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# Oregon Pythian News

## **Gaston Lodge—Four Eagle Scouts!**

Michael Saul Kniaht became Eagle Scout on April 25th, 2012. His Eagle project was cleaning up trails and posting engraved wooden signs to name each trail, for his church summer camp. Now Michael has gone on to college. Michael is a 2nd generation Pythian since he is the son of Gaston Knight George Saul.



Forest Moore became Eagle Scout on December 4, 2009. His Eagle project was clearing trails and making some picnic tables at Scoggins Hagg Lake. Now he works on big diesel machinery.

Ruger Sanow became Eagle Scout on February 15th, 2012. His project was in Gaston's Browns ball park, He half removed а dozen trees, moved the outer fence in 12 feet, then spread ten yards of gravel. All for more parking. Now Ruger is training school for Oregon's Forestry Department.





Knight Thomas Tipton became Eagle Scout on November 29th, 2011. His project was to rebuild the snack booth window door, paint inside and change the siding, and paint the 32 foot south wall of Armstrong High School football field.

Thomas is now assistant manager for Subway in Wal-Mart, Cornelius. He is also a 2nd generation Pythian since he is the son of Gaston Knight Randy and Michelle Tipton.

## **Grand Chancellor Ed's Message**

#### Oregon Knights and Sisters,

Grand Convention in Pendleton was a productive and enjoyable weekend.

Jerry Footlick from Supreme and California joined us. He supplied us with great ideas and leadership. Thank you, Jerry. The Pendleton Knights and their families did an awesome job on our hospitality suite. Thank you, everyone. Especially you, Jim. Another huge thank you to Betty and Irene. We couldn't have done it without you.

My project is continuing the **Support Our Troops program** with the donations and cash we received, 17 boxes are going out this week. I will be collecting items or donations on my visits later this year or the first of 2013. I should have a schedule soon.





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**Ed Yates Grand Chancellor** 

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HA AND PROSPEROUS NEW

FROM YOUR GRAND CHANCELLOR ED YATES

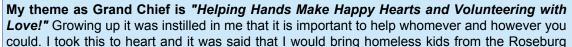
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## **Grand Chief Donna's Message**

Dear Sisters and Brothers.

From when I was very young I watched the Knights and Sisters, waiting eagerly to be old enough to join the Temple. At the age of 16 I joined Roseburg Temple as a second generation Pythian. As time passed I became the cook for our potluck meals. In more recent years I moved up to Beaverton and became more involved with the Pythians in Hillsboro. I've enjoyed helping out with Relay for Life and, of course, helping cook meals. I love to cook for a crowd! One of my favorite things to volunteer for is **Share the Spirit**; where Santa, Mrs. Claus and the elves visit children and elders. I originally started helping out as an elf down in Roseburg for **Santa Don Lacy**. After **Mrs. Lacy** passed away **my father Duane Johnson** became the Santa for our area and I transitioned into the role of Mrs. Claus. I have since had the pleasure of playing Mrs. Claus for 3 other wonderful Santas besides my father: **Santa Bruce Stevens**, **Santa Darrell Henry** and most recently, once again, I am working with **Santa Don Lacy**.





Mission back to our house after school for snacks and sometimes even dinner. Along with continuing to be Mrs. Claus for as long as I can for Share the Spirit, I enjoy volunteering at our local food bank when I can and still strive to help out those in need by making lap robes for the elderly and blankets for babies in shelters. I have learned that you can be happy by volunteering in any way that you can, no matter how small.

By getting out and volunteering we get the Pythian name out into the public's eyes and ears. It spreads the word about who we are and what we do. We can improve our membership numbers by asking others who we meet volunteering to join and have more fun with us. Our numbers are dwindling and we need to get the word out before we fade away. Our organization does a lot of good, and I think if we reach out we can get new members and do even more!

As Grand Chief my flower is the **African Violet** and my colors are **pink & black**. My Grand Chief's Project is to continue with **Doernbecher Child Life Unit**—and—to spread the word on how **organ donation** is so badly needed!

I wish all of you Happy Holidays!

