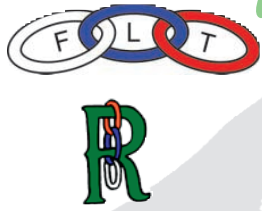


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## Mobility scooters for rent at Sessions

Some members have asked that we check into the availability of renting mobility scooters during Grand Sessions in Yakima in June. We have coordinated with Howard's Medical Supply in Yakima for that purpose. Please contact them directly if you who need a scooter during your stay in Yakima during Sessions.

You can rent one for \$75 a week from Howard's Medical Supply and they deliver! You must provide them with either a debit or credit card and must have someone to sign for the scooter at time of delivery. They will not simply drop it off, so make sure you have a date and time for them to deliver. The number is (509) 654-9899. Please call early and reserve one.

— In F., L., & T, Joe & Kathi Picanco  
Grand Lodge Host Committee



## *A trek to Orcas Island*

Grand Master Duard Fyffe visited Mt. Constitution IOOF Lodge #88 on Orcas Island on April 26. He was traveling with Grand Warden Toby Hanson, Secretary of the Theta Rho Piper Fyffe and Grand Patriarch Nora Carria. From left are: Duard Fyffe and Mt. Constitution Noble Grand John Clancy. See related photo on back page.

## L.J. Jones Scholarship

# Congratulations to the 2017 winners!

### 2017 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS NAMED

Camille Gasparek, a member of Omega Theta Rho #95, is the 2017 recipient of the \$5,000 L. J. Jones Scholarship. She also belongs to Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge #54 with her mom Michelle. The Bothell High School senior plans to enter the nursing program at Shoreline Community College and then continue her studies in medicine at the University of Washington. Currently, she is a member of honor society and volunteers diligently.

The \$2,500 scholarship for a girl is awarded to Samantha Beers, a senior at Banks (Oregon) High School. Her goal is to be a psychiatric nurse practitioner,

starting out at Central Oregon Community College. Her grandparents are Tom and Mary Harper, members of Fall City Odd Fellows and Rebekahs.

Alternate is Elisabeth Pearson who attends King's Way High School in Seattle. She is headed to the University of Hawaii to study theater production management and event planning. She is the granddaughter of Barbara Tvrz, member of Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 in Walla Walla.

A Bachelor of Arts in Game Design is the goal of Cameron Adams, a senior at Lincoln High School in Tacoma. Cameron is the winner of the \$2,500 L.J. Jones

*See L.J. Jones Scholarship on Back Page*

# From the desk of your Grand Master

## WELCOME SPRING!

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



**DUARD FYFFE**

I hope all of you are thawed out by now and have begun to dry. Things are beginning to wrap up for this year. I am certainly looking forward to attending the annual pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns on Sunday, May 7 in Arlington, Virginia. It will be my first time and I am honored to represent our Jurisdiction.

## I'LL BE OF ASSISTANCE

I have finished my official visits for the year, but if you have an event or require some help before the end of June please don't hesitate to ask. That is still my number one job to be of assistance to all of you.

During my visits I have seen some very good ritualistic work and some that needs a little polishing. By sitting down with our Charge Books at home and reading through our parts a couple of times, it often aids us in being smoother during our meetings. For most of us it is only a few lines and shouldn't take more than five minutes. Again if I or my officers can be of service, by all means call on us! We are very happy to help and if we show ourselves to know what we are doing then we stand a much greater chance of retaining new members.

## HERE'S WHERE TO LOOK FOR NEW MEMBERS

I have been making some suggestions during my visits as to where to look for candidates. Police officers, fire fighters and city leaders are often very civic-minded people. Don't be afraid to let people know about us and always have a couple of applications handy! PTA meetings can prove fruitful, as well, when we tell them about our youth and scholarship opportunities. There are a number of people out there who are looking for a chance to give back to their communities, but lack a place to make it happen.

You also are not going to convince everyone to join. That's okay! We only need to win a couple of new recruits each year and over time it adds up.

I would also like to appeal to some of our longtime members to be more open-minded with our new members' ideas. Because something did not work in the past does not necessarily mean that it won't work now. At the very least they deserve a chance to make an effort and learn for themselves what works and what doesn't.

## SESSIONS DEADLINES ARE NEARING

The deadlines for registering for our Annual Sessions are rapidly approaching, so don't wait! The sooner we

get them in the easier it makes the jobs of the Host Committee.

Good luck to you all and I am greatly looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible in Yakima!

— *In Friendship, Love and Truth,*  
*Your Humble & Obedient Servant,*  
*Duard Fyffe,*

*Your 2016-2017 Grand Master*

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*(253) 282-3472 call or text*

## Ballard Degree Day coming up May 20!

Ballard Alki IOOF Lodge #170 will be conferring the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degrees on Saturday, May 20 starting at noon. There will be food provided between Degrees.

Please RSVP to [ballardioofhall@gmail.com](mailto:ballardioofhall@gmail.com) or call (206) 782-9646. Remember to send a sealed letter from your Lodge Secretary with your candidates' names and current Degrees attained with the candidates.

We have overnight accommodations available the night before and the night after in our apartment where there is a queen bed and couch. Let us know if that is something you will need. Again, email us at [ballardioofhall@gmail.com](mailto:ballardioofhall@gmail.com) or call us at (206) 782-9646.

If you would like to participate in performing the Degrees, please contact Michael Douglas at [qalandarish@gmail.com](mailto:qalandarish@gmail.com) or call him at (206) 769-1980.

— *Nora Carria, Ballard Alki Secretary*



# From the desk of your Grand Secretary

## ADVANCE REPORTS

Brothers and Sisters,

The Advance Reports should arrive soon to assist your Lodge Representatives in making preparations for Grand Lodge Sessions in June. Advance reports will be sent to



**HARRY W. "BILL" COULTER**

all hold-over (two-year) Representatives of even-numbered lodges and the newly-elected Representatives for the odd-numbered lodges who have sent in their Representative's Certificate. To all Lodge Representatives, please bring your "Take Me" to your lodge meetings prior to Grand Sessions. Share and review the content with your members and ask 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.

