



## Off to Oregon for breakfast

This great picture by Robert Remus is of the Odd Fellow Home's Men's Coffee Group. Recently the group traveled to Weston, OR to enjoy breakfast at the Longbranch Cafe. Looking at their smiles, it must have been a great morning of food and fellowship.

## Past Presidents: Check your dues cards for expiration day

Dues for the Past Presidents Association may be sent to Treasurer Fay Bowers-Holland or paid at our meeting on June 22.

Check your cards for the expiration date. All dues are current except one.

Non-contributing honorary members are: Mary Dobson and Myrtle Oestrich. You only need to wait for a current card.

— Fay Bowers-Holland,  
Treasurer

# Odd Fellows again spread scholarship money

Florence Frogge', a member of Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho Girls' Club #93 and Eola Rebekah Lodge #63, won the 2008 L.J. Jones \$8,000 scholarship. A fifth generation member, Florence joined Grays Harbor Theta Rho Club #92 in 1998. In 2003, Florence and her mom Kendra started Spunky Bluebirds in Tacoma. She was the Theta Rho Assembly President in 2007. Florence has attended five SGL International Youth Days and served as emcee of the talent show last year. In addition, she was a UNP delegate and helped lay the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns, both in 2007. The Puyallup High School senior, granddaughter of Karen Hoylman, PPRA, plans to major in Elementary Education.

The \$2,500 scholarships for boys were awarded to Andrew Nelson and Jared McDonald. Andrew, a senior at Bates Technical High School in Tacoma, was nominated by South Tacoma Odd Fellow Lodge #211. He plans to enter the Culinary Arts Pastry/Baker Program at Renton Community College. He is the son of member John Nelson.

Jared, son of Good Will Odd Fellows #188 member Darrell McDonald, will graduate from White Salmon High School. He plans to attend the University of Washington and major in Aeronautical Engineering.

Recipients of the girls' \$2,500 L.J. Jones Scholarships are Alyssa Childs and Hanna O'Donnell. Alyssa, a senior at White Salmon High School, is the daughter of Good Will Odd Fellows #188 member John Childs. She plans to major in Interior Design and Spanish at George Fox University in Newburg, Oregon.

Hanna, a senior at Lake Washington High School in Kirkland, is the granddaughter of Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge #54 member Betty

O'Donnell. Her major will be Special Education with a minor in American Sign Language at the University of Northern Colorado.

Alternate in the boys' category is Thaddeus Gincig, an Orcas Island High School senior. He is the son of Mt. Constitution Odd Fellows Lodge #88 member Didier Gincig. His goal is to attend Western Washington University.

Janay Woodcock, granddaughter of F. Duane Anderson of Yakima Odd Fellows Lodge #2, is the alternate in the \$2,500 girls' category. A senior at Lawrence Elkins High School, Missouri City, TX, she plans to major in Nursing. There was no alternate in the \$8,000 category.

According to L.J. Jones Scholarship chairmen, 20 lodges submitted 27 names by the December 31, 2007 deadline. Twelve seniors completed the applications by February 29.

The chairmen thank all lodge Secretaries and student applicants who participated in this year's scholarship competition.

## International Newspaper

# Subscription problems?? Please call Sharon Harris

Attention members of the Rebekah Assembly of Washington. Last year, I, Sharon Harris, collected money and the names and addresses for subscriptions to the IOOF International Newspaper. Unfortunately, I didn't take a copy of your names or money order. I called the newspaper and they stated they are having problems with their mail. Then they said you may have a year's subscription free.

I ended up in the hospital for nine days shortly after Assembly. I was very weak and couldn't get around too much for two and one-half months.

I am very sorry for the inconvenience I may have caused anyone. If you would like to call me, I will tell you what happened. My phone number is (253) 840-6521. It is unlisted. Call after 6 p.m. If I don't answer, please leave me your name and phone number. — In F, L. & T., Sharon Harris

## Clam chowder feed in Des Moines May 6

Des Moines IOOF Lodge #305 will hold its annual clam chowder feed in Des Moines Lodge hall, 728 S. 225th Street, on Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. This annual event is a time for Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and prospective members to come together for a relaxing evening of good food and an opportunity to get to know each other better. Please RSVP to Jim Langston with reservations immediately by calling (206) 878-7205.

— In F, L. & T., Jim Langston

*Happy Moms' Day!*

## From your 2007-2008 Grand Master



JOHN CRISPIN

### WE WILL GROW IF WE INVEST

Brothers and Sisters, this past month I have reviewed the Annual Reports of the Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly. The section of the report dealing with membership, as you might guess, is very concerning and frankly scary.

In the Grand Lodge, we have reported a decline across the state of eight members, less than one percent. You might be tempted to look at this figure and think, "Hey that's not bad." But even a slight decline is not growth and in this world you are either growing or dying. We also have a few lodges that are just hanging in there so that despite this apparent reduction in decline our future is still at risk.

The Rebekah Assembly has reported a loss of 197 members and six lodges. These figures speak for themselves.

This year two of our lodges had anniversaries: Yakima 125 years and Pasco 100 years. In the four years between the institutions of Pasco and Des Moines, we instituted 40 Odd Fellow Lodges — more than ten a year — and I would assume a like number of Rebekah Lodges. At Pasco's institution there were 120 Odd Fellow Brothers visiting for this event from all over this state and other states.

It is often dangerous to dwell on the glory days of the past; but, Brothers and Sisters, why the difference? In years past we provided something of value for our members and our communities. Each lodge was able to choose programs and needs that served their communities providing meeting places and social networks, helping the less fortunate, banking services and exercise clubs. We chose to be what our communities needed and we still can.

What is it that you value about your membership in the Order? What drives you to attend meetings? What would spur you to invite family, friends, and co-workers to meetings? We participate in activities and organizations that we value and value those we participate in. We have a number of lodges in the state that are bucking the declining trend and growing. They have renewed interest in our rituals, are renovating their halls, hosting charity dinners, concerts, and sponsoring youth sports from soccer teams to race cars. The members of these lodges value the work they do in lodge and make time for it. If you love something you need to support it and that support can come in many different forms: time, money and effort. To paraphrase President Kennedy, *ask not what your lodge can do for you, but what you and your lodge can do for your community.* Look for the activities that inspire you to attend and invest in your lodge.

What encourages you to include your family, friends and others that you value and admire, find those characteristics that make lodge one of the first things you think of when you wake in the morning.

