This **Memorial Day**, (Tuesday the 11\textsuperscript{th} day of June 2019, I.O.O.F. Memorial Day), let us take time to remember those who have been taken from us.

**TAPS**

HORACE LORENZO TRIM

GENERAL DANIEL BUTTERFIELD

(1831-1901)

Fading light dims the sight
And a star gems the sky, gleam-ingly bright
From a far, drawing nigh.

Falls the night. Day is done, gone the sun.
From the skies, from the hills, from the skies.

All is well, safely rest; God is nigh.
Then good night, peaceful night;
Till the light of the dawn shineth bright.

God is near, do not fear, friend, good night.

**Sovereign Grand Master's Message**

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

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

2019 Session Information

Memorial Proclamation
Sympathy to:
The family of Leroy White, husband of Lady Patty White, PP-IALAPM 97-98 — 23 February 2019

The family of Mavis M. Paull, PP-IARA 77-78 — 1 April 2019.

Congratulations:
From the Arthritis Foundation on the I.O.O.F. 200th anniversary; and many thanks for $14 million plus in donations since 1984 making possible the service to more than 54 million through research, advocacy and community connections.

Dedication:
Picture Dedication to Lucille Milligan in the Schuyler Colfax Museum — Monday afternoon — 19 August 2018, see session program for time.

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,

I wish to share my remarks at the Tomb of the Unknown soldier, Arlington National Cemetery:


We have assembled here today for the 86th consecutive year to show our respect and gratitude to the Unknown Soldiers as well as those other brave and dedicated servicemen and women whose graves fill this beautiful Arlington National Cemetery. As we place our wreaths at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers, we realize that we are paying tribute to all the men and women that have paid the ultimate price by sacrificing their lives in the pursuit of Liberty and Justice.

As I reflect to the first time that I was given the privilege to place a wreath here in 1986 it reminds me of the fond memories and pride I had in serving my country in the United States Air Force. The strong emotions of Honoring those brothers in arms on that day, known only to God, and the tears shed by myself and others during that moment.

I am thankful, that in my years of service to the United States, I was never called upon to bear arms against my fellow man. I am thankful that I was never called upon to serve on a battlefield and witness the results of nations at war, and I am thankful that my name was not one that was called to pay the ultimate sacrifice in defense of the freedoms we all enjoy.

On that very special occasion, Past President of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies Joyce Thorpe proudly escorted me as I presented the wreath for the Jurisdiction of Colorado. I have returned here several times since that first honored time and now Thirty-Three years later. As I stand in this place as your Sovereign Grand Master, I still find myself experiencing those same emotions and once again I am moved to having tears in my eyes.

From the beginning of Odd Fellowship, our Order has stood for all the things that are noble and worthy of our attentions. As Odd Fellows and Rebekahs we have based our lives on the grand principles of Friendship, Love, and Truth. From the Rebekah Creed and the Odd Fellow Creed, we are taught that Friendship is like a golden chain that ties our hearts together, it ties us to one another in a relationship of mutual admiration and respect. Genuine Friendship, heareth all things, believeth all things, and hopeth all things; it is the first step toward progress and personal enrichment, and the progenitor of Temperance, Prudence and Justice. Love is one of our most precious gifts, the more you give the more you receive, the ultimate love has to be the willingness to sacrifice one’s life for another human, Unfettered Love is the basis of all life’s ambitions, the controlling passion of service to humanity, more powerful than the atom and more potent than any finite source. And Truth, is the standard by which we value people. Inflexible Truth, the imperial virtue, begets economic stability, equality under the law, freedom of enterprise, the highest of ethical standards, and lasting peace, the ultimate goal of fraternity.

Freedom is a gift from our Heavenly Father. Freedom is not free, many brave souls have fought and died in the cause of freedom. This is evidenced by the hundreds of thousands of Granite and Marble grave stone markers found here at Arlington National Cemetery and at other American memorials around the world. Americans can take pride in the fact that none of these

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

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Greetings Sisters and Brothers;

First, I would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to all those who attend my Testimonial Weekend in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Think we had 3 seasons in those few days. I hope everyone had a wonderful time in our beautiful Province and enjoyed the sights around the city and the bus tour to Peggy’s Cove. Those who “Kissed the Cod”, I hope you have recovered. To all who sent cards, notes, calls and emails many thanks. It was a wonderful weekend spent with many great friends.