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

Committee for review and recommendation.

## ALTERNATE LODGE REPRESENTATIVE

Alternate Lodge Representatives may only be seated officially in the Grand Lodge and receive the allocated per diem by approval of the Grand Master, when the Elected Representative is unable to attend the Sessions. Those Alternate Representatives not officially seated in Sessions may attend, however will not have any voice or vote.

## GRAND SESSIONS

Grand Body Sessions will be upon us soon, so please look for the registration forms on pages 14 and 15 of this issue of the newspaper. We are looking forward to warmer days and to seeing you all at Sessions.

## NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

For those of you who are lodge reporters for *The Washington OddFellow* newspaper, your stories are to be into the Grand Lodge office no later than the 15th of each month. No titles such as "Doctor" will be used for members, only Odd Fellow titles will be accepted.


— Fraternally,  
Harry W. "Bill" Coulter,  
PGM, Grand Secretary



## President again!

Karen Hoylman, left, as an Associate Member of a lodge in Louisiana, was installed as President of the Rebekah Assembly of Louisiana during a ceremony in Baton Rouge on March 11, 2017. Shirley Streck, right, of Hawaii, who is a Past President of the Louisiana Assembly, presented a beautiful lei to Karen during the ceremony. Karen's program for the year includes her symbol of a peacock, with the motto of "Be Proud to be a Rebekah."




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# From the desk of the Assembly President

## HOW TO GET NEW MEMBERS IS A TOUGH QUESTION TO ANSWER

Greetings Brothers & Sisters!

As I have visited our Jurisdiction's Rebekah Lodges I hope that the exchange of information was helpful for you — it was certainly helpful to me. Too many lodges are closing and our members are slowly fading away from our Order. There can be hope that we will be able to sustain our Jurisdiction and bring in new members who want to step up to the plate and help us continue these great traditions of our Order.



KATHI PICANCO

When we look around now at our communities, you see that there is a place for us to continue what our forefathers have left us, to build a better

place. Some lodges have found what it takes to keep building, sharing, teaching the youth what community service is all about, sharing your ideas and keeping us going. How to get new members is a hard question to answer. I believe that working in your communities and being out there talking to the public, family members, friends, and other organizations that you belong to may help in drawing new members into our lodges. ***Don't forget to ask!*** Recently a member's friend was invited to the annual Easter Egg Hunt and she found out what we are about. She filled out her application that day; she even stayed and worked with the members in the set-up and cleaning at the park.

## WELCOME TO OUR SESSIONS

Session registration is in full swing and we hope that all lodges will be able to have representation. We so need you there to share, vote and help with the work of our Order. Come and renew friendship and meet new members.

The Executive Board has some ideas to help make this year's Sessions just a little bit different and we need you there to help and share what is so good in our Order. I really believe we shine through in our Friendship, Love and Truth; and show others that this is worth the time to belong to.

See you soon and thank you all who helped to fill this year with such fond memories. If I haven't seen you yet, I sure hope to see you soon.

## "KEEP PECKING AWAY FOR REBEKAHS"

— *With Friendship, Love & Truth  
And Fraternal Hugs to all,  
Kathi Picanco,  
President,  
Rebekah Assembly of Washington*

## THE GOOD NEWSLETTER

*I think that I shall never see  
A lodge that's all it ought to be.  
A lodge **that has no empty seat**  
Whose Noble Grand has many to greet.  
A Lodge whose members never speak  
And none is proud, but all are meek.  
Where gossips never paddle lies  
Or make complaints or criticize.  
Where all are always sweet and kind  
And all to other's faults are blind.  
Such a perfect lodge there may be  
But none of them are known to me.  
But still we'll work, pray and plan  
To make our lodge the best we can.*

## In Oak Harbor

# Acorn Theta Rho #79

## HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY TO OUR REBEKAH SISTERS!

Last month we welcomed our Advisor home, so we are busy again.

We delivered 60 Easter baskets to one of the local nursing homes and also participated in the annual Holland Happening Parade. The night before the parade we had a sleepover at the hall with girls from the Spunky Bluebirds Theta Rho Club.

This month we will be delivering Mothers' Day cards to the local nursing home and painting the ladies' nails for them. They always enjoy this.

We are also planning another swim party.

Since we missed having articles in the last two newspapers, we are not sure if we reported that we have initiated three new members. We are excited to have these new members.

We are starting to work on our assignments for the Theta Rho Assembly Sessions in Yakima. It will be here soon. We are looking forward to the time with girls from the other clubs.

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

## ~ In Memoriam ~

• **Joan Patricia Yenny**, 86 years old, 25 year member, Narcissa Rebekah Lodge #2 in Walla Walla.

*We Will Miss Our  
Brothers & Sisters*

# From the desk of the Assembly Secretary

## MEMBERSHIP IS A HOT TOPIC

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our Grand Assembly Sessions are just a few weeks away and the Heads of the Units are busy getting their Session plans finalized.



MARCIA  
PRESLEY

It seems that each year there are declining numbers in our attendance and representation from our Rebekah Lodges in the Jurisdiction. At the Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association Meeting in Idaho last month, our Jurisdiction is not alone. Every meeting that I attend, from Sovereign Grand Lodge, International Association of Rebekah Assemblies, Grand Assembly Sessions in Washington and other Jurisdictions,

District Meetings and my own Rebekah Lodge meetings, the topic is *membership*.

Membership, Membership, Membership — that is the question. How do we get new members? We were asked by the Membership Chairman from SGL-IARA to try and replace ourselves with a new members. Just think, if we did this, our membership would double. *Try, try, try* again to do this.

## A BUSY MONTH OF MAY

May is Visual Research Foundation Month and, Friday, May 5 is the deadline for Education Foundation Scholarship applications. Also, a number of people will be involved in the Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. The ceremony will take place again this year. We were told that last year would be the last time that our Fraternal Order would be given permission to participate in this awesome event. Thanks go out to all those who helped this happen.

## THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

I would like to thank the members of all of the Rebekah Lodges for their generous donations this year to the projects of our Order and our own Jurisdictional

*Thank You*  
*Brothers & Sisters*  
*For All*  
*Your Donations*

Projects. I know the expenses just keep going up, but you have all been very generous.

