



Rebekah Assembly of Maine

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President's Corner

Dear Sisters & Brothers,

Well, here we are again another month closer to October. Summer has arrived, but it is not sure it wants to stay two days of warm weather doesn't constitute summer. Hope we have some rain this summer, but I don't want more rain than sun. I have been very busy traveling, Vermont and Massachusetts and the greatest place our own Presque Isle. It was my first visit to Vermont. What a lovely resort. The lake was simply beautiful and what hospitality. I bet I gained a few pounds (they fed us really well). I was invited to the Past President's meeting which I attended. Massachusetts Session was wonderful (I attended last year). It was great seeing old friends and making new ones. Got a couple ideas that I liked their line-ups at session. Presque Isle, it was my third or fourth time up there for their Regional Meeting (District Meeting). Luella did a fine job as Warden. Deputies Sherry Hafford and Denise Annis did a great job arranging the meeting. What a beautiful place to visit! If, you have not been up to Presque Isle you should make a trip up. What wonderful sisters and brothers! The scenery is out of this world. Potatoes are already starting to grow. It has been great representing all of you as I travel. My motto, if you can't say anything nice don't say anything. Remember, we are all brothers & sisters. Each and every member is important to our Order. We can't afford to lose even one member because we are not included. No matter how active a member is, they are a part of our Lodge. Some members can't be as active as others due to health or limitations as we go through lives aging process. Just don't forget it could happen to all of us someday. How would we feel if we were left out and we knew we were doing all we could to help. We are all Brothers and Sisters. Thanks to those lodges that have had fundraiser for George and myself. We are over \$10,000 and still going. We're not going to stop till the last gun is fired. More fundraisers to be announced. Quilt will be at Stonington over the Fourth. Well, I guess I have talked long enough. I have probably forgotten something. Going to be down to our Camp NEOFA doing arts & crafts with the kids for most of July & Atlantic Province Session.

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In F. L. and T. Sharon LaSota
President of the Rebekah Assembly



Message from Carmen Lovejoy, PP RA

I want to express my thanks to all for the expressions of sympathy on the passing of Russell A. Lovejoy. All the cards are appreciated as well as the personal notes included in them. Thank you.

Message from Verna Jones, PPRA

To my sisters & brothers: Thank you so much for the cars & phone calls following my knee surgery. I am coming along fine. I miss not being able to go places, but I will be driving soon. See you all then. In F.L.T. Verna Jones

News from the Home

Hello Everyone! Summer has arrived in full swing and we are spending a lot of time outdoors. The residents love going on golf cart rides or just sitting around enjoying the day. We will be having our annual Lobster & Clam luncheon on July 20th. This event is opened to everyone who enjoys Lobster. Please let me know if you want to place your order by July 18th. We are planning to go to Tripp Lake on the 17th. Esther Tucker always welcomes us with open arms! We will be having the Sahara Desert Belly Dancers perform on Saturday, July 29th. All are welcomed. We are having our "Family & Friends" cookout on Saturday, August 5th. At that time we will be celebrating the "90th anniversary of the opening of our beautiful Home. We hope to see many Odd Fellows and Rebekahs joining in on the festivities. All of us at the Home wish you a wonderful summer!

In FLT, Diane Treacy

Special Recognition

We the members and staff of the Camp NEOFA committee would like to express our most heartfelt thanks to Ralph & Michelle Trynor for all the hard work and

dedication to making our 60th Anniversary of Camp NEOFA such a huge success. They did most of all the planning and decorations for the weekend. We truly recognize Ralph & Michelle as very special members. From all your grateful committee members of the Camp.

Message from Bea Wilson

Sister June Buskey of our Portland Lodge will be turning 100 years old on July 3rd. Please send birthday cards to her at 103 Acadia St. - So. Portland, ME 04103 Thank You.

Message from Muriel Elkins

I want to send out a great big Thank You to sister Penny Johnston for stepping in for me as the acting Assembly Marshall at the Regional meeting in Presque Isle. She was truly a life saver. Thanks Penny.

From Starlight Lodge

The members of Starlight Lodge presented Friends Helping Friends Food Shelter with a check for \$250 to this worth-while charitable organization in our community. Pictured in the photo is Penny Johnston, Steve Lewis and Sandra Durepo.

