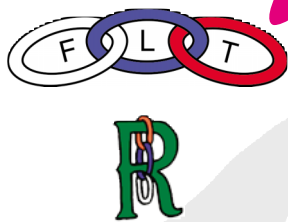


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Despite almost full-on blizzard conditions, the officers for Ellensburg IOOF Lodge #20 were installed on Sunday, January 21. **Front row**, from left, are: Penny Curtis (Grand Musician), Dave Delony (Grand Warden), Michael Scheurich (Grand Master), Steven Purcell (Deputy Grand Master), Laurel Delony (Grand Secretary), and Bob Duniway (Grand Marshall).

**Second row**, from left, are: Meghan Rothwell (Interim Chaplain), Maegan Watson (Secretary), Dave Soltz

(Noble Grand), Dave Sturgell (Vice Grand), Raven Harlin (Financial Secretary), Debbie Sonntag (Conductor), and Marty Miller (Outside Guardian)

**Third row**, from left, are: Jamie Rothwell, Rex Wirth (Right Support Noble Grand), Richard Gallagher (Jr. Past Grand), Shawn Corrigan (Left Supporter Noble Grand), and Russ Humphrey (Treasurer).

**Back row**, from left, are: Scott Nicolai (Left Supporter Vice Grand), Jeff Watson (Warden), and Thor Franklin.

## Despite the snow, Ellensburg installs in style

BY JAMIE ROTHWELL

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Ellensburg Lodge #20, celebrated a significant milestone in its history with an officer installation ceremony on Sunday, January 21. This event marked the beginning of the 2024 chapter for the lodge, with newly-elected officers ready to steer its course.

The day commenced with a continental breakfast, a gesture of warm hospitality towards the Grand Lodge members who traversed the snowy mountain pass from the west side. This welcoming breakfast set the tone for a day filled with camaraderie and the spirit of community that the Odd Fellows are renowned for.

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# From the desk of your Grand Master

## BURR! IT'S COLD OUTSIDE!

Brothers and Sisters,

As I am preparing this, we are all in the middle of the coldest streak of weather that Washington has seen in years. The first two of my Installations have been either cancelled or rescheduled and the weather forecast is threatening a third. I am sure that as Odd Fellows we will pull together and move forward.

## THERE'S GOOD IN OUR HEARTS

I am sure of this because throughout this state as I



**MICHAEL SCHEURICH**  
Grand Master

have traveled from lodge to lodge and met more and more members, they all have the good of this Order in their hearts. It is the singular item we all have in common and holds us together as Sisters and Brothers. I am enthusiastic about this year and what we can achieve. One step at a time.

## ASK YOUR MEMBERS WHAT THEY WANT

Congratulations to all the newly-elected and appointed officers. As the new leaders of those lodges get settled in, it may be a good time to poll your members about what they would like to accomplish in the new year. This includes events

and charities they want to repeat, how those might be expanded or improved and what to add in this coming year.

## In Buckley

# Things are looking up at Encampment #40

Wow! We ended the year with four new associates and one reinstated member. Things are looking up.

We changed our meeting nights to the second Wednesday of the month directly after the Buckley Odd Fellows meeting.

If you are a member of any lodge that would like

## ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS

What might we do to attract new members and how to interest the members that we have. A lot of lodges have made one of their meetings each month a social meeting. What are you doing at these meetings? Remember to keep it interesting, have a plan, make it fun and interesting and remember this might be an excellent time to bring prospective members to a meeting so they can get to know and meet your members.

## BE SURE TO RENEW YOUR LODGE CARD

With lodges now having new officers, this is the perfect time to renew your lodge cards in the newspaper to reflect the contact information and meeting times for this year. You may want to note if you have a business meeting and social meetings on a regular schedule.

## KEEP IN CONTACT

A brief reminder to my Grand Lodge committees, you should be in touch with your committee members and plan to get together. Also, my District Deputy Grand Masters need to touch bases with your lodges and make sure the new leadership has your contact information and schedule a meeting after they get some meetings under their belts.

## VISITATIONS TO WAIT FOR SPRING

As for my upcoming visits, my schedule is light until March and April. Some lodges have not replied to my letter, and I will be reaching out to them again. If your lodge hasn't received a letter, then I must have the wrong contact information. Please let me or the Grand Lodge office know.

With winter weather everyone please be safe, I hope you all have a Happy Valentines Day.

— *In Friendship, Love and Truth,*

*Michael Scheurich,*

*Your 2023-2024 Grand Master*

*(360) 731-0975, 1oddfellowmike@gmail.com*

to become a member of Buckley Encampment #40, please let me know and I'll get you an application. Take the next step in our fraternity by joining. We'd love to have you as a Fez Head.

— *In Faith, Hope and Charity,*

*Laurel Delony, Scribe,*



# From the desk of the Assembly President

## SOME GUIDELINES FOR REPRESENTATIVES

As we work into our new year plan ahead, when you think about electing your Representative for your Lodge, make certain the person has the ability



CYNTHIA "DUSTI" TREBE  
Assembly President

to attend Assembly Sessions this June. Representatives must be able to attend Sessions to gather information and report proceedings back to their lodges. That is the main point of being a representative. If you cannot fulfill those duties, do not take the position.

When you are given packets as a Representative or District Deputy President, open them immediately and read your information so that you know what is required of you.

Promptly fill out and return your paperwork.

Too many packets are set to the side for later and important information is not being passed on to your lodge members. Forms are not being filled out and returned. Our Assembly Secretary put very serious work into these packets for me to make the work easier for you. Please don't waste these efforts.

## WEATHER, FLU KEPT ME HOME

Please forgive me for not being at your installations. I sincerely hope they all went smoothly. Bad weather and the flu have kept me housebound. I do hope all went well and pray you stay healthy and safe in this nasty weather.

