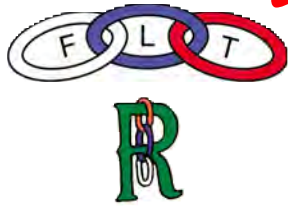


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Hooray, Hooray! It's Finally May!

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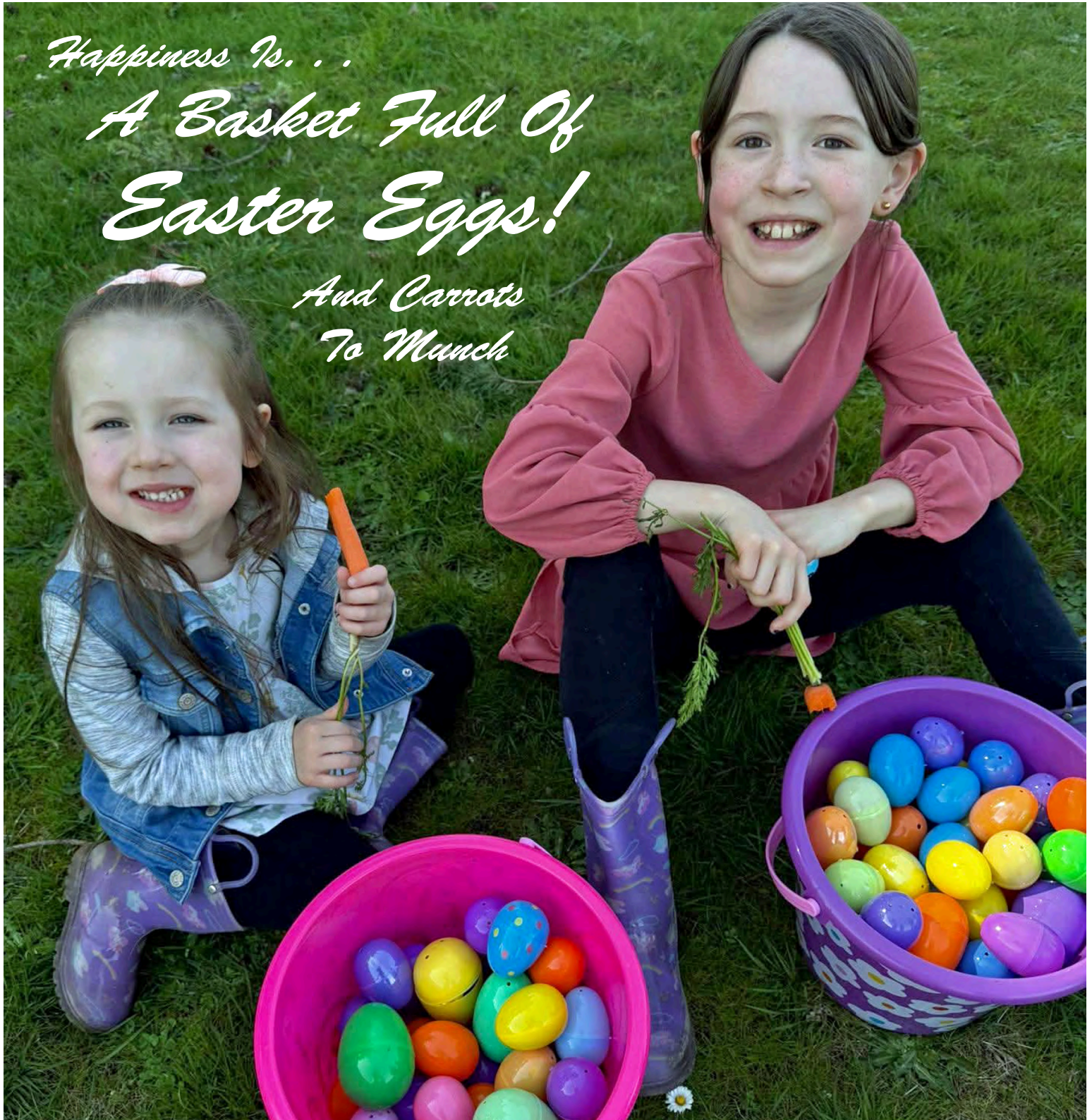
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Happiness Is...

*A Basket Full Of
Easter Eggs!*

*And Carrots
To Munch*



Bella and Clara Dupont, granddaughters of Kendra and Tom Frogge', were all smiles at the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Puget Beach Park in Olympia. They are also the great-granddaughters of Karen Hoylman. More photos on page 11.

From your 2025-26 Grand Master



David Delony
Your 2025-26 Grand Master

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter with friends and loved ones. The weather couldn't have been better.

Tomb Of The Unknowns Trek

The first weekend in May gives me an opportunity to perform a function that is extremely special to me. That is laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington, Virginia for the Jurisdiction of Washington. I was first introduced to this personally when I escorted your Past Grand Master Laurel Delony when she got to do the same during her terms in office. This year will be special in that John "Johneo" Otterstrom, President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, will be with me during the presentation.

Here's a notable fact about the Tomb: It actually added three burial crypts that lay in front of the actual Tomb. The Tomb holds the remains of an unidentified WWI soldier. The three other crypts each house a WWII, Korean, and Vietnam veteran. However in 1998 the Vietnam veteran was positively identified through DNA testing and was taken home to be buried. Now that crypt lies vacant.

Memorial Day At The IOOF Cemetery

As May is closing in on us, we have the Memorial Day weekend to again pay tribute to those who have passed on before us. There are many, many planned functions for us all to participate in and hopefully you will be able to do so. I was asked to emcee the Olympia Lodge Cemetery function which is always a great event. That will be on Monday, May 25. I'll have more on this occasion in *The Washington OddFellow* next month.

Please, Please Follow The Ritual

During my visitations I found it a little disconcerting that there are a few lodges that do not follow the Ritual during their meetings. If you were to do so and do everything by the book, you would be truly amazed at how easy and quickly your meetings go. In addition, all your members would thus be informed of everything that is happening,

both outside of your lodge and with the work you do that is within your lodge itself.

Taking Care Of Your Lodge

Again I must remind you that your lodge is yours to take care of and make better and sound for the future generations of the ***Odd Fellows and Rebekahs***. It is your responsibility and right as a member to know the workings, plans and funds of your lodge at all times. Your voice must and should be heard at all meetings. If you are not kept abreast of your lodge happenings there is too many opportunities for things to go amiss.

You May Need To Change Your Bylaws

At the District Deputy Grand Master's (DDGM) meeting that just took place April 12, we had some good discussions for working with our lodges. One of the topics that came up was the change a lodge might make for meeting time or place. None of this should be done without changing your bylaws if they are actually different. Your Grand Lodge Secretary has a generic set of bylaws that she can send you if you need to get the changes done and made official. Please ask your DDGM, any Executive officer, or, of course, your Grand Lodge Secretary Laurel Delony if you need any assistance.

