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REPAIRS TO PIONEER LODGE #1



From left to right people are: Merna Deland, Sec. of Pioneer #1; Jim Weighall, DGM; Kenny Averill, Grand Sec.; Bob Weygandt, GM; Lyle Odle, Trustee of Pioneer # 1; Gene Pola, Trustee of Pioneer # 1; David Deland, Trustee of Pioneer #1; Rhonda Jameson, City of Idaho City Historic Preservation; Ann Swanson, Grants Operation Analyst Idaho State Historical Society; Sharon Mc Gaffick, NG of Pioneer # 1; Jeff Gibson, Contractor.



Kenny Averill, Grand Sec; Sharon Mc Gaffick, NG and Bob Weygandt, GM

Pioneer Lodge # 1 is the light ship of Idaho Odd Fellowship. This has been interesting as the Lodge has taken on the project of repairing the roof over the stairwell, and repairing the front porch. As most of you know this cost a lot of money so the Lodge sent out requests to our brother and sister lodges. Thanks to all of your responses, we were able to do all that had to be done for this year. With what was raised and what we could get in grants we spent \$19,062.76. The following is a brake down in what we received

From the Odd Fellows:	\$4,963.94
From the Rebekahs:	\$2,210.00
From Private Donations:	\$200.00
From Temple LEA:	\$100.00
From CLG Grant:	\$5,421.00
From IHT Grand:	\$5,000.00
Total	\$17,894.94
Leaving Pioneer to pay :	\$1,167.82
for a Grand Total of	\$19,062.76

This is just a start the grant writer is talking about repairing the windows, which need to be done before they fall apart, also we need to paint the front of the building and put oil on the rest of it. We are going to need to raise another \$5,000.00.

When they built their building which was finish in 1875 it cost \$2,826.95.

In the year 2014 Pioneer Lodge #1 will be celebrating 150 birthday. This is the beginning of Odd Fellowship in Idaho.

I want you to know that Pioneer lodge # 1, the trustees and the secretary really appreciate all of your help and hope you well help in the future

Merna Deland, secretary of Pioneer #1

THE GRAND PATRIARCH'S YEAR

As most of you know that were at grand lodge, brother Charles was sick we did not realize just how sick until we got home and took him to the doctor. He did a couple of tests and sent him to the emergency room. They did some more tests, put him on a helicopter and shipped him to St. Als in Boise where he spent four days in intensive care. He has since recovered and is doing well.

I made all but one of my official visits to the encampments. I especially enjoyed the Island Park fish fry. Keep up the good work Dan this is the kind of activities all encampments should be involved in.

I issued one dispensation to the LEA units in Caldwell and Boise to consolidate, they have since done so. We now have one LEA in the State of Idaho located in Boise.

On a personal note our daughter Elsie got married this July. I had the honor of walking her down the isle and giving her away. Our youngest daughter, Calista, is engaged and plans to get married next summer. And to top it all off both girls are still in collage, so if you see poor old dad standing on a street corner with a tin cup you know why.

The Deland family is involved in the Pioneer Lodge #1 at Idaho City, Merna is the secretary and I am a Trustee Normally this is not much of a job but we had applied for some grants to repair the front porch and landing. In late July the grant people told us we had to get the work done by September first or we would loose the grant. (over \$8000) So with several trips to Idaho City to talk to contractors we awarded the project to Interior Specialties The contractor did an excellent job and actually finished a week early. We are having a ribbon cutting ceremony September 19 to celebrate.

Boomerang encampment had a information booth at the Payette county fair it was maned by members of the encampment. Some of the questions asked were quite revealing only about one in ten knew what an Odd Fellow was one person wanted to know if we had to swear an oath of allegiance when we joined.. The IOOF has a serious public relations problem some how we must get the word out as to who we are and what we stand for.

I have enjoyed my two years as Grand Patriarch . I regret that I did not have more time to commit to it. But with all the family activities and running the shop I did not have much time left.. When I joined the Encampment I was told that this was the fun branch of the order lets make it that way again.

David Deland
Grand Patriarch

RAMBLINGS FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY

Help!! Help!!

I have a suggestion that was passed on to me and I think it is a great one. Communication between our various lodges and the Grand Body is real lax, so if you have an E-mail address and would be the contact person for your lodge, it would help immensely, as the lines of communication would be open and it is much less expensive than regular mail. Just add that particular E-mail address to the listing in the directory. Even a dinosaur like me has to admit that we need to use some modern technology at times. Just be sure that you will forward the information.

