a good year for you and your lodge so far and will continue to be so.



JENNIE REED

I am writing this in February and, unfortunately, some lodges have not sent in their Annual Report. Sisters, this costs your lodge \$10 per week in late fines. With the other costs, can your lodge afford this? I know it is difficult, but putting it off will not make it go away. If you need help call me or our Assembly Secretary Marcia Presley.

MARCH EVENTS

March has been declared Arthritis Month. Also, the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association meeting will be held March 29 through 31 in Nampa, Idaho. All members of all units are welcome to attend and I encourage you to do so.

MAKE YOUR NEW MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME

I am happy to see we have some new members. Please treat these new members as you would want to be treated. Make them feel welcome, let them know that they are among friends and that lodge can be a fun thing if everyone has the right attitude.

I recently had the pleasure of interviewing an applicant for membership. She said something that I think really hits the nail on the head as to why so many of our lodges are giving up with as many as 25 members on the

books. This is what she said: "I belonged to an organization (I'll not name it) and when we moved here I attended a local branch, planning to transfer. The other group I attended always had something going on. This group is doing nothing, so I'm not going to join them." Is this the problem in your lodge? Do you do "nothing?" Possibly you feel that you've belonged so long and done so much that it's someone else's turn. That won't work. Your lodge can do something such as making cards for nursing home patients, writing letters to service men, or making lap robes for the Veterans' hospitals or nursing homes. The list goes on and on. Remember doing something is better than doing nothing.

MANY VISITATIONS COMPLETED

I have completed my visitations on the western side as well as several lodges on the eastern side of the state. I will contact the remaining lodges to schedule my visit.

HONORING OUR FOUNDER

I made packets containing projects concerning our order, the history of Rebekahs in Washington and the very beginning of the Rebekah Degree. Schuyler Colfax wrote that degree in 1851. Sovereign Grand Master Douglas Pittman has declared that Saturday, March 23 be known as Schuyler Colfax Day in honor of his works. We have a rich history, please share this information with your members.

— *In Friendship, Love & Truth*
Jennie Reed, PP, President,

Email: daveandjennie@hotmail.com

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Cell Phone: (360) 470-0422

Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge #300 in Onalaska

Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge is very proud to say congratulations to Naomi Dow. She has brought in four new members and one reinstated member into our lodge. We are very excited. We welcome Phyllis Donalson, Mary Starkel, Shadow Vocu, Melody Betterton and Margaret Reed. It's so nice to see these faces at our meetings.

We have a new meeting place at 204 Leonard Rd, Onalaska, WA 97570.

We have some plans in the making for a semi-busy year ahead. Congrats to all the new officers.

Bev Lyons keep getting stronger. Shut-in baskets were made and delivered to numerous members of the community and a few members in area rehab homes.

Rebekah Assembly President Jennie Reed made her official visit on February 5 with her side kick Maggie Truttmann. We sang "Happy Birthday" to her. We're

very excited to have them both come out.

Thank the Lord that the roads didn't get bad until later that week.

— *In F, L. & T., Alberta Luurs, Reporter*



From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

SNOW, SNOW, SNOW!

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As I write this article for *The Washington OddFellow*, I look out my window and see the snow and more snow that was left behind during the stormy winter weather that we had over the last few weeks. Mother Nature is testing us all. I hope that spring will arrive soon as my body does not do well in this cold weather. I hope that none of you have had major problems during this time.



MARCIA PRESLEY

SCHUYLER COLFAX DAY

Our Sovereign Grand Master Douglas E. Pittman has declared March 23, 2019 as Schuyler Colfax Day in honor of his birthday. The Rebekah Degree was adopted by him in 1851 when he served as Speaker of the House and went on to become the Vice President of the United States of America. The Rebekah Degree provides the woman's softening touch to Odd Fellowship, as founded upon the principles of our Order — faithfulness, hospitality, purity and dedication as portrayed by women of the Bible.

ARTHRITIS MONTH

The month of March has been proclaimed Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Arthritis Month. All donations to

this fund remain in our Jurisdiction and go to the local Arthritis Foundation. Those lodges that make donations to this project of the Order will receive recognition from the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Keep up the good work.

REPRESENTATIVE ELECTIONS

I hope all of the even-numbered lodges have held their elections for their new Representative and Alternate Representatives for a term of two years. Please make sure to send me their names and mailing addresses so the Assembly President can appoint her officers and committee members for the upcoming Assembly Sessions in June.

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS.

