BRENNER CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

Brenner Children’s Hospital treats children ages Newborn to 21. 60% of these youth are cancer care patients. They also have a Neonatal Crisis Unit, NECU. This is an Emergency Infant Care Unit. The hospital has a rooftop area where the children can have a place to play and get some fresh air. The Hospital is working on a new Emergency Entrance. The Ambulances that this facility uses has something a little unique about them. They have TV’s in the ceiling. This helps in keeping the children calm during their ride to the hospital. They give these children different items to help cheer them up during their stay. From pencils and pens, to books and video’s. In the list, you will see that stuffed animals can be donated. **These must be in sealed new packages or wrap.** This helps in disease control.

More can be seen on the website: brennerchildrens.org.

Some of our committee members were able to take a tour of the facility and said that Brenner’s Children Hospital is VERY Bright, Cheerful, Colorful and a Pleasant place to recover. The parents are also taken care of during their visit.

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CONTESTS

All entries are due by April 30, 2011

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

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.

Are you asking?
Can I design a pin?
Can our lodge, club, or group design a pin?

YES! and YES!

Send us your design. It could be a winner.
Just follow the instructions above on pin design.
2011 YOUTH DAYS APPLICATION FORM

▶ One Junior Lodge, Theta Rho Club, or United Youth Group per form.
▶ PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!
▶ Send to Youth Day Coordinator: Debra Ashdown 137 Crestwood Cres. Winnipeg, MB, Canada R1J 1H8
e-mail — joy-1557@hotmail.com
   
   Note: Canadian postage is higher than United States postage.
▶ DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS JULY 1, 2011—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) ________________________________________________________________
2011 Youth Talent Entry Form

◊ One category per entry form (make copies as necessary) - PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!
◊ Send to Youth Day Coordinator: Debra Ashdown 137 Crestwood Cres.
   Winnipeg, MB, Canada, R2J 1H8
   E-mail: joy-1557@hotmail.com

Note: Canadian postage is higher than United States postage.

◊ DEADLINES FOR ENTRIES IS JULY 1, 2011 — 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:_________________
Talent Entry Requirements

The talent show will be held on Saturday night. 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, 2011. 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.

GOT TALENT???

ENTER YOUR TALENT BY JULY 1, 2011

HERE ARE SOME PAST ENTRIES:
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.

Brenner Children's Hospital

Here is a list of items to bring:

- Regular or felt pens, regular or coloring pencils, crayons,
- Note pads, cartoons, coloring books, activity books, word puzzles,
- Games, puzzles,
- Books or sets of books, (new or gently used)
- DVD movies.

They request that the books and DVD’s be appropriate to ages 0 - 21. Examples are: Harry Potter, Dora or Diego, Dr. Suess. Anything animated or something that can cheer them up.
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.

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.

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

Deadline for ALL applications must be in the hands of the Sovereign Grand Lodge Joint Youth Committee Chairman no later than **August 1, 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 ________________________
Have you instituted any new lodges, clubs, or groups? Have you initiated any new members? Is your Jurisdiction working on the Youth Honors Program? 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 _____________________________________________________________

**TRIVIA**

1: Who are the leaders of the Order for 2010—2011?
2: Will there be a dance at Youth Days 2011?
3: Where is this year’s Sovereign Grand Lodge Youth Days being held?
4: What month in 2011 is like October of 2010? Why?
5: What was Mickey Mouse’s original name?
6: In the movies who plays the role of Harry Potter?
7: Who is Keith Ploof?
   A: Chairman of Vermont Fire Department
   B: Chairman of the Finance Committee
   C: Chairman of the SGL Youth Committee
   D: Chairman of The Nothing Society

Answers on page 10

**FUN FACTS**

The only 2 animals that can see behind itself without turning its head are: The rabbit and the parrot. A cheetah does not roar like a lion - it purrs like a cat (meow).
Alaskan brown bears, world’s largest meat-eating animals that live on land, can weigh as much as 1,700 pounds.

Money: Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S. Treasury.
NEED 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

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

May 8, 2011

Arlington National Cemetery

To all Youth that may be attending,

Members of this committee will be taking pictures for further publications. We will identify ourselves and ask permission to print the photo. We hope we can so that others can see what the youth of the Odd Fellow organization at other events besides Youth Days.

Answers from Trivia page 9,

1.
Sovereign Grand Master: George Glover III, Coventry, RI.

2.
President Lady Mae Haussler, Glenville, WV.

3.
General Military Council: General Commander, General John Reynolds, South Haven, MN.

4.
International Association Rebekah Assemblies Patriarchs Militant: Vickie Deaver, Lebanon, OR.

5.
International Association Rebekah Assemblies President: Elizabeth Rebekah, Lebanon, OR.

6.
Daniel Radcliffe

7.
Mortimer Mouse

8.
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

9.
July 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays, 5 Sundays

Contact: Greg Simpson Sr. 1306 Palmer Dr. Laramie, WY. 82070 307-721-3836

Attention — Adult Subscriptions

This publication SHALL serve as notice that due to rising costs we must raise the subscription fee to $10.00 per year. This will be the last publication, then the new rate will be effective January 2011.

These funds are used for the Youth at Youth Days.
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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:
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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.