## CANCER CARE AWARENESS

Remember, my project this year stresses cancer care awareness and assistance. In Remembrance and Honor of loved ones who have fought or are fighting this battle, you may make donations in their names. But I would most definitely like the names of those special Warriors for an honor trib-



"Teddy Bear" was a gift from a Rebekah Lodge in honor of my project.

ute at my year's end.

During this week's visit to my cancer treatment center, I overheard an older couple discussing the two-hour drive in the early hours, all the appointments during the day, and the need to stay at a hotel that night as it would be too late, dark, and the roads may be dangerous by the time the appointments were completed. Yet this couple were happy to be together.

## BRINGING HOPE

My project provides fuel cards for such patients to make it to these appointments. There is so much you see around you that you don't realize it's even there. It's so easy to reach out a hand, open a door, or give a friendly smile to bring Hope to someone's day.

— In Friendship, Love and Truth,  
Cynthia "Dusti" Trebe, President  
Rebekah Assembly of Washington  
Warriors For Hope



# From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

## HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Dear Sisters and Brothers,



**CATHY GARCIA**  
Assembly  
Secretary

I love changing décor for holidays. It's something I never seem to get tired of. I am putting hearts and beads on the wreath that hangs on my front door and next month it will be Easter emblems. It takes time, but it lifts my spirits, changing with the season and seeing the bright colors on my front door. There's always new seasons, new colors and new jobs to complete.

Installations are completed, and I have received most of your Annual Reports. Lodges are underway with projects for the New Year.

My big job now is completing the Sovereign Grand Lodge Annual Report for the Rebekah Assembly of Washington. I can't thank all of you enough for completing your local Annual Reports and getting them to me on time. We make a good team.

## ELECT YOUR REPRESENTATIVE DURING FEBRUARY

February is the month we elect our Representatives for Grand sessions in June. If your Lodge has an odd number (such as Ruth #17), you will need to elect a new Representative for a two-

year term. All Past Noble Grands are eligible for this responsibility. Please look in your Digest, Book of Instruction, Page 13 for more information. If your Lodge has an even number (such as Narcissa #2), the Representative you elected last year will serve again in 2024. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or if your representative has lost her certificate.

## NOW FOR THE 'BAD NEWS'

I will be sending out your SGL dues notices at the end of the month. The amount you will owe is dependent on the membership you show on your Annual Report. Your Spring Per Capita bills will be sent out in March. I know this is a lot in a short period of time. Please remember, your membership dues should be equal to an amount required to pay these dues, including the Fall Per Capita. If members are paying their dues on time, these bills are not a burden to your lodge.

I wish you all a wonderful February and a fun Valentine's Day.

— Yours in Friendship, Love and Truth  
And With Much Rebekah Love & Hugs,  
Cathy Garcia,

PP and Secretary  
Of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington  
(360) 413-7014 or (360) 701-5896  
[rebsecwa@gmail.com](mailto:rebsecwa@gmail.com)

## Make sure your info is correct on website

I need all lodges to take a look at our website, [www.ioofwa.org](http://www.ioofwa.org), and check out the lodge page and your specific lodge to make sure that I have the correct information — Noble Grands, Secretaries, addresses, phone numbers, day the lodge meets and the location.

That's one of the reasons that it's important to have that new officer form filled out and into the Grand Lodge office for updates.

If at any time you have changes do not hesitate to contact your Grand Lodge office.

— Laurel Delony, Grand Secretary

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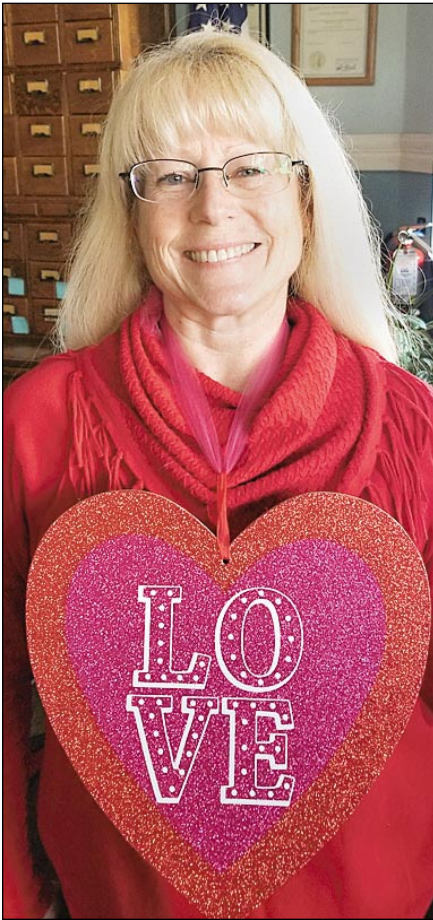


# From the desk of your Grand Secretary

## ANNUAL REPORTS

Greeting Brothers and Sisters,

By now your lodge Secretary, Financial Secretary or both should be working on or have completed your Annual Report for 2023. Please make sure



**LAUREL DELONY**  
Grand Secretary

those reports are into my office by or before Thursday, February 15. If it's mailed late and lands in my office after the 15th, your lodge will be hit with a \$5 fine for every-day it's late. The reports were mailed out December 1 2023. That gives your Secretaries two extra weeks to get the forms filled out. Make sure the forms are signed and sealed so I don't have to mail them back.

Be aware that I have to go through

all of the lodge reports to make sure they balance. If they don't balance, I will be contacting each Secretary so that we have correct reporting.

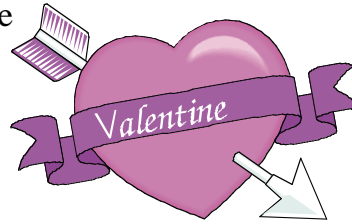
## MORE REPORT FORMS

I have also sent out report forms for Odd Fellow Cemeteries and Parks. Please make sure these are filled out and returned by February 29.

Remember, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Grand Lodge.

