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Idahoan Receives Grand Decoration of Chivalry



At the General Military Council this year the Grand Decoration of Chivalry was conferred on two members. One of which was Janet Bruce, who is originally from Idaho and a current member of Guiding Star Rebekah Lodge #4 of Mountain Home.

Janet is also a Jurisdictional member of the Idaho LEA as well as a member of Columbia LAPM #3, in Boise, Idaho. Congratulations go out to Janet.

Pictured is Janet in the center, her son Steve Adams on the left, and her husband Archie Bruce on the right.

Submitted by Pat Marvin

Trip to Glens Ferry

In July, several of our members from our Order and their family and friends ventured down to Glens Ferry's Historic Opera Theatre. We ate steak or chicken and a HUGE baked potato. The play we enjoyed was "Complaint Department and Lemonade" written by Kamron Klitgaard. During the program a train passed by so the performance was stopped and we all stood and sang "I've Been Working on the Railroad" and just as easy as the performers stopped they started back up without missing a beat. During intermission all July and March birthdays were asked to the front of the room. In our group we had a young man who turned 14 in July and from pressure from his sister, he joined the birthday people. The crew sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." All in all, a lot of laughing, wonderful food (lots of it) and good company made it a fun enjoyable evening.



Our 14 year old
(Camden Chandler)
being sung to for his
birthday.

Submitted by Sandie Chandler

Just A Rambling Note From The Grand Secretary

I hope everyone has had a good summer, a few more months and it will be time for our Grand Lodge session. Wow where did this year go?

I have not seen all of the committee reports turned in yet, if you are on a committee, please get them sent in, this holds up the printing of the advanced report.

Our Sovereign Grand Representative will be back and we will know about any new changes that will be coming. The Grand Treasurer and myself have been busy the last few months working with our accountant to get a clearer and I feel a clearer budget report for the yearly budget. I am sure there will be some items that will still need some adjusting. As most of you know changes take time and sometime things are missed or over looked. We are planning to have the budget report ready for the finance committee's meeting this month.

I hope to see everyone at love thy neighbor day at both sides of the Boise rest stops.

In F.L&T, Jeff Mann GS

COMING EVENTS 2018

SEPTEMBER

14	PLANNING BOARD	GL OFFICE 10AM
15	PIONEER 1/ROSE 18	IDAHO CITY

OCTOBER

14-17	GRAND SESSIONS	BOISE LODGE
20	PIONEER 1/ROSE 18	IDAHO CITY

NOVEMBER

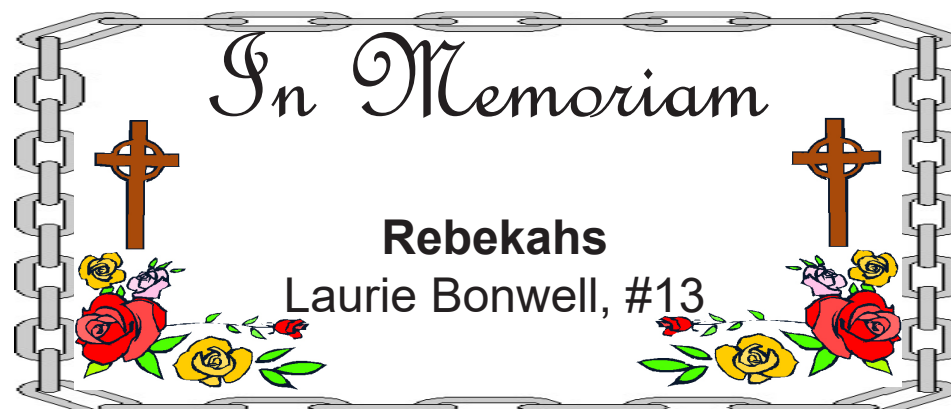
2-4	NORTHWEST/PNW	HOOD RIVER, OR
11	TURKEY DINNER	WHITE BIRD
15	THANKSGIVING DINNER	MOUNTAIN HOME
19	ENC. CHILI FEED	BOISE



