



# The New Mexico Rebekah Reporter

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## March Meetings to be held in Deming, NM March 18-20, 2016

The Deming lodges are pleased to invite all members to come to their fair city for the 2016 March Meetings of the Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly. All meetings will be held in the hotel where you will be staying; a convenience we all appreciate. You will also appreciate the very reasonable prices for both rooms and meals.

You can help by sending in your registration as soon as possible as there is a March 1 deadline to have the meal counts into the hotel. Registration forms are included with this issue and are also available on the GL and RA websites.

### AGENDA

#### Friday , March 18

8:00 am	Registration—The Grand
9:00 am	Canton #1 meeting
12:00-1:00 pm	Luncheon—everyone is invited
1:30 pm	Encampment #4 meeting
7:00 pm	Enc./Can. Banquet (informal-everyone welcome)

#### Saturday, March 19

8:00 am	Registration—	The Grand
9:00 am	Joint Opening	The Grand
		Doris Faulkner, GM
		Shirley Baty, President
	Reports by Committees and officers	
12:00-1:30 pm	Planning Board Luncheon	
1:30 – 2:30 pm	Grand Lodge session	
2:30– 3:30 pm	Rebekah Assembly session	
7:00 pm	Banquet honoring Grand Master & President	

#### Sunday, March 20

9:00 am	Board of Governors Meeting	The Grand
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*Have a safe trip home!*



### ***Message from Shirley***



*Dear Brothers and Sisters*

*We are well into the new year, in fact January is over and going into February already. I hope everyone had enjoyable holidays and have settled into the new year, the March Meetings will be here before we know it. The Deming lodges are working very hard to make these meetings enjoyable for us. The registrations forms have been sent to with all the information we need. Please register as soon as possible .*

*I hope the sale of the tickets I gave the lodges are going well. I have more tickets and will be glad to send more to the lodges if needed. I will be starting my visits in February with visits to the Farmington and Aztec lodges.*

*To those who are on committees, you will need to have a report for the March Meetings. Please have two copies, one for the Rebekah Assembly Secretary and one for the Grand Lodge Secretary as they need copies of these reports so they can get the advanced reports ready for our Assembly and Grand Lodge meetings in September.*

*Don't forget to bring a nice gift for the gift table.*

*Looking forward to seeing all of you in Deming in March.*

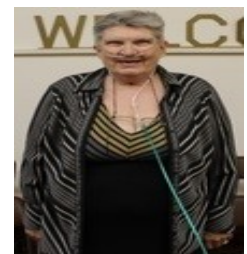
*Shirley Baty, President*

Hello Brothers & Sisters:

I made my first official visit to Hobbs #9. Shirley was going for her visit to Crescent and since the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs meet on the same day, I rode down with her. Had a very nice visit with both lodges, Looking forward to seeing everyone in Deming for the March Meetings, be sure to be prepared to give your report if you are on a committee.

Hope you are collecting the items for Carrie Tingley Hospital. We want to have a big collection to give to them in the fall.

Congratulations to Mesa #27—they have a candidate for initiation. Degree work scheduled for Feb18.



Doris Faulkner, Grand Master

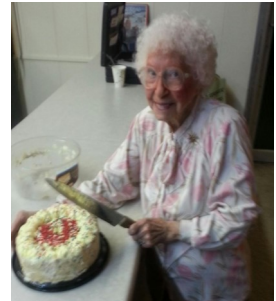


Carrie Tingley  
HOSPITAL FOUNDATION



### 100 Years Young

**Violet Ketchem**, of Mountain View Rebekah lodge #36 turned 100 recently. Born on January 20, 1916 in Wales, Great Britain, Violet has been a Rebekah for more than 75 years. She joined Mountain View in 1981 from a lodge in Delaware. She is a Past Noble Grand and has served in the office of Lodge Musician for many years. She was recognized by her lodge and Ernie Cloud, when he was GM, in 2012 with the Good Samaritan award for her many years of service to her Rebekah Lodge and to the Order. The lodge members helped her celebrate this milestone after their regular meeting with a reception. **Happy Birthday, Violet!!**



