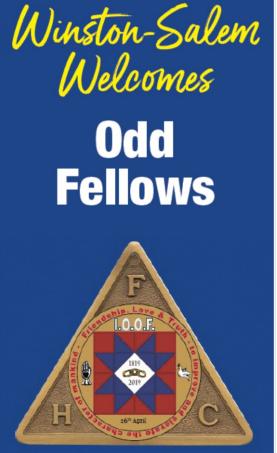


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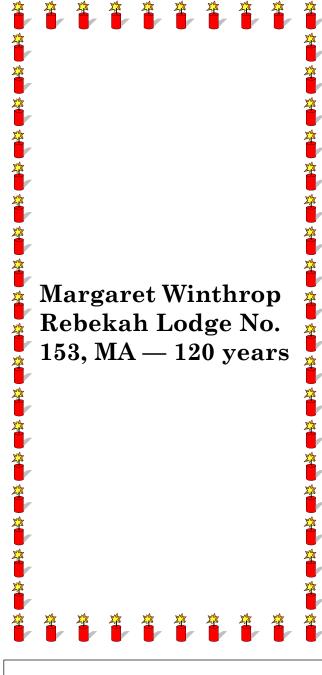
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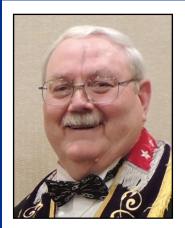
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# Office of the Sovereign Grand Master Independent Order of Odd Fellows



July 2019

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters,

As I sit down and begin to write this article, I must share with you, that I have struggled with the notion that it is the last one I will write as your Sovereign Grand Master.

I am sitting at the beautiful Mahogany Rolltop desk that occupies the office of the Sovereign Grand Master in Winston Salem this morning for the very first time this year and I am still in awe at the enormity of what all has transpired over the last three years. My mind has spent the day wandering from jurisdiction to jurisdiction, particularly the ones that I have had the pleasure to visit and the many things I have learned along the way.

We all don't do things the same way in every jurisdiction, and it was interesting to see the different ways that we all accomplish our duties as Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. I have enjoyed working with our members all over the world to make our Order and World a better place for all of us. I have been truly blessed to have known each of you and by the friendships that have been made along this journey. At the same time, I have been frustrated by the ones that think they need to change us to suite their own needs and beliefs. We are Odd Fellows and Rebekahs! We believe in a Supreme Being, a creator and preserver! We teach and believe in Biblical teachings, yet separate ourselves from any specific religion, this is what makes us non-sectarian! Let me say it a different way, non-sectarian does not mean, not religious, only that we are not associated with any specific church or religion. Our Order was founded on these Teachings and Traditions and it is important that we not turn our backs or allow some members to divert our attention from this part of our past.

We cannot allow the things that seem to tear us apart and divide us to continue. We need to be in harmony with one another and work together for the advancement of Odd Fellowship. One of my emblems, the bundle of sticks reminds us all that as long as we let the little things divide us as Brothers and Sisters we will fail to do the things we are charged with doing that will insure that this Great Fraternity is kept alive for future generations.

I will forever treasure this experience and the opportunity that has been granted to me. Thank you, Sovereign Grand Representatives for trusting and electing me to serve as your Sovereign Grand Master. I hope and Pray that I have been worthy of the trust you placed in me.

When I was elected three years ago, I was blessed with an amazing team of leaders. Sister Patty Heighton, President of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies from the Atlantic Provinces (Nova Scotia), General S. Ray Johnson General Commanding of the General Military Council from Indiana, and Lady Michelle Jones, President of the International Association Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant from my home jurisdiction of Colorado. Thank you to these amazing and talented Brother and Sisters for your friendship and support.

To the Past Sovereign Grand Masters, I thank you for the encouragement and support as I considered running for office. I thank you for your council and guidance with some tough decisions that had to be made and helping us to keep the focus on the "Good of the Order". All of you have been an invaluable resource to me as well as the rest of the Executive Committee.

To my Executive Committee, E. Wesley Nelson, Deputy Sovereign Grand Master; Charles E. 'Chuck' Lusk, Sovereign Grand Warden; Terry L. Barrett, Sovereign Grand Secretary; Harless A. Turner, Sovereign Grand Treasure; and John A. Miller Sr., Past Sovereign Grand Master. Thank you for your hard work and your commitment as you visited the many jurisdictions and thank you for your support and the friendship, we all share. My wish for all of you is that your terms be (Continued on page 6)

"WE SEEK TO IMPROVE AND ELEVATE THE CHARACTER OF MAN"



Office of the President International Association of Rebekah Assemblies I.O.O.F.



July 2019

Greetings Sisters and Brothers;

This will be my final letter as my year of "TOGETHER WE CAN", is coming to the end. It is hard to believe that 3 years has passed so quickly. What an opportunity this has been!