Kindness involves promoting the welfare of others by showing sympathy, understanding, compassion, mercy and love.

Kindness is at the heart of all good deeds and all good work. It is a contributing factor in promoting friendships and making people feel special. Kindness is responsible for binding society together, forges friendships, builds loyalty, soothes feelings and offers encouragement.

Those who initiate acts of kindness often benefit more than the recipients.

— With lots of Rebekah Hugs,
In Friendship, Love and Truth,

Marcia Presley,

PP & Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington

Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 in Napavine

Installations are finished and all lodges should be well on their way to a great year! Congrats to all the new officers.

It's with a very heavy heart to report that on November 18, 2018, Helen Petrie passed away. She was a 65-year member! She was 101 years young. Graveside services were held November 30, 2018 at the Winlock Cemetery. She was a member of Charity Rebekah Lodge #3 before joining Trinity. She was a very active member until Herb, her love, passed and she moved closer to her children down in Kiser, Oregon.

Also Cookie Music's husband passed away January 14, 2019. That is why she was unable to attend our Installation. She received a call that morning to come to the hospital. The Sisters at Trinity took meals to Cookie and her family every night for the week to help ease some of the worries. This is what we are all about.

Installation at Trinity was a very nice day. Unfortunately turnout was less than the RSVP number. It was unfortunate that our Grand Master Toby was unable to attend do to a rear-end collision on his way down to Napavine. Thanks to Jonny O. for standing in.

The ladies at Trinity have started planning at least six months of fund-raising work.

On Friday, January 11 the Rebekahs purchased a new stove for the hall. We really didn't realize just how bad the old one was. I've belonged 31 years at Napavine and can't remember a new stove. When they moved it out, Scott Guenther saw how bad the wires were. Thank you to Joe Payne for hauling it home from Longview and his daughter Cheleena for helping him carry it in. Cheleena is not always able to attend meetings due to her being a senior in high school, but she is there in the shadows and behind the scenes doing whatever she can.

At our Installation we had both my granddaughters, Cheleena and Raychel Squibb, in attendance to give a report on their trip of a lifetime to Italy to play softball for Team USA. Our lodge Sisters and Brothers helped with fund-raising and donated to help make this dream a reality for them. As their grandmother, I am so very proud of them. Let's hope the white stuff is gone forever. It has really been a pain and a mess everywhere.

Until the next month, stay true to your lodge.

In F., L. & T., Alberta Luurs, Secretary

News from the Capital City

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 & Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

YES, IT IS TIME FOR SPRING

I hope by the time you are reading this spring is starting to show her happy face. As I am writing, I am looking at over 13 inches of snow on my patio table — and it's still coming down. Personally, I love it as we have all we need to stay hunkered in at home for several days. My prayer is that all of you who had to be out driving and helping others stayed warm and safe.

As was true with many lodge, Olympia #1 and Ruth #17 had to cancel at least one meeting each. It is always best to keep members safe. Important business can most often wait until the next meeting.

Assuming weather cleared and roads thawed, Olympia did an Initiatory and First Degree on February 18. If it's been a while since you have attended a Degree ceremony, those of us in Olympia would encourage you to get your Rituals out and read through this ceremony — both for the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. These are well-written and full of wisdom for everyday living. They represent who we are and why we joined the Odd Fellows and/or Rebekahs in the first place. Remember, you get out of it what you put into it.

NOW FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

On Monday, March 18, Olympia will be conducting the 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremonies. If you have members needing one or both of these Degrees, please contact Laurel Delony. We would love to have several guests with us that evening.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter Sunday is April 21 this year, and we are already starting to plan our annual Easter Eggs Hunt on the Saturday before Easter. That would be April 20. The egg hunt will get started about 3 in the afternoon and be followed by a pot luck meal. There will be prizes, raffles and a visit from the Easter Bunny. Invite your neighbors, family and friends to join us. This is a great opportunity to introduce Odd Fellowship to the special people in

your life.

MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day is May 27. Join us on Saturday, the 25th, as we place flags at the headstones of all Veterans resting in our cemetery. Then on Monday, the 27th, we'll be hosting a Memorial Day Celebration in honor of all our Veterans. More information will be forth coming.

SEAFOOD FEST

Lastly (at this time) Saturday, July 20th is the date for our Annual Seafood Fest. This is an event that Olympia #1 has been hosting for many years. It is always a great afternoon of sunshine, beach walks and great food. Put it on your calendar. We'll tell you more about it in upcoming newsletters.

Stay warm!

