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*In the spirit of the Season
We wish you
Friendship, Love and Truth
Faith, Hope and Charity
and
Universal Justice*



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President

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*Sovereign Grand Master
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Helping Hand Lodge
No. 34, River Johns,
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Thank You from:

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The family of Dorothy M. Laycock, PP-  
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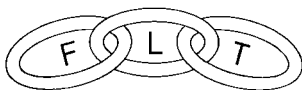
Thinking of You:

PSGM W. Larry Ferguson, recovering
from hip surgery.

Those on the East Coast recovering from
the recent hurricanes.

Those on the West Coast suffering with
the wild-fires.

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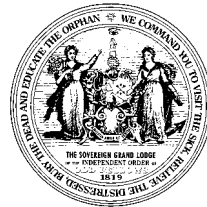
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Office of the Sovereign Grand Master Independent Order of Odd Fellows



November 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I sit down to write this article, I am amazed at how fast time is moving along. It seems like The Sovereign Grand Lodge just ended and yet it is time for me to wish all of you a most joyous Holiday Season. All of us were raised in the traditions of our various cultures and the religious teachings that we have chosen. My desire is that each of you will take the time to enjoy the season, celebrating the traditions you have enjoyed through the years. I would also like to wish each one of you a Happy Thanksgiving, and yes, a belated Happy Thanksgiving to our Canadian Brothers and Sisters. It is certainly a time for all of us to be thankful and grateful for what we have in this life. Thanksgiving in the United States was first celebrated in 1621, and then became a Federal Holiday in 1863. Beginning with George Washington in 1879, annual Presidential proclamations declared the last Thursday of November as the day to celebrate Thanksgiving. Then in 1941 a Congressional declaration designated the fourth Thursday of November as the date of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Thanksgiving is celebrated not only in the United States, but also in Canada on the first Monday in October, some of the Caribbean Islands, Norfolk Island the last Wednesday in November, and Liberia the first Thursday in November. Those first celebrations were a chance for the early settlers and the Native Americans to fellowship with one another and show gratitude for the bountiful harvest. So why is it important for us to be grateful and to show gratitude? In an article published by meaningfullife.com recent studies laud the

power of gratitude and how it improves our physical, emotional, and social well-being. It builds greater optimism, happiness and self-esteem. It strengthens the bonds between us and gives us feelings of connection. It enhances our health and decreases stress, anxiety, and depression. Thanksgiving celebrations and the feelings of well-being that we all experience as a result of them are a clear indication of the value of being grateful. I want to tell you that I am grateful for all the good things in my life and that sentiment especially applies to each of you, my Brothers and Sisters in Odd Fellowship.

My travels since The Sovereign Grand Lodge sessions have taken me to Colorado Grand Lodge, Iowa Grand Lodge, Maine Grand Lodge, back to Colorado for the Testimonial Celebrations for Lady Michelle Jones and I, Baltimore, Maryland for the Conference of Champions for the Arthritis Foundation and a quick visit to Washington Lodge #1 of Maryland with Grand Master Louis Butler before going to Ft. Bragg for our Daughter Rebecca's retirement from the U.S. Army.

I am excited by the projects of the various jurisdictions and the potential that I see for them to ultimately help us to recruit new members into our lodges. In Iowa the Brothers and Sisters have formed a partnership with the Mercy Hospital Foundation and Ronald McDonald House and will financially sponsor the construction of the Kitchen Facility as well as one of the Family Rooms in a new Ronald McDonald

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



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



November 2018

Greetings Sisters and Brothers;

As I sit here in my office writing this article for the IOOF News it is a sunny fall day with the leaves changing to colors of red, yellow and orange out the window it is Mother Natures Masterpiece. We have had a little snow in Nova Scotia, but I was fortunate to have missed it as I was attending the 2018 Grand Lodge & Rebekah Assembly of Australia.

What an incredible experience I shared with several Brothers and Sisters from North America. It is spring time "Down Under", green grass and flowers in bloom. Such an opportunity to meet and spend time at the meetings with the Members from Australia. Congratulations to Brother Gordon Bitter as he was re-elected as the Grand Sire of Australasia, a 3-year term. We were treated to a Mayors Reception in the city where I presented him with a picture of the "Peggy Cove" Lighthouse in Nova Scotia. Attended the Anniversary Dinner as well and all members went on a bus tour as a part of the Sessions. I presented certificates to the Rebekah Lodges and my lapel pin to the members in attendance.

As we approach our 200th Anniversary, we need to celebrate such a milestone. We are no longer behind closed doors with the curtains drawn shut. I ask that each of you get out in the community, be visible and active. Promote the Order. Work with each other and the community. There are food banks, school breakfast programs, senior centers that are always looking for volunteers. I do understand that not every member can be as active as they once were, but each and everyone of you "Can Make A Difference." Sometimes the little

things make a difference in someone's life. Send a card, make a phone call, drop off a baked item to a shut in. Even Hello to a stranger walking down the street, will make someone's day.

Thank you to all those who sent cards and notes after the Installation. It has been a busy few months since Installation. Truly an honor to have my family and friends with me for such a memorable time in my life. I am proud to be a Rebekah. This December I celebrate 25 years!



Our Joint Program this year is one we are proud of. I hope everyone enjoys the program as each leader worked hard to put our programs together. "Together We Can...."

I look forward to visiting and meeting new members throughout this year. Thank you for your friendship as I travel through out this wonderful Order.

In Friendship, Love and Truth,

Patty Heighton
President—I.A.R.A.



March of the Nutcracker



Office of the General Commanding General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant



November 2018

Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers, and Sisters,

Greetings from the General Military Council. The Grand Decoration of Chivalry was presented to those that gave their lives in Flight 93 during a horrible period in American History. The presentation was made 3 November 2018. Once again, The SGL and the PM Branch honored those that gave the ultimate sacrifice so others could live in freedom. This was a very sad and humbling ordeal. Twelve new members were mustered into the PM Branch in Pennsylvania this past weekend along with the Grand Decoration Ceremony and a new canton was instituted with eleven of the new recruits.

We the members and leaders of the General

Military Council are attempting to make recruiting into our ranks an easier task. I have assigned Brig. Gen. Edward A. Foreman Jr as the Chairman of the Membership Committee of GMC. He has some outstanding ideas, please notify him when you bring in a new member (40 Lyndale Ave., Nottingham, MD 21236-4322 – Cell Phone 410-608-9333). I have helped muster in several new recruits around the country already this year. I have reports of at least two new cantons starting up so far this year (California and Pennsylvania). Remember that members of the Odd Fellows or Rebekahs are eligible to become members of the Patriarchs Militant Branch.

