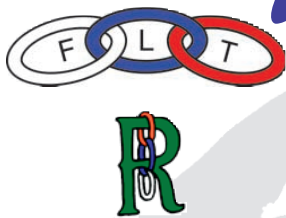


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Degrees galore in Buckley

On Wednesday, December 11, Buckley IOOF Lodge #75 conferred the Second and Third Degrees on six members.

The Brothers are, from left, Stuart Dye, Scott Sproul, Matt McCollum, Eric Smith, Corey Waldrip, and Curt Johnson.

Let's Make 2020 A Great Year For Odd Fellowship

From the desk of your Grand Master

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Greetings everyone! I hope your holidays were wonderful.



**JOHN
OTTERSTROM**
Grand Master

We had a good turn out for the Seattle Adaptive Sports event in December. We have another opportunity to volunteer on Saturday and Sunday, January 18 and 19 at Redmond High School, 17272 NE 104th St., Redmond, WA 98052. Saturday hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

INSTALLATIONS

We are now in our busy installation season. I'm looking forward to attending and participating in many installations. As in years past, it will be *fun* and entertaining.

Here is the list of the installations I have. Some are open to the public and some are being performed during lodge meetings.

- **1. Des Moines #305**, Sunday, January 5 at 2 p.m., public installation, Des Moines Odd Fellows Hall.

- **2. Ballard-Alki #170**, Thursday, January 9 at 7 p.m., Odd Fellows only, Ballard-Alki Odd Fellows Hall.

- **3. Golden Rule #207**, Saturday, January 11 at 12 noon, Joint Installation, Trinity Rebekah Hall.

- **4. Bothell #124**, Sunday, January 12 at 2 p.m., Joint Installation, Clover Leaf Rebekah Hall.

- **5. Olympia #1 and Skookumchuck #129**, Saturday, January 18 at 12 p.m., Noon Luncheon, Joint Installation with Rebekahs to follow, Olympia IOOF Hall.

- **6. Bremerton-Friendship #145 and South Tacoma #211**, Sunday, January 19 at 2 p.m., Joint Installation with the Rebekahs. South Tacoma IOOF Hall.

- **7. Titusville #34**, Thursday January 23 at 7 p.m., Odd Fellows only, Des Moines IOOF Hall.

- **8. Buckley #75**, Sunday, January 26 at 2 p.m., Joint Installation with Eola Rebekahs, Buckley IOOF Hall.

GOOD LUCK, NEW OFFICERS

I wish the new officers an amazing year and I look forward to visiting many of your lodges soon. Have a fantastic January!

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



Ballard hosts monthly picture show

On the first Thursday of each month, the Past Grand of Ballard-Alki IOOF Lodge hosts a movie night in our basement. The movie night is accompanied by a potluck open to members and guests. On December 5, the feature was "Forbidden Planet." In attendance were (front row from left) Noble Grand-elect Clinton Attaway,

Past Grand Michael Douglas, guest Cal Lopez, and guest Chris Daly. Standing, from left, are: guest Joe Beneito, Rich Ater, Ian Stanaway, Jr. Past Grand Jerry Smith, Past Grand Bob Duniway, Vice Grand-elect Mylinda Sneed, Ezekiel Blessing and Past Grand Nora Carria.

From the desk of your Grand Secretary

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dear Brothers and Sisters

First, Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that we are starting a new year already. With that being said, here we go with the reminders.



LAUREL DELONY

YEAR END REPORTS

Each lodge should have received Its Year End Report. Reports must be into my office by Saturday, February 15. Each day after, your lodge will incur a late fee of \$5 per day. No exceptions. If you have not received your reports, please notify me as soon as possible.

LODGE REPRESENTATIVES

I am sending out, and you may have already received this by the time you have gotten the newspaper, the Representatives' paperwork for even numbered lodges. Odd numbered lodges, you, too, received this paperwork just in case you may have to replace a Representative. Even numbered lodges, you're to elect a two-year Representative and Alternate at the *first meeting in*

In Buckley

Eola Rebekahs #63

As we started our meetings after summer break, we realized that we have several VIP's in our little Rebekah Lodge. Among our members are: The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington, the immediate Past Grand Master, the Warden and Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, and the Grand Patriarch. Of course, all of our members are important, but these are the titled ones at this time.