I leave you with this:

## TAKE TIME

*Don't wait until tomorrow,  
What you can do today,  
For you may not get a chance to utter words  
You meant to say.  
If you'll take time to visit someone  
Who is in great need,  
It will make them so happy  
That you've done a golden deed.  
Just a smile may be all it takes  
To show your love is from the heart,  
And you will be long remembered  
Though you may be far apart.  
Take some time to show God's Love  
By showing others that you care,  
And you will be truly blessed  
With the happiness that you share.*

— With lots of Rebekah Hugs,  
In Friendship, Love and Truth  
Marcia Presley,  
Past President, Secretary

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**GIRLS AND SEND AS A CLUB GROUP.**

## *In Walla Walla*

# Narcissa Rebekahs #2

### PRAYING FOR A CURE

Jeanne Elder, Narcissa's Noble Grand, opened the Tuesday bi-monthly meeting at 2 p.m. Under New Business, she called on Jeanine Griffin who was waiting to speak.

Jeanine told the story of a brave little girl, Julianna Saylor of Walla Walla. When she was 8-years-old, Julianna's family learned she had an inoperable brain tumor. After 30 radiation treatments, the family took her to London to pursue an experimental program. Julianna's care was not financed by insurance. A campaign was started to pay her medical expenses

Jeanine worked many hours at a week-long fund-raiser yard sale. Almost \$50,000 was donated. The amount increased to \$100,000 through fund drives in Walla Walla. Our lodge made a generous contribution. We will continue to follow the family's updates on the website, "Julianna's Journey — Praying for a Cure."

### RECALLING 9/11

Jeanne Elder asked Robertta Hunt to recall her experience as a traveler in Washington, D.C. on 9/11, 2001. Robertta and a friend were watching television in their room. A breaking news bulletin flashed on the screen. As they watched, two airliners crashed into the World Trade Center Twin Towers in New York City. Like most people, they ran outside to learn what happened. They heard a third airplane had crashed into the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia.

A woman from the FBI told Robertta they had to evacuate their hotel. She drove them to her home in Falls Church, Virginia where they called relatives and reported they were unharmed. Later when the All Clear sounded, Robertta and her friend returned to their hotel. Family members wanted them to board the next train home. But they were determined to finish the tour. Their travel agent made sure they visited all the sites on their itinerary.

— *In F., L. & T., Shirley Ruble, Reporter*



Tom Epling and Alex DeGoede served up wonderful hamburgers at the Trinity and Golden Rule Burger/Bingo Night on April 8.



Musician Jeanine Griffin opens and closes the Narcissa Rebekah meetings and accompanies members as they sing. She also plays the piano for services at Eastgate Seventh-Day Adventist Church and the VA Medical Center. Jeanine was instrumental in staging a fund-raiser for a local 8-year-old girl with a brain tumor.

## *In Napavine*

# Trinity Rebekahs #179

### FRIENDSHIP DAY

Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 will be having their Friendship Day on Thursday, April 27, at noon for lunch. The meeting follows at 1 p.m.

Trinity Rebekah Lodge #179 and Golden Rule Odd Fellow Lodge #207 put on a Burger/Bingo night on April 8, and it was a very fun night for all. It was reported that there were 42 people in attendance for dinner and Bingo. It was a fun night for everyone.

Tom Epling was our burger cook, along with his son Alex DeGoede. Barb Epling and Sandy Beene served potato salad and baked beans. Nobel Grand Scott Anderson was our wonderful Bingo caller for the night with the assistance of Tom and Alex. Scott Guenther was checking winners along with Alberta Luurs. Everyone seemed pleased with their prizes and the Rebekahs and Odd Fellows were happy with the results being a profit.

At our regular meeting we honored Evelyn Neumann with her 60 Year Jewel. It has been a pleasure to have her in our organization.

On May 6, 2017 we will be having a 100th birthday party for Helen Petrie from Trinity. The party will be at Woodland Village in Chehalis, WA from 1 to 3 p.m. At her party we will have the honor of presenting her with her 65 Year Jewel.

Our next event will be a bake sale at Sweeny's Ace Hardware in Napavine on Friday, May 12 to assist sending our Representative to Assembly.

Here's wishing a happy Mothers' Day to all our Rebekah Sisters.

*In F., L. & T. and also a Hug, Alberta Luurs, Reporter*

## News from the Capital City

# Olympia IOOF Lodge #1 Ruth Rebekah Lodge #17

### HAPPY MAY DAY!

Did anyone leave flowers on you front porch and run away? Those fun traditions are slowly dying out it seems. Here in the Capital City we are trying to maintain the long-established traditions of our Order — Friendship, Love and Truth.

On Wednesday, May 24 we will again be sponsoring a BBQ in conjunction with the Little Red School House. This is a fund-raiser started by one of our deceased members, PJ Fluetsch, to help raise money toward coats and school supplies for local children. If you are interested in joining us, please contact any member of Olympia #1. Tickets are \$10 each.

Ruth #17 combined our efforts with Olympia #1 to host an Easter Egg Hunt at the Puget Beach Park. This pot luck event is always a lot of fun, rain or shine. The Easter Bunny made a magical appearance for hugs and pictures, and there was no shortage of candy and prizes. We're not sure who enjoyed it more — the children or the adults.

Several members of Ruth #17 joined with members from Kapowsin Rebekah Lodge #241 to honor 60 year member Jenny Cole. We met at the Adult Care home where she lives for birthday cake and the privilege of presenting her with her 60 Year Jewel. Jenny has been a great example of Rebekah love, and has mentored many of us in the traditions of our Order.

On Monday, May 29, we will again present a Memorial Day Celebration at the Cemetery on Cleveland Avenue. Please join us as we honor those who have given so much to insure our freedoms. Several of us will be gathering on Saturday morning at 9 a.m. to place flags at the gravesites of all veterans who are buried on our grounds. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring your children and/or grandchildren to help and to spend some time talking with them about what our military means to us. The ceremony on Monday will start at 12:30 p.m. and will be followed by hot dogs and soft drinks.

