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New Banner for Acorn Girls

From left, Evelyn Nichols, Desiree Gardiner Stacy Gardiner, new member Leilah McNichols, Lucy Crouch,

and Hailey Hanna display Acorn Theta Rho Club's new banner. More information on page 5.

State Parks names Orcas Island Odd Fellows 2018's top Volunteer Group!

The Moran Creek Kokanee Hatchery on Orcas Island has been selected as the Outstanding Volunteer Group in the Washington State Parks system for 2018.

Volunteers help maintain the hatchery program that received 200,000 fertile salmon eggs from the Lake Whatcom Hatchery and released up to perhaps 175,000 into Cascade Lake where they will either live for three or four years or be eaten by trout, bald eagles, osprey,

otters, or lucky fisher people.

The program has been in existence since the late 1940s when the Kokanee were released into Cascade Lake. At one point, most of the knowledge and responsibilities were shared between three people: Dave Caster and Al Nickerson, former park rangers at Moran State Park, and Mike Connell, fish biologist at Long Live the

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From the desk of your Grand Master

GREAT MEMORIES AT SOVEREIGN

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone is doing well.



JOHN OTTERSTROM

I traveled to Winston-Salem, North Carolina for Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions last month. It was an amazing experience. It was great seeing friends in person who I had made on Facebook. It was a pleasure meeting Brothers and Sisters from the United Kingdom, Cuba, Australia, The Philippines and Tasmania. What I was especially thrilled with was the election of our first female Sovereign Grand Warden, Michelle Heckart, who hales from Iowa. I wish her great success on her journey.

NOMINATION MONTH

October is the month of nominations for your 2020

know some lodges have repeat officers and several will have new officers. Be sure to train and support those new officers. WORKING TOGETHER

If your lodge is one of the lucky few that still have both Odd Fellows and a Rebekah lodge that meet at the same locations, please support one and another, whether that be with helping at events or maintenance of your hall. I am asking you both to rise up and reap the benefits of working together to create a well-functioning entity in your community

officers. It's a great honor to move up in the Order. I

I hope everyone has a great October and please be aware of those little ghost and goblins running around the streets in search of the Great Pumpkin on the 31st.

> — In Friendship, Love and Truth, John Otterstrom, AKA "Johneo" Your 2019-2020 Grand Master Grand Lodge of Washington, IOOF

South Tacoma Rebekahs #160

Brothers and Sisters,

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It's that time of year for our Third Annual Halloween Bingo Night. This will be held at the South Tacoma Odd Fellow hall located at 5424 South Puget Sound in Tacoma.

Dinner is served at 3 p.m. with Bingo at 4 p.m. Come for the day. Come for District meeting, stay for dinner and then have some Bingo fun. There is a flyer in this newspaper. You can't miss it.

The buy-in is \$20 for three cards and dinner. Dinner will be a large bake potato bar with all the trimmings and dessert. There will be lots of great prizes.

Our lodge voted to participate in the Buckley Thanksgiving Turkey donation. We will be working to

gather dressing and gravy — enough to go with 150 turkeys.

Our Sister Hazel took a little fall and had to have stitches, but she is back up and running. Well maybe not running, but doing her thing at 101. You go Sister!

— With Rebekah Hugs, Laurel Delony, Reporter



Watch Out For Ghosts & Goblins!

From the desk of your Grand Secretary

WELCOME BACK!

Brothers and Sisters,

By this time you should have received your Washington Digest updates (the black book). Make sure



LAUREL DELONY

you read to your members the legislation that passed at Sessions so everyone is aware of the changes.

LJ JONES SCHOLARSHIP

LJ Jones Scholarship information is being mailed this month. Please be sure to follow the directions if you have graduating students who qualify. Dates will be strictly adhered to, so watch your deadlines.

NOMINATIONS

Lodges should be starting your first nominations of officers. Second nomi-

nations should be by the second meeting of October and elections at your first meeting in November.

Please contact the Grand Lodge with the dates of your installations. I'll be reminding you as we get closer to January.

I'M HERE TO HELP

Secretaries, as we get closer to year-end reports please do not hesitate to contact me for any help or to answer any question you may have. I'm here to help, so please do reach out if you need me.

> — With Fraternal Hugs Laurel Delony, PGM, Grand Secretary



Steve Purcell cruises around "Boo Coda" in his hearse aptly named "Hearsela."

Things are getting spooky in 'Boo-Coda'

Summer is nearly over, the summertime festivities and parades have concluded or are winding down, and there is a detectable change in the weather. It's time to put away the coolers and barbeques and prepare for the

away the coolers and barbeques and prepare for the slower pace of the fall and winter months, right?

Well, not in Bucoda. This is the time the real work begins as the town prepares for the annual "Boo-Coda Spook-Tacular and Haunted House." Every weekend in October the town hosts different Halloween themed events; and even goes so far as to change the name, by proclamation, from Bucoda to Boo-Coda.

