



I.O.O.F. (Independent Order of Odd Fellows)

We are the family of Odd Fellowship, composed of Men, Women and Youth, believing in a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the universe, who have come together in our local community, having the same belief and values as others, who believe Friendship, Love and Truth are the basic guidelines that we need to follow in our daily lives. The I.O.O.F. started in 18th century England. It was deemed Odd to find people organizing for the purpose, of giving aid to those in need without recognition and pursuing projects for the benefit of all mankind. Our three-links emblem stands for Friendship, Love and Truth. These 3 links symbolize the chain that binds our members together.

In Kamloops, we have two lodges: Tatnai Odd Fellow Lodge #9 and Excelsior Rebekah Lodge #23. We have been active in Kamloops for more than 120 years.

We are a Fraternal organization that is steeped in Tradition and we enjoy a close friendship with members from our lodge and others. We aren't as large as we used to be but we still enjoy helping in our community and donating to projects within and out of our Order.

Some of the most recent projects we have donated to include the YWCA and SPCA. We have also given to Royal Inland Hospital Foundation and projects organized by the RCMP. Members enjoy extras such as being eligible for bursaries and scholarships. Last year, we gave over \$2,000 for our BC Joint Bursary Committee. For the last several years we have put on a tea, every summer we have several flea markets and pancake breakfasts. We also rent out our hall for occasions and meetings. We cater for parties and other events as well.

The Odd Fellow and Rebekah hall is located at 423 Tranquille Road in Kamloops. Tatnai Odd Fellow Lodge #9 meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 7:30 pm at our hall. Excelsior Rebekah Lodge #23 meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 pm at our hall.

For more information please contact Marilyn at 250-371-3289 or Belinda at kamoddrebbhall@gmail.com www.IOOF.org

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140 Laburnam Street 236.421.1011
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2975 Clapperton Avenue, Merritt
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