

# Wisconsin ODD FELLOW

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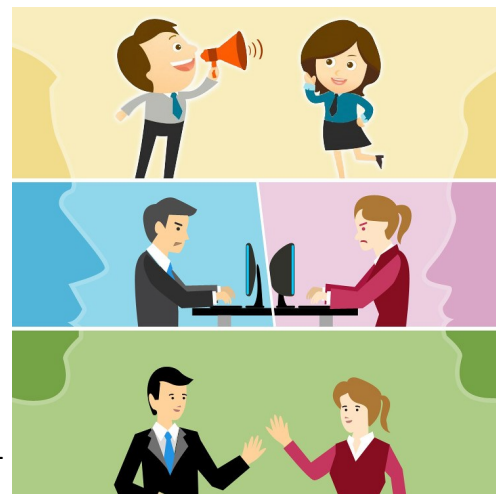
## TO BE READ IN ALL ODD FELLOW LODGES: GRAND MASTER'S LETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In my **communication** with you I want to thank you for the privilege of serving as your Grand Master for another term. I also want to thank my family for their support and help they have given me and continue to give me. It is a great honor to serve this wonderful jurisdiction.

I have seen in our jurisdiction and other jurisdiction the importance to always be improving our **communication** amongst ourselves. How does someone know if there is an issue or problem if we do not communicate this to them? None of us is a mind reader that I know of including Grand Lodge Officers.

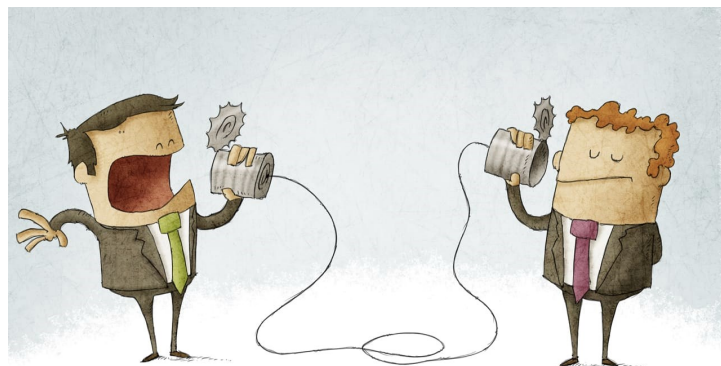
It might be a simple misunderstanding of what was meant. This is especially true in texts, and written **communication**. The person writing the message might have meant it to be kidding around, but the person receiving it didn't take it that way. You need to check and see what their meaning behind the words are. When you are speaking to someone in person your voice gives the inflections that gives how the wording was meant to be taken. Plus, the facial expressions let you know how your words were received. Please keep your communications as kind as possible. If you feel someone else's words or the way they said something was hurtful please talk to them and fix the **communication** between the two of you. You might be taking this message with the wrong meaning, or caught them at a bad time or off guard. Try calling them and seeing how their message was meant to be taken. Don't let it come to the point that you do not want to be around the other person. We all need to be working together in our organization including making sure others understand what we are communicating and how we meant it. Even I need to take the extra minute or two to make sure my message is received as I meant it. I know I would feel really bad if it was taken the wrong way.



If you need some help or advise on anything do not wait until I or another Grand Lodge Officer is at your lodge to make this **communication** to us. Please feel free to contact me at any time to discuss what you want. I am always willing to travel to visit and help all lodges.

Bye, for now, until my next **communication** letter.

In F, L, T,  
**Jeffery Jones**  
**Grand Master**  
**Grand Lodge of WI**





**GRAND SECRETARY'S LETTER**



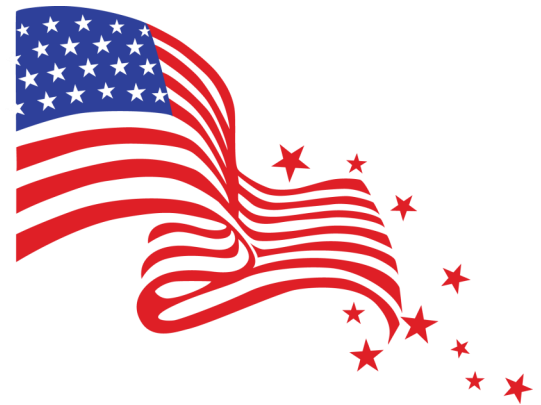
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

**C**ongratulations to our newly elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers and board members. This is a wonderful group that will be leading us through this next year. The Session was great. Thanks to all who worked to make this session go smoothly.