### FROM THE HUNDRED ACRE WOOD

"When you wake up in the morning, Pooh" said Piglet at last, "What's the first thing you say to yourself?"

"What's for breakfast?" said Pooh. "What do you say Piglet?"

"I say, I wonder what's going to happen exciting today?" said Piglet.

Pooh nodded thoughtfully. "It's the same thing," he said.

Our Order can grow and serve if we invest in what we value, support our lodges and share our interest with the world.

*In F., L. & T., John Crispin, Grand Master*

## PNG's Association

## We're celebrating with flowers

The F.,L.&T. Past Noble Grands Association will meet on Thursday, May 15 at the Warren Rebekah Hall in Roy. A luncheon will be served at noon by hostesses DoRis Klotzner and Jennie Cole. Everyone is invited to bring a sandwich and a few cookies for an old-fashioned "Box social" sorta.

President Emmarae Hepp's theme for the day is "Flowers that Bloom in the Spring." Bring a flower for her vase to remind us of these beautiful flowers.

All Rebekah Sisters are welcome to attend. Please come and enjoy.

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

## From the desk of the Grand Secretary



EDMOND L. REITAN, JR.

### LODGE SECRETARIES, PLEASE HELP

Please keep this office informed with the current address changes of members when they occur so their *Washington OddFellow* newspaper service is not interrupted. Keeping the Grand Lodge and the *Washington OddFellow* newspaper informed of all address changes, even the temporary ones, will help us control the costs. Any Lodge Secretary, Odd Fellow or Rebekah, in need of a supply of the handy report forms (blue or green) for reporting member's address changes or for reporting new members may obtain a pad of them by contacting the Grand Lodge office.

### ADVANCE REPORTS OR ALSO KNOWN AS THE "TAKE ME"

The Advance Reports should be arriving soon to assist your Lodge Representatives in making preparations for Grand Lodge Sessions in June. Advance Reports will be sent to all holdover (two-year) Representatives of odd-numbered lodges and the newly-elected Representatives of the even-numbered lodges that have sent in their Representatives Certificate. To all Lodge Representatives, please take them to lodge meetings prior to Grand Sessions share and review the content with your members for their input. For lodges without an elected Representative or not reporting or electing a Representative, the copy will be sent to the Lodge Secretary.

The Committee Reports that did not arrive in time for printing in the "Take Me" will now have to be presented to Grand Lodge and read by the author and referred to the appropriate Grand Lodge Standing Committee for review and recommendation.

### CYBER HAPPENINGS

The Grand Lodge Website Committee has been working hard all year long meeting several times here in the Grand Lodge office to continually improve and develop our current website. Several additions and updates have been made since it was introduced last year at Grand Lodge Sessions. All members are invited to visit your Jurisdictional website at

[www.ioofwa.org](http://www.ioofwa.org)

Lodge Secretaries, you are invited to check your lodge information for current data. If corrections are in order, you can e-mail them to the webmaster right there on the spot by clicking on the *Email Us* on the lower part of that page.

### GRAND SESSIONS

Grand Body Sessions will be upon us soon, so please look for the registration forms elsewhere in this issue of the newspaper. We are looking forward to warmer days and to seeing you all at Sessions.

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

*Register Early  
For Grand Sessions!  
See Page 8 For Details*

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## From your 2007 - 2008 Assembly President



MARCIA PRESLEY

### LET'S HOPE SUMMER IS ON THE WAY

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As I sit here typing this article for the newspaper, I look out the window and see our liquid sunshine in abundance. Our spring is here and I hope summer is on its way. We could use a little sunshine to get a sun tan instead of our "rust" color we get from the rains.



The month of May brings two very important holidays — Mothers' Day and Memorial Day. I hope each of you mothers enjoy a wonderful day with your families and I hope your lodges take a few minutes during one of your meetings this month to honor your departed Sisters and Brothers for Memorial Day. May is also Visual Research Foundation Month. We are lucky to have our contract with Wilmer Eye Institute of John Hopkins University in Baltimore. Our sight is a precious gift, but until you start to lose your vision, do you realize just how it can affect your life and the lives of those close to you? Your eyes are the windows to the world and if the shades are pulled, the loss can be devastating.

I will be attending Oregon's Assembly Sessions in Seaside on May 21-22-23. Sister Jodi Morris will be the presiding President for the meeting. I am sure there will be interesting events to attend and a lot of fun things planned for this meeting.

I am honored to be attending the 75th Annual Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns in Washington, D.C. I am very happy that my two daughters, Kim Presley and Karman Presley-Lundell, and my twin sister, Marie Wilkins, will be accompanying me on this memorable occasion. The ceremony of the Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns and at the Canadian Cross of Sacrifice at Arlington Cemetery will be on Sunday, May 4. We will be doing as much sight-seeing as we possible can while we are in Washington, D.C. There is so much to see and so little time.

My visitations will continue throughout the jurisdiction and I would like to take this opportunity to apologize to those lodges that I was unable to include in my schedule. With the weather we had this winter, I was unable to make it to some of the lodges I had planned to visit.

In the May-June Issue of the International Paper, there will be the forms for the programs of our Order to be filled out and sent to Mavis Paull at the SGL office. These programs — Living Legacy, Community Service, Drug Prevention and Scholarships — are those programs that if you participated in, you will need to fill out the forms and send them to Mavis. Your lodge will get the credit due and be recognized by the IARA and SGL for your work and you will receive a special certificate from them.

With only a month and a half left until my Assembly Session in Kelso, I have been busy planning my program. I hope to have a few surprises and a few new things in store for those in attendance. I hope to see all of you who can attend.

I leave you with this thought, "*Coming together is beginning, thinking together is unity, keeping together is progress, and working together is success.*"

*In Friendship, Love and Truth,  
Marcia Presley, President, Rebekah Assembly of Washington*

## Bothell Odd Fellow Lodge #124 Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge #54

The Bothell Odd Fellows initiated Dean McKee, PR, on March 4. He was welcomed by our lodge and visitors who assisted with the initiation. Among those participating were Ed Reitan Jr., PGM and Grand Secretary; Barbara Reitan, PPRA; Robert Harper, DDP; Phillip Harper; and Ward Martin, PGM.

Of special interest, Dean was a past Ruler of the Sammamish Junior Lodge in 1955 and his grandfather was a lodge member for many years.

Refreshments were served after-

wards. We extend our many thanks to all who participated.