So how does this relate to the Odd Fellows? I'm glad you asked. It seems to revolve around the current Noble Grand of Skookumchuck #129, Steve Purcell. This is the time of year when he trades his typical blue jeans and "Grand Poobah" baseball cap for top hat and tails; transforming into "Digger The Friendly Undertaker." In fact, his Ford Escape is generally parked and his mode of transportation is a 1995 Cadillac hearse named "Hearsela."

Sound a little spooky? It is but it is all for the benefit of the town. Several other members of Skookumchuck #129 and Bucoda Rebekahs #144 also volunteer, mostly behind the scenes in various capacities, but it is "Digger" who claims to have the most fun. Best of all, he is always meeting new people and capitalizing on the opportunity to spread the word about Odd Fellowship.

If this sounds like fun, I invite you to visit **www.boo-coda.com** for details. But why wait till October? Skookumchuck #129 meets at 7 pm the second Wednesday in Bucoda and the fourth Wednesday at Friendship Hall in Montesano (usually with a light supper at 6 p.m.); Bucoda Rebekahs #144 meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday in Bucoda. Everyone is welcome. Either way, we hope to see you all in Bucoda/Boo-Coda soon.

— In F., L. & T., Laura Purcell Treasurer, Skookumchuck #129 Member Bucoda Rebekahs #144



Steve Purcell, aka, "Digger The Friendly Undertaker.



From the desk of the Assembly President

FALL BRINGS MANY ACTIVITIES

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I look outside at a lovely sunny day that school



MARGARET **TRUTTMANN**

has started, the days are growing shorter, the vine maples leaves are beginning to change color and the evening and mornings are cooler which says fall is on its way. For Odd Fellows and Rebekahs a sign of fall is the return of Lodge Meetings, District Meetings and other activities that have been on hold over the summer months. It is my hope all the lodges have had a great beginning to their fall activities.

IARA MEMORIES

Attending International (IARA) in Winston-Salem, North Carolina was a highlight of summer and the begin-

ning of my year as Rebekah Assembly President. I served on the Teller Committee along with Representatives from Maryland, Delaware, Illinois, Oregon and Pennsylvania. Our assignment was to assist with any voting that required a count such as Officer Elections. Each member had an opportunity to help the committee in some way such as distributing ballots, collecting them or counting them.

It was an honor to attend Youth Day and see our youth receive so many honors. A special thank you to the advisors and our Joint Youth Committee members who were so willing give of their time and energy to help Theta Rho Clubs.

WASHINGTON WAS WELL REPRESENTED

The Jurisdiction of Washington was represented by 17 Rebekahs and Odd Fellows who were in attendance. This number included Theta Rho Advisors, our Representatives, appointed officers, committee members, courtesy officers and flag bearers.

At the formal opening ceremonies on Sunday evening, it was my honor to escort Past Grand Master Joe Picanco as he presented the Washington State Flag. Past Grand Master Ron Hanson was escorted by Peg Ogilvie, Vice President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, as he presented the Alaska Flag. The time in Winston-Salem was filled with learning experiences, making new friends and greeting old ones and having fun.

FOCUS ON WHAT'S IMPORTANT

IARA President, Elizabeth Mowry-Harbstreit gave her program. Her theme is "Focus on What's Important." Her emblem is a flutterby on a star. You may remember Elizabeth when she visited our Sessions.

My Program

It is my privilege to share my Presidential Program

- *Motto:* Believe in faith, hope and friendships
- *Emblem:* A Flying Pig
- Colors: Pink and Green
- Flowers: Pink Carnations and Yellow Roses
- Song: "I Believe"
- Fun Song: "If Pigs Could Fly"
- Project: Grand Master John Otterstrom and I have chosen Visual Aid as our joint project.
- Hymn: "The Old Rugged Cross" and "In the Garden"
- Scripture: Psalm 37:5 Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him to help you do it and He will."

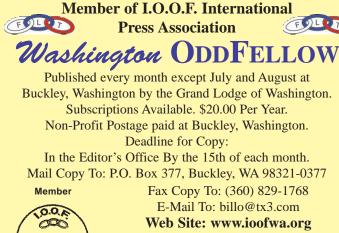
"A real friend is one who walks in when the rest of the world walks out." — Walter Winchell

If I may be of service to you or your lodge, feel free to contact me.

> — In Friendship, Love & Truth Margaret Truttmann, President, Rebekah Assembly of Washington Email: maggie@olynet.com

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Happy Halloween!





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From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

WE WILL MISS IRENE

Dear Sisters and Brothers.

It is with great sadness that I have to report the loss of another Past Rebekah Assembly President. Sister Irene Kossow passed away on September 4, 2019 at the age of 93. She will truly be missed. Please drape your Charter



MARCIA PRESLEY

to honor her memory for 30 days. Keep her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

BILLS ARE IN THE MAIL

I will be mailing the Fall Per Capita and Assessment bills sometime this month. Be sure to remit your payment to my office by the deadline date of December 15, 2019. Your Fall Dues will reflect the difference that is due for your Washington

Odd Fellow newspaper, as the Newspaper Committee voted to lower the newspaper dues by \$5.