Don't Worry! I'm Still Making Visitations

There are still some lodges that I will be visiting soon, but work, weather and non replies from some lodges has hampered me in completing my visits. I do look forward to seeing you in your lodges before Grand Sessions.

I hope everyone is enjoying the longer days that are coming and the much warmer weather that follows.

Fraternally In Friendship, Love, and Truth, Dave Delony, Your 2025-26 Grand Master

Brothers & Sisters, See You In Yakima!

From your 2025-2026 Assembly President of Washington

Remember To Have Your Books Audited

I hope everyone is doing well, and that you have had time to arrange an audit of your books I wrote about in my last article.

A Good Northwest Meeting

We had a great turnout at the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association in Hayden, Idaho. A good discussion was held regarding protocols and rules for lodge meetings. It was truly encouraging to have so much participation from members. Sadly, members from British Columbia, Canada were not able to attend.

Pilgrimage To The Tomb

In a couple weeks I'll be attending the Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington, Virginia, along with the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. I'm looking forward to visiting members from around the country in a non-business setting.

Assembly Sessions Nearly Here

Our Rebekah Assembly Sessions are just around the corner. If you haven't registered yet, please do so soon. Take care everyone.



— *Fraternally in Friendship, Love and Truth,
And with Rebekah Hugs,*

John Otterstrom, AKA "Johneo"
Your 2025-2026 Rebekah Assembly of Washington President



*Follow Me
To Yakima...*



From your 2025-2026

Theta Rho President Teanna Gardner

Hi everyone! Your Theta Rho Assembly President here.

Two of my Community Service projects that I've done lately are putting up lovely pinwheels with my Theta Rho Club, Spunky Bluebirds #93. The event was for child abuse awareness.

The Importance Of Giving Blood

As another community service for my school, I'll be donating blood on April 22. My blood will be given to patients at a hospital in the community to save a life, a cancer patient, or even a burn victim. I encourage anyone 16 and up, if you're in school or know anyone who would like to donate blood. It's meaningful to help our community and people in need who are in hospitals. (This is always up to you and your choice, always!)

Yes, You Can Be The Best Dressed

I can't wait to see everyone at our Assembly Sessions soon!! I'd love to see everyone dressed in their best.

I wish the best to everyone who had an awesome spring break during April — I know I did! I can't wait to see everyone soon!

*And Happiness Through Service, Teanna Gardner,
Your 2025-26 Theta Rho President*



John 'Johneo' Otterstrom
2925-2026 Rebekah Assembly
President



Teanna Gardner
Your 2025-2026
Theta Rho Assembly President



Cathy 'Cat' Garcia
Assembly Secretary

From your Assembly Secretary

Welcome To May!

The flowers are budding, my veggies are growing, and I am loving the sunshine!!

'Take Me' In The Mail Early In May

Our 2026 Sessions are only several weeks away. Your Advance Reports (AKA "Take Me") should be mailed out this first week of May. I am sending them to the Lodge Representatives, so be sure to ask him/her if they received it and to share the information with your lodge members. I am really hoping to see every lodge send a Representative as well as your Secretary to Sessions. This is an important time to share information and get to know your Brothers and Sisters.

Secretaries: Summer Is The Time To Catch Up

As we approach summer months, most lodges are preparing for two months of "going dark." This means they will not be having meetings, usually for the months of July and August. Secretaries, this does not mean that you put your briefcase away and don't think about it for two months. This is a wonderful time to go through your minute book and clean up minutes that were done in haste, catch up on any communication that hasn't been finished and start organizing information that you will need for your Annual Report. December may seem like a long way away, but it always catches up with us way too quickly. If you would like help putting together a spreadsheet to keep information organized and easy to access, please let me know. I would be happy to help.

We're Thinking Of You

This is also a good time to send notes to members just letting them know that you are still thinking about them and encouraging them to talk about Rebekahs to their neighbors and friends. It would be wonderful to come back in September with applications for new members filled out and excited about joining.

I'm looking forward to seeing you in Yakima!!

— Yours in Friendship, Love and Truth

With Much Rebekah Love & Hugs,

Cathy Garcia, PP and Secretary

Of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington

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Sammy winner!

Alberta Luurs of Trinity #179 wins



Alberta Luurs of Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 in Napavine spotted Sammy on page 11. Sammy was in the photo of Grand Secretary Laurel Delony and Arianna Chambard. Sammy was in the upper left in the photo.

We're sending Alberta a Chrome Three link car medallion for her find. This month, Sammy is hiding elsewhere. If you can find her, just call Grand Secretary Laurel Delony at (360) 829-1514 or email her at:

grandsecretarywaioof@gmail.com

You could win a nice item from the Grand Lodge of Washington. Be sure to have your guess in to Laurel by March 15. The winner will be drawn from the pool of correct guesses.



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From the desk of your Grand Secretary



Laurel Delony

With Assistant Secretary Poppy

Grand Sessions Getting Closer

Brothers and Sisters,

Grand Sessions are almost upon us. Hopefully you have grabbed your registration out of last month's *Washington OddFellow* newspaper, and if not, you can get the registration information in this edition, as well as June's newspaper.

The Advance Reports, (AKA "Take Me") were mailed to your Lodge Secretaries with the instructions to pass them onto the Lodge Representatives. These were mailed out on April 16. If your lodge does not receive it by May 15, please let me know and I will get another one mailed out. Please make sure that your Representative goes through the "Take Me" and asks the lodge which way you want them to vote at Grand Sessions. There are a couple of Bills and a Resolution to consider. Make sure your Lodge Representative brings the "Take Me" with them.

Wreath Laying In Our Nation's Capital

As this is the May issue, I am probably at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington, Virginia. I was able to accompany the Grand Master and Assembly President to Washington, D.C. What an honor for the Jurisdiction of Washington to not only attend the ceremony, but be given the honor of presenting a Jurisdictional Wreath.

Seeing The Sights

The Grand Master, Assembly President, and I were able to tour the national mall, visit the International Spy Museum, and partake of good food and company. We met up with the Deputy Sovereign Grand Master, Ron Hanson, although his time was limited.

— *With Fraternal Hugs and Love, Laurel Delony, PGM, Grand Secretary*

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Pair of Encampments install new Officers in Buckley



Out With The Old And In With The New

Kent LEA #15, along with Mt. Angeles #88 held a joint potluck installation on Friday, April 17.

The Chief Matriarch for Kent, obviously didn't do a good enough job during her first time around, thus she was elected to a second term. (*Do we detect a bit of irony here?*)

And if you would like something to do on your Fridays, and you are a Rebekah or Odd Fellow, consider joining the Kent LEA. Or if you need something to do on a Monday night, join Mt. Angeles LEA. We need more members so feel free to contact Jennie Reed, Scribe for both Encampments, at:

daveandjennie@hotmail.com.