We have taken on a couple of community projects this year. Three of our members served dinner to a large crowd at the Buckley Senior Center's annual "Snow Day" event during the first part of December. In addition, we are taking turns providing healthy snacks at the local youth center.

There are two applications for membership on the desk at this time. One is by transfer and the other will be by initiation.

A Christmas dinner party in December was enjoyed by 15 of our members and guests at a local restaurant. Everyone enjoyed eating, visiting and exchanging gifts.

Our Installation of Officers will be held jointly with the Buckley Odd Fellows on Sunday, January 26 at 2 p.m. with dinner preceding the ceremony. We are looking forward to the New Year!

— In F.L. & T., Karen Hoylman, Reporter

February — not before, so please do not send those certificates back to me until after your first meeting in February. Secretaries, please fill in the address of your Representative at the bottom of the certificate that is to be mailed back to me. Most Secretaries miss this section, including myself.

INSTALLATIONS

There are a lot of installations going on this month. I hope you will be able to attend more than your own lodge Installation. There is a list in the Grand Master's news article on page 2. Check it out.

PASSWORDS

The information for the 2020 passwords were sent out. Remember, the new password is not to be given until the first meeting after your Installation of Officers.

If your lodge needs any help with anything, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office. I am here to help however I can.

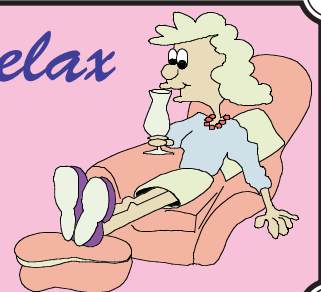
Once again, I wish you all a Happy New Year!

— With Fraternal Hugs
Laurel Delony,
PGM, Grand Secretary



Eola member Kim Presley, right, serves dinner at the Buckley Senior Center's "Snow Day" in December.

*Time To Relax
After The
Holidays*



From the desk of the Assembly President

HAPPY NEW YEAR, BROTHERS & SISTERS

As I am writing this I am thinking about the first snowfall of the year. I saw my first fresh snowfall in October when I traveled from Walla Walla to home after a District Meeting. One of my favorite things to do is to



MAGGIE
TRUTTMANN

sit and watch the falling snowflakes, which brings stillness to the outdoors and covers the ground with a clean white slate upon which to see the tracks of birds and animals. It brings an inner peace and also reminds me of the New Year which brings with it the opportunity to begin fresh with ideas, relationships and friends. It is a time for our lodges to begin anew.

WORKING TOGETHER

As we begin this New Year, I would like to thank everyone who has been elected to a Lodge Office by saying thank you for serving. To each and

every one who has been willing to accept an appointed office, thank you for doing what you can. When asking members to serve in appointed offices, remember to include new members, as well as longstanding members. All of us working together will help to make our Order stronger.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

I know you are preparing for installation of the lodges new officers. If you would like me to participate in your installation, please feel free to contact me through the information listed below.

LET F.,L. & T. LIGHT THE WAY

May the joy of Friendship, Love and Truth light every day of the New Year for you and your lodge.

— In Friendship, Love & Truth

Margaret Truttmann, President,

Rebekah Assembly of Washington

Email: maggie@olynet.com

Mailing Address: PO Box 4311, Elma, WA 98541-0311

Home Phone: (360) 482-2923

Washougal Odd Fellows Lodge #194

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Members of Washougal IOOF Lodge #194 participated in the Tenth Annual Washougal Festival of the Trees December 6 and 7. The Three Link emblem was shown on the back of each personal auction and raffle number, along with other community supporters such as the local Ford dealership, Credit Union and Lions Club. On the Washougal River Christmas trees it stated, "We are especially grateful for corporate and in-kind sponsors — we ask that you keep them in mind."

The events had 23 trees decorated by businesses or community service groups and baskets from the same. All this was a benefit (after expenses) going directly to the seven schools in the Washougal School District. The principal and parent club at each school determines where the funds will best meet student needs.

THEMED BASKETS

We have done themed baskets for several years. "Oregon Ducks" netted our top bid of \$100, "Seahawks" \$95, and a "Gingerbread Basket" containing all kinds of items, all with a gingerbread theme, went for \$90, "All about Christmas," a basket full of holiday items for the whole family, got a bid of \$85 and "Family Fun," a basket full of games, crafts and books for a family to enjoy raised \$85.