I have truly enjoyed my three years visiting the Jurisdictions and meeting so many friends along the way. The friendships that I have been blessed with, love and gifts; have created many wonderful memories for me to look back on. Wonderful to know that I have a "family" away from home.

The Executive has been excellent to work with and I truly thank each and everyone over the three years for their friendships, guidance, love and support as we grew Together.

We have had a difficult year in our family with many deaths and illness. My International Association of Rebekah Assemblies Guardian Janet Mattatall passed away during the term and we will remember her at the upcoming Session in Winston Salem. Also, the death of Connor has had a profound impact on my family. I will be raffling off chances on a beautiful quilt at the Session to raise money for the SUDEP / Epilepsy Foundation in Nova Scotia. Also, purple ribbons will be available for a donation. There will be a table set up with information on the SUDEP. I thank those members and Jurisdictions that have donated to my special project. Truly surprise to receive word about the donation! Many thanks!!

When Doug Pittman, Michelle Jones, S. Ray Johnson and I sat on the stage three years ago as strangers; I thought what will the next three years bring? We have grown to know each other; friendships have been created and many wonderful memories and stories have been written for a new chapter in my book.

To my Sovereign Grand Master Doug Pittman, my International Association Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant President Michelle Jones and General S. Ray Johnson, General Commander of the GMC; I thank you for being such an important part of an incredible journey and I wouldn't have asked for anyone else to share this special time during the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Order with!!

I look forward to greeting everyone as we Celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Winston Salem, NC this August. It will be a busy time for all. Thank you to Terry Barrett and the host Committee for all their hard work preparing these celebrations.

With Rebekah Love,

Patty



March of the Nutcracker





# Office of the General Commanding General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant

### July 2019

Greetings Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings from the General Military Council, the uniformed branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. We are now in the middle of Summer and only one month until The Sovereign Grand Lodge and GMC sessions. I hope everyone has a safe and fantastic 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2019. It has been a fantastic year full of Challenges and Issues, but that is why someone must be the leader to make decisions. I hope all the Adjutants around North America are getting all the commissions, papers patents, reports, etc. that they need to complete their jobs. But, always remember whatever you do have fun and enjoy yourself.

I have spent my first five letters trying to motivate the GMC and IALAPM to build up the PM Branch. We are slowly bringing in some new members to our Order. GMC is trying to change our Constitution and By-laws to make it easier to bring in new members. A little spark will ignite a big fire quite often, just look at the California and Texas wild fires! One or two energetic and improve enthusiastic members can your membership. On the other hand, I am watching many jurisdictions continue to do nothing and see how long we last.

In August of 2021 the IALAPM will no longer exist, they will become part of GMC. In South Dakota, 2016 in SGL; it was approved that we would in (SGL journal from South Dakota page 435). The GMC resolutions; "GMC 5yr Plan" to SGL were all accepted except the finance part. It (Continued on page 6)



# **Office of the President International Association** Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant



Dear Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers and Sisters,

I cannot believe that we are almost to sessions. This year has flown by so fast. I am so humbled by this experience and the love and support that everyone has shown me and my officers.

I enjoyed visiting the jurisdictions this year. I wish that I could have visited every jurisdiction, but I know that my officers represented the IALAPM well in my absence for the jurisdiction I was unable to attend. Thank you for all the hospitalities that were extended to myself and my appointed representatives. We appreciate all the hard Chivalrously, work the jurisdictions have done this year.

I have a hard time believing that only three short years ago, I started my journey through the chairs of IALAPM. I want to thank each and every one of you for all the

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encouragement, love and support that I have received through the years. This journey would be impossible without all of you standing behind us and helping us through the good and the hard times.

To my home jurisdiction of Colorado, I would like to thank you for everything that you have done to support not only me, but Doug as well. I couldn't ask for more.

I look forward to seeing everyone at sessions in Winston-Salem.

Lady Michelle Jones President-IALAPM

Smile and the World Smiles with You.

#### (Continued from page 3)

harmonious and productive and that you are all blessed by this experience. It will be my pleasure to help you in any way that you need me during your terms of office. To my appointed officers, Bryan F. King, Sovereign Grand Marshal; Joe M. Picanco, Sovereign Grand Conductor; Richard W. Rogers, Sovereign Grand Chaplain; Michelle L. Heckart, Sovereign Grand Musician; Frank V. Pegoraro, Sovereign Grand Musician; Bruce Hiscock, Sovereign Grand Messenger; Brig. Gen. Justin C. Bailey, Aide-de-Camp; and Raymond E. Pittman, Goodwill Ambassador. Thank you for being willing to give your time and resources to serve as Officers of The Sovereign Grand Lodge, you are all very special people.

To my family, thank you for your love and support as I ventured off on this journey to the various jurisdictions. You all have been supportive of my dream and my journey through the chairs of The Sovereign Grand Lodge. You have picked up the slack when I was absent, and I always knew I could count on you in every way.

