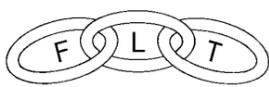


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Katrina fund growing; donations still accepted

Donations to the Hunger & Disaster Fund following Hurricane Katrina have reached \$6,037 as of September 22. These are donations received by the Grand Lodge of Washington. So far, the Grand Lodge has received donations ranging from \$10 to \$1,000 from 11 Odd Fellow Lodges, one Encampment, two individuals and one anonymous person. These do not include donations sent to the Rebekah Assembly Secretary.

Monetary donations are still being accepted. Checks should be made out to the Hunger & Disaster Relief Fund. They can be sent to: The Grand Lodge of Washington, P.O. Box 377, Buckley, WA 98321 or to: The Sovereign Grand Lodge, IOOF, 422 Trade St. NW, Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830.

Your donations can be earmarked for either Louisiana or Mississippi or not earmarked at all.

All Odd Fellow Lodges recently received letters from Sovereign Grand Secretary Terry Barrett and Sovereign Grand Master Michael W. Dutton explaining the donation program. Sovereign Grand Lodge initially donated \$10,000 to the Disaster & Relief Fund.

Appeal progress is completed; Grand Lodge of Washington upheld by Sov. Grand Lodge

On March 24, 2005, Pilgrim Odd Fellows Lodge #187 expelled John H. Coatney for contempt per 3.23.4 of the "Washington Digest" Code of General Laws of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

Mr. Coatney appealed this action to the Grand Lodge of Washington in Session held in June, 2005. The Grand Lodge of Washington upheld Pilgrim Odd Fellows Lodge #187 and denied the appeal of Mr. Coatney.

Mr. Coatney appealed the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington to the Sovereign Grand Lodge in Session held in August, 2005 in London, Ontario, Canada.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge upheld the Grand Lodge of Washington and denied the appeal of Mr. Coatney. Reference Report No. 185 found on Page 236 of the Daily Journal of the Sovereign Grand Lodge held in London, Ontario, Canada on August 15, 2005.

In a related matter, a report from the Committee on Judiciary:

• **Question:** If a member is expelled from the Order by the Grand Lodge, can the member still belong to other Branches of the Order?

• **Answer:** No. If a member is expelled from the Order, his or her membership in every unit is severed. Reference: Report No. 184 also found on Page 256.

Fraternally, Edmond L. Reitan, Jr., PGM

*Two year Sovereign Grand Lodge Representative from Washington,
Reporter*

Where's my Prince?

Florence Frogge, Vice President of the Theta Rho Assembly, tried to find a Prince at Storybook Land in London, Ontario, Canada while attend the Youth Sessions there in August.



Here's the Magna Glacierpoint 26-inch, 15-speed mountain bike you can win if you buy raffle tickets from the JJYC to help the Theta Rho Travel Fund.

Another raffle to benefit Theta Rho features a mountain bike!!

Your Joint Jurisdictional Youth Committee (JJYC) held an afghan raffle this last year. Junior Past Grand Master Ernie House, drew the winning ticket at the Theta Rho Assembly banquet. Congratulations go to Dave Delony, winner of the afghan. Your JJYC collected more than \$500 which has gone into the Theta Rho Travel Fund.

Since the raffle was such a success, and with Grand Master Carson Inman's permission, we're going to do it again. This year's raffle is for a brand new Magna Glacierpoint 26-inch, 15-speed mountain bike donated by Dave and Laurel Delony. You can help support the Theta Rho Travel Fund by purchasing tickets from one of your JJYC members. Drawing for the bike will be held again at the Theta Rho Assembly banquet in 2006.

Thanks to everyone that bought a ticket this last year.



Afghan winner Dave Delony

East/West Picnic proved fun at Lake Easton Park

The annual East/West picnic was held Sunday, September 11 at Lake Easton Park. Attendance was small, partly due to meetings being held at the same time. Bad timing. Those who were there enjoyed good food and fellowship. LeRose Coulter grilled hamburgers for everyone.

The group held election of officers and the new officers are: President Carson Inman, Vice President Don Eddy, and Secretary Karen Hoylman. It was decided to hold the next picnic a little earlier, hoping for warmer weather, and to try a Saturday. It will be August 26, 2006 at the same location. This event is for members of all units of the Order, their families and friends. It is a relaxing time with a potluck lunch, visiting and games for those who wish to participate. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us. It is centrally located in the state.

Some people this year had an interesting trip home and had to take a long alternate route because of the rock slide

From the desk of the Grand Secretary



EDMUND L. REITAN, JR.

MANY AWARDS EARNED IN WASHINGTON STATE

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

After recently returning to the Grand Lodge Office from Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions, a package with numerous award certificates was received for units in the Jurisdiction of Washington. The Grand Lodge office received certificates for Odd Fellow-related units only. These will be forwarded to the respective recipients.

The above prompted me to review the Sovereign Grand Lodge daily Journal of Proceedings for the Sessions just concluded. The following units in this jurisdiction were awarded Certificates.

- Receiving **2004 Membership 2% Honor Roll Certificates** were 16 Odd Fellow Lodges, eight Rebekah Lodges, three Encampments and one LAPM.
- Receiving **Arthritis Foundation Certificates** were the Grand Lodge and the Rebekah Assembly, 48 Rebekah Lodges, 19 Odd Fellow Lodges, two Theta Rho Girls' Clubs, one Encampment, one LAPM and three awards to associations and an individual.

- Receiving **Community Service Certificates** were 21 Rebekah Lodges, 13 Odd Fellow Lodges, one Theta Rho Girls' Club and six named individually.

- Receiving **Living Legacy Certificates** were six Rebekah Lodges, two Odd Fellow Lodges and one Theta Rho Girls' Club.

- Receiving - **Scholarship Donation Recognition Certificates** were 13 Rebekah Lodges, one Odd Fellow Lodge, the Grand Lodge and the Rebekah Assembly. Please note these are for donations through SGL. Many Lodges give scholarships locally.

- Receiving **SOS Children's Village Certificates** were the Rebekah Assembly, Theta Rho Girls' Club #79, Theta Rho Girls' Club #93, Titusville IOOF Lodge #34 and Greg Powers.

A big **thank you** to all for your support of the programs of the Order.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Lodges should have received the Annual Report forms package by now. If you are an officer with a part to complete, please locate them and start gathering the necessary information. **Do not alter the Cash on Hand Last Report amount appearing on Line 1.** I remind you to complete them accurately and submit them in a timely manner. If you are confused or in doubt, please call this office for assistance.

