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

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The World of Odd Fellowship
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17 New Zealand
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The goal for 2018 is for each unit of the Order to increase their membership by:

How do you increase membership?

Ask.

Sovereign Grand Master’s Message

President - I.A.R.A. - Message

General Commanding / President - I.A.L.A.P.M. - Messages

Arlington Tomb Pilgrimage info

Membership
Celebrating Illinois Bicentennial!

Mt. Olive Lodge No. 114 in Salem, Illinois, has been involved with the Illinois Bicentennial Celebration activities. The Lodge purchased one of the 102 “Johnny Appleseed” trees and donated it to Marion County as part of Illinois’ year-long celebration leading up to the 200th Birthday on December 3, 2018.

Sympathy to:

The families of the following:

9 December 2017 – Conley Call, age 86 – PSGM – 1999-2000

The family of Diane M. Cuminale Senna—

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 you paper.
To All My Fraternal Brothers and Sisters of all Units of Odd Fellowship,

The holidays are now past and a New Year is upon us. Now is the time to move forward and focus on the projects of our Order. Start this year with a new dedication for support of our projects. We all know what they are and agree that they are worthy of our efforts.

The Visual Research Foundation is the first that I am requesting you consider with increased support. We can all relate to vision and its importance to every individual. Just imagine not being able to see. Sadly, it happens every day. We all hope that it does not happen to us, but most of us will either have problems with vision or will know somebody who has problems. Every dollar we donate helps fund the research to address these problems. The problems of today, with the research being done, will be gone. Just imagine how great it would be if the single dollar finds a cure came from the I.O.O.F.!

The next project is the Rose Parade Float. This project provides more publicity for our Order than any other thing we do. People all over the USA watch this parade, it is seen by millions. As I am writing this I am preparing to go to Pasadena to not only help with building the float, but also to ride on the float. I consider this to be a highlight of my term as your Sovereign Grand Master. I fully endorse this project and will be making a personal donation. Also, I will be donating a portion of what I raise this year to this project. Please join me. Talk to your lodge and your friends and see if they would be interested in supporting it as well. If everybody in every lodge were to donate a dollar and ask the people they know to do the same, the monies raised will make a big dent in offsetting the cost of this project.

Another project that we need to continue to support is the SOS village in Cambodia. After all, aren’t we all dedicated to educating the orphaned? This project was made with our Order in mind. Please consider donating or increasing your donation to this worthy cause. We are giving life and opportunity to these poor children by providing them with a home, an education and a “family” that they would otherwise not have. We are definitely “Making a Difference” in these children’s lives and futures. Who know where they will end up. Will they be leaders in their country, doctors, and teachers? Maybe they will become Odd Fellows? Remember that we can’t change the past, but we can certainly try to make the future better.

The Living Legacy Program is critical not only to our Order, but to our planet, we all like fresh air, right? The benefits of planting a bush or tree are many. They clean our air, make our countryside greener and make our world a more beautiful place. It does not cost much and only takes a little time to plant a bush or small tree. You or your lodge might be able to partner with your town or Garden Club and find a place that your community would like to beautify. Talk to your local

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Once again I have a few thoughts to share with you. First, let me say it has been such a pleasure and also a learning experience for me to visit your Jurisdictions. You, my Sisters and Brothers, have been kind, generous and just plain Fun!!!

Let’s talk Membership….Every one of us realize the need for new members, so I am not going to tell you to do what you already know you need to do. My aim is to remind you of the goals of our organization; remember the standards which we have vowed to uphold and share with those in our communities. My aim is to remind you to Be a good example.

As we accepted the obligation to become Rebekahs and Odd Fellows, we also took on a responsibility to everyone that we come in contact with. We are not just Rebekahs and Odd Fellows at the lodge or Assembly; we are Rebekahs and Odd Fellows in everyday life. We are examples to those we work with; attend Church with, our neighbors, friends and family members.

Are we, you and I, examples of Friendship, Love and Truth; of Faith, Hope, and Charity? What about Universal Justice? These are the principles of our Order, and should be the basis for our thoughts and actions.

