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DR. LINDA CLARK



Linda Clark began her career in Idaho education more than 40 years ago, starting as a teacher in Boise. She progressed to be an elementary school principal, later the director of student achievement for the Joint School District. In 2004 Linda was named superintendent for Meridian Joint School District No. 2, Idaho's largest school district.

On April 18, 2013, Concordia University School of Law, Boise, Idaho, presented Linda with its first "Leader in Action Award." This award honors leaders and agents of positive change and those who work tirelessly, and lead by example, for the betterment of our community. Linda was the logical recipient based on her vision and effective implementation of a variety of educational initiatives, including magnet schools, concept-based curriculum, growth-based assessment, and the creative educational service center which houses the district office, a high school and Idaho State University Meridian -- in the former Jabil building.

A few of the recent awards Dr. Linda Clark has received follow.

The Idaho Education Technology Association recognized her for Support for Technology by an Administrator.

Meridian Mayor's Legacy Award for her commitment to young people. Many legislators are talking about how they can replicate programs she has inspired and completed. Idaho State Division of Professional-Technical Education Award. Linda has been responsible for the construction of two new professional-technical centers and adding multiple PTE programs thereby expanded career-training opportunities for her students.

Outstanding Technology Leader Award by the Northwest Council for Computer Education for embracing technology in the classroom and encouraging teachers to utilize technology to engage students and raise academic achievement." She is the first Idahoan and first superintendent to receive this award.

Linda Clark joined Unity Rebekah Lodge in 1977. She has faithfully participated for 35 years, holding many offices. She is currently our Treasurer of long-standing. We are so proud of her.

Submitted by, Cheri Guglielmo, Unity #8

Flag Day ~ June 14th



Although Flag Day is not an official federal holiday, it is a day for Americans to celebrate and show respect to our flag and to those who fought and died protecting it. It represents our independence as Americans as well as our unity as a nation.

Displaying 'Old Glory' is a way to show your pride in our nation, our people, and our culture, and to show honor to our great land; the **United States of America** - "one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all".



RAMBLINGS FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY

Your lodges will soon be going on recess, but that doesn't mean Odd Fellowship in on vacation. Remember, you have representatives going to Sovereign Grand Lodge on your behalf, so let them know what you would like to see done and then support them. Read your Journals and talk with your representatives to Grand Lodge for information.

I will repeat what was published before about the maintenance of the lodge buildings with a word of caution. Please read what is taking place so you are not disappointed or misinformed on what the program is about. It is to help those that <u>need</u> it to bring their lodges up to a presentable building site and in that way bolster or increase membership. There are limited funds available, so it is fairly strict for acceptance.

The Lodge Assistance Program has been completed as far as the Application Form and the procedure is concerned. Each lodge seeking assistance is to write a request to the Grand Lodge for the proper form and follow the instructions that will be included in a returned cover letter and application.

I never thought that I would see the day that I would run out of something to say, but it seems that I have come to a screeching halt. (This will probably over joy some of you.) I have tried to cover all the basis that concern the lodges and the membership, but a lot of it seems to have fallen on deaf ears. Maybe I'll just keep repeating it.

Does your lodge have a revised up-to-date copy of the Code? Does each lodge have by-laws and does the Grand Lodge have a copy on file? Does each member realize that this is one of his/her responsibilities of the Order?

The 2012 Code of General Laws changes are available from the Grand Lodge office upon request and a remittance of \$3.45 per issue. Also, the Grand Lodge still has a stack of revised Constitutions/By-laws for your purchase. Have you checked the up date on yours?

Committee Chairpersons, have you had a meeting? Do you even know who is on your committee? Have you checked the Directory for this information? Have you let the Executive Committee know what is needed or what ideas are forthcoming? If none of this is happening, then ask yourself, what good is that committee?

Kenny Averill, Grand Secretary

To All Officers and Special Committee Chairpersons

Grand Master Deputy Grand Master Grand Warden Grand Secretary Grand Treasurer Grand Trustees Grand Represent at ivies NW Odd Fellow Representative Sub Committee on Finance Youth Committee Idaho Odd Fellow/Rebekah News Auditing Funeral Aid Eye Related Program **Editorial Board Building Protective Association Historical Building Trustees** Membership Committee **Arthritis Committee Surplus Property** Idaho Odd Fellow Rebekah News

It is time to send in your reports for publication in the Advance Journal. Please include a financial statement or cost analysis with your report, if applicable.

