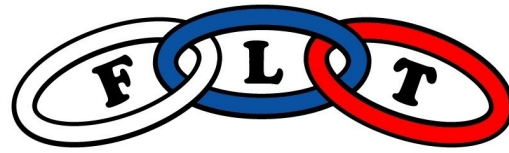


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~ Coming Events ~

- Oct. 3-4.....Tillamook Annual Pumpkin Patch
- Oct. 5.....F.L. Convention..Milwaukie
- Oct. 5.....Oddtoberfest .. Tillamook Muscovites
- Nov. 1-3.....NW Odd Fellow / Rebekah Association
Yakima, WA



*The harvest moon hangs round and high
it dodges clouds high in the sky,
the stars wink down their love and mirth
the Autumn season is giving birth.
Oh, it must be October. - Pearl N. Sorrels*



International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
President Patty Heighton
and members of
Eta Theta Rho Girls Club No. 94

Grand Master Gordon Corda

Greetings Brothers and Sisters, Time flies when you're traveling. I have been to many lodges this month with more scheduled for next month. I really appreciate everyone for donating to my projects, and helping out with my travels.



I would like to share some fun facts and information about SGL. For the first time a woman, Michelle Reichart, was elected as Sovereign Grand Warden. I was honored to be there representing Oregon. Thanks to PGM Ron Kunze Grand Secretary, KC Carr PGP, and Sheryl Rhode, PGM for all their help. The sessions tackled many issues regarding our Order. We should be proud that Oregon received a plaque recognizing that we went above and beyond in helping the family from Colorado.

Eta Theta Rho was asked to seat the IARA officers the opening day and as always they did an outstanding job.

I enjoyed attending the Holgate Center County Fair and Fundraiser where I was honored to meet many residents and staff. I was one of the targets for the pie in the face, which my wife Lisa loved. Big thanks to one of the staff for trying to save me by getting her guy.

The weekend at Jesse T. Jones park went well, good job Grand Patriarch, Mike Guerreiro.

In Friendship, Love and Truth,
Gordon Corda, Grand Master



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I can smell autumn
dancing in the breeze.
The sweet chill of pumpkin
and crisp sunburnt leaves. -Author unknown

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

The All Degree Day scheduled for Saturday, October 19th in Mill City HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Assembly President *Merrilea Manning*

Grand Patriarch *Michael Guerreiro*

First, I would like to make a retraction and correction to my September article. It was ACORN of Washington that submitted and won the Theta Rho pin design. ACORN also won the Community Service Award at the Sovereign Grand Lodge Session. Last week after attending a meeting at the Holgate Center campus, I watched a squirrel scurrying around in the branches of one of the oak trees and he dropped an acorn. This got me to thinking about ACORN and all the Theta Rho Girls Clubs. The girls all start out a little nuts, but with proper care and a nurturing from their Advisors these girls grow up into strong mature women who stand tall and proud . . . much like the mighty oak tree.



I am currently working on my IARA Session report and will be sending it out soon. I wish to thank you for electing me to represent Oregon this year. I am still finalizing my visitation schedule. Now that the Lodges are back from summer break I have several lined up for October, but not all are confirmed.

I would like to remind all the Committees that after each of your meetings you are to send a copy of the minutes to the Grand Master and myself so that we can be aware of what is going on. Also if you have any questions or need help, please feel free to call.

I hope everyone takes the opportunity to send out Halloween and Thanksgiving or Thinking of You cards to Sisters and Brothers who are not able to attend meetings on a regular basis. It is always nice to receive a bright cheery note on a chilly autumn day.



In Friendship, Love & Truth,
Merrilea Manning, President

President's Itinerary

- Oct. 1.....Sylvia No. 43..Burns
- Oct. 3.....Holly No. 139..Lexington
- Oct. 13-16....Idaho Grand Lodge / Rebekah Assembly..
University Inn, Moscow, ID
- Nov. 1-3.....Northwest Odd Fellow / Rebekah Assoc.
Red Lion Inn, Yakima, WA

The leaves on the trees have started to turn, the days are getting cooler, rain has started to fall and all our Lodges and Encampments have resumed their meetings. I hope you are participating locally and looking for new members to keep our Encampments an active part of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.



