

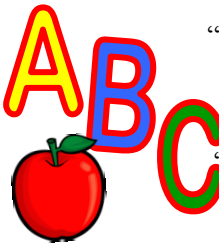
ODD FELLOW

September 2016

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~ Coming Events ~

- Sept. 2-4...J T Jones Encampment Weekend
- Sept. 10...All Committee Meeting..GL Office..10 am
- Sept. 17...Odd Fellow All Degree Day..Hahn Farm
- Sept. 18...Encampment All Degree Day..Hahn Farm
- Oct. 1.....FL Convention..Samaritan Lodge Hall
- Oct. 8.....GM & President's Fundraiser..Lebanon
- Oct 8.....Amos and Muscovite Degree Day..Bay City IOOF Hall



"Willie 'asked the teacher of the new pupil, "do you know your alphabet?"
 "yes, Miss," answered Willie.
 "Well, then," continued the teacher, "what letter comes after 'A'?" "All the rest of them," was the triumphant reply.
 ~ Pacific Odd Fellow March 1940

Hahn Farm Degree Day



9:00am Registration and Continental Breakfast

10:00am Degrees Conferred with Lunch around noon

Sept. 17-18, 2016

Hahn Farm Road, Banks Oregon

We urge everyone to bring a candidate and join us in conferring the degrees

Saturday: Reg & BrkFast 9am Degrees 10am Lunch about noon Rest of degrees	Sunday: Reg & BrkFast 9am Encampment Degrees 10am Lunch about noon PM Mustering Degree
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Grand Master *Jody Morris*

Now that summer is over it's time for many lodges to get back in the groove of twice monthly meetings. If your lodge is looking for new projects, please consider adopting a special needs classroom in your local school and/or a senior resident at Kennilworth Park Plaza on Odd Fellows Holgate Center campus. I know both you and the adoptees will benefit from the experience.



During the summer my Grand Marshal Gordon Corda and wife Lisa accompanied me to nine lodges. We so appreciate the ideas shared in round-the-room discussions, plus the meals and lodging provided. One especially memorable tour was walking through the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Coburg. It was originated in 1882. Many of the current Odd Fellows, plus some community members, volunteer to make sure the grounds are kept in good shape. Most of the headstones are inscribed with the three links. It was goose bump time for me to think about those folks who sat in the same Odd Fellow oak chairs and promoted the organization similar as we do today. I salute them with an attitude of gratitude.

While visiting Springfield Lodge No. 70, members were proud that they have paid off their loan from the Grand Lodge. It is so important that all who have borrowed funds from the Grand Lodge should be working to reduce their loan amounts before asking for more. That's just a good business practice.

When we visited Harney No. 77 in Burns, we were told that the Rebekahs joined Odd Fellows a few years back to keep the Odd Fellow lodge going. That's happened in many areas throughout the state for which we are very thankful. After all, we share the same basic tenants.

Another announcement comes from Peninsula Lodge No. 128 in Portland. They have offered to be a Neighborhood Watch location. What a great idea!

All District Deputy Grand Masters have received their paperwork and are hopefully making their plans to visit their lodges. I know that Dick Lemery of South Coast District has begun his visitations. He has emailed me with his observations. This is an excellent way to inform me what's happening where in this digital era! Keep up the good work, Dick.

If you are a state committee member, please mark

your calendar for Sept. 10 for the all-committee meeting at the Grand Lodge office. It is a great opportunity to meet your fellow committee members, establish a plan of work and develop a statement of purpose, also called a mission statement. Sometimes in the past, a committee might not have met. We want to turn that around to say that all state committees do meet and work for the good of the Order. Lunch will be served.

Another date to remember is Sept. 24, the 131st Anniversary of the Patriarch Militant Degree, also known as the military branch of Odd Fellowship. Because of the existence of this unit, we are proud to lay wreaths at the Tomb of the Unknowns—the only non-recognized military group to participate in this endeavor. It will happen again for our organization on May 5-7, 2017. It's an experience of a lifetime.

By now your lodge should have received an invitation to attend the President and Grand Master's Fun(d) Raiser, this year known as the Double J Country Fair. The fun-filled event will be Saturday Oct. 10 in the Lebanon Lodge hall from 3-6 p.m. We have a super committee making all kinds of plans for families, friends, members and prospective members. Please save the date and join us!

