



News for and About Oregon Pythians

# Oregon Pythian News

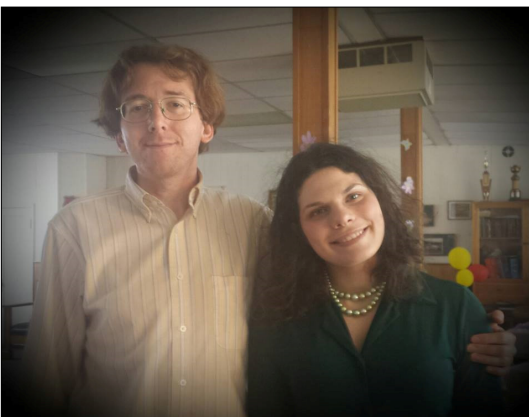
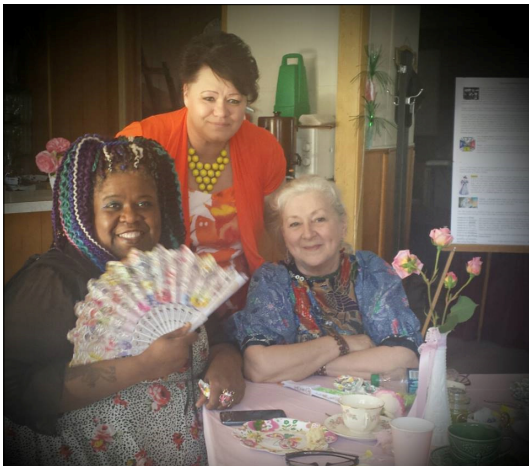
## New Ivanette Temple Hosts TWO Membership Teas



The Sisters of our brand new Ivanette Temple, which was not even 6 months old at the time, hosted their first Membership Tea and Bazaar on March 12th. They held their 2nd tea — a Mother's Day Celebration on May 6th! These ladies know how to host a festive event! The tables were beautifully decorated; treats included homemade scones, cheeses and fresh fruit. They also had large information boards explaining the Pythians and our service projects.

The tea itself was so good that an English lady told them their tea would have put several in England to shame. She and her 90-year young mother plan to return for the next event. The photos on this page give just a small sense of the joy and camaraderie of these events.

*Photographs by Corinthia Bethune, Judy McDuffy, Kimberly Brown and Rebecca Lohkamp*





## Grand Chancellor Mike's Message

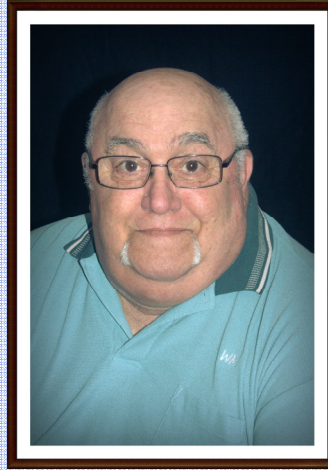
The Oregon Officers have met with all but one of the lodges so far this year. At most all of them there's a bit of excitement over our membership contest. Just in case you were off hunting snipes and missed it, the Lodge with the highest percentage of membership growth wins \$500.00. That is, of course, new members not retreads. The numbers are in and last year we did not lose any members. Our numbers stayed the same as the year before. It's time to put the pressure on. It's time to offer others the chance to help their community. It's time to make your lodge grow.

We, the Grand Lodge, are going to try a raffle to raise money for scholarships. Please see page 3 for more information. Selling door prize tickets to non-Pythians will be smiled on.

The raffle to help our scholarship program is open to non-Pythians so don't be shy. When you sell someone some raffle tickets be sure to give them a membership application.

Fraternally,

Mike Talbot, Grand Chancellor



**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING MEALS FOR GRAND CONVENTION:**  
Village Green notified us that all meal selections must be made 3 weeks prior to our convention date, so get registered **EARLY** this year. Mail your meal forms + check so our Meals Committee will have them by Sept 16th.

### HELMET LODGE MOTHER/FATHER DINNER

**Saturday May 21, 2016 at 1:00 PM**

**Empire China Buffet**

1933 Franklin Blvd in Eugene

**Come all Knights, Sisters  
and Friends**

The Buffet is paid for by Helmet Lodge #33



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## Grand Chief Cheryl's Message

Wishing that everyone, Knights and Sisters all, had a Happy Easter. I have made all 6 of my official visits to Willamette, Fern, Phoenicia-Rose, Thermopylae, Ivanette and Helmetta. I had to reschedule Helmetta, as I was out of town and airline cancelled my flight because of mechanical problems.