Now an update on the “knee”, I have torn ligaments and a fracture. So, my schedule for visits has changed. I went to the hospital after the Testimonial as I knew I would be “grounded” if I went before, hence the slippers on the weekend. Have to rest it as much as possible.

The Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was this past weekend and I was honored to lay a wreath with my fellow leaders. A little rain never hurt anyone. As someone mentioned at the dinner “They gave their lives for us, so we should not complain about the rain.” Thank you to the Pilgrimage Committee for their hard work. It sometimes is a thankless job, being on committees and “us” as members need to take the time to stop and say thank you!

The first weekend in June will be the 50th Anniversary of the Canadian War Memorial in Ottawa. I look forward to visiting with those in attendance there in “my” Nations Capital. Truly a humbling experience to lay a wreath at both Arlington and Ottawa.

“In Flanders Fields” is a war poem, written by a Canadian Doctor Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae. It was written on May 3, 1915. It references the red poppies that grew over the graves of fallen soldiers. As a result, the remembrance poppy became one of the most recognized symbols for soldiers who have passed away in conflict. In Canada the poem and poppy are Remembrance Day symbols, while in the United States the poem is associated with Veterans Day and Memorial Day.

My grandfather served in WW II along with other family members. Growing up as a little girl, I was fortunate to go with my grandparents to his Regimental Reunion on the North Shore in New Brunswick. I remember his medals being lined up on his jacket, wondering how he received them. As we grew up and learned about the history, we came to appreciate the sacrifices those men and women made for us to have a future today. To all those who served and continue to do so, I thank You!

With Rebekah Love,

Patty

March of the Nutcracker
Office of the General Commanding
General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant

May 2019

Greetings Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings from the General Military Council, the uniformed Branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Well Spring is finally here; the weather great. The weather is beautiful outside. The key elements in our wonderful order are “Friendship, Love and Truth”, “Faith, Hope and Charity” as well as “Universal Justice”. If all the adults would follow their obligations, they took in the order our numbers would still be very large instead of decreasing each year. Your future in Odd Fellowship is what you decide to make of it, only you can take advantage of your opportunities. But, always remember whatever you do have fun and enjoy yourself.

Summer is just around the corner, planning outdoor activities always seems to bring people together. “Activities” is a key to a strong lodge.

Office of the President
International Association
Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant

May 2019

Dear Chevaliers, Ladies, Brothers and Sisters,

This year has been racing by and before you know it, August will be here, and we will all be at sessions again. It seems like only last week that we were in Baltimore, but in a few short months, we will be in Winston-Salem.

I was so deeply honored and humbled to be able to participate in the laying of the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier this year. It is overwhelming to be able to recognize the sacrifice so many brave men and women have made in defense of our country. I am also looking forward to attending the ceremony in Ottawa at the Canadian War Memorial in June.

I am very excited to be making visits again. If any of you need anything from me or my officers, just let us know and we will help you in any way we can.

The more involved each person becomes the happier they are. Adults as well the young like to be appreciated and join in all activities, no one likes be left sitting on the side lines. As young leaders it is your job to get everyone involved whether it be planning a dinner, degree work or opening the lodge meeting.

All Lodges, Encampments and Cantons of the IOOF should be ready to help and support the youth. I think to many times as we grow older, we do not take the time to help our youth grow and learn. As I have always liked to say “You only get out of any position or organization what you are willing to put into it.” Everything we do must be fun and enjoyable or we will stop doing it. Remember my Motto: E.M.T.: which stands for Educate, Motivate and Train.

I said this in the last newsletter to the Youth but (Continued on page 6)

servicemember’s grave markers resulted from America being the aggressor in a conflict.

Last week, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs from around the world celebrated the 200th Anniversary of the founding of our Order in North America. In 1st Corinthians 3:10 the Apostle Paul, when speaking to the church, introduced the metaphor of a building under construction to make a point about doing good work and he said: “By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care.”

My brothers and sisters, just like the Apostle Paul, 200 years ago Thomas Wildey wisely laid the foundation for Odd Fellowship in North America. And now it is our responsibility to continue to build our Order with our best efforts and our best materials. The principals of Odd Fellowship with which we regulate our lives and conduct are taught by God and are the very same foundation that our nation was built on.

Today as we pay our respect to these brave service members, we should remember those words spoken by Abraham Lincoln during his Gettysburg address: “That from these honored dead we take increased devotion, that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain.” The Unknowns fought and died because they believed in American values, because they were loyal to our country, and because they cared about their fellow man. These brave souls willingly gave their lives so that we could all enjoy the privileges and benefits that are ours. It is now our responsibility to do all that is within our power to ensure that they did not die in vain.

