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## Bethel Wing Memorial Scholarship Recipient



Sharon McGaffick, Genaro Huitrono,  
and Sandie Chandler



Josh Engler Educational  
Specialist for the TRIO Upward  
Bound program at Caldwell  
High School

Caldwell - Gem of the Mountains Rebekah Lodge #5's Bethel Wing Memorial Scholarship this year went to Genaro Huitrono, a Senior from Caldwell High School. Genaro will be attending Northwest Nazarene University (NNU) in Nampa, Idaho this fall and will be majoring in Nursing. Gem of the Mountains' members honored Genaro with a dinner at the Hall and presented him with a certificate. Also attending the dinner was Genaro's mother (Maria) and younger brother (Israel). Josh Engler who is the Educational Specialist for the TRIO Upward Bound program at Caldwell High School also attended, and spoke on the "good choice" we made. Thanks to Mr. Engler, Caldwell High School had 11 students apply for our scholarship. Other distinguished guests were Sisters Jelene Baird and Connie Evans of Melba Rebekah Lodge #105, and Bob Wickham husband of Sister Georgia Wickham. Members of Gem of the Mountains #5 were Brothers Tom Ashley, Bob Covert and George McGaffick, and Sisters Laura Englehart, Georgia Wickham, Sharon McGaffick and Sandie Chandler. Sisters Sandie Chandler and Sharon McGaffick served on the Scholarship Committee.

Submitted by Sandie Chandler

## Royal Gem Rebekah Lodge #13 Memorial Day Week



White Bird – 5/25/18 – It was "Fly the Flags" day in White Bird, in preparation for Memorial Day. Those of us who went to the White Bird Cemetery placed more than 60 Rebekah and Odd Fellow flags near the headstones of our deceased Sisters and Brothers.

On that same day, eleven sisters and a friend of Anita Smith's gathered together at the White Bird Cemetery to honor her, our dear departed sister. A memorial speech was read, a prayer was said, and then each of us placed a flower in a vase for Sister Anita. A picture was taken to commemorate this event.

The following Monday, 5-28-18, some of us also took part in the American Legion Ceremony at the cemetery on Memorial Day. Afterwards we adjourned to the American Legion Veteran's Park in downtown White Bird for the presentation of six Quilts of Honor and Quilts of Valor. Following the award ceremony, the Rebekahs provided and served "Pie in the Park" for all present. It has become a popular event in our little town, and any and all donations go to the American Legion. It is a way for us to say Thank You to our community for their continued support.

Submitted by Mary Pedersen



## Just A Rambling Note From The Grand Secretary

I hope everyone will have a great summer. Remember to get your reports sent in for the advanced report. Also, look for some redesigned pamphlets, Bob Covert from Nampa 40 took the time to redesign one without any UNP info. I will be sending some of out to your lodges so you have something to hand out when you have any inquiries about odd fellows, until SGL gets us some new ones. Grand Lodge will take care of the printing of the pamphlets.

I hope your Lodge has received the journal, this took longer than I planned, I did something different this year it is a full size and I had the journal bound instead of stapled. I found a book binder that did it for less then it would cost to have it spiral bound. I know there are some mistakes if anyone has some Microsoft design lessons, that they that they would like to share with me some things came out ok some not so well, still learning what all of the functions that this printer will do, change one setting and oh boy it can mess up.

I want to thank Glen Schultz for helping (or coming over on the wrong day) remove the old dead A/C unit from the Grand Lodge office window this died last year. I hope the cut in your arm heals up. We will be getting a first aid kit. If anyone has some carpentry skills, we need some work done on the carport and some electrical work in the building repaired this summer at Grand Lodge due to old age and the last winter's snow, it needs some help before it falls over. At the historical building trustees meeting they approved the go ahead for the repairs. We had a handy man come and look what it would take to repair the carport and they wanted a lot to repair the carport. So, I hope to have some lodge members help with the repair it over the next few months. what's so Odd about helping others that's Odd Fellowship.

In F.L&T, Jeff Mann

### COMING EVENTS 2018

#### JULY

|    |                   |       |
|----|-------------------|-------|
| 7  | BATTALION MEETING | BOISE |
| 21 | GI JOE BREAKFAST  | BOISE |

#### AUGUST

|       |                     |               |
|-------|---------------------|---------------|
| 3     | HISTORICAL SOCIETY  | CALDWELL      |
| 4     | IOOF/REBEKAH PICNIC | BOISE PARK    |
| 11    | ENC. DEGREE RALLY   | BOISE         |
| 19-23 | SGL/IARA SESSION    | BALTIMORE, MD |
| 25    | 3RD DEGREE RALLY    | SILVER CITY   |



*You're invited!*

Mountain Home Odd Fellows and Rebekahs invite you to join us at the Historic Opera Theater in Glens Ferry on Friday, July 27th. The evening of great theater and a delicious dinner costs \$30.00 per person and you have your choice of steak or chicken.