As we look forward to summer we will be spending more time at our Puget Beach Park and appreciating the heritage our forefathers left to us

During the months of June through September, we will have our first meeting of the month at the beach kitchen/lodge. Feel free to bring a picnic dinner and come early for some time to visit and enjoy looking at the water. We are truly blessed.

— *Fraternally in Friendship, Love and Truth,*  
Cathy Garcia, Reporter



Assembly President Kathi Picanco, along with members of Kapowsin Rebekah Lodge #241 and Ruth #17, meet to celebrate Jenny Cole's 96th birthday and present her with her 60 Year Veteran Jewel. They also presented Lorraine Kramer with her 70 Year Veteran Jewel.

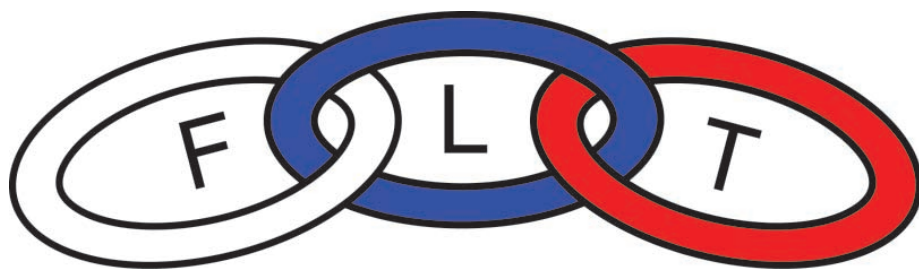


Preparing for the big Easter Egg Hunt in Olympia are, from left, Kris Samuelson, Cathy Garcia, Earlene Carlson, Laurel Delony, Diane Devoe, Mickey Turner and Frank Wilson. Also present at the event, but not pictured, were Joanne Balmert, Joe Picanco and Kathi Picanco.



There was plenty of candy and prizes at the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Puget Beach Park in Olympia on Saturday, April 15.

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**ALIMUS I.O.O.F. LODGE #15**

**Meets At:** 301 NW 2nd St., Goldendale, WA 98620. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Michael Goodwin, PO Box 1346, Goldendale, WA 98620. **Ph:** (509) 261-0881. **Sec'y:** Tammie Cook, PO Box 853, Goldendale, WA 98620. **Ph:** (509) 261-1647

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

**Meets At:** Ballard IOOF Hall, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Bob Duniway, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 781-4610. **Sec'y:** Nora Carria, 1706 NW Market St., Seattle, WA 98107. **Ph:** (206) 781-4610

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

**Meets At:** 10116 N. 185th St., Bothell, WA 98011. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** John Buell, 11318 8th Ave. NE, #D, Seattle, WA 98125. **Ph:** (206) 601-5701. **Sec'y:** Lillian Lathrum, 9300 W. Mall Dr., #A304, Everett, WA 98208. **Ph:** (206) 795-8910

**BREMERTON FRIENDSHIP IOOF LODGE #145**

**Meets At:** DAV Hall, 2315 Burwell St., Bremerton. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Greg Hulet, 1035 NW Huckle Dr., Bremerton, WA 98311. **Ph:** (360) 692-8919. **Email:** cocktobec@hotmail.com. **Sec'y:** Michael Scheurich, C/O 1052 SE Deep Lake Rd., Port Orchard, WA 98367-7531. **Ph:** (360) 731-0975 (Home & Work)

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

**Meets At:** 120 So. Cedar St., Buckley, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Doug Smith, 25327 155th St. E., Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (206) 335-6783. **Email:** dug1027@gmail.com. **Sec'y:** Holly Houser, PO Box 777, Buckley, WA 98321. **Ph:** (253) 720-4489. **Email:** hollyh@comcast.net

**BUCODA REBEKAH LODGE #144**

**Meets At:** 101 E. 7th, second floor, Bucoda. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Mashelle (Shelly) Patrick, PO Box 44, Bucoda, WA 98530-0044. **Ph:** (360) 278-3188. **Sec'y:** Lou Ann Hoffman, 305 S. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531-4010. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717

**CLOVER LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #54**

**Meets At:** 10116 NE 185th St., Bothell, WA 98011. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Anca Hale, 10408 NE 190th St., Bothell, WA 98011. **Ph:** (425) 482-6376. **Sec'y:** Linda Lindgren, 21827 2nd Ave. SE, Bothell, WA 98021. **Ph:** (425) 877-1534

**DES MOINES I.O.O.F. LODGE #305**

**Meets At:** IOOF Hall, 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** John Otterstrom, 6405 Isaac Ave. SE, #E. Auburn, WA 98092. **Ph:** (253) 740-8038. **Sec'y:** Morgan Hicks, 21921 Marine View Drive South, Des Moines, WA 98198. **Ph:** (206) 824-9276

**EOLA REBEKAH LODGE #63**

**Meets At:** 120 So. Cedar Street, Buckley. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Kendra Frogge, 11115 73rd Ave. E., Puyallup, WA 98373. **Ph:** (253) 370-2723. **E-Mail:** Ladyfrog35@aol.com **Sec'y:** Karen Hoylman, 2252 Ventura Ave., Enumclaw, WA 98022-9257. **Ph:** (360) 825-3554. **E-Mail:** KarensKastle@aol.com

**FALL CITY I.O.O.F. LODGE #59**

**Meets At:** 4217 - 337th Pl., Fall City. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 p.m. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** P.T. Harper, 917 - 212th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA 98074-6719. **Sec'y:** Florence Harper, PO Box 507, Fall City, WA 98024-0507. **Ph:** (425) 392-3013

**FALL CITY REBEKAH LODGE #59**

**Meets At:** 4217 - 337th Pl., Fall City. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., Noon. **NG:** Arlene Workman, 280 SE Dorst St., Issaquah, WA 98027. **Sec'y:** Mary E. Harper, 917 - 212th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA 98074-6719. **Ph:** (425) 836-4871

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**GOLDEN RULE I.O.O.F. LODGE #207**

