Happy New Year!

Our float is titled *Arctic Dream* and is intended to commemorate polar exploration and focus public attention on the importance of the polar regions to our planetary climate. Cold polar regions maintain global temperatures in the range that has allowed we humans to flourish on our planet. The polar regions are currently warming twice as fast as the rest of the globe, and Arctic and Antarctic ice habitats are literally melting as temperatures rise.

The float depicts Odd Fellows and research scientists exploring and encountering wildlife found at both our northern and southern poles. Such a simultaneous encounter with both polar bears and penguins is possible only in a DREAM. The polar bears and penguins are sending us an early warning of the climatic dangers facing us all. We BELIEVE that by working together we can ACHIEVE the Arctic Dream depicted by our float — a secure future for polar bears and penguins - which will benefit all life on earth.
News from the Top!

Charles E. Lusk
Sovereign Grand Master
I.O.O.F.

A few words shared from IOOF News…

…Several of our jurisdictions have had to reduce their sessions to 1 day due to the virus and they did this so they could elect the new officers for the next year and keep their Grand Lodges moving forward. This is a tough decision to make since most are used to having a 3- or 4-day session. We are all dealing with new issues daily that would normally be easy to settle, but with trying to keep everyone safe, sometimes these issues become a real problem not being able to meet and discuss them. First and foremost, we need to make sure we keep ourselves and everyone safe and healthy, make sure you stay in touch with your lodge members by phone or email. Let them know you are thinking about them and offer any help that may be needed if possible…

…Remember to open your doors at your lodge and let everyone know who we are and the great things we do for our community. If possible, have a meal for the needy at Thanksgiving time or Christmas and spread the cheer by helping folks that might be in the need for a warm meal and some kind words.

If there is anything I can do to help you or your lodge, do not hesitate to contact me, I am here for you.

In Friendship, Love and Truth,
S/ Chuck Lusk

As we start the next chapter in our lives, let’s work together to: “Be the person who makes everybody feel like somebody.”

Happy New Year

Kathleen “Kathy” D. Richen
President, International Association
Rebekah Assemblies

A few words shared from IOOF News…

Greetings, everyone. I am delighted to report that the Rebekahs had a very successful fall travel season. While several jurisdictions either cancelled or only met for a one-day meeting, a majority of the normal fall meetings were held with enthusiasm, love and great success. The only down side was the small number of attendees present. There are still some who are hesitant to attend group meetings with Covid-19 still prevalent and we all certainly understand that. Please take all available precautions to protect yourselves and your families and don’t fret over small meetings…

...When you feel it is safe to re-open your lodges, I encourage you to do so. We accomplish so many wonderful things at the lodge level and it does strengthen our Order, indeed…

...My motto this year is “Together We Can Strengthen Our Roots” and much of this is accomplished at the lodge level….

...We call each other brother and sister and oftentimes we act like a family full of love, disagreements and misunderstandings. But, like any family, we have a basic love that binds our hearts together and we always come back to what we believe in: Friendship, Love and Truth. This is a gift we should all treat as a very precious gem that binds us together.

Please have a joyous holiday season and be sure to watch the Tournament of Roses Parade on New Years morning. Some familiar faces will be waving to you!

With blessings to all,
s/ Kathleen D. Richen
President I.A.R.A.

“Together We Can Strengthen Our Roots”

General Michael L. Bowers
General Commanding
General Military Council
Patriarchs Militant

Greetings from General Michael,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone healthy and doing great. I hope all of you Youngsters have enjoyed your holidays. I know from watching your lodge projects through newsletters and social media that you have made the holidays brighter for many people in your communities through your lodge projects and events. I hope everyone starts and continues a most blessed and prosperous new year for your lodge, events and projects. You and your Advisors do an amazing job.

