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### **DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR**

**GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF MAINE WILL BE SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2022 IN THE MASONIC HALL IN OAKLAND MAINE.**

**SECRETARIES, SCRIBES, AND CLERKS THE NEW DIRECTORY WILL BE ISSUED IN DECEMBER, THE FORM TO UPDATE IT WILL BE ARRIVING SOON, IF YOU HAVE NO CHANGES, SIMPLY EMAIL THE GRAND LODGE, AND LET US KNOW IF YOUR LODGE INFO IS CORRECT.**

**THE ANNUAL REPORTS FOR THE GRAND LODGE WILL BE SENT TO THE LODGES IN DECEMBER AND ARE DUE BACK THE 15TH OF FEBRUARY. THE MEMBERSHIP AND LODGE REPORT CAN BE RETURNED IMMEDIATELY AFTER DECEMBER 31ST.**

**THE MEMBERSHIP IS AN EXCEL DATABASE THAT YOU CAN RECEIVE ON EMAIL, UPDATE AND RETURN BY EMAIL IF YOU SO DESIRE.**

### **LODGE OF SORROW**

**SABATTUS RIVER LODGE #21, PGP DONALD NASON PASSED AWAY 10/10/2022.**

**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 PUBLISHED PLEASE SEND THEM TO THE GL EMAIL PREFERABLE AS A WORD DOCUMENT OR ATTACHMENTS**



**NOVEMBER  
2022**

## REBEKAH ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT'S NOVEMBER LETTER

Hello All,

I just want to start off with Thanking Everyone for voting me in as President of the Rebekah Assembly of Maine. It hasn't quite sunk in yet. We have a busy year ahead of us.

If you wish to have a copy of the photos taken on Friday afternoon, please let me know and I will get them printed for you. There is one of the Deputy's and one for the Officers. I would like to thank everyone who accepted an office for me this year.

Some dates to remember coming up are November 19, 2022, the Reception for Grand Master Rod Ronco and President Gretchen Clark at the Governors in Waterville. Please send your \$30.00 to Ernestine MacMillan by November 7, 2022. Make Check Payable to Priscilla Rebekah Lodge.

Grand Master Rod and I will be heading up to the County on Saturday October 22, 2022, to do the potato run and bring the potatoes back to our community's. Thanks for asking me to come along Rod.

Also, we need to keep in mind that the Home Christmas Party is right around the corner. Please send all money for the Christmas Party to Ernestine MacMillan. We will be sending out letter soon to all lodges.

I have successfully digitated all the Camp NEOFA Newsletters and they can be found online at [https://digitalmaine.com/camp\\_neofa\\_newsletters/](https://digitalmaine.com/camp_neofa_newsletters/). Please let me know if you have any questions about these.

I would like to thank anyone who helped me before going in as President and to my lodges for continuing to help and work on our reception. I also want to thank Jenna Davis for doing my posters of my program for Assembly this year. They looked amazing.

Hope everyone one has a Happy Halloween, and a Great Thanksgiving!

F L &T

Gretchen Clark

President, Rebekah Assembly of Maine

**Garfield #99 of Winterport**

**And**

**Priscilla # 69 of Skowhegan and Sterling # 95 of Madison**

**Invites you to the Reception for Grand Master Rod Ronco of the Grand Lodge of Maine, his Grand Marshal David Gulya and President Gretchen Clark of the Rebekah Assembly of Maine, her Marshal Judy Clark-Foster:**

**Saturday November 19, 2022 At 11:30**

**At the Governors**

**376 Main St. Waterville, Maine 04976**

**Menu Buffet Style:**

**Baked Ham, Baked Stuffed Haddock, Steak Tips**

**Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans,**

**Rolls, Gravy, Salad, Dessert**

**Coffee, Tea, Soda**

**Cash Bar/ Music Provided by DJ Ralph**

**Vegetarian will be special order, please put on your RSVP if you need a vegetarian dish and what you can and can't eat to make sure we have what you need.**