Labor Day weekend at Jesse T. Jones Park was a huge success mostly thanks to members who were willing to participate in all our fund raising efforts for the Park. I personally thank everyone who came and helped by cooking, serving and clean-up for the breakfasts and the potluck supper. I especially thank Grand Secretary Ron Kunze, PGM for the delicious ribs and chicken he prepared for that dinner. He always does an excellent job and we all appreciate everything he does for the Order. The 50/50 drawing was won by Chris Ladd from Samaritan Lodge. She took home \$255.00 and I'm sure she thanks all of you who bought tickets so her winnings would be larger. I personally thank everyone who bought tickets because the proceeds benefit the Park. The total raised over the weekend that will help support our Jesse T. Jones park was \$921.00 which will be put to good use helping to make our park a wonderful place for all.

Last month I paid an official visit to Heart of the Valley Encampment in Corvallis. They hosted a very good dinner meeting which included homemade beer which really enhanced my enjoyment of the evening. I thank the members of Heart of the Valley for all their hospitality and making a difference in their community.

In Faith, Hope and Charity,
Mike Guerreiro

Grand Patriarch's Itinerary

- Oct. 2.....Paran Encampment No. 29..Grants Pass
- Oct. 11.....Willamette Encampment No. 2..Salem

Hist! and hark! Draw close and tremble
'Tis this night that ghosts assemble!" - unknown

I fear not the dark itself,
but what may lurk within in it.—unknown

Grand Secretary's Corner

Ron Kunze



Brothers and Sisters,

Fall is here. What a sudden change of weather, from very hot, to luke warm, to rain, rain and more rain.

I hope your Lodge has returned from summer break and you are up and running getting involved in your communities with all of the good things you do.



I would like to speak a bit on applications for the Eye Committee Fund. We have received applications over the past months without the required documentation. For the record, if you are seeking reimbursement for eye glasses please provide all receipts and do not try to underline, strike through or highlight a portion of the receipt. Highlighting only distorts the copy. A strike through seems to indicate you are not wanting this portion of reimbursement etc.. A simple note saying, "this is what I have for out of pocket expenses" will be enough (with the receipt of course). Just last week I had a very upset member who sent in receipts in the manner described above. When I called her to get verification as to her claim she tried over and over again to explain to me why she should get the amount she was asking. Then I find out that the reason there was an issue in the first place is because of the highlighting and strike throughs. It was so distorted that the dollar amount on the receipt was not legible to myself or the rest of the Eye Committee. So in saying this, if you want reimbursement, you need to be able to show proof that easily read and understood.

Lodge Secretaries,

By the time you receive this your 2nd half of per-capita dues for the year 2018 membership is due in the Grand Lodge office in order for your Lodge to be in good standing with this Grand body. So, if you have not yet sent the required amount due then please forward as soon as possible. If this continues to be an issue year after year with late per-capita payments then the Grand Lodge will require all Lodges to forward those payments by May 1st of every year. this year will be the deciding year, so please forward your payment to the Grand Lodge. Remember, this is money that you have collected from your members and held for those

payments.

Your online annual report link will be sent to you around the first week of December so you can start working on your 2019 report. You will not be able to do the financial section until you know your Lodge bank account ending balance, but you can and should, start on your membership section. Please call me if you have any questions.

In Friendship, Love and Truth,
Ronald L Kunze, Grand Secretary
Grand Lodge of Oregon, I.O.O.F.



News From the Holgate Center

We thank the following Lodges for their very generous donations to the operating costs of the Holgate Center: Barnum Lodge No. 7 and Samaritan Lodge No. 2. By your kind donations we were able to move forward with less expense because you stepped up to the plate. As chairman of the Holgate Board I thank you. We still need your support as we work through this challenging situation.

Ron Kunze, Chairman & the Holgate Board

"There is something incredibly nostalgic and significant about the annual cascade of autumnal leaves." -Joe L. Wheeler

Interesting Facts About the Start of Odd Fellowship in Oregon

The Odd Fellows were first established in Portland on April 8, 1853, when Samaritan Lodge was instituted. There was an "odd" accident involved in getting the Oregon chapter started. The first charter intended for Oregon was en route to Oregon City from Baltimore prior to 1852, in the custody of a sea captain. His ship experienced difficulties and arrived in Hawaii instead. That charter is still there in Excelsior Lodge No. 1, Honolulu. As a result, Oregon City received the third charter, which is held by Oregon Lodge No. 3. The first is at Salem.

From the Desk of the Assembly Secretary *Mary Houle'*



Hello everyone,

I hope all of you are enjoying fall and you are helping to make your Lodge successful. October can be a really good time for reaching out into our communities by attending fall festivals or handing out candy on Halloween at your lodge hall. By reaching into our communities it is possible to get new members.