If you are an officer of your lodge, I realize that you get tired of hearing me rave on about the procedures to follow in our operation, but folks, if they are not followed pretty close, we have nothing but misinformation, rumors and chaos in our midst. THAT we do not need.

(1) Does everyone in your lodge have access to the Code of General Laws (2) Does everyone have a copy of the Grand Lodge Constitution and By-Laws? (3) Is your lodge teaching the principles of Odd Fellowship to the members? (4) Has your lodge updated its by-laws and sent a copy to the Grand Lodge?? Or do you even know IF your lodge has by-laws??

The latest Manual of Instructions for the Odd Fellow lodges is in stock now. They are \$1.50 plus tax and shipping. Each member should have one. Let the Grand Secretary know how many your lodge wants.

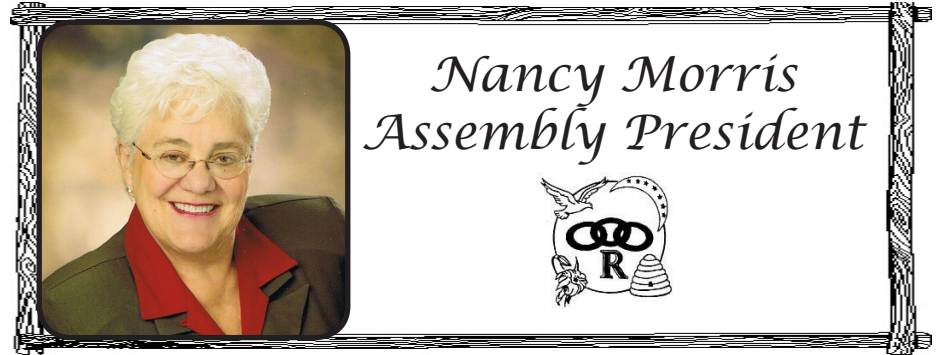
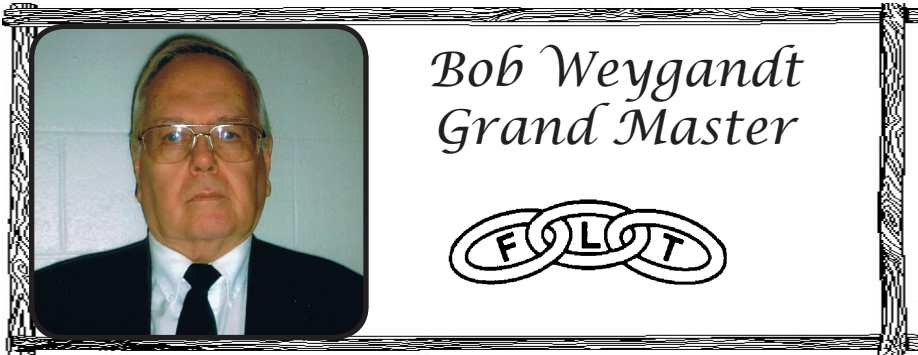
The Grand Lodge is in possession of the Sovereign Grand Master's pins at three (3) dollars each. Let the Grand Secretary know how many your lodge desires right away and they will be delivered to your lodge.

The next meeting of the Joint Jurisdictional Planning Board is in February on the third Friday at 10:00 A.M. in the Historical Museum Building

I'll hopefully see you all at the Grand Sessions.

Kenny Averill,
Grand Secretary





Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It's hard to believe that this will be my last letter to you as Grand Master.

What a wonderful year this has been for me. I will be the first to admit, that we didn't accomplish all that I had hoped we would get done this year, but I wouldn't trade it for anything.

Very soon, we will be gathering for our Grand Lodge session, and I look forward to seeing many of you there. I encourage each lodge to make sure that they are represented. It is so important that we have members from across the state attend. We will have many issues to address and it is important that your lodge have a say in all of the actions that the Grand Lodge will take.

We belong to a great Fraternal Order, and it is important that we do all we can to see that we continue to remain an active and vibrant organization. Many of our lodges are losing members. We need to replace those members and add more new members. I encourage each of you to redouble your efforts to gain and retain new members. It is also important that we not just replace ourselves, but add to our numbers.

Only through a great deal of effort on each of our parts, can we hope to see our order grow and prosper.

Once again, I thank you for great year and look forward to seeing you at Grand Lodge and at future gatherings.