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Office of the President International Association Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant



November 2018

Dear Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to thank everyone who came to Colorado to support Sovereign Grand Master Doug and myself at our testimonial weekend. I was so overwhelmed by the show of support and all the well wishes for our year. Words cannot express my gratitude for everyone taking time out of their busy schedules to come help us celebrate.

I have had several people ask about my emblems and what their meaning is. I was planning on touching on this subject the night of installation but was so overwhelmed by the event, I did not think I could give an explanation. At my testimonial dinner, I gave the following explanation. My emblems represent two very special ladies who God has

seen fit to call home to his side. The owl represents Lady Katy Burns and the smiley face represents Lady Judy Brown. Both of these ladies had a very big impact on my life and always encouraged me in my fraternal journey. When I wear my pin, or see someone else wearing one, I am reminded of not only them, but all of the wonderful Rebekahs and Odd Fellows, Ladies and Chevaliers who have stood beside me and helped me take each step I have taken in this wonderful Order.

I am very excited to be back making visits and representing the International as I travel to the different departments. The visits I have been on already have been a lot of fun and I

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House facility that will be constructed within Mercy Children's Hospital in the near future. I am happy that I have been invited back to Iowa in early December to take part in the check presentation ceremony.

When I ran for the office of Grand Warden, I talked about my desire to re-establish our relationships and connections to other charities for the mutual benefit of them as well as the Odd Fellows. My first contact was with the Arthritis Foundation in August at The Sovereign Grand Lodge. Since then I have been invited and was honored to attend the Conference of Champions in Baltimore. Brother Clarence Plant and I were privileged to present your gift of over \$325,000.00 during this event. Thank you everyone for your most generous contributions. I am optimistic that our gift will continue to help in the effort to find a cure for this devastating illness. I have also been invited to visit their national headquarters in Atlanta, GA to discuss ways for our organizations to market each other for the mutual benefit of both.

In Conclusion, Thank You for what you do as Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. We are making the world a better place for all mankind. Our

work in the world is important and we do make a difference in the lives of people we have not yet met. This became even more apparent to me when I met some of the people who have benefitted from the research and new treatments that have resulted from our work and association with the Arthritis Foundation.

Fraternally Yours,
In Friendship, Love and Truth,

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



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have really enjoyed spending time visiting with all of the ladies in each department.

As the holiday season approaches, I wish for each and every one of you a joyous holiday season and a happy and healthy new year.

Finally, I want to encourage all of you to get involved with the youth branches of our Order, if you are not already. These young people will absolutely amaze you. We all need to be encouraging them and bringing them into the adult branches in order to keep our Order alive and thriving well past our 200 year celebration.

Chivalrously,

Lady Michelle Jones
President-IALAPM

Theme: Lead
Outreach
Volunteer
Educate

Motto: Smile and the World Smiles with You.



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The Patriarchs Militant Branch of the IOOF is the show case branch of the Order. As such we need to proudly wear the Uniform and look as sharp as possible. When doing ceremonies, the Grand Decoration of Chivalry, Decoration of Chivalry and the installations whether it be Departments or Cantons please dress sharp and perform the ceremonies to the best of your abilities. When in the public eye or in front of prospective new members, please look and perform to “Impress”. Make them want to ask you to become a member.

GMC is continuing to work to make it less expense to become a PM Member. We have several proposals to reduce beginning cost of uniforms. One idea is to make the Class B or Field Dress Uniform approved for use by all departments. The Deputy and Department Commander would need to own a Class A or Full-Dress Uniform. Another is to begin with a Black Blazer, white shirt, black tie and black shoes.

GMC is developing new uniform regulations, among several other changes to the GMC Laws, should be ready for print by 1 Jan 2020 if approved in The SGL August 2019. Many of the updates/changes will be sent to The SGL By-laws Committee for “Review” when they meet in July 2019. We may even get the Sword Proficiency Manual printed and ready for sale by January 2020.

I have appointed a Special Committee for GMC, Chaired by Maj. Gen. Paul Bradley. This committee’s assignment is to look at GMC meeting before or after The SGL. This would give many members a chance to attend GMC and The SGL. Thoughts have been either at Arlington before or after the Pilgrimage to the Tombs of the Unknowns, next start on Wednesday before The SGL at same location and hotel. Let your Representatives to GMC know your opinions to be passed on to Maj. Gen. Bradley. Change is sometimes good, if it does not work, we can always “continue to back track”.

I would like to invite everyone to the Third Annual Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns of the Civil War. This presentation is presented by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Military Units Honoring all of those on both sides that died in the Civil War. Many

Americans on both sides gave their lives for a cause they believed in and were willing to die for. We feel it is fitting we Honor all that made this sacrifice for their country. The presentation will be conducted at the Beauvoir Manor Cemetery, 2244 Beach Blvd., Biloxi, MS 39531. The dates and time will be February 15, 2019 for the banquet (to be held at Beauvoir Museum) beginning at 6:30 PM and the wreath laying ceremony will be at 11:00 AM February 16, 2019 (to be held at Beauvoir Cemetery). See the registration in this issue, page XX-XX.

My Team is here to support you and help you get the things needed to grow. As I have always liked to say “You only get out of any position or organization what you are willing to put into it.” Everything we do must be fun and enjoyable or we will stop doing it. Remember my **Motto**: E.M.T.: which stands for **Educate**, **Motivate** and **Train**, Not Emergency Medical Technician.

We must **Educate**/Mentor new and many of our current members on our laws, rules and regulations. Always keep all members **Motivated**, members having fun and enjoying what they do will bring in new members. As a Military Unit we must **Train** on our marching and sword proficiency constantly to remain sharp. But always “Treat others as you wish to be treated.” We must work together as a **TEAM**.

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’

Thomas Wildey Day Proclamation

To all Members of all Degrees of the
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Fraternal Greetings:

Whereas, pursuant to a dream, Thomas Wildey founded an Order that in time would influence men and women of every walk of life, and

Whereas, it is appropriate to remember the founder of our Order who through his vision, determination, wisdom and talent saw the culmination of his dream, which resulted into the priceless heritage, we enjoy today.

Now therefore, I, Douglas E. Pittman, by virtue of the authority duly vested in me as Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, do proclaim,

That January 15, 2019 the anniversary date of the birth of our founder be celebrated as **Thomas Wildey Day** throughout the world of Odd Fellowship.

