## HELMET LODGE #33 EUGENE, OREGON

On January 30<sup>th</sup> nine new Knights joined Helmet Lodge #33 in the Rank of Knight ceremony. The Grand Lodge Officers of the domain of Oregon had the pleasure of participating in the 3 in 1 initiation ritual.

This is the beginnings of a great success story. Two years ago, Helmet Lodge was struggling, membership dropped to a devastating low due to the loss of key members due to age and accident. Members of other Oregon lodges along with the Grand Lodge Officers stepped in as dual members to help reestablish the lodge and recruit new members. We were fortunate to find a couple of likeminded community members that were looking to become active within their community. The interest in the Knights of Pythian was made possible by a dual member that was wearing a Pythian shirt and hat while shopping in the community. This is a great example that it does helps to bring awareness to our organization. The lodge has grown from 3 inactive members to over 20 very active members.

The members are in the process of identifying some needs within their community that they can participate in and helping to make a difference.



Back row L: Ryan Morrison , Kellen Hodges , Chris Cervantes , Joseph Miles , Scott Phillips , Scott Curry Front row L : Jason Whitewolf , Jacob Anderson , Brian Warner

Respectively submitted. Charlie VanDomelen Secertary Helmet Lodge #33