Both Encampments meet in the Buckley Odd Fellow hall.

— *In Faith, Hope & Charity,
The Members of Kent LEA #15*



New Officers for Buckley Encampment #40 were installed in a ceremony held April 1 in the Buckley IOOF Hall. From left are: Chief Patriarch Jaime Hanson, High Priestess Joanne Balmert, Senior Warden Tom Harper, Scribe Laurel Delony, Treasurer Toby Hanson, and Junior Warden Evan Ochs.

Community Engagement To Increase Membership

We are re-printing Toby Hanson's Membership study. Last month we had a printing problem and part of the story was missing.

by Toby Hanson, PGM

All of us know the challenge of gaining new members. They don't just grow on trees, after all. However, new members can be found in our communities if we raise the profile of our lodges and make them discoverable. The old method of word-of-mouth still works but it's a much harder sell than it was a hundred years ago when everyone knew who the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs were and what they did. Now, we have the dual challenge of explaining both what the Order is and what our individual lodges do. To that end, your Membership Committee has compiled a list of activities and events you can do with your lodge to raise your profile your local community and hopefully gain new members as a result.

All methods of gaining new members require some measure of promotion of the lodge. It's important to know how to promote your lodge so that more people in your community will know who you are and that your lodge offers fellowship and a sense of belonging. Below are some ways of promoting your lodge (and any events you may hold):

- Put a sign along the highway outside of town
- Put a sign or banner on the side of your building
- Put up signs in other businesses in your town
- Hand out flyers for the lodge and/or lodge events in town
- Write press releases and send them to local media (newspapers, radio, TV)
- Participate in local online communities (Facebook groups, Reddit groups, Nextdoor, biogs, etc.)

Most of those are fairly self-explanatory. Anyone with rudimentary computer skills can usually make a passable sign to put in the windows of a lodge hall or downtown business. For those who don't have such skills, there are online tools like Canva that can be used for making promotional materials. Larger formats like a banner may require finding a local printer who can make a vinyl banner. Putting a sign along the highway often requires consulting the local Chamber of Commerce or Department of Transportation. You'll need to look up local statutes to find out the requirements for such a sign.

Writing a press release and sending it out is a more specialized skill. Formats for writing press releases can be found various places on the Internet. One that's recommended is found at <https://help.notified.com/en/articles/8019984-free-press-release-templates>. The basic idea of a press release is that it's a one-page summary of what the event is, why it's important, and why someone should want to come. In this age of reduced newsroom staffing, well-written press releases often get printed in their entirety in local newspapers. Even if a particular press release doesn't get printed, the more often journalists and editors see a press release, the more important they will think your lodge is. Don't send press releases for just anything; save them for serious, significant public events where you want to attract a crowd. Radio and TV stations, especially in smaller markets, will want to receive press releases because it lets them know what's going on in the community and where there might be future stories to cover. Find the contact addresses for your local media and send releases to all of them when you have an event to promote. It's also helpful to do a search for biogs that cover your local area. Send press releases to them. Biogs are often one-person operations that rely on information being sent to them. Press releases are a great way to share your events and activities with bloggers.

Almost every town, city, neighborhood, or other geographical area now has a Facebook group dedicated to it. The same is true of other networks like Nextdoor and Reddit. They have thousands of communities dedicated to all kinds of small locales. It's beneficial to get to know which of those groups are pertinent to your area and share information about events with them. Join the groups and post regularly about whatever events your lodge is hosting that would be of interest to the folks around you. Let your community know that your lodge is a hub of activity and that they are welcome to join you for fun and fellowship.

Once you have a handle on how to promote your activities, it's time to start planning some! Every lodge has different circumstances. Not all will be big enough to handle putting on a large event by themselves. We have organized our list of potential activities from smaller to larger so that you can hopefully find something that will be a good fit for the resources your lodge has available to you.

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LODGES WITHOUT A BUILDING

Lodges that don't have a building in which to hold events have a unique challenge. Many things that would work for a lodge with a building, like a pancake breakfast or spaghetti feed, won't work (or take a lot of extra planning). However, lodges without a building can meet that challenge with some creativity. The most important thing is to do something in a public place that will showcase the lodge as a place for fellowship and fun. It's extremely helpful when doing one of these public activities to wear lodge attire, such as t-shirts, hats, or other items that will readily identify the members as Odd Fellows to the public at large. Take one meeting a month and do a social activity wearing your Odd Fellows shirts or hats. Go out for pizza the same time each month. Go bowling. Volunteer for something like a high school sporting event, repackaging food at a food bank, or walking in a parade. Sponsor a local youth sports team, including their banquet and end-of-season awards. Lodges without a building can also partner up with other groups to do activities that will draw attention to the lodge. Can you partner with another fraternal group like the Masons, Elks, Moose, or Eagles to do something to benefit both lodges? Maybe you can hold an inter-fraternal competition for something in your town like collecting the most donations for

the parks department? Consider hosting a Fraternal Fair where members of different fraternal groups get together in the same place. You can offer to identify old jewelry or other items that may have come from a family member involved in fraternalism. Serve coffee in a highway Rest Area (you might need to partner with another group for that to have enough people). Pick up litter along the highway and get a sign with your name on it. Collect socks, hats, or coats for the homeless. Set up a display about your lodge at the local library, city hall, or other public building. You could also use one of our SGL programs like the Living Legacy Program to donate a tree to your town. Some towns have an open comment period after council meetings. Show up to those meetings and give a short presentation about your lodge. Contact your local school nurse with information about our Washington Visual Aid Program and include flyers about the Order. Just make sure a lot of pictures are taken at any public events and that the media is aware so that word of your activity can go out to the wider world. Some of the greatest value to your lodge of working on projects is sharing news about those projects with the community through the media.

LODGES WITH A BUILDING

Lodges with a building have a lot more possibilities of what they can do because they can host groups and events. They can host concerts, plays, lectures, and other performances. To find concerts to host, talk to local school music programs (including colleges) to see what ensembles might be interested in doing performances outside the school. A high school jazz band performance is going to bring a lot of parents into your hall. Likewise, hosting an Open Mic Night will invite local amateur musicians and their fans into your hall. The more they see inside of your building, the more likely they are to go home with an application. The same goes for local school drama programs, community theater groups, and other arts associations. You could contact the local arts council and offer your hall as a location for an art show. That will bring a lot of foot traffic into your building. If your town has some kind of local festival, you can contact the festival organizers and offer your hall as a venue, break room, relief station, or any other thing the festival needs. Contact other fraternal groups that might not have as large of a space and let them know that your hall is available to rent for when they need a larger space for their events. Host your own food event like a pie auction, chili cook-off, chowder competition, or other food competition. Food competitions usually require getting other people involved as judges and support staff, which is another good way of reaching out to people about Odd Fellowship. If your own has a historical tour, you can get on the tour as a stop and share your building and any beautiful old fraternal items you have to the tour participants. All the ideas presented here are approachable for even a small lodge. However, we on the Membership Committee recognize that not every lodge is going to have the necessary time or resources to plan and execute these ideas. You are always welcome to reach out to us on the Membership Committee and we will do our best to assist you in planning and carrying out any of these membership building activities. There are many more ideas to help attract members to your lodge than just what is included here. The main idea is to make sure the people in your community know that your lodge exists and that they are welcome to join it. As Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, we offer one of the best fraternal experiences available. We want to make sure that everyone in our communities knows that the lodge is the place to find fellowship and connection. Our work as promoters of Odd Fellowship is never done. There are always new people waiting to learn about our Order and what we do. After all, today's new applicant will likely become tomorrow's new Noble Grand.



