



Grand Lodge of California
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Dave Rosenberg, Grand Master

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To All Odd Fellows Lodges and Odd Fellows in the Jurisdiction of California

In my capacity as Grand Master, and within the general powers conferred on Grand Masters by Roberts Code of California Odd Fellows Laws, Chapter III, Section 1 D, I issue and grant dispensations for the benefit of all Lodges and all members, effectively immediately, and continuing indefinitely unless and until terminated in writing by me or a future Grand Master. The following dispensations are hereby issued and granted:

1. To allow Lodges to hold public installations or joint public installations of officers at any suitable location within this jurisdiction on any day of the week.
2. To authorize the installation of Third Degree members as Vice Grand or Noble Grand who do not have previous service in the required number of offices, provided all qualified brothers or sisters decline to serve.
3. Allow members of the Order to appear in public in regalia.
4. Sponsor or give entertainment in the name of, and for the benefit of the Order.
5. Hold open gatherings for members, their families and guests on any day of the week. Social meetings are encouraged in this jurisdiction.
6. Allow Lodges to organize and/or sponsor groups or teams to participate in worthy activities, while using the name of the Lodge or the Order.
7. Allow Lodges to apply to other Lodges in this Jurisdiction for assistance.
8. Allow Odd Fellows Lodges to hold meetings in places other than their regular meeting place, as fixed in their By-laws.

Dated: May 27, 2015



Dave Rosenberg
Grand Master

Attest:



Ray Link
Grand Secretary



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June 29, 2015

You Are Invited

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Following are some events that I hope you will consider attending in the next few months. Mark your calendars!

Sunday, August 2. It's the Annual **Old Fashioned Barbeque**, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Saratoga Retirement Community. Cost is \$10 per person. Contact Mary Ann for more information at 70dolphin@gmail.com.

Saturday, August 29. The 69th Annual **Second Degree Cave Ceremonial** in the Yreka Cave. The moon should be rising about 8:10 p.m. For more information contact Richard Brouse at rabrouse@juno.com.

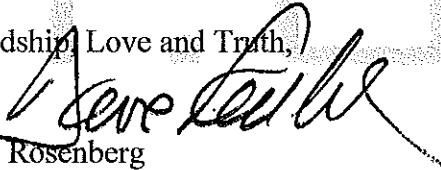
Saturday, September 12. **Joint Reception for Grand Master and Rebekah President** at the Hilton Arden West in Sacramento. Social hour at 5 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., music, dancing and fellowship following. Contact Ruth Morgan for more information at inotruthless@yahoo.com.

Saturday, September 19. **Visit to the Historic Volcano Lodge** in Volcano, California. Step back through time. We will have a 20-minute social meeting run by the Grand Master at the historic Lodge at 11:30 a.m. and then wander two blocks down the street to the historic St. George Hotel for a great lunch. Family and friends are invited. Contact Nancy Johnson to RSVP at sewkind@comcast.net.

Saturday, October 17. **Joint Reception for all Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly Officers**. Rather than 13 separate receptions, we are doing one huge reception for the seven Grand Lodge Officers and the six Rebekah Assembly Officers - to be held at the Davis Lodge, in Davis, California, from 2 to 5 p.m. Contact Sherry Pruitt at pruittto@surewest.net.

I hope to see many of you at these interesting and fun events!

Friendship, Love and Truth,


Dave Rosenberg
Grand Master

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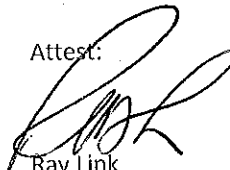
Invitation to Volcano

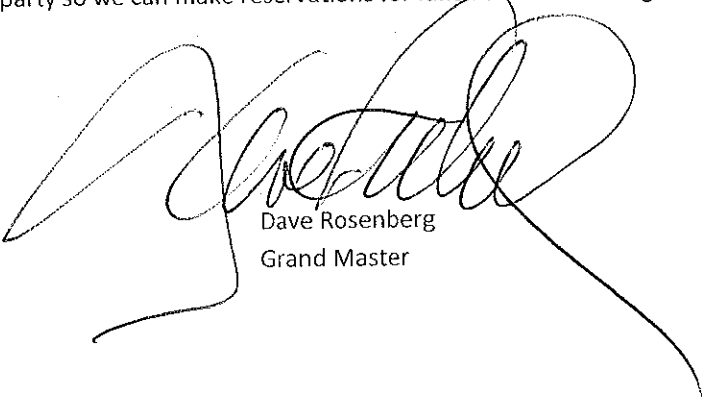
Our history, tradition and rituals are what make us uniquely "Odd Fellows." Remembering and honoring our history is important. With this in mind, please step back in time with me and join me for a visit to the Historic Volcano Lodge in the tiny hamlet (population 110) of Volcano in Amador County. Volcano, itself, has some interesting history in California. It is one of the original Gold Rush towns. It is the site of the following firsts in this state: first theater group, first debating society, first circulating library, first private school, first private law school, and many more. The little town is full of historical sights and buildings. And one of those buildings is a Lodge, jointly owned by the Odd Fellows and Masons. Pursuant to an agreement between the two Orders, our ownership continues so long as we meet at the Lodge at least once each year.