It is hard to believe that it is that time already — October, the month for nominations of your elective officers for next year. Refer to the Washington Digest, Chapter 3, Section 3.10.3 Nominations, found on page 43.

— In F, L. & T, "Butch" Edmond L. Reitan, Jr.,
PGM and Grand Secretary

Pasco Theta Rho to install

The installation of officers of the Pasco Theta Rho Girls' Club will be on Sunday, October 9 at 1 p.m. The ceremony will take place at the Kennewick Odd Fellows Hall, 17 N. Ione.

From your 2005-2006 Grand Master



CARSON INMAN

MY VISITATIONS HAVE STARTED

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Sovereign Grand Sessions are over and what a wonderful experience it was. A visit to Niagara Falls on Saturday after the Sessions was as it has always been advertised — sensational. I started out with visits to three Lodges after Labor day and before the Rebekah President's and my reception held in Silverdale on September 10.

In Vancouver and Ilwaco, I had the privilege of listening to two students who went on the United Nations Pilgrimage tour in July. A wonderful story was told by two beautiful young ladies. They did this jurisdiction proud. I just wish we could, someday or somehow, with the new UN Pilgrimage guideline, be able to send more students this next year.

October is the work month. We, the Lodges all over the state, and our leaders need to be getting our programs going in the right direction. December 31 is the deadline for our UN Pilgrimage tour and L. J. Jones Memorial Scholarship program applications. Now is the time we should be working hard getting applications filled out and prepared to be sent in.

This time of year is when the Lodge Secretaries are busiest. They have the job of getting these applications filled out appropriately and the year-end reports filed on time. They spend a lot of time at their desks during these fall months. For every application it takes teamwork. That means there should be a committee appointed for both of these projects. If the committee does it's job correctly, it helps the Secretary out a lot. The whole Lodge reaps the awards if their picks wind up on the tour or with a scholarship. I have heard many sad stories, some blaming the Secretaries and some blaming just anyone, because their son or daughter didn't get picked. Someone fell down on the job within their Lodge, but did he or she do everything they could have in order to see that their son or daughter, granddaughter or grandson, did the work that is required. It all falls back to teamwork. One person cannot do all the work and wallflowers are just that. Each member within a Lodge needs to be on some committee. Then watch the rewards within your community grow.

October is also the month for our first nominations, so we should be thinking about who we want to advance and which person is content and satisfied with the job he or she has now. Leadership is born in all of us. Each year that next rung comes along. Good luck. Let's all be active in the leadership of our Lodges.

On Saturday, October 22, we will have District Deputy Conference in Buckley. This will start at 10 a.m. We ask all District Deputies to be there. You will be compensated as stated within the Washington Digest. I hope to see you all.

My visitation schedule for October is as follows:

- October 1 Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 All Degree Day, 9 a.m.
- October 4 Ellensburg IOOF Lodge #20, 7:30 p.m.
- October 5 Chimacum #343, 7:00 p.m.
- October 9 Park Board, Camano Is., noon lunch, 1 p.m. meeting
- October 10 Mt. View IOOF Lodge #183, Rice, 7 p.m.
- October 11 Pasco IOOF Lodge #257, 8 p.m.
- October 12 Harmony IOOF Lodge #16, Pomeroy, 6 p.m.
- October 13 Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301, Wenatchee, 8 p.m.
- October 15 LAPM Pres. Sherry Pond's Reception, Spokane, 1 p.m.
- October 16-19 . . . Idaho Grand Sessions, Boise, ID
- October 22 DDGM Conference in Buckley, 10 a.m.
- October 24 Samaritan IOOF Lodge #52, Spokane, 8 p.m.
- October 26 Wilford IOOF Lodge #269, Spokane, 11:30 a.m.
- October 27 Ballard-Alki IOOF Lodge #170, Seattle
- October 29 Quarterly Meetings, Grand Lodge Office, Buckley
- November 3 Colfax IOOF Lodge #14 and Rosalia IOOF Lodge #110
Joint Meeting, Rosalia, 8 p.m.
- November 4-6 . . . Northwest Association Meeting, Kennewick
- November 7 Centennial IOOF Lodge #241, Moses Lake, 8 p.m.

In F, L. & T,
Carson Inman,
Grand Master

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From your 2005-2006 Assembly President

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

With our September meetings over, it is time to get busy with fall activities. District meetings are a great time to meet with other Lodges and introduce our newer members to our neighboring Brothers and Sisters. We can all expand ways we touch lives through Friendship, Love and Truth.



With the theme of "Reach out in Love," I am asking all members to perform random acts of kindness. It will be interesting to hear about the various ways each of us touch other lives. Remember, we should do good deeds to fulfill peoples needs and for the happiness it gives those around us. It also opens doors to share the story of our

Order with community members.

As you plan activities, remember our Order is a family fraternity. By helping young people with educational opportunities, we will influence and show the future generations that we care about them and the communities around us. This Order belongs to us because of those who came before us. We must continue to work and promote our teachings. We can be the link to those who will carry on the work of the Order — through the Rebekahs and Theta Rho Girls' Clubs.

Shortly after our Assembly Sessions in Kelso, it was with regret that I accepted two resignations from Committee members. The resignations came from PP Irene Kossow who was serving as a Home Board Director, and Cecila Holt who was on the Park Board. On behalf of the Rebekah Assembly, I extend our thanks and gratitude for their years of services in these roles. Karen Hoylman, P.P., is stepping in for Sister Irene on Home Board and Florine Roehl will serve on the Park Board in place of Sister Cecila.

As required by the Rebekah Assembly I have made the following appointments:

- Arthritis Committee — Elizabeth Morgan
- Fraternal Newspaper Committee — Judy Inman
- Membership Committee — Marcia Presley, Warden, Chairman, and Carol Hare, Eastside Co Chairman
- Northwest Odd Fellow-Rebekah Assn. Rep. — Marcia Presley, Warden
- United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth — Mary Dunivan, Chairman, three years; Sandra Moon, P.P. one year; and Genie Coston, 2 years
- Washington Visual Aid Committee — Nancy Vriezema, 4 years
- Jurisdictional Joint Youth Committee — Laurel Delony, 3 years.

