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District 10 United Nations Pilgrimage Program



(Pictured l – r) BJ Allen, Clearwater Valley H.S.,
Abram Summerfield, Timberline H.S.
at the top of Rockefeller Plaza with the
Empire State Building in the background

The United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth program is alive and well in District 10. We have continued to work hard to sell our raffle tickets to cover the cost of sending a delegate on this educational adventure. For youth in our rural communities this is one of the few opportunities they have to travel and gain the experience that can only come from an opportunity of this kind.

In 2007 we were fortunate in being able to obtain funding to send two students. They had a wonderful trip and have attended several meetings in the District to talk about their experience. I have had the opportunity to talk with Abram Summerfield about his trip. One of the most remarkable things was that he really had a change of heart about the United Nations and what they do. He had a general understanding about the UN in preparation for the written test used to select a delegate. But this understanding was broadened by his actual visit to the UN and listening to the speakers at their meetings. Based on this experience his view of the UN changed and he

now understands what an important role they play in international affairs.

As a thank you to District 10 Abram put together a slide program of the pictures he took during the trip We used his DVD as part of our presentation to students about this wonderful educational experience. We will show this DVD at our District Meeting on April 12th and include a short discussion by our two participants about their experience. If you would be interested in viewing this DVD you can contact me or Christine Brown.

On February 24 the competition for the 2008 program was kicked off in Orofino at the Blue Bell Rebakah Lodge. We had a total of 6 High school students and parents attend the day's competition. As stated earlier we use a written test, and speech contest to select a winner. Pictured to the right are the 6 students who competed.

I always tell the group that the hardest part of the day has to select just one for this opportunity. I always appreciate the fact that each of these students took the time to study about the United Nations and spend part of their weekend competing. This year's winner was Andrew Blaine from Timberline High school.

We would like to say THANK YOU to the Shepherds Ladies Encampment #42 and Melba Lodge for their generous donations to our 2007 program. Additionally we would like to THANK the Jurisdiction and the Albertson Fund for their help.



Vickie Jorgenson, District 10 208-435-4234
Christine Brown 208-435-4305

Zenith Rebekahs Host President Thomas

Zenith Rebekahs # 59 of Stites hosted our President Juanita Thomas on Wednesday April 9th for her official visit.

The evening started with the dinner prepared by the lodge members. Dinner was served on the beautifully decorated tables with lots of visiting and sharing going on among the twenty four present.

In lodge the Presidents poem was read by the Vice Grand John Richardson and a large tea cup and saucer planter was positioned at his station. As he read each color of the rainbow a Past Noble Grand from the circle brought forth a flower of that color, placing it into the cup. The resulting bouquet was then presented to President Juanita.

Upon introduction the President was presented a corsage, card and monetary gift from the lodge.

The Presidents message was succinct and informational and enjoyed by all present.

Noble Grand Pearl Barden and Brother Joe Barden presented the President with a poem entitled 'The Story of The Rose', enclosing a monetary gift of the new one dollar coins.

Our desk officers Dixie Jackson and May Fogle were honored with a gift from Noble Grand Pearl Barden and the unending thanks of all members for keeping us on an even keel.

We all missed our Sister Viola Coons who has been ill. She has the necessary keen eye for decorating and was certainly missed.

A great time was enjoyed by all and more visiting was done after the meeting while we enjoyed cookies and coffee.

Respectfully submitted,
Sister Joyce Wikse, reporter

LODGES JOIN IN COMMUNITY EFFORT

In January, Syringa Lodge #110 heard that the South Central Community Action was in dire need of blankets. Peg relayed this information to the Idaho Lodge #96, Wendell and Union Lodge #45. These all thought this was a very good community project so all gave many blankets.

Every time they were taken to the office, South Central Community Action could not believe how generous Rebekahs were.

Peg Roberson, Publicity Chr.

RAMBLINGS FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY

IS YOUR UNIT INCORPORATED???

