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GRAND PATRIARCH ARNOLD VISITS KOSSUTH ENCAMPMENT #98

On Friday, April 5th, Grand Patriarch Tyler M. Arnold and staff made an official visit to Kossuth Encampment #98 of Ridgway. Present from Grand Encampment were: DDGP William L. Ramsey, Jr., Grand Marshal Justin C. Bailey, Grand Senior Warden Laura L. Huchel and Grand Patriarch Tyler M. Arnold. A great meal was served prior to the meeting, and Ridgway Lodge#969 met following the Encampment meeting. A great time was had and special thanks to Kossuth Encampment #98 for their donation toward GP Arnold's charity: Alex's Lemonade Stand.



TAKE A BOW!

Congratulations to the Grand Encampment and Department Council of PA for placing FIRST in bringing in new members for 2018 for the Sovereign Grand Lodge!!!

Grand Encampment had a total of 17 Patriarchs reported, Philippines had 11 and Mississippi had 10.

Department Council had a total of 24 Chevaliers reported, Mississippi had 10, and Alberta had 8.

Also, Grand Lodge brought in 66 members, but several others were then reported after the cutoff date. Remember, if you bring in a new member, contact the Grand Lodge! Rebekah Assembly brought in 5 members.

Places to Go... People to See

MAY

11 / Lewisburg Lodge #96 175th Anniversary

3 - 5 / Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington, VA+

JUNE

1 / Grand Encampment Rally, Johnstown+

22 / Jt Youth & Planning Board meet, Red Lion

22 - 26 / Unified Session, Harrisburg

SEPTEMBER

21 / Knoebel's Fun Day, Elysburg, PA+*

* denotes furnished by Planning Board
+ denotes details to follow

** On the second Sunday of each month, at 1:00PM, year round, Centre Lodge #153 of Bellefonte is still conducting their Music Jams!

All Lodges are reminded when planning an activity, if you would like your state officer's support please contact the Planning Board Secy, Mary Giebel, PO Box 49, Cassville, PA 16623 or 814-305-2011. mcgiebel@msn.com

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THE GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

- LEWISBURG LODGE NO. 96, NEW COLUMBIA
 - Maddy Ackley - initiated March 23rd
 - Betty Becker
 - Gary Hartman
 - William Reed - initiated March 30th
 - Rusty Kaufman
- BRADY LODGE NO. 116, MUNCY
 - Eileen Cooper - initiated February 6th
- ALMA LODGE NO. 523, JOHNSTOWN
 - Ken Faint - initiated April 6th
 - Tina Faint

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

The Board of Grand Lodge Officers congratulates the following on achieving milestone years in Odd Fellowship this month.

25 YEARS

Jeffrey R. Boyle, #306
 Brian P. Corchiolo, #306
 Quince A. Hunt, III, #306
 Richard M. Luna, #306
 Edward J. O'Hanlon, Jr., #306
 Alex T. Frantz, #348
 David L. Hanks, #361

30 YEARS

Gerald V. Dunkle, #361
 Leslie A. Furlow, II, #361

40 YEARS

Clair C. Beaver, #192

45 YEARS

Wilbur R. Hixon, #1175

50 YEARS

Vernon H. Crispell, #712
 Allen P. Long, #773

55 YEARS

Donald E. Hunsinger, #86
 Daniel G. Albright, #523
 Harold K. Corle, #523

65 YEARS

Harold L. Wiker, #361
 Merle E. Wood, #510
 Lamar J. Schreffler, #551

COME VISIT THE GRAND MASTER

Grand Master Wooden has scheduled the following visits for May.
 I am sure he would appreciate seeing you there.

4-5 - Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington, VA
 6 - Earl #413 OV - 7:30PM
 10 - Consolidation #1032 w/ #736, Cassville - 6:00PM
 11 - Lewisburg #96 Anniversary - 12:00PM
 16 - Oneida #371 OV - 7:30PM
 20 - East Brunswick #802 OV - 7:30PM
 21 - Triune #307 OV - 7:30PM

COME VISIT THE GRAND PATRIARCH

Grand Patriarch Arnold has scheduled the following visits for May.
 I am sure he would appreciate seeing you there.