**Cost \$30.00 a person and send check payable to: Ernestine MacMillan, 28 Dr. Mann Rd, Skowhegan Maine 04976**

**By Nov 7, 2022, No refunds will be given and no payment at the door.**

**If you have any questions, please call Ernestine MacMillan at 207-474-2986**

## **GRAND ENCAMPMENT NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER.**

**Good evening. Grand Lodge and Rebekah have come and gone, had a great time.**

**Went to JJYC today. We had a lot of planning to do. Got a lot accomplished.**

**Car tires need to be rotated soon. Warren is planning a supper on the 4th so I hear. I plan to be there. Hope to see some Encampment members there.**

**If you have checked the newsletter you know that our session is November 12th. Registration is 8:00AM.**

**Committee members, I haven't heard from any of you. Has any thing been going on?**

**This is my last letter. See you on the 12 of November.**

**In F.H.&C.**

**Grand Patriarch**

**Mura Knights**

### **NOTES**

**The potato run was a success. The Brothers of Rockabema lodge served an excellent spaghetti lunch at 11 A.M. with garlic toast and brownies with whipped cream for dessert.**

**After the lunch we went to the potato house and loaded up the trucks which then left to distribute the bags to food pantries, churches etc.**

**A very good turn out of brothers and sisters to do this good work.**

September 14, 2022

Patriarchs and Matriarchs;

The Grand Encampment of Maine One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Annual Session will be held at the Masonic Hall 21 Oak Street Oakland, Maine. The Session will convene on Saturday November 12, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. Registration will start at 8:00 A.M. A Saturday Luncheon will be served.

The Hotel for the session is the Fireside Inn & Suites 376 Main Street Waterville, Maine 04901. Phone #(207) 873-3335. Directions take exit 130 on I-95 to Rt. 104.

Mention the Odd Fellows or Grand Encampment IOOF of Maine to receive the special rate of \$99.95 + Tax.

### The Grand Encampment Officers 2021—2022

Grand Patriarch	Mura Knights
Grand High Priest	Donald Dinsmore
Grand Senior Warden	Frederick A. Stuart
Grand Junior Warden	Ronald Boucher
Grand Scribe	Michael Anderson
Grand Treasurer	Jerrold Farnham
Grand Marshall	Howard Morang
Grand Sentinel	Raymond Barter
Deputy Grand Sentinel	Dennis Pinkham
Grand Musician	
Grand Instructor	Denise Annis
Grand Representative	Jerrold Farnham
Alt Grand Representative	Royce Gordon Sr.

#### District Deputy Grand Patriarchs

District 1	Ron Boucher
District 2	Don Dinsmore
District 3	Ron Brann

## NOTES

Liberty Rebekah Lodge #94 wishes to show our appreciation for our member Sister Doreen Locke, a Past District Deputy President who was appointed by the President of the Rebekah Assembly many years ago. Doreen has worked at the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Home for 30 years. She has been awarded the national honor of Assisted Living Nurse of the year. This award is given to a Nurse who has shown dedication to her profession and has exemplified what it means to be one of the best care givers in Long-Term-Care. Doreen is the first person from Maine to win this prestigious award. She made a trip to Nashville to receive the award.

Other uplifting news from Liberty #94. Instead of having one Make a Difference Day each year, this year we are planning to have a Make a Difference Day once a month from October through June. The residents of the HOME will be our focus. This is a surprise for the residents so our plans will be revealed to you for this month in the next newsletter.

We are happy to let you know that our very faithful Rebekah sister, Cathy Hunnewell, is now living at the HOME on the residential side. If anyone reading this happens to visit the Home please look her up and say "Hello".

On a sad note, Brother Don Nason, a faithful member of our lodge for 47 years, died October 10th. He was a Past Noble Grand of our lodge and of Abou Ben Adhem Odd Fellows Lodge. He served as musician a number of years for the Grand Lodge of Maine and was a member of the Patriarchs Militant taking offices to become a Past Grand Patriarch. He will be missed by many.

Submitted by Esther Tucker



**GM Roderick Ronco**

**DGM Troy Carter**

**PRA Gretchen Clark**

The Banquet was Western Casual (more or less). Everyone relaxed and had a great time in this informal setting. We had a great Banquet meal, we all got fed in a short time and there was plenty of food. Afterwards we played “TOTO” to raise money for the GM’s project “Honor Flight Of Maine” and win prizes. There was also a raffle to support the PRA’s project “Life Flight of Maine”.

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