According to directions, each unit is to be incorporated with the State of Idaho. Do you fill out a report from the Secretary of State each year showing the current officers of your lodge???. If you haven't, then it is a real possibility that you have let your corporation classification lapse. You might contact the Secretary of State office and check to see if you are current if you are not sure. (Phone # 208-334-2300) It did cost approximately \$30.00 to reinstate, but you have to request the forms to fill out.

D.V.D's of "The Degrees of Our Order" are now available from the Grand Lodge for order. The cost of the 4 DVD's is \$50.00 plus S/H.

Your lodges will be receiving an update for the Funeral Aid Association and the need for the support of that section of our organization. From July through March we have lost 11 members of the Association and the membership is dwindling, so I would encourage each of you to participate.

The current updates of The Grand Lodge Constitution and By-Laws are available at the Grand Lodge office. They are 3-hole binder size. Complete with binder they are \$15.02 plus shipping & handling. The current 2007 Code of General Laws changes are also available. The cost is \$3.36 plus shipping & handling, so it would behoove the lodges to order in one bunch to save funds.

Remember, there are also Past Grand Jewels and Certificates available for the ordering as well as all other needs of the lodges. If the lodge Rituals and your Charge books are not up to date, you are not getting the job done.

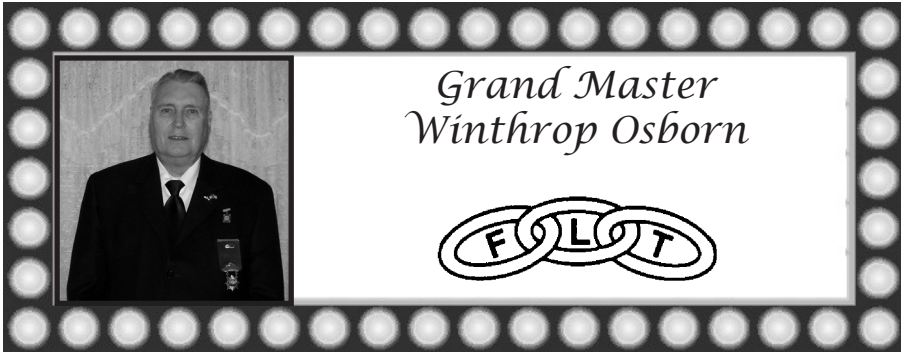
SECRETARIES, when a new member is initiated into your lodge, please send that information into the Grand Lodge so the data base can be updated. I will notify the paper and the Sovereign Grand Lodge for you. Thanks. The Directory cannot be correct if the lodges do not render information to be utilized. Also, sign them up for Funeral Aid so they can fulfill their obligation to help bury the dead.

In addition to that, please send in any changes of address, not only to the Grand Lodge office but to the Odd Fellow paper.

Remember! Only you can increase the membership.
ASK SOMEONE

Till next time,
Kenny Averill,
Grand Secretary

The Election of Officers is in December, do not wait till January to send in the results



*Grand Master
Winthrop Osborn*



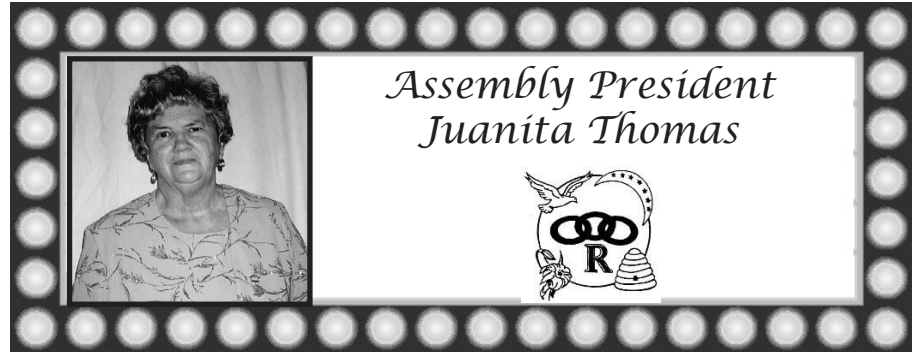
GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND MASTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Here it is spring again and I think that with the warming weather I will be meeting with the Northern lodges in the near future. So far all of my visitations have been profitable and fulfilling with some very interesting discussions, and a lot of fellowship. We are progressing well with the sale of the property at the "Home on the Hill" to Advocates Against Family Violence, Inc. I hope to have more to say about this in my next report.