In P.L.E.&F.,

**Grand Chief Donna** 



2004—"Elf" Donna Johnson with Santa Darrell Henry and Donna's father Santa Duane Johnson



2007—Santa Bruce Stevens



2011—Mrs. Claus (Donna) and Santa
Don at Osprey Care Facility
in McMinnville

## **Words From Grand Secretary Mike Harmes**



#### **Fellow Pythians:**

#### Brothers and Sisters,

The year is almost over and I am working towards getting ready for the annual reports. I will send you two copies this year, one that you filled out for last year and the blank for this year. If you want to do this by email then just let me know.

We have many challenges next year and have the same slate of officers. As a Grand Lodge Officer it is hard to have answers when we do not know the questions. I would like to encourage your fellow lodges in helping us to do what you need. Tell us how it's going and where or if you even need any help.

One of the items that came out at the convention was the Good Idea program that Brother Bill Peal thought up. Simple concept is when you have an idea write it down and share it with others. Here is an example: you have a new member but not everyone remembers their name, so the person that brought him in to the lodge introduces him out loud for the first 5 times of his attendance. This has a triple bold affect, they have a feeling of being wanted, others can hear the name to help them remember and it will help create bonding atmosphere for everyone around. Tell me what you think and let's start putting the Good Idea to work for us. Send your good ideas to me and I would be happy to accumulate and pass them around or I am sure the OPN Editor would like to hear of them.



I have some supplies available

for any lodges in stock such as Knight pins, Past Chancellor pins and some rank books. Prices have gone up on some of the items that we purchase from Supreme, so be aware of the cost increase.

Please have a safe and happy holiday season as we all look forward to another new year.

Fraternally, Mike Harmes, **Grand Secretary** 



## **Notes from Grand Secretary Sherri**

**Beverly Cox, PGC** had a very successful Grand Temple session, which was held in Pendleton this year and **our new Grand Chief is Donna Johnson** from Phoenicia-Rose Temple #10 in Hillsboro. I am looking forward to working with her and all of my Pythian Sisters. We had a small gathering, but as always, accomplished our work and enjoyed the time catching up with one another. Now that Grand Temple is over with, it is time to get busy with the end of year reports, which should have been received by the time you read this. I would like to remind all Secretaries that they need to be in my office by February 20<sup>th</sup>.

I have the sad duty of informing you of another dear sister's passing. We lost **Bernice Mathiesen**, **PGC** November 6, 2012 at the young age of 94! Bernice was a member 73 years in our Order! She served as Grand Chief in 1995-1996 and was a member of Friendship Temple #8 in North Plains until they closed and she transferred her membership to Phoenicia-Rose Temple #10 in Hillsboro. We will greatly miss her as we do all our Sisters and Brothers who pass on!

With this thought still in mind about Bernice, we desperately need to try to get new members to take their places. Without new members to replace them it will become a fact that we will die as an Order, at least in Oregon. I don't want to sound melodramatic and I know that I need to as much as anyone else, but we <u>ALL</u> need to start getting Pythian Sister brochures

or wallet cards and giving them out or placing them where people interested will see them. Now is an excellent time to try when we can expound on the good works we do, have done and want to do.

I will be busy this month and next with reports and such, but always have time if you have orders or questions. If I don't know the answer, I will find out and if I don't have something in stock, I will get it. Don't hesitate to call, write or e-mail.



Lastly, I would like to extend my deepest and most heartfelt wishes to EVERYONE !!!!

# A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS

#### AND A JOYOUS NEW YEAR!

Sherri Sievert, PSR Grand Secretary

## Herculena Happenings

Hello from Eastern Oregon and Herculena Temple #27.

We were pleased to have our **Grand Chief Donna** make her 1st official visit to Herculena on November 13, 2012. We met for a nice dinner at Smith's restaurant in Walla Walla at 6:00 P.M. We had 16 present for dinner with 3 husbands accompanying their wives. We all enjoyed a wonderful dinner. After dinner the Sisters returned to our meeting place and enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship and took care of our business meeting. **Tanya Bancroft** served refreshments of a delightful fresh apple cake, tea and apple cider. **Sharon Johnson** won the hostess gift. A good and fun time was had by all.