I have scheduled our annual meeting at the Volcano Lodge to begin at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 19, 2015. This year our visit will be different than in past years. This will be a social meeting, so I invite all Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, family members (children are welcome) and guests. You will be amazed when you visit this Lodge. It's like stepping back into time to the 1800's, complete with gas lights. It's well worth the visit. The social meeting will be quick – I anticipate no more than 20-30 minutes, and will focus on the history of the town and the Lodge. Following the meeting, I hope everyone present can join me for a lunch at noon at another historic building – the St. George Hotel – just down the street from the Lodge. The main building of the St. George was built in 1862, and the Dining Room and Saloon are vignettes from another age. If you are able to attend the social meeting and lunch, RSVP to Grand Marshal Nancy Johnson (not later than September 5) at sewkind@comcast.net with all the names of the folks in your party so we can make reservations for lunch at the St. George.

Dated: June 17, 2015

Attest:


Ray Link
Grand Secretary


Dave Rosenberg
Grand Master

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TIME TO SIGN UP FOR THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR!

The Annual Membership Educational Seminar is upon us again! This year's seminar shall be held at the beautiful El Dorado Hotel & Casino in Reno, Nevada. The seminar is being held on January 16 and 17, 2016. Arrive on Friday January 15th.

What started out as the Noble Grand/Vice Grand Seminar twenty years ago, has evolved into a popular gathering of members throughout the state. The seminar expanded to include all members. It had been held in Santa Nella, but several members complained over the years of the hotel being too isolated or outdated.

In response, those who have been conducting the seminar since its inception, decided to look for a new location. This was based on the attendees' evaluations. Reno seemed a great location, given our Grand Encampment of California held its Session at the Sands Hotel a few years ago. We are also inviting the members of Nevada to attend our seminar.

The El Dorado offers us beautiful rooms and a wonderful meal selection, and it is not isolated, allowing the instructors to respond to those concerns of past attendees.

Brothers Ronald and Dennis Carrey, Deputy Grand Master Peter Sellars, our Grand Master Dave Rosenberg, and others shall be presenting various topics. *Membership* shall be the focus.

The price is only \$190 per member! The price has only increased \$10 from previous years. The cost includes a two-night stay at the El Dorado Hotel, meals, and materials.

Come and meet members from two jurisdictions. It shall be as enjoyable as previous seminars. **All reservations and applications to attend must be received by December 10, 2015.**

More information shall be provided by brother Don Lang, who is handling registration for the seminar. All payments should be sent to brother Lang at:

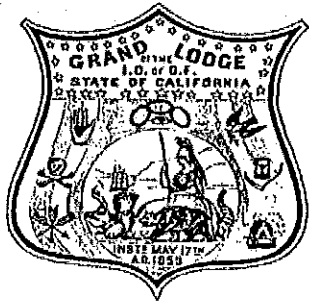
Don Lang, PGM
11220 Monterey Court
Cupertino, CA 95014

You may call brother Lang at 408-252-3954 or Sellars at 415-861-1737. Come and join everyone for a fun time!

2016 Membership Seminar at El Dorado Hotel, Reno, NV

Please fill out the form below, with a check made out to Grand Lodge of CA and send it to the Membership Seminar, % of Don Lang, 11220 Monterey Ct, Cupertino, CA 95014, Phone: 408-252-3954, e-mail donlang@sbcglobal.net. If you do not know who will be the incoming, then you can leave the name blank and send the name to us at a later time. Money needs to be in by December 10, 2015, (Hotel requirement). We can assign you a roommate, if needed, just let us know.

Name of Member _____ Age _____
Member's Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Members Telephone (_____) _____
Incoming Office in Lodge if any _____
Lodge Name _____ No. _____
Lodge City _____
2 people in a Room, Each (\$180) _____
1 person in a Room (\$190) _____
Roommate Needed? _____
Any Special Needs? _____



Grand Lodge of California
Rebekah Assembly of California
Independent Order of Odd Fellows



Adopt – A – Resident
Saratoga – Napa

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

This is an updated information letter regarding the Adopt-A Resident Program for Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly for the year 2015-2016.

First, there is a new chairman for the Program appointed by both the Grand Master and President of Rebekah Assembly, second there is a new mailing address and telephone number to use for questions about the program.

Chairman's name, address and telephone number: Please feel free to call with questions.

Marlene Bois
407 Sumner Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95062
Telephone #: 408-821-0609

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Marlene Bois

Marlene Bois,
Chair for Grand Lodge and Rebekah Assembly