Cinderella's Trunk celebrated its Sixth Annual Tea and Fashion Show successfully on March 30 at Clise Mansion in Redmond's Marymoor Park. Many of the Rebekahs at our lodge attended to show their support and a few even won an auction item or two. The lunch was scrumptious and all who attended are already looking forward to next year's event.

*In F., L. & T.,  
Betty Hugg, Reporter*

## From the desk of the Assembly Secretary



BETTY WELDON

### WE'RE IN THE IN BETWEEN SEASON

I hope all of you are enjoying the sunshine these days. This seems to be the best time of the year, between the cold of winter and the heat of summer.

There has been some confusion this past month regarding late donations. The Assembly books are closed for the Fiscal Year on April 25, so they can be audited and returned in time to prepare the "Take Me" for the Printing Committee review. There is a very short time span in April to get all the reports typed; the bills written; the financial reports audited; budget prepared; the Printing Committee proof read the rough draft; and final printing, so the "Take Me" can go to the lodges.



For future use, please make a note that your Arthritis, Visual Aid and other donations need to be in this office by April 20 so they can be posted for Fiscal Year. Of course they will be processed, but counted on the next year donations. Hopefully, you will be getting your "Take Me" about the middle of the month. Please read it carefully so your Representative knows your wishes when it comes to voting on Legislation.

Why are there some events, not just Lodge events, you really like to go to? Is it because of the fun you have, the laughter and the good fellowship? Do you have that in your lodge meetings? If not, why? I think sometimes we get so serious that we forget that laughter is the best natural medicine there is. I urge you to make your lodge meetings so much fun and so interesting that you and other members look forward to attending just to see what is going to happen next. This will take some thought and planning, but is doable with determination and effort.

Assembly Session will be here next month and you need to be thinking about candidates for the elective offices. In addition, please try to attend. Your presence is very important as, after all, you are the Assembly. The officers are to help you and try to carry out your wishes between Sessions so you need to attend and make your wishes known.

From my e-mail: Life is too short. . . so kiss slowly. . . laugh insanely and forgive quickly. Now, if we can find a good kisser, a good story teller and blank out our minds when we're upset, we're in business.

Join me with a cup of tea and good thoughts about how blessed we are to have so many friends who care about us.

*With Rebekah Love,  
Betty Weldon, PP, Secretary, Rebekah Assembly of Washington  
New e-mail address: bweldon4@msn.com  
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### In Spokane Valley

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

Here it is April 5 and we have snow!! March came in like a lion and went out the same way.

The Unique Encampment's installation was really hit hard with big plans for officers visiting from the coast, but Snoqualmie Pass did not cooperate, so all the extra food was used for the regular meeting the following Tuesday.

Ramona was overwhelmed by social events. The second Wednesday was for the District officers, then our DDP Sandy Moon said the Assembly President was going to visit the area lodges on our fourth Wednesday meeting. District #2 Lodges rose to the challenge and shared the responsibilities of food and entertainment for the visit.

Wilford's members voted to contribute funds to District #2 Assembly representatives. "Leadership should

not constitute a hardship," but it does when many lodges can only afford \$25 to \$50 for their representatives. Wilford hopes their contributions will buy a couple tanks of gas, but at the rate of gas prices all the girls will have to cram in one car!!

Our Sister Shirley Gardner has been diagnosed with lung cancer and has started her treatment. Our prayers go out to her.

Brother and Wilford NG Elmer Lindor had an awful bout with coughing and congestion, but never missed a meeting. He is much better.

I hope by the time you read this *spring has sprung* and everyone is enjoying the flowers and good weather. Here's wishing you a wonderful day!

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

# From your 2007-2008 Theta Rho President

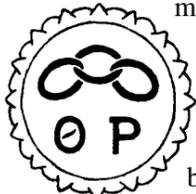


LEA DANIELS

## MAY FLOWERS

Hey girls! I am so sorry for not getting a letter out to you last month. School has been crazy and I've been missing all my deadlines. Anywho. . .

Guess what next month is?? *Sessions!! Woo! Woo!!* I really can't wait. It will be the best time ever. Meeting all you new girls is what is going to make these Sessions the best ever.



For some sad news, the retreat for this month has been cancelled. I was really bummed when I found that out. I was looking forward to seeing you and talking about Sessions with everyone. Hopefully next year things will be better planned and we can have a retreat.

For some good news, our yearly picnic for Sessions is still on. The Friday that we get to Kelso, we will all meet at the same park — the one near the baseball field to the left of the hotel. If you want, feel free to bring some out door toys such as balls, Frisbees or anything else that sounds like fun. Also at Sessions, I will be holding a raffle. All the money received will be going towards my project: Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. So come and take a look at all the goodies. The money is going towards a really close cause of mine.

I've missed you all so much. I hope all is well and I really am looking forward to next month. Let's make this year one to remember.

Much love and barrels of hugs!!

*In Happiness Through Service,  
Lea Daniels,  
Theta Rho Assembly President*

## In Oak Harbor

# Acorn Theta Rho #79

Happy Mothers' Day to all our Rebekah Sisters. We hope you have a wonderful day.

For Mothers' Day we made picture frames for the local hospital to give to moms for their baby's first Mothers' Day. We also made cards and tissue carnations for all of the ladies at the nursing home and will deliver them the day before Mothers' Day. That same day we are planning a get together with our family and inviting friends that might like to join our club.

We attended our Rebekah Lodge's craft night and each of us was able to make a gift for our mother and father for Mothers' and Fathers' Day. The Noble Grand ordered pizza and helped us with our crafts. We had a good time with the Sisters of our sponsoring lodge and thank them for inviting us.

We were sorry to hear that the Youth Retreat was cancelled because we were looking forward to getting together with the other clubs. We will see all of you down in Kelso in June.

Take care and see you down the road.

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

## Trinity Rebekahs #179 - Napavine

It's said that April showers bring May flowers. With as much rain as we've had the past few weeks, the earth should soon be covered with a rainbow of blossoms in record numbers!

Friendship Night was a blooming success. Our dear guests included Sandy Holderman, Genie Young and Rosalie Davis, all of Maple Leaf Lodge. It was a pleasure having them. The theme for the evening was flowers, even though it wasn't May just yet! The hall was decorated with a colorful array of crocheted flower arrangements, made by our late Sister Muriel Yahn. We draped our Charter in loving memory of dear Muriel that night. Even the beauty of those crafted flowers couldn't erase our sadness. She was a wonderful, caring and cheerful woman who gave so much of herself to the lodge. We will feel her loss deep in our hearts for a long, long time. Our sincerest condolences go out to her family and friends.