Note: My correct zip code is 98367-7549

*In Rebekah Love,
Linda Dodge, President, Rebekah Assembly of Washington*

Pine Forest Rebekahs #271 - Ione

When September arrived, we were a little rusty, but we're now getting back into the Lodge groove. Our first order of business was to find replacements for Bernice Emrick. Milly Schock succeeded her as Trustee. Irene McCoy will serve as Warden. Marge Young will fill out Bernice's term with the Temple Association, which elected Pat Mendenhall to replace her as Secretary. Kim McNaughton will take over organizing the wrapping of the Christmas boxes.

We were glad to hear that Shirley Benson's cataract surgery went so well ("I can see, I can see!" she enthused.), but sorry to hear about the serious illness of her son Jeff. Nellie Giles is doing better, too, with a good report from her CAT scan, but she may need hernia surgery. We rejoice that Loita Musgrave's first year mammogram came out clean and that she is setting up in business as a paralegal. But we were saddened to learn that Genevieve Lind's colonoscopy showed a malignancy, and that her doctor felt she was too ill for surgery.

We draped the Charter for Myrtle Henley on September 27. Myrtle had been a Rebekah since 1923. And we were all very much shocked and saddened by the death of Linda McCoy Mykines, the daughter of our new Warden, Irene McCoy. Linda, who was at one time a member of Pine

Forest, and who painted the Rebekah emblems on our front window, was only 46-years-old. She died in Pahrump, Nevada, of a brain aneurism.

We are trying to do our part for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, and one of our members, Kim McNaughton, has a direct connection with an organization that is right on the scene. Kim is gathering things to send to this group which has set up a shelter for families who have children with autism and other developmental disabilities. Kim is familiar with them because she has two adopted children who were born with fetal alcohol syndrome, and she has links to many groups that serve children with special needs. We were happy to be able to help with a sizable donation. We also made recent donations in memory of Herb Kubota of Metaline Falls, long a friend to Pine Forest, contributing to two of his favored projects, the local ambulance service and the Cutter Theatre.

We already have ten orders for gingerbread houses (from Judy Isaac of Family Services at Fairchild Air Force Base) and are starting to plan that project. We may wind up selling all of the houses on order, because it's still uncertain whether there will be a Christmas Bazaar in Ione this year.

*In F., L. & T.,
Anne Williams, Reporter*

From the desk of the Assembly Secretary



BETTY WELDON

THANK YOU ALL FOR ELECTING ME

Dear Sister and Brother Rebekahs:

It appears I was lax last month in not thanking you for electing me. It is very comforting to know that you have that much confidence in me. Thank you very much.

You should have your Assembly Journal by now. After all the editing by the Printing Committee and myself, I was ready to offer a prize to the first person who could find an error. Can you believe it, President Linda Dodge was handed her journal and immediately said, "You have my Zip Code wrong." So please change her Zip Code one the back cover to 98367. I thought, well that isn't so bad, only one error. Then George, my husband, said do you know there is a mistake on page 22-23? I couldn't believe it so I looked and sure enough,



when a correction was made part of a sentence was somehow omitted. I take the entire blame for it so add to the top of page 23, "member up on charges you must put it in writing and sign it as the individual who is bringing the charges." If you find any other errors let me know and perhaps I will give you a prize.

When I attended my weekly card party on Monday evening I looked around and realized that here were 16 people, some of whom drive more than 20 miles. They very seldom miss a meeting and who pay \$1.50 each for the privilege. There are no charges for the place where we meet and we have been meeting for more than 20 years. Most of the players are well over 60-years-old and one is 90. Some previous members have passed away, moved or become too ill to attend, but others take their place. Compare this to many of our Lodges and the excuses for not attending or paying dues (can't meet at night, dues too high, too far to drive, etc., etc.). It seems to me we should be learning something from this picture. We need to find out what our members really want and act accordingly.

We seem to have a problem in our Order in some ways. As a Rebekah of more than 40 years, I have worked very hard for the Order and, by my side, an Odd Fellow (my husband) has worked just as hard in the Lodge as well as in life. Together we have had happy times, sad times and angry times, but we know that we have faith in our union and faith in our Lodges and our fraternal friends. Now retirement is here. His income is more than mine, but we share equally and, most important, he has made arrangements that if he goes first, I am taken care of. He would not dream of leaving me out on a limb. Is our Order feeling the same way regarding our Rebekah Lodges and the Rebekah Assembly? Many of the Lodges have a majority of widows whose only representation is by the Rebekah Assembly, but some of our Jurisdictional Laws do not allow for this assistance. Laws that are unfair or out of date should be changed and perhaps our motto should be Faith, Love, Truth and Equality. I'm saddened by the loss, I am sure, of the friendship shared with some Odd Fellows of whom I was really fond. However, I cannot stand by and see injustice done. In other words, "I will not sit in the back of the bus." I'm afraid you are going to hear a lot of rumors and speculations over the next few months, but please remember the Rebekah Assembly is representing you and your interests.

Also, it should be noted that when a letter goes out from this office with the Assembly Seal regarding Jurisdictional matters, it is from the entire Executive Committee, not just me. Unfortunately, I am the one getting the heat. Enough of that.

I hope you are finding blessings in your everyday life. I know if we look hard enough there is always something to be thankful for. Take care and know you have my love.

*With Rebekah Love,
Betty Weldon, PP, Secretary, Rebekah Assembly of Washington*

Eola Rebekah Lodge #63 - Buckley

At our second meeting in September, we held a combination "Friends Night" and "Honor Night" for our member, Loletta McCormick, who is the President of District Association #26 this year. The attendance was low from our own Lodge, as well as visitors, but those of us who were there enjoyed an evening of visiting and fun. Our Lodge presented

Loletta with a gift certificate for dinner for two for her and her husband. Others gave her gifts and cards. The evening ended with pie ala mode.

The next District Meeting will be Wednesday, October 5 in Orting. We have been asked to seat the officers at the beginning.

*In F., L. & T.,
Karen Hoylman, Secretary*

From your 2005-2006 Theta Rho President



JEAN SMITH

WHAT A GREAT TIME IN ONTARIO!

Hey everyone! School just started back up for me, I'm so excited. It's my senior year!! I wrote in my last article that I was getting ready for SGL/IARA Youth Days, in Ontario, Canada. I had a blast! My Vice President Florence Frogge' was able to attend as well and we really had a great time getting to know each other better. We also were able to meet the other officers all over the country. The TRA President of



Colorado was very cool, Florence and I spent a lot of our time hanging out with her. I also was able to participate in the talent show, where I sang a song, I was very nervous, but I did very well. I am proud of myself for doing it. It was an honor to represent the youth of our Jurisdictions. It was an amazing experience and hopefully I will have the privilege to go next year.