Further, please observe the birthday of Brother Wildey with special ceremony on or as near the 15th of January as is possible, and

Further, all Units of the Order are encouraged to initiate a **Wildey Class** in celebration of the occasion, and

Further, that the month of January be **Thomas Wildey Museum Month** in which members are encouraged to contribute to the museum, either monetarily or with items for display.

Contributions should be sent to The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., Thomas Wildey Museum, 422 Trade Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this 1st day of November 2018, and in the 200th year of our Order.

Yours in F, L & T,

Attest: /s/ Douglas E. Pittman
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary

Educational Foundation Proclamation

To the Officers and Members of all Degrees
of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Fraternal Greetings:

Whereas, the Educational Foundation, the oldest project of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, established in 1927, has made it possible for thousands of people from all walks of life to further their education with low interest loans amounting to more than 7.4 million dollars, and

Whereas, the Educational Foundation depends upon donations from all Units and members for its continued service in this most important field, and

Whereas, the need for loans is ever increasing to meet the higher cost of helping men and women to find their place in life, working in all types of professional, business and trade fields, and

Whereas, one of our commands is: '*to educate*'; what better way to achieve this command than through loans and scholarships of the Educational Foundation.

Now Therefore, I, Douglas E. Pittman, by virtue of the authority duly vested in me as the Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, do hereby proclaim,

The month of February as **Educational Foundation Month** throughout Odd Fellowship.

Further, request all Units of the Order to support this project by:

Making a special effort to sponsor a money-raising event for the benefit of the Educational Foundation or a treasury donation.

All monies raised and contributions made should be sent to the Jurisdictional Secretary of each Unit of the Order and the Jurisdictional Secretary will, in turn, send the total donations for the Jurisdiction to: R. Kenneth Babb, Ex. Dir., Educational Foundation I.O.O.F., P.O. Box 20455, Winston-Salem, NC 27120. This will enable each Jurisdictional Secretary to give credit for contributions made by Local Units.

When you reach out and touch people through education you provide them with the knowledge.

Done this 1st day of November 2018, in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and of our Order the 200th year.

Attest: /s/ Douglas E. Pittman
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary

ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS VISUAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

HUGH J BRADLEY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Hugh Bradley Distinguished Service Award was established to recognize the outstanding efforts of an individual, member or group of members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for outstanding and unusual contributions in furthering the cause of vision. This can be through education, preservation efforts and/or financial or other assistance.

Nominees must meet the following requirements:

- 1] Be a member or group of members in good standing of an Odd Fellows or Rebekah Lodge within the Jurisdiction submitting the nomination.
- 2] Be nominated by an Odd Fellows Lodge or Rebekah Lodge, Grand Lodge, Rebekah Assembly or Jurisdiction Eye Committee operating under a contract with the Odd Fellows and Rebekah Visual Research Foundation.
- 3] Have demonstrated outstanding and unusual efforts on behalf of the vision program at the local or jurisdictional level.
- 4] Produce written evidence or documentation of how those efforts have benefitted individuals in preserving or aiding vision or in educating the public about available options for preserving vision or aiding in the ability to see.

Nominations with requested information must be submitted and received no later than March 15th. Send nominations to:

Mark E. Ulrich, Chairman
Odd Fellows & Rebekahs
Visual Research Foundation
1107 Walnut St E
Devils Lake, ND 58301-3240

The Odd Fellow and Rebekah Visual Research Foundation Committee, at its Mid-Year Meeting will consider the nominations and determine if there is one worthy of the award. The committee reserves the right to not make the award every year if the committee members feel there is no nominee who has met the requirements and merits the award. If you have made nominations previously and that

application did not receive the award, please resubmit again for review.

The award, a large pyramid-shaped trophy, will be presented to the winner at the opening ceremonies of the annual sessions of The Sovereign Grand Lodge and International Association of Rebekah Assemblies in August.

NOMINATION APPLICATION

- 1] Name of Nominee:

- 2] Address of Nominee:

- 3] Name of Lodge, Grand Body or Jurisdiction Making Nomination:

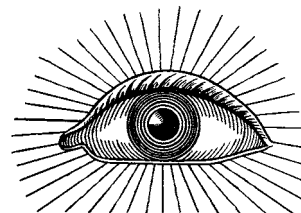
- 4] Give a brief description of eye project in which nominee has been involved:

- 5] List reasons why you believe this individual or group should be considered for the Hugh Bradley Award. (Please include in these reasons why this nominee is outstanding and cite examples of how this involvement is unique and worthy of recognition for outstanding work.)

- 6] Attach documentation from Agency, Institution, and/or Individuals who can attest to the benefits derived from nominee's efforts in behalf of visual assistance.

- 7] Include any other information supporting the nomination, which you deem pertinent for consideration by the selection committee:

If more space is needed, please add additional sheet(s)



Pilgrimage to Honor Unknowns of the Civil War

Grand Decoration of Chivalry
to be present posthumously
upon the
Unknown Confederate Soldier

Announcing the Third Annual Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown of the Civil War. This presentation is presented by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Military Units Honoring all of those on both sides that died in the Civil War. Many Americans on both sides gave their lives for a cause they believed in and were willing to die for! We feel it is fitting we Honor all that made this sacrifice for their country!

The presentation will be conducted at the Beauvoir Manor Cemetery, 2244 Beach Blvd., Biloxi, MS 39531. Phone number 228-388-4400. The dates and time will be February 15, 2019 for the banquet (to be held at Beauvoir Museum) beginning at 6:30 P.M. and the wreath laying ceremony will be at 11:00 A.M. February 16, 2019 (to be held at Beauvoir Cemetery). Please find enclosed a list of hotels in the area. Please make your reservations directly with the hotel. Also enclosed is a list of things to see and do as well as places to eat.

Name &/or Organization's Name:

If your Jurisdiction or Organization would like to be recognized by laying or having a wreath laid: (fill in information below) Number of Wreaths / Name of Jurisdiction: _____

_____ X \$50.00 each = _____
Registration Fee: _____ X \$10.00 each = _____

_____ Number attending the Banquet in your group that you are paying for:

_____ X \$40.00 each = _____

The banquet will be a buffet of Southern food, held on Friday, February 15, 2019 at 7:00 P.M., with social time beginning at 6:30 P.M. The dress for the banquet will be suit or uniform for men and formal or uniform for women. We thank you for your participation in this event.

A special treat for those attending, a private tour of Jefferson Davis Home and Museum. If you want to participate in the tours, please arrive by 5:30 P.M. Friday, February 15, 2019.

