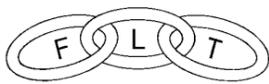


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## Laying of the wreath

Grand Master Ronald D. Hanson and Theta Rho Assembly President Florence Frogge' presented the wreath at the ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery near Washington, D.C. on May 4, 5 and 6.

## PNW Arthritis Chapter gives thanks to the IOOF

The Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation would like to thank all of the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges that contributed this year to our Chapter to support the mission of the Arthritis Foundation.

There are over 46 million adults and 300,000 children with arthritis in the United States. And, according to the Center for Disease Control, in the state of Washington there are over 1.2 million adults that are diagnosed with arthritis. The cost of arthritis in Washington alone is over \$2.7 billion in medical expenditures and lost earnings.



While the number of people diagnosed with arthritis keeps climbing, the amount of money available for research keeps shrinking. There is still no cure for arthritis, but research in the past decade or two has greatly improved the treatment of arthritis.

Your continued generosity makes it possible for the Arthritis Foundation to support research, and for the Pacific Northwest Chapter to improve the lives of those suffering from arthritis by providing many resources and programs. We offer Arthritis Foundation approved land-based, aquatic and tai-chi exercise classes, public and professional educational forums, a toll-free helpline and a special program and summer camp for the kids and teens with arthritis. Our various fund-raising events are integrated with educational opportunities and strategies to keep active.

As very loyal supporters of the Arthritis Foundation, we invite you to take advantage of the services we offer. It is our way of saying "thank you" for your very generous and dedicated support throughout the years. Please don't hesitate to contact us if we can be of any service.

You can call the Pacific Northwest Chapter Office at 1-800-746-1821 or the helpline 1-800-542-0295.

Sincerely, Scott Weaver, President/CEO,  
Pacific Northwest Chapter, Arthritis Foundation

## Past Assembly President Roeberta E. White passes

Roeberta E. White, 86, Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington, passed away on Tuesday, May 1 at the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla. She served as Assembly President in 1976-77.

She was born in Edmond, Oklahoma to Dean and Bertha Henry in September 29, 1920. She and her family moved to Olympia in 1937, where she graduated from high school in 1938. In 1950 she married Ernest White in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. They made their home in Grandview. She was a member of Grandview Rebekah Lodge #246 and Treasurer Emeritus of the Grandview Ladies Encampment Auxiliary.

Roeberta and Ernest enjoyed many adventurous trips. Ernest died in 1992. In 1994 Roeberta moved to Yakima. In 2002 she moved to the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla. She enjoyed embroidery, quilting, writing and receiving letters from family.

Besides her parents, she is preceded in death by her sisters Eleanor Henry and LaDean Armstrong, brother, William Henry. Her survivors include three sons, James Gaut of Kent, Ernest (Marilyn) White Jr. of Juneau, AK, Robert (Tina) White of Yakima; two daughters, Carol Spurlock and Naia Kraft both of Seattle; 12 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lloyd Henry (Bev) of Colville and Claude Henry (Donna) of Yakima. Viewing and visitation was on Saturday, May 12, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grandview with a graveside service following at the Grandview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Walla Walla Community Hospice c/o 1067 E. Isaacs Ave., P.O. Box 2026, Walla Walla, WA. 99362 or to the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla.



ROEBERTA WHITE

## Newspaper is on summer vacation, but let us know if you change address

Most of our Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges will be on summer recess in July and August and we at *The Washington OddFellow* newspaper will do the same.

There will be no newspaper published during the next two months. Our next deadline is August 10 for the September, 2007 edition.

One of the problems we always encounter in September is a very

high number of newspapers being returned because of change of addresses. Just because you are on vacation, don't forget to let us know if you move or change your address during the summer.

Thanks and have a great summer. We wish you a happy and prosperous summer and we will be back in touch this fall.

— Your Editor

### What is it?

## The East/West Picnic, of course

Mark your calendars and plan to come! It's the annual East/West Picnic! It will be held again at Lake Easton Park just off Interstate 90 at Easton. The date to mark is Sunday, September 9, 2007 beginning at noon. Please come and enjoy food, friendship and fun.

The lunch is pot luck. Eating utensils will be provided. We hope to see you at the East/West Picnic.

— Karen Hoylman, East-West Picnic Secretary

## From your 2006-2007 Grand Master



RONALD D. HANSON

### A LONG, LONG TWELVE MONTHS

At this point in time most people would say, "It does not seem like 12 months have gone by." I have to say that for me it seems to be a much longer period of time than that. I want to start by thanking all of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs who have supported me with a kind word or thought, a card or hug when I needed it. Thanks for the words of encouragement to keep up the good work and do the things that needed to be done. You are truly the rock that Odd Fellowship rests on.

I want to thank all of the Grand Lodge Officers for their tireless support and hard work to try and make our Order a better organization than when we started a little less than a year ago. I also want to thank the Past Grand Masters who have given me some invaluable advice and guidance along the way. You all know who you are, so it is not necessary to name names.

Thank you all so much Brothers and Sisters for your support of the Fisher House Project that I chose for us to support for the last year. I will not tell you how much we have raised for them at this time, I will just say that it is substantial and we will announce the dollar amount at the banquet on Monday night at Grand Lodge Sessions.

On Monday night at the All-Branch Banquet, we will have Jodi Land and her daughter in attendance. Jodi is the manager of Fisher House at Fort Lewis. Her husband is currently deployed to Iraq with one of the Stryker brigades. We may also have some other guests who are not members of our Order, so this would be a good time to display what we are about and put a positive light on our members and the things we do for mankind.

I would like to share with you a letter that was sent to the Grand Lodge office from one of the family members of a patient at Fisher House. I will reprint it here so you can see how important this program is to the families that use it.

*"I moved into the Fisher House on April 6, 2007 after spending a week in the hospital where my son had been diagnosed with leukemia six days earlier. Our residence is Alaska and moving into the Fisher House has been a life saver. It has been like a home away from home for me and my husband, and son after he was released from the hospital. The Fisher House is run like a normal large household and this has helped with the feelings of alienation from being away from home and enjoying your privacy and feeling like I have a place of my own. The Fisher House staff has been great helping me meet the sometimes demanding needs of my son's continuing care. I am not sure how long we will be staying, but I'm so thankful for the Fisher House and the caring they show for each family."*

— Becky Theriault

I think you can see from this letter how important this program is. We have all been through periods of stress from similar situations. Think about how much worse this could be for this family and how much better it was made by the Fisher House being there for their use and the care and support they received from the staff and each other.