Our annual rummage sale went well. A big thank you to all the ladies who took the time to help out. The remaining items went to the Goodwill.

There were eight Sisters who traveled to Pe Ell for District Meeting on Saturday, April 6. The lunch was delicious and lovingly-prepared, no doubt. Trinity was proud to win both the attendance award and the membership award for our new associate member Sandy Donath from Longview. Thank you Pe Ell for your warm and gracious hospitality.

As the scents of apple blossoms and African violets linger in the air. Come sniff out what we have going at Trinity. There are Pinochle card parties on the first Friday of every month at 11a.m. A delicious lunch is also served at that time. Everyone is welcome. We also serve a tasty chili dinner on the third Friday of each month. Again, everyone is welcome. We would love to see your bright shiny faces.

The daffodils are busy growing and the ladies at Trinity will be keeping busy throughout the spring months, rain or no rain, but that doesn't mean we won't take the time to stop and smell the roses and savor all the blessings in life.

*In F, L. & T., Debbie Lee,  
Reporter*

## Mystic Rebekah Lodge #168 and Bremerton Friendship Lodge #145

Spring greetings. The attendance at our Spring District Association Meetings was less than we had hoped for, but we still had a good time. Our thanks to President Marcia, Vice President Jennie, Warden Phyllis, Senior Warden Judy, and PP Judy for adding to our day. PP Linda opened the meeting in absence of our sick Noble Grand and Vice Grand. District Association President Donna Caldwell conducted a fine meeting. Sister Elsie Burgett sat in for the Vice President. Betty Gaiski and Florence Cowdery serve their lodge and district as Treasurer and Secretary.

The Odd Fellows had PGM Carson Inman and Bill Coulter, Grand Encampment Officers. New District #15 officers are President Richard Murray, Vice President Del Sayer, and Secretary Bill Coulter.

The next District Association Meetings will be on October 4 in Port Angeles. You will need to get direc-

tions around the missing 8th Street bridges.

Our Rebekahs were requested to assist Celesta #333 in conferring the Rebekah Degree. Betty and Florence attended and our husbands attended Chimacum #343. Early February forecasted high winds which cancelled that trip. That evening we had several inches of snow both in Bremerton and Port Orchard, but there was none in Port Hadlock.

A lady who goes to the park in Oregon is again interested in an application and we have other pending possibilities.

To all of our absentee members, we sure do miss you. To those of you not well, please get well and stay well. To all the ladies in our lives, have a happy Mothers' Day, while you remember your mom, or help a mom with baby sitting, etc. Thank you for sharing the Mothers' Day experience.

*Don & Florence Cowdery, Reporters*

*Let's All Get Ready  
For Theta Rho Sessions  
In Kelso!*

# 2008

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## Contributing Factors

# Seven dirty words never to say to baby boomers!

Extra! Extra! Read all about it! “Baby Boomers” are beginning to retire! This is the “Forever Young” generation that came of age during perhaps the greatest time in American history. Core values were molded during the time our nation was landing men on the moon, dealing with race and health problems and engaging in the “Cold War.”

During their formative years, Boomers lived in safe neighborhoods, enjoyed strong family units and held relatively secure jobs. It was a “golden age” for kids in America. Norman Rockwell illustrated, on the cover of the *Saturday Evening Post*, two life themes of American life during the Boomer years, “love” and “hope.” As Boomers watched their relatives age, they knew that aging was inevitable, but they never wanted to “grow old.” With this generation, optimism and “never saying never” characterized their outlook on all of life.

As Boomers prepare to enter retirement, here are seven “dirty” words to avoid in your dealings with this generation.

- **Senior Citizen** — A noble label for their folks but not for Boomers.
- **Retiree** — Boomers will never retire. This generation defines itself by its work and contributions. They may retire from career number one, but may quickly begin a new career in volunteerism, start their own business or go back to school.
- **Aging** — Oh my gosh, don’t!
- **Golden Years** — Ditto!
- **Silver Years** — Good rule of thumb — no references to precious metals.
- **Mature** — Never insult Boomers by calling them mature. Regardless of the wrinkles on the outside, they will always be Mouseketeers on the inside.
- **Prime Time** — To describe their future as the “prime time” of their lives is to discount their past. Boomers feel that they have been in “prime time” every second of their lives, squeezing each day for all of its gusto!

As a retirement community, we’re in the business of marketing to several generations at once. Our goal is to “connect” with Boomers by understanding their core values, beliefs and attitudes. In this way, we hope to create a “retirement” atmosphere that’s attractive to Boomers. After all, they will be our future residents!

Thank you in advance for your memorial gifts, special occasion gifts and bequests to the Endowment Fund. Your donations will assist us in preparing for the eventual arrival of the “Baby Boomers.” Peace.

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(Thanks to Chuck Underwood, author of the book *The Generational Imperative: Understanding Generational Differences in the Workplace, Marketplace and Living Room.*)

## Waterville Rebekah Lodge #77

Spring greetings to all. We have been enjoying a couple of weeks of spring, but we hear that many east and west of us are still getting winter snow and lots of rain. The days of thinking seasons are printed on the calendar are only false, so schedule your activities to coincide with what each day presents.

Here it is already April and we are making final preparations for the visit of President Marcia Presley to a joint meeting with Tempest #114 on April 12.

May will find our Scholarship Committee judging the applications received from graduating seniors. Our scholarship will be presented to the winner at graduation.

Of course, where would we be without mothers to honor on May 11 — Mothers’ Day? To those of you who still have mothers to honor, be sure you remember her.

Later in the month gives us time to

remember our loved ones who are no longer with us on Memorial Day. Don’t forget to remember our military, young and old, who have given their lives for our country. The placing of the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns is a privilege our Grand Order has the honor of doing each year.

Our Representative has been busy with reports for Assembly. State of the Order, followed by the Representative’s questionnaire (really a good one). This keeps one’s mind working.

We are looking forward to May flowers and warmer weather when we can get out in the yard and plant a few veggies.

Here’s wishing each and everyone good health. Until next month with Grand Sessions just around the corner.

Fraternal Love,  
Fay Bowers-Holland,  
PP and Reporter



BY JOHN  
PAULSON  
Director of  
Development  
Odd Fellows  
Home

## Are you looking for lost members?

If your lodge has members that no one has heard from for two or three years and need help finding them, send a list giving the full name, date of birth and last address to: Brother Jean Coston, 2312 S. 128th St, Seattle, WA 98168 and I’ll see what I can do.