— With Fraternal Hugs and Love,

*Laurel Delony,*  
PGM, Grand Secretary



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800-345-1766 or 360-829-1514

## 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@linxure.net](mailto:bill@linxure.net)

## Clip And Save

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# ~ From your 2023-24 Grand Matriarch ~

## HAPPY VALENTINE'S

### TO ALL MATRIARCHS & PATRIARCHS

Dear Matriarchs and Patriarchs,



KATHI PICANCO  
Grand Matriarch

We continue to show our love for our Order among our members, but we also need to share with non-members what we are about! So many simply do not know. Not even our own family members. Educate where and whenever you can.

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

I participated in four Rebekah and Odd Fellow Installations last month. This is always a magnificent event for us. I particularly enjoyed seeing our members who were able to attend. I do

ask that we support them as much as possible.

The Washington Grand LEA voted to send four Theta Rho Girls on the Pilgrimage for Youth in Washington, D.C. Thank you Kent LEA for your donation for another student to attend. We are fortunate to provide students with the opportunity to travel and learn about our country.

For more information on the program see this web link: [ioofpilgrimageforyouth.com](http://ioofpilgrimageforyouth.com). Thanks to our Grand Lodge Secretary for making the arrangements to make this happen. Let us not forget the chaperones who travel with the kids.

## NO MATTER HOW YOU FEEL

GET UP

DRESS UP

SHOW UP

AND NEVER GIVE UP

ON OUR ORDER!

Best wishes to all lodges for a wonderful year.

—In Faith, Hope and Charity,

Kathi Picanco,  
Grand Matriarch

# Here's something to think about

We hear or see lodges that deviate from our ritual. It brings to mind that the Noble Grand and/or Vice Grand are the officers in charge to enforce the rules of the Order.

When an elected officer is installed into office they take an oath. "In the presence of the members of the Order here assembled, I, (state your name), do solemnly promise that I will perform the duties of the office into which I am about to be installed until the end of the term for which I have been elected and at the end of my term of office either by expiration resignation or otherwise, I will surrender it together with all books and papers belonging to the lodge to my successor and will perform such duties that pertain to my office as the lodge may require. I will support, maintain, and **abide** by the laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the independent Order of Odd Fellows, the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge of Washington, and

the constitution and by-laws of my lodge. To the faithful performance of all which I pledge my sacred honor."

## REMEMBER YOUR PLEDGE

When an appointed officer is installed they are asked, "Do you promise to perform the duties of the office into which you are about to be installed; to support, maintain, and **abide** by the laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the constitution, by-laws, rules, and regulations of the Grand Lodge of Washington, and the constitution and by-laws of your lodge?"

So remember, officers of all lodges, elected and appointed, that you swore to uphold the laws, rules, and regulations of the Order. No one person has the authority to deviate from any of the ceremonies that are in the Ritual of the Odd Fellows — or the Rebekahs for that matter.

## JUST SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT





**Front row**, from left, are: Meghan Rothwell (Interim Chaplain), Maegan Watson (Secretary), Dave Soltz (Noble Grand), Dave Sturgell (Vice Grand), Raven Harlin (Financial Secretary), Debbie Sonntag (Conductor), and Marty Miller (Outside Guardian). **Middle row**, from left, are: Jamie Rothwell, Rex Wirth

(Right Support Noble Grand), Richard Gallagher (Jr. Past Grand), Shawn Corrigan (Left Supporter Noble Grand), and Russ Humphrey (Treasurer). **Back row**, from left, are: Scott Nicolai (Left Supporter Vice Grand), Jeff Watson (Warden), and Thor Franklin.

## Ellensburg Installation of Officers a success

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The installation ceremony was a highlight, marking a transition of leadership within the lodge. The elected officers for the 2024 term are:

Dave Soltz, Noble Grand; Dave Sturgell, Vice Grand; Maegan Watson, Secretary; Raven Harlin, Financial Secretary; and Russ Humphrey, Treasurer.

These dedicated individuals are set to contribute their unique skills and perspectives to guide our lodge in its various philanthropic and community endeavors. The ceremony was graced by distinguished guests from the Grand Lodge, highlighting the importance of this event. The Ellensburg Lodge extends its heartfelt gratitude to:

Michael Scheurich, Grand Master; Steve Purcell, Deputy Grand Master; Bob Duniway, Grand Marshall; Laurel Delony, Grand Secretary; Dave Delony, Grand Warden; and Penny Curtis, Grand Musician.

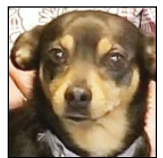
Their presence significantly underscored the unity and support within the broader Odd Fellows community. The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Ellensburg Lodge #20, looks forward to a year of growth, service, and fellowship under the guidance of its newly-installed officers. This event not only signifies a change in leadership but also reaffirms the lodge's commitment to its foundational values of Friendship, Love, and Truth. The lodge is poised to

continue its rich tradition of community service and brotherhood, making a positive impact in Ellensburg and beyond.

*(Editor's note: Members of Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301 in Wenatchee were to be part of a joint installation, but snow and hazardous driving conditions forced them to cancel.)*

## Alberta wins Sammy contest

Alberta Luurs of Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 combed last month's edition to win the "Find Sammy" contest. Sammy appeared on page 13 in the upper photo on the right. For her efforts, Alberta won a nice wearable from the Grand Lodge.