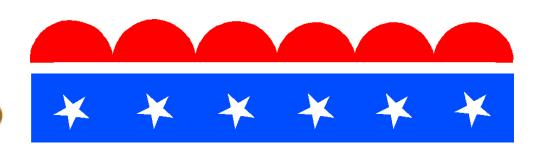
The deadline is August 1, so the Advance Report can be back to the lodges in time for the representatives to review it in September.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

In F.L.T. Kenny Averill, Grand Secretary

The family of Don Finch would like to thank all sisters and brothers for the concern, prayers, visits, cards and calls at the time of the loss of our husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, Don Finch. It has been a difficult time, but thanks to your caring it has been a little easier to bear. May God bless you all.

Laurel Finch and family





Grand Master"s Program

Theme

Friendship, Love and Truth

Motto

May the good Lord bless and keep you until we met again.

Emblems





Flower Red Tulip

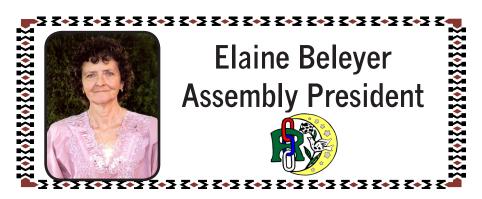
Color Blue

Projects

Arthritis Foundation Funeral Aide







Dear Sisters and Brothers:

What a beautiful state we live in so many wonderful Rebekah's throughout!

Was able to attend Northwest Association April 5th, 6th & 7th in Couer D'Alene it was an awesome experience. It was nice to meet other Rebekahs and Odd Fellows from other Jurisdictions, I really enjoyed myself.

April 15th I started my visitations in District #6; it was wonderful I have been in that part of the state before but never in Weippe that was an eye opener getting up there not once but twice! I really had a nice time and enjoyed every minute of my trip. I was able to visit with Joe Bardin who is unable to attend meetings. Had a very nice visit with Pearl and Joe, also Irma Trent, a very enjoyable day. While in Orofino was able to visit with Sister Delores Watson from White Pine #60 in the hospital had a nice visit and wish her a speedy recovery!

District #5 meetings went well! It was nice to see old friends and meet so many more new ones! While at Payette was able to go to park and help plant the tree for the Living Legacy program with the 5th graders, money for tree was donated by Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodges of Payette. It was totally awesome I'm so glad that Bill and Jean Stephen asked me to participate!

I'm off to District #7, I always enjoy going up North it is so beautiful what an <u>AWESOME STATE WE LIVE IN!</u> Meetings in Post Falls and Plummer were wonderful and I fill very blessed for all the Friendship and Love that was shown and given to me! What an Awesome bunch of women and men we have in this order!

Now on a sad note!? By the time you read this I will have had my visitations for District #2, my last district to visit only 1 more visitation to Rose #18 on June 8th. Where has the time gone it seems like just yesterday that I was starting my visitations? It has been a wonderful and fulfilling year. I am still in awe that I am President of the Rebekah Assembly! I want to thank all the people that made it possible to visit sisters or brothers that were not able to attend meeting for one reason or another! I had some wonderful and special visits with all of them. I have met many new Rebekah's and love each and every one of them with all of my heart! They are all true Rebekah's showing me much Friendship and Love two words that our order is based on. May the angels keep you all safe and above all full of peace and serenity. (Con't on page 4)

President's Letter

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Each and every one of you are true Rebekah's throughout the State and are <u>ANGELS</u> in my eyes! I love each and every one of you with all my heart. May your <u>GUARDIAN ANGEL</u> love and protect you forever!

My loving thoughts and prayers to Sister Laurel Finch and family in their time of loss and sorrow and I know their guardian angels are watching over them and helping them through these terrible times. God Bless them all!

In FL&T
Elaine Beyeler
Rebekah Assembly President





On April 15, 2013 State Assembly President Elaine Beyeler visited Royal Gem Rebekah Lodge #13 in White Bird, Idaho. Prior to the special meeting we had a dinner with turkey, stuffing, and all the trimmings. We had 10 members and 18 Past Noble Grands attending, including members from the following lodges:

Jurisdictional Lodge 1
Garnet Lodge 1
Ivy Lodge 1
Kooskia Lodge 4
Pansy Lodge 2
Bingham Lodge 1
Indian Valley 2
Royal Gem 16

We were pleased to have President Elaine, Vice-President Barbara, Secretary Vicky and all the other attendees present.

Submitted by Carolynn Jones Noble Grand, Royal Gem #13



Royal Gem #13





On May 15, 2013, Royal Gem #13 in White Bird, Idaho, presented scholarships to three local students. Each scholarship was for \$250. We have presented scholarships the last four years but this is the first year to present three of them. We were unable to choose two from the three so decided to give three instead of two this year. We are really proud of the students and hope they do well in their chosen careers. Picture one shows: recipient Jordaane Thorsell, Scholarship Chairman Beth Plagmann, member Cheryl Cullin, and recipient Kaleb Bass. Picture two shows, Scholarship Chairman Beth Plagmann, recipient Bailey Cullin, and Bailey's grandmother Cheryl Cullin.

