IOOF IOOF ODD FELLOWS/REBEKAHS OFMAINE

DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR FIRST REGIONAL MEETING WILL BE MARCH 19TH 2022. SEE PRESIDENTS LETTER.

2022 PILGRIMAGE TO THE TOMB

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LODGE OF SORROW

FRONTIER LODGE #111/RIVERSIDE REBEKAH LODGE #140 PPRA HELEN BOISVERT PASSED AWAY 1/18/2022

ALBION LODGE #149 RAYMOND M. SEAVEY PASSED AWAY 11/14/2021.

PPDALAPM ALICE GLOVER PASSED AWAY 1/25/2022.

OLIVE REBEKAH LODGE #21 JESSIE WHITTE-MORE PASSED AWAY 2/16/2022

SACCARAPPA LODGE #11 HARTLEY E. MARSH PASSED AWAY 5/3/2020.



Traditional Duties of an Odd Fellow Are:

- To visit the sick
- To relieve the distressed
- To bury the dead
- To Educate the Orphan Helping others to build a better World

IF YOU WANT YOUR LODGES EVENTS AND PHOTOS PUB-LISHED PLEASE SEND THEM TO THE GL EMAIL PREFERABLE AS A WORD DOCU-MENT OR AT-TACHMENTS

MARCH 2022

PRESIDENT of REBEKAH ASSEMBLY'S MARCH LETTER

Greetings all

Well I hope everyone has stayed warm this winter. Are you all rested up and ready to start meeting again now that March is here? I sure am.

My first visitation will be a joint visitation with lodges Nina 86 and Liberty 94 on March 14th in Auburn at 7:00 pm.

First Regional meeting will be March 19th 2022 at the Masonic Hall 5 Oak St, Lisbon Falls. There will be a ham lunch at 11:30am and meeting at 1:00pm, the cost of the lunch will be \$5.00. Please RSVP to Gail Morgan 333 West Burrough Rd, Bowdoin ME 04287 and make checks payable to Nina Lodge #86.

Remember lodges, now that you are starting to meet again please send in to the newsletter what your lodge is doing or any upcoming events. This is very easy just email to Mike Anderson at glioofmesec@roadrunner.com by the 15th of the month. It is nice to hear of all the wonderful things the lodges are doing.

If you are interested in going on the bus to Washington DC for the wreath laying please contact Mike Anderson @ the Grand lodge. I am very excited to be going on this trip, it is such an honor.

JJYC will be meeting April 3rd 2022 at 1pm in Oakland ME (Acme #75 lodge hall)

To My Deputies and the Executive officers time to make plans for your Regional meetings, if you have not done so.

Remember to do some fun things and enjoy the upcoming year in your lodges.

I am hoping for warm weather, green grass and flowers.

F L &T Marilee Perkins

President, Rebekah Assembly of Maine

GRAND PATRIARCHS MARCH NEWSLETTER.

Good morning to all.

The winter is slowly beginning to slip away. My yard is finally ice free.

Parmenas and Brigadier are meeting at the Besse Building on Main St. in Albion on March 16th at 10:00 AM.

The Home Board meeting will be on March 5th. It's been a long time since I have been on that board. It will be good to see everyone again.

We welcomed our new member Roderick Ronco to Parmenas Encampment in January.

want to thank everyone who wished me a Happy Birthday. Another century gone.

In F.L. & T.

Mura Knights, Grand Patriarch

Grand Encampment of Maine.

Liberty Rebekah Lodge #94 of Auburn.

We chose Valentines Day for our MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY. We presented each resident at the Home with a long stem red carnation along with a valentine addressed to each resident to make a difference in their day.

Due to COVID restrictions at the Home we were unable to deliver the carnations and cards personally, but Sister Diane Treacy, our lodge secretary, wrote all the cards and delivered the carnations to the front door where she met John Bolduc and Doreen Locke, both members of our lodge. Doreen's assistant, Diane, came to the door to receive the flowers and cards. She would get them distributed. Sister Diane also gave a valentine to the staff with a note of appreciation for all they do for the residents.

Submitted by Esther Tucker, Publicity for Liberty #94

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NOTES

Carmen Lovejoy has been placed at the Knox Center in Rockland. Her address is: Knox Center for Long Term Care, Carmen Lovejoy, Room 103 6 White Street Rockland, ME 04841.

JJYC

I would like to thank the lodges and individuals who have sent in donations for the calendar raffle. Your donations help us to raise money so we can help the youth during the holiday season. We are halfway to our goal so if you have not donated yet, please bring it up at your meetings to help us out.

Remember to make the check out to the Rebekah Assembly and mail it to me so I can keep track on how we are doing. Remember, it's for the youth.

