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# Carnation #95





Carnation Rebekah Lodge No. 95 was happy to welcome a student from the Post Falls High School, who was the winner of our #500.00 Scholarship. Her name is Jazmin Chavez and she will be attending North Idaho College this fall. She and her grandmother had lunch with us and told us of her ambitions for the future. A lovely girl and very personable. The Picture of three are Norma Fencl, (Noble Grand), Jasmine, and Alice Baillie, (Vice Grand). The Other picture is all the sisters attending the luncheon and meeting in June. Carnation Rebekah Lodge also gave \$1,000.00 to the UNP Idaho Jurisdictional fund. Our Noble Grand has put flowers on the cemetery dedicated to the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs in Post Falls. We have been busy.

# New Flag at the Historical Museum



A new flag pole was erected at the Historical Museum. The old flag pole with flag had been stolen a while back by persons unknown. Those involved were Kenny Averill, Shirley Osborn, George McGaffick, Glen Osborn, Sharon McGaffick, Bob Wickham and Georgia Wickham with the help of Lori Ormsby and her husband. They are the tenants at the building and Lori is a new member of Pansy #37. It is nice to see Old Glory proudly wave again.



Submitted by, Georgia Wickham

Nancy Morris

# RAMBLINGS FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY

By now, you all have had a chance to read the Advance Report and let your Representatives know what your lodge desires. I am not going to get on my soapbox and let you know that the organization is waiting for its members to DO something. Last paper, an article was published on what Odd Fellowship means and there were also several items on parliamentary procedure. It behooves us all to take some of this information and spread it around to our brothers and sisters that are not as knowledgeable and work with them from print instead of just saying "whoever" said that.

There will be a few changes in the Grand Lodge section of the Code coming up, but that won't be decided on until after next year. The thought is to get that section as mandatory, so it really has to be fine combed. Other changes of interest will be in the SGL Reps report at Grand Session. This is just to spark your interest.

The Historical Society and the Sub-Committee on Finance have been apprised of the fact that the Museum Building is going to need some plumbing renovations in the near future. This is a project that we are all concerned about and are responsible for. Right now it is not an emergency type project, but will need attention soon. We must plan for the future.

If anyone or any lodge has an extra Flag or Odd Fellow Banner that they would like to donate, Banner 67 of Priest River has a need. They had a chimney fire and need help. Call Don Nicely, 448-2851

Along these lines, if you have any small items that would be nice in a ditty bag, you might get hold of Chairman James Weighall of the Host Committee, 420-1952

There is a shuttle bus from the airport via courtesy phone.

Kenny Averill, Grand Secretary





Dear Ladies,

I want to thank you all for your confidence in electing me to this office. I will try not to disappoint you. Wouldn't it be nice to see a renewed interest in the LAPM and to have a mustering again. Maybe some of the Ladies that have dropped might like to rejoin. If there is no Auxiliary in your area, I would be thrilled, as would others, to aid anyone interested in instituting one. There are many uniforms and paraphernalia for your use. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at Assembly this year.

Chivalrously Yours, Lady Georgia Wickham, Department Association President





# Halloween Spider Webs

Spiders and spider webs, they are more than a little bit creepy. The ability to "creep you out" make spider webs perfect for Halloween decorating.

When a person comes in contact with a spider web, their blood pressure rises and we often get a little frightened. The spider web is sticky, intended to snare it's victim (you perhaps!?) in it's web. Then, along comes the spider? But wait!!! Where is the spider? The only thing worse than running into a spider web, is not knowing where the spider is!

For the Record: Scientifically called "Dragline silk", spider silk is a natural polypeptide, polymeric protein. I bet you are really gald you know that!!

Types of spiders. There are literally hundreds of different kingds of spiders. people who are afraid of spiders, don't care if it's a Danny Longlegs, or a Black Widow Spider. During Halloween, we are cetain that all spiders somehow turn into black widow spiders.

