Units of the Order
* Odd Fellows Lodge
* Rebekah Lodge
* Encampment
* Ladies Encampment Auxiliary
* Patriarchs Militant
* Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant
* Junior Odd Fellows Lodge
* Theta Rho Girls’ Club
* United Youth Groups

The World of Odd Fellowship
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2. Belgium
3. Belize
4. Canada
5. Czech Republic
6. Chile
7. Cuba
8. Denmark
9. Dominican Republic
10. Estonia
11. Finland
12. Germany
13. Iceland
14. Italy
15. Mexico
16. Netherlands, The
17. New Zealand
18. Nigeria
19. Norway
20. Philippines
21. Poland
22. Spain
23. Sweden
24. Switzerland
25. United Kingdom
26. USA

The Bundle of Sticks

AN OLD man on 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, and said to his eldest son: “Break it.” The son strained and strained, but with all his efforts was unable to break the Bundle. The other sons also 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.

“UNION GIVES STRENGTH.”

Sovereign Grand Master’s Message

President - I.A.R.A. - Message
General Commanding / President - I.A.L.A.P.M. - Messages
Session Information
Membership
Thank you:

From Joyce Link, Warden-IARA — for the many kind expressions of sympathy on the loss of her brother.

The Pursells for the many cards, calls and e-mails at the time of her brother Berle Wiggins passing—25 May 2015

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Sympathy to:

Gen. John P. Fox Sr. with the death of his wife Lady Frances—9 June 2015

Yvonne R. Isenor, PP with the death of her husband Gordon—1 July 2015

Celebrating

San Pablo Lodge No. 43, CA—160 years
St. Helena Lodge No. 167, CA—145 years
Montezuma Lodge No. 172, CA—145 years
Narcissa Rebekah Lodge No. 2, WA—130 years

Notice:
New Members are given a one year subscription to the I.O.O.F. News. Please check the expiration on your paper and make sure to continue your subscription by sending in the proper fee shown on the back of your paper.
Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

The adventure is almost ready to change gears again. We are reporting, packing and looking back as we get ready to leave for Texas. There have been some really great and fun times that I will have with me forever, some speed bumps along the way that we just have to overcome.

We have had a lot of trials this year, members against members, Grand Bodies against members, both ways there, even The SGL getting into some of it. This is not what we are about, this is not the way we should spend the little time we have with one another. The major issues that we have are the disagreement over money (either too much or the lack thereof) and personalities. It is OK to disagree but it is not acceptable to be disagreeable. As good Odd Fellows any disagreement should end when the gavel sounds at the end of the meeting and we should go away as loving brothers and sisters.

We need to leave self out of the mix when we are at lodge, there is no I, it should always be, WE, US, Together we can, TOGETHER WE WILL. There is no success for us unless that attitude is taken. We all took the same obligation, I ask you, re-fresh, look back at the obligation, read it again in the lodge, put that in your heart and head.

I found that a number of Grand Lodges do not understand what their function/purpose is. The Major, Number One (1) purpose of a Grand Lodge is to assist the local lodges. TO ASSIST THE LOCAL LODGES. Help them with membership, help them with reports, help them with community affairs and help them become the lodge in their community that they need to be in order to be successful. It pains me when I see small lodges struggle to pay bills, yet work hard, gain members, do good things while the Grand Body goes on with everyday business forgetting their obligation to help the member lodge. My brothers and sisters, this is not right, this is not the reason we were formed, not the reason we are in business today.

Our function is the local lodge, in house programs designed to ‘improve and elevate the character of mankind’ so that we can open our doors to the community, become a vital part of the community, let the community come into our lodge so that we are indeed making them a part of who we are. Understand this: we must become a better lodge for our members in order to become a better lodge for our community. If no one is knocking on your lodge door to join, you need to take a long hard look at who you are, how you look to your members, your community.

Our friend (Grand Master Spitznagel) from Rhode Island wrote in their newsletter and it does give us hope, a hope that we must reach for.

“Our Lodge is its own living, breathing, being. They are all different. Within each Lodge lies at least one match waiting to be lit, one spark ready to ignite. It means welcoming our Brothers and Sisters, reminding them about meetings, getting back to more of the fraternal part of our Order. Give them something to join!”

My good Brothers and Sisters, it is not a matter of saying: ‘Yes we Can’—It is a matter of saying, “YES WE WILL”

It is up to us, each member, making a difference in someone’s life today, move forward.

Let’s go to Texas with a good attitude, become the spark that we need to be.

I thank you for some wonderful times and wonderful lifelong friendships that have been established for me this year.