In Friendship, Love and Truth

Winthrop B. Osborn
Grand Master



*Assembly President
Juanita Thomas*



Dear Rebekah Sisters and Brothers,

Here it is May already. I do see spring flowers coming through the ground.

It's hard to believe I have shared my "Cup of Friendship" with over 30 lodges. What a wonderful time it has been. Someone told me I looked like I was having fun. I am, as I truly enjoy being a Rebekah and sharing friendship with everyone.

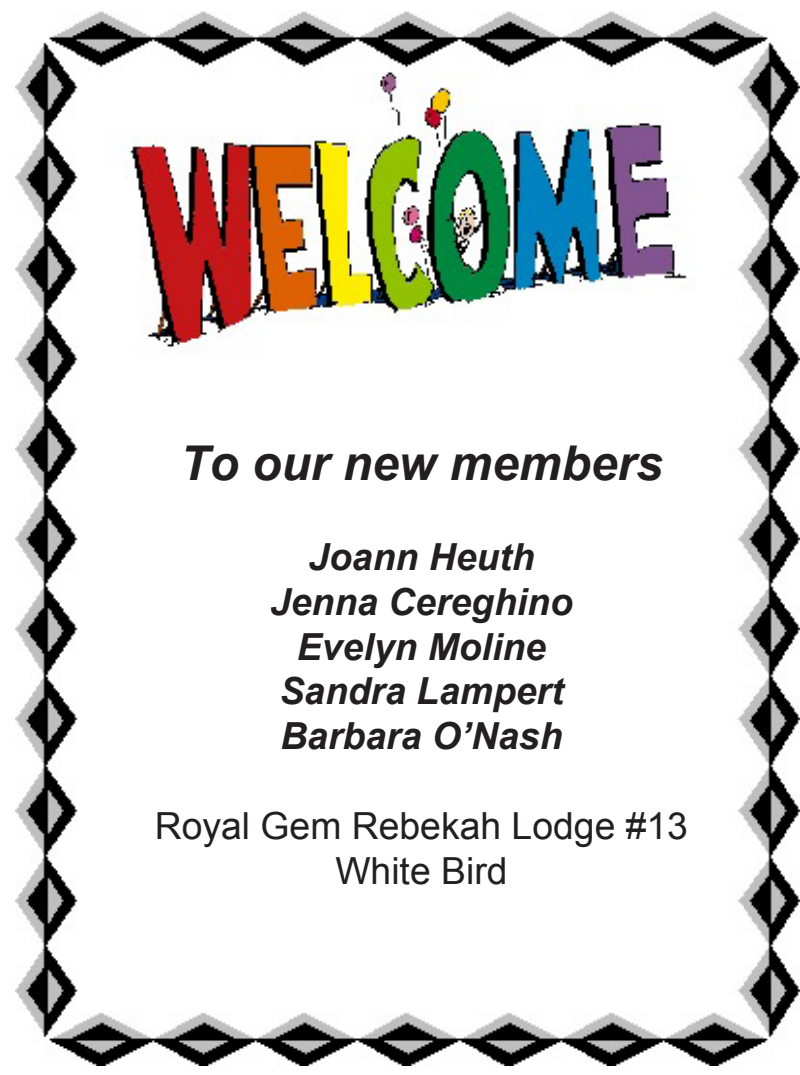
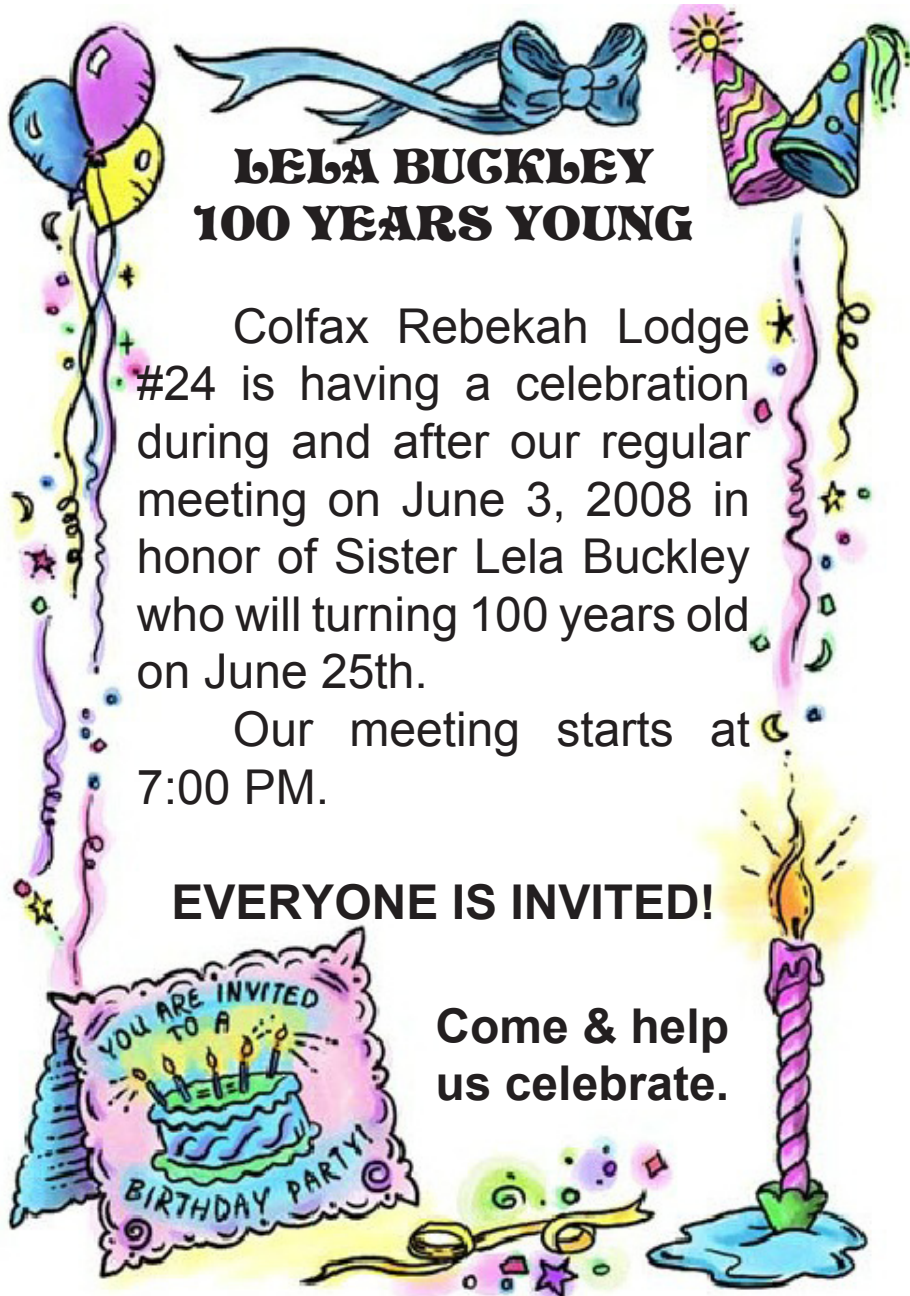
I have selected The Idaho Odd Fellow Rebekah News as my project this year. Any donations slatted for *President Project* that I have received during my visitations will be used for this.


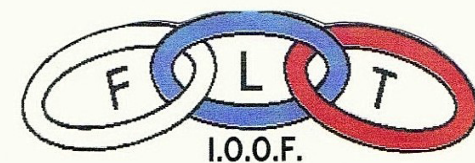

Thanks for all the recipes I have been receiving. The sale of the cookbooks will also benefit our paper.

Continue to think spring-growth and friendship.

In F.L.&T.