Members made many homemade items for the baskets including an afghan (Oregon Duck school colors), microwave soup bowl covers, aprons and pot holders with Seahawk material, Gingerbread material made into apron, place mates, potholders and holiday prints made into

aprons, place mats, table runners just to name a few. One of the workers said our baskets were too heavy to move into the school when they sat up it took two to carry it.

After the November meeting, members spent the evening filling and wrapping the baskets for the event. We are already planning next year's event. We have picked themes and we are shopping the sales following the holidays for items to fill the baskets for 2020.

Our final event for 2019 was our Christmas luncheon on Saturday, December 21 at the Chinese Gardens. Many local members attended.

— Submitted by Jeanette Jester, Secretary



Displaying the beautiful baskets destined for Washougal's "Festival of the Trees" auction are, from left, Jeanette Jester, Joyce (Hope) Gilson, Dennis Gilson and Harry Jester. Kathy Jester was the photographer.

From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

WELCOME TO THE NEW YEAR

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Another year has come and gone and 2020 has arrived. The celebration of the first 200 years of our Order has taken place and let's all hope, as an Order, we can celebrate again in another 100 years.



MARCIA PRESLEY

JANUARY MILESTONES

Wednesday, January 15 has been proclaimed the Anniversary of the Birthday of Thomas Wildey, founder of our Order, and the Month of January is Thomas Wildey Museum Month. This museum is located in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. If any of you plan on attending the SGL/IARA Sessions in 2020 that will be held there, plan on visiting this wonderful museum which contains the history of our Order.

CONGRATULATIONS NEW OFFICERS

I would like to congratulate all of the newly-installed officers for the year 2020. With your help, each one of you have a way of making your lodge even better and with ideas from your total membership, we can make our Order even better. As the Sovereign Grand Master E.

Wesley Nelson and President of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies Elizabeth Mowry-Harbstreit state, "Focus on what is important and the future is in your hands."

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

Your Annual Reports are due by Wednesday, January 15. I hope that I can report at our Assembly Sessions in June that all Rebekah Lodge Annual Reports were received prior to the deadline and that I did not have to issue any fines. A fine of \$5 a week after Friday, January 31 will be issued by my office. I hope this will not be necessary.

EVERY DAY

*Each day is a gift to enjoy and appreciate,
Each day is a blessing with cause to celebrate.
Each day an opportunity to lend a helping hand,
Each day another chance to better understand.
Each day is a gift, to enjoy and appreciate,
To make a difference, to spread happiness.*

So, why wait?!

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

~ From your 2019-20 Theta Rho President ~

WELCOME TO THE NEW DECADE!

It's a brand new year, and a brand new decade! Now is the time to donate those clothes, clean out that cupboard, or start a new hobby. Finding hobbies and activities that make me happy are one of the ways that make school just a bit more tolerable for me. I love knitting, painting and writing. I encourage you all to find something that you enjoy doing, and take it up in your free time. Video games and Twitter are always fun, but working on a project by hand can really help stress. I also could not suggest enough making music playlists for different moods that you're in.



PIPER FYFFE

I hope through this month you guys feel renewed and ready to take on the world and all the challenges it presents. There is a whole universe of things to be discovered, so take life by the horns and go for it. I have found myself feeling inspired and invigorated with the new year, ready to start on a new journey. Now might be a

good time to remind everyone to always look for opportunities. They can appear anywhere and at any time, so always be ready. You never know what you might learn or discover, so take any opportunity you can. Advocate for yourself, and allow yourself to be heard. There are plenty of open doors to walk through, you just need to walk through them.

So, take a deep breath, look around, and smile. You're here, you're alive, and you're perfectly you. Take in the new year and all it has to offer. The sun will shine again, and the flowers will bloom. Life is gonna grow and continue, and so should we. Take risks, make new friends, and don't forget to laugh. You've got this, and we've all got each other.

"Adventure is out there!"

*— With Peace I Love In Happiness Through Service,
Piper Fyffe,
Theta Rho Assembly President Of Washington*

*Happy New Year
Theta Rho Girls*

Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 in Napavine

Happy New Year to one and all the Odd Fellows and Rebekah family and organizations!

It's that time of year again. Our Installation of Officers will be on Saturday, January 11 at 12 noon for Trinity, Pine Burr, Monterose, Longview, and Our Golden Rule Lodges. It will be a dinner installation.

I've missed the last two newspapers because there has been too much going on. We had our Bingo in October, as well as our Christmas Bazaar on November 8 and 9.