I look forward to going to the Receptions for the heads of all our Units. I can't wait to tell you all about them next month!

*In Happiness Through Service,
Jean Smith, President,
Theta Rho Assembly of Washington
Love, Peace and Cookies*

In Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho #79

We are back to school and back in the swing of things. On Labor Day weekend we got together at our Advisor's house for a movie night. Later that month we attended the reception of Grand Master Carson Inman and Rebekah Assembly President Linda Dodge. We also attended the reception for Grand Patriarch Jeremy Edwards.

We made a \$100 donation to the SGL Hunger and Disaster Fund for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. We also voted to make our annual donations to Feed the Children and Christmas Craft kits for Hospitalized Vets. We discussed what we wanted to sell at our table at the Rebekah's bazaar on November 5.

This is the month of ghosts and goblins and we will be having our annual Halloween Party and scavenger hunt for food items for our local food bank. It is a way to have fun and help our community at the same time. So to all of you out there, happy Halloween!!

— *The members of Acorn #79*



Sightseeing Sisters

Following the International Sessions in Ontario, Canada last August, Judy Diekman and Karen Hoylman enjoyed a trip to Niagara Falls. Both are Past Presidents of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington.

In South Tacoma

Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho #93

Happy fall everyone! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

We had 11 Spunky Bluebirds attend Sessions this past June. Four girls were attending for the first time and really enjoyed it. We are very pleased to announce that we have two elected officers this year, Florence Frogge', Vice-President, and Lea Daniels, Secretary. Our other members all hold appointed offices and we are just as proud of them! We are also pleased to announce that our member Florence Frogge' won the 13 and over ritualistic contest again for the second time in two years. Way to go Flo!

After Sessions we attended President Jean Smith's reception and retreat in July. In August we held a charity sale for service men and women in Iraq. In September we attended the Grand Master's and Rebekah Assembly President's reception. We also attended the Grand Patriarch's reception.

We are also going to do the Hunger Walk again this month. This is a time when we get sponsors and walk to stamp out hunger in our area. We appreciate all you wonderful people in this order who support us and help us out with our community service projects. It's nice to know we can always count on you Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. May God bless you all.

*In Happiness Through Service,
The members of Spunky Bluebirds TRC #93*

From the Department Association President

SOME THINGS I'D LIKE TO SEE WHEN I VISIT

My Dear Friends,

I am looking forward to visiting each of your Auxiliaries. When I make my visit, there are a few things I would like to see you do as a unit. First of all, I would like to see you do the flag ceremony. This is something we don't do often as we don't have enough members. But I think this is an important part of the meeting. Second I would like your group to do the balloting of a new member, even though you do not have anyone on which to ballot. We need to practice these things before we forget how to do them. Read the Ritual for guidance.



Sharleen Davies, Grand Matriarch, and I have been traveling together and sharing expenses. With the price of gas now days, shared expenses is a must. When I visit she will probably be with me, so we need two beds when I visit.

I had a very nice time at the home of Betty Young when I went to the Grand Master's and Rebekah Assembly President's Reception. We

were able to spend two nights there and she and her husband Owen were great hosts. Thank you Betty and Owen.

I have talked to Lloyd Sweetin about our Regimental Meeting. He said he would be working on it for some time in the spring. It will be held in the center of the state. He will get back to me soon about that so I can pass the word on to you. I told him we ladies like to have advance notice — well in advance. (Smile!)

I want to tell you a little more about me since you have been asking. I joined Pasco Theta Rho in 1957, I think. Here's a little story about me in Theta Rho. My mother and I went to a slumber party at the hall. Now not all the girls knew my mother. She was a lot of fun and a loud person. Her laughter rocked the building. We had decided to slide down the steps on our blankets and pillows. Mom decided that it looked like fun, so she tried it. She ended up coming down head first and we were trying to catch her and laughing and screaming all the way down. One of the girls asked who is that woman — she is Sherry's mom — oh no, not another Brickey! We all laughed and all of us never let mom forget it. She passed away this spring and I told that story at her memorial service and everyone got a kick out of it.

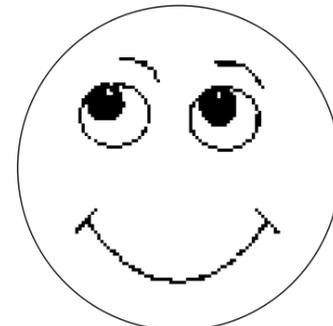
I hope to see you all at my reception. I want you all to have fun and remember to bring a joke with you to share.

A thought — If you lighten the way for others, you'll never be in the dark

I will be visiting Spokane #2 on November 7, Yakima #11 on November 10 and Walla Walla #1 on November 14. See the rest of you in the spring.

Love you all. Take care.

*Lady Sherry Pond, President
Department Association LAMP of Washington*



From the Grand Matriarch



SHARLEEN DAVIES

THANK YOU FOR A MEMORABLE RECEPTION

Hello Everyone,

I would like to thank everyone who attended my reception. Thanks for the gifts and money for my project. A big thank you to all of the Lodges, LEA's and the Theta Rho Girls for their hard work putting on the reception. It made a wonderful day for me, one that I won't forget. You all have my love.



I have been traveling this month making my official visits and attending receptions. I would like to thank all of the LEA's for the hospitality and the hard work that they do, having fair booths, and all of the other money-making projects you all do for our Order. Keep up the good work!

Matriarchs, try to attend your meetings. It is very hard for the Chief Matriarch to run a meeting without you. She needs you all. Try having a social time, invite the Rebekahs of your Lodges and let them know about the LEA and see if you can get a new Matriarch or two.

Let's go visit our members who are sick or unable to leave their homes. I'm sure they would enjoy a visit from us.

In closing, you never stand so tall as when you bend down to help a child.