In FL&T

Glenda Knights

88th IOOF Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns

The bus departs from the park and ride off exit 45 of the Maine Turnpike on Friday, May 6th at 6:00 AM and returns on Monday, May 9th around 6:00 PM. Picks up at the Wells bus terminal at exit 19 also, about 6:30 AM, other pick-up and drop off places may be added. **Be at your departure site a half hour early, the bus leaves on time with or without you.**

We would like to get a head count of how many are planning on riding the bus no later than March 9th.

The cost of the bus will be \$150.00/per person

If you are planning on riding the bus, please send a deposit of \$75.00 no later than March 20th. Make the check payable to The Grand Lodge of Maine and sent to 80 Caron Lane Auburn Maine 04210. Make sure to mark memo section Trip to the tomb. The remaining funds will be due no later than April 20, 2020.

You will be responsible for making your own room reservation and for your preregistration. At the Cemetery you will have to buy a tram ticket for a ride up to the Tomb, also I have been informed that a form of government ID will be required for people 18 and over (e.g. driver's license, state ID, passport etc.) under 18 a student ID is required.

We can have the bus for up to 15 hours on Saturday and Sunday, so for a small fee we have been considering going to the Smithsonian Flight Museum at Dulles airport. Also we plan on going out to eat as a group after the wreath laying.

Thank you , in FL&T

Michael Anderson

(207) 786-3638 glioofmesec@roadrunner.com

Cards would be appreciated:

Thinking of you Cards:

Sister Maybelle Sturgeon, PP 30 Water Street, Apt 504 Brunswick Me 04011

Sister Rita Young, PP 160 Flaggy Meadow Road Gorham Me 04038

Patricia Robichaud, PP 52 Village Drive Lewiston Me 04240

Sister Kera Ashline and Brother Richard Ashline 24 Nealley Street South Berwick Me 03908

Sympathy Card: Sister Beverley Littlefield in the loss of her husband Bernie on Friday, February 11th 23 Tremont Street, Portland Me 04103

Birthday Card: Sister Louise Lancaster's daughter would like to shower her mother with Birthday Cards for her 95th Birthday on April 6th. Sister Louise can no longer see so her daughter reads all her cards and letters each evening. Her address is: Louise Lancaster, PP 82 Elmwood Avenue, Westbrook, Me 04092

Please Note:

Sister Carol Pavone has a new mailing address: 1916 East Ridge Rd Cornfield ME 04976

Deb Harney, PP Rebekah Assembly of Main .Eighty-eighth I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns May 6-8, 2022, Arlington, Virginia January 2022

Greetings to all members, families and friends of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. You are cordially invited to attend the Eighty-eighth 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 2022 Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, May 8 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 Charles E. 'Chuck' Lusk, 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 \$125 single/ double, \$140 triple, and \$150 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 7, 2022, at 7:00 PM. (Advance ticket purchase required - see attached pre-registration form.) A social hour will be held from 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM. After the banquet, all present will have the opportunity to meet and greet the Honorable Charles E. 'Chuck' Lusk, Sovereign Grand Master, Sovereign Grand Lodge from the Jurisdiction of Ohio, Sister Kathleen D. 'Kathy' Richen President, International Association of Rebekah Assemblies from the Jurisdiction of Massachusetts, and General Michael L. Bowers, General Commanding, General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant, from the Jurisdiction of Tennessee.

We recommend that you schedule flights to and from Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA), the nearest airport to the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center. Hotel shuttle service may or may not be available depending on Covid restrictions that may be in place in May. Taxi service is available. 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.) Please note the event could be cancelled at the last minute by the military; therefore, travel arrangements should be made accordingly. In addition, masks will be required for all events. 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 6-8, 2022, in Alexandria, Virginia

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

\$5.00 per person, pre-registration deadline: March 31, 2022. Registrations postmarked after March 31, 2022, 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 6, 3:00-7:00 P.M.; Saturday, May 7, 8:00 A.M. -4:00 P.M.; Sunday, May 8, 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 transportation tickets still available may be purchased. PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE – ONE FORM PER PERSON - (Please copy this form as needed) PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE March 31, 2022

Name	Phone #	Email	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 March 31, 2022, after March 31, 2022, fee is \$8.00

() \$ 58.00 SATURDAY PILGRIMAGE BANQUET -- MUST be reserved and prepaid by March 31. Unless there are canceled reservations, no additional banquet tickets will be available.

() \$ 50.00 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 8, 2022 only. Space is limited. Unless there are cancellations, last minute transportation tickets may not be available

Masks are required for all events 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 AR-LINGTON 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

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