**Meets At:** 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Phill McDaniel, PO Box 520, Salkum, WA 98582. **Cell Ph:** (360) 880-1111, **Home Ph:** (360) 985-2821. **Sec'y:** Tom Epling, PO Box 1223, Napavine, WA 98532-1223. **Cell Ph:** (360) 219-5582, **Home Ph:** (360) 748-8365

**HUNTERS I.O.O.F. LODGE #216**

**Meets At:** Hunters IOOF Lodge, 4945 Hwy. 25 S., PO Box 44, Hunters, WA 99137. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Bill Floyd, PO Box 44 Hunters, WA 99137. **Ph:** (509) 690-2350. **Sec'y:** Regina Sundeslen, PO Box 129, Hunters, WA 99137. **Ph:** (509) 342-8897

**ILWACO I.O.O.F. LODGE #118**

**Meets At:** 106th & 1st St., Ilwaco. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 pm. **NG:** Joyce Benson, PO Box 4, Ilwaco, WA 98624-0004. **Sec'y:** Fred Molsby, PO Box 4, Ilwaco, WA 98624-0004. **Ph:** (360) 642-4510

**KAPOWSIN REBEKAH LODGE #241**

**Meets At:** Elk Plain Grange, 21817 Mountain. Hwy. E., (Hwy. 7) Spanaway. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Nichi-Lynn Berry, 41 Beverly Dr., Lakewood, WA 98499. **Ph:** (253) 588-1278. **Sec'y:** Lorraine Krammer, 8915 - 107th St. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. **Ph:** (253) 582-2856

**LONGVIEW REBEKAH LODGE #305**

**Meets At:** IOOF Hall, 400 S. Pacific Ave., Kelso, WA 98626 **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 10 am. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Cynthia Washington-Mattson, 2602 Ocean Beach Hwy., Longview, WA 98632 **Ph:** (360) 703-3917. **Sec'y:** Adrienne Galvez, 1010 Oak St., Kelso, WA 98626 **Ph:** (360) 425-9793

**LORRAINE REBEKAH LODGE #289**

**Meets At:** 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA 98198. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Dolf-Hubert "Tedd" Swanson, 106 - 10th St. NE, #226, Auburn, WA 98002-4066. **Ph:** (253) 833-6528. **Sec'y:** Betty Young, 26501 - 128th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98030-7980. **Ph:** (253) 631-5503

**MONTEROSE REBEKAH LODGE #46**

**Meets At:** Toledo Fire Station, 150 N. Second St., Toledo, WA 98591. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 12:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug., **NG:** Virginia Erckenbrack, 316 Tennessee Rd., Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 508-4215. **Sec'y:** Kay Pratt, PO Box 267, Toledo, WA 98591. **Ph:** (360) 520-3228

**MONROE I.O.O.F. LODGE #156**

**Meets At:** 610 So. Lewis, Monroe, WA 98272. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Darrell Ridlow. **Sec'y:** Aloha Zurluh, 21714 Old Owen Rd., Monroe, WA 98272. **Ph:** (360) 794-8338

**MT. CONSTITUTION I.O.O.F. LODGE #88**

**Meets At:** 112 Haven Rd., East Sound, WA. **Time:** Every Wednesday, 7:30 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Robin Kucklick, 394 Buckhorn, East Sound, WA 98245. **Ph:** (360) 376-2501. **Sec'y:** John Olson, PO Box 1286, East Sound, WA 98245. **Ph:** (360) 376-8007

**MYSTIC REBEKAH LODGE #168**

**Meets At:** DAV Hall, 2315 Burwell St., Bremerton. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Beverly Pry, 1205 Fox Run NW, Bremerton, WA 98311. **Ph:** (360) 340-2161. **Sec'y:** Florence Cowdery, 1052 SE Deep Lake Rd., Port Orchard, WA 98367-7531. **Ph:** (360) 876-1819

**NARCISSA REBEKAH LODGE #2**

**Meets At:** Washington Odd Fellows Home, 534 Boyer Ave., Walla Walla. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 2 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Patricia Newell, 205 S. Clinton, #6108, Walla Walla, WA 99362. **Ph:** (541) 971-0433. **Sec'y:** Barbara Trvrz, 805 Wauna Vista Dr., Walla Walla, WA 98362. **Ph:** (509) 525-2735

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

**Meets At:** Olympia IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia, WA 98501. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Mark LaVack, 3135 Slater-Kinney Rd. NE, Olympia, WA 98506. **Ph:** (360) 430-9929. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 4400, Tumwater, WA 98501. **Ph:** (253) 468-1949.

**OAK I.O.O.F. LODGE #291**

**Meets At:** Odd Fellow Hall, 721 SE Barrington Ave., Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Mon., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Alyce A. Lane, PO Box 985, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 279-1412. **Sec'y:** Jeff Hunziker, PO Box 245, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 610-6876

**OAK LEAF REBEKAH LODGE #254**

**Meets At:** Odd Fellow Hall, 721 SE Barrington Ave., Oak Harbor, WA. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Wed., 6 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Allison Stewart, PO Box 958, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 720-8773. **Sec'y:** Mary Stewart, PO Box 958, Oak Harbor, WA 98277. **Ph:** (360) 632-9231

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

**Meeting Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Rockne Johnson, **Ph:** (425) 359-8799. **Sec'y:** William Wade, 63631 NE 194th Pl., Gold Bar, WA 98251-9125. **Ph:** (360) 677-2221

**PINE BURR REBEKAH LODGE #300**

**Meets At:** Highway 12 & Brim Rd, Onalaska. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Mashelle (Shelly) Patrick, PO Box 44, Bucoda, WA 98530-0044. **Ph:** (360) 273-3188. **Sec'y:** Lou Ann Hoffman, 305 S. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531-4010. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717

**RUTH REBEKAH LODGE #17**

**Meets At:** IOOF Hall, 405 Columbia St. SW, Olympia. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Diane Devoe, 1715 - 11th Ave SW Olympia, WA 98502. **Ph:** (360) 943-5987. **Sec'y:** Cathy Garcia, 5010 - 103rd Ave. SE, Olympia, WA 98513. **Ph:** (360) 701-5896 (Cell), (360) 413-7014 (Home)

**SALMON BAY REBEKAH LODGE #217**

**Meets At:** 1706 NW Market St., Seattle (Ballard). **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs, 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Genie Coston, 2312 S. 128th St., Burien, WA 98168. **Ph:** (206) 550-7818. **Sec'y:** Betty Young, 26501 128th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98030. **Ph:** (253) 631-5503

**SKOOKUMCHUCK IOOF LODGE #129**

**Meets At:** 101 E. 7th St., Bucoda. Mailing Address: PO Box 131, Bucoda, WA 98530. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Fri., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Louann Hoffman, 305 S. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531. **Ph:** (360) 736-6717. **Sec'y:** Kelly Hughes, PO Box 182, Bucoda, WA 98530-0182. **Ph:** (360) 402-1684.