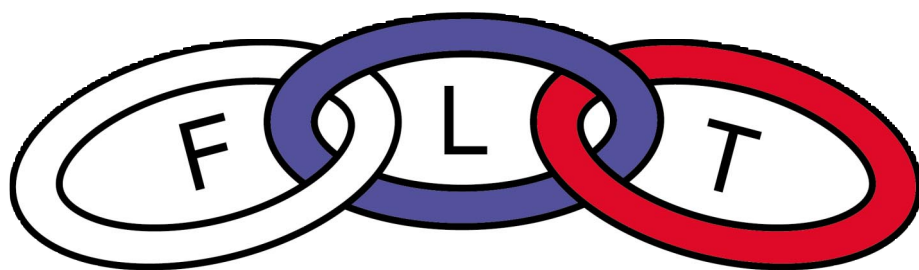


### HELP FIND SAMMY AGAIN

We are continuing with our "Guess Sammy" contest again in February. Get your eagle eyes busy and you can win a nice wearable from the Grand Lodge of Washington. Just send your email to [grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com](mailto:grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com) or call 800-345-1766. All submissions must be in the office no later than February 15 for our March, 2024 edition. Late entries will be tossed. One chance per contest only!

The winner will be drawn from the pool of correct entries.

# ~ Lodge Cards ~



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

**Meets At:** Ballard IOOF Hall, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle.  
**Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Jerry Smith, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 781-4610. **Sec'y:** Nora Carria, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 250-2165 (2/28/24)

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

**Meets At:** 10116 NE 185th St., Bothell, WA 98011. **Mailing Address:** 18528 28th Ave. NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 pm First meeting remote, second meeting in person. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Greg Powers, 9435 39th Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98118. **Ph:** (206) 499-4802. **Sec'y:** Penny Curtis, 18528 28th Ave. E, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155. **Ph:** (206) 235-3419 (2/28/24)

### BREMERTON FRIENDSHIP IOOF LODGE #145

**Meets At:** DAV Hall, 4980 Auto Center Way, Bremerton, WA 98312. **Lodge Mailing Address:** 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale, WA 98383. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Ken Roth, 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale WA 98383. **Ph:** (360) 900-3054. **Sec'y:** Michael Scheurich, 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale WA 98383. **Ph:** (360) 731-0975. (2/28/24)

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

**Meets At:** 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA 98321 **Lodge Mailing Address:** PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321 **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 6 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Jamie Vest-Bey, 19426 19th Ave. E., Spanaway, WA 98387. **Phone:** (971) 533-0670. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Phone:** (253) 468-1949. (2/28/24)

### BUCODA REBEKAH LODGE #144

**Meets At:** Bucoda Community Center, 101 E. 7th, (upstairs), Bucoda. **Lodge Mailing Address:** PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131 **Time:** 2nd & 4th Fridays., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Steve Purcell, PO Box 386, Bucoda, WA 98530-0386. **Ph:** (360) 259-7241 (Cell). **Sec'y:** Laura Purcell, PO Box 386, Bucoda, WA 98530-0386. **Ph:** (360) 259-6144 (2/28/24)

### 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) 844-0715. **Sec'y:** Michelle Gasperek, 10138 NE 187th, Bothell, WA 98011. **Ph:** (425) 485-0359 (2/28/25)

### ELLENSBURG I.O.O.F. LODGE #20

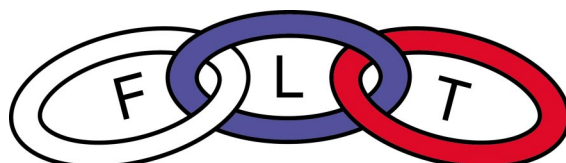
**Meets At:** 307 N. Pine St., Ellensburg, WA. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 6:30 p.m. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 154, Ellensburg, WA 98926. **Recess:** None. **NG:** David Soltz, PO Box 154, Ellensburg, WA 98926. **Ph:** (570) 204-7893. **Sec'y:** Maegan Watson, PO Box 154 Ellensburg, WA 98926. **Ph:** (253) 709-1263 (2/28/24)

### FALL CITY REBEKAH LODGE #59

**Meets At:** 4217 - 337th Pl. SE, Fall City. WA. **Mailing Address:** 2818 238th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075-9414. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 12 Noon. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Diane Keener, 440 Main Ave., North Bend, WA 98045. **Ph:** (425) 888-4347. **Sec'y:** Florence Harper, 2818 238th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA 98075-9414. **Ph:** (425) 392-3013 (2/28/24)

### 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 99201-0599. **Ph:** (509) 328-1029. **Sec'y:** Joey Locke, 1420 N. Washington, Spokane, WA 99201-0599. (2/28/25)



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



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## LONGVIEW REBEKAH LODGE #305

**Meets At:** IOOF Hall, (Corner of Pacific & Pine) 400 S. Pacific Ave., Kelso, WA 98626 **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Ann VanAntwerp, PO Box 363, Yacolt, WA 98675 **Ph:** (360) 686-9930. **Sec'y:** Cynthia Washington-Mattson, 825 32nd, #86, Longview, WA 98632 **Ph:** (360) 998-9270 (2/28/24)

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

**Meets At:** Olympia IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia, WA 98501. **Lodge Mailing Address:** PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Laura 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 (2/28/24)

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

**Meets At:** 601 No. Chelan Ave, Wenatchee, WA 98801. **Lodge Mailing Address:** Same. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. **NG:** Dustin Deane, 1043 Cherry St., Wenatchee, WA 98801. **Ph:** (509) 679-0373. **Sec'y:** Samuel McIntosh, 601 N. Chelan Wenatchee, WA 98801 **Ph:** (907) 575-6936 (2/28/24)

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

**Meets At:** 2431 Rucker Ave., Everett, WA 98201 **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. (or via Zoom,) **Recess:** June, July & Aug. **NG:** John Mathers, 21729 NE 176th Pl., Woodinville, WA 98077-7102. **Ph:** Home: (425) 788-3772, Cell: 425-478-9138. **Sec'y:** Mary Mathers, 21729 NE 176th Pl., Woodinville, WA 98077-7102. **Cell Ph:** 425-478-9129. (2/28/25)

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

**Meets At:** Bucoda Community Center, 101A E. 7th St. Bucoda, WA. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Fridays., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Steve Purcell, PO Box 386, Bucoda, WA 98530. **Ph:** (360) 790-0383. **Sec'y:** LouAnn Hoffman, PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717. (2/28/24)