Juanita Thomas, President
Rebekah Assembly





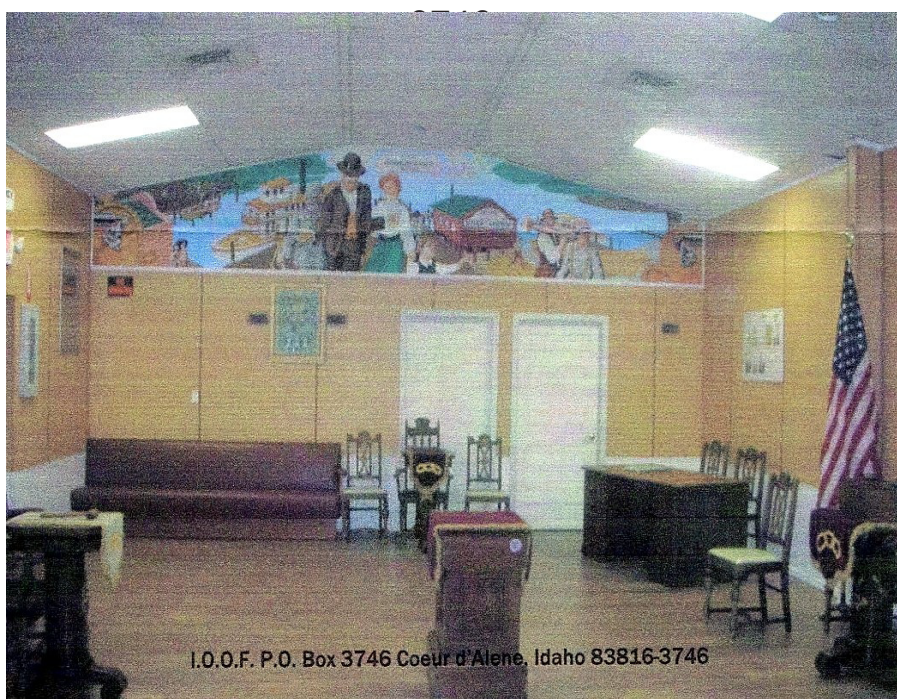
I.O.O.F.
Lodge No. 34
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

To all Grand Lodge Officers and Idaho Lodge Member's, you are cordially invited to District 12 meeting on May 10th 2008, to celebrate the opening of our new Lodge hall.

R.A.S.P. : To, Leonard Olson (208) 667 0231
Jerry North (208) 682 4490

Or write to address below.

I.O.O.F. P.O. Box 3746, Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83816-



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We want to thank everyone for the calls, cards, prayers and condolence when Sister Betty passed.

In F.L.&T
The Frank Lawyer Family

COMING EVENTS 2008

MAY

10 DISTRICT 12 (IOOF) COEUR D'ALENE
17 PIONEER #1/ROSE #18 IDAHO CITY

JUNE

7 DISTRICT 3 CHALLIS
28 OWYHEE #2 SILVER CITY

AUGUST

23 OWYHEE # 2 SILVER CITY

SEPTEMBER

20 PIONEER #1/ROSE #18 IDAHO CITY
26 JOINT PLAN BRD CALDWELL

DISTRICTS 1 AND 2 JOINT DISTRICT MEETING

A Joint District Meeting of Districts 1 and 2 was held on Saturday, March 15, at the IOOF Hall in Pocatello because of conflict with the Easter weekend in District 2. Participating were Rebekahs from District #2: Cloverleaf #82, Ashton; and Lily #33, Idaho Falls. District 1 Lodges were Bingham #78, American Falls; Progress #48, Blackfoot; and hostess lodge, Ivy #23, Pocatello. Twenty-six sisters attended.

Odd Fellow Lodges participating were: Bingham #14, Idaho Falls; and Soda Springs #41, Soda, and Portneuf #20, Pocatello. Grand Master Winthrop Osborn and his wife, Marlene Osborn; and Grand Secretary Kenny Averill were special guests.