To Mira, my love, I couldn't have done this

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states this (IALAPM closing down) will be readdressed in 2020, re-evaluate and begin consolidating down to just the Patriarch Militant Branch only. Check your Journal.

Many Ladies will quit the Order all together, their numbers continued to decline year after year. The LEA's and Encampments are "probably" closing, more and more each year. Which I find to be very sad. We must come together as one United; Unite to survive. If you do not want to be part of the TEAM, then move on. We must stop tearing down and start rebuilding.

My last parting words: It is very hard to soar with the Eagles when you spend all your time squabbling with the Turkeys! Please soar with the Eagles. Odd Fellowship is now 200 Years old in North America and if we are to survive another 200 Years, many changes and improvements will need to be made by all through our beloved order; what will be left of it. It is time to get on board or get out of the way. Be part of the solution NOT part of the problem. Do not forget all Representatives to SGL must hold a current paid dues receipt for a Canton, thus they are all part of GMC.

It has been my pleasure to serve as you General Commanding. Myself and my Team have always been at your meetings to help wherever we could be of assistance. Thank you for your support

without your love and support. I will love you always and forever. I probably owe you a couple of dresses, you might even get one at my session in Winston-Salem.

I am looking forward to our meeting in Winston -Salem next month for the 193<sup>rd</sup> Annual Communication of The Sovereign Grand Lodge at which time my term as Sovereign Grand Master will come to a close. I thank each of you for trusting me and allowing me to experience this amazing journey and to serve during the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. All of you have made this year very special and it has truly been a blessing that I have received.

Fraternally Yours, In Friendship, Love and Truth,

Douglas E. Pittman Sovereign Grand Master Independent Order of Odd Fellows

the past three years. I will now bake in the **Texas** sun, float down the **Mississippi** or be fishing in **Indiana** if you need me. Thank you very much.

Chivalrously,

Gen. S. Ray Johnson General Commanding of GMC 2018-2019

The Motto this year:

E.M.T.: which stands for Educate, Motivate and Train. 'a peaceful ruler; serving as a soldier'



# **2019 Annual Sessions**

#### 193<sup>rd</sup> annual communication of The Sovereign Grand Lodge 116<sup>th</sup> annual session of the General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant 103<sup>rd</sup> annual session of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies 81<sup>st</sup> annual session of the International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant and Youth Days

Friday—August 16<sup>th</sup> through Thursday—August 22<sup>nd</sup> Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Tentative Schedule of events: check your session schedule for exact times and functions.

### Friday–August 16th

Registration Youth Orientation Youth Banquet & Youth Talent Program

## Saturday–August 17<sup>th</sup>

Registration Youth Sessions Pilgrimage for Youth Board International Advisory Board United Past Grand Matriarchs Meeting Homes Association Meeting Welcome Dinner

## Sunday–August 18th

Registration I.A.R.A. Representative Orientation Joint Secretaries & Scribes Meeting The S.G.L. Grand Reps Orientation I.A.L.A.P.M. Practice National Flag Parade & Posting Memorial and Divine Worship Jurisdictional Flag Presentation Practice Official Opening

## Monday–August 19th

Registration The S.G.L. Session I.A.R.A. Session G.M.C. Session I.A.L.A.P.M. Session Fraternal Press Association Meeting "Officers Banquet"

## Tuesday-August 20th

Registration The S.G.L. session I.A.R.A. session G.M.C. session I.A.L.A.P.M. session SGL/I.A.R.A./GMC/IALAPM Joint Program Presentation Pilgrimage for Youth Forum G.M.C./I.A.L.A.P.M. Installation & Change of Command

## Wednesday–August 21st

Registration The S.G.L. session I.A.R.A. session G.M.C. session I.A.L.A.P.M. session Arthritis Raffle Installation Dinner & The SGL/IARA Installation

### **Thursday—August 22<sup>nd</sup>** Closing Sessions: The S.G.L. session I.A.R.A. session

G.M.C. final session I.A.L.A.P.M. final session

There will be various breakfasts, luncheons, dinners, Boards & Committee Meetings, etc. —see program for times and rooms.

# SOS Notes

# Through our programs, we:

- accompany children and their families in our alternative care and family strengthening programs on their lifelong educational journeys
- promote child-centered quality education, focusing on the child as a resourceful individual with unique skills and capabilities
- partner with authorities and communities to provide kindergartens, schools and social centres in communities that lack such facilities
- support and create inclusive learning environments that are non-discriminatory, non-violent, intercultural and gendersensitive
- provide after-school tutoring, speech therapy, and other support to strengthen children's capacity to learn
- work closely with partners and schools to ensure traumasensitive quality education, including remedial education and extra-curricular activities for children whose education was disrupted by traumatic events such as disaster, war, violence or discrimination
- work with national and local governments and communitybased organisations to empower communities and parents to develop and strengthen

educational programs and support

people with support young mentoring, coaching and other measures to develop life skills, employability foster or entrepreneurship, and promote independence and equal participation social in and economic life

