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2008-2009
Joint Program



THE HONORABLE RICHARD G. PROULX
SOVEREIGN GRAND MASTER



2008-2009 OFFICERS
OF
THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, I.O.O.F.

Richard G. 'Dick' Proulx, WI	Sovereign Grand Master <i>Commander-in-Chief</i>
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Brig. Gen. Thomas N. Reed, WI	Aide-de-Camp
Richard S. Kim, HI	Immediate PSGM

March Arthritis Month
 Plan a fund raiser and receive a certificate.

March 23 Anniversary of the birthday of Schuyler Colfax, author of the Degree of Rebekah

April "Living Legacy Month"
 'Plant a Tree
 for One Who comes after Me'

April 1 UNP Delegate Registration forms due.

April 18 Testimonial Banquet—
 Marilyn L. Wilson
 President— I.A.R.A.
Niagara Falls, ON

April 24-26 190th Anniversary Celebration — Grand Lodge of Maryland, *Baltimore, MD*

April 26 190th Anniversary of the founding of the Order in North America

May Visual Research Foundation Month
 Certificates available to Lodges making \$1.00 per member donations.

May 1 Educational Foundation
 Scholarship deadline.

May 1 UNP Delegate fee balance due.

May 3 Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery, *Arlington, VA*

June 7 Wreath Laying Ceremony, Canadian War Memorial, *Ottawa, ON*

June 9 I.O.O.F. Memorial Day

August 14-15 International Youth Days,
Santa Clara, CA

August 17-21 Annual Sessions of:
 The Sovereign Grand Lodge,
 International Association of Rebekah Assemblies,
 General Military Council, &
 International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant,
Santa Clara, CA



DATES TO REMEMBER

2008

- September 20* 157th Anniversary of the Rebekah Degree
- September 27* Testimonial Banquet—
Lady Judy G. Gordon
President-I.A.L.A.P.M.
Roanoke, VA
- October* Odd Fellows & Rebekahs UNP Month
Take UNP info to the local schools.
Make your donations of \$5.00 for
'Feed the Kids' certificates.
- October 5-11* SOS— World Orphan's Week
Lodge—Community
awareness dinner.
- October 11* Pilgrimage to Wildey Gravesite,
Greenmount Cemetery,
Baltimore, MD
- November 4* 107th Anniversary of the L.A.P.M.
- November 22* Testimonial Banquet—
The Honorable
Richard G. 'Dick' Proulx
Sovereign Grand Master
Milwaukee, WI
- December 26-31* Work on Rose Parade Float
Make your donations to
the Rose Parade.

2009

- January 1* Tournament of Roses Parade—
Pasadena, CA
- January 15* Anniversary of the Birthday of
Thomas Wildey,
founder of our Order.
- January 15* UNP Delegate holding fee due—
1/2 cost of tour.
- February* Educational Foundation Month
Certificates available to Lodges mak-
ing \$1.00 per member donations.
- February 21* Testimonial Banquet—
Gen. Robert D. Vickrey
General Commanding, G.M.C.
Denver, CO

THEME:

Extending the Hand of Friendship—Together we will succeed.

ASK someone to join with us in our pursuit to attain a 2% gain.

MOTTO:

Membership through Leadership.

GUIDES: The Bible, Rituals and Code of General Laws.

CHALLENGE:

To grow our Order through the commitment of our members. Renew our efforts to adapt to the changing needs of our communities.

FLOWER:

Roses of any color



COLORS:

White, Blue, Red

HYMNS:

Come, Thou Almighty King

Amazing Grace

Take Time to Be Holy

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

SONG:

Wind Beneath My Wings

SCRIPTURE:

Psalms 23



EMBLEM:

The BALD EAGLE, not for its magnificence, but because it has come back from the brink of existence, as we must do.

DEDICATION:

I dedicate this year to my wife Joyce and our daughter Stefani who have stood steadfastly behind me and to the members of the Jurisdiction of Wisconsin whose support and faith in me has been never ending. To my Uncle Ralph Blanshan who asked me to join.



MARILYN L. WILSON
PRESIDENT— I.A.R.A.