On May 4, 2013 Royal Gem #13 held a Cinco de Mayo dinner as a fund raising event. We served over 70 people and raised about \$600 for our general fund. We really appreciate all the support we receive from the community of White Bird.

Carolynn Jones, Noble Grand Royal Gem #13



IPLAY Program Off to a Promising Start Mountain Home Lodge #19

Mountain Home Lodge #19 is working to improve the chances that their local youth will have toward playing a musical instrument in their school band. The program, Instruments Provided to Local Area Youth, or IPLAY for short, plans to donate a musical band instrument to one or more local 6th - 8th graders in hopes that it will encourage them to participate in their school's band.

Mountain Home Lodge #19 has dedicated \$100 to help jump start the program. Brothers and sisters of the lodge then worked together to hold a fund-raising yard sale on May 11th where members of the community generously purchased items, donated cash, and even donated two instruments. Thanks to these efforts and the visibility they created within the community, the lodge also received a petition for membership.

One clarinet and one oboe were donated in loving memory of Mary Nave, the donor's mother and previous owner, and over \$200 was raised for the program. These funds will be used to clean and repair the instruments this summer so that students can begin the application process early in the 2013-14 school year toward obtaining the instrument they would like to play.

Thanks to such generosity, IPLAY is off to a promising start, but it is not done there. As this is its first year, costs to run the program are still being estimated. Each instrument's case will receive a small plaque with the IOOF symbol and mention of donation, and a presentation ceremony will be held to honor the recipients. Therefore, donations are always welcome and appreciated. The lodge will be holding additional yard sales throughout the summer to help cover these costs and perhaps purchase and/or clean and repair more instruments.

This is the perfect time to pull out that old trumpet, saxophone, flute, and the like, dust it off, and provide it to a youth who can experience the joy of music as you once did with it. Anyone wishing to donate funds or instruments, in becoming a sponsor of IPLAY, or knows someone who may, can do so by contacting IPLAY's Chairman, Kathryn Smith, at 208-995-9989.



Rocky Mountain #5



Front: Ken Hill and Will Thomas (NG)
Back: Larry Thomas, George McGaffick (GM),
Kelly Phelps, and Craig McCallum

Members present when Grand Master George Mc-Gaffick and wife Sharon made his official visit.

We will be doing our highway cleanup soon and again we are sponsoring a scholarship for college.

Juanita Thomas, Reporter



Bluebell #72



Seated: Lila Zimbauer Standing: Nannie Carrico, Jean White, Carma Apfelbeck. Gertie Ring, & Lee Thornton

The middle of April, the members of Bluebell Rebekah Lodge #72 had a party for one of our members who was in the nursing home. She is seated, her name is Lila Zimbouer. She was nearly blind. She has since passed away.

Submitted by Jean White

Membership Chairman, Alice Mayer Bingham Rebekah Lodge #78

Assembly President, Elaine Beyeler, has asked me to be the Membership Chairman during her 2013 reign as our leader.

The packet I received at Assembly, from last year's Membership Chairman, contained the same information we've had for years!

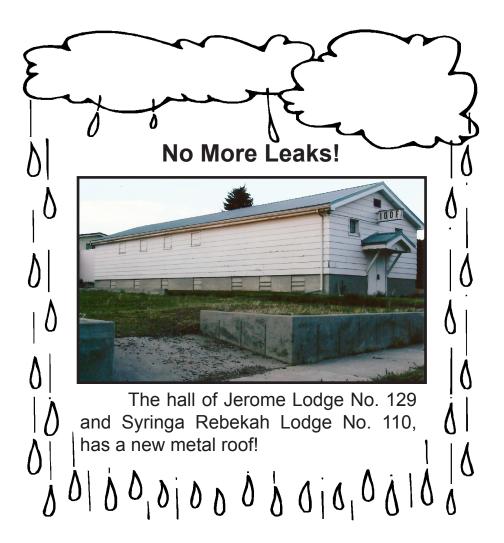
"How to get new members "ASK"

Attracting new members involves linking your world to your lodge by involving the community in lodge activities and civic projects. Through this involvement, we will increase awareness of Odd Fellowship in our communities. Be part of your community, not just <u>in</u> your community.

Any community project you are involved in, need to be reported to your local papers so that potential members can see that you're an active group!

