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ODD FELLOWS/REBEKAHS OF MAINE

DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

- 04/09/2026 Eastern Region District Meeting, Blue Hill #79
- 04/10-04/11 R.I. GE, GL. GM Thomas Gotauco
- 04/13/2026 Northern Region District Mtg at Garfield #99
- 04/18/2026 Coastal Regional Mtg at Rockbound, Stonington
- 4/24-4/25/26 NH GL Town & Country Resort Shelburne
GM Kevin Taylor
- 05/1-05/3/26 Tomb of the Unknown Arlington Cemetery.
- 05/08-05/09 VT GL.
- 05/08-05/09 A.P. GL GM Jeff Dewtie
- 05/09/2026 GE NH GP Richard Davis
- 05/15-05/18 NEOFA Conclave
- 05/22-05/23 Quebec GL GM Tim Morrison.
- 06/05-06/06 MA GL. GM Susan Needles
- 06/5-06/7/26 Canadian War Memorial Weekend Ottawa
- 06/10/2026 North Regional Meeting Fort Fairfield
- 06/20/2026 Dept. Council A.N.E. Concord NH

Traditional Duties of an Odd Fellow Are:

- **To visit the sick**
- **To relieve the distressed**
- **To bury the dead**
- **To Educate the Orphan**
Helping others to build a better World

IF YOU WANT YOUR LODGES EVENTS AND PHOTOS PUBLISHED PLEASE SEND THEM TO THE GL EMAIL PREFERABLE AS A WORD DOCUMENT OR ATTACHMENTS

LODGE OF SORROW

Rockabema #78 Clifford Barker passed away 7/6/2025

Rockabema #78 Everett Johnston passed away 2/11/2025

APRIL 2026



DGM'S APRIL LETTER

Spring has Sprung!

Brothers and sisters,

with the arrival of spring, we welcome a renewed sense of energy, optimism, and opportunity. As we leave the challenges of winter behind us, the longer days and warmer weather remind us of the importance of growth, connection with each other, and our communities.

I would like to extend my heartfelt support to those who have experienced difficulties over the past season—whether through loss, illness, or personal hardship. Please know that you remain in my thoughts, and your Odd Fellow family stands with you.

Looking ahead, I am excited for the opportunities to travel, reconnect with longtime friends, and build new relationships within our extended community. As you know, Unity Lodge has sponsored the bus to Washington this year to help lower the cost of travelling. I hope to see many of you in Washington for our annual pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown.

This year as Odd Fellows, let's try to work together and create more community events to help promote Odd Fellowship. One way could be to send children to Camp NEOFA. Another suggestion could possibly be to have a contest for kids offering a campership as the prize. Or maybe a cookout, inviting the community where we can have fliers and other information about Odd Fellows. Please don't forget, the Grand Lodge has funds to help your lodge put on events and help you advertise this type of event.

As always, let us remember that kindness is one of the simplest and most meaningful gifts we as Odd Fellows can offer. A small gesture or a friendly smile can make a lasting difference in someone's day.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if there is anything I could assist with or support in any way.

In FLT

Michele Trynor DGM

PRESIDENTS MARCH LETTER

Almost Happy Spring

Hope everyone had a good rest over the last two months. Now it is time to get started again and continue our great works we do for others.

As we start up again , I would like to remind everyone to support the other Lodges. We are few now, and it is very important we support each other. Try to attend Visitations and or Regional Meetings.

I am not having Baskets at the first Regional Meeting. We will have a 50/50. Also, I would like to have our Members buy tickets on the two quilts. One is a lap quilt and the other is a queen size. Money is for the Grand Master's and my Special Project, ALS. In memory of our Past President, Judy Clark Foster. I will have the quilts with me as I travel.

Correction on the visitation at Ivy on March 3rd. there will be refreshments after the Meeting instead of a supper before.

Wishing our Past President, Glenda Knights a speedy recovery from hip surgery.

Looking forward to getting back on the road again and seeing everyone.

In.F.L.T.

Verna Jones, President



PRESIDENT'S APRIL NEWSLETTER

HAPPY SPRING! NICE TO SEE THE SUN SETTING LATER IN THE DAY. NOW IT IS TIME TO DO SOME SPRING CLEANING!

I HAVE FINISHED MY VISITATIONS AND FIRST REGIONAL MEETING. THANK YOU TO ALL THE LODGES FOR THEIR HARD WORK IN PROMOTING OUR ORDER. MY TABLEAUS ARE JUST BEAUTIFUL. A LOT OF THOUGHT WENT INTO THESE. I DEFINITELY WILL USE THEM FOR ASSEMBLY. I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS TO DISTRICT DEPUTY PRESIDENT, LINDA FURROW. YOU DID AN EXCELLENT JOB FOR YOUR FIRST TIME.

WE STILL HAVE THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S AND WARDEN'S VISITATIONS AND REGIONAL MEETING TO DO. MY HOPE THAT MANY OF YOU CAN ATTEND, AT LEAST THE REGIONAL MEETINGS. LET'S SUPPORT ALL THE ASSEMBLY OFFICERS.

ON MARCH 12TH, ACME #75 DID THE DEGREE WORK ON A NEW MEMBER. WELCOME ANN. WE WERE HAPPY THAT OUR WARDEN OF THE GRAND LODGE, JOEL DEMERS CAME AND HELPED US WITH THE DEGREE. THANKS JOEL.

JUST A REMINDER, THE GRAND MASTER AND I ALONG WITH REBEKAH ASSEMBLY TOP OFFICERS AND D.D.P'S HAVE TICKETS ON BOTH QUILTS. PLEASE CONSIDER BUYING SOME. AS I TRAVEL AROUND, I WILL HAVE THE QUILTS WITH ME. THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL.

ALL PROCEEDS GOES TO ALS IN MEMORY OF OUR PAST PRESIDENT, JUDY CLARK-FOSTER.

A REMINDER THAT CAMP NEOFA WILL BE STARTING SOON. PLEASE CONSIDER SENDING CHILDREN TO CAMP OR MAKE A MONETARY DONATION. MANY OF THESE CHILDREN WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO GO WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT. WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY GIVE ME A CALL AT 207-449-7436

THE JURISDICTION OF VERMONT IS HAVING A CONCLAVE AT CAMP NEOFA MAY 15TH-18TH FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: CAMP-NEOFA.ORG.

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE IN MY TRAVELS

IN F.L.T.

VERNA JONES, PRESIDENT REBEKAH ASSEMBLY





Above DDGM Danner Curtis presents Richard Horton with a 50 year jewel at Blue Hill #79.

Opposite page top First Regional Mtg. at Narragansett #145

Opposite page bottom IARA President's reception in Texas.

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