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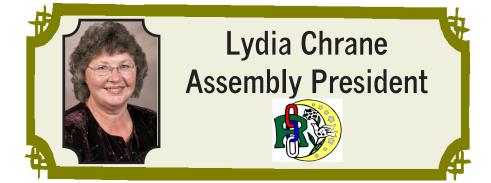


Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is with a thankful heart that I write this last letter. I wish to thank everyone who contributed so much to my year as Grand Master. You have given honors to me, you have provided meals for me, and given me lodging, as well as lovely gifts--all because of the office I hold. It has been a pleasure to share Odd Fellowship with you as I visited your lodges and presented my message and listened to your thoughts and concerns. I heard you as you told how difficult it now is to hold meetings and to pass on our traditions and values. It is with sorrow that I must leave our great Order in such an unstable condition. But I urge you all to keep up your spirits, to put forth great effort and your valuable time into restoring our fraternity to greatness, so that we may again have pride in this fellowship that has been in existence for such a long time. I urge you to do your best to recruit new members, to serve to your maximum, and to shine a light on each and every lodge that remains in our jurisdiction. We cannot falter. Time flies, and as this year is coming to an end (and it seems to me, very quickly), we must realize that we do not have much time left. We must not procrastinate, we must not put off until tomorrow what we can do today. Fall is here! Let's turn over a new leaf and return our lodges to prosperity and as we desire they should be.

I hope to see many of you soon at Grand Lodge in Boise. And I wish the best to each brother and sister as we all travel on a NEW road to Odd Fellowship, one that is more visible to our friends, neighbors and communities. As I pass the torch on to Brother George, I again thank you for the privilege I've had of serving, and ask your forgiveness for what I may have done amiss. I ask you also to jump-start your lodges. The light of Odd Fellowship has dimmed. We must work to brighten it, to smooth the rough pathways of life as we serve and prosper for those coming after us. We can do it if we try!

In F, L, and T, Marlene Osborn, Grand Master



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As I was getting ready to write my last newsletter to you, I reread the ones that I wrote this year. I have tried really hard to give words of encouragement and information in them. I hope that I succeeded.

My year as your President has gone by fast. I am now madly getting ready for Assembly. I know that after it is over and I am seated in the ranks of Past Presidents, I will think of all kinds of things that I should have done and said different. I can only tell you that I tried my best and I hope that I "made a difference."

We should all be proud that we are Rebekahs. We recite the Rebekah Creed at each of our meetings and it really says what we are about. When you repeat it the next time, <u>really</u> hear the words. "Friendship is like a golden chain; it ties our hearts together." What a sister and brotherhood we have! I think that sometimes we get wrapped up in doing the business and activities of our lodges and forget that we are, first and foremost, a fraternal Order. We need to nourish each other, forgive each other our differences and remember that only by working together can we succeed in promoting our lodges.

We are down to 29 Rebekah lodges as of October 1<sup>st</sup>. It is going to take all of us to continue our Order. We initiated few new members this year and with the losses from death, ones dropped for non-payment of dues and withdrawal cards we went backwards. As I have said, I don't know what the answer is, but I do know that if we are to continue we all need to work very hard at getting new members and encourage the members that don't attend to show up and participate again.

Finally, I want to thank each and every one of you for all the friendship, love and courtesies extended to me this past year. I could not have served as your President without all the support I received. My family had my back, taking care of things at home and my Rebekahs were right beside me. It is a year that I will never forget. My heart is full. "Scatter seeds of kindness

"Scatter seeds of kindness everywhere you go; Scatter bits of courtesy------watch them grow and grow. Gather buds of friendship; Keep them till full-blown; You will find more happiness than you have ever known. - Amy R Raabe

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#### Arthritis

One of the programs that the Rebekah Assembly of Idaho supports is the Arthritis Foundation. Arthritis affects many Americans and it affects women at a much higher rate than men.

The term "arthritis" encompasses more than 100 diseases and conditions that affect joints, the surrounding tissues and other connective tissues. Arthritis can cause mild to severe pain in the joints, as well as joint tenderness and swelling. The main types that the Rebekah Assembly of Idaho supports are osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, and juvenile arthritis:

• Osteoarthritis (OA), is a degenerative joint disease characterized by the breakdown of joint cartilage. It's the most common form of arthritis, affecting 17 million Americans, most over the age of 45.

• Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA), is a systemic autoimmune disease that affects the entire body and is characterized by the inflammation of the membrane lining the joint, causing stiffness, warmth, redness and swelling. An estimated 1.3 million people have RA, which attacks twice as many women as men.

• Juvenile Arthritis (JA), affects 300,000 children and can cause joint swelling and pain, eye inflammation, activity limitations and growth problems.

The Arthritis Foundation is the largest national <u>nonprofit organization</u> solely dedicated to the prevention, control and cure of <u>arthritis</u>, the leading cause of disability in the United States.