I'm hoping 2020 will be a great year for our lodges. Looking ahead, Trinity will be busy.

South Tacoma Rebekahs #160

Brothers and Sisters,

Wow! It's that time again and our Installation of Officers will take place on Sunday, January 19 at 2 p.m. This is a Joint Installation with South Tacoma and Bremerton-Friendship Odd Fellows. We're hoping that Mystic will join us as well. Installation to be held at the South Tacoma Odd Fellows hall, located at 5424 South Puget Sound in Tacoma.

Last month we had a field trip to see "Fantasy Lights" at Spanaway Park. The members met up and carpooled. They were treated to some beautiful and unique Christmas lights. Then we headed back to Country Rose's for pie and coffee. It was a fun time for all.

The Noble Grand had us making Christmas cards for the Home residents in Walla Walla. Noble Grand Dave also had a quiz for us on Pearl Harbor Day. There was a lot we did not know. It was very informative.

Congratulations to the new officers. We are looking forward to a busy and fun-filled year. We hope you can join us at a meeting. We meet the first and third Thursday of every month except July and August at 7 p.m. We'd love to see you.

— *With Rebekah Hugs, Laurel Delony, Reporter*

~ In Memoriam ~

- **Mary Jane Richardson**, Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2, Walla Walla.
- **Arlene Workman**, NG, Fall City Rebekah Lodge #59.

**WE WILL MISS
YOU, SISTERS!**



Under Good of the Order, we all took an ornament or two and put a name of a deceased Brother or Sister on the ornament and placed it on our tree at the lodge.

To finish our year out, we delivered 25 filled baskets to shut-ins in our area.

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

From your 2019-20 Grand Patriarch

LET'S GROW OUR ENCAMPMENTS

I trust that all of you had a Merry Christmas and enjoyed your New Year's revelry. Having said that, it is time to get back to the business of making our Grand Encampment grow in numbers.

As I sit here typing this, I have on the shelf above my computer a clock that was returned to me recently. That



RON HANSON

causes me to reflect back to earlier times. It was given as a gift to my officers during my first time as Grand Master. This one was returned to me by Past Grand Master Marshall Miller's family as they felt I should have it back.



It reminds me of the first time I attended Grand Encampment. That was the year I ran for Grand Warden. I was asked to accept an office in the Grand Encampment at that time, but declined, not wanting to deal with two offices at the same time.

What an impressive session it was! The room was nearly full and there was business to be attended to. We have dropped considerably in both numbers and business of the Grand Encampment since that time. It is my wish that we all work extra hard to restore our Grand Encampment to what it once was. We can do it if we all work together to make it happen.

This is short and sweet as I got right to the point. Now you all have to go to lodge and twist arms asking the members of your lodge why they do not belong to the Encampment.

Guess I better get on with the rest of the day. Little fog and black ice over this way should make for an interesting day. Take care and I will see you down the road.

HAVE A GREAT NEW YEAR!

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



Acorn Girls busy for the holidays!

Above, Acorn members display their finished gingerbread houses. From left are: Sophia Wyum, Willow Wyum, Riley Moore Leilah McNichols, Stacy Gardiner, Desiree Gardiner and Hailey Hanna. At left, Acorn members delivering cards to the "Welcome Home Memory Care" facility are, from left, Stacy Gardiner, Hailey Hannah, Leilah McNichols, Evie Nichols, Desiree Gardiner, and Sophia Wyum. In front is Mascot Willow Wyum.



In Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho #79 in Oak Harbor

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

We are looking for exciting things to happen in 2020. We are starting the New Year with a sleepover with Spunky Bluebirds at their Advisor's cabin at Scott Lake. We are especially looking forward to spending time with Theta Rho Assembly President Piper while she is home.

We will be having our Installation of Officers, but since we no longer own the building we just do this at one of our regular meetings. We will report more on our new officers next month since our last meeting in December fell on Christmas, so at this time have not been officially elected.

We are sad because we are losing Evelyn Nichols. We wish her the best in her new home. Her dad has been

transferred to California, but we are happy as well because we are going to be initiating another new member.

