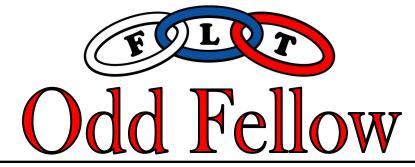
# Oregon Pacific



**July 2019** 

Volume 126

No. 7

#### **Coming Events**

July 5-7......Weekend with the President and Grand Master at Jesse T. Jones Campground

July 6.....Jesse T. Jones Park Board Meeting

July 21......All Degree Day..Jesse T. Jones Campground

July 27......Joint Reception..Milwaukie

Aug. 17-18.. Youth Days.. Winston Salelm, NC

Aug. 19-23..SGL / IARA..Winston Salem, NC

In childhood the daylight always fails too soon—except when there are going to be fireworks;

and then the sun dawdles

intolerably on the threshold like

a tedious guest .. ~ Jan Struther



# You are Cordially Invited to a Joint Reception

Grand Master, Gordon Corda Grand Lodge of Oregon



President, Merrilea Manning Rebekah Assembly of Oregon



Grand Patriarch, Michael Guerreiro
Grand Encampment

Saturday July 27th at 1:00 pm

Samaritan Lodge Hall 10282 SE Main Street, Milwaukie, OR Casual Dress

## Grand Master Gordon Corda

Happy Birthday America! Let's all have a safe and fun holiday.

As we have started the journey around our star, my first month has been both exciting and eventful. I enjoyed my official visits to Samaritan Lodge No. 2, my home lodge and Woodlawn Lodge No. 171. Thank you for the meals and fellowship.



It was exciting to have so many members at the All Committee Meeting, and to see how everyone worked so hard together to get the committees up and running. Keep up the good work, I see a bright future.

The Washington Grand Sessions were June 21st - 26th. I was honored to represent The Grand Lodge of Oregon at this session. Congratulations Grand Master Toby Hansen for the great job you have done this year. Along our way, in July, I invite any and all to the Jesse T. Jones campground for the annual Grand Master's and President's weekend of July 6th. This is a great time to meet and greet YOUR Grand Officers and enjoy the fun filled energy of your fellow brothers and sisters. Please come to Florence to witness our first annual flag raising by the Portland Cantons. This year's parade will continue our tradition with the great energy that everyone brings to it.

Get ready to bring your candidates to Heceta Lodge No. 111 on July 20th and remember all help is appreciated. On July 21st Canyonville is having their big picnic and welcomes all brothers and sisters to join them.

You are all invited to the Grand Master, President and Grand Patriarch's joint reception on July 27th at 1 pm. It's being held at Samaritan Lodge No. 2 in Milwaukie. See you there!

In FL&T,
Gordon Corda, Grand Master.

#### **Grand Master's Itinerary**

July 5-7...Jesse T. Jones Campground Holiday Weekend July 6.....Heceta No. 111..Florence..7 pm July 27....Joint Reception..Milwaukie..1 pm

I watched them tearing a building down, a gang of men in a busy town; with a ho-heave-ho and a lusty yell they swung a beam and the sidewalk fell. 1 asked the foreman: "Are these men skilled, and the men you'd hire if you had to build?" He gave a laugh and said: "No indeed! just common labor is all I need. I can easily wreck in a day or two what builders have taken a year to do!" And I thought to myself as I went my way, which of these roles have I tried to play? Am I a builder who works with care, measuring life by the rule and square? Am I shaping my deeds to a well-made plan, patiently doing the best I can? Or am 1 a wrecker, who walks the town, content with the labor of tearing down. ~ Unknown

Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms should be a convenience store, not a government agency.

~ unknown

#### OREGON PACIFIC ODD FELLOW

Member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows International Press Association



Published by

THE GRAND LODGE OF OREGON

ESTELLA VIRGIN, Editor

JOYCE CLARK Editor

POSTMASTER, change of address should be sent to OREGON PACIFIC ODD FELLOW

3202 SE Holgate, Portland, OR 97202

Published Monthly

OREGON MEMBERS: \$6.40 per year of each member's per capita dues Pays for this paper.

OTHER PERSONS Subscription Rate: 8.00 per year in the U.S. Canadian addresses, payable in advance.

ALL NEWS ARTICLES, ADDRESS CHANGES, DELETIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS
SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO: OREGON PACIFIC ODD FELLOW
3202 SE Holgate, Portland, OR 97202 E-mail: assistant@oregonioof.org

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL OF THE PRECEDING IS RECEIPT AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS BEFORE THE 14TH DAY OF THE PRECEDING MONTH.