Pictured from left in the front row are: Meghan Rothwell, Marsha Hawk, Anna Marie Newman, Jim Wilson, Debbie Sonntag, Dave Soltz, Elise May, Shawn Corrigan, and Shawn Reichert; Middle row from left are: Steve Purcell, Dave Delony, Tom Harper, Russ Humphrey, Dave Sturgell, Raven Harlin, and Dylan Rothwell. In the back row, from left are: Bernadette Jungblut, Thor Franklin, Jeff Watson, John McCoy, Rex Wirth, and Thatcher Montgomery.

Ellensburg Lodge #20 welcomes Grand Lodge leadership!!

Ellensburg IOOF Lodge #20 was honored to welcome Grand Master Dave Delony, Jr. Past Grand Master Steve Purcell, and Grand Warden Tom Harper. They joined our Noble Grand Russ Humphrey in co-leading our March 19 business meeting. It was truly a grand evening for our Odd Fellows Lodge.

During their visit, our distinguished guests took time to connect with members, fostering fellowship and meaningful conversation. We were also proud to provide a tour showcasing the recent remodel updates to our Lodge, highlighting the continued care and investment in our shared space. We are grateful for their leadership, support, and presence, and we look forward to welcoming them back for future visits

— Jamie Rothwell, Reporter

Scribbles from your Grand Scribe



Grand Sessions will be upon us soon. The Grand Encampment “Take Me” was mailed out on May 1. Scribes, be sure to get these to your Representatives. **Representatives:** Please make sure you bring your “Take Me” with you to Grand Sessions. I only have a few extras that I bring with me.

Registration forms for Grand Sessions were in April’s edition of *The Washington OddFellow*. In addition to this issue, the forms will be in June’s newspaper as well. Get your registration in as soon as possible.

— With Fez Head Hugs,
Laurel Delony, Grand Scribe

**German
Dinner**

Hosted by
Buckley Odd Fellows # 75
Friday May 8, 2026
7 pm
120 Cedar St

Schmaltz, Rotzkoh, Kartoffelsalat, and Music
\$10 donation per meal recommended
Please RSVP to buckley75ioof@gmail.com
(chair lift available)





Bremerton Friendship's Easter Basket Bonanza

Bremerton Friendship Lodge #145 just completed our Easter basket project. We purchased all the items and put together 150 Easter Baskets. We gave out 50 baskets at the waterfront park in Silverdale on the Saturday before Easter as we have for six or seven years.

50 of the Easter baskets went to one of our favorite food banks the Sunday before Easter, Bremerton Food line. They have a partnership with Bremerton High School and some of the special needs students help in the mornings. A student, Quinn Buffington, assisted in setting up the display table and was there to hand out some of the baskets.

Our other food bank that we regularly support, the Central Kitsap Food Bank, also received 50 baskets the week before Easter. They were overjoyed to be able to distribute these to the families that use their services.

Each plastic basket contained a plastic shovel, Frisbee, three sidewalk chalk pieces, bubbles, a kaleidoscope, a stuffed animal, chocolate bunny, four Play-Doh containers, and an egg with jelly beans, plus six candies, and, of course, a new toothbrush. All of this was wrapped in see-through wrapper and a tag with our lodge's contact information. We were able to do this for \$14 per basket, way less expensive than if we had purchased pre-made baskets. This project has been growing every year and it has become a big favorite of our Odd Fellow Lodge. If you would like any other information about this project, feel free to contact us.

— *In Friendship, Love and Truth, Michael Scheurich, Secretary, Bremerton Friendship Lodge*



Above: The Bremerton Easter assembly line.
Left: Quinn Buffington assists.
Right: Here's what went into the baskets.



From your 2025-26 Grand Patriarch

Educating The Orphan

I want to introduce you to my project for this year, the Uganda Martyrs Orphan Project. I was privileged to visit their facilities a few years ago in Tororo, Uganda, and spent a month observing and getting to know some of the teachers and children.

The Uganda Martyrs Orphans Project (UMOP) was organized in 1992 by the Rev. Father Centurio Olaboro to support AIDS orphans, street children, and vulnerable youth. It was built on the foundation of the work of Father Centurio's sister, who had, by her untimely death, gathered dozens of orphans into her small home who would have otherwise been unprovided for. It currently offers education, vocational training, and family-based care for more than 1,100 children, aiming for self-reliance.

Caring For The Children

UMOP provides care for children who have lost parents, often due to HIV/AIDS, or who have been rescued from street life. The goal is to avoid institutionalization and instead settle children within families, providing educational and medical support.

Contributing to this project is a direct way to fulfill our pledge to "Educate the Orphan." Only \$100 covers the costs for a child's housing and education for a whole semester. Their prospects if uncared for are bleak. Your contribution goes directly to sustenance of orphans, providing education, and creating hygienic infrastructure.

Donations can be made here through Interfaith Community Sanctuary in Ballard:

<https://interfaithcommunitysanctuary.org/donate/>

Please write "UMOP" under the heading "Where should we direct your donation?"

— *In Faith, Hope & Charity,*

Michael Douglas, Your Grand Patriarch



Michael Douglas
Grand Patriarch



Grand Patriarch Michael Douglas in Uganda several years ago.



Ready, Set, Go!

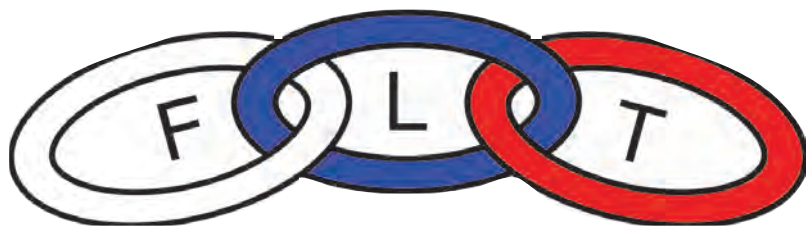
Lots of kids were filled with anticipation as they awaited the call to start gathering Easter Eggs—and the kids picked them up by the hundreds. Hamburgers and hot dogs were also served under the bright sun on Saturday, April 4 at Puget Beach Park in Olympia.