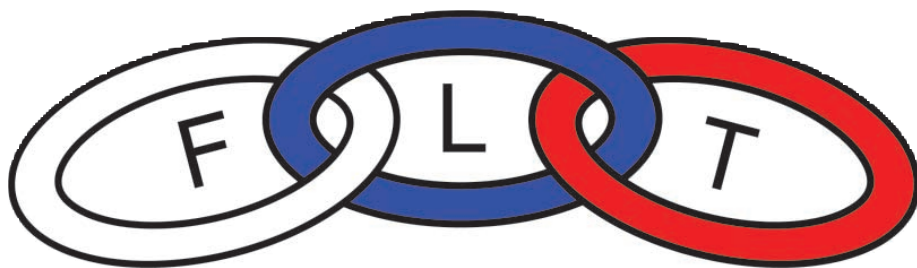
We received a nice letter from the "Make-A-Wish Foundation" Our donation helped send a young girl and her family to Japan to spend some time with her brother who is in the military. She was diagnosed with lymphoma shortly after he left. We are happy that we could help with her wish.

We hope you enjoy the pictures from our Christmas activities.

Until next month. . .

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

~ Lodge Cards ~



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

Meets At: Ballard IOOF Hall, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle.
Time: 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Clinton Attaway, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 781-4610. **Sec'y:** Michael Douglas, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 769-1980. (2/28/21)

BREMERTON FRIENDSHIP I.O.O.F. LODGE #145

Meets At: DAV Hall, 4980 Auto Center Way., Bremerton.
Time: 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm following Rebekah Meeting.
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:** Dannielle Hanson, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Sec'y:** Madi Martin, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Email:** 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 Gasperek, 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:** Diane Keener, 440 Main Ave S., North Bend, WA 98045. **Ph:** (425) 888-4347. **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)

~ Lodge Cards ~

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Lodge cards are only good for one year. If you put in a card during the middle of the year, it will only be good until the end of following February, unless, of course, your lodge has paid for more than one year. Please note that there is now a "good through" date listed at the bottom of your lodge card. No lodge card will be updated without payment received first, unless, here again, your lodge has paid in advance for more than one year.

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

~ Lodge Cards ~

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), Buncoda, WA. **Meets 4th Wednesday At:** 118 Marcy, Montesano, WA. **Time:** 7:00 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Steve Purcell, PO Box 386, Buncoda, 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 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)

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)



Candy canes for Christmas

Matt McCollum, a member of Buckley IOOF Lodge #75, and wife Gail handout peppermint sticks to the kids at the Buckley Tree Lighting ceremony on November 30. The weather was cold, but the turnout was great.



Enjoying pizza and watching the Seahawks game on TV are (left photo) John Otterstrom and Madeleine



Martin. In the photo at right are Duard Fyffe, John Otterstrom and Al How.

Buckley Encampment #40 hosts pizza party

Our Encampments give us a valuable place for fellowship where we can gather together in the spirit of Faith, Hope, and Charity and enjoy each others' company. Encampment meetings give us an opportunity to gain wisdom from our experienced members just like the

Patriarchs of antiquity.

They also give us an opportunity to have some fun, especially when our meeting nights coincide with a Seahawks football game! That was the case on Monday, December 2 when Buckley Encampment #40 hosted a pizza party for its members. Everyone gathered together for the fun and fellowship. Not a single piece of pizza was left at the end of the night! The game started at 5:15 p.m. so there was plenty of time to watch football and eat pizza before beginning the business meeting. We all had a great time and, best of all, the Seahawks won!

A reminder that our tent is always open to Patriarchs and Matriarchs of the Royal Purple Degree the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Buckley Odd Fellows Hall.

— Toby Hanson, Junior Past Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Washington, IOOF
And Sovereign Grand Musician
Independent Order of Odd Fellows



Another award winner

The *Washington OddFellow* newspaper was judged the top publication in the "In-House Printing" category during Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions in August. The International Press Association presented the award to Past Grand Master Toby Hansen, left. Editor Bill Ostlund is in the center and Grand Secretary, Laurel Delony, a major contributor to the publication, is at right.

We need your stories, photos

Attention all IOOF Lodges, Rebekah Lodges, Encampments, Cantons and Theta Rho Clubs — we need your stories and photos for *The Washington OddFellow*.

We know there are plenty of activities going on within your groups and we would like to hear from you so we can share your news. Please submit your news items and high resolution photos by the 15th of the month for publication the next month. Please submit your submissions to:

[billo@tx3.com](mailto:bill@tx3.com)



Brothers and Sisters from Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 and Ruth Rebekah Lodge #18 gathered for their annual

Christmas Party on Saturday, December 7. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful time.

