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**Grand Lodge of California, I.O.O.F.
Board of Directors – Meeting
Saratoga, CA. – 10/05/2013**

Call to Order: 9:00AM by John Morgan, Chairman

Roll Call:

Elected Board Members Present (8): John Morgan, Chairman – Peter Sellars, Vice Chairman
Mel Astrahan, Pete Pohlhammer, Paul Pike, Barry Prock, Clarence Woodbey, Paul Wright.

Elected Board Members Absent:

Grand Lodge Officers Present (7): Rick Boyles, Grand Master – Tim Brown, Deputy Grand
Master, Dave Rosenberg, Grand Warden – Jay Johnson, Grand Treasurer – Ray Link, Grand Secretary,
Rod Metoyer, Grand Representative & Jr. PGM – Paul Pike, Grand Representative.

Grand Lodge Officers Absent:

Others Present: Larry Brenner, Legal Counsel

Visitors Present: Gerald Poarch, Judy Poarch, Ron Lamphere, Rose Saari, Bonnie Sellars

Sick Report:

Distressed: Don Smith (PSGM, PGM) Hospitalized, Karolinne Livingston, Glenn & Pam Powell
(Auto accident), Clarence Woodbey (Medical Issues)

Deceased: Wayne Roberts (Past GL Director), Genevieve Schmidt (Joan Pike's mother), Jane
Jensen (PPRA)

Approval of Minutes: (08/03/2013) **Moved by Ray Link, seconded to accept the minutes – PASSED.**

Special Presentation: Gerald Poarch spoke on the Andrew Lamphere Foundation and requested funds.
Moved by Rod Metoyer, seconded to donate \$10,000 to the A.L. Foundation – PASSED (14-0-1).

Executive Session:

OFRBF: Bylaw compromise – TBC

CAMP: New Manager, Pool Bid, Counselor Training

Communications: (*indicates having been emailed or sent to ALL Board Members)

*Minutes: 9/14/2013 RCS Minutes – No Action Needed

*Letter (Via Email): SGL re: Philippines growth and lodge hall requests for assistance/donations –
letter to be mailed to all lodges

*Letter: Three Link Camp's response to Grand Master's letter re: resolution of camp issues

*Email: Three Link Camp minutes & financial report from their 9/21 meeting

*Letter: Thank you for the funds to help in their new membership program – No Action Needed

Old Business:

Cemeteries:

Crescent City: STATUS – Randy Krassow to complete – TBC

Livermore: STATUS – Audit – No State issues

Santa Rosa: STATUS – Cemetery Bylaws to be rewritten – Non-Profit & For-Profit issues

Vallejo: STATUS – Cemetery poor condition – Larry to do a title search

Halls:

El Centro: SOLD

Kernville: STATUS – Reduced to \$389K – 2 Renters.

Martinez (Alhambra Rebekah #292): Listed with a Broker

Mojave: STATUS – In Escrow

Stockton (Charity #6 & Stockton #11): STATUS – Listed with a Broker

Lodges:

Woodland #11: Meeting issues, Tony Pruitt, Deputy

San Jose #34: Rick to check out

San Pablo #43: Renovating hall, community activity, 3 new renters to cover bills

Coulterville #104: Small membership, working to keep it going
Lemoore #280: Rick to check it out, not meeting regularly, possible suspension
Forestville #320: Charter to be suspended
Crown City #395: Rick to check on their lodge operation, Possible Suspension
Saratoga #428: Assigned a Special Deputy and ordered an Audit
Bellflower #463: Rick to check on their lodge operation, Possible Suspension

General Issues:

Euclid #68: making HEF payments – Paul Pike to handle – TBC

Rose Float: *Moved by Dave Rosenberg, seconded to amend a previous motion relative to a \$5,000 donation made at the previous meeting to be sent after the receipt of financial reports – WITHDRAWN.* Financial Information presented by Mel Astrahan.

New Business:

Holiday Dinner: Reservation for 12/6, Barnes Hall, No-Host at 5:30PM and Dinner at 6:00PM.

UNP: Rod Metoyer appointed to SGL UNP Board. *Moved by Rod Metoyer, seconded that the fee be increased to \$2,000 for expenses – PASSED (15-0-0)*

Youth Camp: spoke on Camper applications

Loan Request from Boulder Creek #152: passed to Investment Committee

Consent Agenda Reports: *The 'Consent Agenda' reports will NOT be discussed unless someone asks to have them removed from the Consent Agenda and then discussed separately. All reports that are not specifically removed from the Consent Agenda will be accepted as presented.*

*Grand Master: Rick Boyles – summary of activities.

Deputy Grand Master: Tim Brown – summary of visits

*Grand Warden: Dave Rosenberg

Grand Representatives: Paul Pike & Rod Metoyer

*Audit: Jay Johnson

Budget: John Morgan

Investment: John Morgan

Legal: Larry Brenner

Legislation: Rick Boyles

*Membership: Peter Sellars

*Property: John Morgan

OFHC: Pete Pohlhammer – Draft Minutes available

COFF: Ray Link – Draft Minutes available

RCS: Paul Pike

Youth Camp: Rod Metoyer – Draft Minutes provided by Terry & Donna Olson

Ad-Hoc Technology: Paul Wright – Report and Quote provided – Tally equipment received

Rebekah Assembly: Minutes sent out

Consent Items Removed: NONE

Comments: Peter Sellars spoke on confidentiality issues relative to Boards.

Adjournment: 12:25PM

Next Meeting: December 7, 2013, 9:00AM at Saratoga in the Grand Lodge Office.

Respectfully Submitted by Ray Link, Grand Secretary



Eighty-first I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the

Tomb of the Unknowns

May 2-4, 2014, Arlington, Virginia

November 2013

Greetings to all members, families and friends of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. You are cordially invited to attend the Eighty-first Annual I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns. Members of all units of the Order are encouraged to participate. The Pilgrimage Committee is pleased to provide the following information about this annual event.