Think about coming into contact with a person or group who displays these qualities, would you not want to get to know this person? Would you not want to be a part of their organization? I would and so would your friends. In Kingman, we had a lady join because she saw what we were doing with a fund raiser and who we were helping. She wanted to be a part of that; we were being a good example.

There is a lot of competition these days with the Internet, television and everything else around us, therefore, it takes work on our part to find and keep new people. In our Creed we say that we will reach out to our communities and the world…are YOU reaching out?

Odd Fellows…that name itself signifies something out of the ordinary. We ARE odd because we endeavor to enlighten the mind without taking privileges. We conform to Law, Religion and Morality without interfering with the rights of any Court or Church. We create brotherhood and sisterhood, not division between men and women.

We have much to share with those around us. Be a good example; invite those you love to share this wonderful organization full of Friendship, Love and Truth.

With fraternal love,

Linda L. Thompson

“Friendship is a little sunshine and a lot of love.”

Bloom Where You’re Planted.
Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers, and Sisters,

Not much has gone on since my last newsletter. The Staff and I visited the Virginia Department Council in November. We were treated with the upmost respect and had a memorable time. The attending Staff there were: Maj Gen Jack Roberts, Executive Officer; Lt Gen Jeff Lasswell, Chief of Staff; Maj Gen Juanita Lasswell, Inspector General; Brig Gen Greta Bowers, Chaplin General; Brig Gen (Col.) Michael Bowers, Virginia Department Commander; Hon Maj Gen Smokey Lasswell, Ambassador of Good Will.

Besides Local Events, there is not much going on until February, 2018.

We all did go to a Christmas Party at Canton Indianapolis No. 2 in Indianapolis, IN, and had a Great time! I was accompanied by Lt Gen S. Ray Johnson, Deputy General Commanding; Lt Gen (R) Marie Greger-Smith, Quarter Master General; Maj Gen Earl Wys, USA Military Advisor; Maj Gen Juanita Lasswell, Inspector General; Brig Gen Fred Barlow, Medical Officer; Brig Gen Ron Simpson, Bannerette General; Hon Maj Gen Smokey Lasswell, Ambassador of Good Will.

We also had a Christmas Party in Peoria IL with Canton Peoria No. 84, and accompanying me were Lt Gen Jeff Lasswell, Chief of Staff; Maj Gen Earl Wys, USA Military Advisor; Maj Gen Juanita Lasswell, Inspector General.

Trust that you did not overeat during the Holidays, as we still want to be presentable in our Uniforms.

Please don’t forget that we have the following events coming up:

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Remember the planners need a count for the Events. Sign Up early please!

Tomb of the Unknown Civil War Soldier in Biloxi, MS, on the 16th and the 17th of February 2018. (Should be a nice Warm Weekend.)

President-I.A.R.A. – Sister Linda Thompson’s Testimonial in Phoenix, AZ, on the 23rd and 24th of February 2018. (Should be Warm there also.)

General Commanding – Gen. Ken Lasswell’s Testimonial in East Peoria, IL, on the 23rd and 24th of March 2018. (Hope that it is Comfortable then.)

Whatever you do, don’t forget about the 14th of February 2018, and get your Special Someone a special thing for Valentine’s Day. Maybe a box of Chocolates, Yummy!

Also, don’t forget that the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington, VA will be coming about the 5th and 6th of May 2018.

Please feel free to send any of this to any of your friends or interested parties.

By the way, for the interested parties who think it has been a big joke, and were always harassing me. I finally received my new Chrysler Pacifica Plugin Hybrid. Will let you know if the 19 months of waiting was worth it. I did end up with a 2018 model versus a 2017, and that is another story.

Again, Juanita, Smokey and myself, hope all of you had a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Chivalrously,
/s/ Gen. R.L. ‘Ken’ Lasswell
General Commanding, GMC

‘a peaceful ruler; serving as a soldier’

Don’t just say “Make a Difference” — Do it!
2018 Annual Communication of
The Sovereign Grand Lodge
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Commemorating the founding of Odd Fellowship
on the North American Continent

26th April 1819
at the Seven Stars
Baltimore, Maryland

‘WE COMMEND YOU TO: VISIT THE SICK, BURY THE DEAD, RELIEVE THE DISTRESSED, AND EDUCATE THE ORPHAN’
August 2017

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 Baltimore, Maryland, beginning Monday morning, 20th August 2018, and ending Thursday afternoon, 23rd August 2018.