4-5 - Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington, VA
 11 - Lewisburg #96 Anniversary - 12:00PM
 21 - William F. Packer #127 OV - 7:30PM

COME VISIT THE DEPT. COMMANDER

Brigadier General Bailey has scheduled the following visits for May. I am sure he would appreciate seeing you there.

4-5 - Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington, VA
 11 - Lewisburg #96 Anniversary - 12:00PM
 23 - Philadelphia #1 OV - 8:00PM
 27 - Tamaqua Memorial Day Parade - 9:00AM
 30 - Allegheny #3 OV - 8:00PM

FROM THE DESK OF REBEKAH ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT NADINE HAGER

Dear Sisters & Brothers,

Spring is officially here and with it comes the flowers.

May brings several holidays. Mother's day is May 12th. Remember "Mom." Then Memorial Day is May 27th. Please remember all of our veterans.

I will be going to Washington D.C. the weekend of May 4th and 5th. This is for the laying of a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Also in May I have official visits with Red Rose on May 14 and Wysox on May 20th. I hope to have others soon. Coming up in June is our annual session at Red Lion in Harrisburg. Hope to see many of you there.

Thank you to the many who have sent me cards.

F.L.T.

Nadine Hager



2019 Unified Session Committee
Independent Order of Odd Fellows



2019 Unified Session Sponsorships

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Our annual Unified Session is quickly approaching. This is the time of year when members and representatives gather to meet and plan the future of this great Order in the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania. We also have many visitors from other Jurisdictions and the Sovereign Grand Lodge that join with us to share this time of work and fellowship.

I invite your lodge or unit of the Order to become a sponsor of this years Unified Session. Your donations are used to help offset the cost of the Session and keep the events of the week affordable to all who attend.

"Honor Roll Sponsor" – for a donation of \$100 or more your lodge or unit will be listed in the Program Booklet and in the "PA Odd Fellow and Rebekah Magazine".

"Session Sponsor" - any donation that your lodge or unit can make will be listed in the Program Booklet and published in the "PA Odd Fellow and Rebekah Magazine".

I would also encourage all of you to attend the major events of this year's Session to see what your donations support. The events in the evening are open to all, not just members of the Order.

Saturday evening is our "Fun Night", details to follow.

The Memorial Service on Sunday afternoon gives us all time to reflect on the members of our Order who have passed on during this past year.

The Banquet on Sunday evening (reservations required) is our time of fellowship and introduces the officers who will preside over our sessions during the week.

The Decoration of Chivalry will be conferred on Monday evening.

The Installation of the Officers of the Grand Lodge, Rebekah Assembly and Grand Encampment for the upcoming year will take place Tuesday evening.

Why not attend at least one of these events and enjoy the fellowship and friendship of your Brothers and Sisters?

Please send all donations to John S. Cupp, Jr., P O Box 275, Hopwood PA 15445. Make all checks payable to the "Unified Session Committee". Deadline for donations is May 18, 2019 to be included in the Program Book.

On behalf of the Unified Session Committee and my co-chair Sister Mary DeLong, I thank you all in advance for any donation that you send to the Unified Session Committee to support the Unified Session.

John S. Cupp, Jr.

John S. Cupp, Jr., PGM, PGP, PDC, GT, G Rep, Dept. Adj.
2019 Unified Session Chairman

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS
Lodge No. 96 - New Columbia, PA
PRESENTS



HERITAGE DAY

June 15, 2019 - 9AM-4PM
10491 River Rd. New Columbia, PA 17842



Join us at our beautiful historic farm, built in 1870, nestled alongside Dog Run Creek and by the Susquehanna River in historic New Columbia, PA.

We are seeking participants, living history units, and vendors who can display / demo and or sell old world trades and hand-made crafts. Vendors and sale items can only be hand-made items that would have been produced or used in society before 1900. Vendors are STRONGLY encouraged to wear period clothing.

Displays and demos will be free. Vendors selling items will be charged \$20. Spectators are free!

Event is rain or shine. No covered space or electric is available.

Vendors and demos are allowed a 12' x 12' space (if larger area is needed, such as an encampment, contact us)

Food will be available on site.

Spend a day in the past!



