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ODD FELLOWS/REBEKAHS OF MAINE

DATES TO REMEMBER

CT - GL Annual Session 9/17/2021 - 9/18/2021

Jt. Planning Board 9/25/2021

ME - GL Annual Session 10/15/2021 - 10/16/2021

ME - RA Annual Session 10/14/2021 - 10/15/2021

ME - GE Annual Session 11/13/2021

LODGE OF SORROW

**Jurisdictional Lodge #1 Nathan A. Reynolds
passed away 8/9/2021**

**Fraternity Lodge #6 Allen Edward Coffey Jr.
passed away 4/27/2021.**

**Fraternity Lodge #6 James L. Johnson passed
away 8/31/2018.**

**Rebekah Lodge #94 PPRA Lucille B. Nelson
passed away 7/28/2021.**

**Joshua Davis Lodge #145 Wallace H. Webb
passed away 7/31/2021.**



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 PUB-
LISHED PLEASE
SEND THEM TO
THE GL EMAIL
PREFERABLE AS
A WORD DOCU-
MENT OR AT-
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**SEPTEMBER
2021**

**To all Officers and Members of the Rebekah Assembly I.O.O.F. of
Maine.**

GREETINGS!

The 127th Annual Session of the Rebekah Assembly of Maine I.O.O.F. will be held on Thursday and Friday, October 14th, and 15th 2021 at the Anah Shrine 1404 Broadway/ME-15 Bangor, ME. The Hotel for the session is the Bangor Motor Inn & Suites 701 Hogan Road Bangor, ME 04401. Tel.# 207-947-0355.

Take the Maine Turnpike to Exit 187, to Hogan Road, towards the Bangor Mall. The Bangor Motor Inn is on the right. Directions from the Bangor Motor Inn to the Anah Shrine are, turn left on Hogan Road to I-95 south to exit 185, turn right on Broadway/ME-15 go 2 miles Shrine is on the left. Room reservations are to be made directly to the hotel no later than September 19, 2021 to guarantee the rates we have locked in. The room rates, King Bed \$100.00 or 2 double beds will be \$90.00 + tax for 1 to 2 people in the room a \$10.00 charge for each extra person. Call as soon as possible for reservations; mention Rebekah Assembly or Odd Fellows Grand Lodge. Do not forget to request if you have any special needs. A free hot breakfast is provided.

Our Session starts at 9:00AM on Thursday morning. On Wednesday evening at 7:30PM there will be a rehearsal for the Marshall, Conductor, Flag Bearers, Assistant Marshall, Assistant Conductor and Assistants to take up the password. Only those participating should attend the rehearsal. Thank you.

You may register for the Assembly on Wednesday evening at 7:30PM. The Registration Committee is Joan Heighton, PP, Muriel Elkins and Cynthia Larrabee. The committee will set up outside the Assembly Room. On Thursday morning at 8:00AM, the Credential Committee, Ernestine MacMillan, PP, De Nelda Davis, PP and Hazel Moore, PP will meet with the candidates to receive the Rebekah Assembly Degree. The Candidates need to have their Credential to present to the Committee. Any Past Noble Grand in a good standing in a Rebekah Lodge, who desires to take the Assembly Degree must make application with the Assembly Secretary, Kera Ashline, 24 Nealley Street, South Berwick, ME 03908. Your Lodge Secretary has the proper credential forms. One form is to be sent to the Assembly Secretary and the other form is to be brought to the Assembly or she/he will not be admitted to the Assembly

At 8:00 AM in addition to the Credential Committee the following Committees will meet to perform their various duties. Registration Table- Joan Heighton, Muriel Elkins and Cynthia Larrabee. Exchange Table - Cynthia Larrabee, Idelle Stickney and Tammy Hagerthy. Supply Table - Vickie Soule, Olive Daily and Jean Buckminster. Journals – Nellie Langley, Kay Johnston and Patricia Robichaud.