MY AUTUMN VISITATION SCHEDULE

- October 2 District Association #2, Spokane
 - October 4 Alpha #1, Olympia
 - October 9 District Association #15, Richland
 - October 12 Buckley #40, Buckley
 - October 15 Department Association President's Reception, Spokane
 - October 20 Goldendale #99, Goldendale
 - October 24 Walla Walla #3, Walla Walla
 - October 27 Tri-City #66, Kennewick
 - November 4-6 Northwest Odd Fellows and Rebekah Association Meeting, Kennewick
 - November 19 H.P. Downs #61, Camano Island
- In Faith Hope and Charity, Sharleen Davies, Grand Matriarch*

Past LAPM President Elsie Newton passes away Aug. 20

Elsie Newton, a Past President of the Department Association, Ladies Auxiliary, Patriarchs Militant, passed away August 20 at Evergreen Centralia Health Center in Centralia. She was 85. Elsie was a longtime member of Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge #300 in Onalaska and active in LAPM #20 in Olympia. She is a Past Noble Grand and received the Decoration of Chivalry.

Elsie spent many months getting the paperwork and legal rights completed to have a medical staff for our Order. She was the state Hospital Matron for many years. She finally retired when her eyesight failed.

Elsie was born January 21, 1920 in Ethel, WA to Arthur and Edna Clement. Elsie completed her nursing training at Tacoma General Hospital in 1942 and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from The Evergreen State College at the age of 58 in 1978 by writing a thesis about her learning experiences as a nurse.

She retired from her nursing in 1985 when she left her position as a hospital supervisor at the Green Hill School, Division of Juvenile Rehabilitation in Chehalis. Elsie had the opportunity to do extensive traveling after her retirement.

A memorial service was held August 30 at the Ethel Silvercreek Grange in Ethel. A scholarship fund has been set up in her home Lodge, Pine Burr #300 for any young person wishing to become a nurse. For more information, contact members of Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge #300.

We Will All Miss Sister Elsie

From the Grand Patriarch



JEREMY EDWARDS

MY SINCEREST APOLOGIES

First, I send my apologies to the two Encampments that I was scheduled to visit and did not make it. To Kent and Snohomish, I am sorry. I was working at the Western Washington Fair in Puyallup. I could not pass up the opportunity to work. I will re-schedule a visit to you. Please do not plan anything special then. I also apologize for the receptions that I was not able to attend. Hopefully, my schedule will go better now.



To all Encampments, I hope you are thinking membership. Look around at your Odd Fellow Lodge. Then look at neighboring lodges and, if you are a Unified group, at the nearby Rebekah Lodges, and try to increase your membership.

Thanks to all who attended my reception for the well wishes, gifts and contributions to my project. I appreciate it all.

VISITATION SCHEDULE

- October 12 Buckley Unified Encampment #40
- October 15 LAPM President's reception
- October 20 Goldendale Encampment #99
- October 24 Walla Walla Unified Encampment #3
- October 28 Yakima Encampment #7
- November 4, 5, 6 . . Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah meetings, Kennewick
- November 7 Mt. Angeles Encampment #88

In Faith Hope and Charity, Jeremy Edwards, Grand Patriarch



All in the family

It was quite a family affair at the Grand Patriarch's Reception in Enumclaw on September 17. From left are Kendra Frogge' (mom), Advisor to the Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho Girls' Club; Grand Patriarch Jeremy Edwards; Karen Hoylman (grandma), PP of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington; and Florence Frogge' (sister), Vice President of the Theta Rho Assembly of Washington.

Attention all Chevaliers of the Patriarch Militant

The General Military Council has approved our request to consolidate with the members of Washington. Please be advised that there will be a meeting to organize the new Pacific Northwest Department Council and to work on some very important issues. The meeting will be on Friday, November 4 at 9 a.m. at the site of the Northwest Odd Fellows and Rebekah Meeting in Kennewick. The meeting will be at the Clover Island Inn, 435 Clover Island Drive.

It is important that we have a good turn out of our members at this important meeting.
*Robert E. Worthington, Major General
Department Adjutant, Department of Oregon*



An 'Honor' for Karen

The Honor Guard at the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies in London, Ontario, Canada, included Karen Hoylman. Karen is in the front row, second from the right.

Ephrata Rebekah Lodge #223

It is with sad hearts we must report the passing of Brother Arlie C. Christian, age 89, of Ephrata. Arlie has been an Odd Fellow in Ephrata IOOF Lodge #262 for 60+ years and held every office including Representative to Grand Lodge for many years.

Arlie loved his Lodge and the things it stands for. He lived by those rules and was never heard to utter the word *no* to anyone. He was always helping others in and out of the Lodge.

He leaves his wife Grayce, also a 60+ Rebekah Rebekah and a daughter, ArlaMae a 40 year member.

We the members of Ephrata Rebekah Lodge were truly blessed by having Arlie as our member and a friend.

Our Lodge meets every second and fourth Tuesday in Elaine Porter's home at 1311 D St. SW in Ephrata. Elaine's phone number is (509) 754-4356. We welcome anyone to join us.

*Yours in F., L. & T.,
Ephrata Rebekah*

Leah Rebekah Lodge #22 - Goldendale

Autumn is here and it is time to get back to our Lodges with enthusiasm and care for the organization. At our first meeting on September 6, our Representative and Noble Grand gave her report, which was interesting and informative. Her Commission as District Deputy was read and she was given the Honors.

Sister Mary Gosney, as the person in charge of the blood drive in July, reported that 92 donors showed up for the drive, but only 66 were able to participate because of one thing or another. Anyway, we are thankful for all who showed up. The next drive will be on Tuesday, October 11 at the Methodist Church from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. Helpers, homemade cookies and juice will be needed.

The passing of our adopted Sister Lillian Mallery at our Home was noted and we express our deepest sympathy to her family.

Sister Elnora and Brother Art Winterstein are back in Goldendale and both seem to be doing very well. We are happy for them. Sister Tammie Cook has had continued problems with the medications prescribed for her diabetes and has been in and out of the hospital. Right now she is

recovering very slowly. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Tammie.

Our good Odd Fellow members installed and stained a very useful and good looking ramp to help our crippled up members. Thanks to everyone.

Our NG Belinda Sweetin announced that the Annual Fall Festival Tea will be on Saturday, October 22 at our Temple at 11 a.m. The theme is "Aprons and Recipes." Everyone is welcome. Come and join the fun.

The October 4 meeting will feature the first nominations of officers and the second nominations will be at the October 18 meeting. On October 4, Sister Agnes Ritzschke has the program and Sister Beverley Zaremba will handle the refreshments. October 18's program will be handled by Sister Pat Benjamin and the refreshments will be served by Sister Sharon "Lucky" McGaughy.