OUR IARA PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM

Sister Elizabeth Mowry-Harbstreit, the Representative from the IARA to our Assembly Session in June, was Installed as the IARA President at the IARA/SGL

Sessions held in Winston-Salem, NC in August. Her Emblem is a Butterfly on a Star. Her Theme: Focus on What's Important. Her Scripture: Psalm 118:24: "This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." Her Songs: "When I Think of God's Love," "Welcome to My World," "Hymn of Promise," and "What a Wonderful World." Her Dedication: To the many people that have helped her to become the Rebekah whose goal it is to serve you and our Order. May we all rededicate ourselves to the foundation established 200 years ago so that we may leave a stronger legacy for those who follow us.

CHANGES

Summer is gone and Autumn's tune sings softly to a harvest. Songs of changes that are nearing as Fall's season is appearing. Tall maple trees are full of fire in crimson colors that inspire. Dogwoods dressing for a show beneath a sky of indigo. Soon the leaves turn russet brown tumbling down on Autumn's crown and barren *trees now survey* — *the beauty that was yesterday.*

> With lots of Rebekah Hugs, In Friendship, Love and Truth, Marcia Presley,

PP & Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington

Operation Christmas

See Photo On Page 1

Acorn Theta Rho #79 in Oak Harbor

WELCOME LEILAH

Well fall is officially here. At our first meeting in September we initiated a new member and welcomed Leilah McNichols to our club.

Bingo coming to Bucoda Nov. 16th

Saturday, November 16, Bucoda Rebekah Lodge #144 will host a Bingo Night, complete with, the ever popular, Potato Bar.

Holy Cliffhanger, Batman. . . When will we learn more? Tune in next issue for The exciting conclusion. . . Same Bucoda Time. . . Same Bucoda Station. . .



— Steve Purcell, Reporter

We want to thank those of you who supported our Papa Murphy Fundraiser. We are having a celebration party this month by making our own mini-pizzas and watching a movie. We have purchased a new club banner which made its debut when we spent a day at Walmart selling pizza cards.

This month we are working on "Operation Christmas Child" and once again are putting together 10 boxes. Sounds funny doing them in October, but they are due this month in order to get to their destination for Christmas.

It's almost time for the ghosts and goblins to come out. We will be having our own Halloween celebration at the end of the month.



We hope you are all enjoying being back at lodge. Until next time. . .

- With Hugs In Happiness Through Service, The members Of Acorn Theta Rho #79

A LOOK INTO WALLA WALLA'S PAST





Grand Encampment 1913

About 200 scans of historic Walla Walla photos were given to Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 reporter Shirley Ruble by Joe Drazan. He is a retired Whitman College archives librarian who collects pictures of the Walla Walla Valley in a blog titled, "Bygone Walla Walla. A caption on this photo reads: "IOOF Grand Encampment, Walla Walla, Wash.

1913. Sanford Photo." The slightly visible name of the store in the background reads "Johnson & Stevens For Men and Boys." Note the mystery woman standing on the right. We can't figure out if she was passing by or deliberately standing there when the photo was taken. This was actually one large photo, but was split in half.

Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 in Napavine

Hello to all from Trinity in Napavine. Well fall is upon us. As I write this we are finishing up our Bingo and getting ready for our Christmas Bazaar which will be November. 8 and 9. We will be doing our full turkey dinner on Friday with turkey noodle soup on Saturday. We have 23 tables already rented. It should be a full house. We are excited! There are lots of new vendors.

The District #18 meeting will be on Saturday, October 12. We will be initiating a new member for Napavine and one for Toledo.

We are working with our Brother Odd Fellows trying to get the hall insulated so we can save money on our heating bills. Three of our members met with them at their social meeting. We have a couple bids. Once we get over the wiring glitch, we might be able to proceed. Everyone say a prayer for the update to our hall.

So for now. . .

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

Rebekah District #3 to meet October 19

Brothers and Sister,

The District #3 Meeting will be held on Saturday October 19 at the South Tacoma Odd Fellow Hall located at 5424 South Puget Sound in Tacoma.

Doors open at 9:15 a.m. for some social time, coffee and breakfast breads. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Lunch is a potluck to share. Bring your favorite dish.

Badge and program cost is 50 cents.

District President Kathi Picanco has an informative meeting planned. Dress is casual.

Annual Corn Feed Home continues 122 year tradition

BY SHIRLEY RUBLE

Who doesn't enjoy a corn harvest in the autumn? It has been a tradition at the Washington Odd Fellows Home since it opened in 1897. The Home supported itself by farming 6-1/2 acres on Boyer Avenue. There was an orchard with 126 fruit trees, currant and gooseberry plants, a large garden, 60 chickens and two cows. The produce went first to the residents, and the remainder was sold to downtown merchants.

The corn harvest tradition continued on August 30 when residents, staff and guests were treated to corn roasted on an outdoor grill. The host was Rob Grand staff, Director of Environmental Services, who is a gentleman farmer.

Rob grows Simplot sweet corn. It is a new variety and doesn't have a name yet, just a number. The crop was harvested all at once and yielded about 650-700 ears of corn. They were distributed to residents and staff through four dining rooms.