I look forward to visiting many more of you as we travel the road of Oregon Odd Fellowship. I am proud to be YOUR Grand Master!

God bless,
Jody, Grand Master



Grand Master's Itinerary

- Sept. 2....Covenant No. 12..Harrisburg..Heceta Lodge Hall..Florence..7:00 pm
- Sept. 2-5..Jesse T. Jones..Encampment Weekend
- Sept. 8....Philetarian No. 8..Roseburg..Lunch 11:30 am
meeting 12:30 pm
- Sept. 8...Villa No. 124..Samaritan Lodge Hall..
Milwaukie..7:00 pm
- Sept. 10...All Committee meeting..Grand Lodge Office
10:00 am..Portland
- Sept. 13...Bend No. 218 & Mt. Jefferson No. 198..
Madras Redmond Rebekah Lodge Hall..5pm

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Assembly President *Joyce Clark*

We had been spending a lot of time with Gary's family in Montana until I received a call from my sister-in-law that my brother had passed away. A flurry of phone calls texts and e-mails to and from family members followed the initial call leading us to make a quick trip back to Oregon. The service was a wonderful tribute to my brother who was not an Odd Fellow, but embodied all that our Order supports and means in the world. He was a decorated Vietnam Veteran and a retired Fire Chief and was still doing community service even as his health deteriorated up until his final day on this earth. This just enforced to me how important it is to put family first even when we have important Rebekah events to attend. I thank all the Rebekahs and Odd Fellows who attended the service and sent their condolences to me and my mother, Past Grand Matriarch Ruth Canby.



My hope is you all had a wonderful summer, and are excited to get back to doing the work of our Order as most of us have been on summer break from meetings. I am looking forward to being able to meet with all of the Rebekahs to share the information I learned at the International Association of Rebekah Assembly meetings. I will be sending out more letters to arrange for my visits later this month and I have some meetings scheduled for the upcoming weeks.

I am also looking forward to getting more information on what our committees are doing at the All Committee meeting on September 10th. If you are on any committee, please plan to attend so you can meet the newly appointed members of your committee and get started making a difference in the world of Odd Fellowship with the work of the committees of the Order.

Plans are underway for the Grand Master and President's fund raiser. You will find additional information in this paper about the Double J Country Fair. We have a great committee that will provide us with a fun-filled casual evening. I hope you will all attend and help GM Jody Morris and me raise lots of money to support the charities we have chosen for this year. Much of what we are doing will support our youth in the Order and also special needs children.

Again, I hope to see many of you at a meeting, the All Committee meeting and the fund raiser.

In FL&T
Joyce Clark, President



President's Itinerary

Sept. 1....Beulah No. 35..Albany..confirmed
 Sept. 10...All Committee Training..GL Office..10 am
 Sept. 17...Hahn Farm All Degree Day
 Sept. 20...Ethel No. 162..Sheridan..not confirmed
 Sept. 21...Eugene No. 55..not confirmed
 Sept. 24...Crater lake Area Meeting..Grants Pass
 Sept. 26...Sandy No. 193..not confirmed

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Sept. 14 ...Lexington No. 168 at Willow No. 66..
 Heppner..6:30 pm dinner..7:30 pm mtg
 Sept. 17 ...Hahn Farm Odd Fellow All-Degree Day..
 Banks..9 am
 Sept. 26....Jacksonville No. 10..Central Point No. 193..
 6 pm dinner..7:30 pm meeting
 Sept. 27....Klamath No. 137..Klamath Falls..6 pm..
 dinner..7:30 pm meeting
 Sept. 28....Golden Rule No. 78..Grants Pass..5 pm
 dinner with social to follow

Lorane Lodge Hall Gets a New Roof



Our lodge hall has a new roof and it looks great. Our next big project will be the siding, which will need to be pressure washed and prepared to apply paint. That will have to wait for a year or two.

Our IOOF cemetery fence has been repaired; caused by next door neighbors animal's eating through the fence and breaking the wooden post. We replaced the wooden posts with steel posts.

Remember September 5th we will be resuming our regular lodge meeting. Summer recess is over and now its time to take care of business.

Please bring school supplies for the local schools.