Fraternally yours,

Jimmy C. Humphrey

UNITED WE STAND!

“WE SEEK TO IMPROVE AND ELEVATE THE CHARACTER OF MAN”
Greetings Sisters and Brothers all,

It is hard to believe that this will be my last letter to you as your President of the I.A.R.A. Everyone told me how fast it would go and it certainly did. It has been an awesome journey. I have met so many wonderful Rebekahs and Odd Fellows in the last 3 years.

I thank all of you for the wonderful times I had in each jurisdiction I visited. Thank you for all the gifts, love, and courtesies extended to me and especially all the great memories I have of all of you.

I hope my presence at your sessions was in some way a help to you. We officers of the International Association Rebekah Assemblies and The Sovereign Grand Lodge are there as your link to our Order. I hope I have given you some ideas on gaining memberships in your lodge, different ideas for conducting your meetings and ways to promote Friendship, Love and Truth in our Order.

I thank you all for having the confidence to elect me as your President of the International Association Rebekah Assemblies. I hope and pray I have been worthy of this awesome responsibility.

I hope to see all of you in TEXAS in August for the meeting of The SGL and IARA. We will have a great time.

Thank you all again for giving me this opportunity of a lifetime.

Fraternally,

Sharon Burt, President

TEDDY BEAR—A SOURCE OF COMFORT AND JOY ALL OVER THE WORLD.

Together we can succeed!
Dear Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers and Sisters,

It does not seem like this can be my last article for the newsletter as your President-IALAPM. Thank You ALL, for the support, words of encouragement, hugs, smiles, gifts and most of all your love and understanding from all during my 3 years representing our wonderful International Association has been incredible. All the Jurisdictions have welcomed us with open arms. I would like to thank the Study Committee for all the hard work they did this year. And I hope everyone will support them, as their job is a difficult one. I would like to thank the committee for the Youth Canton that we are trying to get started I know they put in a lot of hours in order to get everything wrote up so we can present it to the GMC and The SGL in Texas.

I could not have picked better co-partners than our Sovereign Grand Master, Brother Jimmy Humphrey; President-IARA, Sister Sharon Burt; and General Commanding, Gen. Donald Thomas. From the very first meeting, we bonded and hopefully made lasting friendships.

My Objective was: Encourage members to attend meetings. Build on...Support & Maintain

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Sovereign Grand Master Jimmy Humphrey, President-IARA Sharon Burt, and President-I.A.L.A.P.M. Lady Carol Schoolcraft; the friendship between us will last a life time. And wish them a great Session. I also want to thank Terry Barrett and Gen. {R} Clement Olson for all the help this year and for keeping me on track.

I want to thank everyone for the support with my charities I raised almost $2,800 dollars for my two charities, I was hoping for $3,000 and I might get it by Session in Texas. I still have people that still owe me for some of my pins. I do appreciate all the help from everyone it made my year a lot easier. May the lord bless and keep you safe in all your travel.

Chivalrously

General Donald R. Thomas

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our existing Auxiliaries and Department Associations. Institute new ones. Gain new members. I am proud to say, some of these objectives was obtained. BUT, we all need to work on encouraging members to attend the meetings and we need to gain new members.

We still do not know what the future holds for our Military Units. The Study Committee has a wonderful plan to be presented, hopefully it will be passed and we can continue to be viable units.

The IALAPM will continue to send Representatives to the Jurisdictions, the support we receive is greatly appreciated. The IALAPM also has a new uniform to be presented for vote at our meeting in August.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Fort Worth. Faye, Margaret and the Session Committee are doing a superb job, doing everything possible to make our stay enjoyable. THANK YOU!!!!!

Chivalrously,

Lady Carol

Dare To Follow Your Dreams

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Arthritis Advisory Board—Silent Auction
Wednesday the 19th August 2015
Fort Worth, Texas

Please join us in the fight against Arthritis and bring your silent auction items to Fort Worth to auction for the benefit of the Arthritis Foundation and Society.
## 2015 Annual Sessions

189th annual communication of The Sovereign Grand Lodge
112th annual session of the General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant
99th annual session of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
77th annual session of the International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant

Friday—August 14th through Friday—August 21st
Fort Worth, Texas

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

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There will be various breakfasts, luncheons, dinners, Boards & Committee Meetings, etc. —see program for times and rooms.
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1701 Commerce Street
Fort Worth, TX  76102
817-335-7000

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Single or Double Rooms $119.00 ~ Triple $129.00 ~ Quad $139.00
Plus applicable state and local taxes (currently 8.25% per room)

A block of rooms has been reserved for November 12-15, 2015. Hotel Reservations must be made directly with the Sheraton Hotel (817) 335-7000. Be sure and state you are with the IOOF – Danny Wood. Deadline for hotel reservations is November 2, 2015.