We continue to support and rally support for the Youth branches of the Order. Jurisdictions need to continue to support your Youth groups and we encourage everyone to look at starting a new lodge in your jurisdictions to help promote membership for the Order. To all Youngsters I encourage you to talk to other youths about joining your lodges it is not only with membership but makes lasting friendships for you getting to know new youth.

Please continue to keep all Youths, Brothers and Sisters in our thoughts and prayers who are in sickness or distress. Send them a card, go by and see them, give them a phone call it is amazing how this will brighten someone’s day.

In closing I personally want to Thank You the Youngsters and Advisors for your dedication and work for the Order. You are all Amazing!

Chivalrously,
General Michael Bowers
General Commanding, General Military Council
Greetings,

Another year has gone into the history books and we are always bless and thankful. Hopefully this coming year will be of great health and prosperous for us and our lodges.

As we closed out 2021 a lot of changes were made for the General Military Council and the International Association Ladies Auxiliary Patriarchs Militant. As of 12/31/21 the IALAPM merged with the GMC, Department Associations with Department Councils, LAPM’s with Cantons, this is part of the five year plan that was adopted. A lot of tuff and hard decisions were made in the last five years concerning this merger but were made for the betterment and to strengthen the Patriarchs Militant branch of the Order.

We want to say Congratulations to Lady Margaret Gardner of New York for becoming a Past President of the IALAPM. Lady Margaret and her Officers did a great job in assisting in the mergers and carried out the work of the IALAPM normal duties in a short period of time. We welcome all Ladies into the GMC, Department Councils and Cantons and hope that you will continue with us.

Chivalrously,
General Michael Bowers
General Commanding, General Military Council

CONTESTS FOR YOUTH!

Pin Design for 2022:
Submit your design for the Youth Pin. Please remember the finished size of the pin is approximately 1”diameter. Keep the design simple. The design must include: the year of the pin, Emblems of the 4 units; Junior Odd Fellow Lodge, Theta Rho Girls Club, United Youth Group & Cadet Corp, the colors to be used. Please take the time and color your designs and make sure your name and address are on the back of the design.

Must be turned in to Steve by May 1, 2022

Website: www.ioof.org  (Click on YOUTH)

Advisor of the Year 2022
Submit in writing why you feel your advisor should receive this award. Tell us the special things that he or she does to make your meetings more fun. Let us know what your advisor has taught you and how you have grown in knowledge of our order. Although we realize that Assistant Advisors are very special too, this particular award is for the Club/Lodge/Group Advisor only.

SEND YOUR CONTEST ENTRIES TO:
Chairman, Steve Adams
Email: seawyo@yahoo.com

Community Service Recognition Award
Send us a list of your community service activities in which your lodge, club, or group participated in without compensation. Provide the description of the projects, amount of money collected/donated, the number of participants and the hours of service provided.
ONE MORE CAST From The Chairman

Greetings To All of the Youth of our Order.

Now with the holidays in the rearview mirror it's time to get busy with the new year. Time to look for new members. And how do we do that you may ask? Well, here are some ideas.

Have an ice cream social. Make up some fliers, with the date and post your fliers at the local grocery store, library, boys & girls club, YMCA, any businesses that will allow you to post. Post on Facebook or any other available media. Be sure to showcase your wearables. How about a Zoom meet, greet and find out about Odd-fellowship?

Ask your friends, neighbors, relatives of your club/lodge sponsors. Reach out to other clubs/lodges, etc. Ask them what works for their group. How do they get their name out to the public. There are lots of things that you can do and the Youth Committee will do our best to help in any way we can. Utilize your "thinking out of the box" ideas.

Youth Days

Time to start planning for Youth Days August 12&13 2022 Winston-Salem NC. Once again the Talent Show and Banquet will be Friday night. Sessions will be Saturday. We are planning on speakers for Saturday the same as last year. Fun night to follow. If you have any ideas for Fun Night, please send them to one of the committee members. Their emails are in the Youth Informer. If you weren't able to attend last year's sessions you missed out on a lot of fun. Especially fun night which was at a water park. We hope that your jurisdictions will make plans to get you to Youth Days. Start talking with your sponsors, Grand Lodges, Rebekah Assemblies, and start working on money makers.