Other happenings at Herculena are, **Sister Carolyn Swanson** is off to the Seattle area to spend the winter. She will be missed, but we wish her lots of fun while she is gone. **Sister Linda Reyburn** spent a week in California soaking up

the sun. It is good to have her back. **Sister Dorothy Hinton** went to the National FFA convention in Indianapolis, Indiana were her two grandsons were awarded the American Farmer award. Quite an accomplishment. Congratulations, Dorothy!

Herculena is so happy to be able to donate money, time and clothing to some of the organizations in our area. We help a women's shelter with money, clothing and toiletries. We give money to the Christian Aid center for their Coats for Kids program and also gave to their Thanksgiving dinner for the homeless. We donate to the Milton Freewater ministerial group for the Christmas basket program.

We are all looking forward to our Christmas party on the 13th of December. We will be having dinner again at Smith's restaurant and then a meeting with a gift exchange. We wish you all a wonderful and blessed Holiday Season full of fun friends and family. Your Sisters of Herculena #27

## Glencoe Lodge in North Plains—4 New Members!

Lincoln Israel, Justin King, Chadwick Benjamin, and Mark Debry became Knights at Glencoe Lodge #22 on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The lodge had a potluck dinner with a short business meeting following the initiation.



**Lincoln** is a tennis pro, and was recently married.



**Chad** is a professional chef with a huge barbeque.



**Justin** is the owner of the Treasure Chest which is an antique mall located downstairs from the lodge.



**Mark** is a local business owner, who rents out Bounce Houses for children.

Article and photos by Glencoe Lodge

## Glencoe—Introduction to 3 Fine Members



Scott Lantz is the Prelate at Glencoe Lodge. Scott led a project to get long sleeve shirts and polo shirts for our lodge. He is currently working on getting more shirts made for the new members who do not have one of these fantastic shirts, and has expanded the production to include more styles of shirts and a hat. He is also a great beer brewer!



Shelton Jones is Glencoe Lodge's longest tenured Brother. He has served our lodge and the Grand Lodge in different positions over the years. Watch out for Shelton if you are playing pinochle!



Darrek Kay is one of the trustees at Glencoe Lodge. Darrek's son is in Cub Scout Pack 175 that is chartered by our lodge, and Darrek is the Charter Organization Representative for the Pack. Darrek lives close enough to walk home from the lodge.

Written and submitted by Glencoe Lodge

## In Memory of PGC Bernice Mathiesen



Bernice Mathiesen 1918—2012

Bernice Margaret Mathiesen, age 94, of Banks, passed away November 6, 2012, in Hillsboro. She was born September 15, 1918, in Forest Grove to Wilbur and Theresa Dillon. She was raised in Hillsboro until marriage.

Bernice married Nicolai Mathiesen Oct. 16, 1938. They enjoyed 71 years together living at Mountaindale on a farm.

Bernice was a member of the Pythian Sisters organization. She was initiated into Friendship Temple #8 in North Plains in December 1939 and was a member until they closed their doors, at which time she transferred her membership to Phoenicia-Rose Temple #10 in Hillsboro. She held many positions in the Temple and served as Grand Chief in 1995-1996.

At the time of her passing, she had belonged to the Pythian Sisters for 73 years. She was one of the main members of the quilting group out at Friendship Temple and they would gather at her house to do the quilting. We all loved to go there and we could look out her picture window and see hummingbirds quite often while we were quilting. She did wonderful embroidery and donated embroidered pillowcases to be used as gifts at our Fun for Funds breakfast fundraiser at Grand Temple for many years. She was good with flowers, especially amaryllis. Bernice loved to travel, embroidery and sewing. She also loved to swim. She valued her many friends.

Bernice was preceded in death by her husband Nicoliai ("Nick") Mathiesen who passed away in 2009. At Bernice's request there will be no service. Bernice is survived by her son, David (Martha) Mathiesen; two daughters, Diann (Clarence) Knorr and Dixie Mathiesen; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and one great-grandchild.