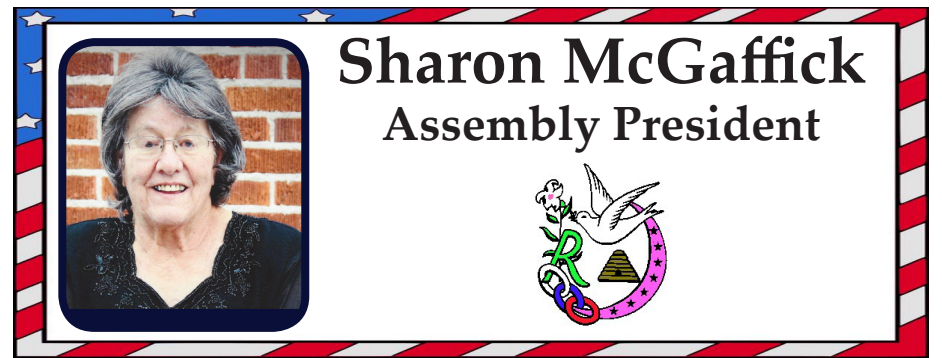
You're Invited!
**Reception For
 Sharon McGaffick
 Assembly President**
When: Sept. 22, 2018 - 1PM
Where: Caldwell Lodge Hall
 511 North 16th
 Caldwell, ID



You're Invited
 The members of Mountain Home Lodge #19, request your presence as we honor:
Grand Master, Marge Harlan
 September 16, 2018 at 3PM
 Mountain Home Lodge Hall
 155 North 3rd East
 Mountain Home, Idaho
 Come and help us celebrate!



In Memoriam
Rebekahs
 Laurie Bonwell, #13



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

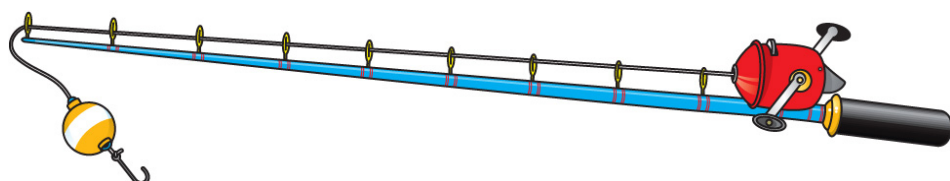
Here it is September already. It seems that the summer has went by really fast. I hope you all had a wonderful and busy summer and are looking forward to returning to your lodge meetings.

In July, I, along with 15 of our members had a great time at the Historic Opera Theater in Glens Ferry.

In August, I participated in the Relay for Life in Mountain Home with my lodge members. I am pleased to say we ranked #5 in fund raising for this event. I was very happy to be a part of the Encampment Degree Team as we welcomed our three encampment members; Sandie Chandler, Jeff Newell and Matt Kelly. I also attended the SGL Sessions in Baltimore, Maryland. We had a great time and seen some interesting sites despite our busy schedule. My last August visitation was the reception for our Grand Patriarch, Bob Covert. About 25 members showed up to honor Brother Bob and thank him for a wonderful year.

As you plan your September activities, don't forget to honor our US Workers on Labor Day. Other days to remember are International Charity Day, Grandparents Day, Patriot Day and of course National Cheeseburger Day.

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



Dear Brothers and Sisters;

Summer is over and now it is time for us to get busy with our lodges. I do hope that everyone had a nice two months break. I know I did.

I must ask, have all the Lodge Deputies sent in their yearly reports? There are about ten lodges that have not sent in these reports. And in order to see if your lodge will get credit for giving the unwritten work I need these reports. Thanks to everyone who got theirs in on time.