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ODD FELLOWS HOME OF PA
BAKE SALE

This month we had our Spring Bake Sale! The week prior, our residents were hard at work preparing for the Bake Sale by making cookies and chocolate covered pretzels. Our generous staff and family members brought baked goods including: sticky buns, banana cake, peanut butter pie, strawberry cake, chocolate chip cookies, and much more! We received more donations than ever before and it was one of our most successful Bake Sales ever! The funds that we raised are contributing to the Activities Department. We are going to use the funds to help pay for a famous magician who will be performing here at The Middletown Home later this year. Thank you to everyone who contributed!



Katy helped make these delicious chocolate covered pretzels



Gigg and Lisa with all of our baked goods donations

2019 CAMP JRA BENNEFIT RAFFLE FOR CHILDREN WITH ARTHRITIS

This Years donation will be over \$4,100.00 We are till waiting for some more expected donations coming.

Winners of the drawing held April 10th, 2019 Thank you everyone for your support again this year.

If you were not a winner of the prizes listed below, You will be a winner in the hearts of the children you supported this year.

	Cash Prizes	Sponsor	Winner's Name	Ticket #	Location
1	300.00 Cash	Allentown Canton #39 Vienna Lodge #847	Bushkill Enc. #55 Victory Lodge #658	Jade King	4686 Emmaus
2	100.00 Cash	Pipersville Garden Center Inc.	Mystic Lodge No. 270	4134	Philadelphia
3	100.00 Cash	Bergey's Cheverolet	White Haven Lodge No. 457	3049	White Haven
4	100.00 Cash	Alma Lodge # 523	Rick Day	3892	Landsdale
5	100.00 Cash	William Packer Encampment #12	Ken Hake	1232	Red Lion
6	100.00 Cash	T.W. Cooper Insurance Agency	Dwight Dulsley	5786	Perkasie
7	100.00 Cash	Anonymous Donation	David Patten	510	Quakertown
8	100.00 Cash	J.F. Wolfe Insurance Co.	Monroe Hunsberger	1968	Sellersville
9	100.00 Cash	Konell Insurance Agency	Cash Boyle	4749	Allentown
10	100.00 Cash	R.J. Lutz Insurance Agency	Lady Colfax Rebekah No. 182	0951	Leesport
11	50.00 Cash	Brian And Lori Snyder	Leesport Lodge No. 141	0933	Leesport
12	50.00 Cash	Campbell, Rappold & Yurasits, LLP	Wysox Lodge No. 1152	1913	Wysox PA
13	50.00 Cash	Montgomery Curtis Norris Lodge # 58	Tammy Kidd	6393	Emmaus
14	50.00 Cash	Nazareth Motel	Red Rose Rebekah No. 586	6581	Middletown
15	50.00 Cash	Keith Snyder	Caroline Bishop	2449	Perkasie
16	50.00 Cash	Rory King	Ken Jones	0612	Pottstown
17	50.00 Cash	Garland Insurancy Agency, LLC	Ray Lewis	2500	Sellersville
18	50.00 Cash	Fred Saracino State Farm Insurance Agency	Cathy Kramer	2131	Sellersville
19	50.00 Cash	E.F. Butz Agency	Chris Fluke	0850	Bethlehem
20	50.00 Cash	Montgomery Curtis Norris Lodge # 57	Ambridge Enc. No. 259	5520	Ambridge

On the evening of April 10th members of Allentown Canton #39, Bushkill Encampment #55, Victory Lodge #658, Vienna Lodge # 847 gathered for their Annual Camp JRA Raffle drawing to draw the winners for this years prizes.

Thank you to Linda Torrence for being a gracious hostess for the evening.

Thanks again to everyone who supported this years raffle, The Children will have a better week at Camp JRA.

Rory King, Co-Chairman

Robert Raffensberger, Co-Chairman

Bruce Torrence, Treasurer

WYSOX LODGE #1152 ODD FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP

ODD FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows 1152 Wysox, PA Chapter have chosen Morgan Johnson, a practical nursing student to receive an Odd Fellows Scholarship. The Odd Fellows are very supportive the Practical Nursing Program and continue to give financial assistance to deserving students.