For reservations call Marge Harlan at 208-371-7401 by July 15th.

**RSVP a Must**



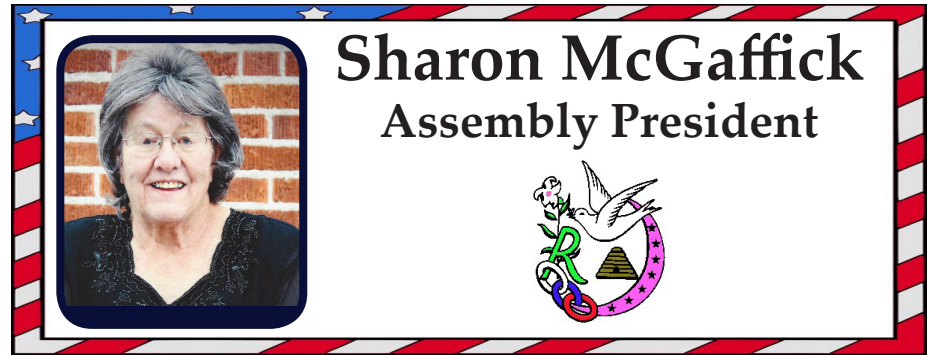
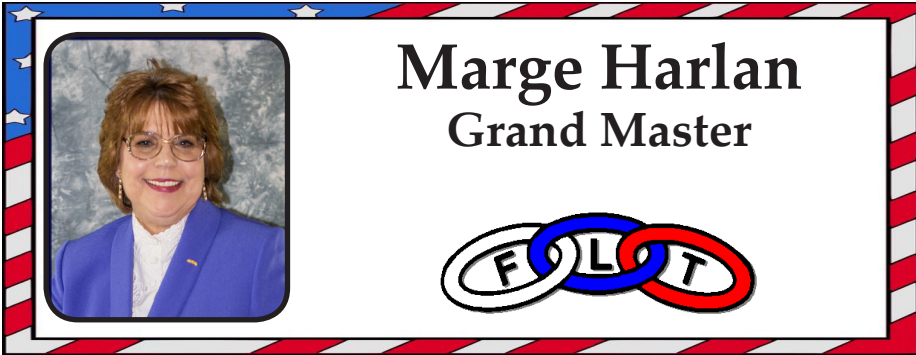
**You're Invited**

**Grand Patriarch's  
Reception**

**August 26, 2018  
3 ~ 5 PM**

The members of Home Encampment #13 invite you to a reception in honor of our Grand Patriarch, Robert 'Bob' Covert at our Lodge Hall in Mountain Home, (155 North 3rd East, Mountain Home, ID).

Come and help us celebrate another successful year for our Encampments.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am almost through with my lodge visits. Each visit has been wonderful and I thank the brothers and sisters for their generosity and thoughtfulness in making my visits enjoyable and memorable.

I had a great time at the Blacks Creek Rest Area for 'Love Thy Neighbor Day'. While serving coffee and cookies to the weary travelers, our members visited and enjoyed each other's company. What a great day!

Last year, Wendell #131 established a Child ID Program. This is a great community service project and I am proud to serve as the official finger printer.

Summer is here and our lodges are in recess, I hope you are planning some summer fun activities for your lodge. I would encourage all lodges to sponsor an open house or other event for the purpose of recruiting new members. It might be summer break, but we can't stop thinking about recruitment. We have a great Order, let's share it with others. If you need help or ideas, talk with our Membership Chairman.

I hope you enjoy your summer. Remember - Like a fishing pole; we need to be flexible enough to bend, but strong enough to hold on.

In F.L. & T. Marge Harlan, Grand Master



### Historical Corner

We are hoping to get some members together to get some projects finished this summer, if you might have some spare time call there are some hanging displays and other displays that need some attention. Also, we are hoping to get the pillars straighten, there has been some talk of one evening or weekend. Look for more information we are planning to have a night at the Museum this summer, we are talking with the other museums in town to coordinate with them and with some of the Indian creek events in Caldwell. This way gets some interest in the museum. We are working on a fund raiser there are a few ideas being kicked around. If anyone has an old computer that they are not using any more and would like to donate them to the Museum we are in need for a video display.

Submitted by Stewart Smith

Hello everyone:

Today is the first day of summer and mother nature is letting us know that the hot weather is here for awhile.

Next week I will be at the Washington Assembly with Vicky and the Grand Master. If it is anything like the one we all attended in Oregon, I am in for an interesting week. What fun it is to see how other jurisdictions run their assemblies. I learned a lot in Oregon and hope to do the same in Washington. Will let you know next month.