Yours in FLT, Henry 'Hank' Dupray Chairman







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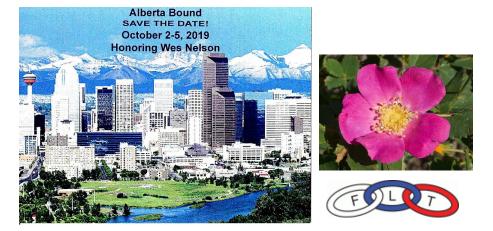


# Testimonial Weekend Honoring E. Wesley Nelson Sovereign Grand Master

# **Registration Form - One Per Person - Deadline September 12, 2019**

| Name  | Title/Rank                                       |       |
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| Address   | Phone  |       |
|   | Email  |       |
| <b>Thursday</b> , Oct. 3, 2019 Dinn<br>Transportation, Lift and   | •  | \$    |
| Friday, Oct. 4, 2019 Stage W<br>Transportation, Dinner  | /est Dinner Theater \$86.00(Car<br>and Live Show | n) \$ |
| Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019 Testin   | monial Banquet \$75.00(Can)                      | \$    |
|   | Total Canadian                                   | \$    |
|   | (cheque/draft)                                   |       |
| Dietary Concerns (allergies o   | nly):  |       |
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| Flight Information: Date  | Flight #Arrival                                  | time  |
|   | Flight # Departure                               | time  |
| Airport Shuttle provide   | by the Hotel                                     |       |
| Mail To: Nelson Promotion C<br>c/o Judy Fuller PP<br>208 - 18 Averill Stre<br>Red Deer, Alberta, C<br>T4R 3J1 | Phone: 1-403-3<br>Email: ptandco                 |       |





**Greetings** one and all, please join the Jurisdiction of Alberta on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in the City of Calgary, Alberta as we honour Brother E. Wesley Nelson, Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

## **Sheraton Cavalier Hotel**

2620 - 32 Ave. N.E. Calgary, Alberta T1Y 6B8 Canada Room Rate: \$129.00 & tax single/dbl. Other rates available Cutoff date is Sept. 9, 2019



Reservation may be made by calling and speaking to Alana at 1-403-250-6313, all messages left will be returned by Alana.

Book your group rate for: Nelson Promotion Committee 2019

## Sheraton Cavalier Hotel -- Airport Shuttle Information

Shuttle pick-up is on the Arrivals Level every hour on the hour 4:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. International arrivals at Bay 37 — Domestic arrivals at Bay 16/17 For pick up 12:30 pm - 4:30 am call hotel (403-291-0107) to request a pick up. There are courtesy phones available inside the terminal.

Departures can be booked with front desk.

There will be a registration table in the lobby Thursday and Friday to allow for the pickup of all tickets for events.

Hospitality Room will be open from 11 AM to 3 PM Friday and Saturday.

# **Testimonial Events**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 - Dinner at Sky 360, Calgary Tower. (revolving restaurant) Evening includes transportation, lift at tower and three course meal. (choice of two entrees) Alcoholic beverages are separate. Dress is Dressy dressy casual.



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019 - Dinner (Awesome Buffett) and live show. Evening includes transportation, dinner and the show. Beverages separate. Dress is dressy casual. (no shorts, t-shirts, athletic wear)



Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019 - Testimonial Banquet to Honour Sovereign Grand Master E. Wesley Nelson. A formal evening preceded by a Happy Hour from 5pm to 6pm. An evening of fine dining, entertainment and dancing. Dress for the evening is formal attire.



The jurisdiction of Iowa wishes to invite you to attend a Testimonial honoring Lady Jami Clark Rafter President of the International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant





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To be held Friday, November 15, 2019 (Fun Night) and Saturday, November 16, 2019 (Formal Night)

Holiday Inn and Suites 4800 Merle Hay Road Des Moines, IA 50322

For Reservations call and mention "IALAPM Jami Clark Rafter Testimonial" to get special room rate.

Room Reservations due by Thursday, October 24, 2019

Reservations can be made by calling: 515-278-4755 or 800-HOLIDAY (800-465-4329) Click to: www.holidayinn.com/desmoinesia and us the 3 letter code JMI Room rates are \$97.00 plus tax for a single or double

Fun Night Hospitality Suite Open

or

Formal Night Testimonial Dinner Choices:

Petite tenderloin filet & Grilled skewered shrimp \$60.00

Grilled Pork Chop & Grilled skewered shrimp \$60.00 Both meals come with vegetables, house salad, rolls and drink

( coffee, tea, lemonade, or milk)

There will be appetizers served during the social hour which will start at 5:00 along with a Cash Bar. ( crab Stuffed mushrooms, cream cheese stuffed jalapeno poppers, vegetable crudités, cheese and crackers, and fresh fruit.