And speaking of Youth Days, it's time to start thinking about getting your pin designs, Advisor of the Year, Community Service hours and Jurisdictional reports ready for submittal. (If your jurisdiction is not sending any youth we still must have a jurisdictional report.) There are guidelines in this edition so please make sure you and your advisors read that section.

Advisors, if you have any questions please reach out to Steve Adams, Chairman of the SGL/IARA Youth Committee. We wish you all a Happy Year. Stay safe, be well, and carry on.

Your SGL/IARA Joint Youth Committee

Jurisdictional Youth Reports

*Please have your report written as it will be turned in to the SGL-IARA Joint Youth Committee
*Report information spans from the last SGL-IARA Youth Days to the present.

SGL-IARA Jurisdictional Youth Reports need to include the following information:
1. Names, titles and jurisdiction of the Youth giving the report.
2. Total number of Junior Odd Fellows, Theta Rho, United Youth Groups and Cadet Corps and total number of members.
3. Junior Odd Fellows, Theta Rho, United Youth Groups and Cadet Corps that are not meeting.
4. Comparison of membership with prior years.
5. Interesting fund raising projects.
6. Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Club, Unite Youth Group and Cadet Corps activities.
7. Significant membership drive recognition.
8. Visitation activities to other jurisdictions.
9. Recognition of completing Honors Program.
10. Future plans.
11. Grand Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Assembly and information such as numbers attending, when and where held, and significant activities.
12. What are you doing for your sponsoring Lodge? What are they doing for you?
13. Recognition of any and all other special events.
THOMAS WILDEY DAY PROCLAMATION

To all Members of all Degrees of theIndependent Order of Odd Fellows

Fraternal Greetings:

Whereas, pursuant to a dream, Thomas Wildey founded an Order that in time would influence men and women of every walk of life, and

Whereas, it is appropriate to remember the founder of our Order who through his vision, determination, wisdom and talent saw the culmination of his dream, which resulted into the priceless heritage, we enjoy today.

Now therefore, I, Charles E. Lusk, by virtue of the authority duly vested in me asSovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, do proclaim,

That January 15, 2022 the anniversary date of the birth of our founder be celebrated as Thomas Wildey Day throughout the world of Odd Fellowship.

Further, please observe the birthday of Brother Wildey with special ceremony on or as near the 15th of January as is possible, and

Further, all Units of the Order are encouraged to initiate a Wildey Class in celebration of the occasion, and

Further, that the month of January be Thomas Wildey Museum Month in which members are encouraged to contribute to the museum, either monetarily or with items for display.

Contributions should be sent to The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., Thomas Wildey Museum, 422 Trade Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this 1st day of November 2021, and in the 203rd year of our Order.

Yours in F, L & T,

Attest: /s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary

/s/ Charles E. ‘Chuck’ Lusk
Sovereign Grand Master
Educational Foundation Proclamation

To the Officers and Members of all Degrees of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Fraternal Greetings:

Whereas, the Educational Foundation, the oldest project of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, established in 1927, has made it possible for thousands of people from all walks of life to further their education with low interest loans amounting to more than 7.4 million dollars, and

Whereas, the Educational Foundation depends upon donations from all Units and members for its continued service in this most important field, and

Whereas, the need for loans is ever increasing to meet the higher cost of helping men and women to find their place in life, working in all types of professional, business and trade fields, and

Whereas, one of our commands is: ‘to educate’; what better way to achieve this command than through loans and scholarships of the Educational Foundation.

Now Therefore, I, Charles E. Lusk, by virtue of the authority duly vested in me as the Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, do hereby proclaim,

The month of February as Educational Foundation Month throughout Odd Fellowship.