Corn was served on and off the cob with melted butter, salt, pepper, mayonnaise, mustard, jalapeno sauce, salsa, Parmesan cheese and chili powder.

There was watermelon, lemonade and soft drinks. The Evans Brothers, Nico and Bash, provided the lively music. Known as "Sound and Stone," the brothers often entertain at wineries. Nico started playing the guitar when he was 13 years old and Bash when he was 16. They wrote some of their most popular numbers themselves.

Everyone present had a good time, as the following comments demonstrate:

Shirley Roesch, Resident — "What a hoot! The music takes me back to the '50s. I could listen to it all day. And the food is the best."

Rob Gonzales, Guest — "The music, refreshments and people are amazing! The staff makes it fun for the residents, and the residents return their appreciation."

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Tending gardens is nothing new at the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla. Residents of the Home, including

an orphan, tend to Victory Gardens using a hoe and hand tiller from 1941-1945.



Resident D. A. Keve is greeted by staff members Lupe Roqe (right), Teresa Herrera, Vikki Ochoa, and Araceli Garcia.



Nico (left) and Bash, the Evans Brothers, have played acoustic folk, blues and world-wide styles of music for 13 years. They are popular at Valley wineries.



Greeting residents at the picnic were: Maria Muñoz, Activities Director; Araceli Garcia; Lupe Roge, Staff;

Bob Houck, Maintenance; and Rob Grandstaff, Environmental Director.

Home residents enjoy corn feed

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Beverly Arterburn, Resident — "Everyone here has a smile! I love the tunes, my favorite foods, and seeing people have a good time. Give credit to all of the staff who made this day possible!"

Leroy Wilson, Resident — "This is a good way to spend a morning! Everyone is friendly and the kernels of corn are fresh, sweet and moist. I think the Evans Brothers are great musicians. I don't know what they're doing as gardeners."

Pam Coronado, Resident — (Eating an ear of corn.) "This is so much fun! Do you know what the baby corn say to its mama? Where's my pop corn?"

Rob Grand staff, Environmental Services Director — "Part of the magic of the Odd Fellows Home are the talented grounds people and activities staff. Spontaneous

events like this are the heart of the Odd Fellows. There's no special occasion, we're just celebrating life and the corn harvest."

Early residents of the Home passed down a tradition that is plentiful and an excellent addition to a healthy diet. Corn contains fiber, B and C vitamins, potassium, magnesium, iron, phosphorus, manganese and selenium. Sweet corn is high in vitamins while popcorn is high in minerals.

Watermelon is 92 percent water and rich in fiber, vitamin C and A, potassium and low in fat.

Today, there are no farm animals at the Home, but the gardens produce lettuce, radishes, three varieties of tomatoes, peas, cucumbers, green beans, butternut squash, beets, radishes, scallions, rhubarb and pumpkins. All are open for the residents to enjoy.

It Was Raining Watermelous At Our Home In Walla Walla

DETAILS ON PAGES 7 & 8



Odd Fellows Home tradition Another Watermelon Toss. Staff members throw an inedible watermelon from the roof of the red brick building and try to hit the bull's eye below. The winner retains the title for a year. From left, Terry Nix, John Brigham, Maria Muñoz (partially seen), Tammy Sharon, Marcos Soto, and Katie Houck.



Marcos Soto lets a watermelon fly down to the bull'seye on the lawn. Watching, from left, are Terry Nix, Katie Houck, John Brigham, Tammy Sharon, and Maria Muñoz (far right). The winner is John Brigham. He said, "I practiced chucking watermelons off the roof for a month. It's all about skill."

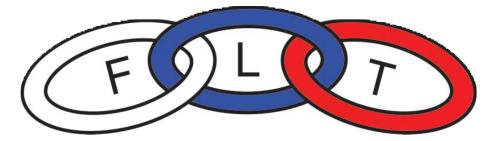


County Fair winner

Patty Newell won the Reserve Grand Champion prize for "Jesus and the Children" at the Walla Walla County Fair. She is Volunteer Lead of the Odd Fellows Home Ceramic Lab and Noble Grand of Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2. Patty enjoys growing vegetables in a raisedbed garden for everyone to enjoy.

Congrats Patty!

~ Lodge Cards



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If you have any questions please contact the Grand Secretary at grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com or (360) 829-1514.