My last official visit was in Challis. I really enjoyed meeting with all of the wonderful members at their lodge. I once again want to thank their NG Shannon for letting us leave our dog at her house. I hope he did not cause any damage. George and I both got a little excited when we saw the two deer in her yard. They were just standing there without a care in the world.

The Grand Master and I went to Orofino where I got to meet their two new Odd Fellow members. I am pretty sure they will be a good addition to that lodge. Hopefully the two of them and three other people will be joining the Rebekahs as well. There is some good news from the lodge there, but right now I am not at liberty to say what.

On a sad note-I did attend the funeral for Peg Roberson of Wendall. What a wonderful service they had for such a lovely lady.

Hope all of you had a safe and enjoyable 4th and are enjoying the next two months without any lodge meetings.

In F. L. & T  
Sharon



## Melba Rebekah Lodge #105



Our Flags flying in the wind



Sister Jelene Baird standing by the stone dedicated to the Members

Melba - Once again the Rebekah and Odd Fellow flags flew over the cemetery in Melba. Thanks to Sister Jelene Baird of Melba Rebekah Lodge #105 for offering to go over to Melba and run the flags up the poles in honor of our fallen members. A thank you to Brothers Bob Covert and Tom Ashley for taking the Rebekah and Odd Fellows flags down after Memorial Day.

The scripture on the stone that Sister Jelene Baird is standing by says "Dedicated to Our Members who have gone home to the Lord" "INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS, MELBA LODGE No. 150 AND MELBA REBEKAH LODGE No. 105"

Submitted by Sandie Chandler



## Past Grand Master's Reception

I would like to thank everyone who came to the reception for my year as Grand Master at Caldwell Lodge. It was a nice time and there was plenty of food to go around. Special recognition to my father Jeff Mann first for planning setting up and cooking burgers. I would also like to recognize Mary Thorsen for making me a wonderful cake and all the other food and stuff she brought. I would also like to mention that Jeff Newell cooked up some delicious chicken and brought some other good food.

Also, a big thanks to Glen Schultz for bringing his canopy so they would have something to keep them in the shade as they were cooking and for the food that he brought.

Thanks again to everyone that came and gave me congratulations. Also, a thank you to the Caldwell Lodge for hosting my reception. I hope that everyone had a good time because I know that I did.

In F.L.T.  
Stephen Mann Past Grand Master

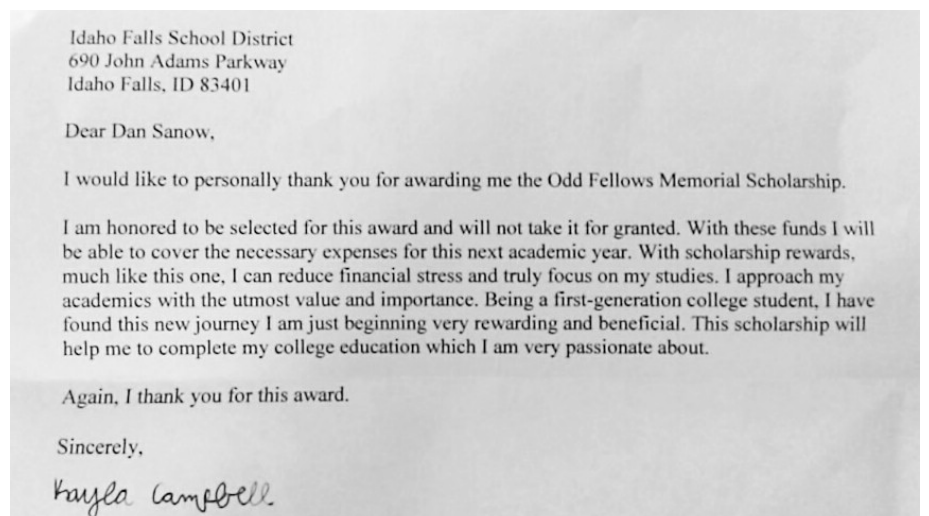
## 2018 Oddfellow Scholarships Awarded



Dan Sanow, PGM  
Brecklyn Sheldon  
and  
Catherine, District 91  
Education Foundation  
Director