At Session this year we had a raffle to raise money for the Wisconsin Honor Flight. It was a success as we raised \$510.00 from the raffle (a beautiful cribbage table and an Eagle Wisconsin Honor Flight wall hanging); \$275.00 from the auction of Green Bay Packers wine bottles; and \$105.00 from the tip jar in the hospitality room. Thanks to all who bought tickets, bid on the wine and put tips in the jar! We are able to send \$890.00 to the Wisconsin Honor

Flight along with the amount of \$1,000.00 that was voted on in Session.

July brings us the 4<sup>th</sup> to celebrate our Nation's freedom. I wish all a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Remember to fly your flag!



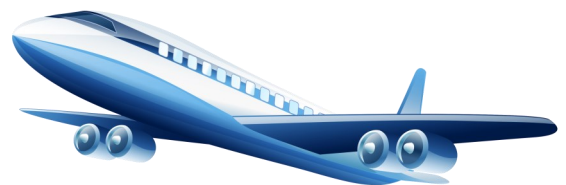
The Annual Peace Garden Picnic would be July 16<sup>th</sup> at the International Peace Garden on the border of North Dakota and Manitoba, Canada. There is a celebration every year. Hopefully, there will be peace in the world some day soon.



July 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> is the Great Lakes Conference. It is being held in Perrysburg, Ohio. If you need the information, please let me know and I will send it out to you. Ohio has been working hard to have the conference this year so let's have a good turnout from Wisconsin to show our support and by attending and maybe learning something that we never knew. There is always a lot to learn at these conferences and this one usually has the legislation that will be brought up at Sovereign Grand Lodge in August.

Dick and I will not be at Great Lakes Conference as that is the weekend our daughter and family are supposed to be in Green Bay. We will be home spoiling our grandchildren who are now 9 and 7. They just keep growing! It will be wonderful to see them again.

**Until next time,  
In Friendship, Love and Truth,  
Joyce Proulx, Grand Secretary**



## GRAND CHAPLAIN'S LETTER

### God's care of the poor

#### Psalms 41

Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.

2. The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him into the will of his enemies .

3. The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.

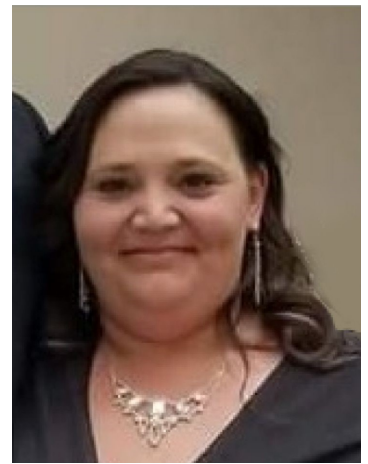
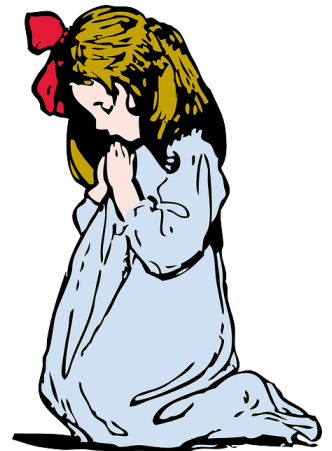
We seem to take many things for granted, whether it be our loved ones, our home ,our faith, our lives, but we need to remember that no matter how bad we have it, someone has it worse or worse problems than us. We need to be thankful for every day we wake up breathing and able to do things. Thank God that we can start a new day and remember that we always need to tell our family and friends how much we love and appreciate them, treat every day as a gift from God.

Dear Lord please take care of the poor and watch over the sick, please bless my home and my family and friends. Please watch over our family and friends, please help the sick and the injured .

