HAVE YOU HEARD THE CALL?
TEXAS IS CALLING AND YOUTH DAYS ARE ALMOST HERE!

Don’t miss out on a great session this year! Remember to make your reservation for your 2015 Youth Days in Fort Worth, Texas At the Sheraton Fort Worth Hotel and Spa August 14 & 15! Saddle up! Ya’all Come!

Remember to bring your Youth Reports!
HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUTH DAYS 2015!

Schedule of Events
(subject to change)

Friday
1:00—Orientation *Let’s Break the Ice!
3:00—Cowtown
6:00—Rodeo (Free Tickets for Youth)

Saturday
8:00—Session
12:00—Lunch (Brown Bag Lunch)
1:00—Incoming Officer’s Visit
3:00—Break into 2 groups (8-12 & 13-up)
6:00—Banquet and Dinner Theater

A Rap session is scheduled for Youth only without the Advisors.
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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

This year’s Community Service will be Buckner’s Children’s Home. The Home is a state ran orphanage located in Balch Springs, Texas. Buckner was founded in 1879 by Dr. R. C. Buckner to care for widows and orphans. ‘Father’ Buckner was a progressive, insightful and wise man. Not only was he concerned about caring for the widows and children in his day, he wanted to ensure children and families in crisis could be cared for, for many generations. Father Buckner invested in the future of Buckner by purchasing land in East Dallas, where the original children’s home was located.

Dr. Buckner settled in Paris, Texas in 1860, when the state was still recovering from the Mexican War and settlers were fighting Native Americans, not to mention disease and drought. The country was on the brink of Civil War, and there was a lot of need. One of the biggest needs was that of an orphans’ home.

Buckner had the ability to feel for others, especially children. This drove him to organize a Deacon’s convention in 1877 to discuss the creation of an orphanage. Buckner initiated his first fundraising campaign, dropping a dollar in his hat and passing it among those gathered under a large oak tree. He raised $27, which provided the initial funds for the opening of the Buckner Orphans’ Home, now called Buckner Children’s Home in Dallas, Texas. The home admitted its first three orphans in 1879.

Today, Buckner International operates programs throughout the world, providing services that include residential child care, orphan care, adoption and foster-care services, prevention programs, senior adult services, missionary opportunities and a global humanitarian aid program, Shoes for Orphan Souls, which provides shoes for needy children around the world.

-This and more information regarding Buckner International and Buckner’s Children’s Home can be found on their web site: www.buckner.org

*We are looking for donations of items to include school supplies, games, toys and money to help where it may be needed for other things for the children.

Remember to bring your club’s Youth Report. We want to hear what you have been doing!

Let us Entertain You!
Dinner Theater!

We have a change in our Talent Show this year. Bring your skits and musical talent! This year we are having our talented Youth host a Dinner Theater! During our Banquet on Saturday evening, we will be featuring the talents of our Youth. We want to showcase your skits and musical talents this year featuring all the Youth. While we enjoy a fantastic Dinner of Chicken Fried Steak, we will at that time have the Youth on stage performing throughout the Banquet.
Sheraton Forth Worth Hotel and Spa
1701 Commerce Street ~ Fort Worth, Texas 76102

ADVANCE RESERVATION REQUEST FOR:
The Sheraton Forth Worth Hotel and Spa
Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs

August 12 ~ 23, 2015 – Event Dates
August 1, 2015 ~ Reservation Due Date

Toll Free Reservations: 1.888.625.8556

Rooms $159.00 (Single, Double, Triple, or Quad)
Plus applicable state and local taxes (currently 8.25% per room)

A block of rooms has been reserved for August 12-23, 2015.
Hotel Reservations must be made directly with the Sheraton Hotel (888) 625-8556.

Be sure and state you are with the IOOF SGL 2015.
Deadline for hotel reservations is August 1, 2015.

Airport Shuttle Service will be available to and from DFW Airport between the hours of 24 hours a day.