**Headquarters and Sessions**

Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor
Baltimore, Maryland

The Sovereign Grand Lodge
192nd Annual Communication

International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
102nd Annual Session

General Military Council
115th Annual Session

International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant
79th Annual Session

Youth Days

“WE SEEK TO IMPROVE AND ELEVATE THE CHARACTER OF MAN.”
2018 Pre-Registration Form

The Sovereign Grand Lodge
International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant
International Association
Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant

Baltimore, Maryland
August 17 to 23, 2018

Please Note:
All Attendees MUST register

Full Name ____________________________________________________________

Name (as desired on badge) _______________________________ P.M. rank: __________________

Unit attending: SGL    IARA    GMC    IALAPM    Youth    Youth-Adult    (please circle only one)

Title for name badge ________________________________________________

Mailing Address ______________________________________________________

City, St./Prv, Postal Code ______________________________________________

Telephone ___________________________ E-mail ____________________________

Registration Information

Registrations on or before July 23, 2018, $75.00 $ ________________________

Registrations after July 23, 2018, $80.00 $ ______________________________

Highlight Events

Officer’s Banquet, Monday Aug. 20, $75.00 $ _________________________

Installation Dinner, Wednesday Aug. 22, $60.00 $ _____________________

Welcome Dinner, Saturday Aug. 18, $60.00 $ _________________________

Youth Dinner, Friday Aug. 17, $ 46.00 $ __________________________

Total Fees for the session, in US dollars $ ______________________________

Please mail all Registration Forms with a check or money order to:
2018 I.O.O.F. Session Committee
422 N. Trade St.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830

Tours of the Baltimore Area, may be picked by searching Baltimore, MD city tours—there are a number of options.

Any special requests, such as: special diet, should be indicated here: ____________________________________________
I have a reservation at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore on the Inner Harbor
300 Light St, Baltimore, MD 21202

800-223-1234 or 888-421-1442

I have a reservation at the Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel
300 S Charles St, Baltimore, MD 21201

888-627-7061 or 844-531-4770

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Plus local taxes—which are subject to change.

**Information to have available when making a reservation:**

Name: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________

City/State/Postal Code ________________________________

Additional Guest: ________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________ E-mail: ________________________________

Card Number: ________________________________ Exp. Date ____________

Arrival Date: ________________________________

Departure Date: ________________________________
**2018 Special Event Request**

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 Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel. They will provide menus for the type of event you wish to schedule—also see the menus online.

Group Name: __________________________________________
Contact Person: __________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________
City, St./Prov., Postal Code: ________________________________
Telephone: __________________________ Email: __________________
Type of Event: ____________________________________________
   (Breakfast, lunch, dinner, cocktail reception, etc.)
Date and Time: ____________________________________________
Number expected: __________________________________________
Special requests: __________________________________________

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(Mikes, Podium, PowerPoint, etc.)
Mail all requests to:
2018 I.O.O.F. Session Committee
422 N. Trade St.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830

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**Shuttle Service**

There are a number of Shuttle Services and taxis from Baltimore Washington International Airport to the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor or the Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel available for those desiring it. Below are some suggestions—please make your reservations direct.

![Shuttle Service Logos](images/shuttle_service_logos.png)
CELEBRATE WITH WASHINGTON LODGE # 1 I.O.O.F.
UPCOMING 200TH ANNIVERSARY
AFTER THE 2018 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF
THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, I.O.O.F.