**F.L.T.**

**Sara Fuhlbohm**

**Grand Chaplin**





**Coming events**

**JULY**

- 1 Deadline for articles for August  
*The Wisconsin Odd Fellow*
- 4 Grand Lodge office closed
- 19 Grand Trustees Meeting, Madison
- 22-24 Great Lakes Conference, Perrysburg, Ohio
- 25-Aug. 5 Grand Secretary out of office  
Vacation

**AUGUST**

- 1 Deadline for articles for September  
*The Wisconsin Odd Fellow*
- 7 Purple Heart Day
- 9-22 Grand Secretary out of the office for  
Sovereign Grand Lodge Session
- 14-19 Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions,  
Winston-Salem, NC
- 26 Executive Committee Meeting,  
Green Bay, 5:30 PM
- 27 Home Association Meeting,  
Green Bay, 8:00 AM

**SEPTEMBER**

- 1 Deadline for articles for October  
*The Wisconsin Odd Fellow*
- 5 Labor Day – Grand Lodge office closed
- 20 171<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Rebekah  
Degree
- 22 Fall begins
- 24 136<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Patriarchs  
Militant Degree





# Odd Fellow *Rebekah*

Home Association Inc

1207 S. Jackson, Green Bay, WI 54301



## Odd Fellow Home

Odd Fellow Home  
Tel. (920) 437-6523

## *Friendship Place*

Friendship Place  
Tel. (920) 593-7015

## *Rebekah Haven*

Rebekah Haven  
Tel. (920) 435-4810

### NEWS FROM THE ACTIVITY DEPARTMENT

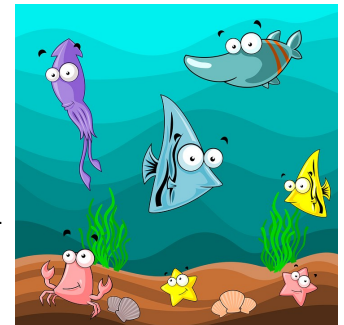
One thing that we have learned in the last 2 years during this pandemic is that we need to be flexible. Even now we still have times when we are in Outbreak Status which can mean wing closures and activity programs can't be done together as a group in the activity room. We still have to cancel activity programs or outings which makes it difficult to plan. We are now planning more on campus special activities such as our Lunch Bunch where we can order in or have picnics on the facility grounds. Tibby's ice cream truck continues to come to the facility twice a month and continues to be a very popular activity. We appreciate any donations that we receive to help cover the cost of the ice cream treats. We feel that all residents should have the opportunity to have a special ice cream treat.



We started having theme days last month. So this month we start off July with a Red, White and Blue Patriotic week. All week long residents and staff are encouraged to wear red white and blue and the week is filled with all kinds of Patriotic activities. We will also be having an Under the Sea Day, All Star Day and another favorite- Christmas in July Day. All of our



theme days are jammed packed and full of fun! Along with activities that are based on the themes, sometimes there are special prize drawings for residents/staff or special treats. During the month there will be musical entertainment by Eddie Biebel, John & Cass, Fernando, and Tom's Tunes. Our coffee shop continues to be a popular activity and is open 2 days a week in our activity room. Weekly popcorn days are also a favorite. Once the popcorn is popped, the smell of popcorn goes through the building alerting all to come down and get some!



Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

Cindy Czechanski,  
Activity Director



## NEWS FROM THE CEO

Hello!

My name is Dan-a Kohn. I am the new CEO. While in essence, I am “replacing” Char, no one can truly replace the presence that Char brought to Odd Fellow Rebekah Home Association for the last 12 years. I have had the pleasure of knowing Char for the past several years and was honored when she requested that I throw my hat into the ring as she transitions to her rightfully deserved role of “retired”.

I am excited to be here and excited to get to work with the OFRHA team. I am new to the role, but I am not new to the home association. I was the administrator briefly several years ago.

I want to share a bit about myself for you all to get to know me, both personally and professionally.

In my professional life, I have been in healthcare for 15 years, with 7 of those years in long-term care leadership. I am a licensed nursing home administrator, however over my career I have worked as a pharmacy technician, CNA, scheduler, central supply clerk, home care manager, and business office manager.