Please fill out the form above and return by January 12, 2019, to Brig. Gen. Mitzi Rayborn. Please make one check for total payable to: Brig. Gen. Mitzi Rayborn.

Mail to:

Brig. Gen. Mitzi Rayborn

Chairman of Beauvoir Pilgrimage
Committee

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Wiggins, MS 39577

Home Ph: 601-928-9200

or Cell Ph: 601-466-9464

E-mail: mitzirayborn@gmail.com

Numerous places to stay in our area, be sure to mention Beauvoir for special rate!

Quality Inn – 2414 Beach Blvd,
Biloxi, MS 39531 — (228) 388.1000

South Beach Biloxi – 1735 Beach
Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39531—(228) 388.2627

Motel 6 -- 2476 Beach Blvd, Biloxi,
MS 39531 — (228) 388.2601

Regency Inn & Suites – 11969
Bobby Eleuterius Blvd, D'Iberville, MS
39540 — (228) 396.0100

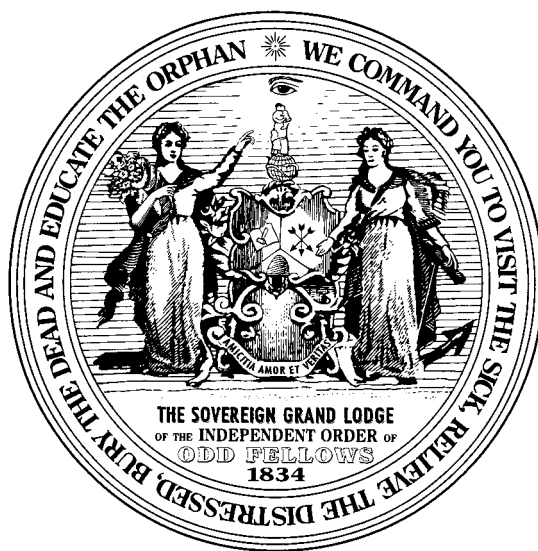
BETTY MOATES SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

The Educational Foundation announces a new scholarship made possible by the Trustees of the Betty Moates Trust. Betty Moates was one of the most respected, admired and influential members of this Order. And through her most generous and charitable gift in the amount of \$700,000.00 from the Trust that she provided for in her Will, Betty's trustees have made it possible to carry on Betty's legacy of unselfish concern for the welfare of others through an endowed science and technology scholarship to be administered by the Educational Foundation. Working with Sister Elizabeth Mowry Harbstreit, a trustee of the Betty Moates Trust, the Board has instituted the Betty Moates Science and Technology \$5,000.00 scholarship that will be available to students in 2019. Applications are currently available at the SGL Website - ioof.org. This is the Educational Foundation's largest undergraduate scholarship. Applicants must be, or have a relative who is a member of an Odd Fellows or Rebekah Lodge. The applicant must be pursuing a major in medical technology, chemistry, biology, mathematics or an education major to teach medical technology, chemistry, biology or mathematics.

Seal of The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F.

On the Seal of The Sovereign Grand Lodge is found a shield, party per pale and chevron. The first quarter is charged with a gavel upon an open book, to signify the authority of the Word of God, from which the Order derives its entire Wisdom. The second quarter is charged with a sheaf of arrows, the weapons of war against vice. The base is charged with a bee-hive, the emblem of associated industry. The whole signifies that "with the authority of wisdom the war against vice must be industrially carried on". The crest is a figure of Charity caring for two orphans, and standing upon a globe enveloped by a snake, emblematic of the great truth that "Charity covereth a world of sin". As supporters of the shield, Faith stands at the dexter side, holding a cornucopia (*Horn-of-plenty*) in one hand, and the other pointing heavenward, where the All-Seeing Eye appears in its glory; while

Hope on the sinister side, resting upon her anchor of "truth in God", uplifts her eyes to the same celestial object. The motto of the Order, "Amicitia, Amor, et Veritas", (*Latin for 'Friendship, Love, and Truth'*) is below the shield, while encircling the whole is enscribed the imperative instruction given every member of the Order; — "We command you to visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead, and educate the orphan."





Eighty-sixth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns May 3-5, 2019, Arlington, Virginia

November 2018

Greetings to all members, families and friends of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. You are cordially invited to attend the Eighty-sixth Annual Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns. Members of all units of the Order are encouraged to participate. The Pilgrimage Committee is pleased to provide the following information about this annual event.

The 2019 Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, May 5, 2019 at Arlington National Cemetery. The memorial services will begin at **noon** followed by the wreath laying ceremonies at the Tomb immediately after the 1:00 p.m. changing of the guard. **Please note the dates and times the program will be held this year.** The Pilgrimage address at the Tomb will be delivered by the Honorable Douglas E. Pittman, Sovereign Grand Master.

The Hilton Alexandria Mark Center, at 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22311, will be our headquarters. Room reservations are to be made directly with the hotel, at toll-free 1-800-Hiltons (1-800-445-8667) or 1-703-845-1010. You **MUST** mention “Odd Fellows Pilgrimage” when reserving your room to receive the special rate of \$119 single/double, \$129 triple, and \$139 quad. All room rates are subject to applicable hotel tax. (See attached information about hotel accommodations).

The annual Pilgrimage banquet will be held in the hotel on Saturday, May 4, 2019, at 7:00 PM. (Advance ticket purchase required – see attached pre-registration form.) A social hour will be held from 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM. After the banquet, all present will have the opportunity to meet and greet the Honorable Douglas E. Pittman, Sovereign Grand Master, Independent Order of odd Fellows from the Jurisdiction of Colorado; Sister Patty A. Heighton, President, International Association of Rebekah Assemblies from the Jurisdiction of Atlantic Provinces; General S. Ray Johnson, General Commanding, General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant, from the Jurisdiction of Indiana; and Lady Michelle Jones, President, International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant from the Jurisdiction of Colorado.

We recommend that you schedule flights to and from Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA), the nearest airport to take advantage of the free shuttle service to the hotel provided by the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center. The Washington metro area is also served by Dulles International Airport (IAD), located 30 miles southwest of the Capital in Northern Virginia. (There is no free hotel shuttle from this airport.)

We encourage you to publicize this special annual event in your I.O.O.F. community. The contact information for the various events is listed on the reverse of this page or on the attached forms. We look forward to seeing you May 3-5, 2019 in Alexandria, Virginia.