*EMBLEM: The ANGEL— 'A friend is an angel we can see
 and touch.'*



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 OF THE
 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION
 OF REBEKAH ASSEMBLIES, I.O.O.F.**

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

By doing it together, involving the Community in Lodge activities and civic projects; through this involvement we will increase awareness of Odd Fellowship in our Communities. Be part of your community, not just in your community.

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Special projects:

United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth

I.O.O.F. Educational Foundation

I.O.O.F. SOS Children's Village— Cambodia

Arthritis (Foundation and Society)

Visual Research Foundation

Living Legacy

Support the projects of the Order.

Certificates will be awarded for participation in all programs of the Order: Hunger and Disaster; Arthritis; Scholarships; a Drug Program; Living Legacy; SOS, and Community Project of your choice.

See the I.O.O.F. News during the months of May-June for the reporting forms.

Educational Foundation and Visual Research Foundation award their own certificates and plaques.

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## 'TOGETHER WE WILL SUCCEED AWARD'

Awarded for distinguished and outstanding performance in promoting Odd Fellowship by doing it together beyond the adopted Programs of the Order.

#### ***THEME:***

Friendship and Love—

*"Love is friendship caught on fire."*

#### ***MOTTO:***

Extending the hand of friendship together we will succeed!

***GUIDES:*** The Bible, Rituals and Code of General Laws.

#### ***AIM:***

Touch as many hearts as possible. Help others achieve their goals and dreams. Attract others to our Order by our enthusiastic attitude. Promote our Order in our community.

#### ***FLOWER:***

Red Roses and Babies Breath



#### ***COLORS:***

Blue for Strength and Persistence; Silver for Enthusiasm

#### ***HYMNS:***

*Go Now in Peace*

*In The Garden*

*Blest Be The Tie*

#### ***SONGS:***

*Wind Beneath My Wings*

*The Rose*

*Memory — from 'Cats'*

#### ***SCRIPTURE:***

Philippians 4:13— I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

#### ***DEDICATION:***

I dedicate this year in memory of my mother and father, Sister Lillian and Brother Vernon Price, who inspired me to pursue my dreams in Odd Fellowship; to my husband Dave and my family for their love and support; to the Jurisdiction of Ontario for helping to make this such a memorable occasion in my life; and to all the wonderful Sisters and Brothers who have touched my heart.

#### ***REQUEST—***

Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow;

Don't walk behind me, I may not lead;

Walk beside me and be my friend.

— Albert Camus



**GENERAL ROBERT D. VICKREY**  
GENERAL COMMANDING

**2008-2009 OFFICERS  
OF THE  
GENERAL MILITARY COUNCIL  
PATRIARCHS MILITANT  
INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS**

|                                   |                                          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Gen. Robert D. Vickrey, CO        | <i>General Commanding</i>                |
| Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Strausser, PA  | <i>Deputy General Commanding</i>         |
| Maj. Gen. John H. Reynolds, MN    | <i>Executive Officer</i>                 |
| Maj. Gen. Clement H. Olson, NY    | <i>Adjutant General</i>                  |
| Maj. Gen. S. Ray Johnson, MS      | <i>Quartermaster General</i>             |
| Lt. Gen. John C. Beebe III, SNE   | <i>Chief of Staff</i>                    |
| Maj. Gen. Bill J. Fannin, OH      | <i>Military Advisor-USA</i>              |
| Maj. Gen. Victor H. Johnson, BC   | <i>Military Advisor-Canada</i>           |
| Brig. Gen. Henning Petersen, DK   | <i>Military Advisor-Denmark</i>          |
| Maj. Gen. David Carstens, CO      | <i>Inspector General</i>                 |
| Brig. Gen. Larry Kesterson, OK    | <i>Medical Officer</i>                   |
| Brig. Gen. John H. Reynolds, MN   | <i>Judge Advocate</i>                    |
| Brig. Gen. William N. Crowl, NE   | <i>Chief of Equipment</i>                |
| Brig. Gen. Bennie L. Cashman, KS  | <i>Chaplain General</i>                  |
| Brig. Gen. Paul S. Merritt, IN    | <i>Bannerette</i>                        |
| Brig. Gen. Ralph G. Vickrey, CO   | <i>Aide de Camp</i>                      |
| Brig. Gen. Morphis A. Jamiel, SNE | <i>Aide de Camp</i>                      |
| Brig. Gen. Lloyd R. Murehy, AP    | <i>Bugler</i>                            |
| B/G Thomas N. Reed, WI            | <i>Aide de Camp - Commander in Chief</i> |
| Gen. Donald E. McLaren, SNE       | <i>General Commanding (R)</i>            |
| Gen. Dino F. Fiorin, BC           | <i>Grand Representative to The S.G.L</i> |

