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## Mountain Home Food Drive



Mountain Home Lodge #19, Guiding Star Lodge #4 and Home Encampment #13 all got together for the State Food Drive and collected over 249 pounds of food for the Local Food Banks. Pictured is Donnie Marvin, VG of Guiding Star #4, and Pat Marvin presenting a check for \$100.00 to Betty of Grace Lutheran Church to "Stuff The Bus" for their local Food Bank they maintain for the community, along with the food collected by the lodges. Two members of the Lodges, Kathryn Harlan and Lois Clark, personally presented donations of potatoes, beans, and canned food to members in the community they knew needed that extra help. The lodges also are planning to keep collecting food donations into next year.

Pat Marvin, Secretary Guiding Star #4

## Nampa 40



Camden Chandler

Books, books, and more books. Way back in December of 2019 Nampa Odd Fellow Lodge 40 held their annual Christmas party. Those who attended the Christmas party in 2019 along with help from others raise funds to purchase personal books for the students at Lake Ridge and Endeavor Elementary. In February of 2020 the books were ordered, however, before the order could be filled, COVID-19 jinxed the order and the books were not able to be purchased. The schools closed their doors and the students were sent home to continue their learning via the computer. Finally the schools opened their doors part-time this year, and approximately 440 books were ordered. The books were ordered and finally arrived in October, and then they had to be quarantined and labels had to be put into each book. Camden Chandler took on the task of putting the labels that Nampa 40's Jeff Mann provided. All the books were labeled and then the school closed their doors once again. Hopefully, the books will be distributed to the students in 2021. Once again, Nampa 40 thanks each and everyone for your donations.

Submitted by Sandie Chandler

## Just A Rambling Note From The Grand Secretary

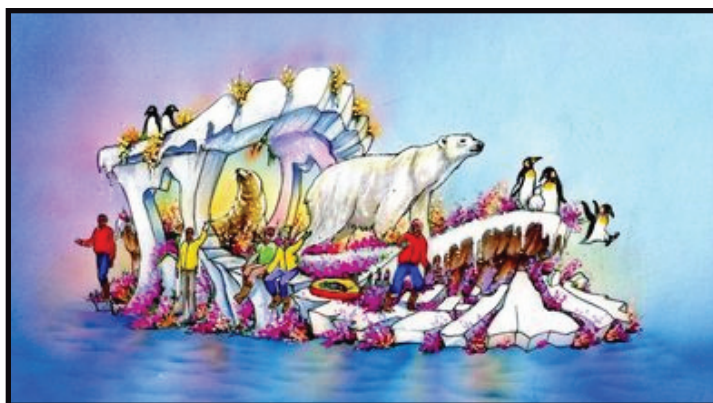
I hope everyone is doing well What a crazy year this has been with COVID stopping a lot of the lodge activities this year. There have been several lodges that held small Christmas parties. We have had several members get COVID this year. So far most of them have gotten better, Please, keep the Assembly President Cathy Tousaint in our prayers due to she is in the hospital with COVID.

I have not seen all of the Election reports sent in. please check the directory if your information is not correct please let me know. I have seen a few year-end reports sent in, please let me know if you need help. As most of you know lodge installations are being handled differently this year. DDGM please remember to send in your reports. Hope to see everyone at District meetings later this year.

In F.L&T Jeff Mann GS

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### 2021 Rose Parade Float

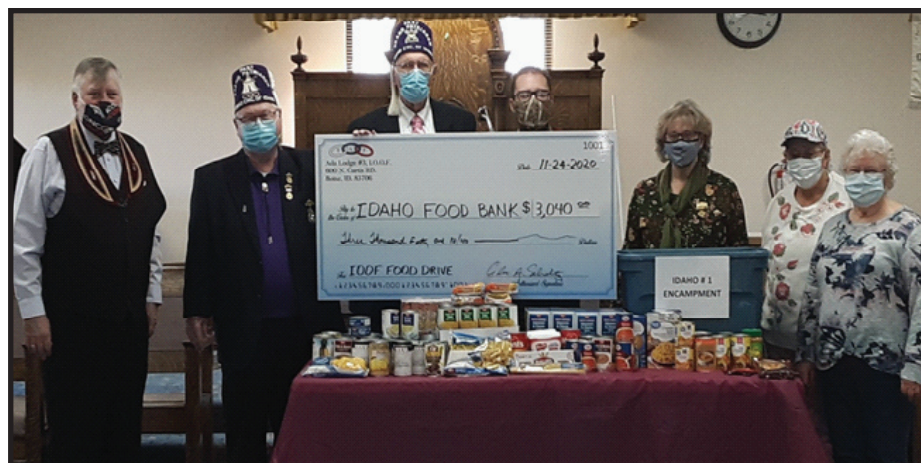


What we planned

What we got  
Thanks Covid!