If anyone in the lodge has e-mail, send the information to:

**geniejean@msn.com**

I’ll send my findings back via e-mail.

— Brother Jean Coston, Coston Obit Service  
Des Moines IOOF Lodge #305

## A sad day in Ione

# Pine Forest Rebekah Lodge #271 dissolves

Odd Fellowship goes back to 1855 when Washington was a territory, with the institution of Olympia Lodge IOOF Lodge #1.

The first Ione IOOF Lodge #285 was started in Colville on November 30, 1910. On March 13, 1915 a new Odd Fellows Lodge was instituted and organized in Ione. Fifty Odd Fellow and Rebekah members were listed on the Charter on that date. The Rebekahs continued to carry out the mission of service to the local community, state and national projects ever since that time.

The Rebekah Lodge was named Pine Forest #271. An article written in the *Ione Gazette* dated April 21, 1949 reads: Box Canyon (the men’s) Lodge #337 was instituted with 34 members on April 9, 1949 and by the end of the year they had 41 members. Following a free ham dinner was served to 140 Odd Fellows and Rebekahs at the schoolhouse by Pine Forest Rebekahs.

The lodge members held their twice-monthly meetings for several years on the second floor of the old two-story Ione Peaceful Valley Grange Hall, which was located on the southwest end of Main Street (site of the present day Grange Hall) while their new building was being constructed. A lot and a half was purchased on the northeast corner of Main and Central Avenues in 1949 for \$500, with \$100.00 down and payments of \$25 a month. Basement construction began in 1968 on a 44’ by 80’ with sand pumice blocks, which at one point caved in causing a setback. The lodge room itself is 44’ by 32’, housing a dining hall, large kitchen and six locker spaces. The rooms were furnished with cedar and spruce paneling from the Ione Lumber Company mill. The building was constructed by volunteer labor. Lodge members, business organizations and townspeople had donated materials and furnishings. Employees of the Ione Lumber Co., who were on seasonal shut down, did the finishing work and painting. The top part of the lodge hall was completed a few years later. Miss Betty Thompson, then the manager of the Ione State Bank, donated monies for the hall to be carpeted, and the Ione Theater (which is now the Baptist Church) gave the lodge their old plush theater seats.

Every Easter the Odd Fellow Lodge men would boil and dye dozens and dozens of eggs to hide in the Ione city park for the youngsters on Easter morning.

The men’s Box Canyon Lodge surrendered their Charter a few short years ago, leaving the Rebekahs to carry on the work. In 1982, the (Metaline’s) Mount Linton Rebekah Lodge and then (Newport’s) Woodbine Rebekah Lodge in the 1990s consolidated with Pine Forest. At one time there were nine Rebekah Lodges in District #16. They always met the last Saturday in April. Those lodges were: Mt.Linton, (Metaline’s), Ione, Newport, Kettle Falls, Colville, Chewelah, Hunters, Rice and Cedonia. By 1984, there were six lodges and in 2006, three were left.

The Ione Rebekahs were involved in many projects. Bingo was held every Saturday night since 1959. The United Nations Pilgrimage contests were started by Rebekah Lodges throughout the United States and Canada. In 1961 and every other year since, a Selkirk High School student was chosen to send to the United Nations. Some years two students were sent. The Rebekahs participated in the annual Down River Days parades, and operated the hamburger stand all weekend in the city park. The ladies took train reservations for the Lions Train Rides. For several years in October they prepared Octoberfest dinners. For 40 some odd years the annual Ione Bazaar was held every first Saturday in December. Throughout the years, the Rebekah ladies prepared many dinners for weddings and funerals. The ladies decorated Yule Logs to sell and baked up to 40 gingerbread houses during the Christmas holidays. They also decorated, packed and delivered up to 80 Christmas boxes for people at Christmastime.

With declining membership and rising costs, we sadly announce that our lodge is closing for good. Pine Forest Rebekah Lodge #271 members say “thank you” to everyone in the communities who have supported and helped us so much all these many many years.

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



## Daffodils & sunshine!

It was a great day of sunshine and fun as the boys (and some girls, too) from Buckley IOOF Lodge #75 invaded the Grand Floral Daffodil Festival Parade in Orting on Saturday, April 12. Above, several Brothers got up in the air in this 1930 Model A Ford clown car. The car was decorated with the lodge's banner and hundreds of bright yellow daffodils. In a separate vehicle, Grand Musician and Buckley member Toby Hanson entertained the crowd with his accordion music. The temperatures were in the high 70s and the crowd at the parade was estimated at more than 5,000, so there was a lot of advertising going on for the Odd Fellows.

## In Electric City

### Grand Coulee Rebekah Lodge #315

Here it is time for the May news. Where has the time gone? We want flowers to bloom in May, but April has been having a hard time in coming. It seems that "Old Man Winter" didn't want to leave us. We've had snow storms about every weekend. It is nice to enjoy each new day as it approaches.

In April, Sister Elsie Carla Brown was sick. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Sister Elsie Byam served delicious pie and ice cream. Then Sister Jeannette Kelley fell on the sidewalk in front of the Rebekah Hall. I guess I can be thankful as I didn't break any bones. But I sure have a black and blue leg. We couldn't let April Fools Day pass us by without a little excitement and I was the one to provide the excitement!

We are sorry to report that we lost another Sister, Oline Wyborney. She was at Lincoln Nursing Home where she passed away peacefully while sitting in her chair on Thursday morning, March 27. The funeral memorial was held on April 7. They had postponed the service for a while to see if her oldest grandson would be able to attend from the service. Yes, Ben

made it, but he had to leave the day after the funeral. At least he could spend a week with the family. It was a very nice service with a nephew and three grandchildren each giving memorial life talks about being with grandma. A delicious luncheon was served in the dining room following the service. Even though we are few, the Rebekahs sat together at the service. We were thanked for our attendance. On April 11, Oline would have been 97-years-old. This fall, she would have been a 67-year Rebekah. She was a very dedicated Sister and very helpful to all. She always helped us when we worked at the rest area, served at potlucks or did luncheons. A \$15 donation was given to the Arbor Day Foundation and our Charter was draped in her memory.

NG Wanda Hirst was hostess at our April 15 meeting, and wouldn't you know it, all taxes had to be paid by that time. Did you remember?

Remember May. The meeting will be on Tuesday, May 6. Let's make this month a happy one and enjoy the flowers as they bloom.