**AWARDS FOR SPONSORING NEW MEMBERS**

January 1, 2009— December 31, 2009

*New Members* to the Order will receive a 'three link' pin.

*Sponsors:* given for sponsoring 2 new members into any branch.

*"Together we will succeed."*

*THE NUMBER 2' PIN.*

**\$50.00** US Savings Bond for obtaining **10** new members into the Order.

**PM/LAPM AWARDS**

Sponsor 1 new member: ribbon bar

2 new members: add 1 silver oak leaf

5 new members: add 1 bronze oak leaf

Add a bronze oak leaf for each additional 5

**SPECIAL AWARDS — \$1,750 US**

**MINIMUM OF 20 NEW MEMBERS**

**\$1,000**

**\$500** to the Brother or Sister who sponsors the most new members - 20 and over into the Order.

**\$500** will be transferred to the project of the sponsor's choice within the Order.

**\$500**

**\$250** to the second top Brother or Sister for sponsoring new members - 20 and over into the Order.

**\$250** will be transferred to the project of the sponsor's choice within the Order.

**\$250**

**\$125** to the third top Brother or Sister for sponsoring new members - 20 and over into the Order.

**\$125** will be transferred to the project of the sponsor's choice within the Order.

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS—**

**FOR SPONSORING NEW MEMBERS**

For 25 members lifetime,  
the Bronze Meritorious Service button.

For 50 members lifetime,  
the Silver Meritorious Service button.

For 75 members lifetime,  
the Gold Meritorious Service button.

For 100 members lifetime,  
the Gold with diamond Meritorious Service button.

For additional increments of 100 members— blazer buttons, belt buckles, key rings, money clips, etc.



## GOALS

- ◇ 2 new members for each member.
- ◇ A 2% net gain in membership.
- ◇ 2 new units in each branch in each jurisdiction.

## MEMBERSHIP GOALS

- ◇ Life Membership in every Unit
- ◇ Every household to receive the I.O.O.F. News
- ◇ Membership Goal for 2019— the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Wildey Odd Fellowship— 1% of the population.

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## MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

- ◇ Number '2' pin for sponsoring two new members.
- ◇ Each unit obtaining a 2% net gain
- ◇ Unit obtaining the largest net gain over 2% (*New Units not included*)
- ◇ Each Grand Body instituting 2 new units
- ◇ Grand Body with the largest net gain over 2%
  
- ◇ Units being instituted will receive an altar Bible from the International Leaders upon notification from the Grand Body secretarial officer. Please send name and number, date of institution and location to: The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., 422 Trade St., Winston-Salem, NC 27101

### **THEME**

'justitia universalis' (*universal justice*)

### **MOTTO:**

Be true unto thyself and to all those around you.

**GUIDES:** The Bible, Rituals and Code of General Laws.

### **AIM:**

To promote cooperation and communication among all branches of the Order and push to instill pride in our branch and in our uniforms.

### **FLOWERS:**

Indian Paint Brush, Tulips

### **COLORS:**

Teal Green, Black and Gold

### **HYMNS:**

*Amazing Grace*  
*Battle Hymn of the Republic*

### **SONGS:**

*On the Road Again*  
*Arlington*

### **SCRIPTURES:**

Galatians 5:6— The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.  
Proverbs 27:17— Iron sharpens Iron, so one man sharpens another.



**EMBLEM:**—The CHIPMUNK, because it is always busy doing those things necessary for its survival.

### **DEDICATION**

To my wife who has supported me in all things I have attempted and who has been my inspiration all of our married life, also to all those who have traveled this path before me.