Alice Pellham

**I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day;
I'd rather one should walk with me than merely show the way.
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear;
Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear;
And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creeds,
For to see the good in action is what everybody needs.
I can soon learn how to do it if you'll let me see it done.
I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run;
And the lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,
But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do.
For I may misunderstand you and the high advice you give,
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live. ~ Author Unknown**

Grand Matriarch Susan Jackson



Greetings Matriarchs, Patriarchs, Brothers & Sisters,

I hope your summer is full of fun things to do. With a busy summer please make sure that you get some time to rest. I attended Jack Pickett's (Grand Patriarch) reception and picnic.

Congratulations to Douglas Odd Fellow Lodge No.14 who celebrated their 150th anniversary!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the campground over the Labor Day weekend.


Thought of the day:

You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give. ~ Unknown



In Faith, Hope and Charity,
Susan Jackson, Grand Matriarch

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Grand Secretary's Corner

Ron Kunze



Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to report that our 190th Annual Sovereign Grand Lodge Communication went well and we have a lot of changes that our representatives will be reporting next month. I am happy to report that the Honorable Larry W. Ferguson has been installed as our new Sovereign Grand Master and he would like us all to know that he is always available to assist us if we are in need. But please remember to use your chain of Command prior to going to him.

I would also like to mention that if you are a Committee Member of the Grand Lodge or Rebekah Assembly and you wish to resign from any Committee you are on, either by election or appointment, then you must contact either Grand Master Jody Morris if appointed or elected from the Odd Fellows or Rebekah President Joyce Clark if you were elected or appointed by the Rebekahs. We have recently had a couple of resignations from committee members and they simply contacted myself when they should have contacted Grand Master Jody or President Joyce. So please remember to contact the head of your Unit before resigning and they will in turn contact the Grand Secretary.

A lot of you are getting ready for school so I wish you a great start to a new school year.

Please keep in mind our Northwest Odd Fellows convention is coming soon on November 4th thru the 6th. Our Sovereign Grand Master, the Honorable Larry W. Ferguson will be attending and he would love to meet you all. He is a great person to chat with and I am sure if you ask him he will tell a joke or two. Also that weekend you are all invited to the General Dan Mathews Testimonial. General Dan has been installed as the head of the General Military Council so please come and help congratulate him.

Fraternally,
Ronald Kunze, Grand Secretary
Grand Lodge of Oregon

From the Desk of the Assembly Secretary

Mary Houle'



Fall is just beginning and our lodges who have been in recess are meeting again. I hope all of you have had a wonderful summer and are ready to get back to work serving our communities and our Order. I am back to work now, but please feel free to call me at any time. You may have to leave a message. I will return your calls either at my lunch time or when I get home from work.

Area meetings will begin soon and I look forward to seeing all of you at those meetings this year. If you have jewel updates or items you would like me to deliver at these meetings please let me know and I will do my best to bring them. It saves the Assembly money and I love the hugs I get when I deliver items personally.

United Nations Pilgrimage month is coming up in October and you may want to consider a fall fund raiser for this worthwhile program.

Mary Houle', Secretary
Rebekah Assembly of Oregon

Welcome New Members

Samaritan Odd Fellow Lodge No. 2

Jimmy O'Donnell Joneen Oyler



Autumn Artisans Show

Rainbow Rebekahs

The Sherwood Rainbow Rebekahs are delighted to present the Autumn Artisans Market at the Rainbow Rebekah Lodge No. 212. Friday, September 23rd from 2-8pm and on Saturday, September 24th from 9am to 4pm. Guests will be able to browse locally handmade items from several vendors at this cozy event. Hospitality and handmade are a featured attraction with a variety of local artisans, and will be our first event of the Fall season. We welcome one and all to come by and enjoy this unique event.

Come To The Double "J" Country Fair

October 8, 2016 @ the Lebanon Lodge Hall
20 East Ash Street, Lebanon
3:00-6:00 pm \$15.00 per person



Come join your Grand Master and Assembly President for a fun family time at the Double J (Jody and Joyce) Country Fair. Bring your family, friends, members and prospective members to enjoy this fun-filled event.

You will enjoy a meal, games of chance, bingo, pie baking contest and even a photo booth. You will also have the opportunity to support the projects of the Grand Master and Assembly President with some other fun contests too. Can you "carve" a pumpkin to look like one of our officers? Do you need a jar of homemade jam or jelly? You may be able to purchase some prize winning sweet spreads at this fun-filled event. How about purchasing some fall leaves from our tree to have the chance to win one of three fabulous prizes. Everyone is encouraged to bring a **HOMEMADE PIE** for judging.