# Assembly President Merrilea Manning

I hope everyone was able to stay comfortable and hydrated during the heat wave that hit us the first part of June.

When so many Lodges go dark during July and August, I hope you take the initiative to contact



members who cannot easily get out and about much. Our own Junior Past President, Denice Meeuwsen, just recently curtailed her summer plans with a terrible fall as well as Joan Scheer. Please include them in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

The All Committee Meeting held at the Grand Lodge Office on June 15<sup>th</sup> had a great turn out. It was awesome to see so many Sisters and Brothers working and planning together for the good of the Order.

I hope to see many of you at Jesse T. Jones Park in Florence the weekend after the 4th of July. There are many fantastic activities planned for the whole family!

I would also like to extend an invitation to everyone to join the Grand Master, Grand Patriarch and I at our Joint Reception on July 27th being held at 1:00 pm at Samaritan Lodge Hall in Milwaukie. I just recently heard the menu and everything sounds delicious! Please come and help us celebrate!

In Friendship, Love & Truth, Merrilea Manning, Rebekah Assembly President

#### President's Itinerary

July 5-7....Jesse T. Jones Campground..Florence July 27.....Joint Reception..Milwaukie..1 pm



# I am Old Glory



I Am Old Glory: For more than nine score years I have been the banner of hope and freedom for generation after generation of Americans. Born amid the first flames of America's flight for freedom,

I am the symbol of a country that has grown from a little group of thirteen colonies to a united nation of fifty sovereign states. Planted firmly on the high pinnacle of American faith my gently fluttering folds have proved an inspiration to untold millions. Men have followed me into battle with unwavering courage. They have looked upon me as a symbol of national unity. They have prayed that they and their fellow citizens might continue to enjoy the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, which have been granted to every American as the heritage of free men. So long as men love liberty more than life itself; so long as they treasure the priceless privileges bought with the blood of our forefathers; so long as the principles of truth, justice and charity for all remain deeply rooted in human hearts, I shall continue to be the enduring banner of the United States of America.

- Marine Master Sergeant Percy Webb, 1933

# **Numbers to Post**

0 0 0				
Grand Lodge Secretary		(503) 236-9300		
	Cell	(503) 319-5159		
	E-mail	grandsecretary@oregonioof.org		
	Website	http://www.oregonioof.org		
Grand Master		gcorda77@gmail.com		
	Phone	(541) 305-5757		
RA President				
	Phone	(503) 317-1704		
Rebekah Assembly Secretary		Cell (541) 556-7426		
	Home	(541) 942-9341		
	E-mail	lemahoule@yahoo.com		
Oregon Pacific Odd Fellowassistant@oregonioof.or				
Jesse Jones Campground(541) 997-7546				
•				

E-mail.....oddfellowspark-j@live.com

# **Grand Secretary's Corner Ron Kunze**

Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to thank all of the members who took their Saturday and came to the Grand Lodge office for the All Committee Meeting. We got a lot accomplished. With several new members on committees this was the perfect opportunity to get to



know one another and set the course for the term. Thank you for taking your personal time for this.

By now all Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges have received a donation request letter from the Holgate Board of Directors and the Staff here at the Holgate Center. Please read this letter in it's entirety in open Lodge. If you are able to donate then please forward your check to the Grand Lodge office. From there I will forward it to the Holgate Center. We can certainly use any assistance we can get. Thank you in advance for any donations you can send.

Lodges that go dark during July and August please remember to authorize your Treasurer to pay the bills during this time.

In less than 45 days I will be traveling to North Carolina for the annual Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions. If anyone would like me as your representative to bring up anything at all please let me know. I have heard over and over again how we would like this or that changed but if I have not heard from you then of course you will be unheard so please send me anything in writing you would like brought up during the communications. I will bring a report back to you in the fall.

Have a great summer.

In F L & T, Ronald L Kunze, Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Oregon, I.O.O.F.

If any Lodge wants to link their website to the Grand Lodge website, they can create a link or button on their website using the following address:

http://www.oregonioof.org/

# From the Desk of the Assembly Secretary Mary Houle'

Happy summer everyone,

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer weather and keeping in touch with each other.

Before I forget to tell you, I will be out of contact July 28<sup>th</sup> to August 11<sup>th</sup> for our family vacation.



The Heads of the Order Reception is on July 27<sup>th</sup> at the Samaritan Lodge in Milwaukie beginning at 1:00 PM. I hope to see you there.

Remember that International Association of Rebekah Assemblies is coming up in August. Sessions are in Winston-Salem North Carolina this year, so if you are planning to attend get your registration in. Don't forget to submit Living Legacy, Drug Prevention, Community Service and Scholarship information to SGL so that you can receive the certificates you have earned. The forms are in the I.O.O. F. News.