Idaho Falls - The Idaho Falls 2018 Oddfellow Scholarships for District 91 school district have been awarded. This year the recipients were Brecklyn Sheldon, a graduating high school senior and Kayla Campbell, a student at Idaho State University. Brecklyn's objective is to become a Pediatric Nurse practitioner. Based on her accomplishments and recommendations documented in her application, Brecklyn will be very positive addition to the workforce. Kayla is already making positive progress toward a degree in accounting. Annually, \$5000 scholarships are awarded to two graduating seniors from Idaho Falls District 91 or one to a graduating senior and one to an eligible college student attending an Idaho college. These scholarships are made from the Oddfellow Memorial Scholarship fund established from funds that came from the closing of the Bingham Lodge in Idaho Falls in 2014. The District 91 Education Foundation provides the necessary assistance to administer these grants and assist in the selection of applicants who meet the qualification criteria. Application criteria includes financial need, demonstrated leadership aptitude, a personal essay, an essay on how they plan to apply the tenets of Oddfellowship in their future life, and a letter of recommendation based on an assessment of the student's character and preparation for post-secondary education. The focus of the Oddfellow Memorial Scholarships is to aid students who likely would not be able to attend college without the assistance of this type of a grant.

This letter is from the college student awarded one of the scholarships.



Submitted by: Dan Sanow, PGM

## A Final Farewell to Our Sister Irene Bennett



Joyce Stewart, Dolores Watson, Karla Beddingfield, Christine Brown, Vickie Jorgenson Christina Supak

Weippe - At the request of the family, the Sisters of White Pine Rebekah Lodge # 60 presented a Rebekah Service for our honorary Sister Irene Bennett. Sister Irene was initiated into White Pine Rebekah Lodge on October 12, 1943 at the age of 18. She was member #12 and had been in lodge for 74 years. In December 2017 the lodge voted to make her an honorary member, due to her failing health.

Irene (Smith) Bennett was born January 20, 1925. She passed away April 24, 2018 in Lewiston. Sister Irene attended elementary school in Weippe, and then spent a year attending school in Orofino before returning to Weippe to complete her education and graduate from high school in 1943. Sister Irene was an active long time member of White Pine Rebekah Lodge #60. It is with sadness in our hearts that we say goodbye.

In all Rebekah Memorials I have participated in we have placed a cedar bow with a pink ribbon on the casket of the deceased member.....Can anyone tell me the significance of this gesture?

In Friendship, Love and Truth - Vickie Jorgenson, Reporter

## *In Loving Memory*



*Marguerite 'Peg' Roberson  
July 11, 1923  
to  
June 7, 2018*

Marguerite Louise Van Gorder Roberson was born in Little Falls, N.Y., July 11, 1923. She is the daughter of Marguerite Louise Campbell and William Elias Van Gorder Sr.

Peg (as she is known) graduated from high school in Dolgeville, N.Y., in 1941. Immediately after graduation she went to work in Washington, D.C., as a typist for the War Dept. Office of Finance. While working there she met her husband, Leslie Thomas Roberson Sr. of Jerome, Idaho. They were married June 14, 1942, at Foundry Methodist Church in Washington, D.C. They moved to Jerome, Idaho, in July 1942. She lived in Jerome until 1963, when she moved to Boise, Idaho. She returned to Jerome in 1985 following 20 years of employment by the Veteran's Administration in Boise and Minneapolis, Minn.

Peg and Les had seven children: Leslie Jr. (Tom) of Jerome; Diana Reed of Boise; Kent (Kathy) of Clarkston, Wash.; Dale (Kelli) of Boise; Dawn (Don) Latuseck of Rathdrum, Idaho; Dona (Carroll) Cone of Jerome, Idaho, and Jerry (Charmaine) of Fairfield, Calif.

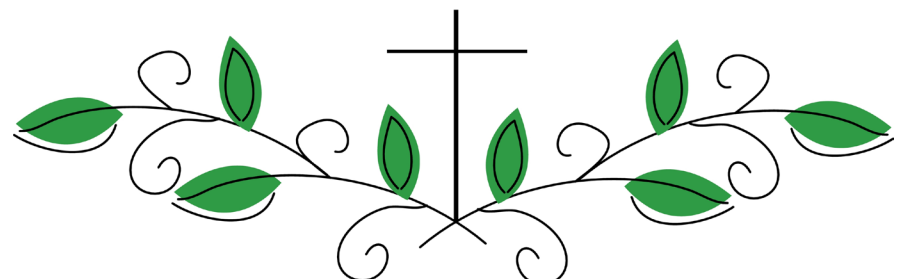
She is survived by all her children, 17 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren. She had four sisters and three brothers.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her in-laws, two sisters, three brothers, her husband and three grandchildren.

Peg was very active in her community. She was Secretary and Curator of the Jerome County Historical Society and Museum for many years. She also served as chairman for her church circle. She was a member of Rebekah Syringa Lodge #110 of Jerome, Idaho, #96 of Wendell and Union #45 of Hagerman. She held many offices in these lodges.