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 & Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

WELCOME TO 2020

The New Year is the start of a new decade, new adventures and new opportunities to share the values of Odd Fellowship.

Looking back over 2019, the Olympia lodges have been busy both in the community and within our lodges. We have instigated a new scholarship program that awarded four local students assistance with their future schooling, supported our local Union Gospel Mission, DAV, and the Little Red School House. We've hosted dinners and activities for members, family and friends. We have said goodbye to several members who have gone on to their final reward and to those who have moved on to their next adventure.

During the hectic Christmas season, we had our annual Christmas party. Laurel Delony and Joanne Balmert did a wonderful job preparing and serving brunch. Santa and one of his elves stopped by for a visit and everyone cheered as the pinatas were attacked. We also filled 100 Christmas stockings for the Olympia Union Gospel Mission to distribute to local children. What a blessing to share our gifts with those in need.

It's encouraging and sobering to look back, but progress comes from looking forward. With that in mind, I hope you will join us on Saturday, January 18 for our Installation of Officers for 2020. Both Olympia #1 and Ruth #17 have first-time Noble Grands and Vice Grands stepping up to take the obligation of serving their lodges — each one of you is part of that. Encouraging and supporting them is a very important aspect of maintaining a strong and progressive lodge. This is a dress-up event that starts at noon with members of Ruth #17 serving

lunch. The Installation Ceremony will follow when the dishes are done. This event is open to the public, so feel free to invite friends to come meet your Odd Fellow Brother and Sisters — and enjoy a great meal.

Ruth #17 is also excited to be initiating three new members in January.

We're off to a great start and wish you all a very Happy New Year — all year long.

— In F., L. & T., Cathy Garcia



Photo by Joe Picanco

Members of Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17 filled more than 100 Christmas stockings for Olympia's Union Gospel Mission. In the back row, from left, are: Anna Tourtillott, Jennifer Toutillott, Cathy Garcia, Frank Wilson and Earlene Carlson. Front row, from left, are: Lorrie Bonnel, Mickey Turner, Gail Johnson, Kristina Samuelson, Diane Devoe and Kathy Picanco.



Shoppers poured over the many Christmas items featured at Bucoda's Holiday Bazaar on December 7.

Bucoda Bulletin Board

Parades, Santa, Bingo, Bazaar highlight 2019 holiday season!

Night hung over Bucoda like a black velvet curtain; a light rain was falling, washing away the grittiness and scattering the glow of the dim streetlights. In the looming, darkened building ahead a light was burning; furtive

figures entered and ascended the stairs to the illuminated room. Above the muffled din of those assemble oft times a single word rang out above the rest; and that word. . . was **Bingo!**

It's obvious that Raymond Chandler's writing will not be overshadowed by mine, any time soon. But **Bingo** was the word on November 16 in Bucoda; **Bingo** and Potato Bar. Bucoda Rebekahs #144 hosted the event, and the turnout was great. Mashelle Patrick provided the photos of the event, and many of the "usual suspects" were in attendance. We are looking forward to many more such events in the future.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Saturday, December 7 witnessed the 2019 iteration of the Odd Fellows Holiday Bazaar. Vendors, games, raffles, food and Santa helped make the event a success and cemented it as an annual attraction here in Bucoda. As well as raising funds for Skookumchuck IOOF Lodge #129, the event also supported the Tenino Food Bank Plus.

Santa assisted with the Bucoda Tree Lighting on December 13, and then adjourned to the Lodge Hall, upstairs in the Community Center for photos and visits with youngsters of *all* ages. Fur babies were also welcome to visit Santa.

The Montesano Festival of Lights, and Odd Fellows Cookie Decorating took place as volunteers assembled at

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The kids were happy to see plenty of Christmas cotton candy spinning.



Dozens of kids enjoyed decorating the Christmas cookies. An example if below.



— Photo courtesy NG Mashelle Patrick, Bucoda Rebekahs #144

Enjoying a game of Bingo are Dave & Jennie Reed and Joanne Balmert in the front. In the back are Rick and Cathy Garcia.



Santa Dave Delony and his elf Laurel waited to find out the the children were naughty or nice.