Tell your friends, relatives, and acquaintances about your involvement with the REBEKAHS. If you are a member of other local churches, clubs and organizations, or volunteer on committees, you have the opportunity to be in contact with others with similar interest.

Be enthusiastic about going to your meetings when talking to your friends - <u>instead of</u> "I have to get all dressed up tonight and go to a meeting - i'd rather stay home and watch TV or read a book, <u>say</u> - I get to get all dressed up tonight and go to Rebekahs! I can sit home and watch TV or read a book anytime!



You're A Grand Ol' Flag! (Music and Lyrics by George M. Cohan)

You're a grand old flag.
You're a high flying flag
And forever in peace may you wave.
You're the emblem of
The land I love
The home of the free and the brave.
Ev'ry heart beats true
'neath the Red, White and Blue,
Where there's never a boast or brag.
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
Keep your eye on the grand old flag.

The Way to Display

There is a right way and a wrong way to display our American flag. It stands for America and the people who risked their lives for it and our flag. Here are some of the ways to display the American flag:

The flag should be flown from sunrise to sunset. In the morning, raise the flag quickly. At night time, bring it down slowly. If you're going to fly it at night it should have a light on it.

The flag should not be flown when it's raining or when the weather is bad.

After a tragedy or death, you should fly your flag at half staff for 30 days. It's called "half staff".

The American flag is always on top, any other flag such as your state flag are below it

Never put your flag upside down. Never let your flag touch the ground. Fold your flag when it is not flying. Don't throw it in a drawer or box.

When your flag is old and worn out, get a new one. Old flags should be burned or buried. Don't throw it in the trash.

http://www.holidaysmart.com/flags.htm

Amosette Banquet Theme



Support Our Troops
Our true Guardian Angels

NW Association Banquet at SGL

I wish to order _____ tickets at \$43.50 American each for Sunday Aug 18, 2013 in Schaumburg, Illinois at 4:30 P.M. Include your name, address and phone number. Send checks to:

Vickie Beaver, 264 E. Ash St., Lebanon, Or. 97355. Ph. 541-259-2373. E-Mail=dvbeaver@proaxis.com

REGISTRATION FOR GRAND LODGE SESSIONS OCTOBER 21-23

NAME			
RANK			
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Pre-Registration	\$12	2.00	
Registration at the Door	\$17	7.00	
General Banquet	Prime Rib	\$35.00	
	Salmon Wellington _	\$30.00	
President's Luncheon	Lemon Chicken	\$20.00	
Past President's Banque	et Stuffed Pork Chops	\$27.00	
Amosette Banquet	Pasta Primavera	•	
Historical Luncheon	Beef Stroganoff	\$18.00	
	Lemon Chicken	\$20.00	
Past GM Banquet	Stuffed Pork Chops	\$27.00	
Amos Banque	et please contact David o	or Merna Deland.	
Make checks	payable to Grand Lodge	Host Committee	
and send to V	cky Kiele PO Box 359 K	ooskia, ID 83539	
	UNIVERSITY INN		
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Single	89.99 Double		_99.99
nlus taxes	This includes breakfast	every morning	

Reservations call 1-800-325-8765 or 1-208-882-0550, please mention Odd Fellow/Rebekah to get this rate.

Cut off for these prices is September 17, 2013

Museum Workday Scheduled





Starting on June 19 there will be a workday at the Historical Museum in Caldwell. After that there will be one every month on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. We hope to see some of you there to help out. Remember it is your Museum and we need to keep it up so we can remain proud of our Odd Fellowship.



COMING EVENTS 2013

JUNE

01 DISTRICT 2 SALMON
15 ENC. DEG. RALLY BOISE
22 OWYHEE #2 SILVER CITY
22 FISH FRY ISLAND PARK
23 BUCKAROO BRKST ISLAND PARK

JULY

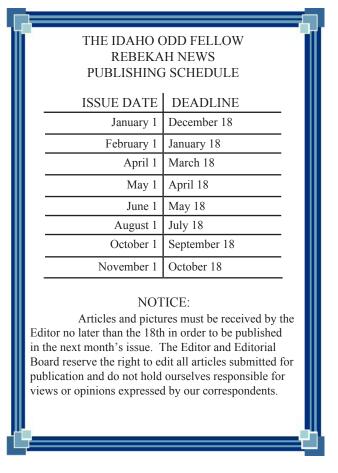
14 DEPT. COUNCIL CALDWELL 9AM

AUGUST

07 HISTOR. SOCIETY CALDWELL, 10AM 18-23 SGL CHICAGO, IL 24 OWYHEE #2 SILVER CITY

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