

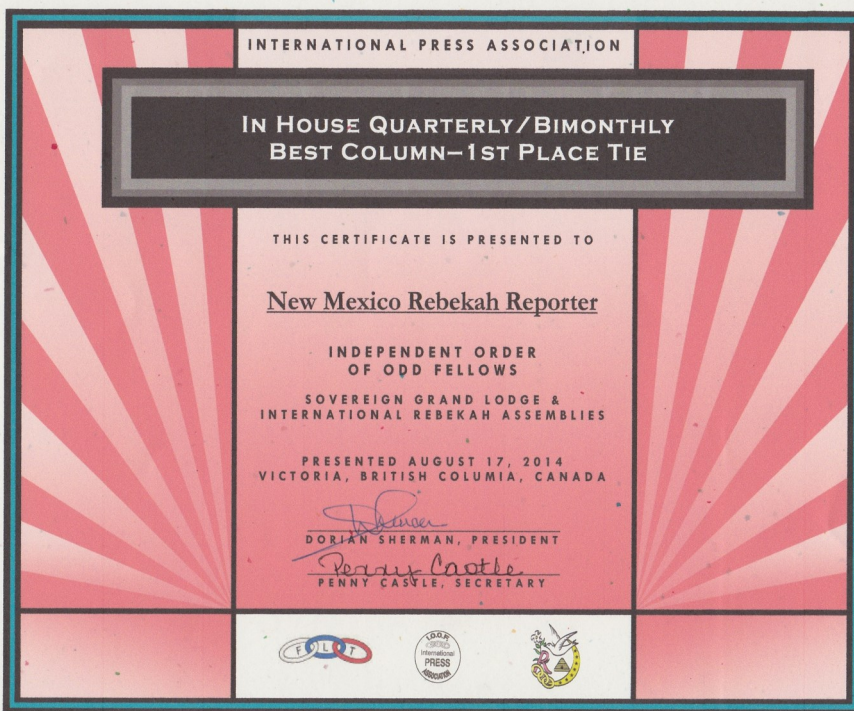


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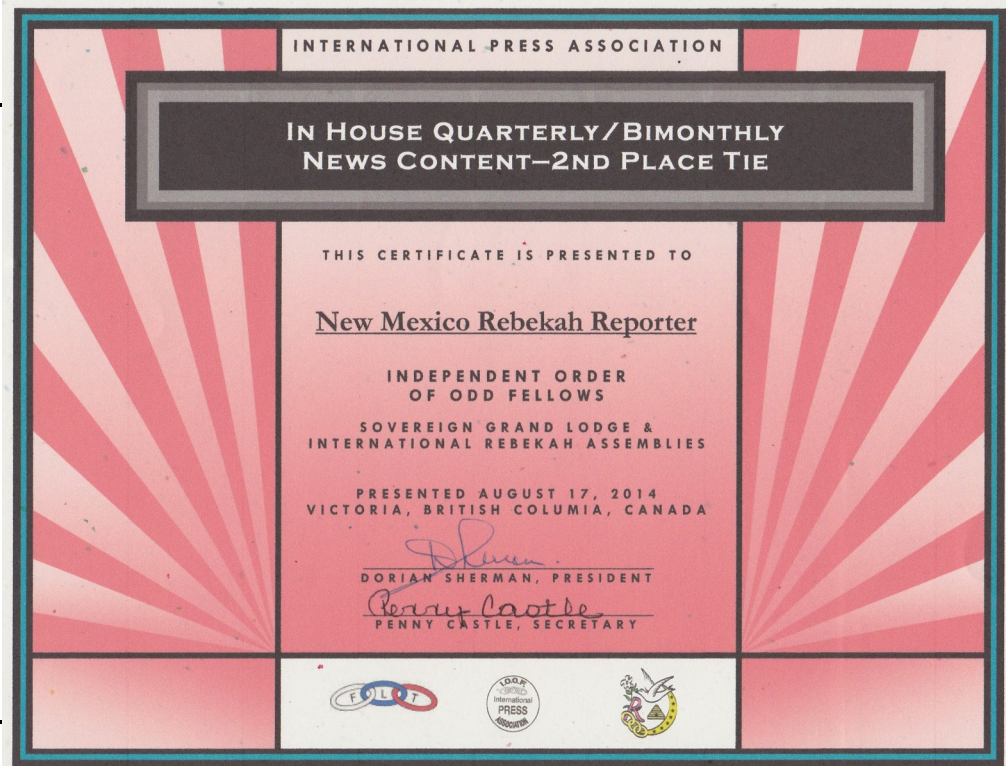


New Mexico Rebekah Reporter wins awards at Sovereign Grand Lodge!