Nelson Silverstrim, representative of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows 1152 Wysox, PA Chapter, presented the Odd Fellow Scholarships to Morgan Johnson.

The Practical Nursing Program located at Northern Tier Career Center, Towanda, PA is in its 36th year. It is a one-year program that qualifies graduates to apply for licensure in Practical Nursing. Practical nurses work in nursing homes, doctors' offices, hospitals, and home health care as well as in other areas of health care.

For further information on the Practical Nursing Program, contact 570-265-8113.

Left to Right: Nelson Silverstrim, Representative of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows
Morgan Johnson, PN Student
Margaret Johnson, PN Coordinator



GRAND MASTER WOODEN VISITS VARIETY LODGE #37

Last month Grand Master Sherman Wooden and his lovely wife, Cindy, visited and had dinner with Variety Lodge #37. Lodge members enjoyed the informal, delicious dinner at the lodge with Sherman and Cindy and learned of their travels as Sherman continues in his role as Grand Master.

In speaking to Variety lodge members, GM Sherman provided words of wisdom that encouraged everyone to never give up when facing adversities and to move forward as a beacon of light to others, recognizing that life is a challenge and that we have the faith to meet it.

Noble Grand Charlie Wise (a very wise man!), shown here, presented GM Wooden with an honorarium from the lodge,

which Sherman said would be used for charity to help and support individuals suffering from cancer.

A special, very relevant, tribute that evening was made by GM Wooden and Past Grand Byron Goldstein (left) to Past Grand Phil Falkowitz (center), a very long-time survivor of multiple myeloma cancer. Phil helped pave the way for other survivors by participating in a clinical trial over 10 years ago of the drug Revlimid, and he appeared on the front cover (shown here) of the new Corporate Responsibility Report from Celgene Corporation, the developer of Revlimid.

GM Wooden said that he always enjoys having a good time with members of Variety Lodge!



GRAND MASTER WOODEN VISITS LODGE NO. 936



Alert Lodge 936 – Noble Grand Dave Hamilton had the honor of a visit from Grand Master Sherman Wooden on March 28, 2019. The Grand Master gave the lodge an inspirational talk; the topic was concerning the importance of keeping up the work of the lodge and tips on how to make the local community better aware of all of the activities and benefits that a lodge can provide a community.

We will do our best to put into practice his recommendations.

GRAND MASTER WOODEN VISITS WALKER LODGE NO. 306



PHILIPPINES REGALIA

Thank you The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Independent Order of Odd Fellows for the set of officers' regalia for soon-to-be Cavite Odd Fellows Lodge No.12 under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.



PRESIDENT HAGER VISITS LADY HARMONY REBEKAH LODGE #86 OF TAMAQUA



On April 3, 2019 Lady Harmony had their Official Visitation from the Rebekah Assembly President, Nadine Hager. In total 22 members from various Lodges both near and far were in attendance. The President spoke of her project Dog T.A.G.S and a nice evening of fellowship ensued.

FREEDOM LODGE 88 HOLDS ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP

Members and families met Sunday morning April 7th for some spring cleaning!
The skies were blue and bright as we cleaned up our adopted road.
Coffee and doughnuts were served afterward.
Freedom Lodge meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at the Masonic Hall in Honesdale.



CLOVER LODGE #348 GOLF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

Clover Lodge #348 in Ambridge, in our continuing efforts to educate the youth will host our 13th annual golf scholarship fundraiser on 9 June 2019. To date we have provided over \$50,000 in scholarships. We offer 5) \$1,000 scholarships annually to worthy students in the Beaver County area.

Looking forward to another successful outing.

In F, L & T
David Carlson, NG

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS
CLOVER LODGE # 348
13th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING SCHOLARSHIP SCRAMBLE
 Sunday, June 9, 2019
 BLACK HAWK GOLF COURSE, 644 BLACKHAWK ROAD, BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
 Noon Registration
 1:30 p.m. Shot Gun Start (4 MEMBER SCRAMBLE FORMAT) Dinner & Prizes After Golf
COST PER PERSON: \$90.00, includes Golf, Cart, Lunch, Dinner, Door Prizes, and Beer and Pop on the Course.