Bernice Mathiesen (center, in pink formal)
being introduced with other PGC's at November 2005
Grand Chief Sarah Owens' visit to Friendship Temple in
North Plains. Sisters (from left to right): Barbara
Christopher, Judy Murchison, Bernice Mathiesen, Irene
Clink & Mary McIlvaine



Grand Chief Bernice Mathiesen with Supreme Chancellor Darrell Henry and Grand Chancellor Gerry Lieb

March 1996



### Favorite Wintertime Treats:

Snowflakes, Hot Chocolate, Warm Mittens, Toasty
Fireplaces and treasured company of Family and Friends



## **Gaston Lodge Supports Our Troops!**

Tables at the Gaston Lodge of the Knights of Pythias already are overflowing with care packages for American troops in Afghanistan, and the Oregon Pythians are just getting started.

Beef jerky, hand sanitizer, coffee, books, batteries and more fill 17 large boxes at the historic lodge, donated by Pythian lodges throughout the state under the direction of Gaston's Ed Yates, Grand Chancellor of the Oregon Knights of Pythias.

If Yates has his way, this bounty is just the beginning of a year-long project to bring comfort to troops in the war zone. Inspired by a project at the North Plains Pythian lodge, the state organization issued a challenge to all of its members to participate.

The effort is coordinated

through <u>SupportOurTroops.org</u>, and donations of money can be sent to Knights of Pythias Gaston Lodge, P.O. Box



507, Gaston, OR, 97119. (Please designate donation to Support Our Troops.) Donations of factory-sealed snack foods and personal-care items also are welcome; homemade items cannot be accepted.

According to the group's charter, the Fraternal Order of Knights of Pythias, founded in 1864, is "dedicated to the cause of universal peace. Pythians are pledged to the promotion of understanding among men of good will as the surest means of attaining universal peace."



Article and Photos submitted by: Ken Bilderback and GC Ed Yates

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## To Our Pythian Friends & Family



Our best
wishes to you
for a Happy
Holiday
Season!

Bruce & Marilyn Stevens

Wishing you the best
Christmas gifts of all ~

the love of family,
the warmth of home
and memories so good
you just can't stop smiling!

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Gwen Rhodes

Supreme Guard

## **FIRST Robotics Team Activities Change Lives**

Our thanks to all of the Pythians who have helped to make it possible for the FRC Team 1432 program to go year round. Thanks to your support we were able to meet three days a week, but even so our neediest student lost 20 pounds. We did accomplish many things and each event was another meal for those dependant upon us for food.

Labor Day saw the team presenting at the all Union Labor Day picnic at Oaks Park. The daylong event allowed us to educate a number of different unions about the FIRST program. **Senator Wyden** wasn't there this year, but his office said he is looking forward to seeing us there next year.

The very next weekend was FIRST Force where the team received the rules for the Bunny Bot training exercise that they are currently working on. They are building a robot that can collect ping pong balls and stuffed rabbits for a competition in December. After that they went to a Back-to-School Night with the robot to recruit new team members. We weren't allowed in the school but they ran the robot up and down the sidewalk and talked to people.

October Best, an international trade show at Tektronix was next, where the students presented the robot and the FIRST program. It was a really wonderful experience with lots of good contacts and some thought provoking experiences about just what can



FIRST Students making presentation at November Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner



Art Henderson from SCORE presenting \$200 check to FIRST for their October Best Presentation



Raffle baskets at Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner

be done with an education. One of the things the students saw was a 3-D printer that actually printed in aluminum. He made a miniature bearing with the ball bearings already inside of it and a bunch of other amazing things. The builder and company president are going to come and do a presentation for the team about the printer, how he built it, and how his company works.

The students also participated in the Boeing Tour which required a complete background check and picture ID before they could go. It was really amazing one of the mind blowing things they saw were huge boiling vats of chemicals.

On the 17th of November we had our fall spaghetti feed with a table of raffle baskets, and two long tables of absolutely scrumptious food. The ragu sauce had whole sausage and meatballs in it, the marinara was not only homemade and slow-cooked, but had home grown tomatoes in it. There were bowls of snow peas, fresh cauliflower, yellow and red peppers, green onions, carrots and four different kinds of dressing for the beautiful green salad, and besides the best roasted garlic bread there were two desserts to choose from. If you missed this meal you'll have to wait until May to try another one. The team grossed \$300 and the kids did an excellent job talking about the program and the difference it is making in their lives.