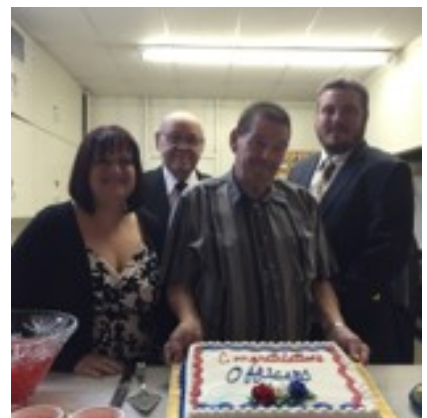
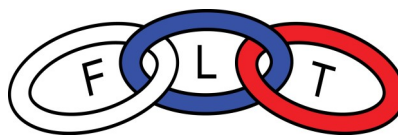
### Joint Installation of Officers

A very different joint installation of officers was held at Harmony Hall on January 16. it was the installation of officers for all four lodges in Albuquerque. The officers of Harmony #1,. Triple Link #10, Mesa #27 and Mountain View #36 were installed by DDGM Tim Hunter and DDP Crystal Corfield and their team, comprised of members of Santa Fe #2 IOOF, and the Albuquerque Lodges. Installed as the NG of the various lodges: Harmony #1—Allen Shanley; Triple Link #10—Kristin Frechette; Mesa # 27—Ernie Cloud; and Mountain View #36—Robert Faulkner.

An array of very delicious refreshments were served and an evening of enjoyable fellowship followed the ceremony.



Tim Hunter DDGM and his team from Santa Fe #2



Kristin, Ernie, Robert, Allen

**Don't forget to bring a gift to Deming for the gift table!**

## ***Remembering Others***

Condolences to the family of **George Teague**, PG of Lovington #44 on his passing on January 6, 2016. He served Lea County as Sheriff a number of years ago.

Condolences to **Peggy Dillingham**, Triple Link #10 in the recent passing of her brother, Jim. Also her husband, Larry, has been in and out of the hospital with continual heart issues.

Condolences to **Hazel Moore, PPIARA** in the passing of her husband **PSGM Doug Moore** from New Brunswick, Canada.

**Robert Faulkner, PGM & DGM** is in Lovelace Downtown hospital after falling several times at home. He will be there for several days

**Chuck Baldwin , PGM**, fell at home and banged himself up, but is still at home.

**Kristin Frechette**, NG of Triple Link continues to have complications following her surgery in October 2015. Hopefully, she is on the mend, but this has been a very long ordeal for her and her 2 year old, Eva, who attends all the Rebekah meetings with her mom.

**Earl Scott**, Secretary of Clovis #31 IOOF, is anemic and is having blood infusions weekly for at least 4 months.

**Serena Goar, PPRA**, Friendship RL 21, Clovis, fell and cracked some bones in her foot. She is wearing a boot and not getting around very well.

**Evelyn Calder**, Friendship RL 21, Clovis has good days and bad days, but seems to have more bad ones, please pray for her.

**Vicky Howard**, Friendship RL 21, Clovis, is cancer-free for three years and sounds good.  
**Hurray Vicki!!**

**Randy Cronoble**, husband of Una Cronoble of Triple Link #10 had to have a large portion of his ear removed due to cancer. He is facing reconstruction surgery to rebuild the ear and has ongoing issues keeping his diabetes under control.

**Let's remember these brothers, sisters and their families with our thoughts, prayers, cards and calls.**

*The Rainbow is God's Promise*



*The Rainbow is God's Promise of hope for you and me, and though the clouds hang heavy and the sun we cannot see, We know above the dark clouds that fill the stormy sky, Hope's rainbow will come shining through when the clouds have drifted by.*  
*Helen Steiner Rice*

## New Mexico March Meetings

Canton #1 \* Encampment #4 \* Grand Lodge \* Rebekah Assembly \* Board of Governors

Grand Hotel Restaurant & Lounge  
1721 E Pine St, Deming, NM 88030  
Phone: (575) 546-2632  
Rooms: \$45.00 + tax

March 18, 19, & 20, 2016  
All Meetings and meals will be at hotel

Mention Rebekahs & Odd Fellows (Nita Inel)

**Deadline for Registration & Rooms March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Rank: LPG PNG PGM LPP \_\_\_\_\_ (Other)

Odd Fellow Lodge Name/# \_\_\_\_\_ Rebekah Lodge Name/# \_\_\_\_\_

Gl. Office \_\_\_\_\_

RA Office \_\_\_\_\_

Address, \_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ eMail: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Friday, March 14:

Lunch (Everyone) \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Enc./Can. Banquet (Informal + Everyone Welcome) \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday, March 15:

Planning Board Lunch \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet (Formal / Semi-Formal) \$16.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Please one form per person. Make Copies as necessary  
Make checks for registration and meals **Payable** and mail to:

**Deming Odd Fellow Lodge #7**

c/o Patricia Upshaw, Treasurer

7815 Dessert Willow Rd SE

Deming, NM 88030-1463



**From Dee's Desk**



**D'Elva Emert,  
Assembly  
Secretary**

Oh No! It's Time For That Pesky Report!