We are asking all Lodges to contribute to the Grand Master and Rebekah Assembly President's projects by sending \$30.00 or more as their donation. Their projects are the Youth Travel Fund, Kenilworth Park Plaza Activity Fund, Morand Education Fund, NW Down Syndrome Assn., Theta Rho, Challenged Classroom Adoption, JJYC and Youth Groups.

Send your checks to :

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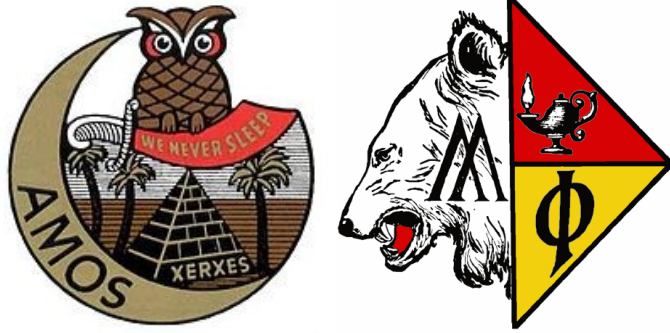
Assembly Secretary Mary Houle'
27997 Cottage Grove Lorane Road
Cottage Grove, OR 97424

To reserve your place at the fair, send \$15.00 per person to the
Grand Lodge Secretary or Assembly Secretary

Y'all Come!



AMOS / Muscovite Degree Day



ATTENTION ALL ODD FELLOW & REBEKAH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND A
MEETING ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10TH**
Coffee & Donuts 9:00 AM Mtg. 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Lunch will be provided
AT THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE
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Saturday, October 8th starting at noon, Tillamook Lodge No. 94 is going to host an AMOS and Muscovite Degree Day at the old Bay City IOOF Hall. This will be followed by a BBQ at the Tillamook Lodge.

Cost of the AMOS Fez is \$75.00

Cost of the NOM Busby is \$75.00

Initiation Fee \$25.00 Dinner \$15.00

If people want to dry camp on our property we have several acres and should be able to accommodate that. After covering our costs, all money will be donated to the local backpack program we work with feeding school children.

Please call to let us know if you can attend so we know how much food to order.

Take this opportunity to meet with your fellow committee members to discuss your ideas and goals for the coming year.

If you were asked by GM Jody Morris or Rebekah Assemly President Joyce Clark to be on one of the committes below your participation would be greatly appreciated.

- Arthritis Foundation
- Community Connection
- Continuing Education Seminar
- Friendship Fund
- Grand Master and President's Fund Raiser
- Information Technology
- Jurisdictional Joint Youth
- Morand Educational Fund
- Oregon Eye
- Representative to NW Odd Fellow/ Rebekah Association
- Seek Qualified Candidates
- Statewide Degree Team
- Statewide Meeting
- United Nations Pilgrimage
- Jesse T. Jones Park Board
- Rocky Point Resort Board

News From Jesse T. Jones Campground

We have had a great summer. We want to let everyone know to start planning for Veterans' Day weekend. All veterans including guests that are veterans stay free. We want to honor all veterans for serving our country. Heceta Lodge will also be serving a fundraiser breakfast that Saturday. Veterans eat free.

Mary and park staff.

IN MEMORIAM

Rachel Stewart
Alice Shepard
Roland Gillespie
Shirley Burch

Sylvia Rebekah Lodge No. 43
Sylvia Rebekah Lodge No. 43
Springfield Odd Fellow Lodge No. 70
Pearl Rebekah Lodge No. 47

Burns
Burns
Springfield
Lebanon



It Was a Big Busy Day in Canyonville



Sunday, July 17 was a fun-packed day at Canyonville. Three events occurred in rapid succession. The first was the 150th Anniversary of Douglas Lodge No. 14, founded May 12, 1866, which was celebrated by having a plaque unveiled at the location of the first lodge building that was built in 1866 and destroyed by fire in 1949. Charles Pickett, a sixty year member, is shown unveiling the plaque with the help of the Master of Ceremonies “Red Skelton” played by actor Peter Wickliffe from Astoria. Also pictured are those that came to witness this historic event at the present site of the Ace Hardware store in downtown Canyonville.