I want to thank all of the lodges and individual members that have contributed to this project. We will be giving out some certificates of appreciation to the lodges at the banquet on Monday night, as well as some other things from Fisher House.

I want to offer a special thank you to Sister Karen Hoylman, PP, for asking me to allow her granddaughter Florence to walk with me during the wreath laying ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery. It was my privilege to have her escort me. If you have not sat and talked to this young lady, you should. She is wise beyond her years and very perceptive. She will go far in whatever she chooses to do with her life and career. Thank you, Florence. I think Dee would have been very proud to have you there with us if she were still here with us.

In a few short weeks we will convene Grand Lodge. I urge each and every member who can attend to come and see what goes on at Grand Lodge so you will have a better understanding of what takes place and how it may affect your lodge. I understand that some of the Lodge Representatives have said that they will not be coming because their lodge would not give them money to attend. Brothers, I urge you to reconsider that decision. When you first joined the Order you were told that this was not about receiving monetary rewards for your actions and support of your

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## From the desk of the Grand Secretary



EDMOND L. REITAN, JR.

### GRAND SESSIONS THIS MONTH

As we come to the end of another Odd Fellow year, my wish for all is to have a happy and harmonious Session. I have enjoyed serving the Jurisdiction of Washington as Grand Secretary this year. Things were anything but routine and a challenge to keep up with as there were tasks that had to be performed.

In addition to fulfilling the routine duties of this office, it has been a pleasure to share our history with members and non-members. On March 14, 2006 Representatives of the Kittitas County Museum in Ellensburg made a visit to the Grand Lodge office here in Buckley and conducted an oral interview for background on Odd Fellowship. While there were not as many looking for an Odd Fellow connection this year, I was happy to do the research and respond to them with my findings.

### REPRESENTATIVES

Be sure you bring your lodge's copy of the Advance Reports ("Take-Me") and your Representative's Certificate with you to Grand Lodge.

### MEMBERS ATTENDING GRAND LODGE SESSIONS

Remember, Grand Lodge is a serious working meeting and an atmosphere of decorum is required. The Representative from Sovereign Grand Lodge this year will be Brother Richard G. "Dick" Proulx, Sovereign Grand Warden, who hails from the Jurisdiction of Wisconsin. Let's all make him welcome to the Jurisdiction of Washington. I am looking forward to renewing old acquaintances and making new ones in Kelso.

*Fraternally, Edmond L. "Butch" Reitan Jr., PGM, Grand Secretary*

## District #26 Sisters have a lively meeting in Buckley!

The 144th Semi-Annual Meeting of District Association #26 was held on Monday, April 9 at 1 p.m. in the Odd Fellows Hall in Buckley. Eola Rebekah Lodge #63 was the host lodge and members served yummy apple pie, peach pie, coffee and tea before the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Nancy Pelland of Unity Lodge #53. Karen Hoylman of Eola #63 gave the address of welcome. She gave each one present a pin of Rebekah at the well.

Roll call found 14 present. Our numbers are slipping. Usual attendance is generally in the 20s.

The report of sick found Tony Tamburello, Helen Manowski, Mary Curtiss, Florine Roehl, Janie Kuja and Ethel Swanson not well.

Communications included an invitation from Mt. Rainier Rebekah Lodge #106 in Black Diamond asking us to join them at the fall meeting on October 8 at 1 p.m.

Past Assembly President Judy Diekman spoke to us about President Protem June Phillips carrying out Dee's program at this year's Assembly.

Nancy Vriezema of Unity #53 honored the Past Presidents and gave each one present a gift.

The very successful meeting was closed by President Nancy Pelland. Everyone was wished a safe trip home.

*In F., L. & T., JoAnn Silvernail, Rainbow Rebekah Lodge #31*



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## From the desk of the Assembly Secretary



BETTY WELDON

### LODGE INTERACTION IS PART OF FRIENDSHIP, LOVE & TRUTH

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

As I write this column in May, we are still having lots of rain in my part of the country. We even had hail the other day. You will be receiving this in June and I hope the weather will have improved by then and you are having lots of sunshine.

Assembly will be here on June 25 and I am hoping your Representatives have gone over the legislation with you. I am hoping that your lodge will bring a carload of members for the first day if you cannot attend the entire Session. The Assembly needs your presence, support and vote as that is the day when you let your wishes be known. After all, you are the Assembly.

I would like to talk to you now about lodge interaction. As many of our lodges lose some of our members, it is important to keep up contact with others. If you receive an invitation to a special meeting, please make every effort to attend. This is part of Friendship, Love and Truth. Many of these special events are held during the day now, so night driving is not an issue. When a lodge plans a special event, a lot of preparation and thought goes into it. If no one attends and, worse yet, does not respond to the invitation, think how you would feel if it happened to you. These lodges eventually cease to make the effort and we lose more of our fellowship.

I receive a lot of e-mail which, many times, gives me a spiritual boost. Thank you for keeping in contact with me and others. You never know what is happening in the recipient's life and how you lift their spirit.

In my latest e-mail I received some thoughts I would like to share with you. They are:

"I've learned that no matter what happens, how bad it seems today, life does go on and it will be better tomorrow. I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one. I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch — holding hands, a warm hug or just a friendly pat on the back. I've learned that you should pass this on to everyone you care about. I just did. And never look down on anyone unless it's to pick them up. May your troubles be less, your blessings be more and nothing but happiness come through your door!"

The Assembly was saddened to hear of the passing of our beloved Past President Roeberta White. At her request, the Assembly made donations to the Walla Walla Hospice and the Odd Fellows Home in lieu of flowers.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the Secretaries and members who have offered me friendship, comfort and love over the past few years. I love you all and will never forget you.

*With Rebekah Love,  
Betty Weldon, PP, Secretary, Rebekah Assembly of Washington  
New e-mail address: bweldon4@msn.com  
Toll Free: 1-866-725-3508*

## PNG's Association

## Past Noble Grands will meet early because of our Sessions

The F.,L.&T. Past Noble Grands will meet on Thursday, June 7 at the Collins Grange Hall, 3404 E. 120th St. in Tacoma.

Because of the Grand Sessions in Kelso on June 22, we will meet early. A luncheon will be served at noon by JoAnn and Ken Rhein. They will be assisted by members of Nisqually Rebekah Lodge #233.

The meeting will follow at 1 p.m., with installation of new officers for the next term.

Your reporter wishes to thank all the members for get well wishes during her recent illness.