If you have special dietary needs please indicate them here (Be specific):

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Please make checks payable to "Lady Jami's Testimonial 2019" and mail to:

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REGISTRATIONS DUE BY NOVEMBER 1, 2019 Please see next page for more information If you want to be picked up at the airport please provide the following information:

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What time is your flight home?



#### Things to do and see in Des Moines, Iowa



Botanical Gardens

Explore the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, a vibrant, seven-acre public garden in the heart of downtown Des Moines. With progressive design, innovative programming and dynamic exhibits, we offer opportunities for learning, socialization and respite for gardening enthusiasts and casual visitors alike.



Blank Park Zoo is the only accredited zoo in the state of Iowa. The Blank Park Zoo is home to more than 800 furry, finned feathered exotic creatures. The Zoo features a Discovery Center with over 15 species of birds, plus a large salt water aquarium, snakes, caiman, and more. Outside enjoy the park-like setting as you view the Australia Adventure, the Wilds of Africa, Sea Lions, Penguins .



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The steps leading to and the surrounding grounds and gardens provide ample opportunity to take in one of the best views of Des Moines and to allow the kids to run off some energy.



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# Celebrating 200 Years

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Regalia and the 1820 Charge Book.

Anniversary Coin and Pin.

Contact your Grand Body: Grand Secretary Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly Department Adjutant Lady Secretary of the Department Association



"Spider web" charm, hung on infant's cradle (shown alongside a "Mask used in game" and "Ghost leg, to frighten children", <u>Bureau of</u> <u>American Ethnology Bulletin</u> (1929).

# Dreamcatcher

In some Native American cultures, a **dreamcatcher** or **dream catcher** (Ojibwe: *asabikeshiinh*, the inanimate form of the word for "spider") is a handmade willow hoop, on which is woven a net or web. The dreamcatcher may also include sacred items such as certain feathers or beads. Traditionally they are often hung over cradles as protection. It originates in Ojibwe culture as the "spider web charm" (Ojibwe: *asubakacin* "net-like", White Earth Band; *bwaajige ngwaagan* "dream snare", Curve Lake Band, a

hoop with woven string or sinew meant to replicate a spider's web, used as a protective charm for infants.<sup>[2]</sup>

Dreamcatchers were adopted in the Pan-Indian Movement of the 1960s and 1970s and gained popularity as a widely marketed "Native crafts items" in the 1980s.

## Modern uses

While Dreamcatchers continue to be used in a traditional manner in their communities and cultures of origin, a derivative form of "dreamcatchers" were also adopted into the Pan-Indian Movement of the 1960s and 1970s as a symbol of unity among the various Native American cultures, or a general symbol of identification with Native American or First Nations cultures.

The name "dream catcher" was published in mainstream, non-Native media in the 1970s and became widely known as a "Native crafts item" by the 1980s, by the early 1990s "one of the most popular and marketable" ones.

In the course of becoming popular outside the Ojibwe Nation, and then outside the pan-Indian communities, various types of "dreamcatchers", many of which bear little resemblance to the traditional styles, and that even incorporate materials that work against the intended purpose, are now made, exhibited, and sold by New age groups and individuals. Many Native Americans have come to see these "dreamcatchers" as over-commercialized, offensively misappropriated and misused by non-Natives.

A mounted and framed dreamcatcher is being used as a shared symbol of hope and healing by the Little Thunderbirds Drum and Dance Troupe from the Red Lake Indian Reservation in Minnesota. In recognition of the shared trauma and loss experienced, both at their school during the Red Lake shootings, and by other students who have survived similar school shootings, they have traveled to other schools to meet with students, share songs and stories, and gift them with the dreamcatcher. The dreamcatcher has now been passed from Red Lake to students at Columbine CO, to Sandy Hook CT, to Marysville WA, to Townville SC, to Parkland FL.

# Aesop's Fable of the Bundle of Sticks

Aesop's Fable of the Bundle of Sticks. Credit: http://www.amazon.com/ by **N.S. Gill** Updated May 23, 2019

An old man had a set of quarrelsome The sons, always fighting with one another. On er the point of death, summoned his sons around him to give them some parting advice. He ordered his servants to bring in a

bundle of sticks wrapped together. To his eldest son, he commanded, "Break it." The son strained and strained, but with all his efforts was unable to break the bundle. Each son in turn tried, but none of them was successful. "Untie the bundle," said the father, "and each of you take a stick." When they had done so, he called out to them: "Now, break," and each stick was easily broken. "You see my meaning," said their father. "Individually, you can easily be conquered, but together, you are invincible. Union gives strength."