Further, request all Units of the Order to support this project by:

Making a special effort to sponsor a money-raising event for the benefit of the Educational Foundation or a treasury donation.

All monies raised and contributions made should be sent to the Jurisdictional Secretary of each Unit of the Order and the Jurisdictional Secretary will, in turn, send the total donations for the Jurisdiction to: R. Kenneth Babb, Ex. Dir., Educational Foundation I.O.O.F., P.O. Box 20455, Winston-Salem, NC 27120. This will enable each Jurisdictional Secretary to give credit for contributions made by Local Units.

When you reach out and touch people through education you provide them with the knowledge.

Done this 1st day of November 2021, in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and of our Order the 203rd year.

Attest: /s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary

/s/ Charles E. ‘Chuck’ Lusk
Sovereign Grand Master
2022 Pre-Registration Form

The Sovereign Grand Lodge
International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant
International Association
Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant

Winston-Salem, North Carolina
August 15 to 18, 2022

Please Note:
All Attendees MUST register

Name ____________________________________________
(as desired on badge) ________________________________

Unit attending: SGL  IARA  GMC  Youth  Guest  (please circle one)

Title for name badge ____________________________________________

Mailing Address ________________________________________________

City, St./Pv, Postal Code __________________________________________

Telephone ____________________________ Email ______________________

Registration Information

Registrations on or before July 26, 2022, $75.00 $ ________________

Registrations after July 26, 2022, $80.00 $ ________________

Highlight Events

Youth Dinner, Friday Aug. 12, $45.00 $ ________________

Welcome Dinner, Saturday Aug. 13, $45.00 $ ________________

Officer’s Banquet, Monday Aug. 15, $70.00 $ ________________

Installation Dinner, Wednesday Aug. 17, $60.00 $ ________________

Total Fees for the session, in US dollars $ ________________

No refund on meals if not attending when canceled after the 26th of July, unless your reservation is picked up at registration by another attendee.

Please mail all Registration Forms with a check or money order to:
2022 I.O.O.F. Session Committee
422 N. Trade St.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830

Any special requests, such as: special diet, should be indicated here: ____________________________
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For Marriott use the code: IOOF - Oddfellows
For Embassy Suites use the code: OFF

Information to have available when calling to make a reservation:

Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
City/State/Postal Code: ________________
Additional Guests: ____________________
Phone Number: _______________________ Email: ______________________
Card Number: _______________________ Exp. Date: ______________
Arrival Date: _______________________ Departure Date: ______________
IT’S ALL FOR FUN!

2021 Advisor of the Year
Judy Diekman
is from Acorn #79

Winter S Words

Can You Spot the 10 Differences?

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Enjoy winter

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### FACEBOOK PAGE: SGL-IARA Youth

- *Use Facebook to share your activities with others.*
- *Use Facebook as a question and answer page.*
- *Keep in touch with everyone that attended Youth Days in the past or just this year.*
- *Share your organization’s website with others.*

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### We want to include you in The Youth Informer!

*The Youth Informer* would like to publish your article in our next publishing. Please submit your articles to: Gwen Wixom, Editor. E-mail to [gwen.century21@aol.com](mailto:gwen.century21@aol.com). Remember, this is your paper. Take an interest in being a writer for your community and let us know what your club has been up to. Send me your pictures and articles and we will try our best to get all entries in your Youth Informer.

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### Anyone graduate from your lodge, club or group?

Is your jurisdiction working on the Youth Honors Program? We would like to add any of this information to our Newsletter for mailing and recognition purposes:

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Please send this form to the SGL-IARA JYC Committee Secretary:
Michele Trynor
YOUTH COMMITTEE DIRECTORY

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We’re here for you!
Do you need us? Do you need help? Advice? Or just an ear to listen? Request a visit by contacting Youth Committee Chairman Steve Adams directly by phone, email or letter and we will be there. We only ask that you contact us as soon as possible to enable us time to make arrangements to get to you as quick as we can.