The Sovereign Youth Days for 2010 will be held in Kansas City at the Hilton Regency Crown Center, in the great Jurisdiction of MISSOURI. This hotel is located downtown and has lots of shops and eating establishments for your convenience during your stay. Kansas City is also home to the Hallmark Card company. FYI, at this time, there is not an event planned for Thursday Night.

Attendees of SGL Youth Days 2009, Santa Clara, CA
**CONTESTS**

Pin Design:

Submit your design for the Youth Pin. The winner and the winners Jr. Lodge, Club, or Group, receives a cash prize. The design must include the year of the pin, the Junior Odd Fellow, Theta Rho, and United Youth Group emblems, and the colors to be used. Keep the design simple, as the finished size is approximately 1” diameter. Please make sure your name and address are on the back of the design.

Michelle from Colorado accepting check and plaque for Club from Keith.

Advisor of the Year:

Submit in writing why you feel your advisor should receive this award. Tell us the special things that he or she does to make your meetings more fun. Let us know what your advisor has taught you and how you have grown in knowledge of our order. Although we realize that Assistant Advisors are very special too, this particular award is for the Club/Lodge/Group advisor only.

Patty accepting Outstanding Advisor plaque for Judith Cormier of Need A Bear TRC # 11 of Louisiana.

**AWARDS**

Irene Meigs Award:

Send us a list of your community service activities in which your lodge or club participated without compensation. Provide the description of the projects, amount of money collected/donated, the number of participants and the hours of service provided. A cash prize is awarded to the winner.

APRIL 25TH DEADLINE

All entries are normally due by April 15th. Due to the fact that the January Youth Informer did not get printed, the DEADLINE HAS BEEN MOVED TO April 25th. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED IN TIME SO KEITH CAN RECEIVE THEM BY THE 25TH.

Youth Honors Program at Youth Days

This year at Youth Days 2010 the SGL-IARA Youth Committee will present awards to all those who achieve the first level of the program from now until Youth Day sessions. If you are eligible for the award or will have it completed by Youth Day have your advisor fill out the form included in the Informer. Also attached are the requirements for Level 1 of the program. Please have your advisor mail the completed form to the Youth Day Coordinator Jeff Beattie, whose address can be found in the Directory of this issue and bring your completed essay to the session to be read during Friday orientation. If you would like more information regarding the Youth Honors Program please contact your jurisdictions representative.

Advisors: please submit those members attending Youth Day who have already attained completion of Level 1 or above for special recognition.

This is a great way to get involved with the program and learn what it is really all about. Please don’t shy away only because you don’t know what it is. Dive head first into the program and see for yourself the benefits of this wonderful program. It will help to better your lodge as well as Youth Odd fellowship everywhere.
1st Level – Bluebird or Shield

The Bluebird or Shield level of achievement is the beginning step in the program. Plans should be developed that will introduce members to the program, but not overwhelm them.

Compulsory Work

Memory:
Creed
Any appointed officer's charge in the opening and initiatory ceremony.
Know how to properly address the presiding officer and be recognized by that officer.

Attendance:
Attend 75% of regular meetings.

History:
Write a 50 word essay and give a 2 minute presentation on your emblem to your lodge/club.

Lodge/Club Activities:
Participate in (3) group activities outside of a regular lodge meeting.

Additional Work

Choose (2) of the following areas.

Inter-club/lodge:
Attend (1) meeting or function with another club/lodge.

Jurisdictional:
Attend (1) event organized for the youth of the Jurisdiction.

Citizenship:
Learn about your national flag and demonstrate proficiency in care, presentation and etiquette of the same.

Community:
Participate as a volunteer in (2) community service projects or activities.

Within our Order:
Attend (1) event hosted by another unit of the Order.