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

**Meets At:** 12909 Pacific Ave. So., Tacoma, WA 98444. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 5343, Spanaway, WA 98387. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 6:00 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Joe Schaible, 8811 400th St. E., Eatonville, WA 98328. **Ph:** (253) 219-5461. **Sec'y:** Jamie Vest-Bey, 19426 - 19th Ave. E., Spanaway, WA 98387. **Ph:** (253) 606-5131 (2/28/25)

## SOUTH TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #160

**Meets At:** 306 134th St. S., Tacoma. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Jamie Vest-Bey, 19426 - 19th Ave. E., Spanaway, WA 98387. **Ph:** (971) 533-0670. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (253) 468-1949 (2/28/24)

## 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 Road, Kent, WA 98032. **Ph:** (253) 854-3254. **Sec'y:** Tina M. Reitan, 25915 177th Pl. SE, Covington, WA 98042. **Ph:** (253) 886-6311 (2/28/24)

## TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179

**Meets At:** 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 612, Napavine, WA 98570. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Melody Butterton, 446 View Ridge Rd., Onalaska, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 985-7283. **Sec'y:** Alberta Luurs, 497 State Hwy. 505, Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 219-7629 (2/28/25)

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

**Meets At:** 9400 NE 72nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Mikki Keller, 733 NE 22nd Ave., Camas, WA 98607. **Ph:** (360) 607-0776. **Sec'y:** Richard Blade, 12908 NE 71s Ave., Vancouver, WA 98686. **Ph:** (360) 771-1101 (2/28/25)

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

**Meets At:** 573 - 30th St, Washougal. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 448, Washougal, WA 98671. **Meeting Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Hope (Joyce) Gilson, 527 NE 6th Ave., Camas, WA 98607 **Ph:** (360) 823-8187. **Sec'y:** Jeanette Jester, 4211 Franklin St., Camas, WA 98607. (360) 834-2354 (2/28/26)

## 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 St., Yakima, WA 98902. **Ph:** (509) 453-3093. **Sec'y:** **NG:** Tom Cox, 610 Pleasant Ave., Yakima, WA 98902-4341. **Ph:** (509) 452-0910. (2/28/24)

## Lodge Card payment due by February 15!!

Please be sure to look at your lodge's lodge card in the center pages of this edition of *The Washington OddFellow*. If you have a lodge card, what is the expiration date? If it says 2/28/2024 then it's time to renew your card. Renewals need to be in my office no later than February 15, 2024. This gives the editor time to adjust or update your Lodge Card for the March edition.

If we do not receive your renewal by the deadline, your lodge card will be removed. Do not send the renewal card without a check for \$20. The form is in the middle of this edition as well.



## Eola's holiday celebration

Members of Eola Rebekah Lodge #63 in Buckley held a Christmas celebration with 10 members and 3 guests on Saturday, December 9, 2023. The guests were Richard Dupont, Florence's husband, and their two little daughters, Clara and Bella, who were such fun to have with us. We gathered at Aversano's Restaurant in near-by Sumner at 1 p.m. Visiting, fellowship and fun was first, followed by a delicious meal. After the meal, we held an exchange of gifts. Each person had to answer a question about a Christmas carol before receiving their gift. Getting together for a picture ended a fun day. In the front row, from left are: Alberta Hagen, JoAnn Silvernail, Marcia Presley, Clara Dupont, and Karen Hoylman. In the back row, from left, are: Kim Presley, Karman Lundell, Toby Hanson, Kendra Frogge', Tom Frogge', Richard Dupont, Bella Dupont, and Florence Dupont.

## From the Visual Research Foundation

# Do you have a nomination for the Hugh Bradley Distinguished Service Award?

The Hugh J. Bradley Distinguished Service Award was established to recognize the outstanding efforts of an individual member or group of members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs for outstanding and unusual contributions in furthering the cause of vision. This can be through education, preservation efforts and/or financial or other assistance.

Nominees must meet the following requirements:

- 1) Be a member or group of members in good standing of an Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge within the Jurisdiction submitting the nomination.
- 2) Be nominated by an Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge, Grand Lodge, Rebekah Assembly or Jurisdiction Eye Committee operating under a contract with the Odd Fellows and Rebekah Visual Research Foundation.
- 3) Have demonstrated outstanding and unusual efforts on behalf of the vision program at the local or jurisdictional level.
- 4) Produce written evidence or documentation of how those efforts have benefitted individuals in preserving or aiding vision or in educating the public about available options for preserving vision or aiding in the ability to see.

Nominations with requested information must be submitted and received no later than March 15. Send nominations to: Mark Ulrich, Chairman, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Visual Research Foundation 1107 Walnut Street East, Devils Lake North Dakota, 58301-3240

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Visual Research Foundation Committee, at its mid-year meeting, will consider the nominations and determine if there is one worthy of the award. The committee reserves the right to not make the award every year if the committee members feel there is no nominee who has met the requirements and merits the award.

The award, a large pyramid-shaped trophy, will be presented to the winner at the opening ceremonies of the Annual Sessions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge and IARA in August.



### Hugh J. Bradley Distinguished Service Award Nomination Application

2) Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

2) Address of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

3) Name of Lodge, Grand Body  
Or Jurisdiction Making Nomination:

4) Include a brief description of eye project in which nominee has been involved:

5) List reasons why you believe this individual or group should be considered for the Hugh Bradley Award. (Please include in these reasons why this nominee is outstanding and cite examples of how this involvement is unique and worthy of recognition for outstanding work.)

6) Attach documentation from agency, institution, and/or individuals who can attest to the benefits derived from nominee's efforts in behalf of visual assistance.

7) Include any other information supporting the nomination, which you deem pertinent for consideration by the selection committee.