— In F., L. & T., Cathy Garcia

Did you know?

How to reinstate a member

ARTICLE IV - REPRESENTATIVES

SECTION 1.0

There have been questions about how to reinstate when a member has been dropped for non-payment of dues. The process is as follows from the Washington Digest:

CHAPTER 3

CONSTITUTION FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF ODD FELLOW LODGES

Independent Order of Odd Fellows Of Washington SECTION 3.6 REINSTATEMENT

3.6.1 Application

Application for reinstatement in the Lodge when the applicant has been dropped for non-payment of dues must be made by presenting a petition, accompanied by the requisite fee, as required under Sections 3.3.3 and 3.3.4 of the Constitution for Odd Fellow Lodges, and determined by the same ballot.

~ In Memoriam ~

• **Helen Petrie**, 101 years old, 65 year member of Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 in Napavine.

Is It Spring Yet?

Sessions info coming in April's newspaper

Information for the upcoming 141st Annual Sessions of the Grand Lodge of Washington in June will be published in the April edition of *The Washington OddFellow* newspaper. Please be sure to read the April edition and get your registration in to the host committee as soon as possible.

From your Grand Warden

Membership Committee is here to be of service

I hope all of the new lodge officers are having a wonderful time in their new positions. You have many great opportunities to start something new.

I know you have heard it said over and over, “We need members!” Our survival as an order is seriously in jeopardy. This has been a constant theme from past and current leaders. I would be remiss if I did not talk about this. But we now have an avenue for your lodge to get more help.

Your Grand Master has put together a “Membership Committee” dedicated to help your lodge promote and rebuild your membership. Your committee consists of myself, Grand Warden Dave Delony, Rebekah Assembly Warden Peg Ogilvie, Chairman Greg Powers, Nora Carria, Tim Moon and Michael Scheurich. We are dedicated to assist you.

As you meet in your lodges, discuss what activities are coming up in your community. Are there parades, fairs, flea markets, conventions, or other various gatherings, etc. in your area? Is there a chance for your lodge to participate? Form a committee to investigate. Bring back a report and get involved. Perhaps your lodge could have a bake sale or have a dinner to honor someone or a group in your community. What about the local fire department? Maybe a school teacher? You get the idea I’m sure. Do a fund-raiser with the proceeds going towards a good cause.

If you are planning on any of the afore mentioned or maybe have something else in mind, please get a hold of the Committee or the Grand Lodge Office. We will provide whatever assistance you may need.

One last thing — Be sure to put an article in *The Washington OddFellow* newspaper as early as possible. With advance notice, everyone can get your event on



DAVE DELONY

their calendars and participate.

Don’t feel like you are on your own. We are here and we are willing to help but you have to contact us.

Remember, **JUST ASK!**

— Fraternally, Dave Delony,
Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Washington
Cell Phone: (253) 590-5208
Email: daved@iwpllc.com

Hints for Washington OddFellow reporters

With new officers and some new reporters coming on board at this time of the year, we are printing the guidelines for *Washington OddFellow* reporters again. Here are a few suggestions which will make *The Washington OddFellow* a better newspaper for all of us:

- Be sure to include the name and number of your Lodge and the name of your town if the Lodge name is different. As a reporter, please include your name, too, so we can give you credit.
- If your story is handwritten, leave plenty of space between lines and please print any names so I can get them spelled correctly. Please double check all names. We have spent many hours researching membership rosters to make sure questionable names are spelled correctly and we have corrected the spelling on dozens of names. However, I am sure there are many more misspelled names that have slipped through.
- If your story is typed, please double space and **do not** type your entire story in all capital letters and **do not** use both sides of the paper. Please use **plain white typing paper**.
- Please include the names and pertinent information about deceased members on a **separate** piece of paper for the Memoriam column. Information should include

See Odd Fellow reporters on Page 9

South Tacoma Rebekah Lodge #160

Brothers and Sisters,

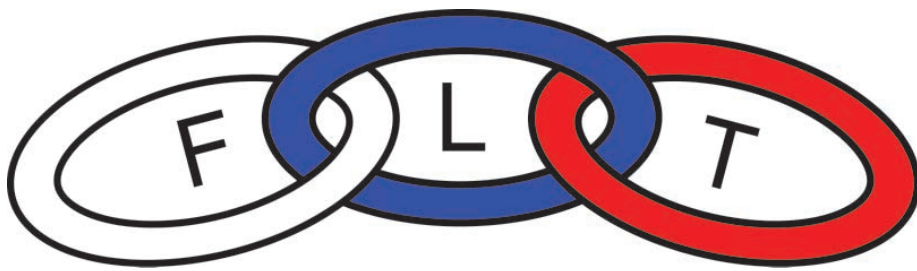
South Tacoma is off and running with their new officers. It’s been a while but we have a rooster running the hen house. Noble Grand Dave Delony will be keeping us busy and coming up with new ideas to get us more involved with our community.

