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Dates to Remember

Nov 3 -Change your clock— daylight savings time ends.

Nov 28-Thanksgiving & first day of Hanukkah.

Dec 25- Christmas

Jan 1, 2014—Happy New Year!

January 15- Birthday of Thomas Wildey

January— Lodge reports due to GL Secretary and RA Secretary!

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NEW ADDRESS FOR GRAND LODGE SECRETARY.

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Fred Schneider & Sue Yerden Leading New Mexico Odd Fellowship



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Honored by the appearance of Danny Wood, Sovereign Grand Warden, as the Installing Officer of the Grand Lodge and Una Cronoble, Past President. Installing Officer for the Rebekah Assembly, Fred Schneider and Sue Yerden were installed as the 2013-2014 leaders of Odd Fellowship in New Mexico at the recent Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly sessions in Farmington.

Fred is a member of Deming Lodge #7 IOOF and resides in Las Cruces, NM. He served as GM in 1996-97 with Sunny Wilde as his president. At that installation, SGM Louis Fancher was his installing officer. He is retired from the Army as a Sergeant serving in Viet Nam. He has been an Odd Fellow for many years and is excited about serving the Odd Fellows of New Mexico once again as Grand Master,

Sue Yerden is an associate member of Triple Link Rebekah Lodge #10 of Albuquerque and resides in Rio Rancho, NM. Her primary lodge is in California, however she has been in the Albuquerque area for many years. She is employed by French Mortuary as a personal representative. Sue is very involved in community service devoting a great deal of time with Ronald McDonald house and many other organizations. Her daughter, Paula, is also a member of Triple Link.

Officers installed for the Grand Lodge: Sandi McWatters, DGM; Doris Faulkner, GW; Barbara Corfield, GS; and J. Ernest Cloud, GT.

Officers installed for the Rebekah Assembly: Lois McElmore, VP; Shirley Baty, Warden D'Elva Emert, Secretary and Pat Stark, Treasurer.

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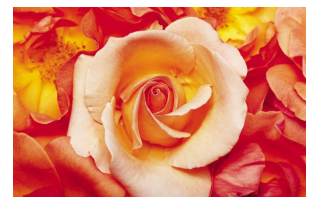
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President's Program
2013-2014
Building Bridges to Friendship
Fun Emblem—Black Wolf
Flower—Yellow Rose
Colors—Yellow, Peach & White
Poem: Friendship by Paula Blagrave
Song: Love Can Build a Bridge
The Judd's
Scripture: Revelations 3:20
Projects: Children's Grief Center
Rebekah Assembly
Fund Raising for Children Grief Center Project: the sale of tickets
for a number of items to be drawn at next the Rebekah Assembly
Session Cost of tickets \$1.00 ea. or 6 for \$5.00
Fund Raising for Rebekah Assembly—Sale of Handmade Greeting
cards Pkg. of 6 for \$5.00

Grand Master' Program
2013-2014
Emblems:
American Bald Eagle & Sunny's Race Car
Guide: Holy Bible
Flower: Peace Rose
Hymn: Blest Be the Tie that Binds
Inspirational Verse: Psalms 133: 1
Song: "I'm Proud to be an American" by Lee Greenwood
Projects:

- 1. Membership—Work together to save our lodges and get at least one new lodge.**
- 2. Campground— Money from the sale of Eagle Pins**
- 3. Wounded Warrior Project— donate new or used books in good condition.**





2012-2013 RA officers with IARA VP Sharon Burt and her Husband, Gordon



2012-2013 GL Officers with SGL Warden, Danny Wood and his wife, Lana



Beautiful Memorial by San Juan #11



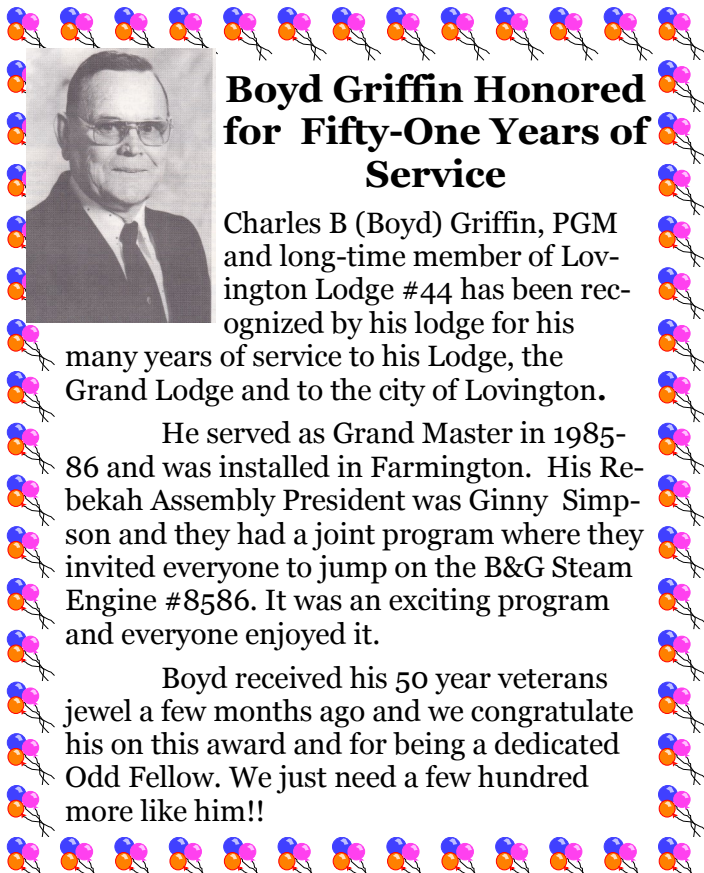
Releasing Memorial balloons



Bagpipes at the Banquet

2012-2013 Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly memories





Boyd Griffin Honored for Fifty-One Years of Service

Charles B (Boyd) Griffin, PGM and long-time member of Lovington Lodge #44 has been recognized by his lodge for his many years of service to his Lodge, the Grand Lodge and to the city of Lovington.