Enjoy our beautiful weather and all the spring flowers.

*In F., L. & T., Dorothy Nelson, Reporter*

# From your Rebekah President Pro-Tem

## ASSEMBLY SESSION IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Dear Sisters,

As you know this will be my last letter as your President Pro-tem. I would like to say this time around has been much different. There has been little time to get our Session together and try to have it somewhat similar as to what you are used to.



I know that some of you will not be attending Session this year because of illness, family gatherings and so forth.

It has been brought to my attention that some of you are not happy with your Executive Board. I have been on board for a few short months and from what I see everyone is doing their jobs to the best of their ability. Wouldn't the world be great if we were all perfect and did not make mistakes. I would rather call the mistakes over sights. It sounds better.

I have been a Rebekah for some 20 years and was raised in an Odd Fellow home. My father was an Odd Fellow for more than 30 years and he was mighty proud of it. When he went to lodge members dressed in suits, ties, hats and top coats — and that was once a week. We all knew when it was lodge night. In fact the Odd Fellows in Vancouver finished getting our house together so we could move in. We moved my dad from one bed to another, as he was ill and had to stay in bed. So I have some knowledge about the Order.

Now I have also heard that I put Judy Diekman, PP, on the Executive Board. I may be old, but not that dumb. Judy and Barbara German are my Special Deputy Assistants, doing most of the visitations for me. You can get the word from Assembly. I am grateful for their help, so I have had time to do the things necessary for Session. I have heard how well you Sisters have treated them and you have my thanks. When everyone pulls together, we get things done.

I wish all of you a happy and glorious summer to enjoy things with family and friends. It is time for a break.

I know all of you will be happy with Marcia Presley, your next Assembly President. She is a really nice and smart person.

Until we meet again, keep a song in your heart and a smile on your face.

*With Rebekah Love,  
June Phillips, PP, President Pro-tem  
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## ~ In Memoriam ~

- **Roeberta White**, Past President, Rebekah Assembly of Washington, PNG, member of Grandview Rebekah Lodge #246.
- **Hazel Horning**, Past Grand Matriarch of the Grand LEA, member of All State Rebekah Lodge #319, Richland.
- **Charlotte Dover**, 62 year member, Faith Rebekah Lodge #16, Pomeroy.
- **Bonnie Phillips**, PNG, Bee Hive Rebekah Lodge #70, Walla Walla.
- **Alice Haggard**, Plymouth Rebekah Lodge #142, Everett.
- **Edith Sedlacek**, Salmon Bay Rebekah Lodge #217, Seattle.

## Faith Rebekah Lodge #16 - Pomeroy

We draped our charter for Charlotte Dover, 84, of Kennewick. She was a 62-year member. She is survived by a daughter Diane and sons Harold and Wesley.

We have donated to the local "Dollars for Scholars" for Pomeroy High School seniors.

The semi-annual District Association #5 meeting was held in Walla Walla at the Odd Fellows Home on April 21. Faith member Hazel Crawford is President. Donna Miller of Faith gave the Response to the Welcome. Also from Faith were the Right Supporter to the President Doris Perry and Phil Crawford, who is on

the Finance Committee. It was a fun and informative day.

We are sending a boy and a girl on the United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth Tour. They are really excited about going. They are both great kids — Greg Feider and Allie Herres.

I have been watching our little chickens grow, (and the weeds, too). Time is passing by so quickly.

Enjoy our freedom and this great land we live in.

Have a wonderful summer! We will be back in the fall.

May God bless you all!

*Until next time in F. L. & T.,  
Janet Scoggin, Reporter*

## Notice to all Past Presidents

Dues for all Past Presidents are now payable. They can be mailed to Past President Fay Bowers-Holland, Treasurer of the Past Presidents' Association. Fay's address is 455 9th St. NE, Unit #22, East Wenatchee, WA 98802.

# From your 2006-2007 Theta Rho President



FLORENCE FROGGE'

## SEE YOU AT SESSIONS IN KELSO

Hello everyone!

Wow! Sadly I have to say this will be my last letter to all of you as President of your Theta Rho Assembly and my last letter before Sessions. I hope all of you are getting prepared and are excited. I know we are going to have a great Session and I'm going to try my best to have a great meeting for you.

Well, in the past month I had the great opportunity to visit Washington, D.C. and attend the memorial service at Arlington's Tomb of the Unknowns. However, not only did I get to attend the ceremony, but I also got to participate. I had the great opportunity of escorting Ron Hanson, who is our Grand Master, in the ceremony and we placed a wreath at the tomb. This was a once-in-a-lifetime experience and I am very honored that I was able to attend.



Also, as all of you girls know, we had our Spring Retreat last month. I thought it went well and hope you all had the chance to bond and get to know girls from other clubs. I know some girls were not able to attend and we missed you, but I am hoping to see you all at Assembly and meeting all of your new girls, as well. I would like to also thank the JJYC and the Olympia Lodge for everything they did for us at the retreat.

Now as I said this is my last letter, I hope I have served you well. This year was a very good experience and I had a lot of fun spending it with all of you. As you know, our Session is almost here and this is what I have been planning for all year. So I hope all of you are able to attend and I know that we are going to have a great weekend.

As much as it has been an honor this year and this Session will have been for me, I know that next year's President will do a great job as well. I am glad she is following me. I know this year had some ups and downs, but if I could I wouldn't change a thing about it. I can look back on this year truly knowing I gave you all my best and we certainly had fun. I hope you all can look back and say the same as well.

As always I will leave you a little something to ponder on. "It requires less character to discover the faults of others than it does to tolerate them." That quote is from J. Petit Senn. I hope you all take this to heart because lately I have been witnessing people always finding fault in others in this Order and that is not what we are about. Everyone has faults, so we need to learn to deal with them and learn from them.

And another quote I would like to add just as a final note in my term as your Assembly President. Remember. . . "Whatever road you choose, I'm right behind you, win or lose." That is from one of my songs, "Forever Young," by Rod Stewart.

Well, goodbye everyone. . . See you at Sessions!

*Hugs and Kisses, Love and Wishes, In Happiness Through Service,  
Florence Frogge', Theta Rho Assembly President*



## New Spunky members

Three new Spunky Bluebirds were added to Theta Rho Club #93 at their May 1 meeting. In the front row are Shamanice Gordon and new member Caroline Irwin. In the back row are Bridgette Mullin, Amber Bailey, Ceara Dempsey, Jenny Vargo, new member Madeleine Martin, Lea Daniels, Aliyah Gordon and new member Sierra Bennett.

Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho  
Girls' Club #93,  
South Tacoma Rebekah Lodge #160  
~ and ~



Eola Rebekah Lodge #63



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## In Oak Harbor

# Acorn Theta Rho #79

Happy Fathers' Day to all our Brothers.

June is here and Sessions are just around the corner. We have been busy working on our assignments that President Florence gave us for the Sessions. We have also been busy with work parties to put together our scrapbook.

We held another open house and are planning an initiation of new members at our meeting on June 13. We are hoping to bring several girls to the Sessions in Kelso. We know it will be a fun time.

We were sorry that more of our members were not able to attend the youth retreat in Olympia. We want to thank those who put the weekend together for the girls. A special thank you to the Olympia Lodge bowling team who came and cooked dinner for everyone on Saturday night. It was great.

Our club has once again been asked to help serve at the Pork Chop Barbecue in July at the IOOF Park on Camano Island. We are happy to help with this project.

We hope to see many of you at Sessions in Kelso.

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

## A very, very proud dad!

Toby Hanson, Grand Patriarch, was with his daughter Madi as she joined Theta Rho on May 1. To say the least, Toby was a very proud father!



## In South Tacoma

# Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho #93

May was a busy month for us. We initiated three more girls who have brought a lot of excitement to our club. We had nine girls attend the Spring Retreat at the IOOF Park in Olympia. It was a lot of fun and the new girls all got to know the members of the other clubs. A lot of new friendships were made there.

We also had our sale for the Arthritis Foundation. Thank you to everyone who donated items for us to sell.

We hope that a lot of you will be attending sessions, especially you Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. We appreciate your support very much! President Florence has a good sessions planned and Vice-President Lea has some fun things planned for Fun Night.

We hope everyone has a wonderful, warm and safe summer. See you at Sessions.

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

# From the Grand Patriarch



TOBY HANSON

## AND THE CURTAIN FALLS

Greetings, Patriarchs!

June is here and with it comes our annual Grand Encampment Session, the time when we do our pertinent business and I turn my job over to my successor and get my white jacket. It marks the end of my time going through the chairs of the Grand Encampment and ultimately serving as your Grand Patriarch. It's been an interesting trip.



My journey began when I was elected Grand Junior Warden. During the course of time between then and now, I married and gained an instant family. I also moved twice and spent three months in Milwaukee, Wisconsin performing. Just last week I was in Branson, MO taping a TV show. That's not the usual lifestyle of a Grand Patriarch. The factors of my life have complicated my job as Grand Patriarch; the demands placed on any Unit head are best met by someone who is older, more established and mostly or completely retired. Despite that I have done my best to be as available and responsive as possible in my role as Grand Patriarch. While I may not have been as present or involved as some of my predecessors, I hope that I have had enough zeal and creativity to make up for it.

I would like to thank all of those who have helped and supported me throughout this process. My own Encampment, Ballard #76, has weathered its own troubles during my term of office, but through it all they have been extremely supportive. My home lodge in Ballard and my newly-adopted lodge in Buckley have also been extremely supportive. It's very gratifying to see a group of new Odd Fellows come in and carry on with the business of a lodge after departing and it's just as gratifying to join a new and exuberant lodge. My wife has been extremely understanding and supportive of my work in the Grand Encampment, just as I have tried to be supportive of her pursuit of her college degree; no small feat with two kids! My fellow Unit heads have served with class, grace and dedication during a year which has been turbulent, to say the least. Through it all they have demonstrated that true Odd Fellowship always prevails.

Most importantly, there is one person I would like especially to thank: our Grand Scribe Harry Coulter. He has been a constant and steady guide, keeping me on track and always giving me the cues I've needed to do my job as Grand Patriarch. He is one of our finest, brightest and best-serving members and I have been extremely fortunate to have him as Grand Scribe during my term.

My duration in this job is almost done. By the end of this month I'll have returned to my customary seat at the piano, providing the music to uplift and enlighten our Order. It has been both a thrill and a pleasure to serve you as Grand Patriarch during this year. Even though I will vacate this office at the end of my term, it by no means concludes my service to the Order. I will simply go back into the toolbox, ready to be pulled out to do what needs to be done when the time comes.

*In Faith Hope and Charity,  
Toby Hanson, Grand Patriarch*

## Snohomish Unified Encampment #25

Members of Snohomish Unified Encampment #25 gathered at noon on April 25 for a lovely potluck lunch with some honored guests. Following lunch, our installation of officers for the 2007-2008 year was held. The installing officers were Grand Patriarch Toby Hansen and Grand Matriarch Judy Samson. They were assisted by other officers of their branches.

Mary Durbin was installed as our Chief Matriarch for the second time around. She distributed yearbooks for the new year. We are looking forward to a fun time during her reign.

At the previous meeting, Doris Wigglesworth was elected as our Representative to the Grand LEA. At this time, it appears that no one will be attending the Grand Encampment from our group, so we were not able to elect a Representative to that Unit.

# From your Grand Master

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lodge. If that was the only consideration, I would never have stepped up to serve as your Grand Master. Anyone who has been through the chairs knows that you spend far more than you receive.

I still have several lodges left to visit and will try to make them all, time allowing, and if my workload does not increase for my employer as we are into a heavy overtime period at this time and we are short a field crew or two.

We are continuing to work on property issues, so that will not be a problem in the future.

I have a few things I want to address to the rank and file members of the Rebekah Lodges in our Jurisdiction. I understand that a great many of you are upset with the actions of your Rebekah Executive Officers. I have been told that they will not tell you what took place to cause me to take the actions that I was forced to take. I have been told by some of you that recently at a district meeting you were forced to give the Honors of the Order to a Past President who is not entitled to them and were told by the Vice President that you would do this or no one would get them. I understand that the remark was made that "we are setting precedents." Sisters, breaking the law is not setting precedents. They were wrong in this and continue to be wrong in a great many things they do everyday.

I also understand that some of the lodges have asked for an apology from the Rebekah Executive members for their actions and have been told this will not happen. I have been told that a number of the Rebekah Lodges are talking about boycotting the Rebekah Assembly Sessions this year. Sisters, please do not do that. Dee would not want you to and it will not accomplish anything. It will only serve to let them continue to do the things they are doing.