Molly the Trolley the vintage style trolley is a quick and convenient way to get around Fort Worth. Best of all IT’S FREE!!!
****All Members Attending All Units **MUST** Register****

SGL SESSION  2015

Fort Worth, Texas, USA
The Sovereign Grand Lodge
International Association of Rebekah Assemblies, General Military Council, International Association Ladies Auxiliary Patriarch Militant, and the Youth

**Pre-Registration**

One form per person. Please register by July 15, 2015

Name: ___________________________________________________________
(Highest Current or Past Title)
_________________________________________________________
(Unit of the Order Attending: SGL-IARA-GMC-IALAPM-Youth)

Address: _________________________________________________________
City, State/Province:__________________________________Zip/Postal Code:________
Phone:______________________________Cell Phone:__________________________
Arrival Date/Time:__________________Departure Date/Time__________________
Will you be flying or driving?__________________________

Pre-Registration Fee (one or before July 15, 2015) US $75 _____________
Registration Fee (After July 15, 2015) US $85 _____________

*No Fee for Youth Registration, but Youth must register - Advisor(s) **MUST REGISTER**

------SPECIAL EVENTS------

Youth Banquet (Chicken Fried Steak ) Adults US $45 _____________

**SPECIAL COST FOR YOUTH ONLY** US $15 _____________

(*Attention Youth: If you have already sent in your registration, you will be reimbursed at Session)

Officer's Banquet - Monday August 17, 2015 US $75 _____________

Dietary Requirements:_____________________________________________________

Fun Night - Western - Wednesday August 19, 2015 US $70 _____________

**TOTAL ENCLOSED USD FUNDS** US $ _____________

Make Checks payable to:  SGL 2015 Session Committee

Mail to:  SGL 2015 Committee

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Houston, TX  77293
IT’S ALL FOR FUN!

Can you find the hidden word?

SADUKO TIME!

www.WordSearchAddict.com
**Did you know…**

The bowie knife is named after the Alamo hero Jim Bowie (1796-1836). His brother, Rezin, designed the hefty weapon.

It is still a hanging offense in Texas to steal cattle or to put graffiti on someone else’s cow.

In Galveston, Texas, it is illegal to have a camel run loose on the beach.

The Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) is home to the world’s largest parking lot. The Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport has the third largest runway in the world and is the alternate landing site for the space shuttle. Texas has more airports than any other state in the country.

At 268,601 square miles, Texas is the largest state in the contiguous United States and is the second biggest state in the U.S. (only Alaska is bigger). Texas is larger than many nations of the world, including every country in Europe. If it were a country, it would be the 40th largest country in the world, after Chile and Zambia.

Texas still owns all of its public lands. If the federal government wants to create a park or cut a stand of timber, it must first ask the state’s permission.

The city of Slaughter, Texas, has never had a homicide.

Texas’ nickname is the “Lone Star State” as a reminder of its struggle for independence from Mexico and to represent Texas as an independent republic.

The most popular snack foods in Texas are Frito pie (a bag of Fritos mixed with chili, onions, and cheese eaten straight from the bag), peanuts in Dr Pepper, beef jerky, jalapenos, and corn dogs.

Camels were imported into Texas twice in the 1850s by the U.S. War Department in the belief that they would be handy animals to use during the Indian Wars. They could be seen roaming Texas hills and deserts well into the 1920s.

The world’s largest (and oldest) rattlesnake roundup is held every March in Sweetwater, Texas.

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Did you know: you can find us at these places?
Website: www.ioof.org  (Click on YOUTH)

FACEBOOK PAGE: SGL-IARA Youth
*Use Facebook to share your activities with others.
*Use Facebook as a question and answer page.
*Keep in touch with everyone that attended Youth Days in the past or just this year.
*Share your organization’s website with others.

Do you need us? Do you need help? Advice? Or just an ear to listen? Request a visit by contacting Youth Committee Chairman James Daniels directly by phone, email or letter and we will be there. We only ask that you contact us as soon as possible to enable us time to make arrangements to get to you as quick as we can.