## Idaho Odd Fellows, Rebekahs & Encampment 2020 Food Drive



PGM Glen Schultz, PGM Tom Ashley, PGP Robert Covert, PGM Stephen Mann, PP Pat Marvin, PP Sharon McGaffick, and PP Jelene Baird

We ended the year with 10 lodges sending in reports of food donations and money donations, for a total of 609 pounds of food and \$3,640.00. This was great for just a couple of months' worth of gathering donations. Lodges collecting donations were: Ada #3 \$1030.00 Nampa #40 \$1010.00 Melba 105 \$1000.00 the Amos \$500.00 and Guiding Star #4 \$100.00. Those that reported donated food so far were Ada #3, 75lbs, Mountain Home #19, 83lbs, Nampa #40 50lbs, Guiding Star #4 83lbs, Unity #8, 75lbs, Melba 105 50lbs, Columbia #3 Canton 20, Idaho #1 Encampment 34lbs, Temple #3 50lbs, Home #13 83lbs. In the photo above Melba #105, Nampa #40 and Ada #3 pooled our donations together, along with Grand Warden Joe Dechristefero's donation of \$20.00 for a grand total of \$3,040.00 to the Idaho Food Bank. Pat Marvin has led the food drive and keeps reminding everyone that the need exist in our communities this year, please give!





**Marge Harlan**  
Grand Patriarch



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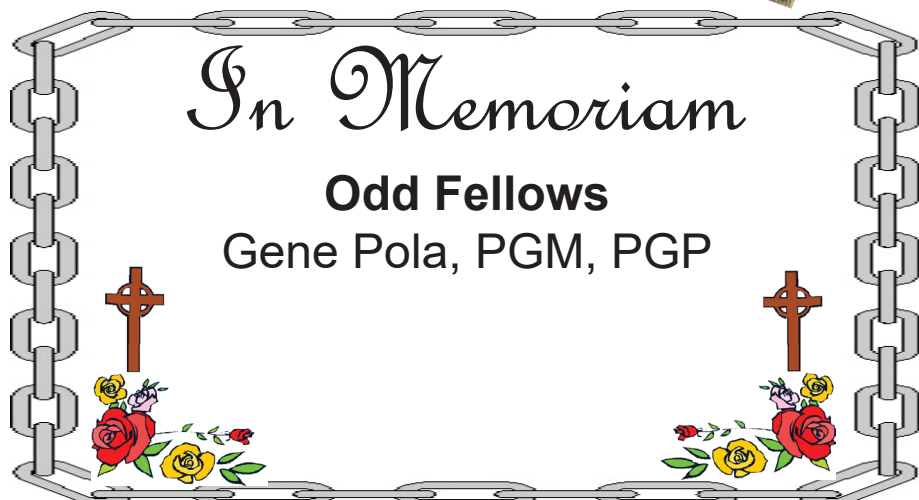
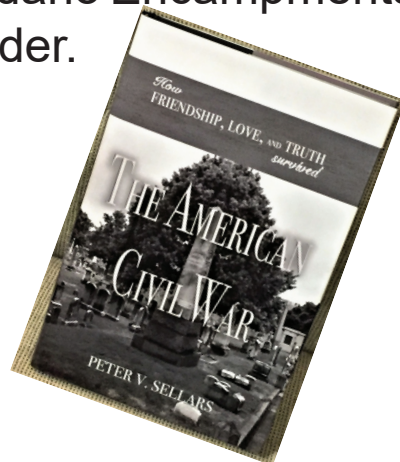
I trust you all have had a great New Year and you're happy to put 2020 behind us and looking forward to 2021.

I'm glad to see the Encampments are holding meetings. It's great that you are keeping your Encampment active, even though its difficult to have community interaction.

Congratulations to the new officers and the ones retained in your office. I hope you have a wonderful and prosperous year filled with new members.

I still have books left. They are available for \$10 each (plus shipping). This wonderful book was written by PGM & PGP, Peter Sellars, of California. He has graciously donated them, allowing for 100% of the proceeds to benefit our Idaho Encampments. Please contact me to order.

In FHC, Marge Harlan,  
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## White Pine Rebekah Lodge # 60



We the members of White Pine Rebekah Lodge # 60 accepted the Idaho Encampments # 1 Food Drive Challenge. We take the feeding of our friends and neighbors to a new level. We are the host organization for the Idaho Food Bank Mobile Pantry monthly food distribution. The organization that had been hosting this program could no longer offer the service to our rural community. We were one of the few local organizations that could meet the requirements to serve as host for this much needed program.

We were approached and with little or no experience in hosting a project like this our members agreed we could do this with the help of other local volunteers we could reach out and give a hand to our friends and neighbor in need. Initially we garnered support from other local entities and started sorting, boxing and distributing food using the local fire department as our distribution point. When we first started it took about 12 – 15 volunteers to make this all happen. We'd get our delivery spend an hour sorting and setting up then spend the next couple of hours distributing the food. Once the pandemic hit we were faced with a new dilemma –how to safely get the food out minimizing the risk to us and to the members of our community.

The Idaho Food Bank started preboxing all of our food items, and we became a drive thru distribution site. Over the spring and summer months everything ran fairly smoothly, but then winter hit. We all looked at each other and thought oh my it's only 22 degrees out there today, or we'd have nice weather all week and on food distribution day we'd wake up to snow. So we found ourselves bundling up like the Pillsbury doughboy and braving the adverse winter conditions.

The boxes we receive can be kind of heavy so we needed to recruit some muscles – that where our spouses fit it. You know how it is - your project becomes their project. Our methods have changed and although this is still a lodge project it involves about 4 members, our spouses (thank you) and a few community friends. In the past year we have been able to distribute food to approximately 900 households and have contributed 300 man hours (members and others).

We are in our second year of hosting this program and although the day of distribution of a tiring one we find joy and satisfaction in being able to help. We would like to challenge our member lodges and encampments to consider if not hosting a mobile pantry volunteering at a local Idaho Food Bank to help with the boxing of items for distribution. Let's all reach out and help our neighbors and friends.

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