Thank you for your attention, God Bless the United States of America.

Fraternally Yours,
In Friendship, Love and Truth,
Douglas E. Pittman
Sovereign Grand Master
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

I find it to be very important: We must Educate/Mentor our new and many of our current members on our laws, rules and regulations. Always keep all members Motivated, members having fun and enjoying what they do will bring in new members and continue to attend. As a Military Unit we must Train on our marching and sword proficiency constantly to remain sharp. But always “Treat others as you wish to be treated.” We must work together as a TEAM, teamwork is always a key to successfully completion of our missions in life.

My Team and I are always ready to muster in new members in the PM Branch, we took in one new member in Oklahoma 3/16/19 and four new members in Texas 3/18/19. I have heard that they want to form a Canton in Houston, TX with 12 members to muster, I am ready to assist. Saturday 3/30/19 we took in 8 new Odd Fellow members in Indiana, they are already talking about starting a new Canton in the north end of the state. If your Department cannot help you get your Canton started, call or contact me. My staff and I will make it happen. The PM Branch served as an Honor Guard for the installation of the Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly of TX. The Team was made up of members from Indiana, Texas and Mississippi. I just got a report today 4/13/19 about 22 new members entering into the PM Branch in Pennsylvania. I think they are ready to start a new canton. I am getting positive feedback on the PM Branch and hopefully this will continue.

I believe everyone had a marvelous time in Halifax, Nova Scotia at Patty Heighton’s Testimonial. We almost had time to take a break but it was a short one, she had a very busy schedule set for us. We even took time to kiss a Cod (a very bad smelling dead fish), visit Parliament, visit Patty’s Cove, took in a play with dinner, ate lobster and a formal dress occasion on Saturday night. A very unique experience, I think they even got my name correct by the last day. We had a great deal of fun. Thanks to all!!!!

I leave you with a few words to think about this month, I used these words often during my US Air Force Career. It is very hard to soar with the Eagles when you spend all your time squabbling with the Turkeys! Think about what this means and how it applies to many of our different Odd Fellow Units today. Does it fit any of your units and how can YOU start making changes to improve? Start small and continue to improve your group one step at a time, next thing you know you all will be soaring with the Eagles. You can only get out of your membership what you are willing to put in.

Thank you for taking time to read this letter.

Chivalrously,
Gen. S. Ray Johnson
General Commanding of GMC 2018-2019

The Motto this year:
E.M.T.: which stands for Educate, Motivate and Train.
‘a peaceful ruler; serving as a soldier’
SOS Note

Greeting from the SOS Oddfellow Village in Battambang Cambodia. Just some quick facts about the village. Presently there are 15 family homes housing approximately 170 children of which 96 are boys and 74 are girls. All school age children and youth are enrolled in school, university or vocational training. At the present time 96 children attend extracurricular classes Monday thru Friday to learn English.

I would like to take this opportunity to share a story from the Battambang village. Many years of civil war in Cambodia destroyed almost all infrastructure in the country and harmed countless peoples lives and families in Battambang including Thary a lovely young lady long before her birth.

The weak national economy affected her parents greatly. They were not educated, nor did they have secure jobs or a business of their own to support daily family life. Thary was living in these difficult circumstances until she was two years old when her father left the family and never returned. A few years later, her mother became seriously ill and died. Now an orphan, Thary joined her SOS family in Battambang when she was six.

In her own words Thary stated “This year I am turning 19 and time seems to have flown by fast. The last 12 years of living with my SOS family have been the best. When I first arrived, Prisey, my SOS mother welcomed me with a warm smile. She made me feel comfortable right away. She took hold of my hand and led me towards the house. I was the eldest in the family and I learned a lot from my mother about taking care of a family. I also found my passion – cooking. Nobody could beat me in cooking fired noodles” says Thary.

Thanks to the support of her SOS Family, Thary is going to follow her passion. She is moving to Siem Reap to study to become a chef. Thary looks forward to working as a chef and someday starting a family of her own.

Through our support as Odd Fellows and Rebekahs we can take pride knowing that we are not only reciting our valediction but living up to it by elevating the character of man and educating the orphan. Everyone should have a smile when speaking to prospective members because we not only “Talk the Walk but Walk the Walk” as stated by Past Sovereign Grand Master Connie Mac Riley.