Introduced and Honored by the Rebekahs were Assembly President Juanita Thomas, Anna #14, Salmon; Vice President Nancy Morris, Carnation # 95, Post Falls and Secretary Vicki Kiele, Kooskia #64, Kooskia. Each of the Assembly officers spoke briefly. Clever and informative exemplifications were given by each lodge.

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs both attended the School of Instruction by Sister Kiele, when she gave secretaries instructions regarding the Internal Revenue form 990-EZ or 990-N which must be completed this spring.

Lunch served at noon were box lunches from Kentucky Fried Chicken.



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International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant
International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries, Patriarchs Militant
YOUTH
Junior Odd Fellows, Theta Rho Girls, United Youth Group

PRE - REGISTRATION
USE ONE FORM PER PERSON
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY JULY 15, 2008
(Please Print or Type)

Name: _____ Highest Current or Past Title _____ Unit of the Order _____ Jurisdiction _____

Address: _____

City, Province/State, Postal/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Arrival Date/Time: _____ Departure Date/Time: _____

If you require any special services (i.e. dietary[banquet], oxygen, wheelchair etc., please indicate on reverse)

PRE REGISTRATION FEE (On or Before July 15, 2008) CDN \$50.00* Ω

REGISTRATION FEE (After July 15, 2008) CDN \$55.00* Ω

*No Fee for Youth, but Youth must Register

SPECIAL EVENTS

GRAND BANQUET
Monday evening, August 18, 2008
(Formal event honouring our International Leaders) CDN \$75.00 Ω
List the group you wish to be seated with, all must use the same designation. All seats will be reserved.

(Name of Group)

FOLKLORAMA NIGHT
Wednesday evening, August 20, 2008
Ethnic foods and entertainment CDN \$75.00 Ω
List the group you wish to be seated with, all must use the same designation. All seats will be reserved.

(Name of Group)

YOUTH BANQUET
Friday evening, August 15, 2008
Youth Members - CDN \$30.00 Ω
Adults - CDN \$40.00 Ω

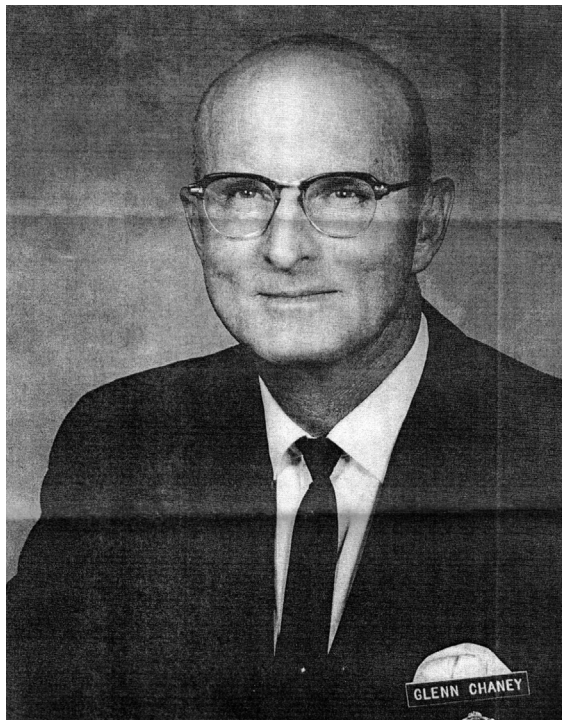
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GLENN P. CHANEY



Glenn Philip Chaney passed away peacefully from congestive heart failure on December 11, 2007, in a local care facility. He was born to Nellie A. and Ira R. Chaney on November 16, 1919, in the family home at Stanton Crossing on the Big Wood River, south of Bellevue, Idaho. Glenn was educated at the Stanton School until it closed. He then attended and graduated from Bellevue High School in 1936. He went to college in Gooding for a short time, but, after the death of his father, he returned to Big Wood River to join his brother James in operating the Chaney Hereford Ranch.