In Friendship, Love, and Truth,
Jennie Sue Pearson and Chuck Renninger
General Co-Chairmen

Eighty-sixth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns May 3-5, 2019, Arlington, Virginia



HOTEL INFORMATION

Hilton Alexandria Mark Center
5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22311
1-703-845-1010 or 1-800-HILTONS (1-800-445-8667)

Reservations are now being accepted and should be made as soon as possible.

The **Hilton Alexandria Mark Center** is the headquarters hotel for the 2019 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns. To receive the special rates of \$119, single/double, \$129, triple, and \$139, quad, plus hotel tax, available for the nights of May 3-5, reservations must be made **no later than April 2, 2019**. You must mention the **"ODD FELLOWS PILGRIMAGE"** when making your reservation in order to receive these rates and to obtain the specially reduced parking rate. The hotel will accept reservations **on a space available basis after April 2, 2019, but not at this reduced price**. Only telephone reservations are accepted 1-703-845-1010 or 1-800-HILTONS (1-800-445-8667).

It is imperative that reservations are made as early as possible. Although the deadline to place a reservation is **April 2, 2019**, occasionally in past years the hotel has sold all the rooms set aside for the IOOF Pilgrimage at the reduced rate **BEFORE** the deadline. So, although a person may call to place a reservation before April 2, 2019, if there are no more rooms available **AT THAT RATE**, the person will be faced with a choice of **reserving a room at a higher rate**, if any are available, or seeking a room at another hotel. *If you have any problems with hotel reservations, please call Chuck Renninger at 1-301-350-4495 or Jennie Sue Pearson at 1-301-662-0749.*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, May3, 2019

3:00-7:00 P.M. – PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DESK open in the upper lobby foyer of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center

Saturday, May 4, 2019

8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. – PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DESK open in the upper lobby foyer of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center

5:45-6:45 P.M. – CASH-BAR SOCIAL HOUR, hotel lower level

7:00 P.M. – PILGRIMAGE BANQUET, hotel lower level. **Prepaid reservations required.** (See attached pre-registration form) Open seating. *Dress code for men* – black tie, business suit, or military uniform; *Dress code for women:* – *formal dress*, street-length dress, dress suit, or military uniform.

Sunday, May 5, 2019

Please note times for all events

8:00-10:00 A.M. – PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DESK open in the upper lobby foyer of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center

10:30 A.M. – BUSES LOAD–DEPART 10:45 A.M. promptly from the hotel lobby entrance.
No cars or buses will be allowed in the cemetery. Commercial parking lot available.
No exceptions!

Noon Memorial Service followed by wreath laying after 1:00 P.M. changing of the guard.

NO FORMAL ATTIRE FOR MEN OR WOMEN IS PERMITTED FOR WREATH LAYING.

Dress code for men: business suit or military uniform
Dress code for women: street-length dress, dress suit or Lady's military uniform.
No sandals, flip-flops, sneakers, open-toe shoes, etc.

**Eighty-sixth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage
to the Tomb of the Unknowns
May 3-5, 2019, Arlington, Virginia**



PRE-REGISTRATION AND PURCHASE OF TICKETS FORM

ONE FORM PER PERSON

PRE-REGISTRATION: \$5.00 per person, pre-registration deadline: **April 2, 2019**.

Registrations postmarked after April 2, 2019 or in-person registrations: **\$8.00 per person**. *Any questions about registration?* Contact **Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee, Treasurer Wanda Smith**

Phone: 1-703-590-1267 and/or E-mail: 0302wsmith@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DESK (upper lobby foyer of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center)

Open Friday, May 3, 3:00-7:00 PM; Saturday, May 4, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM; Sunday, May 5, 8:00-10:00 AM. Pre-registered participants must pick up their registration envelopes which include the Pilgrimage badge and certificate of attendance and any pre-paid tickets as requested on **this form**. In-person registrations are accepted. Any tickets still available may be purchased.

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE – ONE FORM PER PERSON - (Please copy this form as needed)
PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE April 2, 2019**

Name _____ Phone# _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

Jurisdiction _____

Highest Title you want printed on the certificate _____

All funds are stated in U.S. dollars and must be paid in U.S. dollars. NO REFUNDS.

() **\$ 5.00 PRE-REGISTRATION FEE** available until April 2, 2019, after **April 2, 2019**, fee is \$8.00

() **\$ 55.00 SATURDAY PILGRIMAGE BANQUET -- MUST** be reserved and prepaid by **April 2**. Unless there are canceled reservations, **no additional banquet tickets** will be available.

() **\$ 45.00 ARLINGTON CEMETERY TRANSPORTATION TICKETS** - round-trip bus from the Hilton to the Visitor Center; round-trip shuttle from the visitor center to the tomb for Sunday, May 6, 2018 only. **Space is limited.** Unless there are cancellations, last minute transportation tickets may not be available.

******NO PRIVATE VEHICLES or BUSES WILL BE PERMITTED TO ENTER THE CEMETERY AND PARK. PRIVATE VEHICLE AND BUS PARKING IS AVAILABLE FOR A FEE AT THE COMMERCIAL PARKING GARAGE AT ARLINGTON CEMETERY. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Check # _____ Amount of check _____

All funds are stated in U.S. dollars and must be paid in U.S. dollars.

Make checks payable to: Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee and send with this form to:

**Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee
P. O. Box 7165, Woodbridge, VA 22195
Phone: 1-703-590-1267 – E-mail: 0302wsmith@gmail.com**



Eighty-sixth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns May 3-5, 2019 Arlington, Virginia

Jurisdictional Wreath Order Form (one per jurisdiction)

Your jurisdictional wreath must be ordered directly from the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee. The cost of the wreath is **US \$60.00**. No other wreath option is available. Payment for the full amount (payable to Independent Order of Odd Fellows *Pilgrimage Committee*) must accompany this order.

Only one (1) wreath per jurisdiction may be ordered. It may be placed by **no more than four (4)** representatives from your jurisdiction. A jurisdiction with no representative in attendance may order one wreath to be placed by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee's designee.
Questions: Wanda Smith, 1-703-590-1267.

ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE WREATH LAYING CEREMONIES MUST ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING DRESS CODES

or they will **NOT** be permitted to participate in laying a wreath.

NO FORMAL ATTIRE FOR MEN OR FOR WOMEN IS PERMITTED.

Dress code for men: business suit or military uniform.

Dress code for women: street-length dress, suit or Ladies' military uniform

No sandals, flip-flops, sneakers, open-toe shoes, etc.