The donations sent by the lodges to the Rebekah Assembly and Grand Lodge of Idaho, who then send them to the Idaho/Utah branch of the Arthritis Foundation for research and education about arthritis.

This is one of the projects that your Assembly President Lydia Chrane has designated as her special projects. Part of her bird house pin money will be donated to this cause.

Donations to your assembly for the Arthritis Foundation need to be in by February 15<sup>th</sup> in order to receive credit for the donation at the next assembly.

#### Carolynn Jones Arthritis Chairman Rebekah Assembly of Idaho



# **UNEP Report**

It's time for you to be deciding if you will be sending a delegate to the 2013 United Nations Educational Pilgrimage for youth program. This program has been in existence since 1949 and over the year's more than 43,000 young people have participated in this great program.

I hear folks say that this is a District 8 program not viewed from the larger state perspective. It's true that the prior and current chairman for the state program has been from District 8. In the past couple of years it has been Nampa Lodge and District 8. But this is a state wide program and one I would ask you to consider offering to the youth of your community. Let's expand in 2013.

I am here to help you in any way I can - advertising, contacting schools, talking with students, holding a competition, delegate application packages, etc.

#### United Nations Educational Pilgrimage for Youth 2013 Deadlines

- January 1 Declare number of Delegates Payment of %0% of delegate fees (Non refundable deposit)
- March 15 Final Payment of delegate fees Submit two Registration packages
- Fees: Full Two week tour \$1,300.00 (not yet confirmed) New York tour only \$1,100.00 (not yet confirmed)

(Lodges will also be responsible for the cost of round trip airfare from Boise to Philadelphia)

We must receive your information and payments by the dates listed above in order to meet the deadlines specified by the Executive Director of the program.

Fees and forms are to be mailed to: Vickie Jorgenson, 751 Wilson Road, Weippe, ID 83553. (Make check payable to UNEP) Please send me an email or call so I know you are sponsoring a delegate.

Have you thought about being a Tour Leader?

Fraternally submitted:

Vickie Jorgenson (pwr@myfrontiermail.com) 208-435-4234



# Anna #14 And Rocky Mt. #5

Lucille Benjamin, 95, passed away on Sept. 5, 2012, in Salmon. A past noble grand of Anna #14. She joined the lidge in 1942. Her services were held Sept. 13.

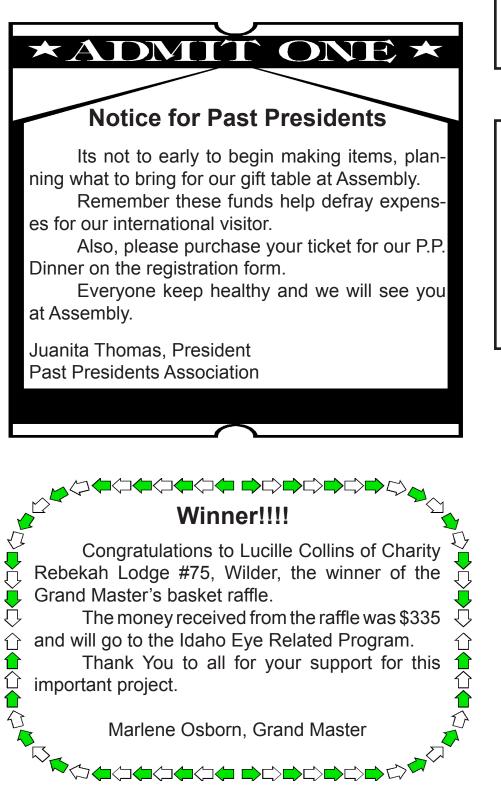
Zach Johnson, 96, passed away Sept. 4, 2012. He led an active life as a school teacher, member of the armed service, and received his medical degree in 1950.