See you all next month.

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



## From Ocean Beach to Africa

Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313 of Long Beach recently gave postage to send shirts to Lauralee Gilpin, a missionary in Africa. She is the daughter of our Sister Beverly Gilpin. The Washington State International Kite Festival donated shirts for this worthy cause. The kite festival is held each August. Six Sisters from our lodge help in the kite sales booth each year for the Long Beach Merchants' Association. Proudly showing off their shirts are a younger group of boys from Good Samaritan Orphanage in Africa

— Frances O'Neil, Reporter

## News from the Capital City

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

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Noble Grand PJ Fluetsch appointed a new Finance Committee consisting of Chairman Joe Picanco, Tom Day and Hal Bellrud.

The Children's Summer Food Program is up and running. Mary Kitsch has volunteered to be the lead and with Odd Fellows/Rebekah members assisting, it's sure to be a large success again this year. The program starts in late May, so consider donating about three hours once a month helping families in this fun project.

Cemetery Chairman Rick Garcia asked for volunteers to help clean the roof of the cemetery maintenance shop. It's heavily covered with moss. Contact the cemetery for dates and times.

This year's Annual Memorial Day Ceremony is on May 26 commencing at 12:30 p.m. If you attended last year, then you know how wonderful the performances are honoring our nation's heroes. Many of the same organizations will participate again this year. If you cannot attend or assist on event day, come out the day before and help place flags on veterans' graves.

Park Chairman Glen, with park funds, will pay first half county taxes. The park grounds are mowed, the children's play swing/equipment is repaired and propane bottles are filled. There are several wedding receptions and reunions already booked, but lots of days are left. Contact Glen or Stu for reservations.

The Thurston Building is going strong. Our investments are doing well as can be expected due to the economy. Joe, George and the Finance Committee do a grand job of watching our pennies. The furnace has been repaired at the cost of \$101. We are having a new roof installed sometime in May. The cost, as approved by the lodge, is \$20,574 with tax. No more leaks. . . maybe.

Neil Tombleson was appointed by

Noble Grand PJ and installed by District Deputy Grand Master Joe Picanco. Thanks to Neil for stepping up to the plate this year.

Frank Wilson, who is soon to be Grand Master, and Joe Picanco discussed helping the Napavine Lodge with their Degree work. We have asked them to come to our lodge or we can supply a Degree Team to travel to Napavine. They need to have several Degrees completed.

Our most esteemed lady Rebekah, PNG Cathy Garcia, traveled with her husband to several states. While they were in Lakewood, CA, they enjoyed dinner with members of IOOF Lodge #463 and a Rebekah Lodge. The following week they visited IOOF Lodge #83 and Samaritan Rebekah Lodge in Water Valley, MS. They also visited the Lamar, MO. Rebekah Lodge. Her statement was what an awesome feeling it was to spend time with people from various parts of the country whom we have never met before. Your faithful reporter also visited a lodge in Tucson AZ. The feeling I have is the same.

The Rebekahs reminds us that a fund-raiser garage sale will be held soon. So gather up your treasures. More info to follow.

Frank Wilson and Elizabeth Morgan traveled to Victoria, BC for the Northwest Odd Fellow and Rebekah Meeting. Frank gave a glowing account of the beauty of the Victoria Odd Fellows Hall. He described the hall and the game rooms. He stated that they have hearing headsets around the hall. The talk was interesting and entertaining. Don Hepp also discussed his trip to Victoria many, many years ago.

Noble Grand PJ would like to remind all our members that we are still collecting food items for the Thurston Food Bank. All donations are appreciated. There are lots of hungry folks out there.

*Stuart Carlson, Reporter*

## In Walla Walla

### Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2

Narcissa Lodge members appreciate the opportunity we have had to meet at the IOOF Home throughout the late fall in 2007 and winter months of 2008. We have resumed meeting at the Odd Fellows Lodge Hall and will continue to do so during the months of May and June, 2008.

We are happy to announce that the winner of our Quilt Raffle is Isla Barton. A big thanks to all who supported this project and, also, to Aramae Buckingham who made and donated the quilt. Proceeds from our Silver Drills in March were given to the Arthritis Fund.

A condolence was read in memory of Claire Saucier, who was a Rebekah member for 60 years.

There were more than 40 in attendance at our potluck social meeting on April 1. For dinner, everyone was seated at card tables where the decorations at each table depicted a particular holiday theme. Door prize drawings took place during meal time. Following dinner, prizes were also given to those who participated in playing "Cootie."

We were pleased to have other lodges represented as members from Bee Hive in Walla Walla, Schuyler in Dayton and Integrity Lodge in Milton Freewater, OR joined us for this evening of fun and fellowship.

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

## ~ In Memoriam ~

- **Claire Saucier**, 60 year member, Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2, Walla Walla.
- **Elizabeth McCauley**, PNG, 79 year member, Faith Rebekah Lodge #16, Pomeroy.
- **Joyce Crafton**, PNG, Sylvan

Glen Rebekah Lodge #184, Pe Ell.

- **June Hunting**, longtime Financial Secretary, Lorraine Rebekah Lodge #289, Des Moines.

- **Oline Wyborney**, 67 year member, Grand Coulee Rebekah Lodge #315, Electric City.



Photo by John B. Bonsey

At the District #18 Meeting on April 5 in Pe Ell, members of Ocean Beach Rebekah Lodge #313 did a skit about the women characters of the Bible, beginning with Rebekah.

## District #18 Meeting a success!

The District #18 Meeting was called to order by President Lou Ann Hoffman on Saturday, April 5 in Pe Ell. Hostess Lodge for the meeting was Sylvan Glen #184. The Sylvan Glen Sisters made us feel quite welcome.

Introduction of special visitors was made. They were PPRA Doris Wigglesworth, RA Secretary Betty Weldon, PPRA Karen Hoylman and RA IG Rosalie Davis.

Harmony #335 put together a cute skit about the Rebekah Flag. The Flag spoke, telling the meaning of each emblem. Behind the Flag was Sharon Fehl who was speaking.

Ocean Beach #313 put on a program about the duties of the Chaplain and the women characters of the Bible, beginning with Rebekah.

A delicious lunch was served by Sylvan Glen members. On the menu was chicken casserole and green salad. Door prizes were passed out to those with lucky numbers.

The afternoon meeting began with the introduction of PDGM John Bonsey. He used to live in Honolulu, Hawaii, but he now resides in Longview.