Reservation Deadline: April 2, 2019

Order forms will NOT be processed without the following information:

Jurisdiction: _____ Person ordering wreath: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____

Print the person(s) name(s) (maximum of 4) **participating in wreath laying** of your jurisdictional wreath:

Name _____ Title _____

Name _____ Title _____

Name _____ Title _____

Name _____ Title _____

OR - _____ - No jurisdictional representative will be in attendance. Please have our jurisdictional wreath placed by the I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage Committee's designee.

All funds are stated in U.S. dollars and must be paid in U.S. dollars. Check # _____

Make check payable to: Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee & mail to:

Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage Committee

P. O. Box 7165, Woodbridge, VA 22195

Phone: 1-703-590-1267 - E-mail: 0302wsmith@gmail.com

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groups not represented in your club 48. Provide brochures for new employee packets in members companies 49. Advertise at sports events 50. Ask the district for help 51. Hold joint meetings with other groups 52. Share your club experience with others 53. Participate in community events 54. Write letters to the newspaper about the campaigns your club is working on 55. If a prospect can't attend your meeting due to time, suggest another club 56. Publicize club successes, elections, events, in local newspapers 57. Circulate the club newsletter widely 58. Design a club brochure 59. Hold recruiting events with two or more clubs 60. Form/join a speakers' bureau 61. Wear your club's pin 62. Mention your club at meetings of other organizations during announcements 63. Send newsletter to guests 64. When asked about your leadership skills & career success, tell them about your club 65. Ask the AG to attend a board meeting to talk about membership 66. Ask every member to submit 3 prospects to the membership chair 67. **Make it FUN** 68. Give every member a club decal or bumper stickers for their car 69. Give testimonials about your club while guests are at the meeting 70. Repeatedly invite prospective members 71. Practice selling your club at Club meetings—have a one-minute elevator speech ready 72. Conduct a Membership Satisfaction Survey (RI Publication #417) 73. The club president asks three club members as a personal favour to each recruit one new member 74. Bring your boss to a club meeting 75. Make direct contact with women's business associations 76. Bring your co-workers to a club meeting 77. Bring your subordinates to a club meeting 78. Have new member kits 79. Use books, brochures, videos and posters from RI 80. Hand out invitation cards for a "Free" lunch (breakfast, dinner) 81. Have members constantly promote and rave about your club 82. Meet at a good location 83. Assign every member to a 5-person recruitment team—each team brings in a new member every six months 84. Develop a strategic plan membership

is a year-round priority and needs to be planned 85. Have incentives for recruitment 86. Have a large poster that lists all the members who have sponsored a new member in the past year 87. Select a missing classification and work on filling it 88. Display a thermometer showing progress towards club goal 89. Feature a member's "benefit of the month" in the club newsletter 90. Induct new members with piazzas & invite spouse/partner 91. Develop a welcome letter from the president for all new members 92. Contact all members who have resigned in the past 3 years 93. Use billboards at bus stops and road sides 94. Ask club members to put club ads on their commercial trucks 95. Recognize new members in newsletters 96. Regularly check the RI web site for ideas 97. Subscribe to the Rotary Membership Minute on the RI web site 98. Invite spouses to social functions 99. Ask recipients of Rotary service or donations to speak for Rotary 100. **Pass out M & M candy to remind members that "Membership Matters" and that we need "More Members"**

Article originally appeared in November 2004 issue of Membership Matters, written by Chris Offer. Source: Membership Matters, Vol. 4 No. 5 November 2004

I hope that you can find some of the information above helpful in meeting the Sovereign Grand master's challenge.,

Fraternally,

Douglas E. Pittman, Sovereign Grand Master



Celebrating 200 Years



of Odd Fellowship

Available from your Grand Body for the 200th Anniversary Celebration:

Regalia and the 1820 Charge Book.

Contact your Grand Body:

Grand Secretary

Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly

Department Adjutant

Lady Secretary of the Department Association

In celebrating **200 years** of Odd Fellowship—the Wildey Museum and Library will accept any officers pins, coins, banquet memorabilia, certificates, pamphlets, books, etcetera. Also: items of interest—posters, jewels, gavels, miscellaneous items of interest—be certain to include any history and your name or the name of the person or lodge of original ownership; will also take items for display to be returned to you.

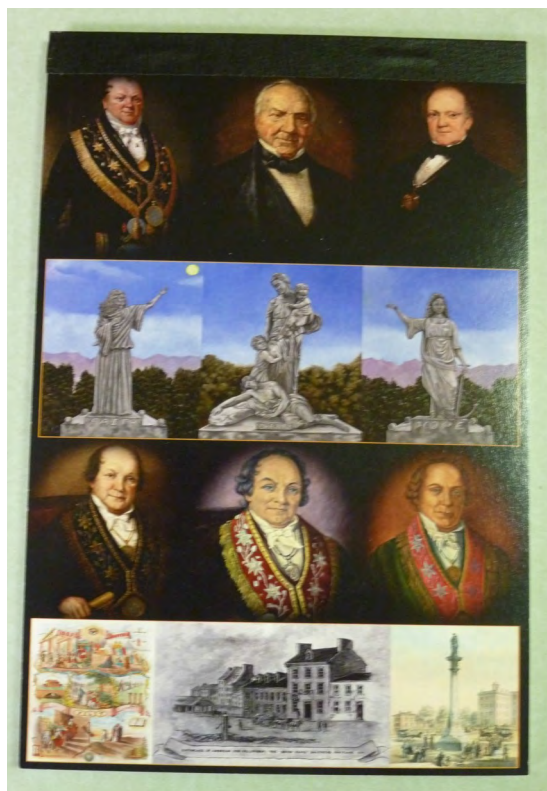


Mail to:

Wildey Museum and Library I.O.O.F.
422 Trade St. NW
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

I.O.O.F. Celebrating 200 years

Items available through your Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly: book of 12 post-cards or pictures suitable for framing; denim shirts, and thermal cups.