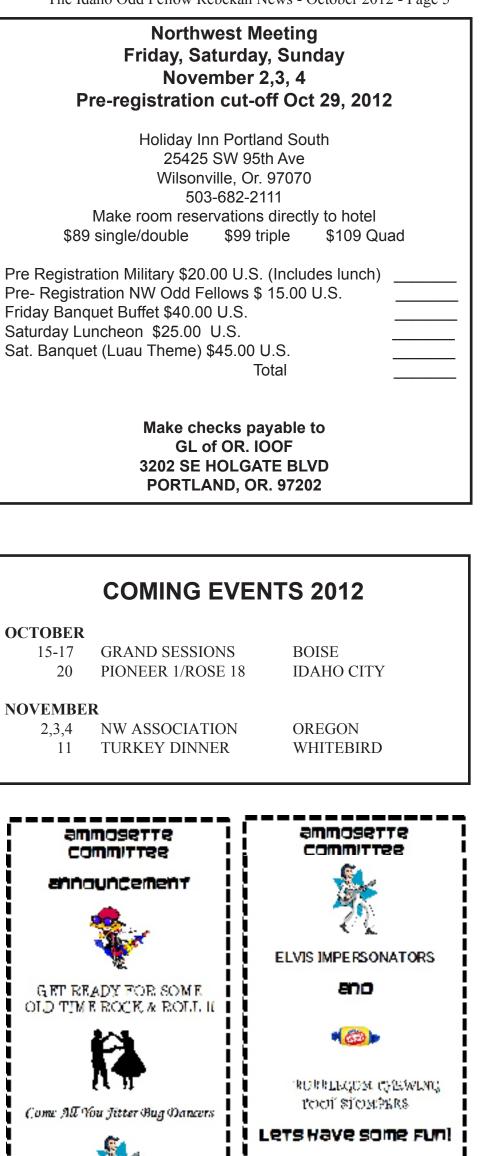
Dr. Johnson was very active in the community and belonged (and helped) several organizations including a member of Rocky Mt. Lodge #5, where he was their Noble Grand for several terms.

He often commented "One thing I know the Rebekahs are all good cooks".

His service was held Sept. 15th.

Reporter, Juanita Thomas





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# In Loving Memory Doris Savaria, Past President 1924 ~ 2012

Doris W. Savaria, 88, of Kimberly, Idaho, passed away Tuesday afternoon, May 29, 2012, in Kimberely with her family by her side.

Doris was born April 6, 1924, in Weiser, Idaho. She was one of six children born to Shirley and Gladys Adams. Doris attended elementary through high school in Weiser. After graduating from Weiser High School, she then furthered her education at the University of Idaho, where she obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in music education. While attending the University of Idaho, Doris met Edward Don Savaria unop his return from World War II. They married Sept. 9, 1945. Together they had three children, Cheryle, Scott, and Dawn Marie.

Doris supported her husband, Don, while he pbtained his degree in forestry at the University of Idaho. At his graduation, Doris received a certificate of achievement, or her PHT (Putting Husband Through), for her support to a serviceman and his education.

They began raising their family at Shake Creek Ranger Station above Ketchum. They then moved to Idaho Falls and Boise and back to Idaho Falls before settling in Shoshone for more than 25 years. Following their retirement, they moved to Twin Falls in 1989.

Doris was an accomplished piano player and she taught private piano lessons to many kids throughout the years. Doris enjoyed accompanying her son, Scott, as he played his horn. She also played for church, the high school, lodge and community activities. She was very active in the Rebekah Lodge, where she served as Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Idaho in 1984. She was also an active member of the LAPM. She enjoyed the many friendships she obtained from those organizations.

Doris joined the Rebekahs at Shoshone, transfered to Gooding whe they closed and then transferred to Twin Falls and finally went to the Jurisdictional Lodge.

Doris was a wonderful mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother and friend. Her love of her piano, her family and her fraternal family was immeasurable and she cared for each in her own special way.

A celebration of Doris' life was held at a private family service under the direction of Trent Stimpson and staff at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

The family suggests memorials be given in Doris' name to the Seeing Eye Bank, in care of Idaho Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. Contributions may be given or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303 or The Grand Lodge of Idaho, IOOF, 920 Grant Street, Caldwell, ID 83605.

# In Loving Memory Bessie Houck, Past Presiden 1933 ~ 2012

Promote Peace Give to the World the Best you Have, and the Best will come Back to You.



Build Peace Together in all units and the Whole World while we Reconstruct our Order and Renew our Obligations.

Bessie Ann Houck (78) lifetime resident of Plummer Idaho, died on August 23, 2012 at her son's home in the Spokane Valley.