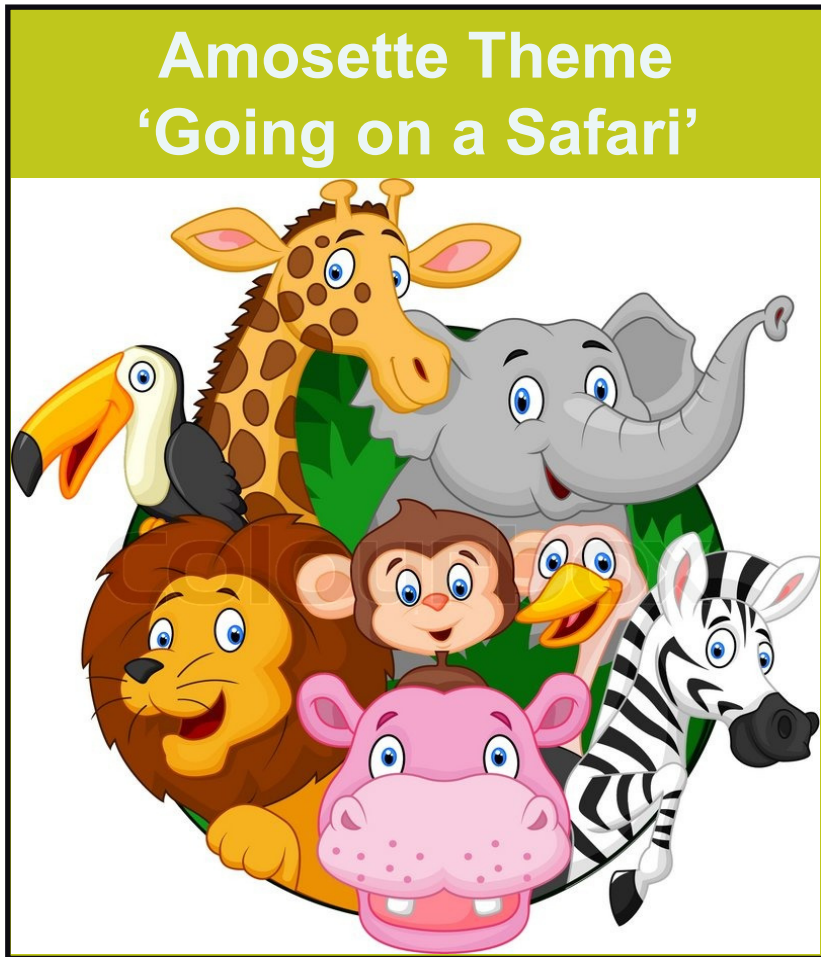
Are there any of you who would still like to be an officer at Assembly? There is still time to order the top that I would like everyone to wear. If your answer is "yes", please give me a call ASAP. Have you remembered to send in your registration forms and also make your hotel reservation? Remember-time is running out.

I went with Sandie Chandler and helped do some cleaning at the Museum. I will say, she did way more than I. In one display case, we came upon a scrapbook that was put together for the 100th Anniversary of Pioneer lodge. I did not get to look at it for very long, but it is very well done. I also attended the reception for the Grand Patriarch Bob Covert on Sunday the 26th.


I hope all of you had a safe Labor Day weekend.

In F. L. & T.
Sharon McGaffick Assembly President

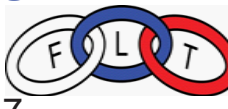




SAVE THE DATES



SESSIONS
October 14, 15, 16, 17



SAVE THE DATE



ADA #3 150th
Opening Ceremony
& Lodge Flag Parade
October 14, 2018



Cook Books

Greetings!

Since moving back to Gooding and unpacking, I found a box of the cook books that I had used for my fund raiser project.

If you are interested in buying any, let me know. I will deliver in October (sessions)

The books make a nice gift for a new member.