## HISTORY OF THE FABLE

<u>Aesop</u>, if he existed, was a slave in the seventh century Greece. According to Aristotle, he was born in Thrace. His fable of the Bundle of Sticks, also known as the Old Man and His Sons, was well known in Greece. It spread to Central Asia as well, where it was attributed the <u>Genghis Khan</u>. Ecclesiastes picked up the moral in his proverbs, 4:12 (King James Version) "And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken." The concept was translated visually by the <u>Estruscans</u>, who passed it along to the Romans, as the *fasces*—a bundle of rods or spears, sometimes with an axe in their midst. The fasces as a design element would find its way to the original design of the U.S. dime and the podium in the U.S. House of Representatives, not to mention the Italian Fascist Party; the flag of the borough of Brooklyn, New York; and the Knights of Columbus.

### **ALTERNATE VERSIONS**

The "old man" in the fable as told by Aesop was also known as a <u>Scythian</u> <u>king</u> and 80 sons. Some versions present the sticks as spears. In the 1600s, the Dutch economist Pieter de la Court popularized the story with a farmer and his seven sons; that version came to supersede Aesop's in Europe.

### INTERPRETATIONS

De la Court's version of Aesop's story is prefaced with the proverb "Unity makes strength, strife wastes," and this conception came to influence the American and British trade union movements. A common depiction on the banners of trade unions in Britain was a man kneeling to break a bundle sticks, contrasted with a man successfully breaking a single stick.



## Quilts: Odd Fellows & Rebekahs — Lodges

The history of quilts began long before European settlers arrived in the New World. People in nearly every part of the world had used padded fabrics for clothing, bedding, and even armor. With the arrival of the English and Dutch settlers in North America, quilting took on a new life and flourished.

The term "quilt" comes from the Latin culcita, meaning a stuffed sack. The word has come to have 2 meanings. It is used as noun, meaning the 3-layer stitched bedcovering. It is also used as a verb, meaning the act of stitching through the 3 layers to hold them together.

A quilt is a cloth sandwich, with a top, which is usually the decorated part, a back, and a filler in the middle. Under the general term of patchwork are of 3 different types of quilts: (1) the plain or whole cloth quilt, (2) applique quilts, and (3) pieced or patchwork quilts.

The quilt, as we know it in America, was originally a strictly utilitarian article, born of the necessity of providing warm covers for beds. Quilts were also used as hangings for doors and windows that were not sealed well enough to keep out the cold. The earliest American quilts, made by English and Dutch settlers, were so intimately connected to everyday life of the early colonists that no record of them exists.

An American Folk-art: During the early years of American colonization, most Colonial women were busy spinning, weaving and sewing the clothes for their family, so had little time for artistic quilting. Commercial blankets or woven coverlets were more likely to be used, but during difficult times, when money was scarce or imported textiles limited, many Colonial women had to become creative in their use of materials on hand to keep their families warm during the cold seasons.

Quilting: The Art of Necessity— Those early settlers could not afford to simply discard things when they wore out; necessity required they carefully use their resources. Therefore, when blankets became worn, they were patched, combined with other blankets, or used as filler between other blankets. These were not carefully constructed heirlooms, rather they were functional items for the sole purpose of keeping people warm. Only in later years, when fabrics were being manufactured in America and were more affordable, freeing women from the work of making their own yarns and fabrics, did the more artistic type of quilting become more widespread.

In the 100 years between 1750 and 1850 thousands of quilts were pieced and patched, and many of them are preserved. Many of these quilts were so elaborate that years were spent making and quilting them. It is no wonder they are cherished as

precious heirlooms and occupy honored places in homes and museums. Those early quilts provide a glimpse into the history of quilting as well as the history of the United States.

**Exquisite whole cloth quilt:** Whole cloth quilts, broderie perse and medallion quilts were popular styles of quilts made during the early 1800s. The whole cloth quilt, also known as counterpane, is usually made of single pieces of material on the top and back, and the decoration is obtained by means of padded or corded quilting in more or less elaborate design.

The applique quilt, or "laid-on" quilt, usually has a top made of whole cloth with smaller pieces of contrasting fabrics cut into shapes or forms that are applied or stitched down. These quilts were considered more elegant than the humble pieced type. Applique for quilting came into favor around the mid-1700s and reached its climax about 1850. Only the wealthy could afford the expensive imported fabric and had the leisure time for this type of quilt making that displayed the fine needlework of the maker.

The earliest settlers had no labor or materials to spare so they typically found the simplest, most expedient solutions to problems. This focus on functionality was exhibited in their architecture, tools and household furnishings, as well as political and social institutions. The block-style pieced quilt was an example of this functional approach to design. Once again, the history of quilts mirrored that of the developing country.

Bold patchwork quilt: In the early 1700s Amish and Dutch colonists began settling in the rich farmlands of Pennsylvania and the Midwest. They emigrated from Europe with the hope that they would be able to have the freedom to live according to the principles of their religion. Those early pioneer women did not quilt, rather using the featherbeds traditionally used in Europe. Over time, with contact with outsiders combined with necessity, Amish women began creating quilts with the characteristic beauty and craftsmanship that are the hallmark of Amish quilts.