From our Yearbook: "A good thing to remember and a better thing to do is to work with the construction gang and not the wrecking crew."

*In F., L. & T.,
Loleta Zumwalt,
PNG and Reporter*

~ In Memoriam ~

- **Joe Kirkman**, Enterprise IOOF Lodge #2, Walla Walla.
- **Donald Bailey**, PG, Samaritan IOOF Lodge #52, Spokane.
- **Arlie C. Christian**, PG, Past DD, 60+ year member, Associate Member, Centennial IOOF Lodge #341, Moses Lake.
- **Gladys McKinnis**, PNG, Eureka State Rebekah Lodge #1.
- **Sallie Mael**, PNG, Eureka State Rebekah Lodge #1.

- **Helen Merkel**, PNG, Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17, Olympia.
- **Wanda (Drops) Garrett**, PNG, 59 year member, Bucoda Rebekah Lodge #144, Bucoda.
- **Bernice Flynn**, South Tacoma Rebekah Lodge #160.
- **Myrtle Henley**, 82 year member, Pine Forest Rebekah Lodge #271, Ione.
- **Elsie Newton**, PNG, PP LAPM, Pine Burr Rebekah Lodge #300, Onalaska.

By looking back, we keep moving forward

The following was presented to the Sovereign Grand Lodge by Washington Representative C. Allan Reitan at Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions last August. Brother Allan is a member of the Committee on State of the Order.

Civilization faced a strong challenge 75 years ago. Our society faced economic collapse, a growing danger in the world around us, and a leader who could offer but words of comfort and hope that we would prevail.

Brother Franklin Roosevelt in his first Inaugural spoke to a country about "priming the pump," the New Deal program created on infrastructure, a need for citizens to share concern for each other. All during this time we were ever mindful of external dangers that would disrupt that peace.

Today we face some of these same challenges. Today people have concerns about rising medical costs, dwindling retirement, and jobs being lost. All the while a growing threat to our existence may be fast approaching.

As Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, we should strive to provide a cohesive environment that allows people an opportunity to enrich their lives. We provide the basic tools necessary for people to learn leadership and management skills, but also an opportunity for current leaders to challenge themselves and grow.

In any learning system there are three positions: initiates, practitioners, and masters. An initiate is one who seeks beginning knowledge of a new endeavor. Upon passing an exam, initiates are advanced to practitioners. This allows a person some new privileges and benefits, but also imposes additional responsibility. Finally, a master is someone who has demonstrated through practice and study, that they can instruct other initiates. Masters are keepers of tradition, but also must explore new ideas.

In the aviation community there are three types of pilots: privates, commercial, and airline transport (ATP). A private pilot can take small trips with friends. With further study they advance to commercial status and start a career. Finally, ATPs can teach any pilot, but due to the rigorous requirements and 1,500 hours of flight time, there are only a fraction who reach this exalted level. In addition, ATP candidates have to be trained and mentored by a current ATP before their exam.

In our organization we have local Lodges for members to get started. Then to further the scope of our experiences we become members of our jurisdictional grand bodies. It is time that master Odd Fellows and Rebekahs seek out and train those who need to become our leaders.

For additional enrichment as members, we commend to your attention the history books of our Order. Also if you have not seen the video "Voices of Vision," we urge you to order a copy from The Sovereign Grand Lodge. This video helps raise awareness of our eye research program, as well as emphasize the tenants of our Order. Also, order a copy of the SOS Children's Village DVD. Both of these are good materials to share with prospective members.

— Signed by the Committee

In Long Beach

Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313

We are back in the swing of things and we had 19 Sisters turn out for our September 6 meeting. NG Olney Patch and Fritz Mose hosted the "welcome back" meeting with decorations of red, white and blue balloons and table settings to match. Ice cream floats and sundaes, cookies, crackers and a "fish" spread was our refreshment treat after the meeting.

Olney reported that the planter box we sponsor survived the kite festival and several Sisters were thanked for donating time in watering and tending to the flowers and plants.

Sister Carla Schmidt is not heading south until November, so she is giving us her time in helping out with various activities. She and Mary Lung provided dessert and game prizes for a friendship meeting following dinner out at a restaurant at the Port of Ilwaco.

Discussion of the upcoming District #18 meeting centered around a program to be put on by #313 (us). Details of the District Meeting will appear in the November *Washington Oddfellow*. Sister Frances O'Neil, serving as President, has done a great job. These district meetings offer the Lodges an opportunity to share ideas

and learn many practices of the Lodge ritual that are not used routinely. (Sorry I missed the meeting. I'm vacationing in Italy.) Let's all help Kay Pratt, who was installed as President for the coming year.

Past Noble Grands were honored at our September 20 meeting, hosted by Mary Lund and yours truly. Almost all of our members are PNGs. We were all treated to a fun evening and refreshments. Decorations reminded us that autumn is here.

Our condolences go out to Jean Underwood whose mother passed away in late August. Frances O'Neil is a great-grandmother. Her granddaughter, Sarah, gave birth to Marcus Wesley Miller on September 6. Proud daddy is Sarah's husband, Matt.

Representative Helen O'Neal reported on Assembly held in June.

We will be looking for the visitation schedule of Linda Dodge, our new President. Helen gave us some good information on her plans, likes and dislikes.

Get ready for fall — it's here. Let's live our motto, Faith, Love and Truth. We wish you a **happy Halloween!!**

*In F., L. & T.,
Sue Johnson, Reporter*

PNG's Association

Let's talk about your best Halloween prank!

The F.,L.&T. noon luncheon and 1 p.m. meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 20 will include treats and perhaps some unusual experiences. Bring along details about the best Halloween prank you pulled or experienced or the scariest party you attended or contrived. Sharing these unforgettable experiences may be rewarding.

Association meetings are held monthly, September through June, at the Collins Grange Hall, 3404 -120th St. E. in Tacoma.

Note: With the exception of the coffee urn and servers, hostesses will be responsible for everything needed the month they are serving.

— Flo Roehl, Reporter

Waterville Rebekah Lodge #77

Even though we haven't reconvened for the fall, we are still here. We are planning our 110th Anniversary with hope for the Consolidation with Reliance #232 at our October 17 meeting. There will be a luncheon at 12:30 p.m. followed by the meeting at 2 p.m. Hopefully we will have a visit from our Assembly President Linda Dodge.