My Plan of Action to attain this Level is:

___________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________

___________________________________  __________________________________
Member's Signature/Date               Advisor's Signature/Date

Make 3 copies (1 for member, 1 for Advisor, 1 for JYC)
1st Level – Bluebird or Shield

Record of Completion

Member: ________________________________________________________

Date Level Started __________________________ Anticipated Completion
Date: __________________________________________________________

Member Age: _____________________________ Actual Completion
Date: __________________________________________________________

Program Type: □ Regular □ Accelerated □ Transition

Compulsory Work

Memory:
Date: __________________________
Office: ____________________________ Date: __________________________
Date: __________________________

Attendance:
From: ___________ To: ___________ Total: ___________ Attended: ___________

History:
Topic : ____________________________ Date: __________________________

Lodge/Club Activities:
Activity: __________________________ Date: __________________________
Activity: __________________________ Date: __________________________
Activity: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Additional Work
Choose (2) of the following areas.

Inter-club/lodge:
Function: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Jurisdictional:
Event: ____________________________ Date: __________________________

Citizenship:
Date: ____________________________

Community:
Activity: __________________________ Date: __________________________
Activity: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Within our Order:
Event: ____________________________ Date: __________________________

Comments:
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________

__________________________ __________________________
Member’s Signature/Date Advisor’s Signature/Date

Make 3 copies (1 for member, 1 for Advisor, 1 for JYC)
This is the final step in your journey of the Honors Program. The Honor level will be awarded when the member can demonstrate to the Jurisdictional Youth Committee by oral examination proficiency in all 7 levels. The member will present their portfolio and be prepared to discuss any areas of the work.

AWARD OF HONOR

Speaking of Youth Days

Youth Banquet:
On Friday there will be a Youth Banquet. Included in this issue is the reservation form. Please include any dietary requirements on this form.

Dress Code:
There are many formal events throughout the weekend of Youth Days these events include Sessions, Talent Show (unless in costume), and Youth Banquet. For these events the dress code will be as follows:

Females: Dresses (formal, long/knee-length)
Males: Coat and tie with dress slacks

The dress code is the responsibility of the Advisors, but the dress code applies to everyone in attendance of the Youth Day events. Remember to submit all forms by the due dates.

Fun at Orientation at California Youth Days 2009

See You in Missouri!!!
United Nations Educational Pilgrimage

SGL—IARA JOINT YOUTH COMMITTEE
AND
THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUTH
PROUDLY PRESENTS

THE ISENOR—ROSE
UNITED NATIONS PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUTH TRIP

Who is eligible you ask?

Competition is open to all Jr. Lodge, Theta Rho Club, and United Youth Group members Attending high school who will be 16 or 17 years of age with a minimum of one year of high school remaining at the time of the trip. Applicants must continue membership in their respective Jr. Lodge, Theta Rho Club, or United Youth Group and promote the United Nations Educational Pilgrimage for Youth trip in their own Jurisdiction. The winner will submit to this Committee a write up of his/her trip for printing in the Youth Informer. A few pictures may also be submitted.

Applicants must be an active member and have belonged to an Odd Fellow Youth organization for three (3) years unless they are a member of a newly Instituted Odd Fellow Youth Organization. This information should be in the CERTIFIED letter from the Advisor.

Applicant must have a valid passport at both the time of application and time of travel. The United Nations Educational Pilgrimage Director may add additional requirements if needed.

What does it Cost?

The Isenor-Rose Fund will contribute $1,000.00 towards the total cost of the trip. All other expenses will be the responsibility of the Jurisdiction and/or the parents of the applicant. The applicant also provides spending money for souvenirs, laundry, shopping, extra refreshments, and any other monetary item or function the youth may want.
UNITED NATIONS continued

Deadline for Application.

Deadline for ALL applications must be in the hands of the Chairman of the Sovereign Grand Lodge—International Association of Rebekah Assemblies Joint Youth Committee Chairman no later than April 15th of the year prior to the trip. (Name and address found in the Directory of members listed in this publication.)

All applicants must follow ALL requirements listed on the United Nations Educational Pilgrimage website—http://www.unpilgrimage.org.

The United Nations Educational Pilgrimage Director may add additional requirements if needed.