We’re beginning to work more closely with the South Tacoma Odd Fellows and their new Noble Grand Brenna

Wadsworth. She has lots of great ideas and plans. She’s working hard to get repair projects taken care of in the lodge hall, in addition to starting a food drive of which we are participating in. It’s great forming a closer bond with our Brothers and Sisters from the South Tacoma Odd Fellows.

— Fraternally,
Laurel Delony, Reporter

~ Lodge Cards ~



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Be sure to renew your Lodge Card

Grand Secretary Laurel Delony recently audited the payments on Lodge Cards appearing in The Washington OddFellow and determined that many were arrears in payment. To renew your Lodge Card, please contact the Grand Secretary at (360) 829-1514, email her at:

grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com

or complete the "Lodge Card Update" form above and mail it in with your payment. The mailing address is P.O. Box 377, Buckley, WA 98321-0377. If you feel your payment is current, please contact the Grand Secretary.

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 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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

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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 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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, WA 98501. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Joyce Miller, 9406 NE 151 Ct., Vancouver, WA 98682-2275. **Ph:** (360) 829-3409. **Sec'y:** Cathy Garcia, 5010 - 103rd Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98513. **Ph:** (360) 413-7014. (2/28/20)

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

Meets 2nd Wednesday At: 101 E. 7th St. (Upstairs), Bucoda, WA. **Meets 4th Wednesday At:** 118 Marcy, Montesano, WA. **Time:** 7:00 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Debra Hughes, PO Box 248, Bucoda, WA 98530-0248. **Ph:** (360) 402-1600. **Sec'y:** Lou Ann Hoffman, PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179

Meets At: 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., Lunch at noon, meeting at 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Dorothy "Cookie" Music, 222 Gish Rd., Onalaska, WA 98570. **Ph:** (360) 262-3186. **Sec'y:** Alberta Luurs, 497 State Hwy. 505, Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 219-7629 (2/28/20)

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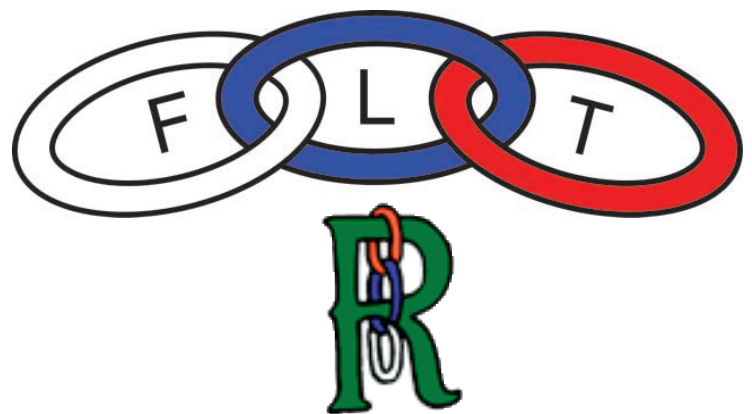
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Thanks, Your Editor



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

Meets At: 9400 NE 72nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98685 **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 pm. **NG:** Jeff Sager, PO Box 2746, Vancouver, WA 98668. **Ph:** (360) 931-2998. **Sec'y:** Theresa Martin, PO Box 2746, Vancouver, WA 98668. (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

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The Installation team from the Grand Lodge of Washington installed officers from Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301. From left are: Joanne Balmert, Marge Farrens,

Michael Scheurich, Wesley Beare, John Otterstrom, Steve Guffy, Toby Hanson, Dave Delony, Dustin Deane, Laurel Delony, Lisa Beare and Steve McCord.

There's plenty of new Prosperity in re-energized Wenatchee Lodge

Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301 in Wenatchee has been abuzz with activity recently. Our lodge has been working very hard to re-establish Odd Fellowship in North Central Washington. We started our journey with a visit from Grand Master Kelly Hughes and Assembly President Cathy Garcia in December of 2017 to see what the status of our lodges was and come up with a plan for either surrendering our Charters or rebuilding our lodges. At that meeting we decided to concentrate our efforts and save the Odd Fellows Lodge.