In my personal life, I have been married to my husband, Jesse, for almost 6 years. We live here in Green Bay. We are in the process of adopting our daughter, Everleigh Rachel. She is 4 months old. We have a 12-year-old Shiba Inu named Raji and a 10-year-old wiener-beagle named Driver. I grew up in southcentral WI and moved to the Green Bay area about 12 years ago. I love sports, specifically WI sports, and can be found cheering the Packers or the Badgers on every gameday. My husband and I love golfing, camping, road trips across the U.S., and spending time with friends and family. We are very active members of our church and are excited to raise our sweet girl to be a faithful daughter in Christ.



I want to take a moment to thank Char for her mentorship and leadership, not just for myself, but the entire home association. Char’s compassion and positivity is evident in the longevity of the staff that work for OFRHA. Our lives are forever changed in the best way because we know you and got to work with you!

That being said, thank you for welcoming me with open arms and I cannot wait to get to work!

Blessings,

Dan-a

Thank  
you 

Char





**Odd Fellow Rebekah Home Association Inc**  
**Report of the Board of Directors Meeting, Second Quarter @ 8:00 a.m.**  
**April 30, 2022 - Comfort Suites**

Members present: Richard Proulx, President; Pat Mott, Vice President; Denise Olsen, secretary; Jeff Jones, Grand Master; Ellen Tews, Tom Heins

Member present by telephone: Loren Cunningham

Member Absent: Richard Smith

Associate members present: Chuck Londo, Dale Stevenson

OFRHA Personnel Present: Char Everett, CEO

Others present: Sharon Cunningham by telephone

Friday during lunch, Clifton Larsen Allen representatives Amy Vehrs and Sean Miller presented the audit report. Amy oversees the audit and preparation of the 990 tax return. Sean also helps with the audit. It was noted that the audit protects the people working with the financial information by validating the work they do. As a result of the audit, a clean, unmodified opinion was issued. There were no problems found in terms of errors that needed to be brought to the Board's attention. Points that were made were that only people who need access to the financial systems should have that access.



Again because of the small size of our organization, internal checks and balances are not as stringent as they might be. CLA does prepare the required paperwork for taxes, etc., but they are not allowed to be part of the internal oversight.

There will be some new reporting requirements in the next year for operating or equipment leasing.

Reporting will be on the balance sheet rather than as an expense. Dietary, laundry, housekeeping, therapy and maintenance will need to be looked at to determine how this will affect the reporting. Amy suggested that in preparation for these changes, it is important to locate the contracts now. CLA has teams dedicated to working with this change for hospitals and other health care organizations.

A report was given on the status of our WHEFA bond which indicated that there must be Some operational changes which are in the process of being considered.



In preparing the audit and 990, considerable attention was paid to the government grants and the accounting for how they were spent since there were some restrictions about how the money could be spent. There will need to be some additional paperwork that needs to be filed for the funds received in 2021. No issues were found with the use of the funds.

Amy pointed out that the government funds helped with the financial outlook, but we need to consider that it is unlikely there will be additional funds available this year.

Amy and Sean presented additional information on expected nursing home occupancy and financials in 2022.



Meeting opened at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 20, 2022, with a prayer led by Ellen Tews.

**A motion was made by Dale and seconded by Pat to approve the 990. Motion carried.**

**A motion to approve the minutes, as printed, for the February 26, 2022, meeting was made by Jeff and seconded by Ellen. Motion carried.**

#### **Stephenson National Bank**

Greg Salmen and Jeff Baumann, representatives from the bank met in Green Bay with Char, Dick and Alan to discuss the Investment Policy of the Board. The stock market has not been doing well which means the value of our Trust has declined.



Dick commented that he and Jeff Jones had recently met with the Grand Lodge trustees and Associated Bank and both banks have almost identical information to present. Our board packet includes a Statement of Investment Policy which needs to be acted on.

The last time the policy was addressed was October 22, 2016. There were no changes in the percentages of the investment policy. The new policy emphasized that the Board or executive officers must approve any withdrawals from or deposits into the Trust account.

Odd Fellow staff cannot make these authorizations. This is to ensure that the Board is aware of transactions and that the funds are used for the purposes intended by the Trust; it is not to keep the money from being used if it is needed.



