Information Sheet

R Daughters of Rebekah. Blendville Lodge No. 298 (Joplin, Mo.).
811 Records, 1986-2001.
Six volumes.

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Blendville Lodge No. 298 was organized at Joplin on 28 May 1901. Also known as "Blendsville" and named after the common zinc ore of the district, the lodge was among many closely associated Rebekah and Odd Fellows organizations in the mining towns of the Joplin district. It was the third Rebekah lodge established at Joplin. Although it was not the oldest lodge in the district, Blendville was the longest-lived and became the final affiliation for Rebekahs in Jasper County of defunct lodges including Daisy Lodge No. 329 at Chitwood (1931), Duenweg Lodge No. 266 (1963), Joplin Lodge No. 97 (1991), Webb City Lodge No. 106 (1992), and Zinc Lodge No. 369 at Joplin (1993).

This addition to the records of Blendville Lodge No. 298 begins in 1986 and continues through the last meeting on 27 February 2001, when ten members convened the final meeting. The balance in the treasury, \$11,262.53, was turned over to the Rebekah Assembly, and the last Blendville Rebekahs became members-at-large under the jurisdiction of the state lodge.

The records reflect the activities and membership of Blendville following the consolidations of lodges during the 1990s. Volume 6 is a combined record book showing the officers of Zinc No. 369 and Joplin No. 97, prior to consolidation, as well as those of Blendville.

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