Lodge secretaries, I have not received all of the per capita dues so please get yours in if you have not already done so.

Have a wonderful July and be safe!

Fraternally,
Mary Houle', Secretary
Rebekah Assembly of Oregon

Grand Lodge Office will be closed Monday July 1st - Friday July 5th In an emergency Grand Secretary Ron Secretary

### Grand Patriarch Michael Guerreiro From the Holgate Board of Directors

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July! I hope everyone has their reservations in at Jesse T. Jones Park, it is going to be a big weekend. See the Park's Facebook page for the holiday happenings over the



weekend. Bring your decorations for the Patriotic Parade happening Saturday.

Don't forget, every Encampment needs to start collecting socks for next year's sessions. We need every Encampment working to help the homeless with new socks. Let's see if your Encampment will top Paran's impressive 600 pair donation this year.

I will begin visiting Encampments that meet in July and August plus I hope to see many of you at the Joint Reception on July 27<sup>th</sup> at Samaritan Lodge Hall at 1:00 pm.

If you haven't already made your reservations at Jesse T. Jones Park for Labor Day weekend, the time to do it is now as the park is filling up fast! The Grand Encampment and friends will be serving breakfast on Saturday, Sunday and Monday to raise funds for a project at the park. Also, on Saturday night there will be a BBQ potluck with Grand Secretary, Ron Kunze cooking the chicken and ribs, he does a great job. This is free to those who bring a dish to share with others. If you cannot bring a potluck dish, we will ask for \$5.00 per person with all proceeds going to the park. We will also have a 50/50 drawing with the winner announced at breakfast on Monday morning. Have a great summer, everyone.

In Faith, Hope & Charity Mike Guerreiro, Grand Patriarch

#### **Grand Patriarch's Itinerary**

July 18....Golden Rule..7:30 pm...Milwaukie July 27.....Joint Reception..1 pm.. Milwaukie Aug. 14....Heart of the Valley..7 pm..Corvallis

"Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad." - Miles Kington

We are hard at work directing the ins and outs of your Holgate Center during the restructuring phase. This phase is going well. With Director Dane Jensen at the helm we are moving very fast at restructuring. Many changes have been made. Dane is doing a great job of running the Center and I would like to thank him for his hard work. I also want to thank CFO John Lauka. With John managing the finances of the Center we have seen a tremendous turn around in a positive manner. In the August OPOF we will be announcing the next term election results. As chairman of the Board I am personally asking you to please make any donations you can to the Holgate Center. We appreciate all of the Lodges for considering doing this. Members can make personal donations, just make them out to the Grand Lodge and send them to the Grand Lodge office, on the memo line put Holgate Center. All donation no matter how small are appreciated. Thank you.

In Friendship, Love & Truth, Ronald L Kunze, Chairman Holgate Board of Directors

Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream.

It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same. — Ronald Reagan

#### **Welcome New Members**

Peninsula Odd Fellow Lodge No. 128

Eleanor LeClair Elisabeth Westbo

Graham O'Brien Johnson

Radha Rogers

Robert Farquhar

Steven Coleman

Tina Miller

Samaritan Odd Fellow Lodge No. 2

Jason Brown

Alisha Rusher

### **News From Jesse T. Jones Campground**

The weather is warm, the sand smooth, and we are getting a good start on the summer. Check out the WEB page and Facebook to see what is going on down here at the park.

Please, if you re-booked anything last year, check in with us. We are having No Call, No Shows here at the park. This means we have really nice sites that some one else could enjoy, but if you did not cancel your reservation the site sits empty. This has a serious impact on our park revenue. We hold your site and I have to turn members away since the site is booked. Please as Odd Fellows and Rebekahs consider the impact you are having on your park. We are getting busy in the office. If you call and the phone goes to message, please leave a clear brief message and your number and I will call you back. I do not interrupt a check in, so I do not answer the phone at that time.

In FL&T, Mary



Holiday Weekend at Jesse T Jones Campground

Friday July 5th - Sunday July 7th FUN, FOOD & FRIENDSHIP

We hope to see you over the 4th of July weekend at the park. On Saturday we will have a parade and our 1st Annual Flag Raising Ceremony, 12 noon at the pavilion. Lots of other fun events, and of course our Grand Master and President will be cooking their fundraiser pancake breakfast for everyone.

# **Annual IOOF Picnic in Canyonville**

The annual IOOF picnic, hosted by Douglas No. 14 and Myrtle No. 38, will be held Sunday, July 21st at Pioneer Park, 315 S Main St. Canyonville, Oregon.

Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm, barbecue meats will be furnished, side dishes potluck. Bring your own table service. Lots of fellowship and door prizes too!

In F L T Ron Witt, Secretary

I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, that his justice cannot sleep forever. ~Thomas Jefferson

# Promoting Odd Fellowship Through Positive Communication

"Sure I wave the American flag.

Do you know a better flag to wave?

Sure I love my country with all her faults.

I'm not ashamed of that,

never have been, never will be." — John Wayne

July 20th, Registration at 9:00 am call the campground for more information

Heceta Lodge No. 111 will be hosting an All Degree Day on Saturday July 20th. Registration starts at 9 am. Lunch will be served. Contact Mary or DeAnn if you plan to attend. You must have your secretary contact us or present a letter from your secretary verifying you have been approved for membership.

# **Edlyn Hayden Awarded the Meritorious Service Jewel**



At Assembly in May, Beulah of Albany awarded the Meritorious Service Jewel to our one and only Edlyn Hayden. She also received her 70 year Veterans Jewel. This was the biggest surprise of her life. It took a lot of secrecy and little white lies to get her there, but it was so much fun. Thanks to Susan Jackson for my in between. This was a very much deserved award as Edlyn is always ready to do more than her fair share of everything.

*Pictured above left to right:* Susan Jackson, Allan Jackson, Edlyn Hayden, Gretta Underwood,

#### Ron kunze and John Lauka Recognized for Their Hard Work



At Grand Lodge Session Grand Master EV Smith presented Grand Secretary Ron Kunze and CFO John Lauka with an award recognizing their outstanding commitment and dedication to the Holgate Center in their time of need.

# **News From the Pilgrimage for Youth Committee**

Great strides have been made in preparing to reboot the Oregon Odd Fellow and Rebekah Pilgrimage for Youth Scholarship program. We have selected our topic for the essay which is: **Describe a current world affair and explain how this impacts your community in Oregon.** 

In June we mailed letters to every Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodge to be read in an open meeting. Most of the information you will need to sponsor a Pilgrimage Delegate is in the mailing. This information should be given to the members in your lodge who are working to find qualified delegates for the 2020 Pilgrimage tour.

We suggest you start your search by looking at the web sites of schools in your area. This should give you the names of an Administrator, Counselor or Teacher most likely to support you in finding students to compete for this program. Call the school and ask for one of the staff members, and make an appointment to meet with them to share all the information about this program. Be sure to share a brochure, the age, essay and speech requirements including the scoring sheets so they will have a good understanding of all this program offers to their students. But don't stop with your local public schools, think about local private schools and home school groups and contact them as well, these groups may be even more receptive to the benefits of this great program.

Some members have found delegate candidates at their church, in local youth groups and scouting organizations. All members need to think about young people in their family and neighborhood too, just remember they must be Oregon residents to compete in the Oregon program.

We must leave no stone unturned so we can offer this great opportunity to deserving students from all over Oregon.

If the letter has not yet been read in your lodge, ask your Secretary to read it and then give you a copy of all 5 pages and get started now in finding our Delegates for the 2020 Pilgrimage for Youth tour!