She was born October 2, 1933, to Howard and Mae(Brower) Wiltse at Plummer. She grew up in Plummer and graduated from Plummer High School with the class of 1951. She served in the United States Air Force and was honorably discharged. She married Robert Seagraves in 1955. They divorced the following year. She worked at Connie's Café in St. Maries, Idaho. Bessie married Thom Houck on October 25, 1957 in Plummer. She was a homemaker and raised her son Butch while working as a restaurant cook for Leo's Worley Club. During Expo "74" she worked as the chef for the Desert Hotel in downtown Spokane. She began her own upholstery business in the late 1970's and was still operating at the time of her death. Bessie enjoyed crocheting, knitting, cooking and working craft books. She was a seamstress and enjoyed making costumes for Atlas and Dalton Elementary School in Coeur d'Alene. Bessie was an avid Seattle Mariners fan. She attended Plummer Bible Church. She was Past Noble Grand of the Plummer Rebekah Lodge and served as Idaho State President of the Rebekah's from 1993-1994. She was Past President of the L.A.P.M. Bessie was elected to the Plummer High School Hall of Fame in 2002. She served as an election judge for Benewah Co. She was also Past President of the Plummer Community Celebration Days Committee.

Bessie is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Butch and Pat Houck of Spokane Valley, Washington. Grandchildren, Thomas Houck of Kennenwick, WA,. Starla Thompson of St. Maries, Id., Joseph Houck of Spokane Valley, WA., Crystal Houck of St. Maries, Id., and Matthew Schug of Spokane, Wa., and 10 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Tom in 1993, brothers Hubert and Richard Wiltse and sister Clara Nichols.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 27, 2012 at the Plummer Bible Church. A gathering of family and friends followed at the Rebekah Hall.

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# In Loving Memory Lorraine I. Wise 1912 ~ 2012



Lorraine I. Wise, 99, of Twin Falls, Passed away Sunday Aug. 5, 2012, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Lorraine was born in Eldorado, Neb., on Dec. 31, 1912, to C. Guy Taylor and Esta Kenire Stephen. Lorraine graduated from Edgar High School in 1931, where she had med Dick E. Wise, who she married on Aug. 3, 1931, in Mankato, Kan. They moved to Twin Falls in 1935 with one son. The family increased and during the war years, they moved to Bremerton, Wash. The returned to Twin Falls at the end of the war with the last increase of family. Dick was a paint contractor and Lorraine was his bookkeeper.

Lorraine was active in the Rebekah Lodge and held most offices. She joined Primrose #76 in Twin Falls and when they closed, che transferred to Union #45 in Hagerman on December 31, 2003.

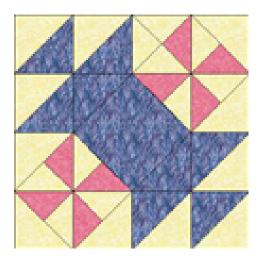
She was an active member in both lodges. She was Past Noble Grand of Primrose. She was a Past Matron of the local LEA and PP of the local LAPM.

Lorraine was preceded in death by Dick, her husban of 65 years, her daughter-in-law, Kathy Wise, son-in-law, Jerry DeBloois, and grandchildren, Greg DeBloois, Todd DeBloois and Don Garloch.

Survivors include her children, Lowell Wise of Tulsa, Okla., Royce (Darlene) Wise of Irvine, Calif., Ruth DeBloois of Yuma, Ariz., and Lella (Jere) Mason of Twin Falls;, her brother, Harry Felthauser of Los Alamos, NM; as well as 9 grandchildren, 11 great-granchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Lorraine's life was held Friday, Aug. 10. Burial followed at Sunset Memorial Park.

The family suggests donations to the Odd Fellow Rebekah CSI Memorial Endowment Fund. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.



We are all different, but together we make a quilt of friendship

Today is the Day to Make a Difference

Service, Forgiveness and Harmony



# **Grand Master's Prayer**

Bless me, Heavenly Father, forgive my erring ways. Grant me strength to serve Thee, put purpose in my days. Give me understanding, enough to make me kind, so I may judge all people with my heart and not my mind. And teach me to be patient in everything I do, content to trust Your wisdom and to follow after You. And help me when I falter and hear me when I pray. And receive me in Thy Kingdom to dwell with Thee some day.

# **Assembly President's Altar Prayer**

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Oh Lord. Psalms 19:14



#### Lighting the path to Odd Fellowship

The Lighthouse A symbol of vigilance, protection and usefulness

Let our lights shine as we focus on service

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