Article and Photos Submitted by: Rebecca LohKamp

## Oregon Grand Convention ~ at Pendleton

Oregon Pythians and members from several other states convened in Pendleton the 3rd weekend in October for our State Pythian Convention. **Grand Chancellor Ed Yates and Grand Chief Beverly Cox** presided over the Knights and Sisters' sessions. Meetings went smoothly and everyone took advantage of breaks to enjoy some time visiting.

The weekend began with hospitality hosted by Damon Lodge of Pendleton. Next came Friday's Joint Representatives' Banquet where the members enjoyed good food and fellowship.

Saturday morning our meetings convened. We had a joint luncheon where the Grand Temple Officers continued their tradition of presenting a gift to the Grand Chief. Following lunch, the meetings began again.

Saturday evening's activities began with the Memorial Service where Brothers were eulogized. Sisters read eulogies for PSR Fay Robinson, PSR Hazel Thornton and Sister Catherine Rolle.

The formal banquet came next with great music, speeches and awards. We heard messages from **Grand Chancellor Ed** and **Grand Chief Beverly**. **Jerry Footlick**, **Supreme Master at Arms** was present to represent Supreme Lodge.

**Grand Chancellor Ed** presented several awards:

**Pythian of the Year - Kevin Hardwick** for his fantastic work on my Support our Troops project. (\*)

**Glencoe Lodge - Corkye Funk** for his continued leadership in lodge activities.

**Damon Lodge - Jim Aldrich** for his support and work with the steak feed fundraisers.

**Talisman Lodge—Rafael Lozano** for his leadership in Lodge activities.

**Helmet Lodge - Frank Mellor** for his continued support and time spent in lodge

activities.

**Delphos Lodge - Howard Baker** for his leadership in lodge sponsored bb gun club.

**Gaston Lodge - Bill Sneathen** for his dedication to the Wapato Showdown.

**Diana Lodge - David Faxon** for his leadership in community involvement. (\*)

Ivanhoe Lodge - Alan Lohkamp for his leadership of the robotics club. (\*)

Nominations still pending for **Phoenix** and **Hermes Lodges**.

(\*) These members were not at Grand, so their pictures are not shown here.

Following the banquet, the band played on and members visited late into the evening.

Sunday morning started with the Fun for Funds fundraiser breakfast and drawings. The meetings reconvened including Election of Officers. Grand Lodge retained the same Officers as last year: Grand Chancellor Ed Yates, GVC Randy Tipton, Grand Prelate Bob Smith. Secretary Mike Harmes, Grand Treasurer Jerry Girard, Grand Master at Arms Mike Talbot and Councillor at Large Don Allen. The newly installed Grand Temple Grand Chief Officers are: Johnson, Grand Senior Leatha Tyra, Grand Junior Bernice Meadors PGC, Grand Manager Virginia Mellor, Grand Secretary Sherri Sievert PSR, Grand Treasurer Robyn Neeley PSR, Grand Protector Farrel Fuerst, Grand Guard **Esther** McKibben, Grand Correspondent Rosenna Powell PGC and Sitting Past Grand Chief Beverly Cox.

The 2013 Knights' Oregon Grand Convention will be held at the Lodge Hall in Gaston, Oregon with the Sisters meeting at the Red Lion Hotel in nearby McMinnville, Oregon. On Saturday evening of Grand, the Knights and Sisters will dine together at their traditional joint banquet. We hope to see everyone there for another Grand time!

AWARD WINNERS













2011 ~ 2013 Grand Lodge Officers

## Adventure at Hillsboro's Phoenix Lodge Hall



Kennedy Restoration's Tim and Randy inside Hillsboro Pythian Hall after making temporary repairs to broken window.

October 2012— When Phoenicia-Rose Sisters arrived the Hillsboro Pythian Hall for their October 4th meeting they were startled to see that the large center window in the dining room was broken! It looked precarious dangerous to those of us in the room.

Upon checking with local authorities the Sisters learned that winds had gusted to 50 miles per hour in the windstorm which

passed through Hillsboro just the day before! So high winds are undoubtedly the cause of the two vertical breaks in the window.