Pieceful Ingenuity of Patchwork Quilts—

**Delightful color play patchwork-** As the frontier was conquered, living conditions improved. With prosperity and the availability of more materials, quilts became less austere. The patchwork quilt was a "utility" quilt, in contrast to the applique quilt which was a "best" or show quilt, upon which time and material was lavished.

A particularly popular style of quilt in the early days of quilting (through the early 1800s), was the Medallion quilt, which was made in a style that had actually been brought to America from Europe by the colonists. This type of quilt -- a central motif

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design possibilities for quilters, who could use a century. patchwork, applique, embroidery, either alone or in combination.

patchwork guilts that took enormous amounts of time drudgery and real labor of family life on the frontier. to make, pieced quilts were generally the everyday Additionally, fine handwork was a source of pride bedcover, and designed to be made quickly. Since and status. even small cloth remnants could be used in As the frontier was conquered, living conditions patchwork quilts, every scrap of fabric and usable improved. With prosperity and the availability of portion of worn garments were saved and used in more materials, quilts became less austere. patchwork guilts. Pieced guilts became the most Patchwork guilts were more likely to be made of new common type of quilt at that time.

"tufted" quilt that is tied through in enough places to traditional patterns. keep the filling from shifting and bunching. While a particularly those in the upper classes, had the time tufted quilt has no stitching holding the layers and resources to pursue more "genteel" arts. During together, it does have the typical three layers seen in this time the Victorian crazy quilt, became popular. traditional quilts.

Another variation of the quilt is the "summer" necessary art into a creative one. quilt, which does not have the middle filling, so is useful as a bedcover during the warmer months. The 1917, quilt making became more important than ever. summer quilt does have the traditional stitching The U.S. government urged citizens to "Make Quilts holding the two layers together.

communities frequently joined together to help their The government took all the wool produced for neighbors with big projects, such as barn building or commercial use in 1918 and instituted "heatless finishing quilts. The quilting bee was a social event Mondays." Following the war interest in quilting as that allowed the finishing of several quilts in a single an art was renewed. day instead of weeks or months.

to designing only quilts of a single type or method. women relied on their own skills and resources to They used their imagination and ingenuity to keep their families warm. Saving bits and pieces of combine patchwork, applique, and embroidery in material from clothing and other blankets, using endless combinations. One early variation was the material from feed-sacks, and "making do" were Medallion quilt, a relatively simple design with common practices for frugal quilters during those dramatic impact, that was particularly popular difficult years. through the early 1800s.

there was a custom that a young girl make a baker's support the Red Cross. The "signature quilt" was dozen of quilt tops before she became engaged. This especially popular. In a signature quilt, business collection consisted of 12 utility quilts, undoubtedly people, store owners, and citizens of a community pieced, and 1 masterpiece quilt, which was either a would pay a small fee to have their names pieced or applique quilt, for her bridal bed. After her embroidered on quilt blocks. engagement, she would take final steps to turn her tops into finished quilts.

quilts for each of her children to have when they left fascinating community records. home to start life as adults. A variation of this custom continues to this day as quilters continue to general interest in quilting than at any other time in make heirloom quilts for their children or American history. To many, the quilt was associated grandchildren.

machine somewhat altered the dependence on hand- older quilters, those who had always quilted, who sewing. Long before electricity became common, kept the art of quiltmaking alive during this time. quilters could power a sewing machine with a foot treadle or hand crank. The invention of a separate the granddaughters of these older women began to quilting attachment for the sewing machine by Henry

Davis of Chicago did not seem to be widely used; surrounded by multiple borders -- offered endless hand quilting remained the favored method for nearly

Detailed quilting stitches—Much of the handwork involved in quilting may have been a form Though there are examples of elaborate of relaxation for pioneer women, a relief from the

and finer fabrics. Appliqué quilts, which require more A variation of the utility quilt was the plain fabric, began to emerge and developed a body of More and more women, By the early 1900s, quilting was transforming from a

When the United States entered World War 1 in - Save the Blankets for our Boys over There." Quilts Many hands quilting a quilt: Members of rural were made for fundraising and awareness building.

During the Great Depression, people simply did Naturally, early quilters did not limit themselves not have the money to buy blankets so once again

Signature block of friendship quilt: During During the 1800s in many parts of the country World War 2, quilting was used to raise money to

The blocks were sewn together and quilted, and the finished quilt was raffled off with all proceeds Another custom was for mothers to make several going to the Red Cross. These quilts are now

Through the 1950s and 1960s, there was less with lean times and "making do" - quiltmaking was In the mid-1800s the introduction of the sewing viewed as dated and old-fashioned. It was primarily

Quilting Revival—Then in the 1970s and 1980s, (Continued on page 18)

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revive interest in quiltmaking. The back-to-the-land movement, prompted by the anti-materialism of the late 1960s, generated a desire among many young people to learn hand skills that had been neglected in the postwar rush toward an automated society.