The primary reason for Stephenson’s visit was to meet with our new financial person, Alan Runde and to get the necessary signatures for transactions.

We also discussed the possibility of making other financial changes, but we will wait until our new executive director is in place.

As an additional discussion, the topic of having more than two people on our checking account at Wells Fargo.

After discussion, **Jeff moved and Dale seconded to add a third signature to the checking account with Alan Runde as the third with only two signatures required on the checks. Motion carried.** The intention is to have two people available if the third person is not available. Two signers on the checks also serves as a precaution against fraud. **Jeff moved and Tom Heins seconded to accept the Stephenson package pertaining to the Trust and the requirement for two signatures to withdraw/deposit funds in the Reserve Trust. Motion carried.**

**Annual Report on OFRHA**

Char has submitted her report to the Grand Lodge for inclusion in the Advanced Officers Report.

**Operational Review of Rebekah Haven**

For the first time in many years, RH has not had 100% occupancy. There has been a longer time after vacancies occur and the time the apartment is reoccupied. Some of the reasons are Covid and people are choosing to stay home longer because services are available for them at home.



Char gave high praise to Sherri for the dedicated work she is doing as administrator of Rebekah Haven. Because of the time it takes to fill apartments, we are operating very close to the break even point. In general, staffing and residents are very stable.

**Odd Fellow Home**

The census is still terrible. Yesterday’s census was 62. At times it has been in the 50s. The D wing has been closed for over a year. During and following Covid, it has been difficult to hire staff. It has also been difficult to staff two floors of the rehab unit where there must be a nurse for each floor. Char has been exploring several options to reconfigure the care provided in various areas of the facility to increase the census and make more efficient use of our staff. The new executive director will provide input to the final decision.



Char was complimented for continuing to think of possible ways to improve our finances by finding new ways to use our facility. Her philosophy is that if we don’t try to make changes, we will definitely fail.

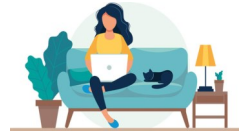
**Financials**

March financials have shown an improvement over January and February.



Char has hired a new housing director, Mary, who was previously our MDS coordinator with an RN degree. She understands our situation in terms of what conditions cost us money and which are more profitable.

The person hired to replace Mary as MDS coordinator has asked to be able to work remotely while actually working in person on Mondays to make rounds and meet the weekend admissions and Thursdays which would make her available for the Medicare meetings. So far Char has received several positive comments on her resident notes from nurses who are working with her.



Char is planning, before she totally retires, to move some positions around, to rewrite job descriptions and then hold people accountable for what is in their job descriptions. Char has also met with a different therapy provider who was recommended by our MDS consultant.

A Board member questioned the difference between CBRF (Community Based Residential Facility), RCAC (Residential Care Apartment Complex) which is what Rebekah Haven is, and AFH (Adult Family Home) all of which fall under the broader term of Assisted Living. CBRF is essentially providing a “roof” over the individual and possibly administering meds.

The difference between a CBRF and RCAC is that rooms in an RCAC must be bigger, have a full kitchen, more independence with a helping hand. An adult family home has a maximum of eight people.

### Staffing Concerns

### What's The Difference?

Generally, it has been very difficult, although on Thursday, Jenny reported things are easing up a bit. Emily who works the front desk at OFH says the pay is good and we have been willing to work with her nursing school schedule as it changes. Char feels that flexible scheduling is important even though it is a scheduling nightmare for the scheduler.

Currently, it costs \$800.00 for the course, books, etc., to become a CNA. She is offering scholarships to people interested in going into nursing, asking them to work a few week-ends. She has presented this in the high schools but response has been slow. At some point she would like to have an internal training program. Currently, she has two people on scholarships, one working toward CNA and the other working to become a med tech who will be able to hand out meds.



Char is also interested in creating a career ladder where someone could start at a level below CNA and transition to CNA and beyond. She is also thinking about creating a position below CNAs which would alleviate some of the lesser tasks that CNAs are now performing - bedmaking, passing out water, grooming, etc.



National Guard - They are finished working at OFH. We received a paperweight with a figure of a guardsman inside and a plaque indicating service.