Secretaries and Financial Secretaries---This is a reminder---When you are filling out dues cards you must have the member sign the card. Also, sign the card with your signature not your initials.

Another reminder—Please remember that if your Lodge is giving a gift to the President’s project it must be sent to the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon Secretary (that’s me) in the form of a check. Please do not create possible problems for our President by giving her cash for her projects.

Northwest is in Yakima, Washington on November 1-3. This is a great time to meet brothers and sisters from other jurisdictions. I hope to see some of you there. It is always good to visit with sisters and brothers. The registration form is in this Oregon Pacific Odd Fellow.

Fraternally,
Mary Houle’, Secretary
Rebekah Assembly of Oregon



New Rates at Jesse T. Jones Park

To All Odd Fellows and Rebekahs,

This is to inform you that here will be \$5.00 per night rate increase effective January 1, 2020 on all site rentals.

This notice is being sent out on September 7, 2019 so you will have time to qualify for the Oregon rewards program, if you belong to an Oregon Lodge.

We have heard time and time again, over this summer “when did they make that rule.” If you have not read the rules for a long time or have never read them, go to the WEB page and familiarize yourself with them. You are responsible for knowing and following your park rules.

There was a new ruling passed by the Park Board at the Labor Day Park Board Meeting. This will be added to the web page as soon as Melinda adds it to our guideline book. It reads as follows

Usage Policies: The first time a member doesn’t call or show, they will lose the first night’s fee,(no future camping or reservation will be allowed until the bill is paid) after the 2nd time they pay the first night and must **prepay** future reservations and they will be **non-refundable**.

We are also having a hard time with members not checking out at 1:00 which is CHECKOUT TIME.

If you wish to **stay past 1:00 pay the \$9.00 day use fee BEFORE 1.00**. If you stay later and do not pay the day fee you can be billed for the full amount of the site. This will make everyone's stay a more pleasant experience as we will not be up in you site telling you to go home.

Mary Green

“There is love in me the likes of which you've never seen. There is rage in me the likes of which should never escape. If I am not satisfied in the one, I will indulge the other.” — Mary Shelley, Frankenstein



“Beware; for I am fearless, and therefore powerful.”
— Mary Shelley, Frankenstein



Tillamook No. 94 is Hosting Their Annual Pumpkin Patch

On Thursday October 3rd and Friday October 4th the Tillamook Odd Fellows will be hosting students at their annual Pumpkin Patch. Almost 800 kids will visit the patch those two days, and we can always use extra bodies to keep them under control. It's a great event.

If you would like to help contact Brett Hurliman,
Phone: 503-801-4838
email: bhurliman@yahoo.com



Every day is Halloween, isn't it? For some of us.

- Tim Burton

If you are reading this,
then you are blissfully unaware of
what is creeping up behind you. -unknown



Welcome New Members

Montezuma Odd Fellow Lodge No. 50

William Brunton III

Deahnn Newborne

Denice Meeuwsen

Roseburg Rebekah Lodge No. 41

Patricia Anderson

112th F.L. CONVENTION



October 5, 2019

Samaritan Odd Fellow Hall

Milwaukie, Oregon



Inviting all Past Members

Past FL Presidents & Current Members

Casual Attire with Sparkle & Glitter

Registration: 12 Noon.

Past President's Meeting: 2pm.

Audit 3pm

F. L. Meeting 4pm

This will be our last convention.

Please attend and give F.L. a great Farewell.

Questions: 503-522-9407

If you know of a member
that is not receiving
his or her copy of the
Oregon Pacific Odd Fellow
tell them to contact the
Grand Lodge Office @
503-236-9300 or
assistant@oregonioof.org

Promoting Odd Fellowship Through Positive Communication Booooooo!

Peninsula Lodge Holds Open Meeting



On August 27, Peninsula Lodge invited our neighbors in North Portland to join us for sample Odd Fellows meeting. Twenty-eight guests joined us for the event. The meeting was opened without signs or passwords and no actual business was conducted, but each item on our regular agenda was covered and explained.

Under Good of the Order, several members shared with the guests how they contribute to the lodge and what membership means to them. Many guests asked questions and thanked us for offering them a glimpse into the day to day work of the Odd Fellows.

After the meeting, refreshments were served and entertainment was provided by LOOP, the Light Opera of Portland. LOOP treated us to a sneak peek of their regional premiere of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Princess Ida".