I want to thank these temples for all their hospitality and friendship shown me during my visits.

Our district convention was April 30th at Phoenicia-Rose. Our District Deputy is Heather Johnson King.

Also want to say Congratulations to Sherri Sievert Lee on her recent marriage.

Yours in P L E & F,

Cheryl Bergman  
Grand Chief



## ANNOUNCEMENT: Grand Lodge Fund Raiser for OPCEF



We have asked all the lodges and temples to come up with local fund raisers to help pump up the [Oregon Pythian Continuing Education Fund \(OPCEF\)](#) due to an increase of Pythian Brothers, Sisters or their family asking for help with the increasing cost of higher education.

We at state feel we should join in also. Since it's hard for us at state to do a spaghetti feed or a pancake breakfast since we don't have a building, we decided to do a door prize drawing. Each lodge and temple will get a few sheets of ticket to cut and sell to anybody who wants a chance to win a \$250.00 prepaid VISA card. The drawing will be held at the Grand Convention, at

the Saturday night dinner on the fifteenth of October. No, you do not need to be present to win. These tickets can be sold to non-Pythians. Who knows, you might just hand them some literature about our order and an application form.

Any member who would like more tickets, we can send you an e-mail with a PDF and you can print as many as you need. The money needs to be sent in with the tickets to: Grand Lodge—OPCEF Fund Raiser, PO Box 126, Gaston OR 97119.

Let's see if we can start showing people that we are worth a second look.

*Article submitted by Grand Chancellor Mike Talbot*



## Grand Secretary's Report From Ed Yates

It has been a busy time for me since my last report. First I wish to thank **PGC Charlie VanDomelen** for his assistance in getting the annual report forms updated and out to the Lodges. With his help we were able to file our reports to Supreme on time.

I am happy to report that The Oregon Domain is healthy and happy with ZERO loss of member in 2015. I had 10 Lodges report with a total membership of 298 members.

Hopefully with **GC Mike Talbot's** project to recruit new members we will be able to increase those numbers in 2016.

Just a reminder that **Grand Council** will meet Sunday of Fun Day Weekend at Wallowa Lake. Campsites and motel rooms still available.

Fraternally,  
Ed Yates  
Grand Secretary



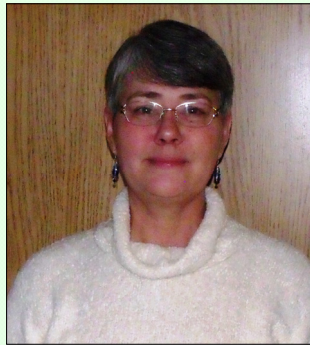
## Notes from Grand Secretary Sherri

Spring is definitely in the air here in Central Oregon, with plenty of sunshine (I was ready for it). Shawn & I were blessed with a beautiful day for our wedding the 19<sup>th</sup> of this month. Our Western wedding was well attended, and everyone said it was beautiful, and everything looked nice. Our invitation said it was happening at high noon, and when it was noon, the reverend got it going! We had so many people helping with the set up and helping with the clean up afterwards, as we were off on our honeymoon to Rockaway Beach. **Risa Riggen, PSR** came from Pilot Rock, and was my matron of honor and a big help the night before and that day. I will remember her telling Shawn and I many times to "Just Breathe." After 36 years as a Sievert, I am now happily **Mrs. Shawn Lee!** A big thank you to all who sent or called with well wishes to Shawn & me!

I must apologize for my tardiness in so many duties of my office of Grand Secretary. Please know that now that the wedding is over, I/we are more settled in our new jobs, and my confidence and memory are getting sharper, that I will be working hard to get caught up and be able to fulfill my duties on time. Thank you all for understanding and being patient with me!!!

On another note, we had our District Convention on Saturday, April 30, 2016, with **Heather King** as District Deputy Grand Chief, at Hillsboro with Phoenicia-Rose Temple #10 hosting. We are so very excited to welcome our new Temple in Portland, with the old name of Ivanette Temple #68, as our 6<sup>th</sup> Temple here in Oregon. They are bravely and boldly trying to fulfill all the required duties with guidance from Sisters at Phoenicia-Rose and others too. Please keep the smiles and interest going Sisters! We are very proud of you all and enjoyed meeting some of you at District.