### CLA assessment

CLA is working with the executive staff to determine ways to curtail expenses and has made several recommendations among them looking at staffing in the upper levels of the organization, therapy revenue, supplier costs, and internal conflicts. The changes that are being proposed in the organization may well bring a solution to the issue.

Meeting was recessed to be resumed in closed session at 10:20 a.m.

The annual meeting of the Home Board will be Monday, June 13, in the afternoon.

The next quarterly meeting will be Saturday, August 27, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., at the Comfort Suites in Green Bay.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Denise Olsen, secretary**





# LODGE HAPPENINGS



Green Bay Lodge #19 awarded Sophie Conard of Luxemburg-Casco High School a \$1,000 scholarship.



Green Bay Lodge #19 awarded Megan Vandermause of Luxemburg-Casco High School a \$1,000 scholarship.



Dear Independent Order of Odd Fellows,  
I am honored to be a recipient of your scholarship. The money will be used towards my tuition at Concordia University - Wisconsin. I will be majoring in pharmaceutical sciences and minoring in Spanish with plans to become a pharmacist. Thank you so much for your generosity and commitment to the community!

Thanks again,  
Sophie Conard



## LODGE HAPPENINGS



Mineral Point Rebekah Lodge #147 had the rare opportunity to present Sister Mary Horne Curtis with a 50 year membership pin. Mary joined our lodge our in February 1972. She has been a faithful member taking on the office of Noble Grand for many years. A huge congratulations goes out to her for her service to our organization! Pictured ... Mary Curtis, Noble Grand and Tom Heins, Secretary MP Rebekah #147.



June 1, 2022

Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, Independent Order of Odd Fellows  
 Jeffery M. Jones  
 Grand Lodge Scholarship  
 1304 S. Webster Avenue,  
 Green Bay, Wi 54301

Dear Grand Lodge of Wisconsin

I am writing to thank you for your generous Grand Lodge Scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship.

I am currently enrolled in the Ag-Power & Equipment Technician program and plan to graduate in May of 2023. My goal is to pursue a career in the Agricultural industry as an Ag technician. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal.

Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I promise you I will work very hard and I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Thank you again for your thoughtful and generous gift!

Sincerely,

Zachary Kohlenberg

525 W. Woodward Ave  
 Livingston WI 53554



# GRAND LODGE OF WISCONSIN SESSION



Visitors to the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin Session; pictured left to right: Kenneth Borycz, Grand Master of Michigan; James Coleman, PGM of Michigan; Michelle Heckart, Deputy Sovereign Grand Master of Iowa; Frank Reed, PGM of Indiana; Russell Barnes, Grand Master of Minnesota; Jeffery Jones, Grand Master of Wisconsin; Kathy Reed, Grand Master of Indiana; Virgil "Pete" Dodson, Grand Master of Iowa and Steve Pigg, Deputy Grand Master of Illinois. Pictured in the back are Teresa Froseth, Assistant Grand Secretary of Wisconsin and Joyce Proulx, Grand Secretary of Wisconsin.



Michelle Heckart, Deputy Sovereign Grand Master of Iowa



Kathy Reed, Grand Master of Indiana







Kenneth Borycz, Grand Master of Michigan



Steve Pigg, Deputy Grand Master of Illinois



SAY CHEESE!



Russell Barnes, Grand Master of Minnesota



Virgil "Pete" Dodson, Grand Master of Iowa





Jeff Jones, Grand Master elect received the obligation from Michelle Heckart, Deputy Sovereign Grand Master. Sharon Cunningham, PGM held the Bible.



Teresa Froseth, Assistant Grand Secretary of Wisconsin was presented the Medallion Award by Michelle Heckart, Deputy Sovereign Grand Master of Iowa.



Loren Cunningham, PGM-PGR, was presented with the Meritorious Service Award by Jeff Jones Grand Master of Wisconsin. Also pictured is Sharon Cunningham, PGM.





Picture to the left: Sara Fuhlbohm, PG and newly appointed Grand Chaplain with Sharon Cunningham, PGM and Interim Grand Chaplain perform the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Memorial Service.



Picture to the left: Jon Buck, PG and Fredrick Kropp, 3rd Degree.



Picture to the right: raffle items to raise money for the Wisconsin Honor Flight.