“LoLo” the Easter Bunny munches on a carrot while Bella Dupont was very happy with her haul. See additional photo on page 1.



~ Lodge Cards ~



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

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA 98321 **Lodge Mailing Address:** PO Box 777-0777, Buckley, WA 98321 **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Jamie Hanson, 6801 150th St. SW, Lakewood, WA. 98439 **Phone:** (907) 355-3607. **Email:** Yellowk@gmail.com **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321-1206. **Phone:** (253) 468-1949. **Email:** buckley75ioof@gmail.com (2/28/27)

BUCODA REBEKAH LODGE #144

Meets At: Bucoda Community Center, 101A E. 7th,(upstairs), Bucoda, WA 98530. **Lodge Mailing Address:** PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131 **Time:** 2nd & 4th Fridays., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Lou Ann Hoffman, PO Box 386, Bucoda, WA 98530-0386. **Ph:** (360) 259-6144 **Email:** laurapurcell@scattercreek.com **Sec'y:** Mashell Patrick. PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131. **Ph:** (360) 870-2581. (2/28/27)

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

Meets At: Olympia Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia, WA 98501. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501-4400. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Steve Purcell, PO Box 386, Bucoda, 98396-0386. **Email:** purcell@scattercreek.com. **Ph:** (360) 259-2831. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501-4400. **Ph:** 468-1949. **Email:** laureljdelyony@gmail.com (2/28/27)

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

Meets At: 2431 Rucker Ave., Everett, WA 98201. **Mailing Address:** 2431 Rucker Ave., Ste 3. Everett, WA 98201 **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** June, July & Aug. **NG:** John Mathers, 21729 NE 176th Pl., Woodinville, WA 98077-7102. **Ph:** Home: (425) 788-3772. **Sec'y:** Mary Mathers, 21729 NE 176th Pl., Woodinville, WA 98077. **Cell Ph:** 425-478-9129. (2/28/27)

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

Meets At: 534 Boyer Ave. Walla Walla, WA 99362 **Mailing Address:** 184 Murphy St. Waitsburg, WA 99361, **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Nathaniel Murphy 2184 Murphy St. Waitsburg, WA 99361 **Ph:** (253) 386-0727 **Sec'y:** Angela Beeson 184 Murphy St. Waitsburg, WA 99361 **Cell Ph:** (509) 360-4715 (2/28/27)

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

Meets At: Bucoda Community Center, 101 E. 7th St. (upstairs) Bucoda, WA. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Fridays, 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321-1206. **Email:** laureljdelyony@gmail.com. **Ph:** (253) 468-1949. **Sec'y:** LouAnn Hoffman, PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530-0131. **Ph:** (360) 451-2046. **Email:** lahoff@scattercreek.com (2/28/27)

SOUTH TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #160

Meets At: 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA 98321. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321-1206. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Tom Harper, 917 212th Ave NE, Sammamish, WA 98074-6719. **Ph:** (425) 836-4871. **Email:** mtharper@comcast.net **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 1206, Buckley, WA 98321-1206. **Email:** laureljdelyony@gmail.com **Ph:** (253) 468-1949 (2/28/27)

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. **Email:** **Ph:** (253) 886-6311. **Email:** cougwoman@gmail.com. (2/28/27)

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:** Lou Ann Hoffman, PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530. **Ph:** (360) 451-2046. **Sec'y:** Alberta Luurs, 497 State Hwy. 505, Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 219-7629 (2/28/27)

~ Lodge Cards ~

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



Laurel Purcell
Your 2025-2026
Grand Matriarch

From your 2025-26 Grand Matriarch

Brothers and Sisters,

I think spring is finally here as it's been so nice out. I've been working in my flowerbeds while enjoying the sun.

We went to Hayden, Idaho for the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association meeting. I saw many old friends and made some new ones. I had a wonderful time, but I missed my Canadian friends.

I attended the Easter Egg hunt at the Odd Fellows Puget Beach Park in Olympia. There was a wonderful turnout, the best one I have been to yet.

The newly-elected officers of Kent LEA #15 and Mt. Angeles LEA #88 held a Joint Installation on Friday, April 17 at the Buckley Hall which I attended.

Being on the Grand Sessions Host Committee, I have started getting registrations for Sessions which will be held June 25 through July 1. I hope to see you all in Yakima. By the way, congratulations to Brother Tom Harper for being the first to register. For being the first, he won an Odd Fellow's hat.

Mother's Day is coming up. I hope all the moms (and dads who are moms, too) have a wonderful day on Sunday, May 10 this year.

Memorial Day is also coming up on Monday, May 25. There will be a Memorial Day Commemoration starting at noon at the Odd Fellow Cemetery in Olympia. I hope to see you then.

I know this is short this month, even with lots of activities. By the way, Bill loved the comeback on my page last month. I hope to see you all soon, and hope you have a lovely spring!

— In Faith, Hope and Charity, Laura Purcell, Grand Matriarch

~ More Lodge Cards ~

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

Meet At: 9400 NE 72nd Ave., Vancouver WA 98665. **Mailing Address:** PO Box 2746 Vancouver, WA 98668. **Meeting Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Pat Hill, 207 NE 99th CIR, Vancouver WA 98662. **Ph:** (360) 713-3348. **Sec'y:** Trisha Pyles, 417 NW 146th St, Vancouver WA 98685. **Ph:** (360) 921-4208 (2/28/27)

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

Meets At: DAV Hall, 4980 Auto Center Way, Bremerton 98312. **Lodge Mailing Address:** 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale, WA 98383 **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Larry Seward, Jr, 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale, WA 98383-9220. **Ph:** (360) 710-2924. **Sec'y:** Michael Scheurich, 5789 NW Anderson Hill Rd., Silverdale WA 9838-9220. **Ph:** (360) 731-0975. **Email:** 1oddfellowmike@gmailcom (2/28/26)

HOPE REBEKAH LODGE #38

Meeting Address: 1420 N. Washington St., Spokane WA 99201 **Mailing Address:** Same **Meeting Days:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday **Time:** 1 pm **NG:** Beverly Johnson (phone: (509) 954-9903 **Address:** 1420 N. Washington St., Spokane WA 99201 **Sec'y:** T **Address:** 1420 N. Washington St., Spokane WA 99201 **Ph:** (2/28/2027)

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

Meeting Place: 309 N. Pine St., Ellensburg, WA 98926 **Mailing Address:** PO Box 154, Ellensburg, WA 98926-0154 **Meeting Days:** 1st & 3rd Thursdays **Meeting Time:** 6:30 pm **Recess:** None **NG:** Russ Humphrey, **Address:** PO Box 154, Ellensburg, WA 98296 **Ph:** (206) 399-0996 **Sec'y:** Meghan Gilbert, PO Box 154, Ellensburg WA 98926 **Ph:** (509) 306-1432. (2/28/2027)