We then moved to the Pioneer Park in downtown Canyonville where a reception was held for the newly installed Grand Patriarch of Oregon, Jack Pickett shown here with Grand Master Jody Morris and others.



We then all enjoyed and feasted on the wonderful BBQ and side dishes that is the normal fair provided by Myrtle Lodge No 38 at this event, their Annual Summer Picnic. Some really enjoyed the BBQ'd ribs!

UNEP Delegates Return

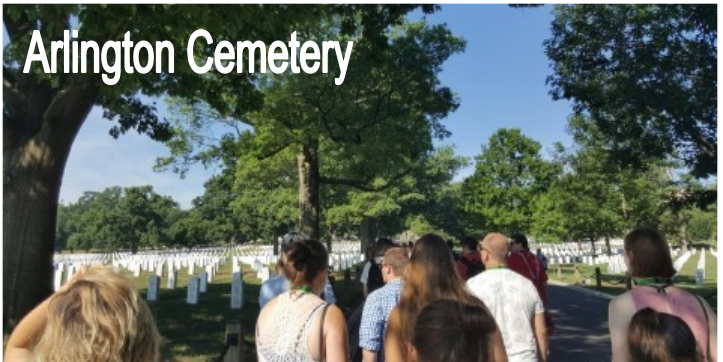
In the August OPOF, I reported about the UNEP tour as it was leaving New York. The Delegates spent the next day (Thursday, July 14th) driving north and on Friday they toured Ottawa. Saturday they headed back south and toured the Corning Glass Museum in Corning, NY. Sunday they toured Gettysburg and then drove into Washington, DC. For the next 3 days they toured Washington, DC. They spent time at the Smithsonian Museums, US Capital, Supreme Court Building, Library of Congress, and Arlington Cemetery. The Delegates also toured the memorials for Roosevelt, King, and WWII.

Their trip home was a little eventful. The day before flying home, Southwest Airlines had a problem with their computer system. Hundreds of flights were cancelled and thousands were delayed. Thursday, July 21st, the flight from Philadelphia that our Delegates were on was delayed an hour. Then, they were scheduled to fly to Chicago, but Chicago was having a weather problem. So their flight landed in Indianapolis and they waited for an hour before flying to Chicago where Southwest had held their plane. They arrived in Portland at 6:55pm, only 50 minutes late.

From everything I have heard, this was a very successful trip. The Delegates repeatedly have told me that they had a great time. I hope you are all proud of them and proud of our lodges for sponsoring this wonderful program.

As you may have heard, I have resigned as the State UNEP Director. Charles Cloud has been active at the state level for many years and he will be taking over in that position. He may use a different title, though. Internationally, the correct title is "Jurisdictional Chairman". For the past year we have discussed changing to this title and I believe Chuck will do this. But... that is for Chuck and the new committee to decide. Again, I want to thank you and applaud you for all you do.