With the enthusiastic approval of our members and guests, the Open Meeting was declared a huge hit worthy of repeating.

Committee Members Please Read

You should be using the OPOF for monthly updates, if any. You may also want to start fundraising for your Committee.

I am asking the Lodges to think about the United Youth Groups and Theta Rho Girls Club here in Oregon. They are in need of financial help. Just this year the Sheridan United Youth Group and the Eta Theta Rho Girls Club attended Sovereign Grand Lodge sessions in Winston-Salem, North Carolina and this pretty much drained the Youth Travel Fund and the JJYC Joint Jurisdictional Youth Committees funds.

We need to continually support these youth organizations. We keep saying and hearing over and over again that the youth is our future and from what I witnessed during the Sovereign Grand Lodge sessions this is so true. I am very proud of our United Youth Groups and the Eta Theta Rho for the Fine Job that they did with running their meetings. We should all be proud.

I also want to acknowledge what a great job the Eta Theta Rho did when they escorted and seated the I.A.R.A. officers during the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies in Winston-Salem.

In Friendship, Love and Truth
Ronald L Kunze, Grand Secretary

Autumn leaves are falling, filling up the streets;
golden colors on the lawn,
natures' trick or treat! - Rusty Fischer

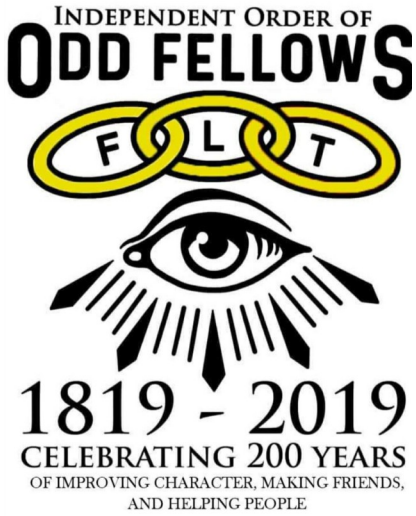
In Memoriam

Karen Steudler
Thelma Goodwin

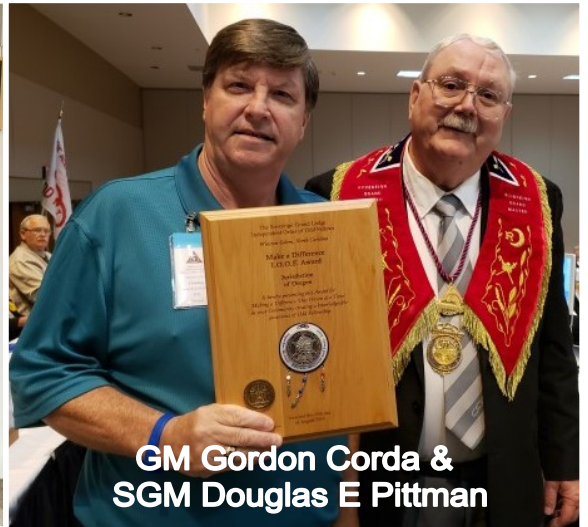
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Sheryl Rohde, PGM



GM Gordon Corda & SGM Douglas E Pittman



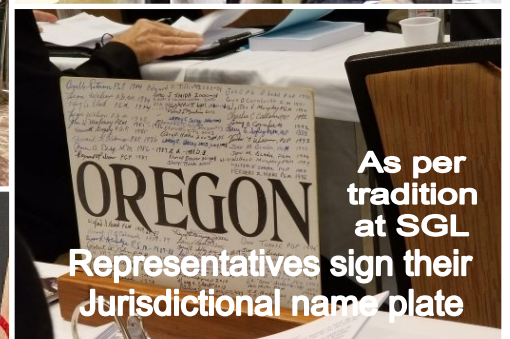
GM Gordon Corda & RA Pres. Merrilea Manning



PP Brenda Spence, RAP Merrilea Manning, PP IARA Vickie Beaver



Making history, the first female SGL Warden Michelle Heckert



As per tradition at SGL Representatives sign their Jurisdictional name plate



Grand Secretary Ron Kunze



PGP Lisa Corda, PGM Sheryl Rohde, PGP KC Carr



PGM Patty Fries & DGM Lloyd Fries



Victoria Schlim, Moira Struthers, Theta Rho PP Stephanie Wigle, IARA President Patty Heighton, Theta Rho President Bethany Struthers, Abby DeGarias and Lizzy Jones