Phoenicia-Rose Temple #10 is especially proud, to be able to call **Supreme Chief Sandra Symons** a Temple Sister, and Oregon is proud to call her an Oregon Pythian Sister as well. Thank you, Sandra for your support and well wishes. Sandra was present at our Grand Temple in Pendleton in October and graciously was also Virginia's Parliamentarian for the session. We all greatly enjoyed her down to earth attitude and graciousness. Her Supreme session is this August in Cleveland, Ohio and **Donna Johnson and Beverly**



**Cox** are our Supreme Representatives for that session.

I still have a ways to go for a 50 year pin (37), but I am so glad to have known and worked with so many Past Grand Chiefs that are no longer with us and many that are still here. I cherish every memory that I have of District Conventions and Grand Temples, both here and in other states I visited, as well as the few Supreme sessions that I have attended (not near as many as my Mama, **Irene Clink**, and others and if you ever have time, listen to some of their stories)! I feel lucky to have met several ladies from other states and to be able to put a face to the name and correspond by e-mail when I have time. **Sandra**

**Symons, Supreme Chief**, was one I knew before she rose in the ranks and also **Connie Edwards, Supreme Secretary**, and it makes it special to know them on a personal level before they became part of the Supreme level, and they have stayed as nice as they were before. That is what makes the Pythian Sisters so special, that personal bond that transcends the miles and makes you feel so very close no matter how far away you may really be. If you have a chance, don't miss asking someone to become a Sister and be a part of this special Sisterhood!!

I am always busy, but if you need anything, please ask. If I don't have the answer or don't have the time, I will find someone who will be able to help! That is a promise. Before closing, a special thank you to **Robyn Neeley, PSR** for all her years as Grand Treasurer, and helping me get back in the swing of things as Grand Secretary. A very special thank you to **Sarah Owens, PSR**, for stepping up and welcome for becoming the new Grand Treasurer and I hope I will be as helpful to you as Robyn was for me!

Till next time, wishing you all a very wonderful, and enjoyable Spring and Summer, and hoping to see many of you soon.

In Pythian Love,

Sherri Lee (Sievert), PSR, Grand Secretary

## Greetings from Supreme Chancellor Keith Stooksberry

As I write this article, Sheila and I are preparing to leave our winter home in Florida and return to Ohio. Hopefully all of the snow has melted. Surely summer weather can not be far behind.

Speaking of Summer, make plans to attend the 2016 Supreme Convention in Beachwood, Ohio at the DoubleTree. The dates are August 7-10, 2016. Many fun trips have been planned for your entertainment including the following: Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Dinner Cruise, dining at a local Italian restaurant, Billy Eliot the Musical, and more. Make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Have a safe and fun-filled Summer. Safe travels!

Faternally,

L. Keith Stooksberry, Jr.,  
Supreme Chancellor



## Greetings from Supreme Chief Sandy Symons

My Fellow Pythians,

With less than three months to go until our Supreme Sessions in Cleveland begin, it is hard to believe that my two years as your Supreme Chief will soon be over. I have had the time of my life and I am so fortunate to have been able to see and do so many things. I have been honoured to be able to share my experiences with you; during my travels, through my communications or my posts on Facebook. As I have said before wherever I have travelled, my Pythian family makes me feel like I am right at home.

It has been my distinct pleasure to be working alongside our **Supreme Chancellor Keith Stooksberry** as we make a difference together. His support and yours is truly appreciated. I know we will all have an awesome time at our upcoming Supreme Sessions.

I look forward to meeting many more of you during my upcoming visits and at our Supreme Convention in August. The 2016 Supreme Convention Committee has been very busy finalizing the arrangements for our convention. They have been working hard to make our time in Greater Cleveland a truly memorable one.

Each member is equally important to the success of our organization and never underestimate the difference you can make in the lives of others. We have proven through team work that our Pythian family can and has made a difference in some one's life every day. It is truly amazing the wonderful work and acts of kindness you do. I am proud of you all.

Thank you so much for making my time as your Supreme Chief so memorable. I will cherish those special moments forever.

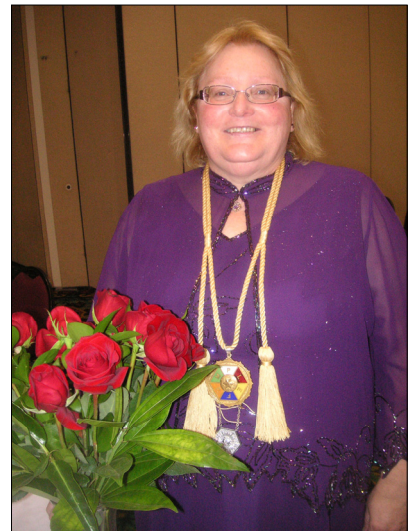
Be safe in your travels and keep those who need our support in your prayers.