Since that time we've been steadily building up our lodge. In June of 2018 the Grand Lodge brought a Degree Team to Wenatchee to perform the Degrees for everyone who needed them. We tackled the job of cleaning up our building and making it functional again for events. The plumbing and electrical systems are getting upgraded and we're getting the outside of our building painted. We even have a new refrigerator that was donated by two of our members.

The highlight of fixing up our building has been moving our previous tenants out of our old upstairs hall and moving our lodge meetings back up there. The Odd Fellows Museum donated officers stations and other decorations for our building so it looks like a proper Odd Fellows Hall again! The transformation has been amazing. What was once a dingy, unappealing building is once again a beacon of fraternalism. We even turn on the neon sign on the front

of our building for meeting nights.

The side benefit of all the activity of fixing up the hall has been that we're starting to have events and activities there and bring community members in. Our first event was a Halloween family movie night complete with popcorn.

After that we had the Installation Team from the Grand Lodge come over and install our officers in January.

On Valentine's Day weekend we had a Craft Bazaar and Open House. Every table was reserved and the hall was full of people all weekend, some of whom left with membership applications for our lodge.

Coming up on Saturday, March 23, we'll be participating in the Non-Profit Day at Pybus Public Market representing the lodge and interacting with the community. We've even reached out to our local newspaper which has been writing about the lodge.

We are extremely excited about all the great things that are happening with Odd Fellowship here in Wenatchee and all the attention we're starting to get for the lodge. It has resulted in renewed interest in the Order and hopefully soon some new members. We greatly appreciate all the help and support from the Grand Lodge of Washington. They have been a huge help for everything we have done.

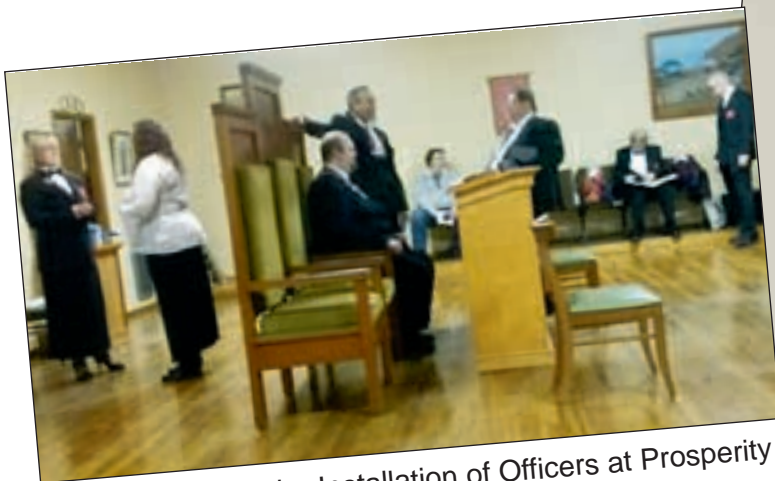
— In F. L. & T.,

Toby Hanson, Grand Master,
Grand Lodge of Washington, IOOF

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Steve Guffy and Marge Farrens at the Noble Grand's station at Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301 in Wenatchee.



Everyone awaits the Installation of Officers at Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301 in Wenatchee.



Here's the back of the Vice Grand's station with some banners on it.



Noble Grand Steve Guffy receives the gavel from Grand Master Toby Hanson.



**BETHANY
STRUTHERS**

From your 2018-19 Theta Rho President

AN INTERESTING MONTH

Hello everybody!

I hope you have all been well, and had a great Valentine's Day. This past month has been an interesting one with all the snow, weather, and other activities.

On top of a few school activities such as The Winter Formal, a dance at my school, I was able to visit one of the Theta Rho Clubs clubs in Washington. Unfortunately I also had to cancel

one due to weather. I was able to visit Eta #94 in Oregon on February 14. I had a wonderful time. It felt a little weird to be visiting my home club, but it was also a lot of fun. I am planning to reschedule my visit with Spunky Bluebirds #93 within the next month or two. I will have more details on both next month

*In Happiness Through Service,
Bethany Struthers,
Theta Rho Assembly President
Of Washington*

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Narcissa Rebekah members display winter hats crocheted by Jeanne Elder for homeless students in the Walla Walla area. From left are: Sisters Lula B.

Washington, Patty Newell, Barbara Trz, Barbara Lechner, Sharon Sousa, Rose Ringhoffer, Nancy Klicker, and Jeanne Elder.