## *In Loving Memory*

*Those we love don't go away  
They walk beside us everyday  
Unseen, unheard, but always near  
Still loved, still missed and very dear*



## Melba Rebekah Lodge #105 – Living Legacy 2018



Sister Jelene Baird watching the digging of the hole for the tree (Diggers: Dax and Camden Chandler).



Brothers Bob Covert and Tom Ashley supervising the planting of the tree (Digger: Dax Chandler).



The whole gang: Dax and Camden Chandler, Zack Frimml, Bob Covert, Georgia Wickham, Bob Wickham, Tom Ashley, Sister Baird, George McGaffick, & Sharon McGaffick.

Melba - Melba Rebekah Lodge #105 planted a Colorado Blue Spruce tree at the Melba Park for the 2018 Living Legacy. Sisters Jelene Baird, Sandie Chandler, Sharon McGaffick, and Georgia Wickham, Brothers Tom Ashley, Bob Covert, and George McGaffick were present to watch the planting. Fortunately we had help in the digging of the hole. Our diggers were Dax and Camden Chandler, Bob Wickham, and Zack Frimml. Afterwards we treated our workers to lunch at Buck's Restaurant in Melba.

Submitted by Sandie Chandler



### Caldwell #10 Odd Fellows



Glen Schultz, Mary Thorsen, Jeff Newell and Stephen Mann and Yessica in the front

Caldwell - May has been a busy month for Caldwell #10 Odd Fellows. On the morning of May 25th, we were able to award Yessica De Los Santos with a outstanding achievement award. We awarded this to her at the 7th grade class assembly the last day of school at Middleton Middle School. She was very surprised to receive this award. Many of the members of the lodge were there to present the award.

Later that afternoon we were at Caldwell Public Library putting labels into books that we donated for the Summer Reading Program. This is a program that we donate to annually and a very good program for not only the youth, but also for adults. If anyone is interested in the program they can find out more by calling the library 208-459-3242 or by stopping by the Caldwell Public Library.

Submitted by Stephen Mann

### Memorial Day



American Falls - NG Kay Bammert, Anna Breeze, and Wava Murphy decorated for Memorial Day the grave of Bingham #78 member who passed away July 28, 2017. We also decorated Rebekahs & Odd Fellows at American Falls and Aberdeen, Idaho cemeteries.

by Wava Murphy

### Cathy Toussaint Receives Jewel



Blackfoot - Cathy Toussaint recieved her DDP jewel in late March 2018. Pinned by Wava Murphy NG of Progress #48

by Wava Murphy

## Caldwell Lodge #10 Donates Books To The Caldwell Library

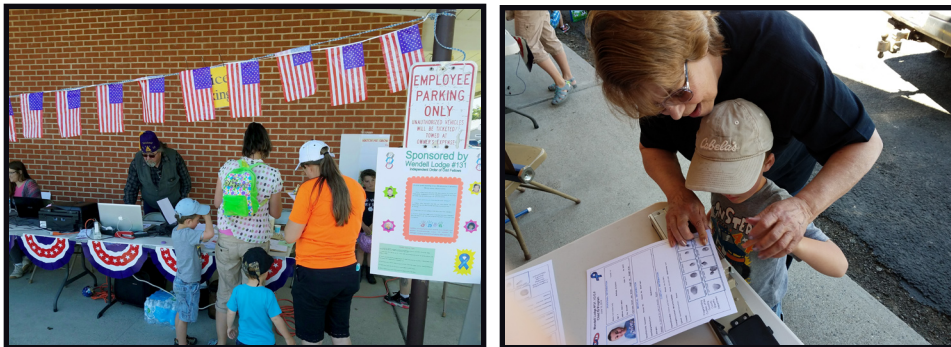
The members of Caldwell Lodge #10 donated books to the Caldwell Library. This is for their youth reading program. A student reads so many hours and they get to pick a book to keep and take home. There are book for their parents if they read to their children they too can select a book of their own. Above is one of two carts full of books that the members are sticking labels into, showing the Odd Fellows donated this book and how to get in contact with us. It was a fun time working in the Library. Mary Thorsen, Randall Wallace, Jeff Newell and Stephen Mann are a few of the worker bees busy labeling the books. Standing is Fiona the librarian, bringing in more books.



