

Grand Lodge of Alberta

Rebekah Assembly of Alberta

Grand Encampment of Alberta

Officers' Program

2016—2017



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Joint Theme

Strength Through Unity

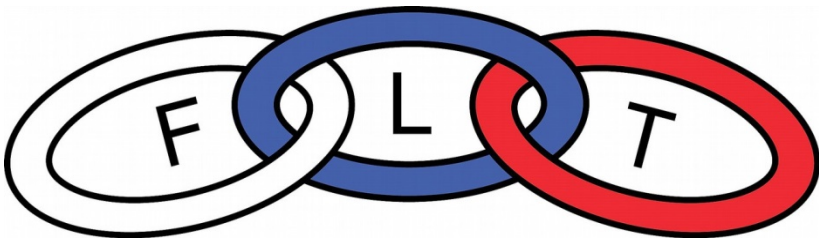
U—Unite Through Understanding

N—Now Our Future Begins
(Tomorrow depends on what we do Today)

I—Involve By Example

T—Treat All With Respect
(Listen and be Tolerant)

Y—You Are the Difference



Grand Lodge of Alberta

2016 –2017

Grand Master	Sue Gilchrist	(2)
Deputy Grand Master	Rod Witwer	(16)
Grand Warden	Bruce Dowell	(81)
Grand Secretary	Murray Lethbridge	(46)
Grand Treasurer	Ron Feyer	()
Jr Past Grand Master	Robert Whalen	(41)
Parliamentarian	Barry Stevens	(58)
Grand Marshal	Scott Kruk	(58)
Grand Conductor	Lance Gilchrist	(2)
Grand Chaplain	Kendall Allonby	(22)
Grand Guardian	Gentry Hall	(27)
Grand Herald	Dale Gugala	(27)
Grand Musician	Merton Mellow	(2)
Grand Colour Bearer-USA	Don Scott	(Montana)
Grand Colour Bearer-Canadian	Richard Charlton	(134)

I Dedicate My 2016 –2017 Year

In Memory Of

Our Dad, Brother Ed Gilchrist

And Recognize Him As My

HONORARY OFFICER



District Deputy Grand Masters

District #1	Lance Gilchrest	Lethbridge	#2
District #4	Charles Bates	Langdon	#40
District #5	Scott Kruk	Erskine	#58
District #8	Len Bowyer	Edmonton	#30

Grand Master's Program

2016—2017

Theme: Strength Through Unity
Motto: Unity
Emblems: Tree & 3-Links
Guide: Members Handbook IOOF 2013
Hymn: It is No Secret

Songs: Strong Enough to Bend
That's What Friends are For

Fun Songs: He's Still Working On Me
You Are My Sunshine

Scriptures: Matthew 7:24-27 A wise man builds his house upon the Rock
....A foolish man builds his house upon the sand
Isaiah 1:17 Learn to do good, seek justice, correct oppression,
bring justice to the fatherless and plead the widow's
cause.....

Projects: UNEPY
Living Legacy Youth Programs
St John's Ambulance Child Restraint Program

Living Life

Life is NOT a race-but indeed a Journey. Be Honest, Work Hard. Be Choosy. Say "Thank You", I Love You" and "Great Job" to someone each day. Go to Church, take time for prayer. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh. Let your handshake mean more than pen and paper. Love your life and not what you've been given, it is Not accidental-Search for your Purpose and do it as Best as you can. Dreaming Does Matter. It allows you to become what you aspire to be. Laugh Often. Appreciate the little things in life and enjoy them. Some of the Best things really are free. Do Not worry, less wrinkles are more becoming. Forgive, it frees the soul. Take time for yourself-Plan for Longevity. Recognize the Special People you've been Blessed to know. Live for Today, Enjoy the Moment.

Rebekah Assembly Officers

2016-2017

President	Judy Fuller	(77)
Vice President	Judy McPherson	(25)
Warden	Marjorie Dowell-Nelson	(125)
Secretary	Darlene Clemmer	(125)
Treasurer	Sandra Smyth	(77)
Jr. Past President	Eleanor Howard	(12)
Marshall	Shirley Adam	(77)
Conductor	Ethel Molofy	(116)
Chaplain	Shirley Zuehlke	(115)
Musician	Maureen Lenox	(116)
Inside Guardian	Gwen Davies	(2)
Outside Guardian	Marie Cedertra	(115)
Right Herald	Diny Smith	(36)
Left Herald	Cae Perry	(129)
Canadian Color Bearer	Dayl Alford	(12)
American Color Bearer	Robin Carter	(117)
Alberta Color Bearer	Marg Sinclair	(99)
International Color Bearer	Marjorie Dowell-Nelson	(125)
Rebekah Color Bearer	Donna Wenstrom	(117)
Right Support to Chaplain	Win Sandham	(116)
Left Support to Chaplain	Hilda Straw	(125)
Parliamentarian	Roberta Adams	(25)
Custodian of Presidents	Shirley Boese	(77)