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: Mikol Soriano, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. Ph: (206) 629-8885. Sec'y: Bob Duniway, 4428 Montana Circle West, Seattle, WA 98199. Ph: (206) 372-4164 (2/28/20)

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: Greg Hulet, 1035 NW Huckle Dr., Bremerton, WA 98311. Ph: (360) 692-8919. Sec'y: Larry Seward, Jr., 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale, WA 98383. Ph: (360) 731-0975 (2/28/20)

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

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Meets At: 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA. Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Dannielle Hanson, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. Sec'y: Madi Martin, PO Box 98321. 777, Buckley, WA madimartin216@hotmail.com (2/28/20)

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)

CLOVER LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #54

Meets At: 10116 NE 185th St., Bothell, WA 98011. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. Recess:, July, Aug., NG: Marilyn Loftus, 10619 E. Lake Joy Dr. NE, Carnation, WA 98014 Ph: (425) 765-1306. Sec'y: Michelle Gasparek, PO Box 1241, Bothell, WA 98011-1241. Ph: (425) 485-0359 (2/28/24)

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 (2/28/21)

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. (2/28/20)

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 (2/28/20)

HOPE REBEKAH LODGE #38

Meets At: 1420 N. Washington, Spokane, WA 99201. Time: 1st & 3rd Wed., 1 pm. Recess: July, Aug. NG: Pat Nave, 1420 N. Washington, Spokane, WA 99201. Ph: (509) 328-1029. Sec'y: Carol L. Hare, 1420 N. Washington, Spokane, WA 99201. Ph: (509) 924-1791 (2/28/25)

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)

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)

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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)

PROSPERITY I.O.O.F. LODGE #301

Meets At: 601 Chelan Ave, Wenatchee Time: 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. Recess: Feb., March. NG: Scott Cowan, 2520 Number 1 Canyon Rd., Wenatchee, WA 98801. Ph: (253) 219-1194. Sec'y: Lisa Beare, 304 N. Franklin Ave., Wenatchee, WA 98801 Ph: (509) 669-8742 (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 993542839. Ph: (509) 946-7342. Sec'y: Glen DeLozier, 1514 Wilson, Richland, WA 99354-2839. Ph: (509) 946-7342 (2/28/20)

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: Steve Purcell, PO Box 386, Bucoda, WA 98530-0386 Ph: (360) 278-3070. Sec'y: Laurel Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321-1206. Ph: (253) 468-1949 (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)

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 at1 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)

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 (2/28/20)

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

Meets At: 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima. Time: 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. Recess: July, Aug. 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)



Did you know?

You must follow state laws in serving liquor

It has come to our attention that lodges may not have been notified by their Representatives of changes in the Washington Digest (black book) over the last three years. One specific piece of legislation that was voted on by the Grand Body as a whole is Chapter 17. The following is copied directly from the book. Please read both sections and especially Section 2.0 which concerns intoxicating substances.

WASHINGTON DIGEST CHAPTER 17

INTOXICATING LIQUOR

SECTION 1.0

No Odd Fellow Lodge shall allow alcoholic beverages to be served in their Lodge Hall or *any* Lodge area prior to or during any Regular or Special Meeting, Initiation, or Installation Ceremony held in their Lodge.

Each Odd Fellow Lodge may amend their By-Laws to authorize the use of alcoholic beverages in their Lodge hall or dining area. These By-Laws shall not be in effect until approved by the Deputy Grand Master and/or the Grand Lodge.

Any Lodge that votes to allow alcoholic beverages to be served, not amending their By-Laws to provide for same, or not acting in accordance with this revised Bill, shall place their Lodge Charter in *great jeopardy*.

Any serving of alcoholic beverages shall be in strict compliance with all applicable State and Local Civil Laws.

SECTION 2.0

No other intoxicating substance shall be consumed or distributed on any lodge property. (2016)

— Laurel Delony, Grand Secretary

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From your 2019-20 Theta Rho President

CAPTAIN'S LOG — STARDATE 091519

I can tell fall is coming because it only got up to 89 degrees last week here in Vegas!



PIPER FYFFE

Happy October everyone! I hope everyone is enjoying their classes so far and no one is getting too far behind on their homework. My History of Medicine course is turning out to be quite an interesting class did you know that the first time anesthesia was used on a patient was by a dentist in 1846? I also highly suggest reading one of the great Greek Epics if you ever get

the chance. I learn more about the Odyssey every time I go back to it.

CHRISTMAS PROJECTS

Anyways, I hope everyone has gotten the ball rolling on some projects this year, or at least has started spitballing. October is the perfect time to start working on projects for Christmas. I know it may seem a bit early, but it allows for plenty of time for planning and gathering. If anyone needs any help on ideas, don't be afraid to talk to each other — members of your local Rebekah Lodge, or me! A few great projects are making shoe boxes filled with necessities and goodies, winter clothes and blanket collecting, or even working with another non-profit to collect toys for kids in need.

HALLOWEEN FUN

But coming up soon is Halloween so don't be afraid to have some fun, too! One of my fondest memories from my early days of being a Theta Rho are the Halloween parties we would have. And if anyone is going to go trick or treating, be safe! Stay with a parent/guardian, and stick with a buddy. Safekids.org has a bunch of good safety tips for the candy collecting fanatic. Stay safe everyone! And make sure to bundle up!

"Go and show them how special you are."

— Meet the Robinsons

— In Happiness Through Service, Piper Fyffe, Theta Rho Assembly President Of Washington



From your 2019-20 Grand Patriarch

STATE OF THE ORDER

Huh! Here I am doing this again, but this time I want to share with you what I think are some words of wisdom.