Unfortunately, over time jurisdictions are now liquidating controlled assets and have restrictions as how they can utilize the funds. Please keep in mind our SOS Oddfellow Village falls under a 501-C3 designation and could use your support to help maintain the village.

The village being only fifteen years of age already has history. During the construction phase of the village we were fortunate to have Tashi T. Rubling a Past Project Director for SOS Kinderdorf International oversee the construction. Tashi now residing in Calgary also served as an engineer for the construction of the Dali Lama’s residence in Dharamsala India.

It is a pleasure to work with Neil Gosh and Lora Sodini of SOS Children’s Villages U.S.A., Inc. Washington DC. Through their outstanding support we are able to keep you abreast of current events surrounding the village.

Please keep in mind all contributions forwarded to The Sovereign Grand Lodge for the village are earmarked by SOS Washington for direct submission to our project.

Yours in FLT,

Henry ‘Hank’ Dupray
Chairman

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2019 Annual Communication of
The Sovereign Grand Lodge
Independent Order of Odd Fellows
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

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’
January 2019

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 Winston-Salem, North Carolina, beginning Monday morning, 19th August 2019, and ending Thursday afternoon, 22nd August 2019.

Headquarters and Sessions
Twin City Quarter

The Sovereign Grand Lodge
193rd Annual Communication

International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
103rd Annual Session

General Military Council
116th Annual Session

International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant
80th Annual Session

Youth Days
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2019 Pre-Registration Form

The Sovereign Grand Lodge
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International Association
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Winston-Salem, North Carolina
August 16 to 23, 2019

Please Note:
All Attendees MUST register

Name ____________________________
(as desired on badge)

Unit attending: SGL IARA GMC IALAPM Youth Guest (please circle one)

Title for name badge ____________________________

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City, St./Prv, Postal Code ____________________________
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Registration Information

Registrations on or before July 26, 2019, $75.00  $ _______________
Registrations after July 26, 2019, $80.00 $ _______________

Highlight Events

Youth Dinner, Friday Aug. 16, $ 40.00 $ _______________
Welcome Dinner, Saturday Aug. 17, $40.00 $ _______________
Officer’s Banquet, Monday Aug. 19, $60.00 $ _______________
Installation Dinner, Wednesday Aug. 21, $50.00 $ _______________

Total Fees for the session, in US dollars $ _______________

Please mail all Registration Forms with a check or money order to:
2019 I.O.O.F. Session Committee
422 N. Trade St.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830

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**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 Twin City Quarter Winston-Salem. They will provide menus for the type of event you wish to schedule—also see the menus on line.

Group Name: ____________________________________________
Contact Person: __________________________________________
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City, St./Prov., Postal Code: _________________________________
Telephone: ___________________ Email: ______________________
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(Breakfast, lunch, dinner, cocktail reception, etc.)
Date and Time: __________________________________________
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MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND MASTER

To all Units
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Greetings:

This Memorial Day let us take time to remember those who have been taken from us. As we mourn their loss let us reflect on Psalm 23:

... ‘Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul’ ...

Therefore, in accordance with our laws and customs, I, Douglas E. Pittman, by virtue of the authority in me duly vested as Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows do hereby proclaim that, Tuesday the 11th day of June 2019 to be MEMORIAL DAY throughout the world of Odd Fellowship.

All Units of Odd Fellowship shall hold appropriate observances in memory of our departed members.

Information has been received of the death of the following past officers and members of The Sovereign Grand Lodge and officers and past officers of the various grand bodies.

Atlantic Provinces 3 January 2019 – E. Janet Mattatall, age 77 – Guardian-IAR
British Columbia 6 September 2018 – Burga M. Black, age 93 – PGuard-IAR
Oregon 1 April 2019 – Mavis M. Paull, age 94 – PP-IAR – 1977-1978

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Virginia
9 May 2017 – Pauline C. S. Carr, PP, age 90
23 July 2018 – M. Kelly Deans Jr, PGP, age 87
20 February 2019 – William C. ‘Bill’ Triplett, PGR, PGM, age 84

Utah
7 September 2018 – Robert L. Shelton, PGSec, PGScr, PGR, PGP, PGM, age 77

West Virginia
1 May 2018 – Billy Gene Keffer, PGP, PGR, age 93
28 October 2018 – Ruth Ann Blair, PP, age 63

Wisconsin
6 May 2018 – William A. ‘Bill’ Hasseler, PGM, age 88
16 November 2018 – Lady Clara E. Petersen, P1stVP, PP-RA, PR, age 75

United Kingdom
10 July 2018 – Syd Bolton, PGM, age 93
26 August 2018 – D. Andrew Porter, PGM, age 66
16 November 2018 – Keith A. Adamson, PGM, age 64

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, the 30th day of April 2019 and of our Order the Two Hundred – First year.