In 1940, Glenn married Ruth May Scott. Glenn and Ruth ranched until 1962 when they sold the ranch and moved to Nampa, Idaho. Glenn worked as a self-employed carpenter. Glenn and Ruth were very active in the Odd Fellows Lodge and Glenn was elected to serve as the Idaho Grand Master in the 1960's. In the late 1960's Glenn and Ruth bought a retirement home in Cascade, Idaho, where they spent many weekends fishing. Glenn's favorite hat said it all for him: "Fishing is not a matter of LIFE and DEATH—it's much more IMPORTANT than that!"

Ruth died unexpectedly in 1984 and in 1986 Glenn married Gladys Springer.

Glenn and Gladys lived in Nampa, Hailey, and Boise, and wintered in Yuma, Arizona, until ill health forced them to remain in Boise. Following Gladys' death in 2006, Glenn lived with his daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Gene Blessing. He went to work with them every day and spent the winter with them in Mexico.

Glenn experienced the "good old days" in his golden years, telling stories about cattle drives, sleigh rides to town, boarding out at school with only one change of clothes, and the antics of dogs, hired men, siblings, and more.

Glenn is survived by his daughter Glenda (Gene) of Boise, son Phil (Beverly) of Middleton, Idaho, son Don (Donna) of Centennial, Colorado; grandchildren Michael Blessing, Jana Hyland (Gary), Lisa Chaney (Lee Brown), Jeff Chaney (Carol Gilenko), all of Boise; Justin Chaney (Debbie) and Erin Moose (Michael), of Denver, Colorado, and several great grandchildren. He also leaves behind a stepdaughter, Carol Springer of Boise, a stepson, Dan Springer (Julia) of Hailey and three step great grandchildren. Step grandchildren include Matt Springer (Jamie) of Pine, Kate Stechelin (Mart) of Germany, and Maggie Springer of Hailey. He was preceded in death by his two wives, his mother and father, his two sisters and four brothers, three of whom were the first triplets born in Idaho.

Glenn will be cremated and his remains will be placed alongside his wife Ruth in Bellevue. A grave side service will be held at Bellevue cemetery, June 12, 2008 at noon; under the direction of the Bowman Funeral Parlor, Garden City. Glenn was a gentle man and will be fondly remembered by those he leaves behind. The family wishes to thank the wonderful caregivers at the Valley View Life Care Center for their care and concern during his final days. Memorials may be made to the Anna and Blanche Chaney Nursing Scholarship, Boise State University Foundation, 1910 University Avenue, Boise, ID 83725.

Submitted by Kenny Averill,
Grand Secretary



They are gone to be with Jesus
We cannot wish them here;
We would not dim their radiant lot
With mortal sob or tear;
For they are folded safely
Upon that gentle breast
Where many a weary lamb of earth
Has found eternal rest.

Betty Berdeen (Backer) Brandau

Betty was born July 18, 1922 in Nampa, Idaho to Byrdie (Laura Ann) Samuel and Chris (Christopher John) Backer and passed away February 3, 2008 in Boise, Idaho. The midwife who delivered Betty was a little hard of hearing and when she filled out Betty's birth certificate wrongly recorded her middle name as "Verdene". She was the youngest of four children, earning her the lifelong nickname of "Babe". Betty was raised in the Lone Tree Community and attended Nampa schools. She loved to play softball and was proud of being a great pitcher. After completing high school she attended Lewiston State Normal School in Lewiston, Idaho and received her teaching certificate August 14, 1942 and her college diploma on May 24th 1943. She was hired for her first teaching job, 1941-42, by her Lone Tree neighbor Vernon Woodman, then Principal at Central in Nampa where she taught 8th grade boys PE. Although that was an unusual position for a woman she quickly earned the boys respect as a baseball player during the first week of school by connecting with a good pitch sending the ball clear over the fence and across the highway. Her second year of teaching, school year 1942-43, was at the one room schoolhouse in the Wilson Community in Owyhee County. The teachers then would usually board with a member of the community. Betty stayed with Clifford and Gertrude McMahan. She met Cliffords friend and Gertrudes brother, Henry Brandau while staying with them. They started dating, going ice skating, to movies and playing cards with friends.