Serving on the State of the Order Committee we felt that we should give a State of the Order as we see it. The report should have been in Thursday's Journal, but for some reason it did not appear. All of the members of the



RON HANSON

committee contributed to this report and one member wrote it. We all went back and looked at it to see if it reflected our collective views of the State of the Order as we see it.

I would, also, like to comment on what went on during each daily session. From my personal observation, it was apparent that some new, as well as old members, have forgotten what manners and decorum are. There was much shouting out from the floor instead of going to the microphone and giving

your name and jurisdiction and saying what you had to say.

I have to wonder if the breakdown of manners and decorum has traveled from our Lodges and Encampments to our Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments and from there to Sovereign Grand Lodge. What might cause that and why do I think that? Well I will tell you when I first started in the Order I would come home from work, cleanup and get dressed for lodge. Quite often some of the members would ask why I got dressed up. Because that is what I was taught by my parents to do. Be presentable! Look around your Lodge or Encampment. How many are in work clothes and how many just shout it out from wherever they are sitting instead of going through the presiding officer.

Those are my observations and thoughts. I hope you can find some words of wisdom to change the way we behave at our meetings and the way we act around others, as I believe this carries over in how we present ourselves to the public.

— In Faith, Hope & Charity, Ron Hanson, Grand Patriarch

STATE OF THE ORDER REPORT

One of the most impactful detriments this Order faces is angry contradiction between members; even worse is public demonstration of such disagreements on social media.

As society has modernized our means of communications, more frequent and rapid exchanges, whether conjecture, opinion, or fact, we must always keep in mind and practice those absolute principles of Friendship, Love, and Truth.

Those who are not members could view us a hypocritical, thus destroying our own legitimacy as a fraternal organization.

All members must seek peaceful outcomes. If discord has reached your hearts, seek amends. Work toward resolutions, rather than persistent aggravation.

The committee also finds there is a need for the cre-

ation of historical literature to be drafted and published in every Jurisdiction, as this is one of the greatest mediums to reach a segment of curious people, and history enthusiasts who enjoy historical and interesting stories. No matter which town or city a lodge is located, there is related history, whether to a historic event, a prominent member, or in the structure itself. People enjoy reading history. Our lodges are full of stories and history. Some of our lodges have attics and basements full of historical and interesting artifacts. Clean those spaces out and write about those items. How were they used? How old are they? Are they valuable? Write about them and take pictures and share this information with local news outlets (social media, news articles, magazines, short documentary(ies), pamphlets, and books). This is the kind of program this Order must embrace if it wants to assure its place in history.

The committee also encourages the modernization of communications between lodges, members, and Jurisdictions, with regard to the latest in electronic technologies. We must utilize and embrace that segment of our membership who can point us in the right direction.

We can also touch upon subtle, but important inclusiveness-achievements witnessed at Sovereign Grand Lodge in the last two years:

- 1. Having a representative of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows in America (GUOOF) speak to the Grand Body in 2018.
- 2. Having a representative for Cuba at our Annual Communication in 2019.
- 3. Having the first woman elected at the Warden of Sovereign Grand Lodge (2019).

These represent not only progressive change, but is evident of an organization embracing adaptation.



News from the Capital City

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Greeting Brothers and Sisters,

Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17 is gearing up for Christmas. The members will start collecting items for the Union Gospel Mission for Christmas stockings for the kids. Be on the watch for "Game Night." More details to follow.

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 had a Degree Day on September 28. Many lodges participated and we now have many more Third Degree members.

Congratulations to the new members. We look forward to working with you.

Nominations of Officers are coming up and we're excited. We always look forward to new officers and exciting projects. We are planning on Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 18. Luncheon will be served at noon with the installation directly after.

Doug Eklund, Captain of the "Sand Man" tug boat, and his crew won their race in their division. I believe it was said that none had ever seen Doug or Hal Bellerud jump so high They were presented with a silver cup. Wonderful job guys. We are so proud of you.

— With Fraternal Hugs in F., L. & T., Laurel Delony, Secretary of Olympia IOOF Lodge #1





Seated in front on the "Sand Man" are Joe and Kathi Picanco. In the back, from left, are Lorraine Hammond, and David Hammond.



Standing on the deck of the "Sand Man" are Captain Doug Eklund, Hal Bellerud, Kirk Sulenes and Kim Gubbe.



The "Sand Man" as seen in earlier days (left and above.) In the photo, you can see the Washington State Capitol Building in the background.

Off 70 Sea!

Renaissance of a Classic Tugboat

The historic tugboat, Sand Man, more than a century old, has always been based in Olympia. Her first 75 years was devoted to the assistance of larger vessels as well as the towing of mercantile goods on the waters of southern Puget Sound. Following a thorough restoration, she was launched again in 2005 to begin her second life — as a floating museum dedicated to the public education in regards to Olympia's historic maritime legacy.