In my last report, I stated that PP Irene Kossow was doing well. Then on August 10 she suffered a stroke and spent several days in Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. Then she went back to Colonial Rehab in Wenatchee, followed by surgery. As of September 8, she was to return to rehab shortly. Your prayers and cards are much appreciated.

PP Fay Bowers-Holland had hip replacement surgery on June 28. Three days of hospitalization and 16 days in rehab have been followed by home rehab and pool therapy. She is doing fine, but slow.

NG Shirley Daling and her husband moved into their new home in town, only to have Dick fall and have to be hospitalized. A bout with pneumonia didn't help. He is home now.

You can see this has not been a really good vacation for some of us. We hope the tide turns and everyone gets back on their feet for the activities to come.

Until next month. . .

*Much Fraternal Love,
Fay Bowers-Holland,
PP and Reporter*

Thank you from Irene Kossow

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I wish to thank all of you for the cards, good wishes, prayers, and most of all, love which accompanied the many letters I received when my leg was broken and later when I had the stroke. My doctors all say that I am healing well and I will be able to resume my routine soon.

— In Friendship, Love and Truth, Irene Kossow, PPR

Ivy Rebekah Lodge #21 - Centralia

We at Ivy Rebekah Lodge #21 of Centralia had a good month. At our first meeting we had a potluck dinner and everyone had a wonderful time.

Our own Ava Wilson will celebrate her 103rd birthday next month and we hope to do something special for her. Ava is now in a nursing home and our options are limited.

We draped our Charter and said a prayer for our departed Sister Wanda Garrett.

At the first meeting in September, Representative Mary Robinson read her report on Assembly in June in Longview. Mary is also our DDP for this year and she had her Commission

read and was given the honors at our second meeting.

I, as Lodge Secretary, was escorted to the center of the floor and given an award for always turning our year-end report in on time and without errors, but I must confess this was solely due to Wanda's conscientiousness, not mine.

Then on the first we hosted the District #18 meeting. Frances O'Neil was the President and she had a good program. There were quite a few changes made in the by-laws.

*F., L. & T.,
Jerry Bierdeman,
Reporter*

Arthritis Committee report

Arthritis donations stay at home

With the wet and cold weather coming on, we will start to feel our old buddy, Arthur. However, some of you got a sample of Arthur when we had a few days of hot weather. Some people have more pain in the heat than when the rain and cold shows up. We will all start to remember our buddy, Arthur. This is just a reminder to us that now is a very good time to make donations toward the research of this problem — arthritis. It shows no respect to anyone. Your donations all stay in Washington State for research in this area.

— Lady Elizabeth Morgan, Chairperson
Hugh A. Smith, PGM and Co-Chairperson

Columbian Rebekah Lodge #220 and Washougal IOOF Lodge #194

Spooks, goblins and ghosts, *oh my!!!*

As we begin October we can still remember the visit from our Rebekah Assembly President Linda Dodge on September 13. Grand Master Carson Inman made his visit to Washougal IOOF Lodge #194 at the same time. We served a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. which everyone enjoyed.

Our October meetings will be filled with ways to get new members and keep them! Our Lodge and many others all over the state are having the same problem with membership. Of course many of our members are older and unable to attend. The younger generation does not understand the Lodge, so they do not join because their plates are so full they can't put another thing on them. What they do not understand is the Friendship, Love and Truth that Odd fellow and Rebekah have for their fellow members.

Open the window of your heart and let the sunshine in. Let God's love for you chase away the problems and have good thoughts of kindness to others. Look for the happiness in another person and ask that someone to join your Lodge. With smiles all over the miles, let your life be filled with happy thoughts.

A picture of a quilt is enclosed to show the nice work of Roberta Hecker. She did a fantastic job for a first try. **Good job!!** Thank you.

Happy Halloween to the goblins in our Order. Until next time, may God bless you all,

In F., L. & T., Joyce Miller, Secretary & Reporter



In Electric City

Grand Coulee Rebekah Lodge #315

Greetings, Sisters! Fall is here and it is time to check our winter schedule. This summer was a busy one, I am sure, for everyone.

Our Sister Katie Eckhart had the misfortune to fall in her home. The fall put her in the hospital for awhile and now she is in an assisted living home in Davenport. Anyone wishing her address can contact me.

Sister Aloha Wagner had knee surgery and was in the hospital for a short while. She is recovering at home. Aloha has taken some therapy treatments and is soon to graduate from her walker to a cane. Good news, Aloha.

Katie furnished salad for our September 6 meeting, but Jeanette served for her. Thanks, everyone, for your help. Sister Helen Scheibner was the hostess on September 20 and Wanda Hirst will be the hostess in October.

A great report was given on our summer time at the Telford Rest Area as we served coffee and cookies to many travelers. Because of a fire in

that locality, we had to postpone staffing the rest area for a week, but all went well with everyone. We thank everyone who helped with this project.

We made a donation to the Rose Parade 2005 float. It was a cute one.

Sisters, we will be filling our baggies at our November meeting. The time and place will be decided at a later date. We will bag them, then box all the bags and take them to the Hope Center in Moses Lake the next day. Let's get as many items there as soon as possible.

We are planning for an initiation sometime in October, so everyone please be ready.

Yes, this month will be Halloween. Do you suppose the dragon will come out and shake us up?

Until I see you down the road, keep this in your thoughts: "A good example has twice the value of good advice."

*In F., L. & T.,
Jeanette Kelley,
Reporter*

In Bucoda

Skookumchuck IOOF Lodge #129

Yes, this little Lodge is still going. We have taken in two new members so far this year and hopefully two more before the year is out. We have taken on rest area coffee stops as a fund-raiser and we are doing well with them.

We have also participated in several area parades and this gets the Odd Fellowship message out. The last parade was the Oregon Trail Days Parade in Tenino in July. The next one will be the Christmas Parade in Chehalis in December.

At our last meeting, the membership voted to change our meeting date and times from the second and fourth Saturday at 2 p.m. to the first and third Friday at 7:30 p.m. Now comes the process of getting a dispensation and

doing a by-law change. The other item voted upon was to donate \$400 to the Katrina Relief Fund through the Grand Lodge. This really made us feel good as we were a Lodge that not too long ago was sweating out paying the per capita tax.