The 2014 Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, May 4 at Arlington National Cemetery. The ceremonies will begin at noon with a parade from the USS Maine Mast staging area, followed by the memorial service and wreath laying ceremonies at the Tomb. *Please note the program will begin an hour earlier than previous years.* The Pilgrimage address at the Tomb will be delivered by the Honorable Robert W. "Bob" Smith, Sovereign Grand Master.

The Hilton Alexandria Mark Center, at 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22311, will be our headquarters. Room reservations are to be made directly with the hotel, at toll-free 1-800-Hiltons (1-800-445-8667) or 1-703-845-1010. You **MUST** mention "Odd Fellows Pilgrimage" when reserving your room to receive the special rate of \$110.00 plus hotel tax. (See attached information about hotel accommodations).

The annual Pilgrimage banquet will be held in the hotel on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at 7:00 PM. (Advance ticket purchase required - see attached pre-registration form.) A social hour will be held from 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM. After the banquet, all present will have the opportunity to meet and greet the Honorable Robert W. "Bob" Smith, Sovereign Grand Master, Independent Order of Odd Fellows from the Jurisdiction of Illinois; Sister Dorothy M. Laycock, President, International Association of Rebekah Assemblies from the Jurisdiction of Kentucky; General Kirjath D. Toney, General Commanding, General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant, from the Jurisdiction of Tennessee; and Lady Debra LaVergne, President, International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant from the Jurisdiction of California.

We recommend that you schedule flights to and from Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA), the nearest airport to take advantage of the free shuttle service to the hotel provided by the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center. The Washington metro area is also served by Dulles International Airport (IAD), located 30 miles southwest of the Capital in Northern Virginia. (There is no free hotel shuttle from this airport).

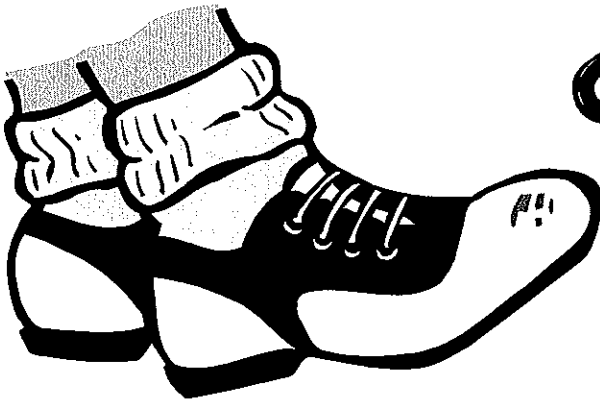
We encourage you to publicize this special annual event in your I.O.O.F. community. The contact information for the various events is listed on the reverse of this page or on the attached forms. We look forward to seeing you May 2-4, 2014 in Alexandria, Virginia.

In Friendship, Love, and Truth,
Jennie Sue Pearson and Chuck Renninger
General Co-Chairmen

2nd Annual Grand Master's Ball

Dancing and entertainment
in the Upper Hall featuring
Frankie and the Fabletones

Hearty appetizers by
Chef Jeff Oblinger



**GRAND MASTER
RICK BOYLES**
invites Odd Fellows,
Rebekahs, and their guests
to attend a **GRAND BALL**

**Saturday
January 18, 2014**

6:31 p.m.

**Davis Odd Fellows
Lodge Hall**

**415 Second Street
Downtown Davis**

\$25.00 PER PERSON
RSVP deadline is January 13

FULL NO HOST BAR

ATTIRE: Think 1960's sock hop (jeans, sweatshirts, poodle skirts, leather jackets, capris, etc.)

Please send your RSVP and check payable to "Grand Master Rick Boyles" to:
Renée Liston, 1562 Rialto Lane, Davis, CA 95618

QUESTIONS: Call (650) 208-2911

Davis Odd Fellows Charities, Inc.
Application Form

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs in good standing may nominate eligible orphans and foster youth or emancipated foster youth for educational scholarships provided by Davis Odd Fellows Charities, Inc. All decisions by Davis Odd Fellows Charities, Inc. are made in the sole discretion of the corporation. To be eligible for consideration, nominees must be orphans or foster youth, must be at least 18 years of age at the time they enter college/university, must be U.S. citizens, must have attained at least a B+ average upon high school graduation, and must be accepted to an accredited college/university or a legitimate junior college and entering as a freshman. Educational scholarships, if approved, will be at least \$5,000 and up to \$10,000 for the freshman year, based on merit and need. Students may re-apply for a subsequent year, up to four years in total, based on merit, need, and the ability to maintain a GPA of at least 3.33. Application must be received by Davis Odd Fellows Charities, Inc., not later than March 1, 2014. When complete, mail to: Davis Odd Fellows Charities, Inc. Attn: Dave Rosenberg, 415 Second Street, Davis CA 95616.

Please Print

Name of Applicant _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Are you a US citizen? _____

E-mail Address _____

Mailing Address: _____

Are you an orphan or foster youth? _____ At what age did this occur? _____

Name of High School _____ Year of Graduation _____

Address of High School _____

GPA on Graduation _____ Have you been accepted to college/university? _____

Name of college/university _____

Accredited? _____ Date when school starts _____ Expected graduation year _____

Your major? _____ Amount of requested scholarship _____

Please answer the three questions on the next page as part of this application. Also attach a transcript showing your grades achieved during the previous school year.

I certify the information above and on the next page is true and correct.

Dated: _____

Signature of Applicant

What are the circumstances of your becoming an orphan or foster youth?

Why do you need this scholarship?

What do you hope to accomplish in your life upon graduation?