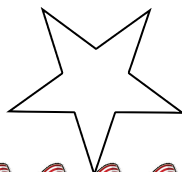


Star Points of Interest



Upcoming Events

- * Idaho Falls #85 OV—September 4
- * Miriam #16 Friendship Night—September 8
- * Florence #79 OV—September 11
- * Harmony #44 OV—September 12
- * Hugh Duncan #2 OV—September 15
- * Adah #8 Friendship Night—September 16 (see ad)
- * Reception for WGM of Oregon Rebecca Price—September 19 (see ad)
- * Golden Rule #131 Friendship Night—September 21
- * Loyaute #19 OV—September 22
- * Victory #60 OV—September 26 (see ad)

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CONGRATS!



Brother Richard Kaiser PGP
is the
Most Worshipful Grand Master
of Idaho
Idaho Grand Lodge AF & AM
His Grand Session will here in
Idaho Falls, Sept 16th - 19th
The Grand Lodge Banquet will be
Friday night the 18th
In addition to Richard,
Brother Ed Simmons is
Grand Chaplain and
Brother Don Taylor is Grand Tyler.
Brother Allen Simmons is
Worshipful Master of
St Johns Lodge in Shelley.
It will be busy time for all of them.

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Judy Nissula 9/1	Waunda Kibbey 9/17
Joyce Roland 9/1	Marjie Sage 9/18
Claudette Rose 9/2	Peggy Kroll 9/19
Gwen Sears 9/3	Judy Demaray 9/19
Jo Ellen Reynolds 9/4	Billie Reed 9/21
Mary Boice 9/4	Linda Meuleman 9/21
Teresa Carlson 9/8	Dave Hattrick 9/21
Dave Call 9/9	Paul Remaley 9/22
Sandra Bennett 9/9	Bonnie Lawrence 9/25
Ed Simmons 9/10	Dean Pratt 9/27
Kathy Call 9/14	Allen Simmons 9/27
Christine Bush 9/14	Viki Smith 9/28
Michelle Bollar 9/14	Nina Strange 9/29
Betty Mills 9/16	

Lowell & Sandra Bennett 9/2

Paul & Linda Ousley 9/16

ADVERTISEMENTS

E-dah-ho Chapter in Paul has a beautiful wood frame signet in perfect working order that some Chapter that needs one may have just for the asking. It is on display in our Chapter room. If someone wants to see it first before deciding, he/she may contact Virgil Fenton (436-6426 or vfenton@pmt.org) and he can let he/she in to see it most anytime. It is heavy, so whoever takes it may need help. It will fit in the back of an SUV with the back seat down.

Star love, Bonnie



Chocolate Night at Chapter #85
on Friday, October 2nd
come and have a yummy time



The fall meeting and luncheon of the Southwest District Past Matrons will be on October 3, 2009 at the Mountain Home Masonic Hall, 320 North 8th East. the luncheon will be hosted by Miriam #16 Past Matron's Club.

The salad and sandwich Luncheon will be served at Noon with a cost is \$7:00. Pay at the door. Reservations must be made by September 30 to Marlene Osborn, 587-8579 or Osborn-WindyMarny@aol.com. The meeting will follow.

Presiding Worthy Matrons are welcomed and encouraged to attend. The annual election of officers will be held.

Deborah Arnold, President
Mary Baldwin, Vice-President
Mikki Carr, Secretary-Treasurer




How would you retain twenty new members in your Chapter?

by Andrea Paroni Storjohann, GGCCM Visionquest Northwest Region Coordinator and PGM of Idaho

The Grand Assembly of Washington and Idaho of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls recently held a Membership Retention Essay Contest with the following topic: "How would you retain 20 new members in your Assembly?". That got me thinking about the same question for our Eastern Star Chapters. Maybe it is a crazy question but what if it happened in your Chapter? We sometimes do not do very well retaining or engaging one or two new members so what would we do if we got five, ten, or even twenty? What actions could your Chapter or you as a member take to integrate the new members into your Chapter? As much as we say we have the same people often doing the same offices, what would we do if we had enough people for a new corps of officers? Would the members who are the current officers continue to come if they were not officers? There are a number of questions to consider but maybe worth our time and effort to brainstorm about how we do integrate and engage new members and also keep our existing corps of officers and members involved. Everyone wants to feel a part of the whole, to have a job or purpose so one answer might be to break tasks or activities up and divide the responsibility or tasks instead of the same people always doing everything. Other ideas that come to mind - a mentor program, proficiency classes, courtesy officers - maybe reactivating some of the duties or activities we used to have when we had more members. Whatever we do incorporating new members and keeping the members active is something we need to do with a plan in mind.

The good news is let's hope and work to all be lucky enough to have this question come up in each of our Chapters. Maybe you better get a plan going



Please join
Adah Chapter #8
for
Friendship Night

September 16, 2009

7:30 PM

Boise Masonic Temple

215 N 10th St

Boise, Idaho

Jessie Michaelson, Worthy Matron

Harlow Kibbey, Worthy Patron

Vicki Reynolds, Secretary



Blue Mountain #52
Golden Rule #131
Grande Ronde Valley #49

Are Pleased To Invite You
To A
FREE BBQ
&
Reception

Honoring Our Distinguished Members

Rebecca Price, Worthy Grand Matron
Joseph W. Jarvis, Worthy Grand Patron
Carolyn Patrick, Grand Marshal
Diane Cessna, Grand Ruth
Marjorie Jarvis, Grand Electa

Of the Grand Chapter of Oregon

Starting at Noon
September 19, 2009
Eagle Valley Community Park
Richland, Oregon
Take Exit 302 and go 42 miles East of Baker City, Oregon
A good hour's drive
Park is located just off to your left as you come into Richland

Bring your own Lawn Chairs for more comfortable seating

Ladies & Gentlemen: appropriate attire will include: denim wear, slacks, capri's & walking shorts as we will be sitting at Picnic Table with attached seats. There will be some tables and separate chairs available

Chapter Secretary's & Chapter Contacts we would appreciate an RSVP from your Chapters so we have an idea of how much food to buy.

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Victory Chapter #60

Cordially invites you to
attend the Official Visit of

Worthy Grand Matron, Lucy Miller
accompanied by
Worthy Gran Patron, John Snodderley

Saturday, September 26, 2009

Glenns Ferry Masonic Temple
Glenns Ferry, Idaho

School of Instruction 10:00 AM

Lunch 12:00 Noon

Pictures 1:30 PM

Meeting 2:00 PM



Vicki Reynolds, Worthy Matron
Skip Owen, Worthy Patron
Kay Neal, Secretary