Breakfast Buffet will be available in the Session Room consisting of Coffee, Chilled Juices, Assorted Breakfast Pastries and Fruit. The Opening of the Rebekah Assembly will begin at 9:00 AM on Thursday morning. The candidates are welcome to attend the opening ceremonies. The Assembly Degree will be conferred as soon as the Assembly is Officially opened Thursday afternoon. The degree will also be conferred on Friday morning after the opening of the Assembly. Sisters and Brothers taking the Assembly degree please wear a long gown, color of your choice, Brothers please wear a suit or sports coat.

On Thursday and Friday, I would like my Officers and Assistants, Past Presidents to wear a black or white skirt with a rainbow top. If you do not have a black skirt then a you may wear a gown in a rainbow color. On Friday anyone participating in the Installing Ceremonies please wear a white gown or men wear a suit or a sport coat.

Photos of next year's Officers and Deputies will be at 1:00 PM sharp Friday afternoon. Please be in the appointed place and ready for your photo by 12:55 PM The Installation will follow at 1:15 PM.

Past Marshalls will meet on Thursday, October 15th at Noon. Please contact Elaine Barry (207) 453-6053 to let her know if you will be attending the meeting. We will meet in the back of the Assembly room. Any Past Marshall is Welcome to attend.

A Buffet Lunch consisting of: Make your own sandwich (sliced meat platter and (2) cheese choices) (1) Hot item soup or casserole, salad, and dessert. Chilled drinks. The Presidents Luncheon is free for all attending the Assembly Session on Thursday. You will need to make reservation to attend the luncheon with Debra Harney, Asst Secretary no later than October 2nd. No reservations will be taken after that date. (207) 653- 5285.

The Past Presidents will meet as soon as the Assembly closes on Thursday evening. Watch for more information to come.

The reports of the Legislation Committee and the Trustees Committee will be presented on Thursday afternoon. Please have two copies of your reports typed if possible.

The Past Presidents memorial will take place Thursday afternoon

The Memorial Committee please plan on doing your memorial Service on Thursday afternoon (if time permits). Names of deceased members should be sent to Peggy Campbell no later than October 2nd. Her address is 142 Chapman Road, Presque Isle ME 04769

On Friday morning, the Rebekah Assembly will reconvene promptly at 8:00 AM the Assembly Degree will be conferred if needed. Immediately following the degree, the Grand Lodge/Grand Encampment, officers, and members will be introduced. The Department Council Chevaliers and the Department Association Ladies (in social dress) will also be presented at this time.]

Promptly at 10:00 AM on Friday Morning we will have nominations and election of officers followed by remarks from our I.A.R.A. Guest and any business until 11:30am when we will recess for lunch.

A Buffet Lunch consisting of: Make your own sandwich (sliced meat platter and (2) cheese choices) (1) Hot item soup or casserole, salad, and dessert. Chilled drinks. Cost of the lunch will be \$25.00. We need a ball park figure no later than October 2nd. Make checks payable to the Rebekah Assembly of Maine, send reservation and checks to Debra Harney, Asst Secretary, 273 Mitchell Road, Cape Elizabeth ME 04107.

Following the Installation of the Officer and Deputies Friday Afternoon and the presentation of our new Presidents Program the Assembly will reconvene for any additional business until 4:00PM.

The Grand Master and President's banquet will be served at 6:30 PM on Friday evening, the room will be open at 5:30 P.M. This will be a Buffet meal at a cost of \$45.00 per person, A cash bar and musical entertainment will be available for the Banquet until 11:00 P.M. Reservations to be mailed to the Grand Lodge Office 80 Caron Lane Auburn, ME 04210. Tel. 207-786-3638. R.S.V.P. for the banquet no later than October 2nd Make all checks payable to the Grand Lodge of Maine. Dress Code for Elective GL Officers is Black Tux.

Friday's Banquet Buffet includes; Cheese & Crackers W/Cut Vegetables & Dip, Sliced Roast Prime of Beef au jus, Baked stuffed Haddock w/Crab Sauce, Chef's choice of Chicken Entree, Roasted Potatoes with Vegetables, Green Salad with Dressings, Fresh Sliced Bread with Butter, Chef's choice of (2) Desserts. Cash bar available.

