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SOVEREIGN YOUTH DAYS 2011

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Community Service Project
Sovereign Youth Days 2011

BRENNER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

THANKS YOU!!!!

With the gifts and monetary donations, over $2000.00 was donated. We would like to thank all of you for your donations.

Special points of interest:

- ☺ Youth Days Community Service
- ☺ Contests
- ☺ Free trip to the United Nations
- ☺ Participation forms for Youth
- ☺ Contests
- ☺ Youth Days Registration
- ☺ New way to receive Youth Informer

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2011 Youth Days

2011 TALENT SHOW WINNERS

SKIT COMPETITION

THE YOUTH OF MICHIGAN

VOCAL GROUP COMPETITION

YOUTH OF OREGON
ETA THETA RHO #94

VOCAL/SOLO COMPETITION

STEPHANIE WIGLE
OREGON TR #94

2011 CONTEST WINNERS

YOUTH PIN DESIGN AWARD

Megan Usery

Colorado Theta Rho Assembly

Junior Past President

from

Nu Eta Theta Rho Girls Club #15

Arvada, Colorado

ANNOUNCEMENT

For those of you that were unable to attend Youth Days in Winston-Salem, N. C.. These Youth pins were not present to sell. They have arrived and we will be contacting the Advisors that were present.

If you would like to purchase one or have some to sell in your Jurisdiction, please contact Greg Simpson Sr. Information in directory on page 11.

The pins sell for $ 3.00.

2011 CONTEST WINNERS

ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

Elaine “Diddy” Barry

Wesserunsett Theta Rho Girls Club #17
Maine

With Debbie Ashdown (left) Youth Committee Member

2011 CONTEST WINNERS

IRENE MIEGS
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Acorn
Theta Rho Girls Club #79
Oak Harbor, Washington

Holland Happening Parade, Picture Frames for new mothers at the hospital, Food Drive for the Food Bank, Raffle for Hospitalized Veteran's, Raffle for Make-A-Wish Foundation, Christmas and Valentine Cards for Nursing Home, Easter Baskets for Assisted Living facility, Mother's Day cards and tissue Carnation's for Mother's Day to a nursing home.

ANNOUNCEMENT!
EXCUSE ME!!!! EXXCUUUUSE ME!!!!
ANNOUNCEMENT!

Thank You! We have an ANNOUNCEMENT!

There are now three ways to receive the Youth Informer.

One: Subscription through Mail … (Youth—No charge)

Two: Internet: **www.ioofyouth.ca**

Three: **NEW …. E-MAIL**

Give us your e-mail address, and we will send you a copy of the Youth Informer via, how else, e-mail. Faster, No waiting.

Send address to slow57@bresan.net, … title Youth Informer E-mail.

Talent Show Entry Requirements

The talent show will be held on Saturday night. This is a formal event and proper dress is expected. Participants may dress as needed for act.

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 participates 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, 2012**. There will be no exceptions. (entry form is included)

⇒ **Every COMPLETE 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**. **If routine is changed at time of performance, without notice to this committee, points will be deducted.**

All contest entries are due by April 30, 2012

Send all entries to Keith Ploof Box 54 St. Armand Road Highgate Center, VT 05459

Or e-mail: **sploof791@comcast.net**

Pin Design:

Submit your design for the Youth Pin. The winner 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.

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.

Irene Meigs Award:

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Send us a list of your community service activities in which your lodge, club, or group participated in 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.

2012 YOUTH DAYS APPLICATION FORM

⇒ *One Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Club, or United Youth Group per form.*

⇒ *PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!*

Send to Youth Day Coordinator:

Sharon Sells 13550 Washington Street # 7B Thornton, CO 80241

Cell (303) 887-7115 Fax (303) 289-9969 Work (303) 289-9909 E-mail: Sharon.Sells@MileHiFire.com

⇒ ***DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS JULY 1, 2012—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 _____

North Carolina _____

Junior Odd Fellow _____

Theta Rho _____

United Youth Group _____

Honor Guard: Names (s)

American _____

Canadian _____

North Carolina _____

Junior Odd Fellow _____

Theta Rho _____

United Youth Group _____

Talent Program Distribution: _____

Escorts: ☐ Banquet ☐ Session ☐ Talent Night

Name (s)_____

Musicians: ☐ Banquet ☐ Session ☐ Talent Night

Name (s)_____

2012 Youth Talent Entry Form

◊ One category per entry form (make copies as necessary) - PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!

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DEADLINES FOR ENTRIES IS JULY 1, 2012 — 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:_____

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 shall be written. The reports may be given separately or together. Jurisdictions are called alphabetically. When called, all Representatives from that Jurisdiction are called up at the same time.
* 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. Also lodges, clubs, or groups that still have members but may not be meeting on a regular basis.
* 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. Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Club, and Youth Group activities.
* Significant membership drive recognition.
* Visitation activities to other jurisdictions.
* Recognition of special events.
* Future plans.

Attendees to
2011 SGL—IARA
YOUTH DAYS

We Thank those who came,
And missed those who could not.
Hope to see you next year in Cincinnati.