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

Mailing Address: PO Box 448, Washougal, WA 98671. **Meeting Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Kathryn Jester, 3904 NE 122nd Ave, Vancouver, WA 98662 **Ph:** (360) 980-7948. **Sec'y:** Jeanette Jester, 4211 Franklin St., Camas, WA 98607. **Ph:** (360) 901-9378 (2/28/27)

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

Meets At: 206 W. Walnut St., Yakima WA 98902. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Jim Boyd, 206 W. Walnut St., Yakima. WA 98902. **Ph:** (509) 823-4123. **Sec'y:** Tom Cox, 610 Pleasant Ave., Yakima, WA 98902-4341 **Ph:** (509) 452-0910. (2/28/27)

Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

Our two lodges worked in conjunction with each other to stage the Easter Egg Hunt held on Saturday, April 5. You'll see photos from the annual Easter Egg Hunt on page 11 of this edition. There were at least 60 adults and many, many more kiddos. Easter Eggs filled with candy and coins were hidden in the tall grass at our Puget Beach Park in Olympia. The children, on the mark of "LoLo" the Easter Bunny, took off and collected a hoard of sweets and coins. There were Easter Eggs containing paper numbers which could be exchanged for the larger gifts.

The Olympia Odd Fellows provided hamburgers, hot dogs, and condiments. Members and guests brought dishes to share. Decorations were handled by our Ruth Rebekah Lodge members. We were favored with a beautiful warm day with majestic Mt. Rainier in the background. Everyone, even the BIG Easter Egg, had a great time.

Our next big project is our annual Seafood Fest held each summer. The date and time for the 2026 event will be determined soon.

— Until next time,
In Friendship, Love and Truth. . .
The Members of Olympia IOOF Lodge #1
And Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17.

SGL Educational Foundation announces new scholarship opportunities for 2026!!

R. Kenneth Babb, Executive Director of Educational Foundation, IOOF, recently announced new scholarship opportunities with increased awards for 2026. The new increased awards include:

Ingstrom Regional Scholarship

Increased from \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00 - For the top application score in the region and an added award of \$2,000.00 for the second place application score in the region. This scholarship is based on financial need, scholarship and leadership. Students in a regular college curriculum can apply in each of 15 Odd Fellow Jurisdictional Regions.

Non Traditional Scholarship

Increased from \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00 - This scholarship is Intended for students who do not attend college immediately after graduation from high school.

Glen Coursey Agricultural Scholarship

Increased from \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00 - This scholarship is awarded to students pursuing a degree in Agriculture.

Nursing Degree Program Scholarship

(Endowed by the Grand Lodge of Iowa) - Increased from \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00. This scholarship is for students pursuing an accredited nursing program in an associate, baccalaureate, masters or other degree program nursing related field.

Vocational Technology Scholarship

Increased from \$1,000.00 to \$2,000.00 - This scholarship is for students enrolled in a Vocational or Technology Institution training for quality job skills in a particular job function or trade.

Peter Geolot Continuing Education Grants

Increased from \$2,500.00 to \$3,500.00. This Grant is awarded to members who wish to enroll in continuing education courses in their job related field, or for enrollment in continuing education courses in a new field to further their occupational goals.

Scholarships & Loans Offered Which Have Not Been Increased Are:

\$15,000 Christine Smith Graduate Scholarship

Scholarships at the graduate level for students who address the needs of society relating to Children and Family issues for students who hold a bachelor's degree.

\$5,000 Betty Moates Science and Technology Scholarship

Awarded annually to students pursuing a college major in medical technology, chemistry, biology, mathematics or an education major to teach in one of the aforementioned majors.

\$1,000 LPN & CNA Nursing Certificate Scholarship

(Endowed by the Grand Lodge of Iowa) - For students pursuing an accredited nursing program in an LPN or CNA certificate program.

\$2,000 Wirz Scholarship

For students in a regular college curriculum who may not be an Odd Fellow or Rebekah member or related to an Odd Fellow or Rebekah member.

\$16,000 Student Loans

Loans for students in a full academic course of four or more years bearing an interest rate of 4%. Repayments begin three months after graduation or discontinuing college.

These increases will allow students who are members or relatives of members of an Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge, to lessen the load of their education. Why a college education is more than just the academic knowledge? A college education acts as a catalyst for an improved quality of life, allowing graduates to explore new perspectives, and broaden their understanding of the world. This time of growth and self-discovery shapes their financial future and personal beliefs, setting them up for a well-rounded and fulfilling life.

An academic pursuit encourages them to push boundaries and develop passions, allowing them to feel more comfortable with their ambitions. The best part is they will have a support system of mentors, professors, and friends to guide them through the process.

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More SGL info on scholarships, loans

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Please share this communication with the members of your lodge who are a living spouse, parent, grandparent, great-grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, sister, or parent of a spouse of a potential college student. This also applies to an applicant's deceased spouse, parent, grandparent or great-grandparent who was a member in good standing of your lodge at the time of their death.

Students who are a member, or related to a member, of an Odd Fellow or Rebekah Lodge, can apply for Odd Fellow scholarships after they have completed one semester in college (except for Vo-Tech students who can apply after High School for the Vo-Tech scholarship).

Eligible students can visit the website: ioof.org, click "Our Programs" then click "Educational Foundation." There they can review all of our scholarship opportunities and download all but one of the applications. Or they can use this link:

<https://odd-fellows.org/programs/education-foundation/>

The deadline each year is May 15 for submission of scholarships.

For further information, contact Ken Babb, Director of The Educational Foundation, IOOF at 336-723-2404 or rkbabb1@bellsouth.net



Bucoda Bulletin Board #57...

*It's time to
get those
Dancing
Shoes on!*

***Country Dancing
And Open House May 8***

Don't forget our night of Country Dancing on Friday, May 8. We're using that meeting night as a type of Open House. It all begins at 5 p.m. and runs through 8 p.m. This event is family friendly, open to everyone, and free! Light refreshments will be available for purchase during the evening. I'm currently working on getting the music and sound system situated.

***Get Your Sessions
Registrations In!***

With everything that has happened and all the upcoming events, it's difficult to believe that this article is so short. I'll close with this: Get your registration for Grand Sessions in as soon as possible. Deadline for early registration is June 1. Also make your reservations at the Red Lion soon.

— *Until next time, in Friendship, Love and Truth. . . Steven Purcell (AKA Junior)
Domestic Reporter and Foreign Correspondent
Skookumchuck #129 and Bucoda Rebekahs #144*

Trinity Rebekahs getting excited about '26 Sessions

April is done and May is upon us. Now it's time to start thinking hard about attending our Rebekah Assembly Sessions in Yakima. The dates have been changed to later in the month of June, and will take in the first couple days in July, as well.

If you enjoyed our Rebekah Assembly President John "Johneo" Otterstrom during his visitations to your lodge, just imagine what he will do at Assembly Sessions.