*(Use separate piece of paper  
If there is not enough room on form)*





Olympia #1, Skookumchuck #129, Bremerton Friendship #145, and South Tacoma #211 along with Rebekah Lodges Ruth #17, Bucoda #144, and South Tacoma #160 Installation of Officers on January 20. Names in no particular order are: Mashelle Patrick, NG Bucoda 144; Kathi Picanco, NG Ruth 17 and Grand Matriarch GLEA; Cathy Garcia, Secretary Ruth 17 and RA Secretary; Lou Ann Hoffman, Secretary Bucoda 144 and Skookumchuck 129; Alberta Luurs, RA Vice President; Lorrie Bonnell Ruth 17; Rick Bonnell, Ruth 17; Diane DeVoe, Ruth 17; Jeni Thompson, NG Bremerton Friendship 145; Ken Roth, Bremerton Friendship 145; Jamie Vest Bey, Secretary, Grand Conductor; Lt. Colonel PNW Department, South Tacoma 211; Penny Curtis, Grand Musician; Greg Hulet,

Treasurer Bremerton Friendship 145; Joanne Balmert, Olympia #1; Joe Picanco, PGM Olympia #1; Steve Purcell, Deputy Grand Master, Skookumchuck 129; Laura Purcell, Vice Grand Bucoda #144; Joe Schaible, NG South Tacoma 211; Damon Townsend, Vice Grand South Tacoma 211; Mike McCue, Bremerton Friendship 145; Laurel Delony, Secretary, Grand Secretary, Olympia 1; Jennie Reed, Treasurer, Olympia 1; Dave Delony, Warden, Grand Warden, Olympia 1; Stu Carlson (hidden behind Joe Schiabile); Dave Kitsch, Conductor, Olympia 1; Dave Reed, NG Olympia 1; Tom Harper, Grand Guardian, Buckley 75; Grand Master Michael Scheurich, Bremerton 145; and Steve McCord; Grand Treasurer, Des Moines 305. Congratulations to all the new Officers.

## Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 & Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

### JOINT INSTALLATION

Members of Olympia Odd Fellows #1 and Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17 hosted a Joint Installation of Officers on Saturday, January 20 at their hall in Olympia.

Odd Fellow Lodges being installed were Olympia #1, Skookumchuck #129, Bremerton-Friendship #145, and South Tacoma Odd Fellows #211.

Rebekah Lodges being installed were Ruth #17, Bucoda #144, and South Tacoma #60. The installing Marshals had their hands full, but did a great job.

### STOCKING STUFFERS

Ruth Rebekah Lodge members, along with help from the Olympia Odd Fellows, stuffed 100 stockings that

were handed out to children during Christmas. These were donated to the Union Gospel Mission for disbursement. Many units of the Order donated money to purchase items. The stockings were stuffed to the brim

### WELCOME MEGAN & BEVERLY

Olympia held an initiation on January 15. The team conferred the Initiatory and 1st Degrees. Congratulations to the two newest members of Olympia #1, Megan Gleason and Beverly Charles. Welcome to the Order and to Olympia #1. We look forward to working with you both. We're looking forward to the new year and the new officers.

— *Fraternally, Laurel Delony, Secretary*



Being installed are the Noble Grands. From left are: Joe Schaible, South Tacoma #211; Jeni Thompson, Bremerton Friendship #145; Dave Reed, Olympia #1; Alicia Vest Bey, South Tacoma #160, Dave Delony, Skookumchuck #129; Kathi Picanco, Ruth #17; and Mashelle Patrick, Bucoda #144. Installing officer is GM Michael Scheurich. Jamie Vest Bey, Grand Conductor, was the Installing Marshal for the Odd Fellows, and Laurel Delony, Grand Secretary, was the Rebekah's Installing Marshal.





## *Des Moines Installation of Officers*

Here are the members of the Installation Team, who are all 2024 Grand Lodge officers. From left are: Deputy Grand Master Steve Purcell, Grand Master Michael Scheurich, Grand Warden Dave Delony,

Grand Secretary Laurel Delony, Grand Marshal Bob Duniway, Grand Treasurer Steve McCord, Grand Chaplain Jerry Smith, and Grand Guardian Tom Harper.



Here's the Grand Lodge of Washington's Installing Team with the new officers of Des Moines #305. From left are: Dave Morely, John "Johneo" Otterstrom, PGM,

RA Warden; Edmund L. "Butch" Reitan, PGM GSE; Steve McCord, Grand Treasurer; Robert Hill, and Orlee Groh.





## Golden Rule #207 Installation

Grand Lodge officers, with some help of others, drove down to Napavine to install the officers of Golden Rule IOOF Lodge #207. The Installing Officers were Grand Master Michael Scheurich, Deputy Grand Master Steve Purcell, Grand Warden Dave Delony, Grand Secretary

Laurel Delony, Grand Marshal Bob Duniway, Grand Conductor Jamie Vest Bey, and Lt. Colonel PNW Department, PGM, PNW Department Commander Duard Fyffe, Grand Musician Penny Curtis. Congratulation all the new Golden Rule Officers.

## South Tacoma Rebekahs #160 officers installed!!

Congratulations to our new officers for 2024. They were installed at a Joint Installation held on January 20 at Olympia Odd Fellows Hall.

We are looking forward to our new Noble Grand, Alicia Vest Bey's, program for the year.

The Installing Officers for the day were Grand Master Michael Scheurich and Rebekah Assembly President Dusti Trebe.

Ruth Rebekah Lodge members cooked up a luncheon before the installation. It was enjoyed by everyone.

Our lodge would like to thank our Jr. Past Noble Grand, Jamie Vest Bey, for running our meetings smoothly last year by keeping us involved and moving the lodge forward. Thank you Brother for a job well done!

### WELCOME BROTHER CRAIG DAVIS

Please welcome Brother Craig Davis, our newest member for South Tacoma #160. Brother Craig was initiated on January 2. Craig will be an asset to our lodge and will bring new and fresh ideas.