8:00 AM Saturday Morning the new District Deputies will meet with the President, Vice President and Warden. Please bring a 2022 calendar and the dates that your Regional Rebekah Lodges meet.

9:00 AM Saturday Morning the Past District Deputies will meet. All new deputies will be introduced and welcomed to the meeting. Secretaries, please send all deceased Past District Deputies names to Cheryl Holt, Chaplain with date of joining and the date of passing. 82 Park Street, Apt #1 Madison ME 04950

We will be having coffee, water and a light breakfast at the meeting.

12:00 PM Anyone wishing to stay for lunch may join the Grand Lodge for their Lunch Buffet If interested:

Make your own sandwich (sliced meat platter and (2) cheese choices) (1) Hot item soup or casserole, salad, and dessert. Chilled drinks. Cost is \$25.00. Make all checks payable to the Grand Lodge of Maine. The Grand Master's Luncheon is free for all Maine Odd Fellows attending the Grand Lodge Session. R.S.V.P. for the luncheon no later than October 2nd. Reservations to be mailed to the Grand Lodge Office 80 Caron Lane Auburn, ME 04210. Tel. 207-786-3638.

I will issue a blanket dispensation for all the lodges to hold installation after October 1, 2021 in whatever manner that is convenient for the lodges in the district. They must be held by October 13, 2021.

If there are any Elected Officers, Appointed Officers, Assistants or Committee Members who will not be able to attend the Assembly, please let me know as early as possible so that I may find someone to take your place. Contact me at (207) 839-4723.

I am asking members to bring canned goods and non-perishable goods (please check the expiration date) for the food bank and items for the homeless shelter (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, deodorants, feminine hygiene products and socks) both are located in Bangor. The weather will be getting colder so the items are needed more than ever. There will be two prizes so the more items you bring the more chances you have to win.

I want to say a big "Thank You" to each and every one of you who have held an office or been on a committee for me these last two years. Also, for all the courtesies that have been shown to me and to anyone traveling with me these past four years. Secretaries, this communication must be read at two consecutive meetings.

Fraternal Love, Joyce Young, President
Rebekah Assembly of Maine

Attest: Kera Ashline, Secretary
Rebekah Assembly of Maine

Planning Boards

The September planning boards will be on Saturday the 25th.

The individual branches will have their board meetings at 9:00 A.M.

The joint planning board should be able to start at 11:00 A.M.

Grand Lodge I.O.O.F. of Maine

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The Official Opening of the Grand Lodge will begin at 1:00 PM on Friday. The Grand Lodge Degree will be conferred as soon as the Grand Lodge is opened. The degree will also be conferred on Saturday morning after the Grand Lodge reconvenes at 9:00 AM. Registration (no fee**) will start 1 hour prior to the opening on both Friday and Saturday. All Grand Lodge members are voting members, 3rd Degree members may attend, after the Grand Lodge is dropped to the 3rd Degree but have no vote.**

Recommended Dress Code for the Session is a Business Suit or Sport Coat and Tie for the men and appropriate attire for the ladies.

Any Past Grand or 3rd Degree PNG in good standing in an Odd Fellows Lodge, may take the Grand Lodge Degree, they must have their Past Grand's/PNG certificate. Lodge Secretaries be sure to complete the certificate, give one copy to the retiring Noble Grand and mail one copy to the Grand Secretary.

Saturday Luncheon at 12:00 Noon. Installation of Officers will begin at 1:00 P.M. Following the Installation of Officers and Deputies the Grand Lodge will reconvene for any remaining business, the newly installed officers will take over after the close of the session.

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R.S.V.P. for the banquet and the luncheon no later than October 7th we will need a headcount for the Shrine.

In F.L. &T.,

**David Gulya
Grand Master**

**Attest; Michael Anderson
Grand Secretary**

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