Phoenix Lodge Trustees immediately authorized temporary repairs and Kennedy Restoration was quick to respond. Their repairmen were on site within an hour of our call. They taped the window to prevent it from breaking more; then got up on a tall ladder to install 2 sheets of plywood on the outside of the 2nd floor of our building to secure the window from additional damage—and—to protect pedestrians too. The repairmen measured the window at 6'3 1/2" by 6' 8".

In early November the window was replaced, so now we have a clear view again! Our thanks to both Kennedy Restoration—and—to Liberty Mutual for excellent claims service. (Phoenix Lodge already has the check for the repairs!)

On a positive note, we're looking forward to our Holiday Dinner on Monday, December 10th at the Hillsboro Hall.

## **Eugene Pythians**

A couple of our upcoming activities are:

December 1st we will have a special lunch for **Ed Muth's 99th birthday** at Sizzler on Gateway on Springfield. December 7th we're doing a **Santa visit** at one of the rest homes in Eugene.

## Gwen Rhodes, Supreme Guard

Our friend and Sister **Gwen Rhodes** from Washington, is the Pacific NW's most recent Supreme Officer! She was elected to the position of **Supreme Guard** at the New Hampshire Supreme Convention in August. Congratulations, Gwen!

Gwen has visited Oregon Grand numerous times over the years so we count her as a dear and trusted friend. Gwen has served Supreme Temple Pythian Sisters in the capacity of U.S. Membership Chairman, Law Committee Member and Supreme Page for PSC Kathlene Lacy Henry as well as for Supreme Treasurer Margaret Grochocki.



## **Grand Lodge Impressions from Gaston Lodge Member**

I recently attended the Grand Lodge Convention in Pendleton, Oregon.

This was my first time at such a meeting and event. I was not part of the "Voting" members, but decided to attend on my own as just a supporter and representative of Gaston Lodge # 104.

To me it was a privilege and honor to be able to attend, witness, and be a part of the process. My take and observation was that everyone worked well together and complemented one another's strengths and weaknesses. Now for Fellowship, bar-none fellowship was top-notch. I really enjoyed talking with everyone.

Hospitality room was a huge success. Great place to get to know fellow Brothers and Sisters. I must say "hats off" to the Damon No.4 Lodge, they did a great job with refreshments and warm welcome to their town. Definitely a place I would like explore more of.

I am looking forward to next years Fun Day tentatively set for June 2013 at Stevenson, WA. (#) I look forward to another fun time. If you have never been to a shin-dig that this group puts on, you don't know what you're missing...

Sincerely,

#### Bill Sneathen

Gaston Lodge #104



(#) <u>Editor's note</u>: Please see back cover for updated information on 2013 Pythian Fun Day. The committee had to change both the date AND the location!

## Alaska ~ The "Real" Smoked Salmon Recipe

The article labeled "Alaska—The Last Frontier" in the fall edition of the OPN included an abbreviated version of **Don Lacy's** recipe for smoked salmon. For those of you who asked for the more detailed version, here it is:

#### **BRINE**:

1/3 cup brown sugar

1 cup water

1 cup soy sauce

1 cup white wine

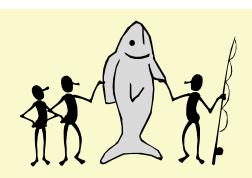
1/4 cup non-iodized salt

1 teaspoon onion powder

1 teaspoon garlic powder

1 teaspoon pepper

1/2 teaspoon Tabasco



#### **DIRECTIONS**:

Mix water and brown sugar to make "sugar water."

Blend in all the rest of the ingredients.

Soak salmon fillets for 12 hours.

Smoke fish at 165 degrees until it reaches "perfection." (8-12 hours)

Remove from smoker and ENJOY!!