Ken Babb presenting Eta Theta Rho via Stephanie Wigle the Educational Foundation Award



Members of Eta Theta Rho had the honor of seating the IARA Officers



RA VP Marlene Gray, FGM Robert Worthington
The thrill of Airport layovers



GM Gordon, SGM Douglas
PGP Lisa at Wildey Museum



RA Vice President Marlene Gray
RA President Merrilea Manning



Dutchy of MoosCow Odd-Toberfest



The Tillamook Muscovites will be having Oddtoberfest on Saturday, October 5th in Tillamook. Beach bonfires in the evening and plenty of cheer. We hope to see you there.

Odd-toberfest!

Tillamook Odd Fellows Lodge and the Dutchy of MoosCow invite everyone interested in the Noble Order of Muscovites to participate in the Muscovite Degree and Odd-toberfest celebration!

Need a place to stay? Call Oceanside Beach Rentals at 503-515-9933. mention that you're calling "For the life of the Tsar!" and receive a discount!

Date and Time

Sat, October 5, 2019

2:00 pm-11:00 pm PDT

Location

Tillamook Masonic Lodge

1908 2nd Street

Tillamook, OR 97141

Tickets \$20.00



The moon has awoken with the sleep
of the sun, the light has been broken;
the spell has begun. — Midgard Morningstar

A Blast From the Past... Membership Build For The Future - It Can Be Done

Every active Odd Fellow and Rebekah is well aware of our need for additional members. We must do something about our declining membership if we are to continue to exist as a Fraternity. I realize you have heard this statement again and again and yet I cannot help but feel that every member of the Order must give serious consideration to this solemn admonition.

The time has come when we must take positive action as far as this phase of Odd Fellowship is concerned. You may be thoroughly qualified to go out into your community and extol the merits of our Fraternity to prospective candidates and you may have the ability to secure the petitions of many of your friends, business associates and relatives to unite with us. But if you do not make a practical application of your talents in this respect, you have failed in your responsibility to our Order.

On the other hand, there may be some members who feel they are not as adequately versed in their knowledge of Odd Fellowship as they should be and who do not have the natural ability to sell the Order to their friends in the same manner as those mentioned above. Thus, they may hesitate to approach individuals whom they desire to secure as petitioners for our degree.

If you are among those in the first classification, may I urge you to take advantage of the talents with which you have been endowed and seize upon every opportunity to promote Odd Fellowship by bringing into our Fraternity men and women who will be a credit to our Order. You will be surprised how easy it is for you to secure many new members by simply devoting a small amount of your time to the organization of which you are a part.

On the other hand, if you are in the second category, may I suggest that you use the materials that are available in order that you may more fully understand the various phases of Odd Fellowship and thus be adequately equipped to bring to the attention of the prospective candidate the advantages of uniting with our Fraternity. May I further suggest that if schools of instruction are held in your Jurisdiction, you avail yourselves of the opportunity of attending these schools and thereby be better prepared to advance the cause of Odd Fellowship in your community.

SGM F.L. Pardee.....International Rebekah Dec. 1958



Fall 2019 Northwest

Odd Fellow / Rebekah Association Meeting

November 1st, 2nd, & 3rd

Yakima Red Lion

607 E Yakima Avenue, Yakima, Washington

Phone 1-509-248-5900

Make Room Reservation Directly With The Hotel.

Specify That It Is for IOOF Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association

Room Rates: \$109.00

Cut Off for Room Block Is Thursday October 19, 2019

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

(Please Copy If Additional Forms Are Needed)

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Pre-Registration _____ @\$30.00 Each \$ _____

Saturday Banquet _____ @\$35.00 Each \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Halloween Party

With "COSTUMES"



Make Checks Payable In US Funds To:

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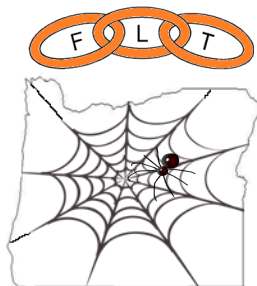
PO Box 494 McCleary, Washington 98557 ph: 360-495-3573 Cell: 360-470-0422

Registration Deadline: October 22, 2019

If you have anything for a Silent Auction to help Raise Funds for the Youth Groups of Washington and Oregon, please bring it with you.

THE YOUTH IS OUR FUTURE SO WE MUST GIVE THEM A HELPING HAND

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