PLEASE PRINT or TYPE AND RETURN THIS FORM AS SOON AS NEW MEMBERS ARE

The SGL - IARA Membership Program
SPONSOR of NEW MEMBER

Sponsor Name _____
New Member's Lodge _____
Lodge Secretary Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State/Province _____
Postal/Zip Code _____



NEW MEMBER

Date Admitted _____ Bro. ____ Sis. ____
Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State/Province _____
Postal/Zip Code _____
Date of Birth: M/D/Y _____
E-mail: _____
Phone: _____

The SGL - IARA Membership Program
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Sponsor Name _____
New Member's Lodge _____
Lodge Secretary Name _____
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NEW MEMBER

Date Admitted _____ Bro. ____ Sis. ____
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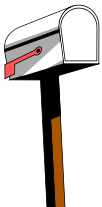
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SPONSOR of NEW MEMBER

Sponsor Name _____
New Member's Lodge _____
Lodge Secretary Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State/Province _____
Postal/Zip Code _____



NEW MEMBER

Date Admitted _____ Bro. ____ Sis. ____
Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State/Province _____
Postal/Zip Code _____
Date of Birth: M/D/Y _____
E-mail: _____
Phone: _____



**MAIL, FAX, E-mail
TO:**

Attn: I.O.O.F.
The SGL / IARA MEMBERSHIP
422 Trade Street
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101-2830

Fax: 1-336-722-7317 — Email: sgldataentry@ioof.org



INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS

Membership Committee

"A PROGRAM OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE
AND THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
REBEKAH ASSEMBLIES TO OBTAIN MEMBERSHIP
GAINS IN ALL UNITS OF ALL BRANCHES OF THE
FAMILY OF ODD FELLOWSHIP"

November 2018

MEMBERSHIP!

What is the Sovereign Grand Masters challenge on membership? Do you know the answer to this question? I hope that the answer is yes, and if it is not something you know, I am going to tell you. "**Just go get one!**" Each of you knows someone that you can ask to join your lodge, and if everyone of us would go get one we can change the direction of our order by 100%. We can change our future, but we all must step up and meet this challenge.

100 Ways to Recruit New Members

Information provided by the ClubRunner Newsletter

Clubs are always looking for ways to grow and recruit new members, there are many things club members can do in order to attract new members. Here, you'll find a hundred viable approaches that one could use in order to recruit more members.

1. Ask someone
2. Bring a guest to meetings
3. Advertise in newspapers & cable TV
4. Have a clear club goal & a strategic plan
5. Letters or personal contact with local businesses
6. Contact with Chamber of Commerce
7. Place customized bookmarks in library books
8. Have public meetings at malls, outdoors, etc
9. Have a booth at malls, fairs, festivals etc.
10. Place pamphlets in doctors' offices, hospitals, cafeterias, libraries, etc.
11. Host an Open House
12. Hold a club assembly only on membership
13. If you have a Rotary Club, ask Rotary Foundation alumni to join
14. Give the membership chair one minute at every club meeting
15. Make the membership chair a club director
16. Put together guest information packets
17. Service projects that serve a need in the community
18. Invite family members to join
19. Send letters to people in the news with an invitation to visit the club
20. Print club business cards with club meeting location and time
21. Distribute extra copies of magazines that relate to your club in waiting rooms, etc (i.e.: Rotarian)
22. Hold high-profile meetings
23. Hold wine and cheese receptions for prospective members
24. Ask for help from RIMC/RIMZC
25. Have a special guest day
26. Send club members to district membership seminar
27. Make prospective members feel important
28. Honor outstanding community members with awards
29. Don't take age into consideration
30. Make some meetings social events
31. Build a club web site
32. Use group email to promote your club
33. Put posters in public areas
34. Ask corporations and employers to sponsor or subsidize membership
35. Have a reward program for those who bring in new members
36. Create more fun
37. Give a money back guarantee—if after 3 months a new member does not want to be a club member, return their fees
38. Invite the media to cover well known speakers
39. Use word of mouth
40. Network with coworkers, friends, and family
41. Follow up with guests
42. Place a colored dot on the watch of every member to remind them to bring a guest
43. Lead by example—how many members have you recruited?
44. Have members give talks at other organizations
45. Provide guests with free meals
46. Update your club's classification survey
47. Look for members in ethnic

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New Members Reported to the Committee on Membership 1 Jan. '18 to 31 Dec. '18

Jurisdictions	OF Ldg	Bros	Sis	Reb Ldg	Sis	Bros	Enc	Pat	Mat	PM	Chev	Ladies	LEA	LAPM	Jr Ldg	TRGC	UYG	Totals
Alabama	0			9	8	1	0			0			0	0	0	0		9
Alberta	1	1	0	0			4	0		8	7	1	0	0	0	0		13
Arizona	10	7	3	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		10
Arkansas	3	2	1	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		3
Atlantic Provinces	4	3	1	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		4
Belize	0																	0
British Columbia	1	1	0	2	2	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		3
California	66	37	29	1	1	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		67
Chile	0			0														0
Colorado	10	5	5	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		10
Connecticut	4	2	2	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		4
Delaware	2	2	0	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		2
Dist. of Columbia	0			0			0			0								0
Dominican Republic	0			0			0			0								0
Florida	0			6	6	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		6
Georgia	0			0			0			0								0
Hawaii	0			0			0			0								0
Idaho	7	6	1	2	2	0	0			2	2	0	0	0	0	0		11
Illinois	26	21	5	11	10	1	0			5	2	3	0	0	0	0		42
Indiana	4	4	0	4	3	1	0			0			0	0	0	0		8
Iowa	26	15	11	0			0			3	1	2	0	0	0	0		29
Kansas	1	1	0	15	15	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		16
Kentucky	17	16	1	1	1	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		18
Louisiana	0			0			0			0			0	0	0	0		0
Maine	4	4	0	3	2	1	0			0			0	0	0	0		7
Manitoba	0			1	0	1	0			0			0	0	0	0		1
Maryland	14	12	2	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		14
Massachusetts	16	12	4	3	3	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		19
Mexico	0			0			0			0								0
Michigan	6	6	0	6	4	2	0			0			0	0	0	0		12
Minnesota	4	1	3	2	2	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		6
Mississippi	12	7	5	0			0			10	4	6	0	0	0	0		22
Missouri	20	12	8	5	0	5	0			0			0	0	0	0		25
Montana	2	1	1	1	1	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		3
Nebraska	1	1	0	1	1	0	0			0			0	0	0	0		2
Nevada	4	3	1	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		4
New Hampshire	5	4	1	4	1	3	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0		13
New Jersey	6	3	3	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		6
New Mexico	7	3	4	4	3	1	0			0			0	0	0	0		11
New York	2	1	0	0			0			0			1	0	0	0		3
Nigeria	0									0								0
North Carolina	2	2	0	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		2
North Dakota	2	2	0	0			0			0			0	0	0	0		2
Ohio	38	30	8	2	0	2	1	0	1	0			0	0	0	0		41

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New Members Reported to the Committee on Membership 1 Jan. '18 to 31 Dec. '18—cont.

