# IOOF IOOF ODD FELLOWS OF MAINE

### DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

10/17—10/20/2018 REBEKAH ASSEMBLY AND GRAND LODGE SESSIONS HELD AT FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON, 308 GODFREY BLVD. BANGOR, ME.

#### LODGE OF SORROW JURISDICTIONAL LODGE #1 BRO. HERBERT MOSHER SR. PASSED AWAY 2/21/2018.

BLUE HILL LODGE #79 BRO. LINWOOD L. CARTER PASSED AWAY 4/29/2018.

SEARS LODGE #82 BRO. DANA H. BAGLEY PASSED AWAY 3/17/2018.

JOSHUA DAVIS LODGE #145 BRO. WAYNE CIO-MEI PASSED AWAY 5/18/2018.

JOSHUA DAVIS LODGE #145 BRO. ELMER "BILL" DUNHAM Jr. PASSED AWAY 5/19/2018.



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

> JULY 2018

#### **BUS TRIP TO ARLINGTON CEMETARY.**

A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE MADE THE TRIP THIS YEAR, OVER-ALL WE HAD A GOOD TIME, WE HAD SOME NEW PEOPLE ON THIS TRIP, MARK AND BILL FROM ROCKABEMA IN HOULTON, RALPH AND MICHELE TRYNOR FROM UNITY AND A GROUP OF REBEKAHS FROM STONINGTON WHO KEPT THINGS LIVELY. WE EVEN ALLOWED A FEW FROM ACROSS THE BORDER (NH) ON THE BUS.

THE BUS LEFT SOUTH PORTLAND PARK AND RIDE ON THURS-DAY NIGHT STOPPED IN WELLS AND WE WERE OFF, WE MADE A FEW STOPS ON THE WAY AND STOPPED AT THE CRACKER BARREL IN BEL-AIR MARYLAND AT 6:15 AM FOR BREAKFAST. WE ARRIVED AT THE HILTON IN ALEXANDRIA FRIDAY MORNING.

EVERYBODY WAS ON THEIR OWN TO GO SIGHTSEEING ETC. FRI-DAY AFTERNOON AND SATURDAY. I WENT TO THE ZOO ON SATUR-DAY AND THEY DIDN'T EVEN PUT ME IN A CAGE SO I ESCAPED.

SATURDAY EVENING WE FOLLOWED A TRADITION THAT THE MAINE GROUP HAS BEEN DOING FOR MORE THAN THE 23 YEARS I'VE BEEN GOING. WE WENT OUT AS A GROUP FOR SUPPER. WAITING TO BOARD THE BUS TO GO TO LONGHORNS I RAN INTO A FRIEND FROM OHIO AND HIS GROUP WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE TO GO FOR SUPPER SO I THREW THEM ON THE BUS.

10 AM SUNDAY WE STARTED GETTING READY TO GO TO ARLING-TON CEMETARY. THE CEREMONIES STARTED WITH THE SPEECHES IN THE ROTUNDA THEY WERE KEPT SHORT. THE SGM AND THE HEADS OF THE OTHER BRANCHES LAID THEIR WREATH. WE PRO-CEEDED TO OUR AREA AND SET UP TO LAY THE JURISDICTIONAL WREATHS.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CEREMONY WE HEADED BACK TO HE BUS AND ABOUT 3:30 PM LEFT FOR MAINE WITH A STOP BACK AT CRACKER BARREL FOR SUPPER. LUCKILY IT WAS NOT MOTHERS DAY. WE ARRIVED HOME EARLY MONDAY MORNING.

I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR ALLOWING ME TO RUSH THEM AROUND ON THE TRIP.

GS. MIKE



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THE FLAG DETAIL READY TO POST THE COLORS PRIOR TO THE LAYING OF THE WREATHS.

## JUST ANOTHER DAY AT THE ZOO. IT'S HARD FOR AN ORANG-TANG TO HAVE A SNACK WHEN HE HAS TO PUT UP WITH PESKY VISITORS.



## DEBRA, MELISSA, NANCY AND SHERRY



#### GM GERALD GRAY, PRA DEBRA HARNEY, GP JUANITA DINSMORE AND DEPT. COMMANDER COL. DONALD DINSMORE. READY TO LAY THE WREATH AT ARLINGTON CEMETARY.

This Pilgrimage has been a tradition that the Jurisdiction of Maine has supported for a long time. It is sad that so many of our members have never gone on this trip. Good weather and bad, broken down busses etc. those who have wanted a good time have always had one. Its always a pleasure to arrive in DC when the grass and trees are green and the flowers in bloom a welcome taste of spring.

Odd Fellowship is what you make it and I choose to make it more than just a couple of meetings a month. Get out see old acquaintances and make new ones have fun. The Smithsonian has free admission and so does many other attractions.

#### GS Mike



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