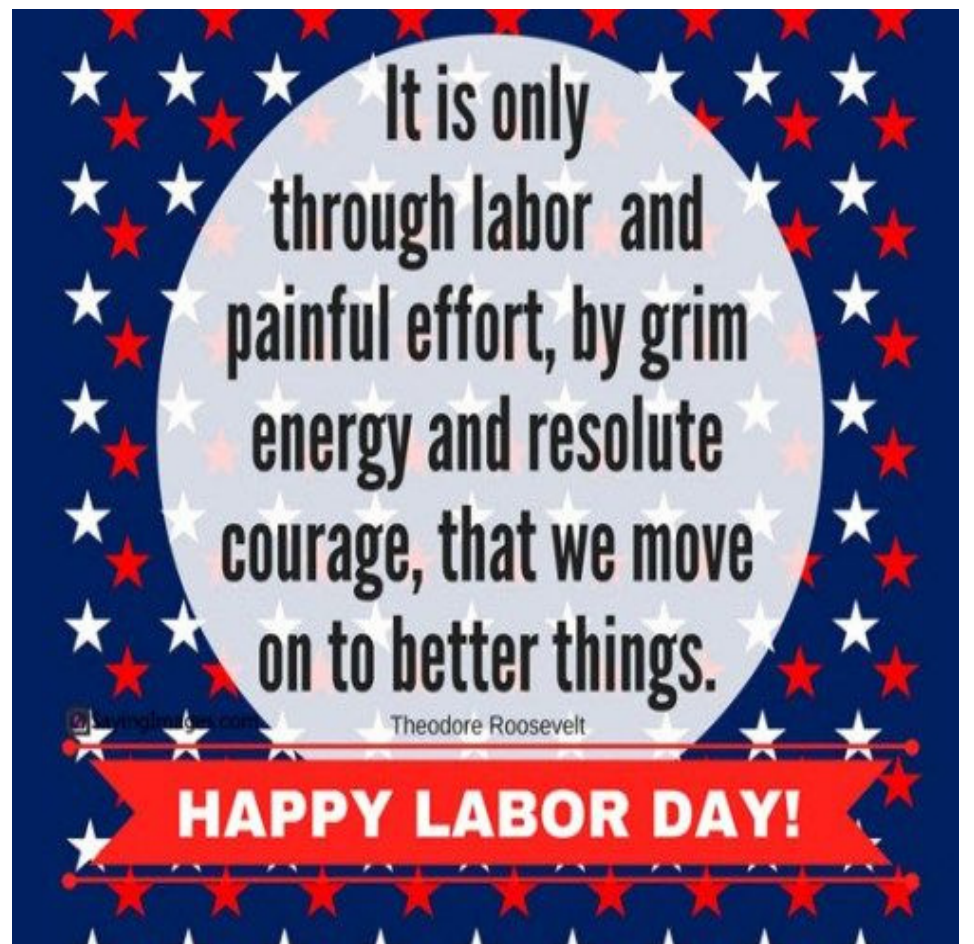
Juanity Thomas, Past President
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Gooding, ID 83330

"FUN WITH FLAGS!"



The host committee got together on July 28th to start building our flags for the Opening Ceremonies for the 2018 Grand Sessions to be held in Boise. The boys; Stephen and Jeff Mann with Donnie Marvin and Glen Schultz built the flag stands and painted them out in the parking lot. They were done prior to the camera coming out. We then went upstairs to help the ladies with the fabric and transfers. Pictured are Pam York, Pat and Donnie Marvin, Pat's daughter Michelle and Connie and Glen Schultz. We all had a great time and learned a great deal. The next get-together should go much faster. Then we sat down for some pizza!

The Host Committee



G.I. Joe Breakfast



Ada lodge #3 first annual G.I. Joe Breakfast was a huge success! We had 82 community members join us and chow down on some S.O.S. (beef gravy on toast), eggs, sausage, O.J, milk and coffee. The organizer, our very own Joe DeChristefero, did an outstanding job! Thank you Joe! We were able to raise \$827.00 for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Idaho. Ellie, the representative from Ronald McDonald House was able to attend and handed out fliers, stickers and pencils. She even helped in the serving line! Someone give her an application! We will present her with a check at our first meeting in September. At the I.O.O.F. picnic, Noble Grand Steven Mann presented Joe a certificate of appreciation for a job well done.

Submitted by Glen Schultz

NEWSPAPER ADDRESS OR E-MAIL CHANGES

If you have a change of address, or are adding new members, please send that information to Glen Schultz, at 9539 W. Appling DR. Boise, Idaho 83704, or e-mail lovbroncos@aol.com. I can get the changes made, prior to the next paper cycle. If you would like to receive the newspaper electronically, send that info to Marge Harlan at 1480 Vision St. Mountain Home, Idaho 83647, or e-mail; idahoeditor@msn.com.

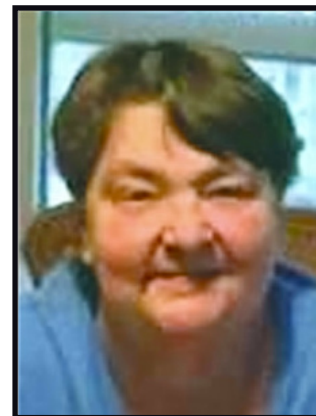
I hope you are enjoying the paper in its new format, Marge just increased the font size which I feel has made it easier to read. Please if you have any suggestions, please pass the information on to us and we will see if we can make the suggestion happen.