Submitted by Glen Schultz



## Wendell #131 Odd Fellows Host Child Identification Program at Dairy Days Fair



Wendell - On Saturday, June 16th, members of Wendell Lodge #131 IOOF, including Grand Master, Marge Harlan, James Weighall, Calista Newman, David Deland, Don & Kathryn Harlan, and Brothers Tom Ashley and Bob Covert from Nampa, and Brother Joe Newman from Silver City, worked in cooperation with the Gooding County Sheriff's Office to offer members of the public access to a free Child Identification Program for their kids. Parents filled out details about each child based on categories that the Sheriff's Office stated they found most helpful in a missing or kidnapped child investigation, such as date of birth, physical characteristics, family doctor, school, etc., as well as safety concerns such as allergies and medications taken by the children. Each child was then weighed, measured, photographed, and fingerprinted. In total, 32 children and 1 vulnerable adult completed the process. All of this handy information was sent home with each parent/guardian in the event of such an emergency. Although we all hope that none of these forms will ever have to be used, it gives us peace of mind knowing that we played a role in making the Wendell community feel a little safer.


Submitted by Kathryn Harlan

## Love Thy Neighbor Day 2018




Ada #3 and Caldwell 10 participated in our by-yearly event where we hand out cookies and coffee, water and juice to the weary travelers. We all wore our shirts, collars, caps, hats and even our fezzes to show our great team spirit. We had fun for the time we were there. There was an error on the part of the transportation department and had scheduled two groups to occupy the facility at the same time. The other group being the Marines, we chose not to do battle with the USMC! Pictured above is Jeff Newell, Dennis Niehoff, Stephen Mann, Stewart Smith, Mary Thorsen, Joe DeChristierro, and Jeff Mann.

Submitted by Glen Schultz



**SAVE THE DATES**

SESSIONS 

October 14, 15, 16, 17



**SAVE THE DATE**

**ADA #3 150th** 

**Opening Ceremony**  
**& Lodge Flag Parade**  
**October 14, 2018**

## Priscilla Rebekah Lodge



New Plymouth - Priscilla Rebekah Lodge made their annual donation. The following donations were made,

New Plymouth Senior Center, VFW, NEW Plymouth quick Response, NW Plymouth Fire Department, The check presented to the senior center was presented by Noble Grand Barbara Stone to Board Chair Jan Jackson and Coordinator Linda Opdahl,

Submitted by Barbara Stone



## Syringa 110



Jerome - Ronald McDonald relaxes among 51 gallon baggies filled with pull tabs. Thanks to all who collect them.

Jean Floyd and Shirley Shropshire traveled to Boise recently to deliver what was estimated at 138 pounds of pull tabs.

Submitted by Wanda Bragg

## Past Grand Master Stephen Mann's Reception and Bar B Que



Everyone had a great time as we celebrated our past Grand Master Stephen Mann. Our chefs Jeff Newell and Jeff Mann cooked up some great burgers and chicken, as we all ate our fill of great food provided the many guest. Stephen was given gifts, cards, and well deserved recognition for his year as Grand Master of Idaho. Thank You Stephen!