I can understand that many of you do not want to wear a white dress and silly sash. I can't blame you for that. So wear the rainbow colored top and skirt that Dee was planning on. If you read your Proceedings from last year, you will see that her colors were yellow of the sun, green of the earth, blue of the sky and water and her flowers were all colors of roses, and her dedication was in memory of her mother-in-law. Dee wanted to work to build up the Assembly and make it better and bring in more members. The best thing you can do to honor her is to attend Rebekah Assembly and work to remove the members who are doing wrong, thus making it better for all of us. Again, I urge you to attend Sessions. Remember, you have a vote and can decide who will lead you in the future. I urge you to use it wisely and look well to the future of our Order.

I look forward to seeing and visiting with each and every one of you at our Grand Sessions — even my detractors. At least I will know where they are. I can't say where you might see me after Sessions as I am going fishing for a while and then will think about what might be next. The second to the last command a paratrooper hears before making a jump is, "stand in the door." I will say it now that it has been my distinct privilege and pleasure to stand in the door for Odd Fellowship and serve as your Grand Master, May God bless you all!

*Fraternally in F., L. & T.,  
Ronald D. Hanson, Grand Master*

## PGM Hazel Horning passes in Salem, OR

Hazel Horning, Past Grand Matriarch of the Grand Ladies Encampment of Washington, passed away on March 3 in Salem, OR. She was 92.

Hazel served as Grand Matriarch in 1979-1980. She presided over her Session in Walla Walla June 20-21, 1980. She was a member of All States Rebekah Lodge #319 in Richland. Hazel was initiated into Tri-City LEA #66 on November 13, 1969.

Hazel was born on her father's farm nine miles south of White Lake, South Dakota on April 10, 1914. She attended rural elementary school and graduated from high school in Hill City, SD. Hazel taught for many years, including stints in one-room school houses.

On October 11, 1947, she married Donald Horning. They moved to Richland, then to Portland, OR and finally back to Richland in 1953. She continued to teach kindergarten in several schools in Richland, teaching a total of 32 years in Washington, Oregon and South Dakota.

A cryptside service was held March 16 at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Richland. Remembrances may be sent to Youth Ministries at Richland Alliance Church, 1400 Sanford Ave., Richland, WA 99352.

## Fun Night to celebrate the 80s

Theta Rho Girls' Club of Washington President-elect Lea Daniels has chosen the 1980s as the theme for this year's fun night. It will be Saturday night, June 23, following the Theta Rho banquet. See you there!

*See You All In Kelso!*



## Buckley #75 honors Karen

At a regular meeting of Buckley IOOF Lodge #75, Karen Hoylman of Eola Rebekah Lodge #63 was pleasantly surprised as she was presented a plaque from the Buckley Lodge Brothers. This plaque was in appreciation for all her work on the "Adopt-A-Road" program. The lodges have worked together for the past 14 years with this program. Several letters have been received for the work they have done, but it has been Karen who always picked up the equipment and delivered it back. She also always made sure the road kill was taken care of. Pictured with Karen are Tony Ostlund, Noble Grand, and Tim VanDusen, Vice Grand. Toby and Daniell Hanson have been welcomed into associate membership in our lodge. We have been collecting food for our local food bank and have several other community service projects planned.

— *Loletta McCormick, Past Grand*

## In Spokane Valley

### Ramona Rebekah Lodge #238 & Wilford Odd Fellow Lodge #269

This reporter must apologize for the April column, it read like a rerun of March and we have enough reruns on TV. So... here's some new stuff, hopefully!

Both lodges bought tickets for the funding of the Rose Parade float. Also bought were tickets for the ham raffle that the Tri-Cities Theta Rho Girls had. Sister June Loder of Beacon #91 won!

Longtime Sister Mary Lou Schreiber, a Home resident, has passed away. In her memory, Ramona contributed to the Home's popcorn fund.

Sister Shirley Gardner sounded so much better the last time NG Elmer Lindor spoke to her. Her medical testing has been more positive and we hope to see her soon.

With deep regret, the Lodge Secretaries read formal notices that Al and Polly Komarek were withdrawing

their Associate Memberships. Ramona and Wilford Lodges will miss their lively attendance, reports of their travels and their volunteer work.

Our District #2 President has called a meeting of her officers to take place at the District #2 meeting in October.

Ramona Secretary Selma Lindor was the District #16 President and Pine Forest Rebekah Lodge in Ione hosted the April 28 meeting. It was well-attended with Deputy Assembly President Barbara German and Linda Bradley of Hillyard #145 representing the Spokane lodges. Blanche Berry, formally uniformed, attended as Vice President of the LAPM. Yvonne Hauge, Assembly Treasurer, also was present.

Sister Selma was delighted with the strong support shown by District #2 Sisters.

*In F., L. & T.,  
Donna Flatt, Reporter*

## Monterose Rebekahs #46 - Toledo

Greetings again from Monterose Rebekah Lodge #46.

Our May 3 meeting was called to order and it was good to have Noma Clark back with us. Laura Lee is also back. Her meds are working for her, so she is feeling great.

We just learned that our Sister Mable Hayrynen has moved to Olympia to be near her family. We will miss her, but we plan to keep in touch.

A Mothers' Day card was passed around for everyone to sign and it was mailed to our special Sister Anna Martien who lives in the home.

Flowers were sent to the Home in time for Mothers' Day.

As I write this, early potluck plans are underway for our meeting on Thursday, May 17. We were looking forward to Judy Diekman's visit and hope we have a good turnout from our local lodges.

During the Good of the Order, Rosalie Davis read poems as tributes to mothers and mothers of spirit. Refreshments were served by Alice Sanford and Genie Young.

Happy birthday for the month of May goes to Bonnie Hadaller and Evelyn Woody.

Until next time...

*In F., L. & T.,  
Cookie Music,  
PNG & Reporter*

## On Camano Island

### H.P. Downs Unified Encampment will host annual Pork Chop feed!

H.P. Downs Unified Encampment will once again host the Pork Chop Barbecue at the IOOF Park to be held on July 8, 2007 beginning around noon. The menu will include barbecued pork chops/chicken breasts, baked potatoes, corn on the cob, green beans, salad, rolls, dessert and drinks. The cost once again this year will be \$10. Please come and bring your friends. You do not need to be a member to attend this function. It is open to the public.

We hope to see many of you there. Come and enjoy a day at the Park.

— *Judy Diekman, PCM and Reporter*

## Red Apple IOOF Lodge #276 and Grandview Rebekah Lodge #246

Our Rebekah Lodge is still pondering money raising activities. The flea market at the Grandview Senior Center went by the wayside until they have it in the fall.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are paying to have our Rebekah and Odd Fellow memorial flags put out for Memorial Day. The young man can use the money and one of our Odd Fellows will help him.