At the recent SGL/IARA sessions in Victoria, British Columbia, the NMRR was awarded first place tie in "Best Column" and second place tie in "News Content". This competition is held annually by the International Press Association of the SGL for all the member newspapers who submit entries. Two sample entries are submitted in June prior to the annual sessions and judged by professionals who are not members of the Order. In addition to the award, the papers are critiqued so all can improve the content, layout and presentation of the newsletters. Congratulations to all who make the NMRR possible.

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Greetings to all:

It is hard to believe that it is time for the Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly sessions in Hobbs, NM in just a few weeks. I hope everyone is planning to attend as the Hobbs lodges have worked very hard to make everyone feel very welcome.

I have had a very difficult year, but with the prayers and support of everyone in the state, I am better and will be in attendance at the sessions. I am having to learn to walk all over again and get around very slow but I will be there.

I am looking forward to seeing all my brothers and sisters, so fire up the race car and head for Hobbs!

Fraternally,

Fred

Fred Schneider, Grand Master



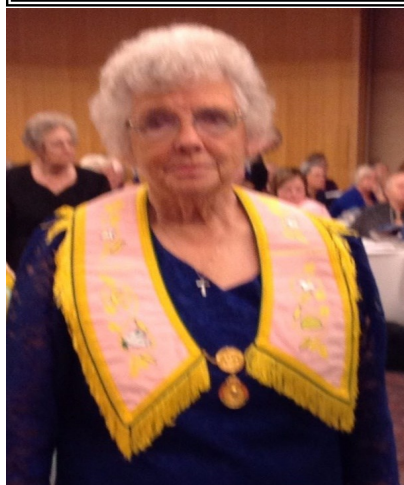
To all my Rebekah sisters,

What a grand year I have had as your President. I hope everyone is planning to attend the sessions in Hobbs. I have met many new friends on my visits and all have made me feel very welcome.

I want to share the poem written by my daughter:

**Friendship has but one true voice within the heart of man
It always speaks the truth and lends a helping hand,
You need not be afraid, for it shall never hurt you,
And yet when you are angered, it remains true blue.
So let the bells of friendship ring, tell everyone you know,
That friendship is the very best of seeds that you can sow.**

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in a few weeks and want to thank all of you for a wonderful year and for being my friends *Sue* Sue Yerden President, Rebekah Assembly of New Mexico



Wanda Wheeler, Installed as IARA Conductor

Wanda Wheeler, PP, of Crescent RL #3, Hobbs, NM was selected by IARA President Sharon Burt to be Conductor of the IARA for the 2014/2015 year.

She joins a small, but select group of sisters from New Mexico who have served as elected or appointed officers to the IARA, beginning with Bessie Corzine, Chaplain in 1954-55; Edna Fulgham, Chaplain, 1979-80; Nita Imel, Marshal 1996-97 & Rep to SGL 2003-04; Roberta White, Treasurer 2001-2003; D'Elva Emert, Guardian 2010-2011 and Barbara Corfield, President 1996-97 and International Council 1998-2006.

Congratulations, Wanda, We know you will make New Mexico Proud!!

 **Broken Links** 



Marian Kimbler, PP

Marian Kimbler passed away on August 20, 2014 in Breckenridge, Texas at the age of 88. She was born Aug 6, 1926 in Valentine, Nebraska. She married Homer A. Kimbler, March 16, 1946.

She was an active member of Ruth Rebekah Lodge #4 in Tukumcari for many years, and at the time of her death, was a member of the Jurisdictional Lodge. She served as President of the RA of New Mexico in 1974-75. She was a member of the Methodist Church and loved playing bridge. She is survived by her son Johnny Kimbler & wife Carolyn, brother Neil Foster, three grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and a host of friends. Memorial services were held September 5 at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene, Texas.

Lenore M Harlin, PNG

Lenore Harlin passed away September 2, 2014 at the age of 86 after a long battle with cancer. She was born at Weed, New Mexico on July 9, 1928. She married Robert Harlin in 1948. She gave freely of her time to the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts for over 50 years. She was an active member of Mountain View Rebekah Lodge # 37 in Albuquerque and served as Treasurer for 30 years. She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, and one son, Alton Harlin. She is survived by her daughter, Glenda Gandy and her husband, one grandson, two great-grandsons and many family members, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs who will miss her greatly. Services were held on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at French Mortuary on University in Albuquerque.

Remembering Others

- ◆ Jason Shanley—oldest son of Andy Shanley, PGM is facing serious and critical surgery to remove a brain tumor. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. Surgery is scheduled for October 1.
- ◆ Alice Glasgow, member of Triple Link, daughter of Ernest & Nanci Jahn is undergoing Chemotherapy treatments at this time, Please keep her and her family in your prayers.
- ◆ Lois McLemore, RA Vice President, Crescent RL #3, had a stroke and spent some time in the hospital recently. She is now at home and doing some better.
- ◆ Mary Lang, PPIALAPM, Maryland, fell at the airport in Victoria and broke her right femur. She spent several days in the hospital in Victoria and has now returned home to Maryland.
- ◆ Jon Peterson, PSGM fell in Victoria and broke his ankle in two places. He is now home in Arkansas.