Submitted by Glen Schultz



## Summer

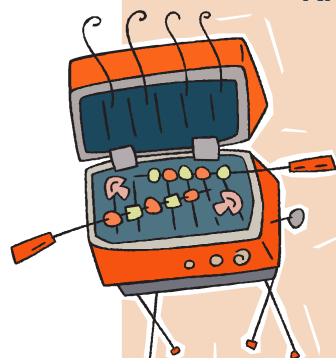
## Barbecue

*Join us for the summer picnic please bring a side dish or desert.*

*Nampa 40 will be supplying Pulled pork*

## August 4<sup>th</sup> 12-3

Kristin Armstrong Municipal park  
500 So. Walnut St. Boise, Id



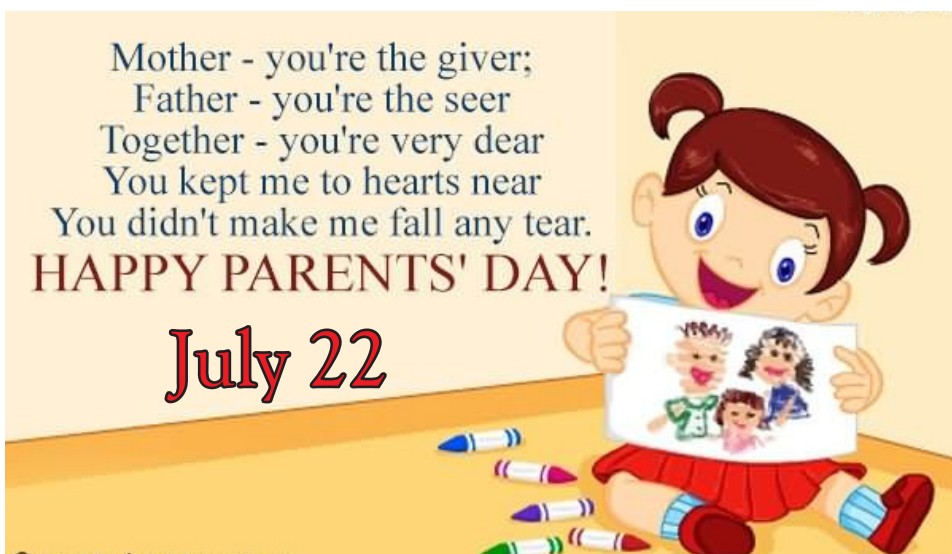


## Happy News From Payette



Payette - Payette Lodge No. 22 and Harmony Rebekah Lodge No. 22 are alive and well and continuing to be active in our community. A disaster occurred in the lodge building in the winter of 2016 caused by a pipe breaking and many thousands of gallons of water flooding parts of the building. Fortunately the loss was covered by insurance which is covering most of the costs of repairing the building. Most of the work, however, is being done by the members. Mike Miller, the Noble Grand with David Deland for support, have really been in charge of planning and seeing that the repairs are made. A new handicap bathroom has been framed in and will soon be finished. Tom Ashley and Mike Miller helped our framer, Mark Ashley, frame the bathroom and get it ready for sheetrock while Bob Covert cleaned and organized the lodge room on Saturday June 2nd. Plans are to have most of the rest of the work completed by September after our summer break so the building will again be usable and our Lodge meetings can be held in this great old lodge building. In spite of the building problem the lodges planted a tree for the living legacy program and are planning to help with other community service needs in the near future. The members present at the last meeting pictured here are: In the back are Jean Stephen, Mary Dawn Cradduck, Mike Miller, Shera Stacy, and Bob Covert, Georgia Wickham, and Tom Ashley are pictured in front.

Submitted by Tom Ashley



## Ada Lodge 150yrs ago

Ada was instituted on January 24, 1868, by DDGM John Cristie, Pioneer No.1 members helped with the ceremony. John T. Bloomfield GM of Oregon issued the dispensation. The regular meeting night was every Friday for over 100 yrs. On the second meeting January 31, 1868, Ada had seven new applications for membership. The membership dues were age related; under age 35, \$40.00, 35-45, \$45.00, 45-55, \$50.00. The petition of no person for initiation whose age was over 55yrs was not accepted. The reception of petitions was the lodge's most active routine business. Publicity was also given of the meetings each week through the columns of the two newspapers, The Idaho Statesman & Boise Democrat. The publisher of the Boise Democrat put a notice in the paper free of charge. At the last meeting in March, it was voted to levy a fine upon any elective or appointive officer who had absented himself from any regular meeting, in the sum of \$1.00 for each time, the secretary was required to enter the fine upon the books, no fine was imposed if sufficient excuse were offered and approved, by the members. In December 15, 1868 the first important social event was held, with Idaho City, Silver City and Placerville lodges were invited. With 109 tickets sold at \$12.00 ea.

In 1879 Idaho had six lodges Pioneer#1 Owyhee#2 Ada#3 Excelsior#4 Rocky Mt#5 and Covenant#6 Members of Ada Lodge were active in organizing the Grand Lodge of Idaho, on February 20, 1883 a petition was signed and sent to the Grand Sire this matter was referred to SGL in September 1883 for a solution due to only having nine lodges at the time, SGL would not issue a warrant until Idaho had ten Lodges.

Ada Lodge at the time had received four charters 1868, Grand Lodge of Oregon 1874, Grand Lodge of Oregon 1879, and Sovereign Grand Lodge 1883 Grand Lodge of Idaho was formed in 1884 after the tenth lodge was organized Caldwell#10. The second Session of the Grand Lodge was held in Boise city with Ada Lodge as the host. The Grand Lodge of Idaho had been organized and Ada Lodge had played an important role in it organization. To be continued.....

Submitted by Jeff Mann



## 2018 GRAND SESSIONS

The host committee is working hard on this year's Grand Session program. As stated before, we would like everyone to bring and wear a collar at the session for our photo. It should make for a great looking picture.

Ada's 150th Celebration will kick off with a special Ceremony on Sunday night, bringing in flags for every current Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodge celebrating the year each lodge was instituted. If you have some history of the time your lodge was instituted, we can include it when we introduce your lodge. Please send that info to the Host Committee, 600 N. Curtis RD. Suite 225, Boise, Idaho 83706 or e-mail it to lovbroncos@aol.com.

We are having a Flag building event at the Ada Lodge on July 28th from 10:00 A.M. until finished. We will provide pizza, salad and drinks for everyone that shows up to help. We have three sewing machines, 4 irons for transfers, color printers, and the need to build our flag stands and polls. It should be a fun time and we invite everyone to come and help. We have 42 flags to build with transfers on both sides. Sew the pouch on the flag, for the flag pole and cut the poles. So bring your talent and we will put it to good use. Even if it your talent is to provide us with humor, song or a story.