"Flag of the free, fairest to see, flag of the brave, long may it wave." unknown

### Rebekah Assembly and Grand Lodge Sessions in Seaside



**Installing Theta Rho Advisors** 

Theta Rho President Bethany Struthers

presenting RA Pressident Denice with a gift

### Installation of Rebekah Assembly and Grand Lodge Officers at Sessions



Award Friendship, Love & Truth











# UPDATE YOUR LODGE CARDS



#### **Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly Boards & Committees**

		1	•		
Odd Fellows Holgate Center Board		Community Connection Committee		Oregon Eye Committee	
Dan Lykins, PGM	4 year	Chris Ladd	3 year	Lisa Corda	3 year
Gary J. Kniss, PGM	3 year	Gary V. Hahn, PGM	2 year	Alisha Rusher	2 year
Jody Morris, PGM	2 year	xxxxxxxx	1 year	Bonnie Tomski	1 year
Jeff Blades	1 year	Kimberly Walters	3 year	Joyce Steiner	3 year
Lloyd Fries D. G. Master	,	Lindarose Conner	2 year	Gretta Underwood	2 year
Sharon Magden	3 year	XXXXXXXXX	1 year	Edlyn Hayden	1 year
Brenda Spence, PP	2 year	Additional	1 year	Baryii Hayacii	1 year
Sheryl Rohde, PP 1 year		Continuing Education Seminar Committee		Oregon Pacific Odd Fellow Editors	
Marlene Gray Assembly VP		Xxxx xxx 3 year		Estella Virgin	
Walletie Gray / Issembly VI		KC Carr, PGP	2 year	Joyce Clark, PP	
Friendship Fund Board of Directors		Sheryl Rohde, PGM	1 year	Joyce Clark, 11	
Gary Hahn, PGM	3 year	Lisa Corda, PGP	3 year	Pilgrimage for Youth Commit	**
Babe Bogeart, PP	2 year	Xxxx xxxxx	•	Term begins September 1-Expir	
Robert Worthington, PGM			2 year	Cyndi Smith	_
Estella Virgin	1 year	Xxxxx xxxx	1 year	·	3 year
Liz Adams	3 year		. in .	Joyce Clark, PP	2 year
	2 year	Grand Master and President's F	und Raiser	Jody Morris, PGM	1 year
Jackie Anderson	1 year	Shirley Mathews, PP		Genee Heinz	3 year
r mr ollen b	1 70 1	Denice Meeuwsen, PP		Patty Fries, PP	2 year
Jesse T Jones Odd Fellow Park Board				Inez Kennedy	1 year
Steve Skinner 5 year		Information Technology Committee:		Hester Solseng, RA Warden	
Mike Guerreiro	4 year	(Website)	2		
Dave Martinson 3 year		Michael Manning	3 year	Representative to NW OF / R Association	
Willard Wallace	2 year	Melinda Walter	2 year	Stephen Craig, Grand Warden	
Larry Burian	1 year	David Scheer	1 year	Hester Solseng, RA Warden	
Edna Parshall	3 year	WebmasterKevin Guilford			
Lisa Corda	2 year			Seek Qualified Candidates	
Kathy Creason	1 year	Jurisdictional Joint Youth Com		Sheryl Rohde, PGM	
		Xxxx xxxx	3 year	Gary Clark, PGM	
Grand Lodge Trustees		Leon Houle'	2 year		
Rich Smith	5 year	Steve Cross	1 year	Statewide Degree Team:	
Gary Clark, PGM	4 year	Janet Schumacher	3 year	Allan Jackson, PGM	4 year
Kenneth Carr, PGP	3 year	Rhoda Davis, PP	2 year	Bob Worthington, PGM	3 year
Allan Jackson, PGM	2 year	Darrelin Schlim	1 year	David Scheer	2 year
Sheryl Rohde, PGM	1 year	Hester Solseng, RA Warden	1 year	Steve Cross	1 year
		Stephen Craig, Grand Warden	1 year		
Rebekah Assembly Trustees				Statewide Meeting Committee	2
Inez Kennedy	3 year	Membership Chairman		Patricia Fries, PGM	3 year
Sande Maxwell	2 year	Stephen Craig, Grand Warden		Sharon Magden, PP	2 year
Joyce Clark, PP	1 year			Joyce Clark,PP	1 year
		Morand Scholarship Fund Com	mittee	Robert Worthington, PGM	3 year
Arthritis Foundation Committee		Tim Dehne	3 year	Brenda Spence, PP	2 year
Jerry Broaddus	3 year	Bruce Haney	2 year	Vickie Beaver, PP	1 year
Flo Leis	2 year	Delbert Kennedy	1 year		•
Dan Lykins, PGM 1		Jackie Anderson	3 year	Advisors to all Committees an	d Boards
Patti Winklebleck, PP	3 year	Donna Blades, PP	2 year	Ron Kunze, PGM, Grand Sec	
Kathy Lake	2 year	Shirley Mathews, PP	1 year	Mary Houle', PP, Assembly Se	
C II 1 1	1			,, ,, ,	/

Gretta Underwood

1 year

The Grand Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows 3202 SE Holgate Blvd. Portland, OR 97202



Nonprofit Organization
U.S. Postage
PAID

Portland, OR

Permit # 2200

Change Service Requested

OREGON PACIFIC ODD FELLOW					
REBEKAH CHANGES					
3202 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland, OR 97202					
Change $\Box$					
Dropped ☐ Deceased					
-					
Name of Member					
Old Address					
CityStateZip					
New Address					
CityStateZip					
Lodge Name					
Lodge No Sec					

LODGE CARD UPDATE
Include Area Code in Telephone Numbers

SEND TO GRAND LODGE: 3202 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland, OR, 97202

E-MAIL: assistant@oregonioof.org

Lodge Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge #\_\_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Place Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Days \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Recess Months Of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Lodge E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Noble Grand's Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) E-mail \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SEND MAIL TO: (Mailing Address for Lodge Business):

\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_

Lodge & Secretary Name\_\_\_\_\_

Street or PO Box