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ISENOR—ROSE
UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUTH
APPLICATION

NAME ___________________________ BIRTHDATE ____________

ADDRESS __________________________

CITY/TOWN __________________________

STATE/PROVIDENCE __________________________

ZIP/POSTAL CODE __________________________

PHONE __________________________

I BELONG TO (YOUTH ORGANIZATION) ____________________________
LOCATED AT __________________________ MEMBERS SINCE __________________________

ADVISORS SIGNATURE ____________________________

DATE OF APPLICATION __________________________
Seventy-seventh I.O.O.F. Pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknowns
April 30—May 2, 2010, Arlington, Virginia

Excerpt from the SGL Newsletter

“Greetings to all members, families and friends of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. You are cordially invited to attend the Seventy-seventh 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 2010 Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, May 2 at Arlington National Cemetery. The ceremonies will begin at 1:00 PM with a Parade from the USS Maine Mast staging area, followed by the Memorial Service and Wreath Laying Ceremonies at the Tomb. The Pilgrimage Address at the Tomb will be delivered by the Honorable Paul J. Cuminale, 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 $125.00 plus hotel tax.

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

We would like to ask any Youth participating in the Wreath Laying ceremony if we can take and print pictures that are taken so that we may print them in the Youth Informer.
Talent Entry Requirements

The talent show will be held on Saturday night prior to the dance party. This is a formal event and proper dress is expected. To enter the competition fill out the form attached and send it in. Make sure your performance follows these basic guidelines:

- Five Categories – Dance, Drill, Skit, Vocal/ Instrumental Group, or Individual.
- Time limit is five minutes; any performance over the limit will be penalized.
- One entry per Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Club, or United Youth Group per category.
- No Advisor or Adult can participate except as musician or for set up.
- All participants must be active members between the ages of 8-21.
- All entries must consist of appropriate music and action; no reference to sex, drugs, or violence will be allowed. Final approval will be at the discretion of the SGL-IARA Youth Committee at the time of practice. Opportunity will be given for revisions.
- The drill category is specific to precision drill routines. Drill routines must not include tumbling, gymnastics, or obvious dance moves.
- No routines in any category shall include participants being thrown in the air, this is for the safety of the participants, and liability issues.
- Vocal entries other than acappella, accompanying music must be instrumental, with background vocals only.
- CD or cassette tape must have only the performance song on it.
- Each routine must be performed on the stage provided.
- Entry deadline is July 1st, 2010. There will be no exceptions. (entry form is included)
- Every routine shall be performed during the practice sessions in the presence of the SGL-IARA Youth Committee members for compliance to the above requirements no exceptions.

Guidelines for Jurisdictional Reports

The following guidelines are suggested for writing the SGL/IARA Jurisdictional youth reports given at Youth Day.

- Theta Rho, Junior Oddfellow and United Youth Group reports can be written and given separately or together. Representatives are called up at the same time, alphabetically by jurisdiction.
- Reports are no more than five minutes in length.
- Scope of the report includes the entire jurisdiction.
- Report information spans from the last SGL/IARA Youth Day to the present.
- Reports are typed if possible and must be turned in to the SGL/IARA Youth Committee.
- Reports need to include the following information:

  * Addressed to the SGL/IARA Youth Committee.
  * Dated with the date the report is given.
  * Names, titles and jurisdiction of the youth giving the report.
  * Number of junior lodges, clubs and youth groups active.
  * Total number of members in Junior Oddfellows, Theta Rho and United Youth Groups.
  * Comparison of membership with prior years.
  * Grand Junior Lodge/Theta Rho Assembly information such as numbers attending, when and where held, and significant activities.
  * Interesting fund raising and club, junior lodge and youth group activities.
  * Significant membership drive recognition.
  * Visitation activities to other jurisdictions.
  * Recognition of special events.
  * Future plans.
2010 Youth Talent Entry Form

◊ One category per entry form (make copies as necessary) - PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!
◊ Send to Youth Day Coordinator Jeff Beattie— 19809 Ridgemont— St. Clair, MI  48080
◊ DEADLINES FOR ENTRIES IS JULY 1, 2010 — NO EXCEPTIONS