**SO. TACOMA REBEKAH LODGE #160**

**Meets At:** 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Joanne Balmert, 15010 Silcox Dr. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. **Ph:** (253) 209-0167. **Sec'y:** Holly Houser, 514 Lafayette St. S., Tacoma, WA 98444. **Ph:** (253) 720-4489

**SO. TACOMA I.O.O.F. LODGE #211**

**Meets At:** 5424 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA 98406. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Wed., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Bob Martin. **Ph:** (253) 961-4062. **Sec'y:** Brenna Wadsworth **Ph:** (253) 224-8947

**SILVIA I.O.O.F. LODGE #38**

**Meets At:** 116 W. Marcy Ave., Montesano. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues, 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Ray Martinson, 921 Brook Dr., Montesano, WA 98563. **Sec'y:** Laurel Delony, PO Box 39435, Lakewood, WA 98496. **Ph:** (253) 983-7619

**TITUSVILLE I.O.O.F. LODGE #34**

**Meets At:** 728 S. 225th St., Des Moines, WA. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7 pm. **Recess:** None. **NG:** Christina M. Brannon, 25915 - 177th Place SE, Covington, WA 98042-5829. **Cell:** (253) 886-6311. **Sec'y:** Edmond L. Reitan, Jr., PO Box 337, Kent, WA 98035-0337. **Ph:** (253) 854-3254

**TRINITY REBEKAH LODGE #179**

**Meets At:** 111 W. Washington St., Napavine. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Thurs., 1 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Elayne Novotny, 2608 Eureka Ave., Centralia, WA 98531. **Ph:** (360) 623-9041. **Sec'y:** Alberta Luurs, 497 State Hwy. 505, Winlock, WA 98596. **Ph:** (360) 219-7629

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

**Meets At:** Barberton Grange #571, 9400 NE 72nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665 **Time:** 1st & 3rd Tues., 7 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Jordan Vernon, 22301 NE 83rd St., Vancouver, WA 98682. **Ph:** (360) 518-9560. **Sec'y:** Theresa Martin, 8315 156th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98682. **Ph:** (360) 356-4346

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

**Meeting Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 7:30 pm. **Recess:** July, Aug. **NG:** Harry Jester, 3904 NE 122nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98682. **Ph:** (360) 773-2419. **Sec'y:** Joyce Gilson, 527 NE 6th Ave., Camas, WA 98607. **Ph:** (360) 823-8187

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

**Meets At:** 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima. **Time:** 2nd & 4th Tues., 8 pm. **Recess:** June, July, Aug. **NG:** Chad Quesnell, 206 W. Walnut Ave., Yakima, WA 98902. **Ph:** (509) 453-3093. **Sec'y:** Tom Cox, 610 Pleasant Ave., Yakima, WA 98902. **Ph:** (509) 452-0910

**YELM REBEKAH LODGE #296**

**Meets At:** 203 - 3rd St. SE, Yelm, WA. **Time:** 1st & 3rd Mon., 1:00 pm. **Recess:** June, July. **NG:** Bebe Jackson, PO Box 1261, Rainier, WA 98576 **Ph:** (360) 894-4360. **Sec'y:** Carol Moline, PO Box 253, Roy, WA 98580. **Ph:** (253) 843-3154.

## Is your Lodge Card okay???

Many of the Lodge Cards appearing in this month's edition received updates, such as new Noble Grands, addresses, phone numbers, etc. If you find any errors, please let the Grand Lodge Office know as soon as possible so we can make the necessary corrections in the next edition.

# From your 2016-17 Grand Patriarch

## GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND PATRIARCH

I have been having a busy month getting in my Encampment Visitations and Installing Officers.

On March 10 I had a lovely visit with the Kent Encampment, who hosted dinner at Red Robin after for the Grand Musician and PGP Greg Powers and me after the meeting. It's in the social hours outside of meetings that we get the opportunity to get to know each other better, and I encourage all of us to find the opportunity to spend time together before or after meetings.

On April 4 I had the opportunity to attend my delayed visit to Unique Unified Encampment #32 in Spokane. They put together a lovely meal before the meeting and had gifts for the Grand Matriarch and me! Unfortunately, the Grand Matriarch was unable to attend our postponed visit (our planned trip in March was snowed out).

On April 6 I had the opportunity to perform the Installation of Officers at Alpha Encampment #1 in Olympia. They had a delicious dinner before the meeting. They have many activities lined up for spring.

April 9 was a very busy night! My home Encampment, Ballard #76, installed most of our officers. Our incoming CP, Genie Coston, was unable to attend, so we reinstalled our CP from last year as her surrogate until she can attend and be installed. We had a delicious dinner before installation and a ceremony installing the charter for the Kremlin Khuzar of the Noble Order of Muscovites of Washington! Many of the Patriarchs from Ballard attended the Odd Ball in Portland last year and had the honor of being the first to receive the Muscovite Degree, as well as having enough members to establish our own Grand Kremlin in Washington. After the charter was installed, we celebrated with Moscow Mules as the ceremonies for the evening were over.

The Installation for Kent #15 has not happened at the time of this report, but they did a joint installation with Kent LEA #15 and Mt. Angeles LEA #88. I plan to have attended.

I want to thank everyone for their support this year and encourage all Patriarchs to attend Grand Encampment Sessions on Wednesday, June 28 at 1:30 in the afternoon (hot on the heels of Grand Lodge Sessions!). Please make sure to sign up and enjoy the company of the Patriarchs of the Grand Encampment and Matriarchs of the LEA for their Dinner Installation at 5 p.m.