Airport Shuttle Service will be available to and from DFW Airport between the hours of 7a.m. to 11p.m.
Testimonial Weekend Honoring Brother Danny Wood – Sovereign Grand Master
Fort Worth, Texas
November 12 – 15, 2015

Registration Form
(One Per Person Please)

Name: _____________________________________________________________

Title/Rank: _____________________________ Unit: _______________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: ______________________________________________________

Phone: _____________________________ Cell: ___________________________

Email: _____________________________________________________________

Arrival Date & Time: __________________________________ Flight: ___________

Friday, November 13, 2015
Cocktails 6:00pm (cash bar) / Dinner 7:00 pm
Menu: Texas Barbeque – Peppercorn Smoked Brisket/Smoked Sausage
$60.00 ________

Entertainment

Saturday, November 14, 2015
Cocktails 6:00 pm (cash bar) / Dinner 7:00 pm
Menu: 8oz Chef Rib Eye Steak
$70.00 ________

Entertainment

Total Amount Enclosed $_______________

Please note any special dietary needs: ______________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________

Make Checks payable to: Margaret Snyder or Faye Brothers
Special Acct – Danny Wood
PO Box 111443
Houston, TX 77293

Registration Deadline is October 31, 2015
January 2014

To the Officers and Grand Representatives of
The Sovereign Grand Lodge, and Officers and Members
of all Units of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Fraternal Greetings:

The next communication of The Sovereign Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will be held in Fort Worth, Texas, beginning Monday morning, August 17, 2015, and ending Friday afternoon, August 21, 2015.

**Headquarters and Sessions**
Sheraton Hotels & Resorts
1701 Commerce Street
Fort Worth, TX 76102

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*77th Annual Session*

Youth
Youth Day, Banquet, and Talent Night
See ‘Youth Informer’ for Details
14-15 August 2015

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Terry L. Barrett
W 336 725-5955
F 336 722-7317
ioofthesgl@ioof.org
Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa  
1701 Commerce Street ~ Fort Worth, Texas 76102

ADVANCE RESERVATION REQUEST FOR:  
The Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa  
Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs

August 12 ~ 23, 2015 – Event Dates  
August 1, 2015 ~ Reservation Due Date

Reservations:  
https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1502067144&key=16D4F836

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There are so many things to do in Forth Worth. Downtown Fort Worth is ideally situated across the street from the Fort Worth Convention Center and near Fort Worth Sundance Square, Billy Bob’s, the Fort Worth Cultural District and more. Whether you choose to explore the historic Stockyards, marvel at exotic animals in the Fort Worth Zoo, or spend the day in the Arts District, Fort Worth has it all.

Rooms $159.00 (Single, Double, Triple, or Quad)  
Plus applicable state and local taxes (currently 8.25% per room)

A block of rooms has been reserved for August 12-23, 2015. Hotel Reservations must be made directly with the Sheraton Hotel (888) 625-8556. Be sure and state you are with the IOOF SGL 2015.

Deadline for hotel reservations is August 1, 2015.

Airport Shuttle Service will be available to and from DFW Airport between the hours of 24 hours a day.  
Molly the Trolley the vintage style trolley is a quick and convenient way to get around Fort Worth. Best of all IT’S FREE!!!
Sheraton Forth Worth Hotel and Spa  
1701 Commerce Street ~ Fort Worth, Texas 76102

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August 12 ~ 23, 2015 – Event Dates  
August 1, 2015 ~ Reservation Due Date  
**Toll Free Reservations: 1.888.627.8556**


| Name: ________________________________ | Arrival Date: _______________ |
| Address: ______________________________ | Departure Date: ______________ |
| City, State/Province, Zip/Postal Code: ___________ | Additional Guests |
| Telephone: _____________________________ | Staying in same Room: |
| E-mail: _______________________________ | _____________________________ |
| required for confirmation No.: ___________ | _____________________________ |

**PLEASE CHECK PREFERRED ACCOMMODATIONS**  
All accommodations are based on availability

- Special Odd Follows Texas discount rate  
  $159.00 based on single/double/king occupancy  
  Current Tax Rate: 15% total:  
  Subject to change:
  - Single Bedded Guestroom  
    (1 bed – 1 or 2 people)
  - Double Bedded Guestroom  
    (2 beds – 1 or 2 people)