CRAB AND SHRIMP FEAST

Thursday AUGUST 23, 2018 @ 4:30 PM
REFLECTIONS HALL AT BEEFALO BOB’S
8015 FORT SMALLWOOD RD, BALTIMORE, MD 21226

EAT ALL THE STEAM CRABS, STEAM SHRIMP, PIT BEEF AND ALL THE OTHER FIXINGS YOU LIKE

Name ____________________________________________________________
Mailing Address _______________________________________________________
City, St./Prv. Postal Code ___________________________________________________
Telephone ____________________ E-mail ________________________________
Feast on or before July 23, 2018, $75.00 $_________________
Feast after July 23, 2018, $85.00 $_________________
Round Trip Bus Transportation Pick-up at 3:00 pm
From Hyatt Regency, $30.00 $_________________
Total in U.S. dollars $_________________

Benefit the Restoration of Thomas Wildey’s Tomb at Greenmount Cemetery
and Education Scholarship Fund

Please mail this form with a check or money order to:
Washington Lodge #1, I.O.O.F.
Upcoming 200th Anniversary
7306 North Point Road
Edgemere, MD. 21219

RAFFLES & PULL-OFFS
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, John A. Miller Sr., 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 2017, in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and of our Order 199th year.

Attest: [Seal] /s/ John A. Miller Sr.
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary
Schuyler Colfax Day Proclamation

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

Fraternally Greetings:

Whereas, the Rebekah Degree of Odd Fellowship was adopted in 1851, and the degree was the work of the Honorable Schuyler Colfax, later to serve as Speaker of the House of Representatives and go on to serve as Vice President of the United States of America.

Whereas, the Rebekah Degree provides woman’s softening touch to Odd Fellowship, as founded upon the principles of the Order – faithfulness, hospitality, purity and dedication as portrayed by women of the Bible.

Whereas, because of the untiring efforts of Brother Colfax to provide a Degree for wives and daughters of Odd Fellows, the world now enjoys a Sisterhood of Lodges in twenty countries around the globe.

Therefore, I, John A. Miller Sr., Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, by authority in me duly vested, do proclaim,

That the 23rd day of March 2018 be: Schuyler Colfax Day throughout Odd Fellowship in honor of the birthday of Brother Colfax.

Further, please observe the birthday of Brother Schuyler Colfax by initiating a ‘Colfax Class’ in honor of the celebration.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this the 1st day of January 2018, and in the 199th year of our Order.

Yours in F, L & T,

Attest:

/s/ John A. Miller Sr.
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary

Arthritis Month Proclamation

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

Fraternally Greetings:

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are proud to be recognized once again for their support in relieving the pain and suffering caused by arthritis. I, along with the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Arthritis Advisory Board, in turn, are proud to recognize everyone who has donated time and money in supporting this cause over the past years.

At these annual meetings we meet an enlarged family and community of arthritis chapter volunteers who become our friends and co-volunteers in a cause that makes you and me proud of our efforts in helping our fellow man.

Now, therefore, I, John A. Miller Sr., by virtue of the authority in me duly vested as the Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, do proclaim,

That the month of March be proclaimed Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Arthritis Month in cooperation of fund raising through the Arthritis Foundation in the USA and the Arthritis Society in Canada.

All monies raised should be sent to your Jurisdictional Secretaries to be forwarded to the Arthritis Chapter in your Province or State.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this 1st day of January 2018 and of our Order the 199th year.

Yours in F, L & T,

Attest:

/s/ John A. Miller Sr.
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary
Greetings to all members, families and friends of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows:

You are cordially invited to attend the Eighty-fifth 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 2018 Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, May 6, 2018 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 John A. Miller Sr., 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 $117, single/double, $127 triple, and $137 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 5, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. (Advance ticket purchase required – see attached pre-registration form.) A social hour will be held from 5:45 P.M. to 6:45 P.M. After the banquet, all present will have the opportunity to meet and greet The Honorable John A. Miller Sr., Sovereign Grand Master, Independent Order of Odd Fellows from the Jurisdiction of Connecticut; Sister Linda L. Thompson, President, International Association of Rebekah Assemblies from the Jurisdiction of Arizona; General R. L. “Ken” Laswell, General Commanding, General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant, from the Jurisdiction of Illinois/Indiana; and Lady Estella Crowder, President, International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant from the Jurisdiction of Ontario.

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 4-6, 2018 in Alexandria, Virginia.