A belated Happy New Year to all.

— With Rebekah Hugs,  
Laurel Delony, Reporter

## Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 braved the weather

Wow!! January really didn't turn out the way things were planned. There were lots of disappointments with our plans. Installations had to be changed because of bad weather.

Trinity would like to extend condolences to the family and Onalaska Rebekah Sisters following the passing of Beverly Lyons. She came to Trinity by consolidation. She was a very sweet Rebekah Sister.

We are in the process of taking donations for the Jerry and Katheryn Jester family for their son and daughter-in-law. The funds are needed to transport the grandson back and forth to the hospital in Portland, Oregon from Long Beach, Washington due to an accident that the boys were in.

Grandma lost her life in the accident but the boys survived. So, as part of our Odd Fellow family, we at Trinity send our condolences and would like to help out with some of the transportation costs. It's a small kindness we can do to help the Jesters.

Trinity's next Bingo will be on Saturday, February 10. Dinner is at 4 p.m., and the Bingo starts at 6 p.m. We will be having our candy bouquets and other silent auction items. So, mark your calendars and come out for an evening of fun!!

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

# Hope Rebekah Lodge #38 in Spokane

## GREETINGS FROM SPOKANE

We met for our Christmas dinner and party on December 20. This was also our Christmas meeting.

A delicious ham dinner was enjoyed. Special thanks to Sister Beverly Johnson, Vice Grand-elect, for baking the ham. Our members brought a tasty assortment of food including mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, meat balls, macaroni and cheese, green salad, an assortment of Christmas salads, homemade rolls, and delicious Christmas cookies. This was a real delicious feast.

Members present were: Noble Grand Sister Joey Lock, who dressed as “The Grinch”; Vice Grand Elisabeth Winship-Moon; Secretary and “our own” Junior Past Grand Master Tim Moon; Treasurer and “our own” John “Johneo” Otterstrom, Past Grand Master and the first male Rebekah Assembly Warden for our Rebekah Assembly.

Also present were PNG Linda Bradley, Sister Deb Tobler, and Sister Pat Nave. Missing were Sisters Mary Matherly, Triscia Tabar, Brother Tedd Swanson, and who is recovering from major surgery. Also missing were Brothers Leon Tobler, and George Chinn.

Platters of food and cookies were sent home to Brothers Leon Tobler, Tedd Swanson, and George Chinn.

Members were dressed in festive Christmas shirts and colors. We enjoyed a “Secret Santa” Christmas gift exchange. We all drew a name of a member in early December.

## DUSTI’S OFFICIAL VISIT

After enjoying Christmas dinner and our Christmas Party, we had the official visit to Hope Rebekah Lodge #38 from “our own” Sister Cynthia “Dusti” Trebe, President of Rebekah Assembly of Washington. Brother Tim Moon presented Sister Dusti with a monetary gift from our lodge. Members brought Sister Dusti many supplies for her project, boxes of essentials for patients in the Spokane Veteran Administration Hospital. Sister Dusti gave us her speech that she gave at her Installation as President of Rebekah Assembly of Washington at Yakima last June. Sister Dusti also has the honor of being a Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Montana.

## BROTHER TEDD IS RECOVERING

Brother Tedd Swanson is recovering rapidly from major surgery. Tedd spent all of December shut-in. He is starting to get out and around more. He still walks with help from his walker and some assistance from George Chinn. Tedd still hopes and prays a specialist can be found to treat his hip and leg so he can possibly walk without the walker.

Sister Dusti was given individual personal gifts from our members, too.

It was discussed when to have extra bazaar work days. Also discussed was when to have our bazaar. It was brought up that our bazaar that we held last November was the best in several years. We made a profit of more than \$700. The discussion was tabled until the first meeting in January.

Sister Joey Locke, PNG and current Noble Grand, has been appointed Conductor of the Rebekah Assembly by Sister Dusti.

Sister Beverly Johnson, Vice Grand-elect, recently returned back to Spokane after a trip to Georgia to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law.

## JANUARY 3 MEETING

Your Reporter Tedd Swanson marks 52 years as a Rebekah on January 27, 2024. I was initiated into the former Truth Rebekah Lodge #302 in Spokane at the old Odd Fellows Temple. I have many fond memories of years past at the old Temple and Truth Rebekah Lodge #302. Truth Rebekah Lodge gave up their Charter and consolidated with Hope Rebekah Lodge in 1998. Samaritan and Hope Lodges purchased a hall on 1420 N. Washington Street in 1995. Samaritan Lodge sold the old Odd Fellows Temple on West First Avenue to a “night club.”

## IS OUR OLD IOOF HALL HAUNTED?

Rumor has it from a local expert in “ghostology” who has written several books on Spokane ghosts, and gives ghost tours, Chet Caskov, a well-known “ghostologist”, says that the old Odd Fellows Temple, built in 1908 is haunted.

Tedd is the last surviving member from the Old Odd Fellows Temple, and the last remaining member of the former Truth Rebekah Lodge.

## JANUARY 3, 2024 MEETING

We met on January 3 for a nice lunch and two desserts from hostess Elisabeth Winship-Moon. She served a tasty and delicious cherry crunch and apple crunch with vanilla ice cream. What a great way to start the new year!

## OUR NEW YEAR BOOK

PNG Pat Nave is putting together a new year book for Hope Rebekah Lodge. It will include our by-laws, schedule of events, hostess for each meeting, and includes a membership list, addresses, phone numbers, and birthdays. Pat will bring inserts to our meeting. Each member will make their own yearbook cover. Elisabeth Winship-Moon said she has the rings for the books.

Pat Nave and Beverly Johnson brought items to put on wreaths and Pat brought a lighted jar to show what we could work on one of the extra work days we are going to have. Most of the afternoon was taken up getting the old year book up to date with all information updated on each member.