*In Faith, Hope and Charity,  
Nora Carria,  
Grand Patriarch of the  
Grand Encampment of Washington*



On April 3, Grand Patriarch Nora Carria visited Unique Unified Encampment #32 in Spokane. Front row, from left, are: June Loder, JPCM; Yvonne Hauge, CM; Linda Bradley, SW; Selma Lindor, Treasurer; Sandra Moon, PGM; and Katherine Thompson. In the back row, from left, are: Nora Carria, GP; and Tim Moon, GJW.



Grand Patriarch Nora Carria installed officers of Alpha Encampment in Olympia on April 6. Front row, from left, are" Laurel Delony, PGM; Kathy Picanco RA President; Stu Carlson, PCP; and Greg Powers, Grand Musician, GEW and PGP. In the back row, from left, are: Dave Delony; Duard Fyffe, GHP, and GM; Joe Picanco, Grand Marshall; Frank Wilson, PGP; Brian Brewer, Grand Inside Sentinel; Toby Hanson, PGP; and Nora Carria, GP.



Founding Czar of Kremlin Khuzar, Kanjin Cederman; and Founding Grand Duke Greg Powers presenting the framed Charter of the Washington Grand Kremlin.



## Eggs featured in ArtWalk

These are photos from the Ballard ArtWalk on Thursday, March 16 featuring artist Mylinda Sneed giving a workshop on making Pysanky Eggs at the Ballard Alki Odd Fellows Lodge #170.

## Installation in Ballard

Mot of the Ballard Encampment #76 officers were installed on April 9. In the first row, from left, are: Kanjin Cederman, Past Grand Chaplin; Greg Powers, Grand Musician, GEW and PGP; Michael Douglas, Grand Outside Sentinel; Karen Lindquist, PCP; Nora Carria, GP; and Mylinda Sneed, our newest Patriarch as of March, 2017. In the second row, from left, are: Bob Duniway, HP; Toby Hanson, PGP; and Frank Wilson, PGP. In the top row, from left, are: Brian Brewer, Grand Inside Sentinel; and Katie Gray, SW.



Ballard Alki Odd Fellows participate in Ballard ArtWalk on the third Thursday of every month. For the March 16 ArtWalk, IOOF Lodge #170 hosted a Pysanky Workshop.

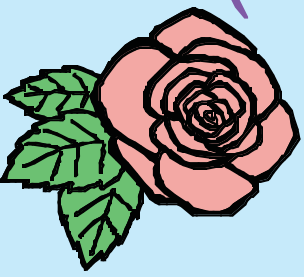


Pysanky is the Ukrainian style batik wax resist method of egg decorating, using multiple layers of dying and decoration to create intricate designs.



Mylinda Sneed taught the Pysanky workshop on March 16. She has been creating and sharing the art of Pysanky for more than 20 years.

Mother's Day



Day

Don't Forget

Mom

Sunday,  
May 14

## PGR Bruce Kenyon passes away in Jan. 17

Bruce Kenyon, Past Grand Ruler for Grand Junior Lodge of Washington, passed away on January 27, 2017. Bruce was a member of Bothell IOOF Lodge #124. Bruce was born August 30, 1939 in Gary, South Dakota, the son of Myron A. and Ruth Jerde Kenyon. The family moved to Redmond, WA in 1942. Bruce graduated from Lake Washington High School and Everett Community College. He joined the United States Marine Air Reserve and was honorably discharged in 1962. He was active in the Redmond Jaycees.

A 66 year veteran of Odd Fellows, Bruce first joined the Junior Odd Fellows of Redmond Lodge #325, at age 12. Bruce served as an officer in Redmond Lodge nearly every year until its closure. He was Noble Grand in 1959, 1960, and 1962; Vice Grand in 1961; and Secretary in 1963. After the closure of Redmond Lodge, he transferred to Bothell Lodge #124, which became his home lodge for the rest of his life, serving as an officer nearly every year.

In addition to serving as Grand Ruler for Grand Junior Lodge of Washington, he was a Past Grand Chaplain for the Grand Lodge of Washington, and a past Representative for his home lodges.

Bruce was very proactive at an early age. He encouraged local youth to join Junior Odd Fellows, and organized trips to visit other Junior Lodges in California. At one such gathering, he met his wife Cheryl, and they married on July 13, 1963. Together they raised two children, owned and operated NAPA Auto Parts in Carnation, WA, and performed decades of service as an Odd Fellow.

Bruce is remembered for his positive attitude in the face of adversity, and his unwillingness to “have a bad word for anyone.” He was adept at facilitating cooperation and promotion of Friendship, Love and Truth, providing an example to those around him.

Bruce Kenyon about the time he served as Grand Ruler.



BRUCE KENYON

MEMORIAL  
*Day*

Monday,  
May 29, 2017

## From your Wardens

# Now is the time to plant gardens & bring new members to our Order!!

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters!

May is here. If you haven't planted your garden for the year yet, now is the time. Similarly, if you haven't asked anyone to join your lodge recently, now is the time. One of the challenges of asking people to join is knowing who to ask. This month's article gives some good suggestions for knowing who to ask.



### *Finding New Members*

The pool of potential members includes almost everyone. That's a lot of people to ask to join your lodge. Narrowing that group down to a manageable size will help focus your recruitment efforts. The best place to look for new members is in other organi-

zations or groups. Members of other groups have already made a commitment to that group which means they're the type of people who will have an interest in possibly joining another group.

### FIND CIVIC-MINDED PEOPLE

The first group of people who are good to approach are civic-minded people like police officers, fire fighters, and city council members. This suggestion comes courtesy of our Grand Master. They've already demonstrated a high degree of interest based on their occupations. Every lodge should be actively engaging with those groups to get new members. After all, we belong to an organization which has had lodges in our communities for the better part of a century, in most cases.