In Friendship, Love, and Truth,

Jennie Sue Pearson and Chuck Renninger
General Co-Chairmen
Eighty-fifth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage
to the Tomb of the Unknowns
May 4-6, 2018, 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 2018 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns. To receive the special rates of $117, single/double, $127, triple, and $137, quad, plus hotel tax, available for the nights of May 4-6, reservations must be made no later than April 3, 2018. 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 3, 2018, 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 3, 2018, occasionally in past years the hotel has sold all the rooms set aside for the I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage at the reduced rate BEFORE the deadline. So, although a person may call to place a reservation before April 3, 2018, 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, May 4, 2018
3:00-7:00 P.M. PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DESK open in the upper lobby foyer of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center

Saturday, May 5, 2018
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 - business suit, military uniform, or black tie; Dress code for women: - street-length dress, dress suit, or formal dress.

Sunday, May 6, 2018 Please note later 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-fifth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage
to the Tomb of the Unknowns
May 4-6, 2018, Arlington, Virginia

PRE-REGISTRATION AND PURCHASE OF TICKETS FORM
ONE FORM PER PERSON

PRE-REGISTRATION: $5.00 per person, pre-registration deadline: April 3, 2018.
Registrations postmarked after April 3, 2018 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 – E-mail: 0302wsmith@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION DESK (upper lobby foyer of the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center)
Open Friday, May 4, 3:00-7:00 P.M.; Saturday, May 5, 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.; Sunday,
May 6, 8:00-10:00 A.M. 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 3, 2018

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 3, 2018, after April 3, 2018, fee
is $8.00

( ) $ 55.00 SATURDAY PILGRIMAGE BANQUET – MUST be reserved and prepaid by
April 3. 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-fifth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage
to the Tomb of the Unknowns
May 4-6, 2018 Arlington, Virginia

Jurisdictional Wreath Order Form

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 3, 2018

Order forms will NOT be processed without the following information:

Jurisdiction: _______________________ Person ordering wreath: _______________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________________

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

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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
Train the Trainers – A Membership Program

Includes the following—both power point and printable files:

How to get New Members: Ask!
  Introduction to Odd Fellowship – includes the programs of the Order
  Presenting Odd Fellowship – and a pamphlet to leave with the prospective member

Attracting new members:
  Link your World to your Lodge
  Gaining influence

Prospective Member Card – a great recruitment tool (John and/or Sally know a lot of people who would make great members, but they are either new and not conversant in the programs or a type B personality; but Gary and/or Judy are type A and mingle well with others and have been members for a while).

For the active and organized lodge —
  First Things First—a great tool to assist in planning the 2018 calendar
  Odd Fellows & Rebekah Lodge manuals of instruction
  Parliamentary procedures and Motions at a Glance
  Book of Odd Fellowship

This program has been distributed several times over the years, check with your Grand Lodge or Rebekah Assembly office for a copy.
**THE SGL - IARA MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**

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**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
Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Did you watch the Rose Bowl Parade and see our float? It has one of the highest television ratings of any event on the year and millions of people see our float and hear the names of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. Great way to start the year, with lots of national publicity!! I hope your lodge got to accomplish everything it wanted to achieve for 2017.

With the start of a new year, we all need to take a look at what we are doing and what we SHOULD be doing and make some resolutions to try just a little bit harder to try and obtain at least one new member in 2018!!! As we have talked before, there are numerous good reasons and numerous benefits to being a member. Just think about it for a while as to why you belong—maybe a friend might feel the same way.

With all of the turmoil in the world, the lodge hall seems to be a place of peace and quiet. Mostly, a place where we can enjoy the fellowship of friends. Isn’t that what the last past season is all about. Sharing and caring!

I wish I could waive a magic wand and soothe all of the trouble makers, and cure all of the problems, and make ever lodge and every member happy and satisfied, and all of the halls filled to the walls with excited members—but—obviously, my magic wand didn't arrive for Christmas.

During 2018, I hope all members will try just a bit harder to keep I.O.O.F. halls brightly painted and lit for another year so the world can know there are great people still in the world.

We all need to remember some of our fabulous members whom have passed on this past year. A lot where my good friends and I will miss them greatly.

/s/ Jon Petersen
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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.

Odd Fellows
Veteran Buttons—starting at 5 years
Item No. 1227—1242
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Rebekah Veteran Buttons—starting at 5 years
Item No. 2202—2216-80
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Veteran Jewels
Joyce Link’s grandson Brady delivering the proceeds from the ‘Money Tree’ donations to the CEO and staff of the U.C. Davis Mind Institute along with Brady is his mother Kelli and Grandma Joyce.