Teresa Froseth, Assistant Grand Secretary and Joyce Proulx, Grand Secretary hard at work.



Char Everett, former CEO of Odd Fellow Rebekah Home Association and Jeff Jones, Grand Master.



Teresa Froseth, PG; Tami Adams, Noble Grand of Green Bay #19 and Joyce Proulx, Grand Secretary holding a new check given to each lodge to use for donating money.



Frank Reed, PGM of Indiana won a fishing pole. Jeff Jones, Grand Master made a jar full of fishing items and had each member at the session guess how many were in the jar.



## ODD FELLOWS – REBEKAHS ROSE FLOAT 2023

### “Hope for Peace”

**Parade Theme is:  
“Turning the Corner”**

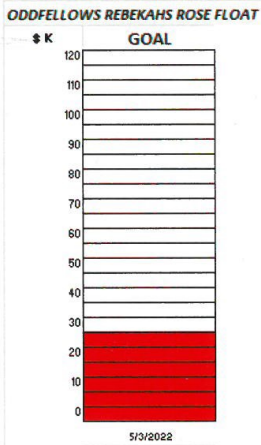
“Turning a corner means rising above - alone, or with family, friends and community. This year, as we turn the corner together, we share in the hope, beauty and joy of what 2023 will bring.”

It takes \$120000 each year to operate and pay for a Float; so please Donate. The float represents the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and it will help increase our membership.

An interested Donor is matching up to \$20,000. This matching starts **May 1, 2022 to August 30, 2022** and continues until it is matched.

**To help pay for the Float, send your donations to:**  
<http://www.OddFellows-Rebekahs-RoseFloat.org>

**For additional info: Email us at: [Info@3linksfloat.org](mailto:Info@3linksfloat.org)  
Thank You for Your Support**



ODD FELLOWS REBEKAHS ROSE FLOAT, P.O. BOX 2718 REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278

Note: “Matching” on check or Donate online at <http://www.OddFellows-Rebekahs-RoseFloat.org>





**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE AND RETURN THIS FORM AS SOON AS NEW MEMBERS ARE INITIATED**

**The SGL - IARA Membership Program  
Sponsor of New Member**

Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_  
New Member's Lodge \_\_\_\_\_  
Lodge Secretary Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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**NEW MEMBER**

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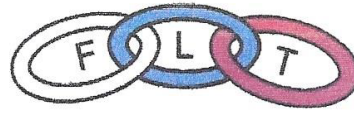
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Green Bay, WI 54301-2502

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grandsecretary@ioofwi.org







# The Great Lakes Conference Independent Order of Odd Fellows

An organization for the purpose of Promoting Odd Fellowship in the Jurisdictions of

Ohio - Illinois - Indiana - Wisconsin - Michigan

## TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GREAT LAKES CONFERENCE:

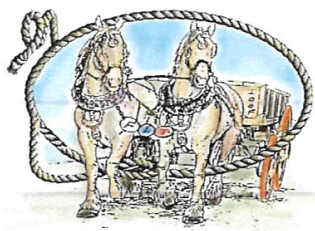
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Please find herein information regarding the 2022 Great Lakes Conference to be hosted by the Jurisdiction of Ohio.

- PLACE:** Holiday Inn & Suites Toledo Southwest-Perrysburg  
27355 Carronade Dr.  
Perrysburg, OH 43551  
567-331-8900  
To make reservations on line go to Holidayinn.com search for the above named Holiday Inn & Suites and use group code GLC.
- DATE:** July 22<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>
- ROOMS:** Rooms are available for \$139/night plus tax of 9.75% to be reserved under the room block Great Lakes Conference. Rooms are to be reserved by individual call-in secured by personal credit card. Reservations are to be made no later than **July 1, 2022.**
- MEALS:** Saturday – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner (Banquet) – Sunday-Breakfast are included in the registration price.
- RSVP:** Please send your registration information to:  
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**BE SURE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL AT THE NUMBER ABOVE.**

**Contact Grand Secretary for registration form**



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**Testimonial Weekend**  
 Honoring  
 Michelle Heckart, Sovereign Grand Master  
 November 3-5, 2022

**Registration Form – One Per Person – Deadline October 3, 2022**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Flight Information:**