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Oklahoma	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ontario	8	59	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Oregon	89	47	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95
Pennsylvania	53			16	1	0	17	0	0	12	9	3	0	0	83
Philippines	0														0
Puerto Rico	0														0
Quebec	1	1	0												0
Rhode Island	0														2
Saskatchewan	0														0
South Carolina	0														0
South Dakota	0														0
Tennessee	8	7	1												10
Texas	74	53	21												81
Utah	0														0
Vermont	0														0
Virginia	10	3	7												10
Washington	27	18	9												38
West Virginia	21	15	6												34
Wisconsin	6	3	3												6
Wyoming	0														0
TOTAL	624	440	187												0
OF Ldg		Bro	Sis	Reb Ldg	Sis	Bro	Enc	Pat	Mat	PM	Chev	Ladies	TRGC	UWG	Total

*I.O.O.F. Insurance
scriptSMART is no longer available*

You may wish to review a discount prescription card program at: www.acrx.org (American Consultants Rx Inc—an Atlanta based company).

Contact:

**American Consultants Rx,
Inc.**

PO Box 161336
Atlanta, GA 30321

(404) 767-1072
www.acirz.org



VETERANS

85 years

80 years

75 Years

70 Years

Opal Braught, NM
 Ruby Brown, NM
 Nadine Hanses, WA
 Marthann Hall, WA

65 Years

Rudele Turner, NM
 Nancie Jahn, NM

60 Years

Pat Baughn, NM
 Barbara Collins, NM
 Doris Felkner, NM
 Polly Komarek, WA

55 years

Barbara Corfield, NM
 Marilyn Brown, WA
 Judith Maxson, WA

50 Years

Donna Crawford, KS
 Howard Long, KS
 Boyd Griffin, NM
 Florence Higgins, NM
 Linney Margolius, NM
 Helen Sanderlin, NM
 Nita Sue Imel, NM
 Shirley Baty, NM
 Violet Ketchem, NM
 D'Elva Emert, NM

When sending in Veteran members, list only those having an anniversary during the current year divisible by 5. (starting at: 50, 55, 60, etc.) Thanks.



Items are not to scale.

Odd Fellows

Veteran Buttons—starting at 5 years
 Item No. 1227—1242

May be ordered
 through your Grand Lodge

Rebekah Veteran Buttons—starting at 5 years
 Item No. 2202—2216-80

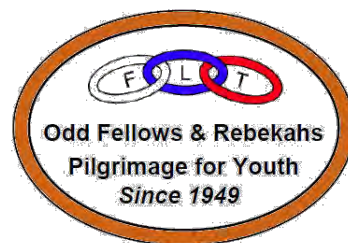
May be ordered through your
 Rebekah Assembly



Veteran Jewels



Be a Partner in the Odd Fellows & Rebekahs Pilgrimage for Youth



The Odd Fellows & Rebekahs Pilgrimage for Youth program is looking for Partners to sponsor one or more activities for the Program and Tour.

You and Your Lodge can be that Partner. Reach out, “Make a Difference” in a young person’s life and future. The Pilgrimage for Youth program is affiliated to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and your generosity has made this program a success for over 69 years. Through your continued Donations, You and Your Lodge will help to keep this program funded into the future.

Over the past 69 years did your lodge feed a bus as it crossed the country, host or sponsor a bus, a delegate, a bus tour leader? You may do so again, be a participant in the Pilgrimage for Youth program, donate today.

Besides sponsoring a young person for this program, there are many ways you can help sponsor this program:

Sponsor Lunch for _____ Delegates @ \$10.00 each	\$ _____
Sponsor Dinner for _____ Delegates @ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
Sponsor _____ Delegate Tee-Shirts @ \$10.00 each	\$ _____
Sponsor _____ Delegate Room Nights @ \$40.00	\$ _____
Sponsor _____ Delegate United Nations Tours @ \$14.00	\$ _____
Sponsor _____ Delegate 911 Museum Tickets @ \$15.00	\$ _____
Sponsor _____ Statue of Liberty Tickets @ \$19.00	\$ _____
Partner with another Lodge to feed a bus on a route	\$ _____
Help with the Cost of an Adult Bus Tour Leader	\$ _____
Help with the Cost of the Buses	\$ _____

(Donations in the United States are tax deductible)

Gift From:

Name:

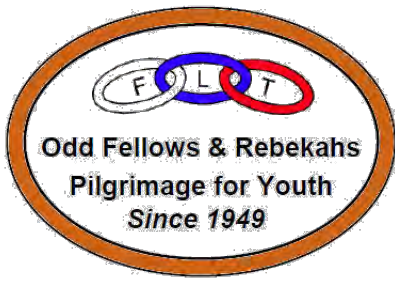
Address:

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Amount \$

Return this Form & Your Donation to:

I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage for Youth, Inc.
422 N. Trade Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830



Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage for Youth Inc.

422 N. Trade Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830

Phone: 336-528-3518

Email: pilgrimage@ioofpilgrimageforyouth.com
www.ioofpilgrimageforyouth.com

November 2018

THE TOUR IS ON IN 2019

The 69th 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: Washington DC, Ottawa and other historical sites.

The 7-day Tour and the 14 -day Tour will both start on the same date – July 9, 2019.

Did you get your Delegate count and 1/2 Delegate Fee sent to the Pilgrimage for Youth office? If not, get it in NOW! A bus may have a seat available, we would like to ‘fill the bus’.

The **next deadline is April 1, 2019**: items due are:

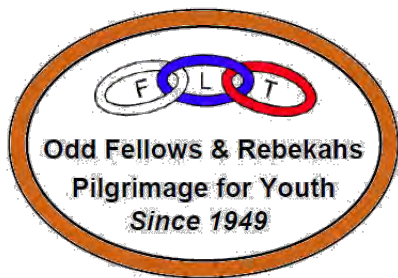
- a. 2 copies completed Delegate Registration packet.
- b. 2 copies completed Chaperon to Delegate Registration packet.
- c. 2 copies completed Tour Leader Registration packet.
- d. 2 copies completed Staff Registration packet.

The Board of Directors will select Tour Leaders and Staff at their February 9, 2019 Board meeting. Tour Leader and Staff applicants should have sent their Application to the Pilgrimage for Youth office. If you are still 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.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Janet Bruce, Executive Director
pilgrimage@ioofpilgrimageforyouth.com



Odd Fellows & Rebekahs Pilgrimage for Youth

Email: pilgrimage@ioofpilgrimageforyouth.com

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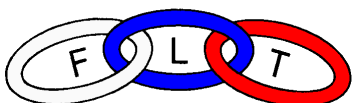


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