Trinity #179 members Helen Petrie and Delia McNelly put together the exemplification of the Rebekah Robe and Colors. It was very interesting.

The oldest Sisters in attendance were Bonnie Dillon and Genie Young. Both are in their 90's. They were remembered for their loyalty.

Both the attendance and membership awards went to Trinity #179. They had a total of eight members present, giving them the biggest percentage.

Thank you to Sylvan Glen for hosting a very nice meeting and lunch.

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

## Monterose Rebekahs #46 - Toledo

The Monterose meeting was called to order on April 3 by NG Rosalie Davis. It was good to have her back. She is feeling much better.

Following the meeting, a birthday party was held for Rosalie, featuring sub sandwiches, cake and ice cream.

We heard that Gloria Merrill of Maple Leaf is home now and doing better following her hospital stay. She has been in our prayers.

Rosalie Davis, Genie Young and Sandy Holderman had a good time on March 27 when they traveled to Trinity #179 for Friendship Night. Each won a door prize and they said the food was great. We always feel welcome when we travel to Napavine.

Four ladies traveled to Pe Ell for the District #18 Meeting. It was an enjoyable day and President Lou Ann Hoffman had an interesting schedule for her meeting. Each program was well put together and interesting. Doris Wigglesworth also gave an informational talk on where and how the American Flag should stand.

We have a new grandma at our lodge. Evelyn Woody has a new grandson, Brandon Woody, who was born on February 11. This makes her third grandson and they are all special.

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

## Oak Leaf Rebekahs #254 - Oak Harbor

Happy Mothers' Day.

We are excited to have two new members. Sister Rhonda Meeks was initiated at our Spring District Association meeting in Ferndale and later this month we will be initiating Sister Gina York. We are looking forward to lots of new ideas from these two ladies.

We held our craft night and had a lot of fun. Our Noble Grand ordered pizza and other members brought finger foods. She provided all the supplies for many different types of crafts and we included our Theta Rho Girls.

We are planning our Friendship Night which will be June 4. It will have a luau theme. We are planning a dinner for 5:30 p.m., so if you can join us just give us a jingle.

We have really missed our Sister Doral Shelton and her beautiful music on the piano. Our meetings are not the same without her. Hurry back, Doral. I don't know about any of our other members who are ill at this time, but we always miss our Sister Nita.

I have some exciting news of my own to share. For those of you who know my daughter Carrie, she is getting married this summer and then they will be going to Naples, Italy where she will teach kindergarten for two years. We are excited for her on both accounts.

I guess that is about all the news from this end of the state. We hope to see many of you in June in Kelso.

In Rebekah Love,  
*Judy Diekman, PPRA & Reporter*

## In Goldendale

# Alimus IOOF Lodge #15, Leah Rebekah Lodge #22

Several of our members have been ill or in the hospital. Sister Shirley Montanye is unable to attend meetings as she tires so easily following her bout with cancer. Brother Bruce Cook has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and it has spread to the liver, as well. He has been given six to nine months to live. Sister Neva Riddle is paralyzed from the waist down and is being cared for by her daughter Linda. Sister Viva Musgrove fell on April 16 and broke her right hip. She was taken to the hospital in The Dalles, OR for surgery. She hopes to come home in a few days as she is feeling fine. Sister Millie Hughes' husband will be having surgery soon. We pray for all of these Sisters and Brothers and hope they will be better soon.

In honor of the founding of the Odd Fellows, Dale Bowdish and Ray Gosney presented an excellent program in April. We are so appreciative of our men who belong to the Rebekahs.

Marjorie West visited her children in Texas during the month of April. Also visiting Texas were Ernie, Mavis and Mike House. They were visiting Mavis' nephew and were there for a

week. A grand time was had by all as they visited the Alamo and also met their 10-month-old great-granddaughter in Abilene.

Our Rebekah Lodge has been invited to meet with the Bickleton Lodge on May 13, for the official visit of RA President Marcia Presley. President Marcia was in Yakima on April 17. Chris Sweetin and Mavis House drove there to meet with them. Several of our members plan to go to Bickleton.

Alimus IOOF Lodge held the First Degree on April 22 for five new members. We hope to hold the other degrees prior to our summer break. We have been very happy to see the new members attending our meetings.

Our Encampment and LEA held their installation on April 17 with PGP Ernie House and PGM Mavis House doing the installing. We held a potluck prior to the installation. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Sister Viva Musgrove has volunteered to write the letters for the newspaper and give Mavis House a break — with the understanding that Mavis will edit, add and/or delete. Thank you, Viva!

Viva Musgrove, Reporter

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

Grandview Rebekahs finally have three money-making projects underway. The first one is a "Spring Bakeless Bake Sale." In July and August we will "Break the Bank" We are saving all our loose change and will convert it into currency in September. Later in the fall for our Community Service Project, we will pay fines — everyone knows that one.

This month the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are paying a young man to assist in putting out our Memorial Day Flags.

We enjoyed a visit with our Rebekah Assembly President Marcia

Presley last month. She is a great gal.

Laura Vangstad received another honor — a certificate from the Sons of Norway for her donations of baked goods and volunteer help.

One of our members donates to the Help Hospitalized Veterans — an organization which furnishes craft items to Veterans and military hospitals for our servicemen and women. She has received several thank you cards and corresponds with them. It is time for our Rebekah's to donate to the US Troop Care Packages, too.

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

## Tempest Rebekahs #114 - Wenatchee And Prosperity IOOF Lodge #301

By the time this article is read, we will have enjoyed our State President Marcia Presley's visit to our lodge. As usual, our cooks outdid themselves at our potluck dinner. Everything was delicious.

Our Sister Martha Ellis has been in assisted care due to respiratory problems. She hopes to be home soon.

Sister and Brother Mabel and Francis Whiting were recently featured in our local newspaper for their 60 years of marriage and for their longevity and independence. It was a really great tribute.

The pull tabs we have been collecting are being taken to Spokane this month for donation to the Ronald McDonald House where they will be recycled. Funds are then used for expenses and assistance to families of children and patients being treated in Spokane hospitals.

Mothers are being honored this month. We are enjoying lovely spring weather. We invite all Rebekahs in the area to come visit our lodge.

In F., L. & T.,  
*Barbara Pittman,*  
*Reporter*

## Bee Hive Rebekah Lodge #70

What a nice sunny morning I had today for my walk. It seemed so nice after winter's dark and cold days.

Our lodge voted to continue meeting at the Odd Fellow Home until June. The outside steps at the hall are hard for some of our members to climb.