Elisabeth Winship-Moon reminded everyone about our installation on Wednesday afternoon, January 17. Elisabeth said to wear casual clothing. Elisabeth’s colors for her year as Noble Grand are fuchsia and purple.

Someone asked if red is still taboo or can we wear red. Dusti said we can wear red now, but years ago it was associated with the “Scarlet Letter.” Someone asked about

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# From your 2023-24 Theta Rho President

## Happy Valentine's Day Everyone

Hi everybody! I hope your having a fantastic winter. I definitely am! I've been curled up in my work chair looking at the snow.

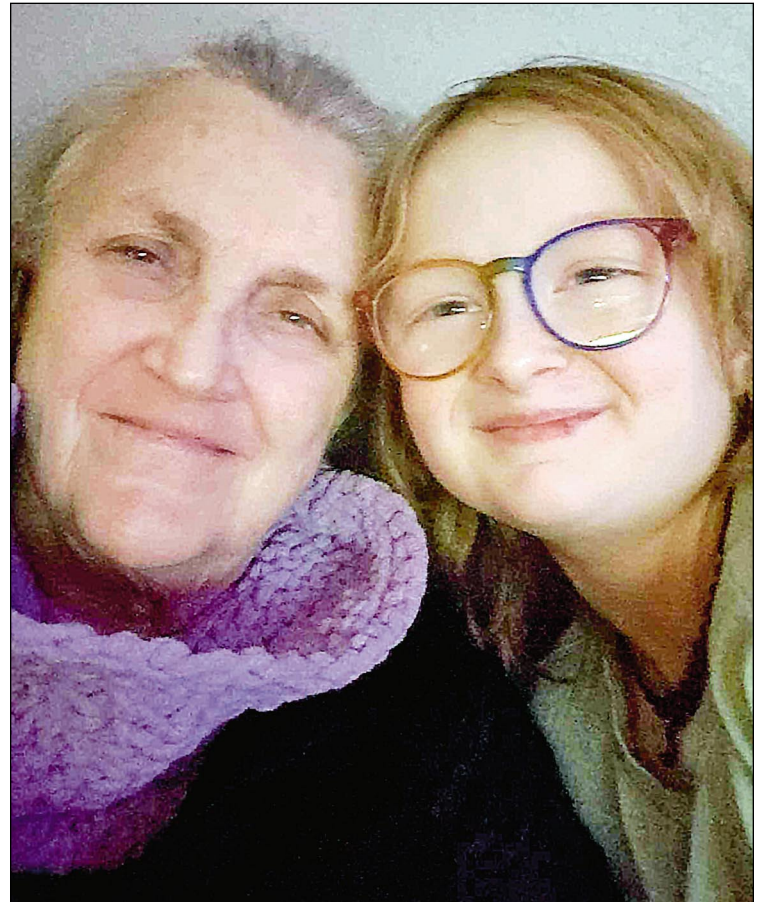


**VICTORIA SCHLIM**  
TRA President

I truly hope everyone has an amazing Valentine's Day or at least enjoys all the delicious chocolates that come with it. Things are gonna start picking up. So please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Try everything in Friendship Love and Truth.

— *In Happiness  
Through Service,  
Victoria Schlim,  
Theta Rho Assembly  
President of Washington*



## Welcome to Acorn

Acorn's newest member Willow Miller, right, and her Grandmother Mary Stewart, Acorn's Assistant Advisor. Willow is the daughter of Theta Rho Assembly Past President Allison Stewart Wyum.

# Acorn Theta Rho Girls Club #79, Oak Harbor

## HAPPY VALENTINES DAY EVERYONE!

We started out the new year with an initiation and our election of officers. We initiated Willow Miller who has been our club mascot since she was a baby. Her mom is Theta Rho Assembly Past President, Allison Stewart Wyum and her grandma is Mary Stewart, our Assistant Advisor.

## AND OUR NEW OFFICERS ARE

Our new elective officers are President Shauna Schultz, Vice President Sarah Thomas, Secretary Layla Williams, Treasurer Leilah McNichols, and Past President Stacy Gardiner.

Appointive officers are Chaplain Ava Williams, Conductor Desiree Gardiner, Warden Bella Gleghorn, Marshal Jess Daily, Guardian Willow Miller, and RS President Alana Weatherlow. Our officers were installed by our Advisor Judy Diekman, Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington and Acorn.

## VALENTINE PROJECT

We are making Valentine favors for Welcome Home

Assisted Living as our community service for February. The residents always appreciate us making things for them for the various holidays.

We hope all of you have a happy Valentine's Day.

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

## Hope Rebekah Lodge #38

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Someone asked about wearing black and she told us in Europe their color is black. Women wear black formals where in the USA women wear white formals. But nowadays any color is permissible to wear.

It was a most productive and informative meeting and we had plenty to laugh about along the way.

— *With Rebekah Hugs & Friendship, Love and Truth,  
Tedd Swanson,*

*PNG, and Reporter*

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## Kent LEA #15 finds Santa is a nice guy

Eleven members and two guests attended the Kent LEA #15 Christmas party on December 8, 2023. It was held at the New Peking restaurant in Bonney Lake. We enjoyed visiting and having some good food.

An exchange of gifts followed the meal. One

Matriarch received an empty box as her gift. She was told it was because she hadn't been very good the last year. After some coaxing, Santa gave in and decided she wasn't so bad after all and gave her a gift.

We were pleased to have our two guests, Joe Picanco, and our candidate, Karman Lundell, join us.



## Grandma's satin quilt

These pictures are from a quilt in the IOOF Museum in Buckley. The quilt is pink satin on one side and a lime green satin on the other. The pink side in the middle is embroidered "Rebekah at the Well" and the squares

are embroidered with names of Rebekahs. Grand Secretary Laurel Delony found her grandmother's name embroidered. We have no idea of the date this was done.