Bob Weygandt
Grand Master
Jurisdiction of Idaho



Dear Sisters and Brothers:

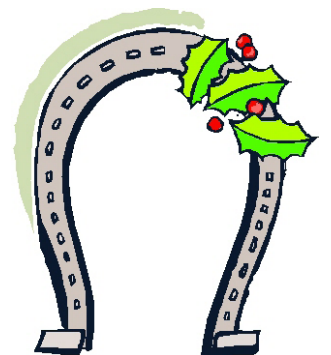
As I sit here watching a beautiful sunset, I think how peaceful it is. It's like the end to my year as your President. This year and the past two years have been an awesome experience and one I will treasure all my life. The friends that I have met, new and old, and the support that each of has given me has been wonderful. Without all of you I would not have made this year such an experience. The wonderful visits, the good meetings, the skits, the donkey and cowboy hats, the information exchanged among us, the dinners, luncheon and most of all the friendships. I have looked over this year and hoped that there would be more new members but we have to work on that. I hope that I have not disappointed any of you. If I have missed a Thank You or Well Done please accept my apology.

I will always be a Rebekah and try to serve you as best I can. I will always be there for any of you. Remember JUST ASK..

Because you are my friends, I feel I own
 A wealth that far excels all earthly things,
 The song of life that none should sing alone,
 The symphony of souls that friendships brings..
 And as I journey on life's winding road
 With someone true on whom I can depend,
 I walk with lighter feet and lesser load
 And happier heart, because you are my friends.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in Burley this month, remember, October 19th thru 22nd. Come with open minds, happy hearts and ready to have fun (but a little work never hurt any one), so with much love I close this last letter of the year. So HAPPY TRAILS UNTIL ER MEET IN BURLEY.

In F.L. & T.
Nancy Morris, President
Rebekah Assembly of Idaho



Union #45

Tea Party



Front - Laura McAnulty, Midge Lorkowski, & Betty Mink
Back - Virgie Taylor, Jeri Duncan, Ruth Harrison, James Weighall,
Wanda Hays, & Barbara Knigge

Girl Scout Troop 537



Members of Girl Scout Troop 537, Hagerman
With
Virgie Taylor, Chaplain, Union 45 & Teena Kelly, Scout Leader

Union #45, Hagerman, began the fall start with a pot luck at the Grange Hall at 12:30 pm. This is the first potluck that I have ever been to that had not ONE dessert. We really did not need it. After the meeting Ruth Harrison treated us all to some ice cream at Papa Kelsey's.

During the summer the group was still active. On June 24, they presented Girl Scout Troop 537 with \$65.00. The troop is just getting started so they could use the money.

On Aug. 18, Midge Lorkowski, NG, had a tea party at her home. All the members gathered at the Lodge Hall and went in a group. I was not there but was told, that the look on Midge's face when they all got out of the cars wearing hats was something to see. Of course, no one had a camera.

Peg Roberson, Publicity Chr.

“Tid Bits” from PP Juanita Thomas

Greetings to my Rebekah friends,
It has been a year since I have seen many of you,
so thought I would bring you up to date.

A few changes have come into my life. Frankly, I
have become quite a frivolous old gal. I am seeing five
gentlemen (?) every day.

Yes, as soon as I wake up, Will power helps me
get out of bed. Then I go see John. Then Charley horse
comes along and he takes a lot of my time and attention.
When he leaves, Arthur ritis shows up and stays the whole
day. As he doesn't like to say in one place very long, he
takes me from joint to joint.

After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go
to bed with Ben gay.

What a life!

Oh, I must close as my Will is ready to eat! (Thought
we needed a little humor!)

Juanita Thomas, PP
Anna #14



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

In Memory of Rose Corum

Rose Corum, Salmon, Idaho, passed away August 31, 2009, at the Discovery Care Center.

She was born February 12, 1917, in California, to Alex and Margaret Rose Snyder. She was married in 1930 to Earl Corum.

Rose was an active member of Anna Rebekah Lode #14, having joined on December 31, 1943. She served as Noble Grand in 1951 and was the musician for many years.

Rose loved music whether it was listening to Salmon's Old Time Fiddlers or a group called the "Sour Krauts" or any music she could dance or tap her toes to. One song she really enjoyed was "Alley Cat" which was played for her at her funeral service. One could picture her dancing for us.

She was well known by many REbekahs around the state as she had attended many Assembly sessions. Rose had received many awards and jewels.

Rose will be remembered for her community work as she contributed 50 years of service to the Lemhi County Historical Museum.

Besides being a member of Anna Rebekah Lodge, Rose was a member of P.E.O., the Methodist Church and the Lemhi County Historical Society.

Rose is survived by her daughters, Wilma Doyle and Nancy Heither. Five grandchildren, her sister and nephews and many friends.