GOLF REGISTRATION FORM		TEE SPONSORSHIP FORM	
Golfer #1 _____	Company Name _____		
Golfer #2 _____	Contact Person _____		
Golfer #3 _____	Phone Number (____) _____ - _____		
Golfer #4 _____	Any and all donations greatly appreciated! (Gift baskets or Cards, Chinese auction items)		
Total Number of Golfers X \$90.00/e = _____			

Please make check payable to "IOOF Clover Lodge #348"
 Send to: _____ **Circle One:**
 Tee/Green Sponsor \$100.00 Silver

MAY OBITUARIES

Due to publication time, we regret we cannot accept Obituaries older than three months.



PAUL K. STEEL

Unified Lodge No. 2
January 13, 2019

Brother Paul K. Steel, 88, of Geneva, IL, was initiated into Gomer Lodge #64, Pittsburgh, PA on April 11, 1950. He then became a member of Unified Lodge #2, Pittsburgh, through consolidation on

November 15, 1979.

He was a Korean War Veteran.

Surviving is his wife, the former Gayla Moag, three children, seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Burial was held in Oak Hill Cemetery, Geneva, IL.



GEORGE HANDZO, JR.

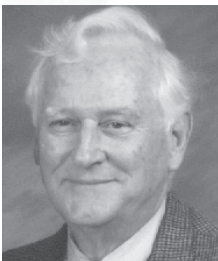
Oneida Lodge No. 371
January 18, 2019

Brother George Handzo, Jr., 90, of Wilkes-Barre, PA, was initiated into Oneida Lodge #371, Dallas, on November 12, 1981, where he became a Past Grand on April 12, 1984.

He was a U.S. Marine Corps Veteran of the Korean and Vietnam Wars and a member of St. Matthew's Slovak Lutheran Church, Wilkes-Barre.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Ruth George. Surviving are two daughters, one son, nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Burial was held in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Anville, PA.



CHARLES H. BENTZ

Henry Disston Lodge No. 8
January 22, 2019

Brother Charles H. Bentz, 91, of Berwick, PA, was initiated into Oxford Lodge #14, Philadelphia, on November 8, 1947, where he became a Past Grand. He then became a member of Henry Disston Lodge #8, Tacony, through consolidation on

June 15, 1987. At the time of his death, he was the Lodge's oldest living member.

Surviving is his wife, the former Eileen Christian, and two children.

Services were private at the family's request.



PAUL C. GOODWIN

Osage Lodge No. 712
January 28, 2019

Brother Paul C. Goodwin, 80, of Hunlock Creek, PA, was initiated into Osage Lodge #712, Lehman, on November 9, 1977.

Services were private at the convenience of the family.

GEORGE A. HARBAUGH

Unified Lodge No. 2
February 20, 2019

Brother George A. Harbaugh, 89, of Bulger, PA, was initiated into Iron City Lodge #182, Pittsburgh, PA, on October 23, 1953. He then became a Charter Member of Unified Lodge #2 through consolidation on November 10, 1977.

He was a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran.

Surviving is his wife, the former Jean Roedler, six children and seven grandchildren.

Burial was held in Robinson Church Cemetery, Bulger, PA.



DALE M. STOCK

Mount Zion Lodge No. 74
March 2, 2019

Brother Dale M. Stock, 90, of Mechanicsburg, PA, was initiated into South Mountain Lodge #1200, Dillsburg, PA, on April 21, 1960, where he became a Past Grand and received his Grand Lodge Degree April 19, 1971. He then became a

member of Mount Zion Lodge #74, York, through consolidation on December 5, 1994, in which he served on South Mountain Lodge's consolidation committee.

He was a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran and a member of Calvary United Methodist Church, Dillsburg.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Miriam Coulson.

Burial was held in Dillsburg Cemetery.