Thank you, The Host Committee



### Do You Remember When

Remember when we would identify distress of our brothers and sisters and to take action to help relieve that distress or assist them in things they may be in need of whatever the need. We would always visit the sick, be available for the distressed, and always help with and attend or participate in funerals for our members

We would coach our new members in: the workings of our lodge and the order, performing floor work, using appropriate parliamentary procedure, addressing the Noble Grand before speaking, addressing the assembled members, and presenting ideas so that they are not immediately dismissed without reasonable consideration.

We would coach our new members in learning the obligation and coach the new members in learning TUW of the order. We would sit down outside of meetings to discuss the teachings of the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Degrees with members receiving them after they have been conferred.

We would show all members about FRIENDSHIP to be a friend to all Members, LOVE to show new members what is meant by Love to all, be examples of one who loves all people. TRUTH to take a position on reducing the value of the Ritual and its procedures.

We would identify ourselves as Odd Fellows and Rebekah's in discussing and promoting Odd Fellowship on the job, at home, and with people in our communities.

Do you remember when you would visit another lodge for a fund-raiser or just a lodge meeting. You would look around the lodge hall and there were only members from that lodge. Now you go to a lodge for a visit and no new faces. There are now many members that belong to mutilate lodges. **WE NEED TO RECRUIT NEW REGULAR MEMBERS** Do you ever remember hearing that other lodges were having a problem or any other lodge's business or lodge issues, that they were having? **THIS WAS NEVER TALKED ABOUT OUTSIDE OF THAT LODGE HALL.** What has happened. Remember when most of the lodges did not have to worry, whether or not enough people will show up to make quorum to conduct a lodge meeting. Now many lodges are having this issue. Has our communication broken down with all of our Lodges and members? No matter the reason why, it's possible to refocus your lodge on the community outside of our own lodge. Consider volunteering once a month at a local community group or charity like a senior center or food bank. **WE NEED TO BE MORE ACTIVE AND VISIBLE IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY'S**

We are all getting older, less active, and not quite as convinced we need Odd Fellows and Rebekah's. We need more members to test our resolve to continue our ideals, not only for our group. **PLEASE** invite someone else to join in our group, our family and friends, our reasons for being an Odd Fellow or Rebekah

**WE NEED TO STOP THE REASONS WHY WE HAVE NOT RECRUITED NEW MEMBERS AND FOCUS ON THE REASON OF THE ORDER. WHAT WE ARE ABOUT STOP AND FIX THE ORDER! BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE. LETS ALL RISE AND HELP RETAIN OUR MEMBERS GET OUR INACTIVE MEMBERS REACTIVATED AND GET NEW MEMBERS.**



**2018**  
**Grand Sessions - Jurisdiction of Idaho**

**October 14 - 17, 2018**

Held at Ada Lodge #3 Temple, 600 N Curtis Road, Boise, Idaho  
 Celebrating Their 150th Anniversary

**Registration Information:(one form per person)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check all Sessions you will be attending:**

Grand Lodge.....  Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rebekah Assembly.....  Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grand Encampment....  Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Encampment: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Make Check Payable to: Host Committee**

Mail To:  
 Ada Lodge #3 Ste 225  
 600 N Curtis Road  
 Boise, ID 83706

**Fees:**

Registration Fee \*\* ----- \$15.00  \$  
 (\*\*After Oct. 1st Registraion Fee.....\$25.00)

President's Luncheon ----- \$24.00  \$  
 Past Presidents/Grand Officers Dinner -- \$27.00  \$  
 Amosette/Amos Dinner ----- \$20.00  \$  
 Historical Luncheon----- \$20.00  \$

**Mark Choices**

**General Banquet**

Dinner & Dance Please Mark Choice  
 8 oz. New York Steak or ----- \$30.00  \$  
 Terriyaki Chicken ----- \$30.00  \$

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunches at the Hall are going to be  
 Provided Monday and Tuesday \$TBD

**Motel Information:** Windham Garden Boise Airport is located off I-84 at the Vista Exit. Please Register under the Block of rooms for the Odd Fellows & Rebekahs  
**You must use the group code 10147006IN when registering.**

We are required to fill at least 33 rooms to avoid paying extra. Cut off date for the block of rooms is October 1, 2018. Check in is 2:00 pm. Check out Wednesday is 1:00  
 The room rate includes free breakfast. Car Pool Sign Up's will be at the registration desk on Sunday. The Boise Lodge Hall will have changing rooms available.

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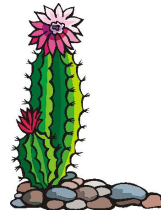
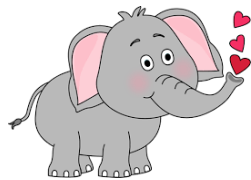
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