Bucoda's Holiday events fun for kids and adults

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Friendship Hall in Montesano early on Saturday, December 14 to bake fresh cookies which were decorated by any and all youngsters who visited before the parade. Santa and his Elf were on hand and greeted one and all. This is always a great event and I can usually count on gaining a few pounds by disposing of the “mistakes.”

Santa returned to Bucoda on December 21 and teamed up with the Bucoda Volunteer Fire Department for his annual “Tour of the Town.” Santa, his Faithful Elf and many other volunteers traveled the streets of Bucoda

bringing early greetings and goodies to the residents of the town.

Yes, December is a festive and busy month for Skookumchuck IOOF #129 and Bucoda Rebekahs #144.

As 2019 rapidly draws to a close, Skookumchuck #129 and Rebekahs #144 wish everyone **health, happiness and peace** throughout the coming year. See you all in 2020.

*In Friendship, Love and Truth,
Steve Purcell, Noble Grand, Skookumchuck #129,
Reporter and Foreign Correspondent
Bucoda Rebekahs #144*



Julie Perron, Ph.D., (center in pink scarf) Director of Equity and Dual Programs, WWPS; (End of the first row), Shirley Ruble, Narcissa Rebekah (end of first

row); and Christy Krutulis, executive director of teaching and learning, WWPS (third from right) gathered with the donations from Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2.

In Walla Walla

Gloves, socks and hats collected for children experiencing homelessness

Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 recently organized a Glove/Sock/Hat drive for students experiencing homelessness in the Walla Walla Public Schools. Intervention specialists from two high schools, two middle schools, and six elementary schools (one with a preschool) gathered at the Administrative Offices to accept a record donation of 131 pairs of gloves, 382 pairs of socks and several brightly-colored hats crocheted by Narcissa member Jeanne Elder.

“Intervention specialists are instrumental in connecting families in need with available resources,” said Christy Krutulis, executive director of teaching and learning. “We are thankful to have staff in each of our buildings who are deeply dedicated to supporting and advocating for the students and families.

“We are also thankful for partners in our community, such as the Narcissa Rebekahs. With their generosity we are able to wrap support around many more students.”

Narcissa members Barbara Lechner and Patty Newell placed colorful boxes throughout the Washington Odd Fellows Home. Residents, staff and families filled the boxes until they overflowed, then they were emptied and filled again until the drive ended in three weeks.

The Narcissa Rebekahs have supported local non-profit organizations since they were founded in 1885. This

year members lent their support to the nursing students program at Walla Walla Community College, the Teen Center at Lincoln High School, and Tabitha’s Closet where formal dresses and tuxedos are loaned to students for their proms.

The intervention specialists expressed their gratitude to Narcissa Rebekah Lodge as they gathered the donations for their schools:

Christine Ludwig, Headstart Preschool, Blue Ridge:

“Always, always, always we need socks. If there are three children in a family, sometimes there aren’t enough socks to go around.”

• **Yolanda White**, Edison Elementary School:

“We are very grateful for the gloves, socks and hats. They are the gift of warmth. It makes the children feel happy and that the world is good.”

• **Melito Ramirez**, Wa-Hi:

“It’s a fantastic opportunity much needed this time of year. Meeting the students’ basic needs makes them feel warm, comfortable, and good about themselves.”

• **Shelly Phipps**, Lincoln High School:

“We truly appreciate the lodge’s generosity. These children need the basic necessities all year long, such as good nutrition, personal hygiene items, and clean clothes.”



Some of the Narcissa Rebekah members pause before the bidding begins: (Left) Marthann Hall, Rose Ringhoffer, (partially hidden Pauline Winters), Barbara Lechner, Sharon Sousa, Robertta Hunt, (partially hidden Jeanne Elder and Nancy Klicker), and Lula Belle Washington.

Narcissa Christmas Auction funds Walla Walla school project

More than 20 members and guests enjoyed the annual Christmas Gift Bag Auction hosted by Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 in the Fireside Room at the Merriam Apartments on the Washington Odd Fellows campus in Walla Walla.