Telling other people who care about that community that they would be welcome as members is a great way of getting them to join. If your local police or fire department has a public event or meeting, bring members of your lodge to the event. Wear shirts or hats with the Three Links on them to raise visibility. Tell them about your lodge's history of community involvement and let them know that you'd love to have them be a part of that. The same goes for open comment periods at your city or town council meetings. Show up and let your civic leaders know you exist and you'd welcome their involvement.

### FIND THE "JOINERS"

The next group of people who are good to approach are members of other fraternal orders. Every area has at

least two different kinds of lodges. Send one of the other groups in town a letter inviting them to a social function at your lodge and offering to attend a social function at theirs. This is a great way to find common projects and events that you can do together for your community. Building those connections to other community groups allows them to see what you do in your lodge and can be the best way of demonstrating why they should join. Those people have already shown an interest in being part of a fraternal order, which makes them ideal people to become Odd Fellows and Rebekahs.

### YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Another group of people to make contact with to gain new members are youth organizations. Every town or community has at least one group like 4H, FHA, FFA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc. Those groups frequently need support like money, time, and a place to meet. Building bridges with those youth-oriented community groups will get you in touch with the parents of those kids who may well be open to joining your lodge. It also gives the kids positive impressions of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs which will follow them throughout their lives.

This is just a small sampling of ways to find new members. I would encourage you to be creative in finding new sources of members. Jaycees age out of their organization at 40 and would probably enjoy an invitation to join a new group to belong to. The local Chamber of Commerce is a potential source of new members as business owners frequently want to make connections within their communities. Go out to various public events and ask around. Many people may decline your invitation to join the lodge, but every one who says "yes" is someone who wouldn't be a member without your efforts!

### REWARDING CHALLENGES

Getting new members can be a challenge, but it's the most rewarding challenge we face as Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. If you have any questions or need some guidance on networking with other groups, feel free to contact me. You can email me at [iooftoby@gmail.com](mailto:iooftoby@gmail.com) or give me a call on my cell phone at (206) 245-8207. I'll be happy to give you as much help as I can.

Next month we're going to look at some ways of keeping your current members happily engaged in your lodge's activities.

— In F., L. & T.,

*Toby Hanson and Jennie Reed*

# 2017 Grand Lodge Of Washington Grand Sessions

## ~ *Registration Form* ~

### June 23 through 28, 2017

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

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Highest current or past title) (Unit of the Order attending)

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Emergency Contact (Name & Number) \_\_\_\_\_

**SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

**6:00 p.m. Theta Rho Banquet**

*(Adults only. Girls use Theta Rho Registration Form)*

Italian Buffet (Jumbo Lasagna / Parmesan Chicken)

Adults \$23.00 \_\_\_\_\_

*Banquet Theme: Disney*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

**4:00 p.m. Past President's Meeting / Banquet**

Chicken Florentine **OR**

Stuffed Pork Roast *(Circle One)* \$22.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**MONDAY, JUNE 26**

**7:30 a.m. Grand Master's Breakfast**

Country Buffet \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**7:30 a.m. President's Breakfast Buffet**

Executive Continental \$12.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**6:00 p.m. All Branch Banquet**

*Banquet Theme: "Old West." Entertainment*

Texas Gold Rush Buffet;

Chicken and Ribs \$21.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

**7:00 a.m. TaNaMaKa Breakfast Buffet**

Country Buffet \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**7:30 a.m. IOOF Representatives' Breakfast Buffet**

Executive Continental \$12.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**

**7:30 a.m. Rebekah Representatives Breakfast Buffet**

Yakima Buffet \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**5:00 p.m. ENC / LEA Dinner Installation**

Baked Salmon **OR** \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Marsala *(Circle One)*

**Early Registration Prior to June 1** \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

*Must be post marked by June 1, 2017*

**Late Registration after June 1, 2017** \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2017 Grand Sessions

## Hotel Reservation Information

Make your room reservations directly with the Hotel  
**Fairbridge Inn & Suits & Conference Center**

1507 N. 1st St., Yakima, Washington 98901

**Phone: (509) 248-7850 • Fax: (509) 576-4940**

*Be sure to mention that you are with the  
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Please provide the hotel with the following information: Arrival & Departure Dates, Room Type (King or Queen),  
Number Staying in Room, Any Special Needs/Requirements

Rates are:

**\$77 Single and Double • \$87 Triple • \$97 Quad**

*Plus Applicable State and Local Taxes*

**Cut-off date for these rates is June 1, 2017**

# Advertising in the Grand Sessions Program Booklet

The Grand Lodge Host Committee, as in years past, is accepts advertisement(s) for the 2017 Grand Sessions  
Program Booklet to help offset the costs of publishing and distributing.

The advertisement charges are:

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

All advertisement bills must be paid to the "Grand Lodge Host Committee" prior to them being placed into  
the program. Deadline for submission is June 1, 2017

**Please make checks out to: Grand Lodge Host Committee**

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**JOE OR KATHI PICANCO**

**3020 LANGRIDGE AVE NW, OLYMPIA, WA 98502-4478**

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Please include the following with your ad:

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Thanks in advance for your support.

— *Fraternally, Joe and Kathi Picanco, Grand Lodge Host Committee*

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# L.J. Jones Scholarship winners revealed

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Scholarship for boys. He is the grandson of Ray Maddott, a member of Golden Rule Odd Fellows Lodge #207 in Napavine.

This year 12 lodges submitted 14 names of graduating



## *Duard's last visitation*

Grand Master Duard Fyffe's last official visitation of his term was to Mt. Constitution IOOF Lodge #88. From left are: Robin Kucklick, Past Grand of Mt. Constitution; Nora Carria, Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Washington; Bill Gincig, Treasurer of Lodge #88; Toby Hanson, Grand Warden; John Clancy, Noble Grand of Lodge #88; Duard Fyffe, Grand Master; and Piper Fyffe, Secretary of the Theta Rho Assembly of Washington and Oregon. The photographer was Fred Enge, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

seniors with five completing applications. Rebekah Vice President Cathy Garcia oversaw the judging process.

Donations to the L.J. Jones Scholarship Fund are always welcomed and appreciated. The committee thanks all who were involved with this annual scholarship and commends individual lodges that provide scholarships to assist local youth further their education.



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