Please check one type of entry:

   _____ Dance                  Name of: ________________________________
   _____ Drill                   _____ Junior Lodge
   _____ Vocal/Instrumental group  _____ Theta Rho Club
   _____ Skit                      _____ United Youth Group
   _____ Individual

Number of Participants: ______
Description of entry:_________________________________________________________

Advisor Information: Name:_____________________________________________________

   Address:___________________________________________________________________
   Telephone:_________________ E-mail:____________________________

KANSAS CITY AIRPORT SHUTTLE
TO HYATT REGENCY CROWN CENTER
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
August, 2010

SuperShuttle:
One-Way Rate — about $18.00 (Gratuity is optional)
Round Trip Rates— about $31.00 (Gratuity is optional)
   For reservations please visit: www.supershuttle.com or call 800-258-3826

Taxi:  (Metered fares)
   Please proceed into the breezeways and pick up red courtesy phone. A taxi will be ordered and pull around. Taxi
   phones are also located near the hotel boards.
   Depending on time of day and traffic, the cost is $40.00 to $75.00

Carey Limousine: (One-way rates)
   Luxury Town Car—About $65.50 (includes gratuity)
   For reservations please call 816-471-1234
2010 YOUTH DAYS APPLICATION FORM

⇒ One Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Club, or United Youth Group per form.
⇒ PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!
⇒ Send to Youth Day Coordinator Jeffrey Beattie—19809 Ridgemont—St. Clair, MI 48080
⇒ DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS JULY 1, 2010—NO EXCEPTIONS

Please check one:  □ Junior Lodge  □ Theta Rho Club  □ United Youth Group

Unit Name: ________________________________________________________________

Advisor Name: ______________________________________________________________

Advisor Address: ______________________________________________________________

Advisor Telephone: ______________________  Advisor E-mail: ______________________

MC/Moderator:  □ Banquet  □ Session  □ Talent Night
                   Name (s)__________________________________________________________

Chaplain:  □ Banquet  □ Session  □ Talent Night
                   Name (s)__________________________________________________________

Flag/Banner Bearers:  Names (s)
American ________________________________________________________________
Canadian ________________________________________________________________
Missouri _________________________________________________________________
Junior Odd Fellow ________________________________________________________
Theatre Rho _____________________________________________________________
United Youth Group ______________________________________________________

Honor Guard:  Names (s)
American ________________________________________________________________
Canadian ________________________________________________________________
Missouri _________________________________________________________________
Junior Odd Fellow ________________________________________________________
Theatre Rho _____________________________________________________________
United Youth Group ______________________________________________________

Talent Program Distribution: ______________________________________________

Escorts:  □ Banquet  □ Session  □ Talent Night
                   Name (s)__________________________________________________________

Musicians:  □ Banquet  □ Session  □ Talent Night
                   Name (s)__________________________________________________________
**2010 ANNUAL SESSIONS**  
**KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**  
August 23—August 27, 2010  
Youth Activities—August 20-21, 2010

The Sovereign Grand Lodge  
International Association of Rebekah Assemblies  
General Military Council  
International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant  

**YOUTH**  
Junior Odd Fellows, Theta Rho Girls’ Clubs, United Youth Groups

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**PRE-REGISTRATION**

Please use one form per person  
Please make reservations by August 1, 2010

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*If you require any special services (i.e., oxygen, wheelchair, etc., please indicate on the back of the registration form.*

**PRE REGISTRATION FEE** (On or before August 1, 2010) **$55.00 USD ___**  
**REGISTRATION FEE** (After August 1, 2010) **$65.00 USD ___**  
No fee for Youth or Chaperones attending Youth Day only, but all must register.  
**YOUTH BANQUET**—(Friday, August 20, 2010) **$30.00 USD ___**  
**BANQUET HONORING OUR INTERNATIONAL LEADERS** (Monday, August 23, 2010) **$55.00 USD ___**  
**FUN NIGHT** (Wednesday, August 25, 2010) **$60.00 USD ___**