We'll Be Looking For A Warden

Talking about Assembly, we will be looking for some new blood to run for Assembly Warden! If you would like to run for Warden and have some new ideas, ask your lodge to put your name in the hat.

Trinity had a garage sale and a bake sale at the hall. On Saturday they did a bake sale at the Ace Hardware store across the street. This was part of the grand opening for the Ace Hardware Garden Center.

We had our Ham Bingo with the Lions club on March 28.

Trinity members wish all the moms a Happy Mother's Day.

Our Sister Naomi Dow turned 100 years young on April 15. We would like to wish her a very Happy Birthday. She asked for no party, only cards.

— *Until next month keep the Friendship Love and Truth,
Alberta Luurs, Secretary and Reporter*



***Happy 100th
Birthday
Sister Naomi***



From left around the table are: Grand Master Dave Delony, Deputy Sovereign Grand Master Ron Hanson, Jennie Reed, Dave Reed, and Tom Harper.



Jennie and Dave Reed share a sarsaparilla at the western-themed Northwest Banquet.



*Could he be
Buffalo Bill?
Naw, it's Tom*

Left: Tom Harper looks like he just rode in from the range. Or is he a secret member of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show? **Right:** Tom and Dave Delony at the banquet.

Western fun, lively discussions dominate Spring Northwest

The Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Association is made up with members from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and British Columbia. They meet twice a year, and anyone can attend.

The Spring Northwest meeting was held March 27-29 in Hayden Lake, Idaho. Twenty folks from Washington attended.

It is a time to share ideas, problems and concerns. At this Spring's meeting we spent a great deal of time on the Sovereign Grand Lodge Code of General Law, and how to read and interpret it.

We also discussed what is fact and what is myth about some things that have been passed down through the years of Odd Fellowship. We all concluded that if it isn't written somewhere, it is a myth. We had lively discussions and decided we are all facing the same issues.

Our Saturday night banquet featured a western theme. Many of us dressed in our finest western duds for the occasion. It was great fun!

The next Northwest meeting will be in Yakima at the Red Lion Hotel on November 6-8. — Jennie Reed



Line dancing was a popular sport at the Northwest Banquet. From left are: Sheryl Rhode of Oregon, Laura Calles of Oregon, and Laurel Delony of Washington.



An evening of innovation & inquiry in Ellensburg

An evening of innovation & inquiry in Ellensburg. Ellensburg IOOF Lodge #20 was proud to host an evening of critical thinking and creativity, led by our Vice Grand and Central Washington University Professor and Chair of the Art & Design Department, Bernadette Jungblut. She brought her students to our lodge ballroom to present their class research projects, creating a dynamic and engaging experience for everyone in attendance.

Members of Ellensburg Lodge #20 were truly impressed as students displayed their work and thoughtfully engaged with questions, demonstrating both depth of knowledge and confidence in their research.

The evening began with one of Bernadette's delicious Italian dinners, shared together in our newly-painted dining room, setting the stage for an inspiring night of learning and fellowship.

The students brought our lodge to life with their innovation, insight, and brilliance. It was a memorable evening that reflected the power of education, community, and shared curiosity.

— Jamie Rothwell, Reporter



AN EVENING OF
INNOVATION AND
INQUIRY



Sunny days in Oak Harbor for Rebekahs and TR Girls

Happy May Day & Earth Day!

Hopefully, by the time you are reading this issue, we are having sunny days. Our first spring outdoor activity, the Earth Day project, we got rained on. We did this as a joint project with our Rebekah Sisters from Oak Leaf. Even though we got a little wet we got it done.

We will deliver our Mother's Day cards to the ladies at the "Welcome Home" assisted living facility the day before Mother's Day. We also wish all of you moms a Happy Mother's Day.

Spring Retreat At The Beach

We are really excited to be going to the Spring Retreat at the Puget Beach IOOF Park in Olympia. We will be joined by members from the Spunky Bluebirds and Eta Theta Rho Girls' Clubs as we all get ready for our Sessions next month in Yakima. This is always a fun weekend and we thank the Olympia Lodge for sharing the park with us and to our JJYC for the planning.

The last weekend we are hoping to do a food drive for our local food bank at our local Safeway, but we are still awaiting approval from Safeway management.

There's only one more month until Sessions in Yakima. We're hoping to see many of you there.

— *With Theta Rho Hugs and Happiness Through Service*
The members of Acorn Theta Rho Club #79



*Spiffing
Up For
Spring!*

**Mary Stewart,
Willow Miller and
Linda Boatman
spiff up the
planting areas
around the Oak
Harbor Hall.**



*Way To
Sweep, Avi!*

Several Members of Acorn Theta Rho Girls' Club, including Avianna Moore, along with Oak Leaf Rebekahs, worked on their joint Earth Day clean-up around the hall. We got hit by sickness and the rain, but we accomplished our goal. All together there were seven members present.

Longtime Spokane Brother, firefighter, Jack Moon, dies

Jack LeRoy Moon, born on May 19, 1945 in Spokane, Wash., passed away peacefully on March 30, 2026, in his hometown of Spokane. He was 80 years old.

Jack was born at Deaconess Hospital and spent his childhood in North Spokane where he enjoyed a vibrant upbringing surrounded by family and friends. He attended Logan Elementary School and graduated from North Central High School. Jack's life reflected his deep roots in the Spokane community where he lived his entire life.

Jack dedicated his life to the service of others. He began his career in Fire Fighting and EMS as a Wildland firefighter for the Department of Natural Resources, where he met Sandra, who would eventually become his wife of 50 years. Jack joined Spokane County Fire District #9 in 1969 and served as a firefighter before transitioning to dispatching, where he remained for 24 years. He served as the Secretary-Treasurer for IAFF 2916 since 1983 until recently and was also the Secretary-Treasurer for the Benevolent Association from 2014-2020.

Jack continued his service to the community through his 54-year membership with the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. During that time, he served in various offices, including Nobel Grand and Secretary. He also served on the board for the Odd Fellow Temple in Spokane.

Jack was also a long-standing member of the Eagles Club in Spokane.

Jack will be remembered for his warmth, humor, and the strong connections he maintained with those who knew him best. His legacy will be carried on by his family and friends who will cherish his memory.

Jack is preceded in death by his wife, Sandra Moon; his two brothers, a sister; and his parents. Jack's surviving family includes Tamara Drapeau and her husband, Mike; Tim Moon and his significant other, Elisabeth; his grandsons, Colton Drapeau and Lance Drapeau, and his wife, Melissa; and two great-grandchildren, Emelyn and Skylar Drapeau. Jack also has a niece, multiple nephews, and multiple cousins.

A memorial service was held in Spokane on April 11, 2026, at 10 a.m. at Heritage Funeral Home on Government Way, to celebrate Jack's life.

Jack's presence will be deeply missed, but his spirit will live on in the hearts of all who loved him.



Brother Jack Moon wearing his 50-Year Veteran Jewel.