If you have any questions or I can assist in anyway, please let me know.

Onward and Upward!

In Pythian Love Always,

Sandy Symons, Supreme Chief





## Supreme Invitation from Gwen Rhodes, Supreme Protector

Just like the Presidential Race the push is on to rally as many Sisters and Brothers as possible to attend the 2016 Supreme session that will be held in Cleveland, Ohio in August. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to being in the Midwest in the middle of the summer, but the convention committee appears to be doing a great job at making it very inviting. They are offering some very interesting tours and entertainment packages.

These sessions are especially important as we are setting the rules and guidelines that influence our membership both current and prospective so it is a good idea to be there and make sure all points of view are considered. It is not an easy task for your Supreme Representatives to make a spur of the moment decision when she has no one from her Jurisdiction to consult.

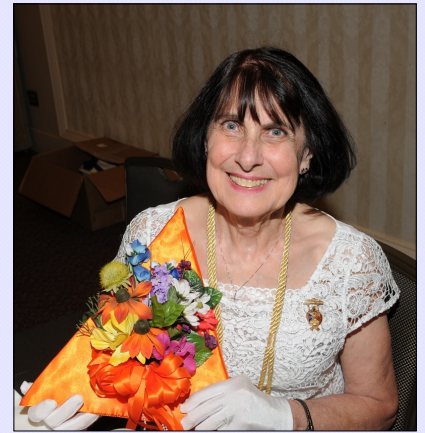
As your current Supreme Protector, I will be pursuing the position of Supreme Manager. My assigned task for this session is to sell raffle tickets for both the beautiful quilt made by **PSC Audrey Compton** and her hubby, **Lee** and the 25/25/50 drawing. Tickets should be available from your Temple Secretary, but in case your Grand Secretary has not had time to distribute them, you can get them from her. All tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We will appreciate

any and all support. This is one way we help to finance the Supreme session.

We would also like to remind you to consider donating to the Endowment Fund either in memory of someone or to honor someone. This money is used to support college scholarships which can help a student from being saddled with loan debt for years after graduation.

Looking forward to seeing you at Supreme session.

In PLE&F,  
Gwen Rhodes  
Supreme Protector



## OPCEF Awards 16 Scholarships

The Oregon Pythian Continuing Education Foundation (OPCEF) is happy to announce that sixteen students have been approved to receive scholarships for the 2016/2017 school year, if they maintain a 2.5 grade point average. There was a strong applicant pool and we are pleased to be able to help so many deserving students in achieving their educational goals.

**This year's scholarship winners are:**

<b>Steven Basquez</b>	<b>Laura Boles</b>
<b>Leisa Boles</b>	<b>Trina Brown</b>
<b>Ashton Carow</b>	<b>Haylie Davis</b>
<b>Jarad Davis</b>	<b>Paden Flerchinger</b>
<b>Blake Franklin</b>	<b>Riley Hoffman</b>
<b>Connor Matrisciano</b>	<b>Kimberly Nichols</b>
<b>Sarah Nichols</b>	<b>Evangelina Olivera</b>
<b>Jason Santoni</b>	<b>Ashaundra Talbot</b>

Applicants come to us from all over Oregon and we had the follow distribution among Temple and Lodge affiliations:

<b>Phoenicia-Rose Temple – 1</b>	<b>Gaston Lodge – 6</b>
<b>Glencoe Lodge – 1</b>	<b>Delphos Lodge – 3</b>

**Helmet Lodge – 1**  
**Damon Lodge - 3**

**Hermes Lodge – 1**

All students are encouraged to apply every year for the OPCEF scholarship. Any Oregon Pythian member in good standing, their children, grandchildren, or relatives of a deceased Oregon Pythian who was in good standing at the time of their passing, is eligible to apply. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required and applications are due by April 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. Scholarship applications are available from any Knights of Pythias Lodge or Pythian Sister Temple, or by contacting the OPCEF directly at:

OPCEF  
c/o Gaston Lodge  
PO Box 507  
Gaston, Oregon 97119

**Once again, CONGRATULATIONS to this year's scholarship recipients!**

*Article submitted by Sarah Owens*



## Eugene's Ed Muth Celebrates 102!

Helmet Lodge hosted a party to honor Ed's 102 birthday at the Eugene Sizzler Restaurant. There were three Grand Lodge officers attending. This year Helmet Lodge presented Ed with a plaque honoring the 102nd Birthday and 51 new two dollar bills.