Happy Reading!



Glenn Schultz

In Memoriam



*Laurie Mae Bonwell
White Bird, Idaho
Royal Gem Rebekah Lodge
#13*

We regret to report that we lost our Sister-Sister, Laurie Bonwell, on 7-13-18. She was one of our famous Sister-Sisters, including Laurie, Carolyn Jones, Lydia Chrane and Roberta Dee-Dee Hallquist.

She will be sorely missed by her family, by her life partner Ike Bohne, by all of us, by all of her friends near and far, and by all of our community.

Laurie was a special lady to everyone.

Submitted by Mary Pedersen

Pacific North West

Department Council Sessions

Hood River, Oregon

Friday, November 2, 2018 at 9:00am

Mustering of Recruits

Sword Spell Down

Sword Proficiency Exam

Decoration of Chivalry at 6:30pm

Setup at 6:00pm

Line up at 6:15pm

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2018 Grand Sessions Opening Ceremonies



Banner #67

Royal Gem #13

Owyhee #2

As you know, we are having a flag built for each lodge in the state. As your lodge brings in your flag, we will announce a little history about your lodge. If you have some history you would like included in your announcement, please pass that on to the Host Committee. Also if you have an early or even recent photo of your lodge building, it would be nice to include it in our power point presentation showing your lodge on the big screen as your flag is brought in. Again send this information to the Host Committee, 600 N. Curtis RD. Suite 225, Boise, ID. 83706.

The Host Committee

Sharon's Memory Book

Sisters and Brothers, I am still looking for items for Sister Sharon's Memory Book from the Lodges. I have only had seven lodges send in pictures so far, so that means there are a lot of you out there who need to get me your pictures. It takes a lot of time to organize this book, so the sooner I receive them the better. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sister Jelene Baird, 96 N. Wedgwood Drive, Nampa, ID 83651

Historical Corner



A FUN FACT: Some of you know about the building that we all know as the Grand Lodge Office-Historical Building is not the only Grand lodge Office Building that we have owned, there was one Grand Lodge Office in Boise and two Grand Lodge Office's in Caldwell, one on Blaine St. next to the Old Caldwell Lodge hall in downtown Caldwell, and the building on Grant St. I believe it is our number three Grand Lodge Office building. Now for the fun fact this is a picture of a door knob that came from the old Grand Lodge Office on Blaine St in Caldwell. This door knob came off of the Grand Secretary's office door, Presley Horne's old office door.

The historical society has been working on getting some of our lost and forgotten historical items back into the museum, after several meetings with the Irrigation district, we were able to make a deal to get the FLT door knobs back. We will be working on a display for them, I believe they might even be on display at this year's Grand Lodge session at the Ada Lodge hall.

I want to thank everyone that came out to the cleaning party at the museum. We are hoping to have the pillars straighten up soon.

Submitted by, Stewart Smith

Ada Lodge 100 years ago

Aug. 1, 1918 Ada members had sold in war savings stamps and thrift stamps a total of \$823.15 by January 1919 a total of \$36160.61 had been sold all of this had been done since May 17, 1918

Ada lodge had several members that went to war, one of the members sent a letter letting the lodge know he just got issued his overseas clothing and will be leaving soon. He explained his plan to go there and fight like Hell for us.

Ada Lodge that year contributed a year's subscription to the daily paper for the soldiers who were patients at Walter Reed hospital.

July 1919 Ada lodge enter a float in the local parade to welcome home members and local soldiers that returned

During Idaho's Odd Fellow home week December 15 1919 Ada lodge donated the sum of \$1000.00 in Liberty bonds towards the building of Home on the hill.

In 1920 Ada at one of Ada lodge many Social night's the main speaker was our local Governor coming to speak largely upon the good work of the Order

Fun fact: In Aug. 1, 1945 one pound of sugar was request for the annual picnic who could spare it for lemonade. All of the members donated sugar for the picnic.
More interesting facts to come.