**Please note all rooms are non-smoking**

Special Requests: ______________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________

**PLEASE CHECK METHOD OF PAYMENT**  
A credit card guarantee must be given with this form.  
**DO NOT SEND CASH**

If you elect to pay by cheque for guest rooms, please **Wait** for confirmation number to be received.  
**DO NOT INCLUDE CHEQUE WITH THIS FORM**

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We look forward to seeing you in Fort Worth, Texas.
****All Members Attending All Units MUST Register****

SGL SESSION 2015  
Fort Worth, Texas, USA  
The Sovereign Grand Lodge,  
International Association of Rebekah Assemblies, General Military Council,  
International Association of Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant and the Youth

**Pre-Registration**  
One form per person. Please register by July 15, 2015

Name: ________________________________________________ (Highest Current or Past Title)
____________________________ (Unit of the Order Attending: SGL – IARA – GMC – IALAPM - Youth)

Address: ________________________________________________  
City, State/Province: ___________________________ Zip/Postal Code: ______________
Phone: ___________________________ Cell Phone: ___________________________
Arrival Date/Time: ___________________________ Departure Date/Time: ___________________________
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- No Fee for Youth Registration, but Youth must register – **Advisor(s) MUST REGISTER**

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US $

Make checks payable to:  
SGL 2015 Session Committee

Mail to:  
SGL 2014 Committee  
PO Box 111443  
Houston, TX 77293
The Sovereign Grand Lodge
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

SPECIAL EVENT REGISTRATION

Any group wishing to have a meal, meeting or reception should return this form to the committee. It will be forwarded to the proper people at the Sheraton Hotel & Resorts. They will provide menus for the type of event you wish to schedule.

GROUP NAME: ________________________________________________________________

CONTACT PERSON: _____________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: ___________________________________________________________________

CITY, STATE/PROV: ZIP/POSTAL CODE: _________________________________________

TELEPHONE: ___________________________________________________________________

E-MAIL: _____________________________________________________________________

TYPE OF EVENT: ________________________________________________________________

(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Cocktail Receptions, etc.)

PREFERRED DATE & TIME: ___________________________________________________________________

NUMBER EXPECTED: ___________________________________________________________________

SPECIAL REQUESTS: ___________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________________

Mail to: SGL 2015 Committee
8186 Record St
PO BOX 111443
Houston, TX 77293
Independent Order of Odd Fellows
Airport Transportation Web Reservation Portal
(Service provided by GO Yellow Checker Shuttle)

Select one of the options below to make a reservation. Please follow the instructions below to make your airport transfer reservations:

http://yellowcheckershuttle.hudsonltd.net/images/dyc1/GOdyc1header.jpg

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$55.00 per Day ~ $155.00 Weekly
2014 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

ALISON NEPHEW from Hanover, Ontario, Region Five had the highest overall score in the Ingstrom competition. As a result she is the winner of the Flora Sheets award for Academic Excellence which carries an award of $5,000.00.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS:

CHRISTINE SMITH
GRADUATE STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP

Lauren Hall – Winner $15,000.00
  Indiana University
  PHD Candidate
  Field of Study: Neuropsychology of Childhood Trauma and Treatment

Rachael Rifkin – Finalist $6,000.00
  St. Louis University
  Masters Candidate
  Field of Study: Social Work (Clinical Practice Children & Youth)

Muriel Stadick – Finalist $4,000.00
  Smith College School of Social Work
  Masters Candidate
  Field of Study: Child and Family Services

INGSTROM SCHOLARSHIP – $3,000.00

Region One
Sonny Kingsbury
  Goffstown, New Hampshire
  Liberty University
  Sponsor: Mystery Rebekah Lodge, Goffstown, NH

Region Two
  David Young
  Charleroi, Pennsylvania
  The Ohio State University
  Sponsor: Nucleus Lodge #377, Gastonville, PA

Region Three
  Joshua Childs
  Morgantown, West Virginia
  West Virginia University
  Sponsor: Monongalia Lodge #10, Morgantown, WV

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Region Four
Amber Cowan
Vero Beach, Florida
Indian River State College
Sponsor: Harmony Rebekah Lodge #96, Canon City, CO

Region Five
Allison Nephew
Hanover, Ontario
York University
Sponsor: Hillhurst Rebekah Lodge #116, Calgary, AB

Region Six
Zachary Boden
Bushnell, Illinois
Western Illinois University
Sponsor: Bushnell Lodge #322, Bushnell, IL