Our Charter was draped in memory of our Sister Roeberta White, PPRA.

As DDP, I visited Alder Rebekah Lodge #80 in Bickleton recently and learned about one of their activities. Along with Excelsior Odd Fellow Lodge #111, they were instrumental in obtaining a museum in Bickleton. The building is octagonal in shape and has the horses from a carousel built approximately in 1909 stored on the walls. The carousel is one of 10 from that time period still in use in the United States. It took 20 years to restore the horses and only three years to get the museum built. Each of the eight alcoves has a special exhibit. The women of the Bickleton area did the design and the men did the con-

struction. More than 1,000 volunteer hours went into construction of the inside of the building with everyone helping, including the children. It is truly a community project.

The horses will be installed on the carousel for the 97th Annual Pioneer Reunion Day on June 14. It is well worth it to take a trip through Bickleton, the Bluebird Capitol of the United States, not only to see the museum, but to have lunch at the Bluebird Cafe. It is reported to be one of the oldest continuously operating taverns in the state of Washington. Nobody is a stranger in Bickleton.

Rebekahs involved in this community project were NG Barbara Clark, Cond. Lynn Mains, Ward. Janet Mains, RSNAG Audrey Haynes, Chap. Delma Wilson, and Linda Lasley. I wasn't able to get names of the Odd Fellows who helped, but knowing them, they all pitched in one way or the other. It is an honor to know these Sisters and Brothers and to be their friend.

Remember Dad on Fathers' Day!

*In F., L. & T.,  
Val DeVall, Reporter*

## Waterville Rebekah Lodge #77

Spring has finally come to Central Washington. We are having mostly beautiful and sunny days, but the nights are still cool. The surrounding mountains still have snow, so we are getting winds. We finally even had a good rain, but we could use more.

Lodge activity is slow. We will drape our Charter in memory of Past Assembly President Roeberta White. Our Memorial Board and flowers will be placed at the Waterville Cemetery for Memorial Day.

At our April 16 meeting, we received word that Craig Cordell, grandson of PNG Shirley Daling, had received a \$3,000 grant from the L.J. Jones Scholarship Fund.

Our lodge Scholarship Committee reported that the winner of our scholarship for 2007 is Lauren Daling, a graduating senior. A member of our committee will make the presentation on Awards Night.

Assembly time is fast approaching. Representatives have been busy with the State of the Order Report and the

Vice President's Questionnaire. We sent in pre-registration forms for Frank and myself. We will have two other members from our lodge attending. They are PP Irene Kossow and Associate Member Lois Clark. Lois is the Representative from Tempest. It sounds like we will be involved in Sessions one way or the another.

After remembering all mothers on their day, we now want to remember our fathers on their special day. We hope everyone who has the opportunity to spend time with their parents has an enjoyable time.

Summertime means vacations for most lodges. Hopefully it will be an enjoyable time for all and we will be ready for the fall meetings in September.

To all our newly-elected Assembly and Grand Lodge Officers, congratulations and much success in the coming year.

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

## LAPM, Rebekah items for sale

Two LAPM capes and hats are for sale along with a complete set of Rebekah Journals from 1898 through 1986 by Rebekah member Linda Bakshas of Vancouver. The capes and hats are priced at \$125 per set and the Journals are \$100 for the full set. Linda says she will bring the items to this month's Sessions in Kelso if needed.

You may contact Linda Bakshas at 2909 NE 48th St., Vancouver, WA 98663 or call her at (360) 695-2510.



## Leah's Living Legacy

Children from Centerville Grade School in Centerville have constructed a nature walk at the back of the school property. They have enhanced this quiet and peaceful area with trees provided to them by Leah Rebekah Lodge #22 in Goldendale as part of the Living Legacy program. They are truly in tune with "plant a tree for one who comes after me."

## Leah Rebekah Lodge #22 - Goldendale

Since the loss of our IOOF reporter, Loleta Zumwalt, there has been no news from Leah #22, but we are still alive and kicking!

In April, our lodge donated five trees to the Centerville Primary School. They have planted them in their Peace Garden located at the school. Also, we donated five Mock Orange trees to our local swimming pool to be planted in their garden located next to the pool.

We are happy to have Pat and Glen Benjamin back from Arizona again. Pat has taken over the duties of Musician. Thanks, Pat. It is nice to have the piano played again. Glen, who is a Past Grand Master, had a pacemaker implanted in April and is now doing great.

Belinda Sweetin has had numerous surgeries, but she is looking forward to being 100 percent again soon. She is feeling good and expects to visit her mother in California in June. Lloyd Sweetin, her father-in-law, has been suffering with his feet lately. The doctors tell him there is nothing that can be done! Chris and Lloyd will be visiting friends and family in June, so they will not be attending Grand Sessions in Kelso this year.

At our first meeting in May on May 1, NG Linda presented a lovely plant

to Chris Sweetin for answering the most questions correctly. Also, a bouquet of roses and the Rebekah Merit Jewel was presented to our Secretary, Mary Gosney, for services above and beyond the duties of Secretary.

Currently, our lodge is collecting items to be sold at the 13-mile plus Yard Sale to be held the second weekend in June. We will be setting up at the home of our NG Linda at 112 North Washington in Goldendale. If you love yard sales, this is the one to go to! If you do, stop by and say "hi."

Mavis House has been busy with registration for Grand Sessions. Do you have yours mailed in yet? Time is drawing near for the deadline. Save yourself \$5 and get yours in prior to the cut-off date.

I'm sure there are several more things to write about, but for now I am drawing a blank, so I shall stop.

Did you hear about the man who went to his local clinic and told his doctor, "I'm in terrible shape. I touch my left shoulder and it hurts. I touch my right leg and it hurts. I touch my left leg and it hurts. What's going with me?" The doctor replied, "It's not so bad, you've got a broken finger."

Take care and may God bless.

In F, L. & T,  
Mavis House, Reporter

## Columbian Rebekah Lodge #220 and Washougal IOOF Lodge #194

The time is here for Grand Sessions!! I hope everyone is ready for this year's adventure!! We all hope that the tempers will be held so that Friendship, Love & Truth will be the only thing that runs through our minds. See you in Kelso.

June is the time to fly your American Flag with *pride*. Remember our troops who are serving our country to keep us *free* so we can have that *freedom!* Honor all our loved ones who have gone on before us and keep them in our hearts.

Our lodges are doing the best to "Keep on keeping on!"