MAY OBITUARIES



EDWARD K. BEAMAN
 GL Appointed Officer/ PDDGM
 Unified Lodge No. 2
 Ambridge Encampment No. 259

Brother Edward K. Beaman, 87, of Sewickley, PA, was initiated into Iron City Lodge #182, Bellevue, PA, on January 7, 1955, where he became a Past Grand and received

his Grand Lodge Degree February 21, 1959. He served as DDGM and went on to serve his Grand Lodge as Grand Conductor to PGM Jerome Bloomer from 1964 - 1965 and as Grand Marshal to PGM William Rellis from 1967 - 1968. He then became a member when Unified Lodge #2, Pittsburgh, was formed on November 10, 1977. At the time of his death, he was the last surviving member of Iron City Lodge #182 still affiliated with the Order. He became a Patriarch of Allegheny Encampment #101, Pittsburgh, having become a Past Chief Patriarch on October 3, 1961 and receiving his Grand Encampment Degree June 15, 1965. He became a Patriarch of Ambridge Encampment #259 by consolidation on July 12, 1988. He was a former Rebekah, having been initiated into Elizabeth Barrett Rebekah Lodge #469, Bellevue, on November 7, 1964. He became a charter member of Lady United #3, Pittsburgh, through consolidation on November 28, 1981.

He was a member of Coraopolis Presbyterian Church.

He was preceded in death by a grandchild. Surviving is his wife, the former Catherine Combs, three children, grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Burial was held in Hopewell Hebron Cemetery.

ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN PA 2019 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The *Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Association of Western Pennsylvania* will continue \$3,000 offering scholarship awards to a maximum of four (4) students who fulfill the specified requirements of the Award. This will be the 14th consecutive year of the Award since its inauguration back in 2006. Award committee chairman, Robert Grant, wants to remind those considering applying or those considering potential applicants, of three requirements in particular:

1. The applicant or a living family relative must be a member of the I.O.O.F. or Rebekahs of Western Pennsylvania.
2. The applicant must be a full-time student majoring in one of the three eligible areas: music, education, or a health related field.
3. The applicant must have also completed at least one year of full-time college enrollment.

A copy of the "Rules" and an "Award Application" was sent to all the lodges representing the Western District on April 1, 2019. The 2019 Awards Committee requests that all lodge secretaries and scribes relay the information to their respective membership and make copies as necessary for distribution. Information regarding the 2019 may also be found on our website: glpaiof.org. The deadline for submitting applications will be June 15, 2019. The committee also asks that the public be made aware of our Award by informing schools, colleges, newspapers, churches, etc. in your respective areas. Your cooperation and assistance in relaying this information will be very much appreciated. Hopefully, we will once again be honored in announcing the Awards to four qualified and worthy recipients this coming July.

The Awards, of course are being made to not only defray some of the cost associated with higher education, but also to help increase public awareness of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs organizations, and in turn, hopefully receiving petitions for membership to perpetuate our great Orders.

ALMA LODGE FUN NIGHT

Members of Alma Lodge made their annual trip to a Johnstown Tomhawks Hockey Game on March 30th. 30 members and potential members enjoyed a fun night out, watching the Tomhawks win 9-2 on Fan Appreciation Night. Just one of the fun activities we participate in each year!



Brothers and Sisters,

If any of you have noticed anyone wearing a small gold ribbon pin, or a bright yellow lemon pin, you've found the culprit. These are two symbols that represent my project for the year, Alex's Lemonade Stand.

Alex's was started by little Alexandra Scott in the town of Manchester, Connecticut. Around her first birthday, Alex was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, a type of pediatric cancer. Her parents were given a grim diagnosis that little Alex was not long for this world.

After a series of surgeries and hospital stays, Alex decided that she wanted to hold a lemonade stand and raise money for "her hospital". With the help of her older brother, her first lemonade stand raised over \$2,000. While bravely battling her own cancer, each year Alex held a lemonade stand with the proceeds going towards pediatric cancer research. This quickly grew into a worldwide movement, with people from all over joining Alex by holding their own lemonade stand and donating the profits to her and her crusade.

Sadly, in 2004, Alex passed away at the age of 8. She left this world knowing that with the help of so many others, she managed to raise over one million dollars for research over the disease that ended her life. Today, her older brothers and many others are carrying on her legacy through the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.

It is my sincere hope that with every generous donation I have received, and every pin and "paper lemon" I sell, that I can turn in a donation at the end of my term that will bring Alex's Lemonade Stand one step closer to the breakthrough they need in order to bring a smile to Alex's face and make pediatric cancer a thing of the past.