Funeral services were held September 2, 2009, with Rev. Bond officiating. Fourteen Rebekahs presented their ceremony at the Salmon Cemetery.

Farewell Our Sister.

Submitted by Juanita Thomas,
Reporter

Secretaries,

The new Rituals and Charge Book inserts are now available. I will have them at Assembly, please have your Representatives pick them up along with the invoice. The cost of these are going to be \$4.00 each. Also, if you have had any members pass away, that you would like printed in the program for the Memorial on Sunday, please send that list to Dan Sanow, in Idaho Falls, ASAP.

The phone number for the office is now 208-926-4387.

Thanks Vicky

Anna Rebekah Lodge #14

Where did the summer go? We had our first fall meeting with much to discuss for the coming meetings.

14 members were present for the funeral services of our sister Rose Corum, September 2, 2009.

Several members also helped with the refreshments following the service. We will miss Rose, but will remember what all she did for the lodge.

At our last meeting we had sent out letters to all members for our "Bake less Food Sale". This has resulted in a very good "fund" project.

Juanita Thomas,
Reporter

Sister Roberta Robie Receives 60 Year Veteran Jewel



Prior to our meeting on June 17, 2009, Royal Gem Rebekah Lodge #13 of White Bird celebrated with Roberta Robie, a member since 1946. A social was held to present Roberta with her 60 year member pin. PNG Lydia Chrane presented the pin, and dessert was enjoyed by 17 members.

Submitted by Carolyn Jones

OCTOBER IS

**United Nation
Educational Pilgrimage
for Youth Month**



COMING EVENTS 2009

OCTOBER

18-22 GRAND SESSIONS BURLEY
24 PIONEER # 1/ROSE # 18 IDAHO CITY

NOVEMBER

6-8 NORTHWEST YAKIMA, WA

FEBRUARY

3 HISTORICAL SOCIETY CALDWELL
19 PLANNING BOARD CALDWELL

2010 ROSE PARADE FLOAT FAMILY FIRST



Fall 2009 Northwest
**ODD FELLOW/REBEKAH
ASSOCIATION MEETING**
~ November 6, 7 & 8, 2009 ~
**Yakima Clarion Hotel
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Specify That It Is For The Northwest
Odd Fellow/Rebekah Association

\$70⁰⁰ Plus Tax

Until Block of Rooms are Filled

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Name _____

Titles _____ Jurisdiction _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip _____

PRE-REGISTRATION:

Number of Pre-Registration s _____ @ \$15 each US \$ _____

SATURDAY EVENING BUFFET BANQUET

_____ @ \$35.00 US \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED (US Funds) \$ _____

Registration Cut Off - November 2, 2009

All Funds In U.S. Dollars Payable To:
Northwest Convention Committee

Send To:

Margaret Truttmann, P.O. Box 311, Elma, WA 98541
If You Have Any Questions, Please Contact Jennie Reed At
(360) 495-3573

 Name _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Phone _____ email _____	<p>Independent Order of Odd Fellow and Rebekah Hats off to Entertainment Raffle</p> <p>I.O.O.F Rose Parade float fund raffle, 18 winners with cash prizes totaling \$50,000. 50% of ticket sales awarded as cash prizes 50% to help support our Rose Parade float <i>Only with your support can we maintain our presence in the Rose Parade</i></p> <p>Drawing will be held on May 23, 2009 at the California Jurisdiction Grand Lodge Session (Winners need not be present to win)</p> <p>L.A. County Past District Deputies Association, PO BOX 1050 Temple City, California 91780-1050 Contact: Robert Gennaria for additional information 310-486-6249 Donation \$50.00</p> <p>Sample Ticket - Deadline extended to DEC. 31, 2009</p>
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Hats off to Entertainment Raffle

50% in total prizes (\$50,000.00)
50% supports the I.O.O.F. Float

Enter to win one of 18 cash prizes and support your I.O.O.F. Float in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade

Deadline extended to DEC. 31, 2009

- * Tickets sales limited to 2000 total tickets
- * 18 Cash Prize winners
- * Total cash prizes \$50,000.00
- * Tickets \$50.00 each, for a 1 in 111 chance to win

18 winning tickets holders will receive the following prizes. Drawing held on Dec 31, 2009 at the Pasadena, California. One (1) \$20,000.00, One (1) \$10,000.00, Two (2) \$5,000.00, Two (2) \$2,000.00, Three (3) \$1,000.00, Four (4) \$500.00, and Five (5) \$200.00.

SUPPORT YOUR FLOAT

And Win your portion of the \$50,000.00 Cash Prize winners will be notified the first week after the drawing Dec 31, 2009.

