

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

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FROM THE NOBLE GRAND

Brethren and Ladies, as I look back, I wonder where the year went as it seems that it flew by so fast. It has been a privilege to serve as Noble Grand of Wildey Lodge No. 2 which has a long history of members who care about this lodge and its members. I wish to thank all the officers and the membership for their guidance and support. We have accomplished many things this past year bringing in new members, celebrating Brother Ken Hetz reaching his 70th year as a member of Independent Order of Odd Fellows. We have traveled and visited several lodges and made new friends. Although we have lost members that have gone to a better place, we honor their memory and will never forget that we called them friends.

One of the most important things that I have come to learn in my life as a member of Odd Fellows is that friendship is being with people that make you feel valued, cared for, and respected. It's letting a friend know you appreciate them and care about their feelings.

Being a friend means treating others with special care and kindness because they mean so much to you. As time passes, I will always cherish the memories that we have made together and be glad to call you my friend. I am confident that our newly elected officers will continue to improve the quality of Wildey Lodge No. 2 and continue to move us forward.

Our installation of new officers will take place at our January 16th meeting. I will look forward to seeing all of you there to show our support for the new Noble Grand and Officers.

Fraternally yours,

Ray White, Noble Grand
 Wildey Lodge #2

Installation of Officers

Wildey Lodge #2

Installation of
 2018 Officers

Tuesday

January 16

6:30 PM Dinner

IN MEMORIUM



Brother Julius David
 December 20, 2017

Brother Julius was a member of Wildey Lodge #2. He was a veteran of the Navy and National Coast Guard. Brother Ken David, his son and member of Wildey Lodge #2, announced Brother Julius was cremated and services will be announced in the future by the family.

May Brother Julius's memory be a blessing for us all.

Wildey Lodge #2 Officers 2018-2019

Noble Grand	Sam Wilk
Vice Grand	Dennis Lipski
Secretary	Pamela Whisenhunt
Treasurer	Charles Whisenhunt
Warden	Steven Buchholz
Right Support NG	Jasper Mangiore
Left Support NG	Giovanni Mangiore
Chaplain	Ervin Drawing
Color Bearer	Margaret Buchholz
Inside Guardian	John Bayer
Outside Guardian	Walter Clifton
Past Noble Grand	Carroll Ray White
Right Support VG	Kenneth Rogers
Left Support VG	Carol Reiner
Right Scene Support	Kenneth White
Left Scene Support	Janice G. White



Thomas Wildey Day Proclamation

To all Members of all Degrees of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Fraternal Greetings:

Whereas, pursuant to a dream, Thomas Wildey founded an Order that in time would influence men and women of every walk of life, and

Whereas, it is appropriate to remember the founder of our Order who through his vision, determination, wisdom and talent saw the culmination of his dream, which resulted into the priceless heritage, we enjoy today.

Now therefore, I, John A. Miller Sr., by virtue of the authority duly vested in me as Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, do proclaim,

That January 15, 2018 the anniversary date of the birth of our founder be celebrated as **Thomas Wildey Day** throughout the world of Odd Fellowship.

Further, please observe the birthday of Brother Wildey with special ceremony on or as near the 15th of January as is possible, and

Further, all Units of the Order are encouraged to initiate a **Wildey Class** in celebration of the occasion, and

Further, that the month of January be **Thomas Wildey Museum Month** in which members are encouraged to contribute to the museum, either monetarily or with items for display.

Contributions should be sent to The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., Thomas Wildey Museum, 422 Trade Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2830.

Done in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, this 1st day of November 2017, and in the 199th year of our Order.

Yours in F, L & T,

Attest: /s/ John A. Miller Sr.
Sovereign Grand Master

/s/ Terry L. Barrett
Sovereign Grand Secretary



2017 Annual Communication of The Sovereign Grand Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows



Commemorating Wildey's travels west

The westward expansion of Odd Fellowship—the Second Meridian:

The eastern Mississippi Valley and the Great Lakes—Grand Lodges

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| Ohio—2 February 1833 | Kentucky—14 September 1836 |
| Indiana—14 August 1837 | Tennessee—10 August 1841 |
| Michigan—5 November 1844 | Alabama—23 April 1837 |
| Illinois—22 August 1838, | Mississippi—4 May 1838 |
| lapsed and reorganized 1840 | Louisiana—5 March 1832 |
| Wisconsin—25 December 1846 | |

The western Mississippi Valley

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| Missouri—13 June 1838 | Nebraska—27 April 1858 |
| Texas—29 April 1841 | Kansas—2 June 1858 |
| Arkansas—10 June 1849 | Dakota and the present SD—13 October 1875 |
| Iowa—1 May 1848 | North Dakota—22 May 1890 |
| Minnesota—5 May 1853 | Indian Territory (Oklahoma)—26 April 1893 |

"WE COMMEND YOU TO: VISIT THE SICK, BURY THE DEAD, RELIEVE THE DISTRESSED, AND EDUCATE THE ORPHAN"

Brothers and Sisters, this is a handout from the 2017 Annual Communication of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, which was held in St. Louis this year. It is an interesting itinerary of Brother Wildey's travels, especially because it is well dated. You can see that he did some long distance traveling (even before the days of jets). Our Sovereign Grand Master Miller (see Proclamation on Page 2) calls upon all IOOF Lodges to plan something to honor the occasion of Brother Wildey's birth. This is a unique time to bring our fellow members together in honor of a man whose work has progressed to 4000 Lodges world wide (quoted from the Sovereign Grand Lodge News). Any members having suggestions or ideas for a program is encouraged to contact Brother Ken White or bring them to the Lodge so they may be discussed.

FLASH NEWS TO USE

Flash is now published monthly

Check out the Wildey #2 website. Lots of new improvements.

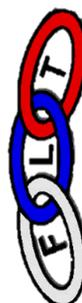
You are able to download or copy pictures from the web site.

January 15 is Thomas Wildey Day

for all IOOF

January 16 is Dinner and

Officers' Installation!!!



GUINNESS BOOK WORLD BIRTHDAYS

Dennis Lipski
6 January

Kenneth Rogers
7 January

Steve Carr
8 January

Have A Wonderful Day

CONGRATULATIONS