 In Faith, Hope and Charity,
 Tyler M. Arnold, Grand Patriarch
 

VISUAL RESEARCH PROCLAMATION



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To the Officers and Members of all Degrees of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs
Fraternal Greetings,

Whereas, the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Visual Research Foundation organized in 1958 supports a Research Chair at the Wilmer Institute of John Hopkins University and Hospital which is working to find ways to enable many to have better vision, and

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has been assisting Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families for years with help for glasses and examinations.

Now, therefore, I, Sherman F. Wooden, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, by authority in me duly vested, do hereby proclaim that,

The month of MAY as Visual Research Month throughout Odd Fellowship

Further, this program needs our support through: Fund Raising Campaigns, Treasury Donations, Memorial Donations and Publicity. This program supported by contributions from Odd Fellows and Rebekahs open eyes that many may see! Remember, many have sight Only a few have vision.

Done in Middletown, Pennsylvania, this sixth day of April, 2019 and in the 195th year of this Grand Body.

Yours in Friendship, Love & Truth,

Sherman F. Wooden
Sherman F. Wooden, Grand Master

Attest,

Justin C. Bailey
Justin C. Bailey, Grand Secretary

Please fill out the form below and return with your donation.

Checks should be made payable to Grand Lodge of PA, IOOF and sent to 1001 W Harrisburg Pike Middletown, PA 17057

_____ Lodge No. _____ is pleased to contribute _____ to this program.
Please credit our donations to (Please check one of the Funds below).

_____ PA Special Visual Fund - This is used to assist PA members and families who need assistance in the purchase of glasses or for examinations.

_____ IOOF Visual Research Fund - 25% of the contributions are forwarded to the SGL. The balance is distributed by our Joint Committee to various Eye-Banks throughout PA



Feeling Patriarchal?

Brothers and Sisters,

Have you ever been sitting in your lodge room one night and saw different regalia hanging in the closet? Maybe even a set of shepherd's crooks off to the side? Have you ever wondered what the color purple, the pictures of the tents, or what the Encampment is?

WELL HAVE I GOT JUST THE THING FOR YOU!!

If you have ever noticed the popular portrait hanging up in many lodge rooms of the mountain of Odd Fellowship, smack in the middle of the mountain, between Initiation and the Patriarch's Militant are the Encampment Degrees. They strengthen the teachings of Friendship, Love and Truth with the teachings of Faith, Hope and Charity.

2019 marks the 200th Anniversary of this Order in the United States. There is definitely no better time than right now to take the next step in your journey of Odd Fellowship. Come join us on Saturday, June 1 at the hall of Alma Lodge in Johnstown. I assure you that there are many Patriarchs willing to assist you down the "Rough Road"

In Faith, Hope and Charity,
Tyler M. Arnold, Grand Patriarch



TREASURER'S TALES - MAY 2019

This month we will follow Barney's exploits for the month of May 1924. The big event in May 1924 was the appointment of J. Edgar Hoover as director of the FBI on the 10th. President Coolidge signed a more restrictive immigration law on May 26. Movies were interspersed with "shorts" in this era. Shorts were serials, cartoons and other fillers for the space between, before and after feature films. The most popular cartoon was Felix the Cat, see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Felix_the_Cat.

The great arrival of Schuyler Colfax Wells occurred on May 17, 1923. Barney and Elizabeth celebrated young Schuyler's first birthday with a major party, the biggest event in Grover's Mill. It was somewhat unpleasant for Elizabeth, as she was ill most of the morning and believed that Schuyler might be getting some company later in 1924. There were many adults and a few children at the party. Elizabeth's older brother, Woody, decorated his Ford Speedster (<https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2014/01/20/hemmings-find-of-the-day-1924-ford-model-t-speedster/>) and took the baby for a ride around town (sitting in Elizabeth's lap). Woody was a race car driver, mechanic and auto enthusiast.

The birthday party was a prelude to the last day of school for Grover's Mill High School on May 20. Snow days had delayed school and caused it to run that late. Barney was tested by the students, who hated the late year end. Barney had planting to do and a number of little pigs to care for. It would be his biggest year for raising pigs. He had three Poland China sows who blessed him and his father, Thomas, with 31 piglets. This would prove the first year in six years that farming would reward Barney with more money than teaching.