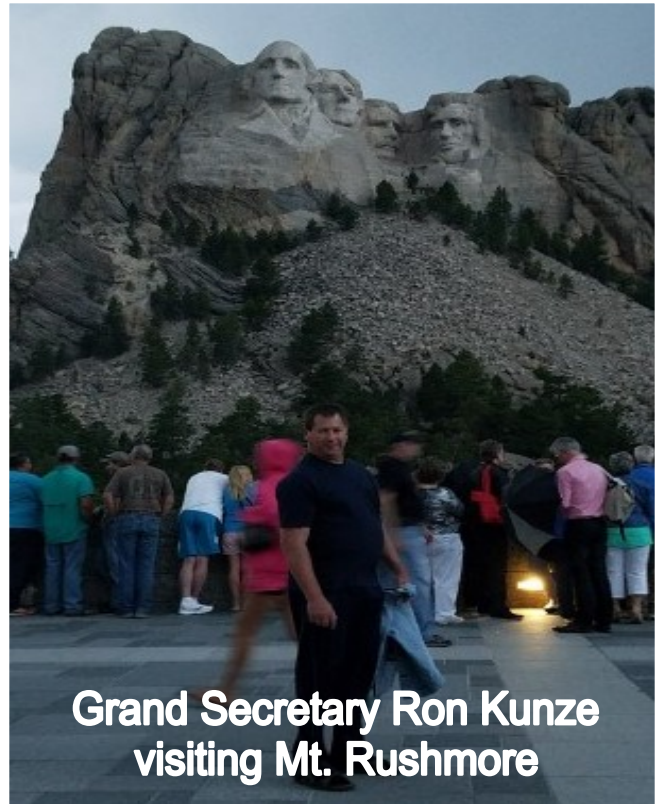
Trey Anderson
State UNEP Director



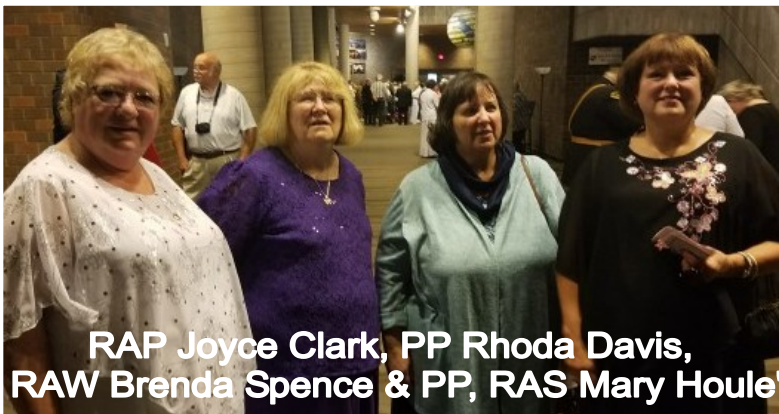
Memories From SGL



Rebekah Assembly President Joyce Clark & PGM Gary Clark Present the Oregon Flag at SGL



Grand Secretary Ron Kunze visiting Mt. Rushmore



RAP Joyce Clark, PP Rhoda Davis, RAW Brenda Spence & PP, RAS Mary Houle



Grand Secretary Ron Kunze having a stare down with the local wildlife



KC Carr & his new friend



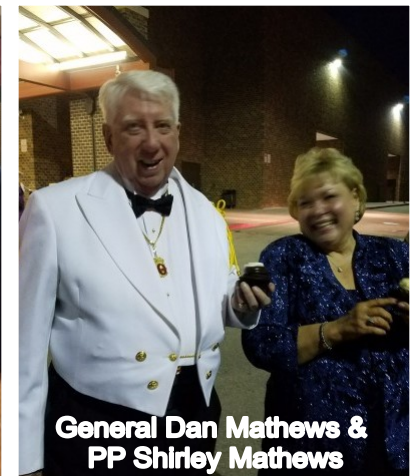
KC Carr & PGM Sheryl Rohde



GS Ron Kunze & Assembly President Joyce Clark



PGM Patty & Lloyd Fries



General Dan Mathews & PP Shirley Mathews



Testimonial Weekend Honoring
General Dan Mathews
AND
Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association Meeting
November 3 – 6, 2016



REGISTRATION FORM (please use one form per person)

Please make reservations by October 15, 2016

Name: _____ Unit of Order _____

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Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Thursday November 3, 2016

A bus trip to Multnomah Falls. The bus will load at the Hotel at 1:00 pm Free
BBQ dinner 6:00 pm. Bus leaves hotel 5:00 pm. Free



Friday November 4, 2016

Pacific North West Department Council Session at 9:00 am.
Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association Meeting \$ 15.00
Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association Banquet \$ 40.00
Chicken Marsala _____ Caraway Crusted Pork Chop _____

Saturday November 5, 2016

Testimonial Banquet and Entertainment All American Buffet \$ 50.00
TOTAL \$ _____

Overnight accommodations have been prearranged with the:

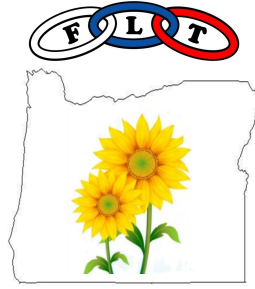
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Standard Room \$99.00 plus tax single/double occupancy
Triple occupancy \$109.00 plus tax/Quadruple occupancy \$119.00 plus tax
Special room prices are available three days prior and three days after the event dates.
Breakfast coupons are included in guest room rate. Four per room, per night maximum.
Reservations can be made beginning now and prices will be in effect until October 13, 2016
Or until the room block is filled. We advise you to book early to secure that room rate.
The Holiday Inn Portland Airport has a free shuttle service to and from the
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Please make checks payable and mail with this form by October 15, 2016, to:
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Happiness is not a state to arrive at, but a manner of traveling.
~ Margaret Lee Runbeck