Winners need not be present to win.
 More Information contact: L.A. Past District Deputies Association, Robert Gennaria, Float Chairman: Ph. 310-486-6249 or email at: Robertgennaria@verizon.net

Name: _____ Number Of Tickets: _____ x \$50.⁰⁰
 Address: _____ Total Dollars: \$ _____ US Funds
 Make Checks Payable to:
 L.A. Past District Deputies Association

Phone: _____ Payment Method:
 Email: _____ Enclose Check

Mail to L.A. Past District Deputies Association, P.O. Box 1050, Temple City, CA. 91780



Bulletin 2009 Sessions Burley, ID

START PACKING -
IT'S ALMOST TIME

WE HAVE MADE EVERY EFFORT TO REDUCE COSTS SO THAT EVERYONE CAN COME AND ENJOY THE SESSIONS. WE REALLY ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.

TWO IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! (Cut off dates are soon.)
2. CURRENT DUES CARDS WILL BE CHECKED AT THE REGISTRATION DESK FOR ALL UNITS ATTENDING



2009

Grand Sessions - Jurisdiction of Idaho

October 18th thru 22nd, 2009

Headquarters - Best Western Burley Inn and Convention Center, Burley, Idaho



Registration Information: (one form per person)

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____

Sessions you will be attending:

Grand Lodge..... Title: _____
Home Lodge: _____

Rebekah Assembly.... Title _____
Home Lodge: _____

Grand Encampment... Title: _____
Home Encampment: _____

Department Council.... Title: _____
Home Canton: _____

Department..... Title _____
Association Home Auxiliary: _____

Fees:

Session Registration Fee	\$12.50
General Banquet (Please Check One)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed Pork Loin	\$19.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Cordon Bleu	\$18.50
AMOSETTE BANQUET	
Western Pulled Pork	\$16.50
Total Amount Due	\$

Please Make Check Payable to: GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO IOOF

Mail Check and Registration Form to:

Wilma Bragg
802 Teton Drive
Jerome, ID 83338

Don't delay, send right away! Thanks - the 2009 Session Committee

Motel Information: The Best Western Burley Inn and adjoining Budget Motel have set aside a block of rooms for the Convention. Please ask for rooms for the **Order of Odd Fellows & Rebekah's**. Room rates are for 2 people, each additional person is \$7.00 + tax.. Cut off date for the block of rooms is October 2, 2009. Check in is 2:00 pm. There is a Chevron Station with a Food Mart next door and a Wendy's across the street.

BEST WESTERN BURLEY INN Phone: 208-678-3501
800 North Overland Avenue, Burley, Idaho 83318
Room Rate Includes Tax: \$78.83 / 2 people

BUDGET MOTEL Phone: 208-678-2200
900 Overland Avenue, Burley, Idaho 83318
Room Rate includes Tax : \$63.71 / 2 people

HISTORY OF THE JACK O' LANTERN

People have been making jack o'lanterns at Halloween for centuries. The practice originated from an Irish myth about a man nicknamed "Stingy Jack." According to the story, Stingy Jack invited the Devil to have a drink with him. True to his name, Stingy Jack didn't want to pay for his drink, so he convinced the Devil to turn himself into a coin that Jack could use to buy their drinks. Once the Devil did so, Jack decided to keep the money and put it into his pocket next to a silver cross, which prevented the Devil from changing back into his original form. Jack eventually freed the Devil, under the condition that he would not bother Jack for one year and that, should Jack die, he would not claim his soul. The next year, Jack again tricked the Devil into climbing into a tree to pick a piece of fruit. While he was up in the tree, Jack carved a sign of the cross into the tree's bark so that the Devil could not come down until the Devil promised Jack not to bother him for ten more years.

Soon after, Jack died. As the legend goes, God would not allow such an unsavory figure into heaven. The Devil, upset by the trick Jack had played on him and keeping his word not to claim his soul, would not allow Jack into hell. He sent Jack off into the dark night with only a burning coal to light his way. Jack put the coal into a carved-out turnip and has been roaming the Earth ever since. The Irish began to refer to this ghostly figure as "Jack of the Lantern," and then, simply "Jack O'Lantern."

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November 1	October 18

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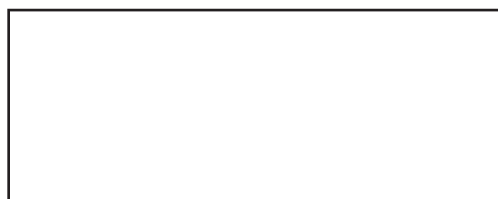
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