Submitted by Jeff Mann, Ada Lodge.

Pansy Rebekah Lodge No. 37

On May 18th, Lucille Collins made her Lodge Deputy Official Visit to the Lodge The Lodge ate at Mr.V's Restaurant before the meeting. As her program, Lucille gave excerpts from The Idaho Odd Fellow, November 1989. It was a program given by Earl D. Graham, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge and Naomi Ralls, Vice-President of the Rebekah Assembly of Idaho. The Subject was "Are We Afraid of Change". This was presented at the April, 1989 Northwest Odd Fellow/Rebekah Meeting at Lewiston, Idaho.

It is an excellent 4 page program of which the following are some of the excerpts.

Change, What is change? The dictionary defines change as

- (1) To make different
- (2) To give a different position, course or direction
- (3) To replace with another
- (4) To become different

We submit to you Brothers, Sisters and Friends -- Yes, we are indeed afraid of change. We are not only afraid of change, we are intimidated by change. Picture in your mind, if you will, two rather elderly Indians standing by their campfire, a campfire that they had kept going for survival during a winter storm. Picture the ground covered with snow, drifting in places. Picture the barren trees bending with the force of a cruel North Wind. Picture, if you will, these two old Indians standing by their campfire on a typical Idaho winter day. One speaks and says "You know, we never had this kind of weather before the bow and arrow were invented." A stretch of the imagination; maybe, but similar words have been spoken by well meaning persons down through the years about significant changes (e.g., gunpowder, the telephone, automobiles, airplanes, and even nuclear energy). Yes, Brothers and Sisters, we are pessimistic in nature and we are afraid of changes.

It is most difficult to comprehend the many hours, days and years of service given by so many people devoted to the principles of Oddfellowship. From those early days when Thomas Wildey held the first meeting in Baltimore to the meetings of today, there have been numerous changes in activities; changes of a civic, social and fraternal nature. In spite of these changes, the basic principals of Friendship, Love and Truth have not changed. The power of the three Golden Links is truly as great as it was one hundred and seventy years ago. The fact that we still revere and practice these principles proves their importance. We still perform essentially the same ritualistic duties and give the same charges as we did in the beginning, even though there has been some minor rewording from time to time. It is perhaps time to make significant changes, or alterations, to these duties and charges?

What is the history of our order for the past twenty, thirty, or fifty years? Is it progressive? Is it a shining star in the community? Is it a recognized member of society? NO, my friends, it is none of these. It is an organization founded 170 years ago that is rapidly heading down the road of oblivion.

Let us, for a moment, approach the problem as individuals, and it is a problem—otherwise we would not be discussing it here today. Let us approach this as just ordinary people who

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are parents and grandparents of a generation or generations of young people who have no sense of values, who have very few morals, who are into drugs and just generally going to the dogs! Shocking words? YES! But words that we hear and utter each day. Maybe not about our own children or grandchildren, but about others we know. Look around you. Estimate the average age of the attendees at this conference. Ask yourselves – are we compatible with the world today? If we are completely honest – the answer will be NO. Do we really care that we are not compatible with the two generations of people that we would like to bring into our Lodges? The answer is No. We look to the past and say to ourselves and our peers, we really had a great Noble Grand. We really had some good banquets. We submit to you, my friends, that we are really living in the past. Why are we living in the past? Is it a fear of change? Is it lethargy? Or is it a lack of interest? The answer is YES.

There have been so many times in our personal lives that we have had to alter, or modernize, our thinking and doing. We submit to you Brothers and Sisters it is time, that we do this in our fraternal life.

Yes we have changed a lot during the last 170 years, but we must continue to progress with the times to ensure that our lodges will be here tomorrow and beyond. Are we going to do it or ARE WE AFRAID OF CHANGE?

Submitted by Virginia Moberly

Be the change

First Juliaetta Lodge

Juliaetta - Ester Rebekah Lodge No. 25, organized December 28, 1893 was Juliaetta's first Rebekah Lodge. It was still active in 1904, but the lodge later disbanded and no records were ever found. The name "Esther" was given to Kellogg in 1911.

Juliaetta Rebekah Lodge No. 9 was instituted Feb. 28, 1913, by Assembly President Retta Holman; the charter was signed Oct. 13, 1913. Minutes of the first meeting said the number 9 originally belonged to Shoshone Lodge in 1888.