A milestone in American history, the Bicentennial celebration of 1976, was also a turning point in the history of quilts in America. The quilt became popular as a means of expressing national pride and achievement, and a powerful reminder of our past.

Now, in yet another century, quiltmaking in the early 2000s is still practiced as it always was, though now more for relaxation than out of necessity. Some quilters follow the craft in conventional form for leisure-time amusement or because it represents a tradition, they find emotionally significant. Others have found in quiltmaking an artistic medium they can manipulate to their ends, and have ultimately created new styles and techniques.

**Colorful patchwork quilt**—The history of America can be seen in the history of quilts: in the rich heritage left us by those thrifty, self-sufficient women who helped settle this land, in the families whose history is sewn into quilts one patch at a time, and in the legacy of the quilting arts passed on to children and grandchildren so they may carry them forward to the future.

Heirloom Quilts: Precious connections to our past -- Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and Quilts all merge into one—for as many types of quilts, there are as many types of members and lodges: the age (new and the heirloom), the colors and patterns of the prism, the sizes—the double bed to the now California king ,to the wall hanging or the lap cover. The intricately quilted or the tuft tied, the piece quilted or the whole cloth quilt. Can't you just visualize out members gathered around a quilt and the stories that have been shared...



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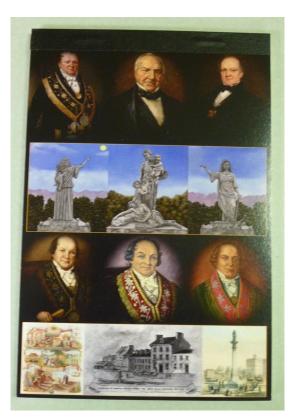


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July 2019

HOW TO GET NEW MEMBERS?



Many of our membership will not ask, because when they do, the prospect asks 'what do you do?' 'Well, we meet on Monday evening, open with the Pledge to the Flag, have a prayer, read the minutes of the last meeting, pay the bills, maybe a Good of the Order, close, have refreshments and play cards, then we are home by 9:00 p.m.' "What was the purpose of this meeting? ...... Without answers, few are asking.

So the membership needs to be:

- $\Rightarrow$  Educated in the principles
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Then the members will be comfortable in asking Prospective Members—but if not comfortable in this process, there is a Prospective Members Program, where they supply the names of prospects and George will make the presentation on the Order.

Contact your Grand Secretary or Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly who have received copy of the Membership Program to obtain the materials to assist in growing your Lodge.

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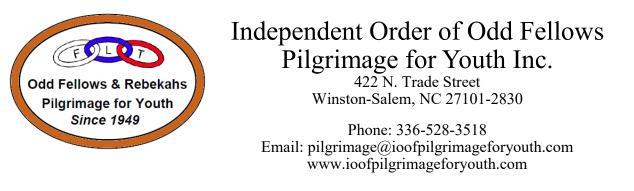
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# THE TOUR IS READY FOR 2020

The Board of Directors of the IOOF Pilgrimage for Youth Inc. is honored to announce the selection of our new Executive Director for the Odd Fellows & Rebekahs Pilgrimage for Youth program. Brother Leonard Bolton of West Virginia has worked with this program for over 20 years as a Tour Leader, New York City Staff and Board member. Brother Leonard is excited to work with all the jurisdictions in providing an educational experience for each delegate.

The 70<sup>th</sup> Tour of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage for Youth is ready for a lifetime experience for delegates as they travel to New York City or on the extended tour to Washington DC, Ottawa and other historical sites.

The 7-day Tour and the 14-day Tour will both start on the same date – June 30, 2020. The 7-day Tour ends July 6, 2020 and the 14-day Tour ends July 13, 2020.

Delegate Application, Chaperone for Delegate Application, Tour Leader Application, Staff Application and Payment Form will be available on the pilgrimage website in August 2019, or you may pick up at the Sovereign Grand Lodge sessions in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

## Deadline: November 1, 2019

Delegate count and 1/2 Delegate Fee sent to the Pilgrimage for Youth office on the pilgrimage Payment Form.

Tour Leader and Staff applications are due in the pilgrimage office also on this date.

Deadline: April 1, 2020: items due in the pilgrimage office are:

2 copies completed Delegate Application packet.

2 copies completed Chaperon to Delegate Application packet.

2 copies completed Tour Leader Application packet.

2 copies completed Staff Application packet.

Final fees payment along with Payment Form.

The Board of Directors will select Tour Leaders and Staff at their Spring Board meeting. If you are thinking of being a Tour Leader or Staff person, fill out the Application and send it in.

Contact the Executive Director or Board Members with any questions or concerns, we are here to not only support this awesome program but to assist you in sending a young person on a tour which may enhance or change their life.

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