****All Members Attending All Units **Must** Register ****

Cincinnati SGL Session 2012

The Sovereign Grand Lodge
International Association of Rebekah Assemblies
General Military Council, Patriarchs Militant
International Association of Ladies Auxiliaries Patriarchs Militant
Youth—Junior Odd Fellows, Theta Rho Girls, United Youth

Pre-Registration

Use One Form per Person
Print or Type

Name: _____
(Highest Current or Past Title) (Unit of the Order Attending)

Address: _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____
Phone: _____ **Arrival Date/Time:** _____ **Depart:** _____

Pre-Registration Fee (On or Before July 15th, 2012) US $55.00 ☐
Registration Fee (If postmarked after July 15, 2012) US $75.00 ☐
******No Fee for Youth Registration, but Youth must Register**

*** * * * * Special Events * * * * ***

Youth Banquet—Friday Evening August 17, 2012 US $30.00 ☐

Officer's Banquet—Monday Evening, August 20, 2012 US $70.00 ☐

List the Group that you wish to be seated with, make sure all use the same designation, all seats will be reserved.

_____ **(Name of Group)**

50-60's **Night—with Entertainment, Wednesday Evening August 22, 2012 US $65.00** ☐

Total Enclosed US Funds $_____

Make Checks payable to: SGL 2012 Session Committee
Mail to:
SGL 2012 Session Committee
PO Box 2209
Springfield OH 45501-2209

Cincinnati USA
Convention & Visitors Bureau
&
Hilton
Cincinnati Netherland Plaza

Advance Reservation Request for:
The Sovereign Grand Lodge
Independent Order of Odd Fellows

August 16-25, 2012 - Event Dates

July 23, 2012 - Reservation Due Date

*Rooms not available to reserve until September 1, 2011

35 West Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Hotel: 513-421-9100
Toll Free: 800-445-7667
Website: www.cincinnatinetherlandplaza.hilton.com

RESERVATION INFO

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Confirmation: _____

DATES & ROOM GUESTS

Arrival Date: _____

Departure Date: _____

Names of Additional Guests Staying in Same Room
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Special Requests: _____

PREFERRED ACCOMMODATIONS
(All accommodations are based on availability)

Room Rate $149.00
Current Tax Rate 17% (subject to change)

❒ Single Bedded Guestroom
(1 bed, 1 or 2 people)

❒ Double Bedded Guestroom
(2 beds, 2, 3 or 4 people)

Please note: All rooms are non-smoking.

PAYMENT METHOD

A credit card guarantee must be given with this form.
DO NOT SEND CASH.

If you elect to pay by check, please wait for confirmation number to be emailed. DO NOT INCLUDE A CHECK WITH THIS FORM.

❒ American Express
❒ Visa/Mastercard
❒ Diners Club/JCB
❒ Discover Card

Card # _____

Exp Date_____Security Code_____

Signature_____

ONE FORM PER ROOM

United Nations Educational Pilgrimage

SGL—IARA 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.

Paid trip to, the United Nations in New York, Gettysburg, PA, Washington, D.C., Niagara Falls, Ottawa Falls, Canada, and much

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 a 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 pay for 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 Sovereign Grand Lodge Joint Youth Committee Chairman no later than **December 15, 2011**. Keith Ploof Box 54 St. Armand Road Highgate Center, VT 05459 (e-mail listed 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, and also include a 500 word essay.

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 _____MEMBER SINCE_____

ADVISORS SIGNATURE _____

DATE OF APPLICATION _____

SUBSCRIPTION FORM FOR ADULTS

New ☐ Renewal ☐ Address Change ☐

Name _____

Advisor (No Charge) ☐ Youth Committee Chairman (No Charge) ☐

Address OR Email _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Postal Code _____

Fill out completely.
No Charge for Email subscription or
Mail with $10.00 (U.S. or Canadian) per year to:

SGL JYC IOOF Youth Informer
1306 Palmer Drive, Laramie, WY. 82070

(Office use: Amount submitted $_____ U.S. ___ Canadian ___)

Have you initiated any new members? Is your Jurisdiction working on the Youth Honors Program? Anyone Graduate from your lodge, club, or group? We would like to add any of this information to our Newsletter for mailing and recognition purposes. This new section will be included whenever this committee receives any of the information below.

YOUTH INFORMATION

New Member: Jurisdiction: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

Graduate Members:
Jurisdiction: _____

Youth Honors Program: Level _____ Name _____

Graduate Name _____

Youth Committee Directory

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Highgate Center, VT 05459
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WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Youth Committee had a collection of all of the Youth Pins from their conception. This collection has been taken or borrowed and not returned to us. We would like to ask, that if you have any of the youth pins that you do not want and would like to donate them to this committee, please call or e-mail Sharon Sells. Cell (303) 887-7115

Articles/Pictures Wanted

Did your Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Girls Club, or United Youth Group 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 exiting? 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.

1306 Palmer Dr.

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 provide ample time for plans to be made. The committee looks forward to helping with your program.

Send your request to the committee Secretary:

Sharon Sells.

13550 Washington Street # 7B

Thornton, CO 80241.

Sharon.Sells@MileHiFire.com.

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