As many of you know, we did sell our hall to the Town of Bucoda and it has been renamed the Bucoda Odd Fellow Community Center. When renovated, it will house a youth center, senior/community center, a museum and, of course, a meeting place for Bucoda Rebekah Lodge #144 and Skookumchuck Odd Fellows Lodge #129.

*In F., L. & T.,
Lou Ann Hoffman,
Reporter*

South Tacoma Rebekahs #160

The summer was busy for South Tacoma. Our Lodge held its picnic in August. We had lots of F, L & T and good food.

In June we initiated a new Sister. Cara Hardin became a Rebekah. Welcome Sister Cara.

It is my sad duty to report the passing of Bernice Flynn. She was a long-time member and although she lived out-of-state she remained a member in good standing. She will be missed.

On a brighter note, our Lodge donated money to the MDA Camp back in June. The money went to pur-

chase supplies for the camp. Anyone who watched the end of the MDA Telethon on Labor Day would have seen a "thanks" to South Tacoma Rebekah Lodge. *Way cool!* We are getting our name out there.

Our Lodge also donated money to the Red Cross for hurricane Katrina disaster relief.

We hope to see you all at our district meeting. Have a happy Halloween.

*In F, L. & T,
Laurel Delony,
Reporter*

In Pe Ell

Sylvan Glen Rebekah Lodge #184

Welcome back to Lodge! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

Carolyn and Monty Miller took a train trip to New Jersey for the USS Boxer Reunion. They did sightseeing in New York. Then they were scheduled to travel to New Orleans, but they flew home instead. Because they had to buy one-way tickets, they were checked by extra security. It was an interesting trip. They got home early!

There are no health problems to report at this time.

All our prayers and love go to the people who were hit by Hurricane Katrina.

I just received news that a dear friend died peacefully in her sleep in Arizona. Lena Mae (Mac) Benedict was one of the infamous "Unpredictables," Noble Grands of the Seattle area in 1961. Our group

made many surprise visits to Lodges, especially when our Assembly President was making an official visit. Mac's husband, Marian, was roped in for some of our visits. What fun we had!

THOUGHTS

"We all learn by experience, but some of us have to go to summer school." — *Peter DeVries*

"Timely good deeds are nicer than afterthoughts." — *From "Smile"*

We are doing fine meeting in the VFW hall. Hopefully we will have a money-maker soon.

We also plan on something for our Halloween meeting on October 26.

There will be more news next month. Love and good health to all.

*In F, L. & T,
Luellen Ainsworth,
PNG & Reporter*

Alkaziah Rebekahs #325 - Coulee Dam

As you are reading this, it is probably a lovely fall day, but I will still tell you about our great summer picnic. We did hold it indoors. Attending were two of our widowers — Don Seviens and Charley Smith. Also attending from Spokane were Maxine Williams and husband Ken, and Miranda Tonlon and family. It is fun to have the little ones.

Our first meeting in September started off with a bang. Maxine Williams stopped in from Wilbur to pick up Laura Belle Kuntz. We started off with a potluck luncheon. Plans were made to serve a luncheon to our local hospital auxiliary. A potato bar is popular.

We also will rent a bazaar table at our local senior center in November.

We hear Dorothy Dailey and Vi Golden are having vision problems.

Ethel Bennett is facing surgery and hopefully by the time you read this, all went well.

Our sympathies go out to Linda Braunstein following the loss of her sister this summer.

I hope I haven't missed anyone in getting well or sympathy.

Our big loss is our Treasurer. Theda Rosenberg has moved to Wenatchee. She will be greatly missed. We are going to have to double up on some of our jobs.

One activity for the summer that I failed to include was that three of our members served at our town's information center as a community service project.

We hope this finds you all well and ready for an active year ahead.

*In F, L. & T,
Ruth Walberg, Reporter*

In Walla Walla

Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2

Twenty members of Narcissa Lodge gathered on September 6 for our first meeting after summer break. We enjoyed a potluck dinner, with Barbara Lechner serving as hostess assisted by Lou Wiebe.

The lucky cash prize winner of the evening was Rosemary Hicks who donated the money to our charity fund.

We were delighted to hear from Sister Margaret VanEtten who has been living in Coos Bay, Oregon, but has recently relocated to North Bend. We appreciate being able to keep in touch with those who have moved away.

Representative Elsie Wells gave a comprehensive report on Assembly and provided each of us with printed information on the proceedings.

Narcissa Lodge was recognized at the banquet with a Certificate of Membership for gaining eight new members during 2004 and 2005.

Tickets sales for our third Family Raffle are going well and winners of the drawing will be reported in next month's newsletter.

The All-Lodge Homecoming Dinner is scheduled for Friday evening, November 11 at the Elks Club in Walla Walla. Members of Enterprise, Bee Hive and Narcissa, please mark it on your calendar and plan to attend this special occasion where we will enjoy a delicious meal, good entertainment, and recognition of jewel recipients.

*In F, L. & T,
Nancy Klicker,
Reporter*

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~ November 4 thru 6, 2005 ~

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Lodge Cards will return

Because of the large volume of material this month for *The Washington OddFellow*, the Lodge Cards usually printed on this page have been left out. They will return as soon as possible. Your Lodge Card will be extended for the time it was left out.

Oak Leaf Rebekahs #254 - Oak Harbor

We started our fall meetings with a "Back to School Night." That was fun. Not only did everyone get a sack lunch with their refreshments for the evening, but they also received some school supplies. Our Representative gave her report from Assembly and Nita Sherwood was presented with a certificate for a perfect annual report. Congratulations, Sister Nita.

We are busy with our plans for our annual Rent-A-Table Bazaar under the helm of Sister Nita. It looks to be another success as she already has 20 vendors. If you are looking for a place for a good selection of Christmas gifts all under one roof, come by our hall and visit us on November 5.

We are also looking forward to our District Association meeting on October 8 which will be held in Custer. We always have a good time up there and yours truly will be going in as the new District President.

We are once again working on collecting animals for our annual stuffed animal drive, so if any of our members have any, they can bring them to Lodge or contact someone to come pick them up.

I think most of us are pretty healthy right now, but Sister Doral Shelton had a bad bout with bursitis. We hope that by the time this comes out she is feeling better.

We missed our Sister Maxine Hansen at the first meeting as she was in California helping with her grandson who had been in a motorcycle accident. To any of our other members who were not there, we missed you and are looking forward to you being back at our meetings.

Watch out for the ghosts and goblins the end of the month.

*In Rebekah Love,
Judy Diekman,
Reporter*