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Airline: \_\_\_\_\_ Flight # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Airline: \_\_\_\_\_ Flight # \_\_\_\_\_  
 I WILL need hotel shuttle transportation    I will NOT need hotel shuttle transportation

**Handicap Accommodations:**

- If handicap hotel accommodations are needed, please notify the hotel at the time of reservation.
- Scooter rental is available by contacting Hometown Mobility – (877)928-5388. You are responsible for reserving and paying for your scooter in advance of the event. The scooter will be available for pick-up at hotel registration upon your arrival.
- Buffet meal assistance will be available as needed

**Thursday, November 3 – Mystery Dinner – 5:00 p.m.** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Complements of Grand Lodge of Iowa  
 Casual attire – all attendees must ride bus

**Friday, November 4 – Midwest Hoedown – 5:30 p.m. Social \$65.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_**  
 Dinner Buffet – Western/Casual attire      6:30 p.m. Dinner & Entertainment

**Saturday, November 5 – Testimonial Banquet – 5:30 p.m. Social \$75.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_**  
 Formal attire      6:30 p.m. Dinner

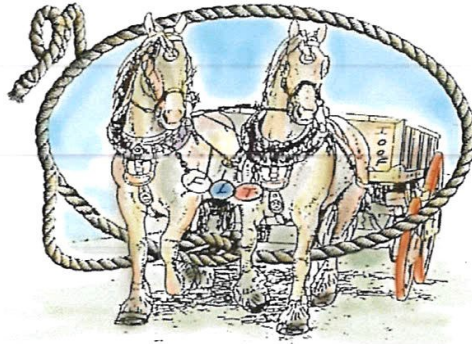
Please Select Entrée:  Iowa Chop    Sea Bass    Parmesan Encrusted Beef Tenderloin

**TOTAL DUE:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary Restrictions:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Souvenir Program Booklet**

### **2022 Sovereign Grand Master Michelle Heckart Testimonial**

**November 3-5, 2022**

**Des Moines, Iowa**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

A Souvenir Program Booklet is being planned for Sovereign Grand Master Michelle Heckart's Testimonial on November 3-5, 2022 in Des Moines, Iowa. Ad prices are as follows:

	<b>Black &amp; White</b>	<b>Color</b>
Full Page – 5½” x 8½” (image size approximately 4½” x 7½”)	\$100.00	\$175.00
Half Page	\$75.00	\$150.00
Quarter Page	\$50.00	\$125.00
One Line Commercial or Lodge Ad	\$25.00	
One Line Individual or Couples (Mr. & Mrs. Brother or Sister, etc.)	\$5.00	

Please consider purchasing an ad. Please make checks payable in U.S. dollars to:

Heckart Testimonial Planning Committee

Please submit your ad copy along with the appropriate amount to:

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Questions regarding ad should be directed to Sue & Marty Zylstra, (515)244-7618. Thank you

**Deadline for Ads: October 1, 2022**



# MISTY'S Recipe Exchange



YIELD: 8-10

## Angel Food Cake with Berries

This showstopping Angel Food Cake with Berries takes ONLY 15 minutes to put together! WOW your guests with this amazing and delicious 4th of July Cake Idea or serve for any occasion!

<b>PREP TIME</b>	<b>TOTAL TIME</b>
15 minutes	15 minutes



### Ingredients

- 1 store bought Angel Food Cake - or bake one
- 2 containers (8 oz each) whipped topping, thawed
- 1 container (7 oz) marshmallow creme
- 2-3 teaspoons almond extract
- Berries (1 container each) strawberries, blueberries, red raspberries, blackberries
- Mint (optional)



### Instructions

1. Clean and cut the fruit, place in bowl
2. Whip together 1 container whipped topping and marshmallow creme until smooth
3. Note: To easily remove the marshmallow from the jar, heat in microwave for 30 seconds
4. Fold in additional whipped topping
5. Add almond extract
6. Divide cake into thirds
7. Layer cake, whipped topping mixture and berries
8. Repeat layers
9. Finish with berries and mint
10. Refrigerate until serving or serve immediately
11. Store leftovers in fridge



**LET'S SHARE RECIPES!**  
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