# IOOF ODD FELLOWS/REBEKAHS OFMAINE

# DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

FIRST REGIONAL MEETING 15 MARCH 2025.

SCHUYLER COLFAX DAY 23 MARCH 2025.

**SOUTHERN REGIONAL MEETING 29 MARCH 2025.** 

**GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF RI 11 APRIL 2025.** 

**GRAND LODGE OF RI 12 APRIL 2025.** 

**CENTRAL REGIONAL MEETING 12 APRIL 2025.** 

GRAND LODGE & REBEKAH ASSEMBLY OF NH 25 & 26 APRIL 2025.

**NORTHERN REGIONAL MEETING 11 JUNE 2025.** 

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE TOMB 2 TO 5 MAY 2025.

**GRAND LODGE OF A.P. 9 & 10 MAY 2025** 

GRAND LODGE & REBEKAH ASSEMBLY OF MASS. 6 & 7 JUNE 2025.

**SGL, IARA & GMC 15 TO 21 AUGUST 2025.** 

GRAND LODGE & REBEKAH ASSEMBLY OF MAINE 16, 17 & 18 OCTOBER 2025.

# **LODGE OF SORROW**

ST. GEORGE LODGE #132 ROBERT SKOGLUND PASSED AWAY 11/30/2024

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

IHERE IS A PROJECT
YOUR LODGE CAN DO
OVER THE NEXT FOUR
MONTHS. THE IARA
PRESIDENT IS ASKING
FOR KNITTED HATS.
PREME HATS FOR BABIES AND PEOPLE IN
HOSPITALS ALL THE
WAY UP TO AGE 102. IF
YOU WOULD LIKE TO
DONATE SOME HATS

MARCH 2025



PRESIDENT OF THE REBEKAH ASSEMBLY MARCH LETTER GREETINGS!

I HOPE THIS FINDS EVERYONE HAPPY, HEALTHY AND WARM. IT HAS BEEN A VERY COLD WINTER, I AM HOPING THE GROUND HOG IS WRONG ABOUT THE 6 MORE WEEKS OF WINTER.

THINGS WILL BE STARTING UP VERY SOON AND WE WILL BE ABLE TO GET OUT AND SEE EVERYONE. VISITATIONS WILL BECOMING UP SOME HAVE ALREADY STARTED.

REMEMBER TO GET OUT AND LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT WE EXIST AND WANT TO HELP OUR COMMUNITIES IN ANY WAY WE CAN. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE THEM JOIN IS IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

I WAS SPEAKING WITH DYLAN MERRIFOX, HE IS AN ODD FELLOW FROM VERMONT AND MENTIONED A MOVIE THAT IS ON NETFLIX THAT HAS A LOT OF REFERENCES TO THE ODD FELLOWS IN IT. TRY TO SEE THE MOVIE AND BE READY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY GET ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATION. DURING MY RECENT STAYS IN THE HOSPITAL I FOUND MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO TALK ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATION, HAVE THE WEB SITE READY TO GIVE THEM AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO LOOK IT UP. MENTION THE SCHOLARSHIPS AND LET THEM KNOW ANY ONE CAN APPLY.

IN F,L,&T

**GLENDA KNIGHTS** 

PRESIDENT REBEKAH ASSEMBLY I.O.O.F. OF MAINE

## FIRST REGIONAL MEETING

The Coastal Regional Meeting for the Rebekahs will be held on March 15 in the new Joshua Davis Lodge hall, 103 Oceanville Road Stonington. The snow date will be the following Saturday March 22. The meal will be roast beef and the cost is \$10.00 please send money to Roxane Betts or call her to make arrangements for payment. Meal is at 11:00 A.M., meeting will follow.

#### SOUTHERN REGIONAL MEETING

The Southern Regional Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 29th at Narragansett Rebekah Lodge #145, 31 Main Street, Kennebunk, Maine. We will be hosting our Warden of the Rebekah Assembly Sister Marilee Perkins, PP.

The Luncheon will be a boiled dinner, Rolls, salad, dessert and beverages. Lunch will be served at 11:30am with the meeting at 1:00PM. The cost for lunch will be \$10:00, make checks out to Narragansett Lodge # 145. Payment and reservations can be made with Sister Deb Harney, PP, 273 Mitchell Road, Cape Elizabeth, Maine 04107. Money Must accompany the reservation. Reservations must be made by March 22nd. Phone number (207) 653-5285

If you have any questions, please let me know. I can be reached at (207) 618-0892.

FLT

Mary Lou Anderson District Deputy President #1

#### GENERAL PROCLAMATIONS

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

## **Fraternal Greetings:**

- I, Gerald V. Workman, Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, by authority duly vested in me, do proclaim the following:
- 1. September 20, 2024: Rebekah Degree Day, commemorating the 173rd Anniversary of the Degree of Rebekah. All Rebekah Lodges are encouraged to initiate an 'Anniversary Class' commemorating the day.
- 2. January 15, 2025: Thomas Wildey Day, in celebration of the anniversary of the birthday of Thomas Wildey, founder of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in America. All units are encouraged to initiate a 'Wildey Class' in celebration of the occasion.
- 3. March 23, 2025: Schuyler Colfax Day, in honor of the anniversary of the birth-day of Schuyler Colfax, author of the Degree of Rebekah. Rebekah Lodges are encouraged to initiate a 'Colfax Class' in honor of the occasion.
- 4. April 15, 2024: Make a Difference Day.
- 5. April 26, 2025: Founder's Day, commemorating the 205 th Anniversary of the founding of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Baltimore, Maryland. All units of the Order are encouraged to hold special festivities in celebration of the day: Degree Day (name the class for someone in your jurisdiction), Anniversary Ball, Community Work Project, et cetera.
- 6. June 10, 2024: Memorial Day, for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. All units are asked to set aside time to remember.

I ask that you observe the above-mentioned days on the date noted or a date as near as possible.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this 31st day of August 2024 in the 206th year of our Order.

Yours in F, L & T, s/ Gerald V. Workman Sovereign Grand Master

**Attest:** 

s/ Terry L. Barrett Sovereign Grand Secretary

# SCHEDULE OF PICK-UPS FOR TRIP TO ARLINGTON 2/2/25

CARMEL EXIT 174 BUE ARRIVES 4;00 A.M. LEAVES AT 4:15 A.M.

S. PORTLAND BUS ARRIVES 5:45 A.M. LEAVES AT 6:00 A.M.

WELLS BUS ARRIVES 6:15 A.M. LEAVES AT 6:30 A.M.

BUS WILL STOP FOR BREAK AT CHARLSTON MASS REST AREA.

CHELSFORD MA, AND CT STOPS TBD.

BUS STOPS FOR BATHROOM BREAKS EVERY 2 HOURS.

WIFI AVAILABLE ON BUS

DO NOT BE LATE BUS LEAVES ON SCHEDULE, FROM THE STOPS.



1/22/2025 8 CANDIDATES FROM GOV. BROOKS LODGE #142 WENT TO JOSHUA DAVIS LODGE #145 IN STONINGTON TO TAKE A DEGREE WITH 2 JOSHUA DAVIS CANDIDATES.



2/22/2025 NARRAGANSETT LODGE #145 VISITATION



PAST GRANDS OF UNITY LODGE #3



FRATERNITY LODGE #6 INITATED 4 NEW MEMBERS 2 SISTERS AND 2 BROTHERS

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