From the Grand Secretary...



All lodges need to plan to send at least one representative to Grand Lodge in Hobbs in September. We have several lodges who never send representatives and therefore are unaware of the activities and importance of the Grand Lodge.

At the March Meetings, we welcomed two members from Santa Fe, and we hope they will return. The discussions and decisions made at the GL sessions affects all members in all lodges in the Jurisdiction and we should encourage all qualified members to attend.

So, get your registrations in the Hobbs committee and make your arrangements to attend.

In Friendship;

Barbara

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**From Dee's Desk
D'Elva Emert,**

**Assembly
Secretary**



SGL/IARA

Beautiful Victoria, BC was the location of the annual sessions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge/International Association of Rebekah Assemblies in August. New Mexico had the smallest representation in many years. Attending were: Sandi McWatters, DGM, GL Representative, Carolyn Schaffer, PP, IARA Representative, D'Elva Emert, RA Secretary, Doris Felkner, PP Courtesy officer, Wanda Wheeler, PP Courtesy officer, Leona Eubanks PP, and Barbara Corfield, PPIARA, Parliamentarian and Historian.

The sessions were conducted by Bob Smith SGM of Illinois and Dorothy Laycock President of Kentucky. Installed as officers for 2014/2015 are Jimmy Humphrey of Georgia as SGM and Sharon Burt of Texas as President. Danny Wood of Texas was installed as DSGM and Kathy Shary of Michigan was installed as Vice President. Larry Ferguson of West Virginia was installed as SGW and Joyce Link of California was installed as IARA Warden.

Tuesday night, our traditional New Mexico night out, was a water taxi ride across the bay to Fisherman's Wharf for a fish 'n chips dinner at Barb's. Great time had by all!!

Next year we go to Fort Worth, Texas.

I have just barely recovered from attending the IARA sessions in Victoria and visiting with my family, and what a great time we had. I got to see and hold my beautiful great-grandchildren; what a joy it was. But now, back to reality, and time to load up the van and head to Hobbs.

I encourage each lodge to do the same; load up a car with sisters and head to Rebekah Assembly. President Sue needs the support of every member in every lodge. We always have a great time at Assembly and want you to share it with us. Our IARA Representative will be Joyce Link, Warden, from California and we want to give her a New Mexico welcome.

The brothers and sisters from Hobbs are planning a very special time for everyone. Come and join us.

Hoping to see you there.

Fraternally, Dee



Sunday night opening, Sandi escorted Carolyn carrying the NM Flag.



Barb and PSGM Dick Prioulx MC for Installation



Carolyn & Wanda

What's Happening at YOUR Lodge.....



Harmony #1, Albuquerque,
Has entered into an agreement with the City of Albuquerque to co-sponsor an upcoming event at the South Broadway Cultural Center on October 19. A concert featuring New Mexico Country & Western Performing Artists presenting hits from yesterday and today. Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$7 for Seniors and children. An information table will be set up with hand-outs about Odd Fellows and Re-

bekahs and the local lodges. Triple Link will be ushering for the event. Everyone is invited to come and participate. Bring your family and friends!!

Hobbs IOOF #9 and Crescent Rebekah #3 are making plans to host the Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly September 25-28, 2014 . Registration forms have been posted on the websites. All meetings will be at the Lodge Hall at 1200 Dal Paso, Hobbs. Headquarter Hotel is the Hobbs Family Inn. Meals, with the exception of the breakfasts, will be at the lodge hall.

Everyone needs to plan to attend to support Grand Master Fred and President Sue. We haven't been to this part of the state in a number of years, so come and enjoy some southern hospitality!!!

Editorial notes from Barb:.....

I apologize for the lateness of this paper, with two trips to Canada in about a month and trying to get things ready for Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly, I just ran out of time. We had a great time visiting with our family in Alberta in July and came home and had very little time until we left for Victoria. While I was gone, Boyd fell and fractured his hip. He is doing OK, just going to take a long time to heal.

We were pleased to receive the award from the IPA in Victoria and want to thank everyone who made it possible.

The next issue will feature the programs of the incoming Grand Master and President and pictures of the celebration of a new fraternal year of Odd Fellowship in New Mexico.

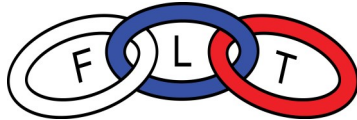
*Please remember to send in news about your lodge and your members. We really are one big family and families want to hear about other family members. Also, send in change of names, addresses, and email addresses. **Don't forget, if you want your paper to sent to you via email, let me know.***

Thanks to all who submitted articles and information for this issue.

Remember to Share the Good News about Odd Fellowship! Barb

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