HISTORY

Construction was commissioned in 1908 by Arthur Weston, owner of the Olympia Sand & Gravel Company. The boat was built by the Crawford and Reid Shipyard in Old Town Tacoma. Finish work on the pilot house was done by the Olympia company, H. A. Long Boatworks, and she began service in 1910. Weston used it to tow barges of building materials from the quarries near Steilacoom (hence her name). Sand Man was originally powered by a 50-horsepower Frisco-Standard gasoline engine that Weston found at the 1909 Alaska-Yukon Pacific Exposition, on the campus of the new University of Washington.

In 1922, Sand Man was sold to Delta Smyth, owner of the Capitol City Towing Company, joining a fleet of more than a dozen tugboats. Over the following three decades, she towed rafts of logs and also barges loaded with a variety of goods that included freshly-harvested oysters destined for export. In that same year, the boat's gasoline engine was replaced with a 100 h.p. Fairbanks-Morse 3cylinder diesel engine. In 1944, Smyth installed a new 110 h.p. 6-cylinder Caterpillar diesel that powers the tugboat to this day. Then, the times was a 'changin. The old-growth timber that grew near Sound waters had mostly been logged by the 1950s, depressing the economy for tugboats in that industry. Smyth sold his company to the Foss Launch and Tugboat Company in 1953 and of the seven boats in that fleet. Sand Man alone remained in Budd Inlet while the others went to Tacoma and Seattle.

Over the next 27 years (1964-1987), two Olympia businessmen, Fred Chadwick and Franz Schlochtmann, operated by then the oldest working tugboat in the southern Puget Sound. In 1974, Sand Man played a lead role in the inaugural Olympia Harbor Days, as it does every Labor Day. When Schlochtmann retired, he sold the old tugboat to Bob Powell, whose subsequent dedication and commitment toward the survival of the old tugboat established the Sand Man Foundation.

Sinking and Restoration

During its first fund drive, Sand Man sank! While moored at Olympia's Swantown Marina in October 1998, the boat's bilge pump failed and in the blink of an eye only her smokestack rose above the water. Foundation members

and community volunteers, working around the clock, refloated the tugboat, but by then it needed a complete overhaul and refit.

The U.S. Department of Transportation urged new fundraising through a large grant as the boat had been listed on the National Register of Historic Sites. In 1999, the deck and hull were rebuilt by the Port Townsend Shipwrights Co-op, and in 2001 she was towed back to Olympia and placed in dry dock while volunteers rebuilt the cabin house and refurbished the engine. The restoration was done in time for Harbor Days 2005, and the boat was relaunched that same year.

The focus of Sand Man's restoration has been to make the vessel once again seaworthy while retaining much of its authenticity. She partakes in Harbor Days and other festivals, but some on-board projects remain, such as crew quarters in the foc'sle, the head, and repair of the old Stanley-Steamer automobile engine that powered the stern tow winch.

SAND MAN'S FUTURE

Sand Man is now moored at Percival Landing, pursuant to a long-term agreement with the City of Olympia. She is open to the public on weekends as a floating museum and educational facility, the focus of both the Sand Man Foundation and Olympia's promotion of tourism.

Technical Specifications — Historical Registers:

- Length 59 feet, 10 inches *National Register of Historic Sites (Vessels)*
- Beam 14 feet National Park Service Inventory of Historic Vessels
- Gross Tons 19 Washington State Historical Registry
- Draft 6 feet, 5 inches *Olympia's Registry of Historic Properties*

THE SAND MAN FOUNDATION

The foundation is an all-volunteer, tax-exempt nonprofit organization. The restoration and maintenance of the boat have been accomplished by thousands of hours of labor and generous donations of materials, as well as financial assistance by area businesses. Best, the Sand Man Foundation participates in Puget Sound maritime festivals to represent the City of Olympia!

CAN YOU HELP?

Donations are both welcomed and appreciated elements of our commitment to meet annual insurance premiums, but time donated is invaluable. Volunteers are always welcome. We need docents to welcome visitors and lead tours on weekends, and we also welcome help with on-going restoration and maintenance projects. For more information, visit the Sand Man Foundation's digital addresses: tugsandman.org

In Wenatchee

Entrepreneurs learn the ropes of business at Prosperity #301

We had a "Home Business & Craft Fair" on Saturday, September 21 at Prosperity Lodge # 301 in Wenatchee. We had a Mary Kay distributor, a Young Living representative, a vendor who makes pet treats and a literacy book vendor.

We sponsored four young entrepreneurs with "Doorstep Kitchens." These young men ages 17 and 18 are working to make a business with coffee and honey. One just left for college and the remaining three are still is high school. They are amazing young men.

We also collected items and monetary donations for the Women's Resource Center's Homeless Outreach Program. We collected many needed items, along with \$29.81. It was a fun day!

More photos on Page 17















Here's how you can join our Order

If you are reading our newspaper and are not a member but would like to become one, please fill out the application for membership included on this page.

If you would like more information about the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Rebekahs or

other branches of our Order, please contact the Grand Lodge of Washington office at 800-345-1766 or email grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com. We'd love you to become a member.

Thanks for your interest.