With thanks to the cooks: Don Lacy, his sister Dixie Logan and nephew Pat Lacy

## INVITATION: SUPREME CHANCELLOR'S BANQUET



YOU ARE CORDIALLY
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## SUPREME CHANCELLOR SIR JERRY DEITCH

SATURDAY MARCH 9, 2013 RIVIERA HOTEL AND CASINO Las Vegas, Nevada

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BY FEBURARY 6, 2013
CASH BAR COCKTAIL HOUR 6:00 PM
DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 7:00 PM
COST: \$54.00 PER PERSON
BLACK TIE OPTIONAL

PLEASE RSVP FOR BANQUET BY JANUARY 14, 2013

#### **DINNER MENU**

#### Salad

Riviera Mixed Greens with Tomato, Cucumber, Hearts of Palm and Feta Cheese with Choice of Dressing

#### Entrée Choices:

- $\Rightarrow$  Roast Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus
- ⇒ Pacific Fresh Salmon, Topped with Fresh Tarragon and Lime in White Sauce
- ⇒ Chicken Marsala-Boneless Breast of Chicken Sautéed with Marsala Wine,

Served with Ricotta Cheese Manicotti, Mushrooms and Fresh Asparagus

Dessert - Tiramisu

Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Hot Tea, Iced Tea or Milk

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Cost \$54.00 per person

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## **Editors' Message**

#### LOOKING BACK—LOOKING FORWARD

#### To all Pythians and friends ~

As we approach the end of the year, it is natural for us to look back over what we accomplished during the past year. It is also a time to consider our family and friends. To think about what is really important.

So much has happened in the past few years—several lodges and some temples have had gains in membership; longstanding community service projects are going well and new projects are being identified and started; individuals are emerging as new leaders for our organization.

Now is also the time to look forward to the New Year. It will give us a clean slate and renewal. It gives us an opportunity to develop new community service projects so that we can really connect with the people in our towns. Let's get them involved in our organization too, so that they can enjoy the fellowship and servitude that we hold dear.

As I sit here today, during Holiday season, I think of all of our Pythian friends whom we have met from around North America—people who feel like family to us. Of course, I think first about Darrell—I still miss him every day. I think of my sweet Mom and my brother John who also went before us... many others too, too numerous to mention here.... Each of our Pythian friends and family volunteered for our organization because they were Proud to be Pythians. They left a living legacy behind—all of the people that they helped in our communities plus the rest of us! Now it is up to us to pick up where they left off and carry on!

The next OPN is scheduled for distribution by April 1st.

Please send articles and photos to arrive by March 10th
so we can process and deliver the April issue on time.

With Love & Hugs, and Best Wishes for the Holidays,

Kathlene

## **Greetings from Supreme Chief Audrey**

I wish everyone a wonderful holiday season and health and happiness!



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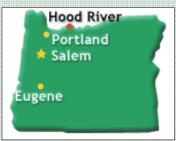
## **Upcoming Pythian Events**

- ⇒ **December 5** (Wednesday) —Grand Chief's visit to Willamette Temple—3:00 PM
- ⇒ **December 10** (Monday) Hillsboro Pythians Holiday Dinner
- ⇒ **December 16** (Sunday) Grand Chief's visit to Thermopylae Temple—2:00PM
- ⇒ **December 17** (Monday) Grand Chief's visit to Helmetta Temple—7:00PM
- ⇒ **December 20** (Thursday) Grand Chief's visit to Phoenicia-Rose Temple—7:30pm
- ⇒ **January 5** (Saturday) Hillsboro Pythians Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner for Relay for Life
- ⇒ January 15 (Tuesday) Grand Chief's visit to Fern Temple— 1:00PM
- ⇒ **January 26** (Saturday) Aurora's Annual Crabfeed Dinner
- ⇒ **May 4** (Saturday) Pythian Sisters' District Convention
- ⇒ **July 12 to 14** (Friday—Sunday) Pythian Fun Weekend in Hood River—Contact Don Allen for details
- ⇒ Please send details of your Pythian events to the OPN Editor and we'll add them to the calendar in the next issue!

## PYTHIAN FUN DAYS!!!!!!!!!!

#### \* SAVE THE DATE \*

Pythian Fun Days will be at Hood River Fairgrounds in Odell, Oregon (near Hood River) on July 12-14, 2013.



The days and location had to be changed due to inability to get camp sites on the other dates.

Details will be channeled out in the near future, and another article in the next OPN.

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