Richland #338 hosts second Bingo in Waitsburg!

Five members from Richland IOOF Lodge #338 were present for a Spring Bingo event on Saturday, April 4. Twenty-five members of the community attended the event and helped raise almost \$800 for continued support of the local area food banks.

Currently, Richland IOOF Lodge #338 provides support for the Community Food Bank of Dayton, the Waitsburg Resource Center, and the Chief Jo Project (through the Richland Baptist Church).

Nachos were served at half time, raffles were won, Bingo and door prizes awarded, and a good time was enjoyed by everyone.

Our next Bingo event hosted by the Richland Lodge will be held in October, with the date to be determined.

— *Hugs In F., L. & T., Erin Murphy*

*Join Us In Yakima
For Grand Sessions!*

~ **In Memoriam** ~

- **Jack Moon**, PG, 54-year member, Samaritan IOOF Lodge #52, Spokane.
- **Jay Morris**, 7-year member, Pilgrim IOOF Lodge #187, Everett, passed March 24, 2026.



Acorn
#79 Girls
Have Fun
Making
Easter
Goodies!



Top Photo: Ava Kaser, Annabella Gleghorn, Willow Miller, and Khloe Kaser busy working on Easter goody bags for the residents of Welcome Home Assisted Living facility in Oak Harbor. **Center Photo:** Quinley Spydell and Avianna Moore hard at work, but having plenty of fun, too. **Bottom Right Photo:** The finished products complete with jelly beans. (See story on page 21.)



2026 Theta Rho Of Washington

~ Pre-Registration & Banquet Form ~

Red Lion Yakima Hotel & Conference Center

June 26 through July 1, 2026

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY • THIS FORM FOR THETA RHO ASSEMBLY YOUTH ONLY

Adults Please Use Annual Grand Session Registration Form

Club Name & Number _____

Assembly Jurisdiction _____

Advisor's Name / Phone _____

Please Fill Out One Per Theta Rho Girl

Please fill out one per TR Girl

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
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Current TRA Title or Past Title
Attending Banquet Yes _____ No _____
Saturday, June 27, 2026 6 p.m.
Please List Any Food Restrictions Below

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Current TRA Title or Past Title
Attending Banquet Yes _____ No _____
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June 27, 2026 6 p.m. Please List Any Food
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Mail Your Pre-Registration and Meal Form To:

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Or Email to: sepurcell@scattercreek.com

**ATTENTION ADVISORS: PLEASE COLLECT FORMS FROM GIRLS AND SEND AS A CLUB GROUP
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2026 Grand Lodge Of Washington Grand Sessions ~ *Registration Form* ~ June 26 through July 1, 2026

ONE form person, please. Make as many copies as needed.

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____
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SATURDAY, JUNE 27

6:00 p.m. Theta Rho Banquet

(Adults only. Girls use Theta Rho Registration Form)

Teriyaki Chicken with Ice Cream Bar

Adults \$37.00 _____

Banquet Theme: "Pokemon"

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

4:00 p.m. Past Presidents' Meeting / Banquet

Mustard Crusted Pork Loin Plated

\$37.00 _____

MONDAY, JUNE 29

5:30 p.m. All Branch Banquet Buffet

Red's Home Style *featuring* Meat
Loaf and Baked Chicken with Ice
Cream Bar

\$40.00 _____

Banquet Theme: "TV Series Characters"

Please note: there will not be a Grand Master/President Breakfast or a Representative's Breakfast for Odd Fellows or Rebekahs. However the Grand Master and the Rebekah Assembly President invite you to a short meeting in the East/West Ballroom at 8:00 AM Monday morning June 29th. The Deputy Grand Master and Vice President of the Rebekah Assembly invite all Representatives to a short meeting in the East/West Ballroom at 8:00 AM Tuesday morning June 30th.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

4:30 p.m. ENC / LEA Dinner Installation

Beef Stir Fry

\$34.00 _____

Early Registration Prior to June 1 \$20.00 _____

Must be post marked by June 1, 2026

Late Registration after June 1, 2026 \$30.00 _____

No Refunds After June 20, 2026

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Attending Theta Rho Assembly ONLY! \$10.00 _____

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Bucoda, WA 98530

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2026 Grand Sessions Hotel Reservation Information

Make your room reservations directly with the Hotel
Red Lion Yakima Hotel & Conference Center

607 E. Yakima Avenue, Yakima, Washington 98901

Phone: (509) 248-5900 For Front Desk

Please provide the hotel with the following information: Arrival & Departure Dates, Room Type (King or Queen), Number Staying in Room (*This is critical as it determines how many may enjoy breakfast as part of the room cost*), Any Special Needs/Requirements. If more than 4 per room, extra people must pay for breakfast \$10 ea.

There is a limited amount of ADA Scooters for rent.

Rates: \$87 Single or Double \$97 Triple or Quad

Plus Applicable State and Local Taxes

Cut-off date for these rates is June 1, 2026. After this date, hotel will not honor our group rate

Advertising in the 2026 Grand Sessions Program Booklet

The Grand Lodge Host Committee, as in years past, accepts advertisement(s) for the Grand Sessions Program Booklet to help offset the costs of publishing and distributing.

The advertisement charges are:

FULL PAGE, 5" BY 8" FOR \$50 — HALF PAGE 5" BY 4" FOR \$25

All advertisement bills must be paid to the "Grand Lodge Host Committee" prior to them being placed into the program. Deadline for submission is June 1, 2026

Please make checks out to: Grand Lodge Host Committee

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Thanks in advance for your support.

— Fraternaly, Steve & Laura Purcell, Grand Lodge Host Committee

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South Tacoma Rebekahs #160 thankful for Buckley’s new chairlift

Members of South Tacoma Rebekah Lodge #160 continue to meet in the Buckley Odd Fellow Hall. We want to thank the Odd Fellows for installing a chairlift. It has brought us back to regular meetings in a hall, working on our floor work, and keeping us from sitting around a table. And some of the members can’t thank you enough for getting them up and back down those stairs.

Our lodge members worked on Mother’s day cards for the residents at the Home. We are also working with the Buckley Odd Fellows to help with their German Dinner on Friday, May 8. Lodge members are offering desserts for sale with the proceeds going to the Buckley Food Bank. It's our small way of helping our community.

— *Fraternally With Rebekah Hugs,
Laurel Delony, Secretary*



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AND
BUCODA REBEKAHS
#144



PRESENT
COUNTRY DANCING



*Join Us In Bucoda
Friday,
May 8th*



Join us for an evening of Country Music, Dancing and Refreshments. We'll teach a couple of line dances, a little two step and have an open dance floor.

Family friendly event, no alcohol permitted; but snacks, coffee and soft drinks will be available for purchase.

The fun goes from 5 pm to 8 pm. May 8th 2026
Upstairs in the Bucoda Community Center, 7th and Main St, Bucoda
For more information call (360) 259 2741