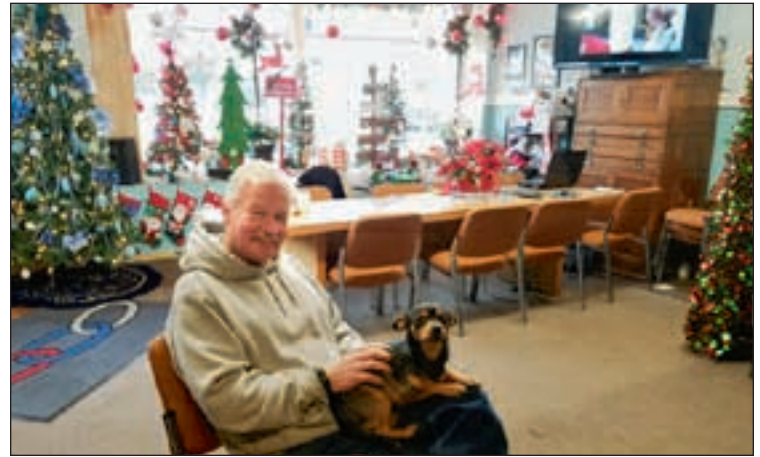
Special guests were Nancy Mills, Noble Grand, and Pat Aichele from Integrity Lodge #175, Milton-Freewater, Oregon; and Neita Stearns from Schuyler Lodge #18 in Dayton, Washington.

Barbara Lechner and Marthann Hall planned the event complete with a buffet luncheon. Entertainment was by Marthann who read a poem about getting older and liking it. Auctioneer Robertta Hunt called the bids on a table full of wrapped gifts that had everyone guessing.

The outcome was a success. Who wouldn't like to have a basket filled with Ghirardelli chocolates, a Santa Teddy bear, white Turkish cotton guest towels, cranberry-scented liquid soap, or a bottle of sparkling wine?

While Robertta moved the gifts, everyone enjoyed their favorite food from the buffet tables. A fruit bowl, grapes, hamburger and ham rolls, chips, crackers with cheese dip, a vegetable plate, fresh-baked cookies, caramel corn, coffee, tea, and ice water kept the bidding wars going.

At the end of the afternoon, financial secretary Barbara Tvrz tallied the bids and collected money for the next Narcissa Rebekah joint project with Walla Walla Public Schools. The proceeds from the auction will go toward paying down the year-end lunchroom school debt for children experiencing homelessness. Our gift of \$250 will go to the school or schools with the largest debt. It is our way of helping those who need help the most.



Christmas in Buckley

Buckley IOOF Lodge #75's Matt McCollum takes in the festive atmosphere in the Grand Lodge Office just before Christmas. On Matt's lap is the Grand Lodge Office's official mascot, Sammy.



Santa Steve Purcell and a happy child at the Bucoda Bazaar. See pages 12 and 13 for details.

Blanket Dispensation

CHARTERS MAY BE MOVED FOR INSTALLATIONS

The Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly of Washington, Independent Order of Odd Fellows does hereby grant permission to all Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges to jointly and publicly install their officers for the 2020 year and to move their Charters when so required for the performance of said ceremony.

Signed:

John Otterstrom,
Grand Master

Margaret Truttmann,
President

Attest:

Laurel Delony,
Grand Secretary

Attest:

Marcia Presley,
Rebekah Assembly Secretary

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Happy 2020 Brothers & Sisters!

Bee Hive Rebekah Lodge #70 in Walla Walla

“DIRTY SANTA” VISITS BEE HIVE

Hello Sisters and Brothers! We at Bee Hive Rebekah Lodge #70 hope that you and yours had a good Thanksgiving and Christmas and that you have many good memories carried into 2020.

Here at Beehive we always have a good time with our “Dirty Santa” Christmas exchange (some of our members are really dirty — no names mentioned). Craig just tolerates us (but he does smile every so often at the antics going on)

On December 20 a bunch of us went to visit our members in the Walla Wall Odd Fellow Home and had Christmas sacks for them. Those visited and the visitors all had a wonderful little party.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Our new officers will be installed on Tuesday, January 14 at our regular meeting. New Officers are: Karen Schultz - Noble Grand; Beverley Johnson - Vice Grand; Joy Selby - Secretary; Craig Schultz - Treasurer; Naomi Bruce - Trustee and Right Support to the Noble Grand; Susan Akers- Warden; and Jerlie Anderson - Right Support to the Vice Grand.

Remember our watchwords — Friendship, Love and Truth and what they stand for — ***We are Rebekahs!***
Welcome to 2020.

In F., L. & T., Beverley Johnson, Reporter



Bee Hive Rebekah members enjoying the Christmas holidays are: Jerlie Anderson, Beverley Johnson, Naomi Bruce, Craig Schultz, Susan Akers, Karen Schults and Joy Selby.