Thank you to all who supported this special project of mine at our 2017 Session in St. Louis, MO.

Fraternally,
Joyce—PP-I.A.R.A.

Doris Wilber, 103 years young—a member of Rosalie Rebekah Lodge No. 116 of Massachusetts, and will celebrate 80 years of membership 28 June 2018
January 2018

Greetings:

Returns for the Cease and Desist Order for your Grand Body have been coming in, but there are still several Grand Bodies who have not responded with either receiving the Cease and Desist packet sent in September 2017 or following up on the forms and steps to finalize the process. The Board of Directors of the IOOF Pilgrimage for Youth cannot stress enough the completion of this process in a timely manner. Mail or email the appropriate responses, let’s get this process completed so the Pilgrimage for Youth program may continue.

There are still a few websites or Facebook sites that reference the United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth Program. This reference must be removed or renamed per the Cease and Desist Order. Attorneys across the U.S. have contacted the Board to have these references removed. Please check your websites and remove or rename the program.

**Reminder: NO TOUR WILL BE HELD IN 2018**, no funds may be collected for the tour or program until further notice.

The Board of Directors has scheduled a planning meeting to begin the process of continuing the Pilgrimage for Youth program in 2019. The new incorporation name has been filed with the North Carolina Secretary of State and U.S. Internal Revenue Service. All forms, information on the program, legal ramifications, and the process of restarting the program will be discussed. If you have a suggestion or concern for the program, please contact a Board member or send an email to the above program email. The Board wants to hear your input, we do not have all the answers, maybe you can give us suggestions and assist in getting this long standing program of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows back on track.

Fraternally,

The Board of Directors
Non-Discrimination Policy

For those Grand Bodies who have not met since the close of the 2017 session of The Sovereign Grand Lodge; or did not yet adopt a non-discrimination policy — it is recommended that you adopt in Executive Committee Session a policy similar to the one published below.

This is not changing code without action by the Grand body, but is a policy that has been agreed to and upon your Grand Body confirmation of the Executive Committee Minutes all will be in order.

For use either in regular session, special session or in Executive Committee.

Resolution No. ____
____________________ of _________________ Lodge (Encampment, LEA, Canton, LAPM, etc.) No. ____ moved the following, which was referred to the Grand Lodge (Rebekah Assembly, Grand Encampment, GLEA, Department Council, Department Association, etc.) of _________________ as a committee of the whole.

Be it Resolved, that the Non-discrimination Policy be inserted into the Appendix of the Code (Constitution and By-laws) of the Grand Lodge (Rebekah Assembly, Grand Encampment, GLEA, Department Council, Department Association, etc.) of _________________ as follows:

Non-Discrimination Policy

The Grand Lodge (Rebekah Assembly, Grand Encampment, GLEA, Department Council, Department Association, etc.) of _________________ Independent Order of Odd Fellows (GL/RA/GE/GLEA/DC/DA/etc.-____ I.O.O.F.) will not discriminate against any individual on the basis of disability, age [other than that of minimum to join the Order (lodge, club or group)], ethnicity, gender, race, sexual orientation, religion or other social identity. The GL/RA/GE/GLEA/DC/DA/etc.-____ I.O.O.F. will make reasonable modifications in policies, practices, or procedures when such modifications are necessary to afford its services and facilities to individuals with disabilities, unless the modifications would fundamentally alter the nature of its services. The GL/RA/GE/GLEA/DC/DA/etc.-____ I.O.O.F. will not exclude any individual based on disability, age, ethnicity, gender, race, sexual orientation, religion or other social identity from the full and equal enjoyment of its services and facilities, unless the individual poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others, or him/herself, that cannot be eliminated by a modification of policies, practices, or procedures or by the provision of auxiliary aids or services. The GL/RA/GE/GLEA/DC/DA/etc.-____ I.O.O.F. will not exclude any individual from the full and equal enjoyment of its services and facilities because of the individual’s association with a person of disability, age, ethnicity, gender, race, sexual orientation, religion or other social identity.
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