**TOTAL FUNDS ENCLOSED ******** $______.00 USD**

Make Checks Payable to: Grand Lodge of Missouri I.O.O.F.  
And mail to: PO Box 336 — Fulton, MO 65251  
You may also use CREDIT CARDS (MasterCard/Visa/Discover/American Express) (CIRCLE ONE)  
Card Number ___________________________  EXP:__/__  Card ID# _ _ _  
NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD___________________________________________  
Signature_____________________________________________________________________
HOTEL INFORMATION

2010 SESSIONS—HYATT REGENCY CROWN CENTER
KANSAS CITY, MO
HEADQUARTERS HOTEL FOR ALL ACTIVITIES & ROOMS
FOR
THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REBEKAH ASSEMBLIES
GENERAL MILITARY COUNCIL
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LADIES AUXILIARIES PATRIARCHS MILITANT
ALL YOUTH ACTIVITIES
HYATT REGENCY CROWN CENTER
2345 MCGEE STREET
KANSAS CITY, MO 64108 USA
TELEPHONE 816.421.1234 OR 1-800.233.1234
FAX: 816.435.4190
WEBSITE: HYATT.COM—USE GROUP CODE (G-ODDF)
ROOM RATES AVAILABLE FROM AUGUST 18, 2010 THROUGH AUGUST 29, 2010

Single/Double Occupancy —————————————————————————— $149.00
Triple Occupancy ——————————————————————————— $174.00
Quadruple Occupancy —————————————————————————— $199.00
Regency Club ————————————————————————————————— $40.00 Upgrade
Executive Suites (One Bedroom) ——————————————————— $300.00

Applicable State & Local Taxes as well as KC Development Fees apply to each room each day.
All Major Credit Cards accepted.
If additional information is required, please contact:
    Grand Lodge of Missouri at PO Box 336—Fulton, MO  65251
    Or kennethhiggins77@sbcglobal.net or 573.642.3575 Telephone or Fax
Looney Laws. Take a break and have a laugh or two! :)

Looney Laws found in our Jurisdictions:

It is illegal to paint a horse in Vermont.
It is illegal to throw shoes at weddings in Colorado.
Someone wrote in with the following -- In Winnipeg Manitoba Canada it's against the law to put your garbage in someone else's garbage even with their permission.

It is illegal in Michigan to hitch a crocodyl-e to a fire hydrant. Alligators are seemingly good to go on that one.

Wyoming:
Sorry, could not find one to print at this time.
Here is one for you guys,
In one country — Children as young as 15 can be jailed for cheating on exams.
Committee Directory

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E-mail: slow57@bresnan.net

SUBSCRIPTION FORM FOR ADULTS
(Except for Advisors, Youth Committee Chairmen, Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries, Rebekah Assembly Presidents and Secretaries.)

Name: _________________________________  New O
Address:________________________________  Renewal O
City:___________________________________
State/Province: _________________________  Address Change O
Postal Code: ____________________________

Fill out completely and mail with $3.00 (U.S. or Canadian) per year to:
Youth Informer
Articles Wanted

Did your lodge have any activities that you want everyone to know about? Did your jurisdiction hold a special event? Do you have any stories to share? How about your meetings? Anything exciting? How about sharing some pictures of your functions or outings?

Send them in so others can see what you are doing. Maybe you can inspire others to grow or give them ideas to help their Jr. Lodge, Club, or Group.

If so, please send pictures and information about the event to:

Gregory W. Simpson Sr.
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Laramie, WY. 82070
slow57@bresnan.net

Visitation Information

Any Jurisdiction interested in having a member of the SGL/IARA Youth Committee attend a function needs to send a written request either by mail or email to receive a visit. The committee members would be more than happy to attend an event within your jurisdiction. Please send your request to the committee Secretary, Sharon Sells. Please provide ample time for plans to be made. The committee looks forward to helping with your program.