We presented a 31-piece set of dishes and silverware to the museum in Washougal. There were items from each of our Lodges to make up the 31-piece set. The museum has them displayed on an antique table. If you come to Washougal, please visit the

museum and take a look.

We were proud to have Judy Diekman, PP, visit our lodge in April. She was appointed by June Phillips, Assembly President Pro-tem, to do visits here on the west side of the mountains. Thank you Judy for coming.

A few wise words from the Bible: "Follow God's example in everything you do."

— Ephesians 5:1

"Your strength must come from the Lord's mighty power within you."

— Ephesians 6:10

"Don't let the sun go down with you still angry — get over it quickly."

— Ephesians 4:26

Until we meet again in the fall, may God bless you all.

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

## Pine Forest Rebekahs #271 - Ione

With 10 members present Pine Forest Rebekahs draped our Charter in memory of Roeberta White, who was President of Rebekah Assembly in 1977. We extend our sympathies to her families and her lodge.

Under concern in our lodge are members: Sister Barbara and Brother Alex Garza's health is continuing to improve. Others on the mend are Sisters Gerry Rumerfield after her cancer operation, Irene McCoy following eye surgery, Fleta Baker and Wanda Koontz. They all have thanked everyone who visited them and have sent the all important get well cards.

Eva Gail Six spoke to us on the much-needed help at our local libraries.

Our lodge is showing its age and is in much need of repairs. We find we have a leaky water pipe and the front of our building will have to have a new paint job. A committee has

stepped forward to do the work when the weather improves.

Several Selkirk High School seniors have applied for the Nancy Nicholas Memorial scholarship to be awarded at graduation.

We received news that our United Nations alternate, Brianne Reed, will be going on the United Nations trip with Anna Hubert. She is so excited and will be sending "thank yous" to the proper people.

Sister Shirley Benson has been busy knitting potholders and colorful caps for us. We do thank you Shirley!! We will miss you as we understand you will be moving soon to be closer to your children on the coast.

Our weather is much warmer now, but there is still a chill in the air.

That's all for now.

In F, L. & T,  
Lila Middleton,  
Reporter

## Oak Leaf Rebekahs #254 - Oak Harbor

We are happy to announce that we will be initiating a new member into our lodge at our meeting on June 13. We welcome Heidi Schoeffling to our lodge.

For the month of June, our silver drill will be given to Harbor of Hope for new outfits and school supplies for needy children next fall. To those of our members who don't attend, if you feel like you would like to participate please send a donation to the Secretary. This is a very worthwhile program which helps these children start off the new year with self esteem and confidence.

Once again we have given a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior from Oak Harbor High School. This is an annual project for our lodge and a way of helping young people in our community.

We are planning a garage sale/auction in July to raise money for our treasury. To members who don't attend, if you have things you would like to donate, please contact one of us to come pick them up from you. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Sister Maxine Hansen had a hip replacement and is currently in rehabilitation and she is doing great. She is one feisty lady and you can't keep her down long. By the time you read this, she will probably be home. Sister Doral Shelton's husband had a heart attack and spent several days in ICU. We hope that these ladies will be back at lodge soon.

To all the Brothers, we wish you a happy Fathers' Day.

In Rebekah Love,  
Judy Diekman,  
PPRA & Reporter

## Lodge Cards will return

Because of the large volume of material this month for *The Washington OddFellow*, the Lodge Cards usually printed on page 8 have been left out. They will return as soon as possible. Your Lodge Card will be extended for the time it was left out.

## A heartfelt thanks from PPRA Karen

My heartfelt thank you to all who offered expressions of sympathy and sent cards following the passing of my brother. They were truly appreciated.

— Karen Hoylman, PPRA



## A happening in Oak Harbor

Acorn Theta Rho and Oak Leaf Rebekah members gather atop their float in the recent Holland Happening Parade in Oak Harbor. From left are TRA Treasurer Stacey McCloskey, VG Diane Hammond, PNG and Assistant Advisor Cindy McCloskey, Zuie O, Jennifer Turnek, Allison Stewart, Amanda Fry and Kristyna McCloskey. Participating, but not pictured, are Advisor Judy Diekman, NG and Assistant Advisor Mary Stewart, and David McCloskey.



## Movie time in Longview

Longview Rebekah Lodge #305 had a very interesting meeting on May 5 starting with a potluck at noon. A number of members and guests attended. Following the luncheon, two videos were presented by John Blades, Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. They were on the UN Pilgrimage and "Visions." Two candidates for membership also attended. From left are John Blades; Mary Dunivan, UN Chairperson; David Morris; PGM; Betty Weldon, Assembly Secretary and Longview NG; and Rosalie Davis of Monterose Rebekah Lodge #46.

## News from the Capital City

# Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

At our meeting on April 16, the members in attendance voted and easily approved by a two-thirds vote three changes to our By-Laws. Big thanks to Don Harring for his research and work putting together changes for submission and subsequent approval. By-Law changes have been sent to Grand Lodge for approval and if approved, the changes will take effect in January, 2008.

The Rebekahs are still collecting food stuffs at the Lodge. Please bring food items so they can feed the hungry in our community. The Children's Summer Food Program is on the way. Rick and Kathy Garcia are the leads in this effort. They still need more lodge members to sign up to help. It will take about two and one-half hours on a Sunday afternoon to put the food baskets together. The parents of the selected children will pick them up at Wal-Mart. Rick estimated it will cost about \$450 per week for ten weeks to feed 50 children until school starts in September. The cause is without question a much-needed one, so please sign up and assist.

To the other Lodges in our region, the Olympia Lodge does Degree work on the first Monday of each month, except June through September. If you need to have Degree work done, keep this in mind. We have an excellent Degree Team led by George Johnson.

We continue to have a no-host breakfast the first Wednesday of every month at IHOP on Martin Way. It starts at 8 a.m. Come out and socialize with your Brothers and Sisters. It always proves to be a good time shared by all.

Our Noble Grand asks that you start thinking about nominating an outstanding Odd Fellow for our annual Merit Jewel. The award will be given during the next installation ceremony in January, 2008. Is there a better way to show our gratitude for a job well done by awarding the coveted Merit Jewel to a deserving Odd Fellow? So begin your considerations. You might recall Secretary Tom Day was our first recipient of this Jewel in 2006.

Our annual Seafood Feast is August 25. Details will follow as soon as they become available, but plan

now for a great day of fellowship and food. Last year was outstanding. So brush off your clam chowder recipes because the competition is hard-hitting.