Actually if you have not submitted your report, it is late. Please send it in right away so the report to Sovereign Grand Lodge can be completed.

March Meeting is just around the corner and I am excited about it. The lodges in Deming are great hosts and everyone should have a good time. So plan on going. There is still time to get your registration in. (I need to send mine in also.)

If you are a Past Noble Grand and have not had the Assembly Degree this is an opportunity to receive it.

If your lodge needs supplies please contact me so I can bring it to you in Deming.

Looking forward to seeing you soon

**Dee**

**Proclamations**

**Schulyer Colfax Day  
Proclamation**

Whereas, the Rebekah degree of Odd Fellowship was adopted in 1851 and the degree was the work of the Honorable Schulyer Colfax, later to serve as Speaker of the House of Representatives and go on to serve as vice President of the United States of America.

Whereas, the Rebekah Degree provides a woman's softening touch to Odd fellowship as founded upon the principles of the Order—faithfulness, hospitality, purity and dedication as portrayed by the women of the Bible.

Whereas, because of the untiring efforts of Brother Colfax to provide a Degree for the wives, and daughters of Odd Fellows, the world now enjoys a Sisterhood of Lodges in twenty countries around the globe,

Therefore, I Danny M Wood Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, by the authority in me duly vested do proclaim,

That the 23rd day of March 2016 be:

Schuyler Colfax Day throughout Odd Fellowship in honor of the birthday of Brother Colfax.

Further, please observe the birthday of Brother Schulyer Colfax by initiating a "**Colfax Class**" in honor of the celebration.

Done in the City of Winston Salem, north Carolina, this 1 day of January, 2016 and in the 197th year of our Order,

**/s/ Danny Wood, Sovereign Grand Master**

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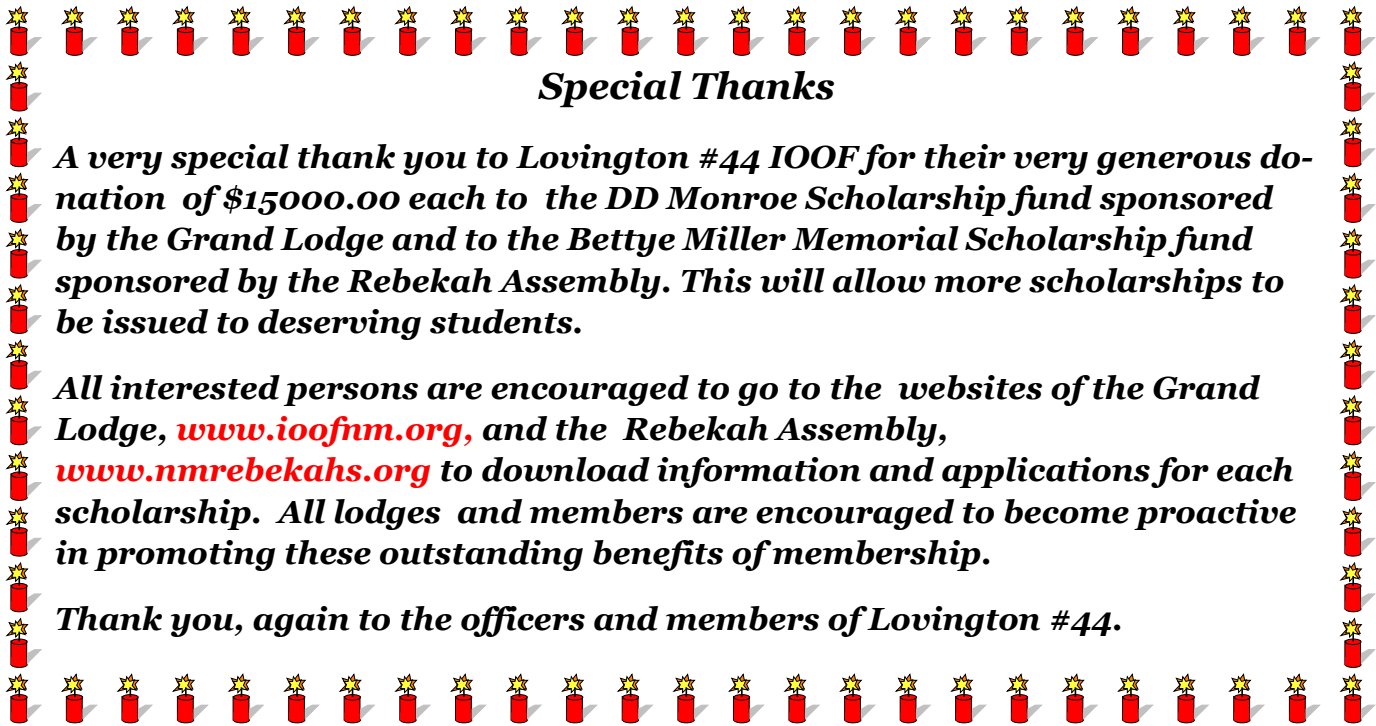
Check out our Websites:

Rebekah Assembly of NM Website: [www.nmrebekahs.org](http://www.nmrebekahs.org)

Grand Lodge of NM Website: [www.ioofnm.org](http://www.ioofnm.org)

Sovereign Grand Lodge Website: [www.ioof.org](http://www.ioof.org)

Webmaster of NM websites: Nita Imel



### Special Thanks

**A very special thank you to Lovington #44 IOOF for their very generous donation of \$15000.00 each to the DD Monroe Scholarship fund sponsored by the Grand Lodge and to the Bettye Miller Memorial Scholarship fund sponsored by the Rebekah Assembly. This will allow more scholarships to be issued to deserving students.**

**All interested persons are encouraged to go to the websites of the Grand Lodge, [www.ioofnm.org](http://www.ioofnm.org), and the Rebekah Assembly, [www.nmrebekahs.org](http://www.nmrebekahs.org) to download information and applications for each scholarship. All lodges and members are encouraged to become proactive in promoting these outstanding benefits of membership.**

**Thank you, again to the officers and members of Lovington #44.**



#### **Editorial notes from Barb:.....**

*Winter is on its way out and spring is just around the corner. March Meetings are almost here and hope all lodges are planning to send representatives to see what is happening in our jurisdiction.*

*New Officers have been installed and plans for 2016 should be in place. I would love to hear what those plans are in order to promote the activities in your lodge.*

*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**

### Proclamations, cont.

#### Arthritis Month Proclamation

That the month of March be proclaimed **Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Arthritis Month** in cooperation of fund raising through the Arthritis Foundation in the USA and the Arthritis Society in Canada.

All monies raised should be sent to your jurisdictional Secretaries to be forwarded to the Arthritis chapter in your Province or State.

**/s/ Danny Wood, Sovereign Grand Master**

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## What's Happening at Your Lodge?

**Harmony #1**— business meeting second Monday of each month, social meeting 4th Monday, Allen Shanley, NG, community project—Brothers & Sisters

**Santa Fe #2**—business meeting on 2nd Wednesday at 5:30. Ongoing community project - music program in Santa Fe public Schools.

**Mesa # 27**— business meetings on 1&3 Thursday at 7pm, social meetings on 2&4 Thursday, Ernie Cloud NG, project—Good Samaritan recognition

**Triple Link #10**— business meeting, 1st Tuesday, Projects for coming year—Easter Baskets for Cuidando Los Ninos, a daycare for children of homeless parents, mail out fund raising, yard sale in the summer, cloth picture books for CLN, banquet favors for GL/RA sessions, and Christmas stockings for Joy Junction. In addition, our NG project this year is collecting schools supplies and books to be brought at each meeting. Ongoing activity is the ushering at the South Broadway Cultural center. Every-

one is invited to bring friends and prospective members to our activity meetings the 3rd Tuesday.

**Deming #16**— very busy planning to welcome all to the March Meetings.

**Alamogordo # 25**, - Latest news for our Lodge: We have a rifle donated for our raffle that will fund our 2- \$250.00 scholarships. The drawing to be the last day of the Otero County Fair where we have requested a booth both for the raffle as well as trying to get our Lodge out to the public. Our Bingo is doing well and we recently had the privilege of having the Senior Citizens Bingo at our building because they were having some construction work done. The Senior Citizens even provided their bus in order to provide transportation for those that did not drive.

We are also planning to plant a rose in Tularosa that will have the Lodge name on it showing we donated the rose.

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