Yours in F, L & T,
s/ Douglas E. Pittman.
Sovereign Grand Master

Attest:
s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary

Visual Research Foundation Proclamation

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

Fraternal Greetings:

Whereas, the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Visual Research Foundation organized in 1958 supports a Research Chair at the Wilmer Institute of Johns Hopkins University and Hospital which is working to find ways to enable many to have better vision.

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

The month of May as Visual Research Month throughout Odd Fellowship.

Further, this program needs our support through:

- Fund Raising Campaigns
- Treasury Donations
- Memorial Donations
- Publicity

Donations and communications should be sent to your Jurisdictional Secretary who will in turn forward same to Visual Research Foundation, Inc., 422 Trade Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101.

This program supported by contributions from Odd Fellows and Rebekahs open eyes that many may see! Remember, many have sight . . . . . . only a few have Vision.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this 1st day of March 2019, and of our Order the 199th year.

Yours in F, L & T,
Attest: /s/ Douglas E. Pittman
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary
2018-2019
Living Legacy Program Reporting Form

Jurisdiction and Branch .................................................................
Unit Name and Number .................................................................
Planted:
Trees ............ Misc. ............
At cost of ............ ............
Contributions Money .................................................................
Promotion .................................................................
Years of Participation .................................................................
Remarks

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Reporting Officer

2018-2019
Community Service Program Reporting Form

Jurisdiction and Branch .................................................................
Unit Name and Number .................................................................
Or Individual .................... Hours Volunteered ............
Participated in the following types of Programs:


_____________________________________________________

Contributions: Money; Promotion; Years of Participation


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Remarks

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Reporting Officer
Return the Enclosed Reporting Forms by July 5, 2019. Make Copies if you so desire.

Mail To: The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., 422 Trade St., Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830

### 2018-2019 Scholarship Reporting Form

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Participated with another Community Group:

Yes  No  Amount

Participated in Government Matching Funds Program:

Yes  No  Amount

Remarks

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Reporting Officer

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Participated in what type of Program

Contributions: Money  Promotion

Years of Participation

Remarks

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

Mail to / or bring to Session:
Wildey Museum and Library I.O.O.F.
422 Trade St. NW
Winston-Salem, NC  27101
I.O.O.F. Celebrating 200 years

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

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**Sponsor Name**

**New Member’s Lodge**

**Lodge Secretary Name**

**Address**

**City**

**State/Province**

**Postal/Zip Code**

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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
May 2019

HOW TO GET NEW MEMBERS?

Ask!

Many of our membership will not ask, because when they do, the prospect asks ‘what do you do?’ ‘Well, we meet on Monday evening, open with the Pledge to the Flag, have a prayer, read the minutes of the last meeting, pay the bills, maybe a Good of the Order, close, have refreshments and play cards, then we are home by 9:00 p.m.’ ‘What was the purpose of this meeting?’ ............. Without answers, few are asking.

So the membership needs to be:

⇒ Educated in the principles
⇒ Mentored in the Ritual
⇒ Trained in the workings of the lodge and the programs of the Order

Then the members will be comfortable in asking Prospective Members—but if not comfortable in this process, there is a Prospective Members Program, where they supply the names of prospects and George will make the presentation on the Order.

Contact your Grand Secretary or Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly who have received copy of the Membership Program to obtain the materials to assist in growing your Lodge.
New Members Reported to the Committee on Membership 1 Jan. ‘19 to 31 Dec. ‘19

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VETERANS

85 years
Marjorie Saranto, WA

80 years
75 Years

70 Years
Rajean Kanaga, KS
Nilah Berry, MI

65 Years
Marian June Cummins, WA

60 Years
Lynn Lowe, AB

55 years
Rose Damont, AB
Karen Miller, AB

50 Years
Dianna Smith, AB
Lois Alsgard, AB

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.

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

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Delegate packets will be mailed in June. If you have not received your packet by the 25th of June, please call me at: 336.528.3518

Contact the Executive Director with any questions or concerns, I am here to not only support this awesome program but to assist you in sending a young person on a tour which may enhance or change their life.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Janet Bruce, Executive Director
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