On December 1, 1955, the motion to consolidate carried and Kendrick Star added 11 members to Juliaetta's rolls.

The Lodge at the beginning of 1976 had 35 members, many of whom line in Kendrick, Lewiston and Orofino, which doesn't stop them from attending meetings regularly. The lodge's big project this year is installing a bathroom and connecting to the town's new sewer system.

Reprinted from The Idaho Odd Fellow, September 1976

September 5th



*International
Day of Charity*

Filer Lodge Began 1908

Filer - In October 1908 the Filer I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 125 was chartered. Since the records were destroyed by fire, the first records are from July 1909. The cemetery was acquired sometime in that six months. The lodge meet in what was called Johnson Hall. After that they shared the hall with the Masonic order over what is now the old bank building.

In October 1916, through the efforts of the Oddfellows they introduced Oddfellowship to their wives and daughters so they might also enjoy the social and cultural advantages of such a fraternity. MIRIAM was chosen as a name for Filer Rebekah Lodge No. 86 out of deference for Miriam Patten, a charter member and a beloved pioneer teacher of our area.

The Oddfellows bought the building that now serves as the home of both lodges.

The building was originally owned by Beam and Hamerquest as a Mercantile store, later Detwilder bought it, then the Oddfellows bought it from Mr. Detwilder. The lodges used the upstairs and the Filer Post Office used the downstairs until 1960.

The lodges still hold cooked food sales, rummage sales, card parties and dances. Also, they now hold an annual Smorgasbord the first Saturday in December for the building fund of the Oddfellows and REbekahs to be used in improvements to our hall.

Within the lodges we have annual Christmas parties for all members and families, a wild game dinner and oyster feed and barbecue dinner and a picnic in the Filer Fairgrounds in July.

We of both lodges hope to serve our members, community and neighbors and neighboring lodges for many years to come.

F.L.T. - Noble Grand 1976, Betty Ann Andrews

Reprinted from The Idaho Odd Fellow-September 1976

Beaver Lodge No. 146, Begins in 1918 in Dubois

Dubois - Beavercreek Lodge No. 146 IOOF was instituted in Dubois on Feb. 12, 1918 by George B. Schwieger, Grand Master.

Poinsetta Rebekah Lodge No. 115 of Dubois was chartered and instituted on April 4, 1919, Lillian Lanktree, Assembly President performed the institution ceremonies.

In 1968, District No. 2 Odd Fellows and Rebekahs held their 50th District meeting in Dubois, for the men the guest speaker was Wm. J. Boyd, Grand Master of Idaho.

In the good old days, going to Dubois for a district meeting was fun. We would receive most all Odd Fellows and Rebekahs by train as it was to far to travel by auto. Degree work was the prime concern of the district meetings until recent years. It is to be noted that our district project has been supporting the Home on the Hill in Caldwell, mainly the Home Gate Fund, Home Flag Pole and Home Ford Fund.

Poinsetta REbekah Lodge NO. 115 will be honored in 1976-77 to have one of their members as Assembly President of Idaho, Gladys Hensley.

Reprinted from The Idaho Odd Fellow-September 1976



2018 Grand Sessions - Jurisdiction of Idaho

October 14 - 17, 2018

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

Registration Information:(one form per person)

Name: _____

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Please check all Sessions you will be attending:

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Please Make Check Payable to: Host Committee

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President's Luncheon ----- \$24.00 \$

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Historical Luncheon----- \$20.00 \$

Mark Choices

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Dinner & Dance Please Mark Choice

8 oz. New York Steak or ----- \$30.00 \$

Terriyaki Chicken ----- \$30.00 \$

Total \$

Lunches at the Hall are going to be

Provided Monday and Tuesday \$TBD

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You must use the group code 10147006IN when registering.

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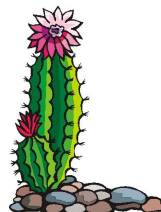
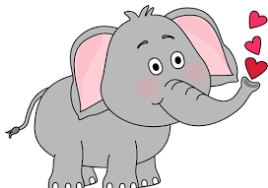
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