To all of our Past Noble Grands, the Grand Lodge Degree will be presented at the Kelso Sessions on June 25. Our Noble Grand has asked that all PGs who do not have this degree please attend the one-day event. Presently we are planning to rent a van for transportation if we have enough takers.

Our Rebekahs will be conducting their annual garage sale at the IOOF Park on June 8 and 9. Donations will be accepted at the park on June 7. Please contact Lyn Turner 352-8508 or Kathy Garcia 413-7014.

By the way, the Easter egg raffle netted \$83. Ruth Rebekahs purchased new table cloths for the park with the proceeds. The leftover money was donated to the Park Board for its general fund. Way to go, Rebekahs!

We have rented a spare room in the Thurston Building to a clothing store. They still have a new gas hot water heater for sale. We're also making plans for a new lodge kitchen floor and sink.

The Park Board will be purchasing, planting and maintaining oyster and geoduck seeds for the tide lands. There are still no definitive plans for the rest room. The board is analyzing costs and ideas.

Our cemetery is in great shape. P.J. will be doing some small work on the community vault. P.J. asked for any members who can help the Cemetery Board members with the mowing needs. There is a slight labor issue that they are working through.

Our lodge starts its summer meeting session beginning in June through September. This means that the first meetings in June, July, August and September will be at the park. The second meeting of same months will be at the lodge hall.

On May 7, our Lodge had the honor of bestowing the Initiatory and First Degrees on four new members. Congratulations to Stan, Kristin, Len and Jeff. We hope to see you at lodge meetings, programs and functions.

In F., L. & T.,  
Stuart Carlson, Reporter

## In Walla Walla

# Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2

Narcissa Members had a very successful yard sale on the weekend of April 13 and 14. We thank Ken and Aramae Buckingham for the use of their lovely home and spacious garage. It was an ideal setting.

The last meeting in April and first meeting in May have been down in attendance because of illnesses and travel schedules. We thank those who have filled in for officers and for serving refreshments. Beth Entze served as hostess on April 17 and, in the absence of Elsie Wells, who was ill, was assisted by Barbara Lechner.

We are thankful that Elsie recuperated in time to participate in District Meeting, on April 21 where she conducted a lovely Memorial Service.

The collection of baby clothing and food items for the Community Pantry Shelf was delivered in April. Members are now enthusiastically

gathering up items used for baking. These will be delivered after our last meeting in May.

We are sad to report the death of longtime member Mary Lou Schreiber. She and her husband, Art, have been such faithful members since arriving in Walla Walla. We will miss her very much and are continuing to keep her family in our prayers.

On May 1, we met at the Odd Fellows Home. There was not much business, so at the conclusion of the brief meeting, the members divided into two groups that visited Narcissa members who reside at the Home and were unable to attend the meeting. Following the visitation, everyone gathered for fellowship and refreshments served by Donna Kennedy and Arline Kerns.

Have a good summer!

Nancy Klicker, Reporter

## Sunshine Rebekah Lodge #56 - Dixie

Greetings!

The spring weather here has turned to summer. It's hard to believe we've had 89 degree weather, but we have and I love it!

We had a nice visit from an old friend and Sister, Vivione Donley. She has been living in Arizona for quite awhile, but is up here visiting. It is so good to see her and hear how well she is getting along.

Assembly is this month. We are sending Sister Cora May Davis as our Representative. Sister Neita Stearns is going, too, and will be Page to the Secretary.

All of our Sisters must be doing well as we have had no reports of any illnesses.

### RECIPE FOR GINGER SNAPS

- 3 measures of the flour of energy.

- 3/4 measure of the butter of self-confidence.

- 1 measure of the molasses of politeness.

- Season with ginger of never giving up.

- Spice to taste with the sense of humor.

- Make light with desire, mixed with hope.

- Stir all together.

- Roll out with the rolling pin of difficulties.

- Hold well in hand and cut into cookies of convenient size for daily use.

- If there is no fire of opportunity started, make one and bake.

In F., L. & T.,  
Mary Lou Bostrup,  
Reporter

## In Pe Ell

# Sylvan Glen Rebekah Lodge #184

Things are going fine. We took in a new member by re-instatement. PNG Carolyn Turner is our new member, coming from Pine Forest #271 in Ione.

Lunch was served by Leona Treznoski and Luellyn Ainsworth. Ham with noodles, cole slaw and a fruit bowl were on the menu.

Sister Leona had two sisters-in-law in the hospital. Jerry Bierdeman is on new medications and she is feeling much better. Carolyn Miller had foot surgery and is recovering. Good health to these friends very soon.

We sent our donations to five different organizations. The school college donation will be given later. We

contributed to the Pe Ell Ambulance Auxiliary, the IOOF Home, the Arthritis Fund, the IOOF Eye Bank and the Pe Ell Senior Center.

Before the meeting, Mindie Dunham, the head of the Pe Ell Senior Center, gave a program about seniors. She does outreach programs before different groups all during the year.

### THOUGHT

"God answers all our prayers. Sometimes it's yes, sometimes it's no. Sometimes the answer is, you've got to be kidding."

— Jimmy Carter

With love and good health to all!

In F., L. & T.,  
Luellyn Ainsworth, PNG & Reporter

## Trinity Rebekahs #179 - Napavine

Oops! I made a major blunder in my last article. It was Judy Diekman, PPRA and Special Deputy to the Assembly President, who visited us on April 7 in Napavine. Our visitor was not June Phillips. My mind was on too many things. Sorry.

We were again looking forward to seeing Judy on April 17 with Monterose Lodge in Toledo.

Our lodge benefited from a big improvement. We had a few loads of gravel put down on the side of our lodge building. This makes it easier for parking in bad weather. This also will be nice for the District #18 meeting in October.

The winners of our quilt raffle were Oran and Shirley Jones of Maple Leaf. We are also pleased that they took in the quilt show. This event was

a big success and we have new ideas for next year.

A happy 90th birthday wish went out to our Sister Helen Petrie. A big party was held for her on May 6 at the Woodland Estates Retirement Home. It was hosted by her two children. A touching poem was read in Helen's behalf by Herb's brother, Lester.

Muriel Yahn is in recovery at her daughter's home following her hospital stay. She is feeling better and company is most welcome.

Thank you to Alberta Luurs for serving a delicious cheese cake with cherry topping at our April 26 meeting. We all had good fellowship.

Until next time. . .

In F., L. & T.,  
Cookie Music,  
PNG & Reporter