In Walla Walla

Narcissa's Jeanne Elder continues her knitting to aid homeless kids!!

A new year means more projects for the Narcissa Rebekahs as Partners in Learning with Walla Walla Public Schools. Jeanne Elder is crocheting more winter hats for homeless elementary students. Jeanne said when she was snowed in, she completed two hats in one day. Christy Krutulis, Director of Teaching and Learning, distributes the hats to schools where they are needed by students.

Krutulis also will bring materials so lodge members can participate in projects to assist teachers decorate their rooms. Some options are: cut and paste posters, make banners, display photos and pictures on bulletin boards, create wall magazines and a working wall.

Our lodge will assist the Maintenance Department at the Washington Odd Fellows Home repaint the outdoor Nativity scene. A fresh coat of paint will be applied to the life-size figures, camels and sheep this summer.

Last year our members donated funds to Tabitha's Closet, originated by Kim Morasch, who loans formal dresses and tuxedos to students for their proms. Several prom dresses were donated by Barbara Lechner. This year Barbara is donating evening bags.

Our newly-elected Lodge Representative is Barbara Lechner. Barbara Trz is the Alternate. Congratulations, Barbaras!

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

Skookumchuck IOOF Lodge #129 in Bucoda

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

We are growing folks. Two new members were initiated in February, Mike and Holly Finley. Welcome Brother and Sister to a wonderful worldwide Order.

Plans are in the works for our building in Montesano. We are finally getting the leaks figured out so they can be repaired and we can rent more spaces.

The lodge is also becoming more involved in our two communities of Bucoda and Montesano by reaching out and helping others in need.

If you get a chance to come down our way on the fourth Wednesday of the month, please come see our beautiful hall.

We elected Past Grand Master Michael A. Murray to become a member by transfer. Mike was the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington from 1995-1996. PGM Mike is not doing well and we send him and his family Odd Fellow love and prayers.

— *Fraternally in F, L & T, Laurel Delony, Secretary*



Elsie Wells, 93, a Narcissa Rebekah, receives her award from Activity Assistant Renn Salkind.



Doris Huddell, 105, is the oldest person at the IOOF Home. She walks to meals with her walker, enjoys having her hair done at Bella Bella Salon and visits with friends. Her memory is excellent.

Home celebrates 90-plus birthdays

Mariah Matthews, Washington Odd Fellows Home Activity Director, hosted a “Hollywood Awards Ceremony” for residents 90-plus years of age. The auditorium in Walla Walla was filled to capacity with 93 women guests of honor. There were only seven men in their 90s.

Everyone sang “Happy Birthday” accompanied by Chelsea Carter, harpist. Staff members rolled in a foot-high birthday cake. Guests were applauding when the cake burst open and Jesse Torres jumped out, shouting, “Happy Birthday, everyone! And many more!” Then the applause turned into cheers.

More fun followed when Dee Haun called out the names of all the states. Residents identified which state they were from. Almost every state was represented — guests even came from five of the six New England states.

As their pictures appeared on the big screen, every 90-plus-year-old received a statue with their name on it. Frosted, The Cupcake Shop, served cake pops with champagne or sparkling cider.

In closing, Mariah recognized those who reached the century milestone. Wanda Stimmel and Syvila Priday were applauded, as well as Marguerite Babcock who turned 101.



From left, Jean Frank, Marguerite Gehring and Rose Ringhoffer, a Narcissa Rebekah, attribute living in their 90s to exercise, especially playing bocce ball.

ANTI-AGING TIPS

The oldest resident is Doris Huddell at 105 years of age. Doris said, “My siblings lived into their 90s. I have always been busy, teaching school for years and traveling. I like visiting with my friends and walking a lot.”

Jean Frank, 90, played golf and likes to play bocce ball; Marguerite Gehring, 95, plays bocce ball and walks outdoors; Rose Ringhoffer, 96 and a Narcissa Rebekah, swims twice a week and is on a bocce ball team.

Elsie Wells, 93 and a Narcissa Rebekah, thanks her mother for encouraging her to be active. She worked on a farm with her mother and dad and remembers her mother every day. She enjoys sharing with her friends.

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

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Ballard-Alki's 2019 officers

Ballard-Alki IOOF Lodge #170 in Seattle installed new officers on January 24. From left are: Grand Marshall Michael Scheurich, Noble Grand Mikol Soriano, Vice

Grand Clinton Attaway, Secretary Bob Duniway and Financial Secretary Steve Hayes. Congratulations to all the new officers.