Betty and Henry were married on May 29, 1944 in Nampa Idaho. They moved to Melba, just north of the Butte, where they farmed. Their daughters, Becky and Merle were born while they lived there. In 1946 they purchased the home place on Reynolds Creek from his parents and moved to the Schuster place while Henrys parents, George and Minnie, built a new home. Two weeks after the birth of their son Richard, in 1948, they moved into the house on the ranch where they would live for the next 55 years.

Betty devoted her life to her family. She was a 4-H leader, hauled kids to ball games, 4-H meetings, and the County fair. She always had a meal ready or coffee and sweets for anyone who dropped by. She had a passion for "doing ceramics". She and Henry loved to play pinochle, both at home with friends and family, and at community pinochle parties at the Wilson Schoolhouse. Betty was a charter and life long member of the Wilson Sage Hens, a ladies group founded in 1949. She was a life long member of the Melba Rebekah's Lodge and helped every year at the Melba Community Auction. She was proud of the article in the county paper that publicly recognized her for more than 50 continuous years of serving on the Wilson election board. She was chosen as Citizen of the Year by the Melba Community (and given a place of honor in the 4th of July parade) and cherished the plaque she received. Betty worked at the Melba schools as both a substitute teacher and as secretary of the Melba Grade School until she retired in 1980. She took up league bowling and got to travel a bit with her bowling buddies. Betty loved to sew and cook and was famous in the Valley for her rolls and her giant Valentine sugar cookies. She hated house cleaning and yard work much preferring to spend her time on social activities and shopping. But most of all she was a great Mom and wonderful "Grammaw Betty".

A decline in health precipitated a move to SunBridge Healthcare in the fall of 2003. Betty recovered and moved into SunBridge Retirement in order to stay near Henry. She visited him faithfully everyday making the trip on her power chair that we all called her "little red convertible". Betty moved into assisted living at SunBridge in the spring of 2007 and deteriorating health sent her back into total healthcare in November.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Byrdie and Chris Backer; her brothers Bill and Harold Backer of Seldovia, Alaska; her daughter Merle Malmberg of Marsing, Idaho; a grandson Jeremy Stewart of Casper, Wyoming. Her immediate surviving family are her sister, Adella McMahan, Portland, Or; her daughter and son-in-law Becky and Don Stewart of Casper, Wyoming, former son-in-law Bruce Malmberg and his wife Nancy of Marsing, Idaho, son and daughter-in-law Richard and Connie Brandau of Wilson, Idaho; grandchildren: Shelly and David Petzold, Middleton, Wisconsin; Cindy and Jack Truitt, Oak Point, Texas; Joe and Yayoi Malmerg, Nagoya Aichi, Japan; Barry and Anna Malmberg, Philomath, Oregon; K.C. and Kristine Brandau, Meridian, Idaho; Jody and Kyle Moos, Wilson, Idaho; great-grandchildren: Ashley and Shelby Brandau; Hannah Moos; Rachel, Paul and Eli Petzold; Axel Dylan Malmberg; Kate and Rio Malmberg.

Funeral services was held on February 9th under the direction of Alsip Funeral Chapel, 404 10th Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho. After the service friends and family were invited to share memories and dinner at the Melba Senior Center, 115 Base Line Road, Melba, Idaho.

Submitted by Connie Brandau



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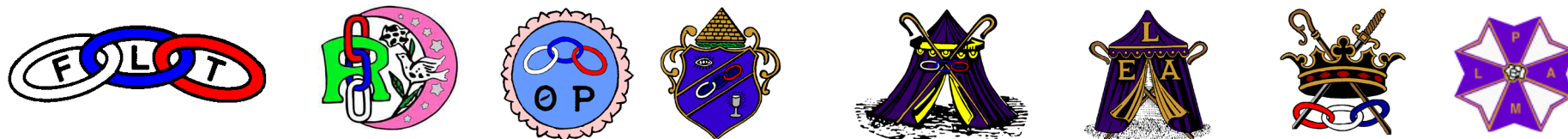
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