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PP Irene Kossow passes away at 93

Sister Irene Kossow, Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, passed away on September 4, 2019 at the age of 93 years young. She was born in rural Minnesota on June 14, 1926, to Glenn and Bessie

Benson. Being the oldest of eight children, she helped raise her seven siblings and during her high school years. Irene lived in the only high school dormitory in the United States, located in Deer River, Minnesota.

In 1959, Irene and her family moved from Minnesota to Kirkland, Washington.

Sister Irene was initiated into Silversands Rebekah Lodge #309 in Redmond in 1961. Because of family commitments, she dropped her membership for a few years



IRENE KOSSOW

and reinstated in 1977. She transferred her membership to Waterville Rebekah Lodge #77 in 1986.

Sister Irene served as Assembly President at the 108th Sessions held in Yakima in 1999. President Irene and Grand Master Ward Martin had similar aims and directions — that of bringing to the members of the Jurisdiction the positive and practical objectives of Odd Fellowship. They committed themselves for their year by uniting in a joint program of Knowledge. Their Emblem was the Key. Their Theme was Talk, Teach, Learn: Knowledge. Their Aim: That their Key would open the Door of Knowledge that would enable us, as members, to more fully understand our Order and educate others to our goals and purposes. Their Motto: Striving to strengthen the bonds of Odd Fellowship. Their Joint **Project:** To purchase a :"Power Trainer" — a specialized piece of physical therapy equipment for our Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla. Irene's *Flower* was the Sunflower; her Colors were Yellow and Green, her mother's favorite; her Songs, were "Sunshine On My Shoulder"

and "You Light Up My Life;" her *Fun Song* was "You Are My Sunshine;" her *Hymn* was "One Day At A Time;" her *Scripture* was Matthew 5:16: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works;" her *Mascot* was the old black crow, 'cause he's everywhere and he never gives up; her *Hope* was that each Lodge or District Association will consider sponsoring a youth program: Remember, today they need us, tomorrow we will need them; her *Personal Project* was "Pennies Per Pound" to be used for the Theta Rho Travel Fund.

Sister Irene was elected Assembly Treasurer in 1981 and held that office until 1986. She was honored to receive the title of Treasurer Emeritus in 1987.

President Irene had her "Dream Teams" working together to gain in membership and gain interest and ideas to make our membership grow and our friendships and Lodges prosper.

Irene is survived by her husband of 72 years, Gordon; three daughters, Penny, Patty and Peggy; four grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; two brothers and one sister. She was preceded in death by her parents and four siblings.

A graveside service, officiated by Pastor Sarah Kossow, was held at the Waterville Cemetery on September 21. A reception followed at 214 W. Locust in Waterville.

Past President Irene Kossow will truly be missed.

— Marcia Presley, Past President and Secretary

Of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington

~ In Memoriam ~

• Irene Kossow, PP Rebekah Assembly of Washington, 93-years-old, 58-year member, Waterville Rebekah Lodge #77.

Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge #300 Onalaska

The ladies from Pine Burr are getting ready for the Apple Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 5. It will be the first time putting our lodge in it.

Also on Saturday, October 12 we are hosting the District #18 meeting to be held at Napavine hall. Trinity has the only lodge hall in Lewis County. It is nice for them to offer us the use of their hall to hold it there. Thanks Trinity.

Our hugs and prayers and get well wishes to Naomi

Dow's husband Darrel who became ill at our last meeting. Her son came to our meeting with a panic request for his mom to come home now. We rushed Naomi out the door. The outcome was better than we expected. We said a prayer for them after our meeting. God heard us. Until next month take care.

In F., L. & T., The Crazy One, ALA AL Alberta Luurs, Noble Grand

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Orcas IOOF receive 2018 award from State Parks!!

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Long Live the Kings Hatchery and consultant at the Moran Creek Hatchery.

Dave Caster had many conversations with fellow fisherman, John Sumrall, who decided to invite Odd Fellows and other men and women from the community to participate. There are now 19 volunteers, mostly Odd Fellows, who keep it going.

After catching his first Kokanee as a child at Cascade Lake and about 40 years of passionate dedication and service as a park ranger, Dave Caster has passed the responsibility along. He is pleased to know that this has turned into such a successful community project and that the level of participation is strong. Dave passionately expressed, "I am so glad that so many of the Odd Fellows are interested. It is a wonderful relationship. I'm happy and proud of these volunteers. It's a model program that more State Parks should look at. When you get the community involved, you have a lot going for you. The next step is a good educational program."

The level of dedication and passion exemplified by Dave Caster for years, and his love of salmon, is present now with the current volunteer coordinator, John Sumrall, who is doing a great job of bringing people together to make this happen so the program can thrive.

John Sumrall shared, "It's a wonderful relationship with our group and the current rangers. The baton has been passed."



Orcas Island volunteers include Charlotte Sumrall, Che Blaine, Dave Caster, Dave Roseberry, David Turnoy, Didier Gincig, Eric Morris, George Post, John Fleisher, John Olson, John Sumrall, Joe Murphy, Kathryn Kier, Michael Riordan, Mike O'Connell, Rolly Sauer, Steve Sabine, Susan Oseth and Tom McDonough.