President's Program

2016-2017

Theme:	Strength Through Unity
Motto:	Respect One Another
Flower:	Roses of Every Color
Awards:	Most Improved Website Page for Your Lodge Most Innovative Work Project (Report to Be Sent In)
Color:	All Colors of the Rainbow
Mascot:	Hummingbird
Emblem:	Rainbow
Guide:	The Rebekah Creed
Scripture:	Psalm 133:1 How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!
Songs:	Somewhere Over the Rainbow The More We Get Together
Hymn:	In The Garden
Projects:	Reach Out to the Community (A Work Project, Shelters, Detox Centres, Schools, etc.) Alzheimer's Bursary Rebekah Assembly General Fund



District Deputy Presidents

District No. 2	Diane Bettcher	(25)
District No. 4	Margaret Rodger	(111)
District No. 6	Dayl Alford	(12)
District No. 8	Joan Allonby	(129)

Grand Encampment Officers

2016—2017

Grand Patriarch:	Mike Metzler
Grand High Priest:	Lance Gilchrist
Grand Senior Warden:	
Grand Junior Warden:	Laura Higgins
Grand Scribe:	Jack Reed
Grand Treasurer:	Ron Feyer
Jr Past Grand Patriarch:	Neil Thurber
Grand Marshal:	
Grand Inside Sentinel:	
Grand Outside Sentinel:	
Grand Musician:	Merton Mellow
Grand Parliamentarian:	Frank Turner

District Deputy Grand Patriarch

2016—2017

Grand Patriarch's Program

2016—2017

- Theme: Strength Through Unity
Aim: To help those who most need our assistance
Prayer: God grant me patience, and *do it right away please.*
Amen
Color: Royal Purple
Flower: Iris (blue/purple)
Mascot: Mountain Bluebird
Guide: The Perspective
Project: Crippled and Afflicted Children



GRAND PATRIARCH'S MESSAGE

I have but a little time to do what I can do. Grant me the ability and will to see things through..... And when all my work is done, and I lay me down to rest, May the words I hear, ring loud and clear—

He did his very best.



GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

"The Moment our Members, Lodges, Grand Lodges and The Sovereign Grand Lodge stop striving for excellence in the field of brotherhood, sisterhood and leadership development is the moment we start failing to become one of the best and oldest fraternal organizations in the world." Do not just GET members and then not help educate them about what we stand for and what we do to make this world a better place. Teach them by example first of all about how to treat others with respect and show them Friendship, Love and Truth. Get involved and help them get involved with our fraternity and your community. Remember **Why** you got involved, find out what their **Why** was and Is and help them accomplish what they are striving for in our fraternity. Be a Mentor within your Lodge. *"A true Soldier fights Not because he Hates what is in Front of him, but because he Loves what is Behind him."* Be a warrior for your Brothers and Sisters. *"Our Job is Not to Judge. Our Job is Not to figure out if someone deserves something. Our job is to Lift the Fallen, to restore the Broken and to heal the Hurting."*

In F L & T,

Sue Gilchrist, Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Alberta



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Friendship, Love and Truth, the watchwords of our beautiful Order are as meaningful today as ever. I chose our Rebekah Creed for my guide for my year as President for all the meanings it holds. I am asking our Lodges to "*Reach Out to The Community*" as one of my projects. We have so many needs in our communities, from Emergency Shelters, Children Services and Health Care to name a few. I encourage all the Lodges to look around your community for a "*WORK*" project that you as a lodge can work on together.

During my journey through the chairs of the Rebekah Assembly of Alberta, I often think of my Grandmother, who started me on the road of Rebekah/Odd Fellowship and **I dedicate my year as President to my Grandmother,**

Sister Florence Taylor, PNG.

Rainbows remind us to hold strong in our faith and vision and to look to fresh beginnings and prosperity. The colours of Roses convey to us the many emotions that we have for each other. The hummingbird reminds us to seek out the good in life and the beauty in each day.

As we reach out for new members it is important that we stay true to our principles and always remember to safeguard our existing members.



Today is the day to have courage,
Today is the day for a smile.
Today is the day to remember,
The things that make life worthwhile.
Today is the day to do our part,
For our Order we pray.
And if we would safeguard tomorrow,
Remember today is the day.

Take Care,
In F L & T,

Judy Fuller, President
Rebekah Assembly of Alberta



O CANADA

O Canada!

Our home and native land!

True patriot love, in all thy sons command.

With glowing hearts, we see thee rise,

The True North strong and free!

From far and wide,

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land, glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

O' say can you see, by the dawn's early light,

What so proudly we hailed, at the twilight's last gleaming,

Whose broad strips and bright stars through the perilous fight,

O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming!

And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,

Gave proof through the night, that our flag was still there,

O' say does that star-spangled banner yet wave,

O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!