Region Seven
Jared May
Batesville, Arkansas
University of Arkansas
Sponsor: Aaron Lodge #4, Scotland, AR

Region Eight
Amanda Guimont
Anoka, Minnesota
University of Minnesota, Crookston
Sponsor: Olive Branch Rebekah Lodge #9, Devils Lake, ND

Region Nine
James Manning
Riley, Kansas
Kansas State University
Sponsor: Wamego Lodge #80, Wamego, KS

Region Ten
Jennifer Welch
Decatur, Texas
Baylor University
Sponsor: Springtown Lodge #75, Springtown, TX

Region Eleven
Alicia Seitz
Regina, Saskatchewan
University of Regina
Sponsor: Triple Links Rebekah Lodge #136, Regina, SK

Region Twelve
Kevin Bagley
Aurora, Colorado
Metropolitan State University of Denver

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The Ohio 2012 Session Committee $4,500.00 Award of Excellence was made to Brittany Hargrove of Cove, Oregon, Region Fourteen for the second highest score in the Ingstrom competition.

**WIRZ SCHOLARSHIP – $2,000.00**

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Sponsor: Baxter Lodge #3, Western Grove, AR

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Southern Alberta Institute of Technology
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Riverside Community College
Sponsor: Capital City Rebekah Lodge #160, Sacramento, CA

Logan Rachford
Agency, Iowa
Indian Hill Community College
Sponsor: Magnolia Lodge #24, Agency, IA

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Sponsor: Victoria Lodge #1, Victoria, BC

Allyssha Ernst
Prince Albert, Saskatchewan
First Nations University
Sponsor: Golden Links Rebekah Lodge #6, Prince Albert, SK

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Rose City, Michigan
Kirtland Community College
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Thor Burnside
Talala, Oklahoma
Fort Hays State University
Sponsor: Turley Lodge #28, Tulsa, OK
Greetings our Brothers and Sisters,

It is the most difficult and the easiest to talk about. IF—you are not proud or excited about being a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and do not know about the advantages of being a member, it is very difficult to talk to another person about becoming a member. However, if you are knowledgeable and proud and excited about being a member, it is not only easy to talk about it, but you can’t hardly help but talk about your lodge. Membership is generally a boring subject to talk about—we whom have been members for many years have heard numerous people talk about membership at every general meeting for years in almost every possible way.

BUT—if YOU & I don’t acquire some additional members, Odd Fellows & Rebekahs will cease to exist!!!! The reason I say YOU & I is because we are all that is left!!

According to our last published Journal of Proceedings, there are 56 jurisdictions in North America, with 1,439 Odd Fellow lodges that have 39,084 members, while Rebekahs have 1,121 lodges with 27,522 members. Encampments account for 351 lodges with 4,205 members. The L.E.A.s have 113 lodges with 1,419 members. As anyone can readily see, the critical point of existence has been reached. Not only has the actual number of members dropped to low levels but look around in your meeting—the average age is probably in excess of retirement age. We are losing many members to death that we are not replacing.

We receive many ideas about our Order, things to change—some are worthy of further discussions, others are a little questionable. It is something we should all think about, what we are, what we stand for, where we want to go, and what we are trying to accomplish in the future, to keep Odd Fellows and Rebekahs alive and thriving for many years to come.

We currently sponsor or endorse 8 programs. Educational Foundation, United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth, Joint Youth Programs, Living legacy Program, Hunger & Disaster Fund, Visual Eye Research Foundation, S.O.S. Villages for Children, and the Arthritis Foundation along with a membership program each year. Do you know about all of these benefits?? There is a list of addresses listed elsewhere in this issue where you can call or write for forms, brochures, or information about each of these programs.

This is a short report, but if every member can realize that we really need new members and it isn’t just talk, then it has done its job.

Jon Petersen, P.S.G.M.
Membership Chairman
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259 delegates, 13 tour leaders, 8 New York staff, a representative from the I.A.R.A. and The S.G.L., from 41 states, provinces and foreign countries, spent time between July 11 to July 29, learning, listening, forming lifelong friendships, riding (the bus), and walking (many many miles). The United Nations provide excellent speakers on world issues, the delegates give inspirational fantastic speeches competing for scholarships from the Educational Foundation I.O.O.F.

Tours of historical sites in New York, Washington, DC, Boston, Gettysburg, Ottawa, getting wet at Niagara Falls, visiting the Corning Glass Museum. These are some of the stops along the way. 54 nights of hotel rooms, totaling approximately 990 rooms, 222 meals, unknown boxes of Band-Aids, bottles of water, uncharged cell phones or tablets.

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