Our spring fund-raiser is a "Bakeless Bake Sale." Letters have been sent out to members. Remember to get donations sent or bring them to lodge.

We will be the host lodge for the District Association spring meeting.

We look forward to seeing our Sisters from other lodges.

We voted to donate funds to the city to help replace the cemetery and park trees that were lost in the January wind storm. This will be our Living Legacy project.

Just after I sent in my last news I heard of the death of Sister Freda Cummins, PNG. She came to our lodge when Sunshine Rebekah Lodge of Dixie consolidated with us. Our sympathies are extended to her family.

Jean Lucke, Reporter

# 2008 Washington Grand Sessions

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# 2008 Washington Grand Sessions

~ Meal & Banquet Reservations ~

	PRICE	Number of Persons	TOTAL
<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 21</b>			
<b>5:30 p.m. — Youth Banquet</b>			
Chicken Lasagna	Adults \$20.00	_____	_____
<b>SUNDAY, JUNE 22</b>			
<b>5:30 p.m. — Past Presidents' Banquet</b>			
Cheddar Chive Chicken	\$25.00	_____	_____
Prime Rosemary Roasted Beef	\$25.00	_____	_____
<b>MONDAY, JUNE 23</b>			
<b>7:00 a.m. — President's Friendship Breakfast</b>			
Plated Denver Omelet	\$15.00	_____	_____
<b>7:00 a.m. — Grand Master's Breakfast</b>			
Traditional Breakfast w/Bacon	\$15.00	_____	_____
<b>6:30 p.m. — All Branch Banquet</b>			
Roast Turkey Breast	\$25.00	_____	_____
Prime Rosemary Roasted Beef	\$25.00	_____	_____
<b>TUESDAY, JUNE 24</b>			
<b>7:00 a.m. — TaNaMaKa Breakfast</b>			
Continental Breakfast Buffet	\$15.00	_____	_____
<b>7:00 a.m. — IOOF Representatives' Breakfast</b>			
Traditional Breakfast w/ Sausage	\$15.00	_____	_____
<b>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25</b>			
<b>7:00 a.m. — Rebekah Representatives' Breakfast</b>			
Traditional Breakfast w/ Bacon	\$15.00	_____	_____
<b>THURSDAY, JUNE 26</b>			
<b>7:00 a.m. — Grand Patriarch / Grand Matriarch Breakfast</b>			
Three Cheese Quiche	\$15.50	_____	_____
<b>Noon — Encampment / LEA Luncheon</b>			
TBLT Croissant Sandwich	\$18.00	_____	_____
<b>FRIDAY, JUNE 27</b>			
<b>Noon — Canton / LAPM Luncheon (All members welcome)</b>			
Southwest Chicken Sandwich	\$18.00	_____	_____
TBLT Croissant Sandwich	\$18.00	_____	_____
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<b>Pre Registration Prior to June 1</b>	\$15.00	_____	_____
<b>Registration AFTER June 1, 2008</b>	\$20.00	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL DUE WITH REGISTRATION</b>			_____

## At the Kelso Sessions

### PP's to host sale table

The Rebekah Assembly Past Presidents will again be having a sale table at Assembly this year. Bring along a little extra cash and come shop with us. We will also be selling formals and tuxedos.

If anyone would like to contribute to our sale, please contact Karen Hoylman, chairman, at 360-825-3554 or e-mail at:

**Karenskastle@aol.com.** Please bring only small items for the table sale and formals in good condition. Proceeds from our sale are used to entertain our out-of-jurisdiction guests and a few other little expenses we have. Your support in any way will be appreciated.

— In F. L. & T., Karen Hoylman

## Faith Rebekah Lodge #16 - Pomeroy

Members of Faith Rebekah Lodge #16 draped the Charter for Elizabeth McCauley who joined our lodge April 16, 1929. She was a Past Noble Grand and held other offices, as well. She was the oldest member of the Pomeroy Christian Church and also of the Kennewick Church. She is survived by a daughter Karyl and husband Mike Moore of Burbank, and a son William and wife Shirley McCauley of Sun Valley, CA. She also leaves two granddaughters and two grandsons.

We have donated to the Wheelchair Jamboree, Arthritis Fund, Pomeroy Dollars for Scholars, and to the Fisher

House Foundation.

Margaret Tueth is recovering at home from her heart attack. We wish her good health.

April 19 was the District Meeting at the Odd Fellow Home in Walla Walla. Bee Hive #70 of Walla Walla was the hostess lodge. Hazel Crawford of Faith #16 gave the memorial. It was an informative day, as well as visiting with friends.

We must be having *lots* of fun because each month seems to go faster than the last one.

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

## In Pe Ell

### Sylvan Glen Rebekah Lodge #184

On April 5, we hosted the District #18 Meeting. Despite members being ill, we were able to handle it quite well. Lou Anne Hoffman, District President, presided at the meeting. A raffle was held and everyone went home with at least one prize. Lunch was cooked mostly by NG Carolyn turner and Sec. Leona Treznoski. Kiwanis Key Club girls set up and served the meal. Chicken pot pie, spinach strawberry salad and a Texas sheath cake were on the menu. Many compliments were heard. Except for our sound system being absent, the meeting was very enjoyable.

Cora Walker was home ill and was taken to the hospital before noon. Her granddaughter, Jennifer, was one of the servers. She told us Jerry Bierdeman is finally in her home. There is lots and lots of work to be done yet, but it gets a wee bit better each day. She will get to lodge soon.

#### THOUGHT

*"The time to be happy is now. The place to be happy is here."*

— Robert Ingersoll

Beulah Crocker is not feeling well and is seeing the doctor.

It was nice to see all the Sisters

from different lodges.

#### PERKS OF BEING OVER 50

*"No one expects you to run anywhere."*

At our first meeting in April, we tried something different. We had our meeting and then convened to the little deli at the edge of town. It turned out to be a fun time.

It is with sadness that I report the loss of our Sister, PNG Joyce Crafton, who lived in South Bend. She was sitting talking to her husband Joe and said, "It looks snowy." She stood up, collapsed and was gone. A memorial was held at the lodge and her name was added to the District Memorial Service. She was very busy all the time, taking care of her mother and dad, and then her Uncle Donnie in their final illnesses. She really knew how to practice Friendship, Love and Truth. She is missed.

*"The older I get, the better I used to be."*

— John McEnroe

Spring isn't here yet even though the calendars say so! With love and good health to all. . .

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