**LADY JUDY G. GORDON**  
**PRESIDENT— I.A.L.A.P.M.**

**2008-2009 OFFICERS**  
**OF THE**

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION**  
**LADIES AUXILIARIES PATRIARCHS MILITANT I.O.O.F.**

|                                  |                                                 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Lady Judy G. Gordon— VA          | <i>President</i>                                |
| Lady Frances Fraley— KY          | <i>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</i>            |
| Lady Mae I. Haussler— PA         | <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</i>            |
| Lady Roseann Turner— WV          | <i>Secretary</i>                                |
| Lady Dorothy R. Jones— OK        | <i>Treasurer</i>                                |
| Lady Judy D. Brown— VA           | <i>Officer of the Day</i>                       |
| Lady Jami A. Clark— IA           | <i>Officer of the Guard</i>                     |
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| Lady Nancy G. Strausser— PA      | <i>International Banner Bearer</i>              |
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| Lady Elizabeth 'Betty' Dodge— AP | <i>Color Guard No. 2</i>                        |
| Lady Cathy Doub— CA              | <i>Chaplain</i>                                 |
| Lady Patricia P. Wilson— ON      | <i>Musician</i>                                 |
| Lady Shirley Elviss— SK          | <i>Bannerette</i>                               |
| Lady Susan Waterson— MI          | <i>Sentry</i>                                   |
| Lady Doris Carney— WV            | <i>Picket</i>                                   |
| Lady Sarah Johnson— KS           | <i>Honor Guard</i>                              |
| Lady Gloria Harriman— ME         | <i>Honor Guard</i>                              |
| Lady Elaine L. Nolen— MO         | <i>Honor Guard</i>                              |
| Lady Julia Smith— AP             | <i>Honor Guard</i>                              |
| Lady Linda Stein— SNE            | <i>Honor Guard</i>                              |
| Lady Kera Ashline— NNE           | <i>Honor Guard</i>                              |
| Lady Annie Gillespie— VA         | <i>Historian</i>                                |
| Lady Kathryn E. Bellmore— ON     | <i>Assistant Secretary</i>                      |
| Lady Sally Beckstein— MI         | <i>Hospital Matron</i>                          |
| Lady Betty Jean Haighway— ON     | <i>Soloist</i>                                  |
| Lady Betty Jean Reasoner— CA     | <i>Right Aide-2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</i> |
| Lady Edonisa 'Eddy' Vickrey— CO  | <i>Ambassador of Goodwill</i>                   |
| Lady Barbara A. Mc Laren— SNE    | <i>Immediate Past President</i>                 |
| Lady Agnes F. Sealey— SD         | <i>Right Aide Immediate Past President</i>      |

**THEME— LOVE**

**LOVE** your neighbor as yourself.  
**OTHERS** come first.  
**VOW** to see the good in others.  
**EVERYONE** needs a friend— be one;  
 Embrace the Principles of our Order.

**MOTTO**

Love Bears All.

**GUIDES**: The Bible, Rituals and Code of General Laws.

**AIM**

To promote unity and increase membership in our Order by  
 Extending the Hand of Friendship with Love.

**FLOWERS**

Roses, Violets

**COLORS**

Red, White, Purple

**HYMNS**

*The Love of God; Love is the Theme;*  
*Bond of Love; God Bless America*

**SONGS**

*You are My Sunshine; Less of Me;*  
*Wind Beneath My Wings; Others*

**SCRIPTURE**

1 Corinthians 13:4-8— Love is patient and kind; love is not  
 jealous or boastful...Love bears all things, believes all  
 things, hopes all things, endures all things.

**PRAYER**

St. Francis of Assisi

**EMBLEM**



**TEDDY BEAR**— Love, Smiles and Teddy Bear Hugs.

**DEDICATION**

I dedicate this year to Lady Judy Brown and the Jurisdiction  
 of Virginia. Lady Judy introduced me to this Order many  
 years ago, has been my traveling companion and avid sup-  
 porter but more importantly a faithful friend. The Juris-  
 diction of Virginia has shown confidence in me and sup-  
 ported me in every way possible. Thank you to all who  
 have taught me, encouraged me and supported me on my  
 journey through Odd Fellowship.

**SPECIAL PROJECT**

Special Olympics & new baldrics for the I.A.L.A.P.M.  
 elected officers.