The school year had to be completed. There were final exams to be given and essays to read. Barney had assigned different essay topics to each student. The first year Barney taught, he assigned one topic and wanted to see how the individual students might handle it differently. He was amazed that out of the 79 students in his three sections of tenth grade English, 64 of the students had exactly the same ideas and pursued the topic with the same twists and stories. He hesitated to suggest they copied, but felt it only fitting to give all 64 of them D's because of their lack of originality. He learned as his teaching career advanced.

Since he was an English teacher, he assigned the essays based on different works of literature. He assumed that the students would actually read the book before they

wrote their essays. This was a bad assumption. The essay on Gulliver's Travels suggested there actually were little people and giants, see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gulliver%27s_Travels. The essay on Julius Caesar, suggested that after Brutus stabbed him, he ate him. Sinclair Lewis satirical novel, Main Street, was touted as advocating teenage marriage, see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Street_\(novel\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Street_(novel)). Although there were high points, such as the use of paleolithic, when he read the essay on Edgar Rice Burrough's At Earth's Core, see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/At_the_Earth%27s_Core_\(novel\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/At_the_Earth%27s_Core_(novel)). Barney believed that it was necessary for each student to have access to a dictionary, at least in class, and made that appeal to the school board. He explained that paleolithic meant referring to a stone age culture and had nothing to do with the use of milking pails. He would soon learn that dictionaries do not express themselves, students must read them; but that is another story.

The final exams were more interesting to grade. Questions on literature and grammar were mixed together, so that the students would have to think before answering each question. Apparently not all the discussions in class had generated thinkers. He thought the definitions of the parts of speech would prove easy, not so. The definitions he received for appositive proved more amusing than the others, see <http://www.chompchomp.com/terms/appositive.htm>. An appositive is the use of two consecutive nouns, with the later explaining the former, e.g. Barney's father, Thomas. Father and Thomas are appositives. Barney received such creative definitions as "the opposite of positive, another name for apple cider, the followers of Jesus in the Bible, and something that is really positive and good."

After returning home from the first day of finals (it was a two-day affair), Barney was greeted by his father, Thomas, who was trying to deliver a calf. Barney drove over to get Vic and the calf wasn't born till 5:45 p.m. After Barney took Vic home, they shared a bit of pear cider that Vic had been keeping for several years. Upon his return home, Elizabeth told Barney she thought he had shared too much pear cider with her father and could fix his own supper. As the Sun set in the West, Barney sat on the porch, eating cold chicken and reminiscing about the perils of farming with Warden and Conductor (who were begging from him the whole time).

Comments and questions are always welcomed by the Grand Treasurer. You can contact him by email at jcupp275@gmail.com or conventional mail at P.O. Box 275, Hopwood, PA 15445.

 Periodicals

NOTICE FROM THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS OF PENNSYLVANIA, INC.

The Grand Encampment will hold a Degree Rally at Alma Lodge Hall, the home of William F. Packer Encampment No. 127, 440 Main Street, Johnstown, PA, 15904, on Saturday, June 1, 2019. The three Encampment Degrees will be conferred by a combination of members from several different Encampments, beginning at 10:30 am. A Grand Encampment Officers Board Meeting at 9:00 am will precede the Degree Work. Letters with further details will be sent to each Encampment prior to the Rally.

If there are any questions or comments, please contact GS Craig Reinhart at 610-374-9005 or by email at: creinhart@comcast.net. **BRING THOSE CANDIDATES!**

March Donations

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION

523	Alma	250.00
2	Unified	50.00
211	York Springs	<u>50.00</u>
		350.00

PA ARTHRITIS COMMITTEE

E135	Perseverance Camp JRA	10,000.00
306	Walker Camp JRA	1,000.00
116	Brady	250.00

1004	Hampton	50.00
1032	State College	<u>25.00</u>
		11,325.00

EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND

1004	Hampton	50.00
591	Shenandoah	25.00
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R173	Letitia Penn	<u>25.00</u>
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PA EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP		
762	Vincent	500.00
2	Unified	<u>50.00</u>
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VISUAL RESEARCH		
2	Unified	25.00

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