He served as Grand Master in 1985-86 and was installed in Farmington. His Rebekah Assembly President was Ginny Simpson and they had a joint program where they invited everyone to jump on the B&G Steam Engine #8586. It was an exciting program and everyone enjoyed it.

Boyd received his 50 year veterans jewel a few months ago and we congratulate his on this award and for being a dedicated Odd Fellow. We just need a few hundred more like him!!

Remembering Others

Laura Argue, Immed. PP IARA in the loss of her Husband Jim.

Mona Littlefield, Crescent #3, recovering from shingles.

Roberta White PP & Andy Davis PG—New Address

Silver City Care Center, 3514 North Fowler Ave, Silver City, NM 880661

Lets remember these and others with cards and prayers.

From Dee's Desk Assembly Secretary



YOU were missed!

We had a good time at Rebekah Assembly. Only there was one thing wrong – we missed you.

Now is the time to start planning for your trip to March Meetings (Mid Term) which will also be held in Farmington. Secretary packets were handed out to the ones that were here. The others will be mailed. Do not mail your report to me until after December 31. There is always the possibility that something may change then your report would be incorrect.

At election of officers, Sue Yerden was elected President. She is from Triple Link #10. Lois McLemore was elected Vice President. She is a member of Crescent #3 and Friendship #21. There was not a candidate for Warden during election so on Saturday the election was held and Shirley Baty was elected Warden. She is a member of Mt. View #36. Secretary and Treasurer remained the same. Bessie Gherardini was re-elected to a three year term on the Bettye Miller Scholarship Board.

It has been said before, we are small but we are powerful. We need you to keep us powerful. Plan now for March Meetings.

We were saddened by the recent death of Donna Hatfield, PP. The altar was draped in her memory.

Fraternally, Dee



What's happening at YOUR lodge, who are your new members? Tell your lodge family what is going on—send in your news!



Broken Links



Donna Hatfield, Past President, . Rebekah Assembly of New Mexico, member of Mountain View Rebekah Lodge # 36. Albuquerque, passed away on Thursday, September 19, 2013. at the age of 94. She is survived by her son Robert Worth and wife Pam of Enid, OK; daughters, Anna Martinez and Joan Champion of Albuquerque; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great grandchildren; 1 brother and 3 sisters. She retired from Safeway stores, and sang with Sweet Adeline's –Enchanted Mesa. She was a Past Grand of Mesa Lodge #27 IOOF. She was President in 1991-92 and her Grand Master was Sam Florence.

Services were held at St. Paul's United Methodist Church on September 24, where a Rebekah service was held conducted by the Albuquerque Past Presidents of the Rebekah Assembly.

Sovereign Grand Lodge and International Association of Rebekah Assembly Sessions, Schaumburg, Illinois

Representing New Mexico at the SGL/IARA sessions this year were: Sandi McWatters GW & SGL Rep.; Doris Faulkner, RA Pres. & RA Rep.; Nita Sue Imel PGP, & GR Encampment Rep.; D’Elva Emert, RA Secretary, Leona Eubank PP; Wanda Wheeler PP; and Barbara Corfield, PPI-ARA.

Tuesday night, our New Mexico night out found us at Medieval Times to enjoy the Knights of Old, Jousting and a very different meal—all eaten with our hands. A great time was had by all.

Presiding over the annual sessions were Charles Renninger of DC and Laura Argue of Sk. Installed as new officers for the 2013-2014 term were Robert Smith, of Illinois and Dorothy Laycock of Kentucky.

Next years sessions will be in Victoria, BC Canada.

NOTE: Passed at recent SGL Sessions, the IOOF NEWS will only be sent if you have a paid subscription. LODGES WILL NO LONGER RECEIVE FREE COPY. New members only will receive paper copy for one year. Email subscriptions available. Subscription cost still \$5 per year.



Upper left—Doris and Sandi presenting the NM Flag on Sunday night. Middle—Nita getting ready for UNP Presentation on Sunday night. Upper right, Barb and Rob Robbins as Installing Officers on Thursday night. Lower left—Barb and Sandi attending the IPA breakfast early Monday morning.

Editorial notes from Barb:..... *It has been a busy time since our last issue. SGL/IARA in Illinois, our annual sessions in Farmington, new officers and new responsibilities. Congratulations to Barbara Cloud and Doris Felkner for a great job as our leaders for the past year. You had outstanding sessions and we are most proud of you. Best wishes to Fred Schneider and Sue Yerden as you begin a new fraternal year. We know you will do well and we offer you our assistance to make your year successful.*

The next issue will be the Holiday issue and I am asking everyone who desires to participate, to send in your holiday greetings and wishes. I also want to hear what your lodge is planning for the holidays—what community events you are planning— when is your Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner or party—are you having a New Year Eve party? Let me hear from you!!

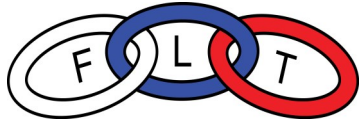
*Please remember to send in news about your lodge and your members. We really are one big family and families want to hear about other family members. Also, send in change of names, addresses, and email addresses. **Remember, if you want your paper to sent to you via email, let me know.***

Thanks to all who submitted articles and information for this issue. Remember to Share the Good News about Odd Fellowship!

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