*Article and photos submitted by Jerry Girard*



## Dorothy Hinton Honored with 50-Year Service Award

The Sisters of Milton-Freewater met at the home of sister **Dorothy Hinton** on March the 5 at 11:30 to have potluck lunch and a time of visiting. The Sisters present were **Sharon Johnson PGJ**, **Tanya Bancroft PGC**, **Jean McWilliams PSR**, **Linda Reyburn PSR**, **Carolyn Swanson PGJ**, **Vesta Poteete PSR** and **Dorothy Hinton PC**. Dorothy's daughter **Charlotte Birdwell** and **Dorothy's husband Tom** and **Dorothy's caregiver** also joined us for lunch. We had a very lovely time. **Sharon Johnson** made a wonderful chicken and rice dish and the Sisters all brought salads.

We were honored to pin Dorothy with her



50-year membership pin. She was so pleased to receive it. Dorothy was a very active member of Herculena #27 and transferred her membership to Phoenicia-Rose with other Sisters when Herculena turned in their charter. We were all so pleased to be able to spend the time with Dorothy and each other. It was a wonderful afternoon.

*Article submitted by Vesta Poteete*

**Editor's Note:** This photo of Dorothy was cropped from our 2006 "Red Hats" Pythian Sisters' District Convention in Milton-Freewater when Linda Reyburn was DDGC.



## Pythian Fun Weekend—Wallowa Lake—July 14-17



Welcome from the Brothers of Damon Lodge #4 to Pythian Fun Days 2016 at Wallowa Lake near Joseph, Oregon.

This year's dates are July 14th through the 17th. We will be staying at the Park at the River Campground at 59888 Wallowa Lake Highway, Joseph, OR 97846. There are still some campsites left. To reserve a campsite the cost is \$40.00 per night for full hook-ups. If you haven't made a reservation for a campsite call Ray Cable at 541-969-7759.

There are lots of things to do in Joseph and at the Lake like:

Fishing	Boating on the Lake	Horseback Riding
GoCarts	Horse Shoe Pits	Hiking Trails
Bumper Boats	Bronze Foundry Tours	Galleries
Bicycling	Matterhorn Village	Eagle Cap Train
Mount Howard Tram Ride (3,700')		
Natural History Discovery Center		
Wallowa Fiddle Tunes Workshop		
29th Annual Summer Fishtrap		

Down the road in Joseph there are lots of shops to browse through and sites to see.

**LODGING:** Places to stay if not camping: Eagle Cap Chalets, Eagle's View Inn & Suites or the historic Wallowa Lake Lodge which was built in 1923. You can also rent a cabin.

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY EVENINGS—**  
**Meet & Greet with other Pythians,**  
**Family and Friends**

**SATURDAY MORNING—**Looking into  
Tram Ride up Mount Howard

**SATURDAY EVENING—6:00pm BBQ Dinner—**Meat provided by Grand Lodge. Everyone is requested to bring a potluck (covered dish) to share. Drinks will be provided. Bring your own plates and silverware.

**SUNDAY—9AM Group breakfast** will be provided by Grand Lodge. Bring your own plates and silverware.



Grand Council meeting will follow breakfast

**Any questions or reservations contact:**

**Ray Cable 541-969-7759**

**Email: [rcable59@yahoo.com](mailto:rcable59@yahoo.com)**

***\*\*If you are going and not renting a campsite, please call us ahead of time so we can plan for dinner and breakfast.\*\****

### **History of the Area::**

Wallowa Lake is a small community of about 60 year-round residents, which swells to hundreds in the summer. In the 1920s, it was a burgeoning mountain resort of cabins, an amusement park, a dance hall and bowling alley. Today the amusement park is gone, and the lodge shares the peaceful lakefront only with Wallowa Lake State Park.

The mile-long road that leads south from the lodge to where wilderness begins takes you by the Wallowa Lake Tramway, Vali's Alpine Deli and Restaurant, the Glacier Grill and General Store, and other classic, low-key mountain resort attractions.

At the north end of the lake, six miles away is Joseph, which was named after Chief Joseph, an esteemed leader of a band of the Nez Perce Tribe. Visitors come from all parts of the world to capture the history of Chief Joseph and the Nez Perce and pay their respect to the historical monument and gravesite.

**When** you are ready for a little culture it's time to discover the town of Joseph a place for art lovers, historians, and outdoor enthusiasts. The display of arts, galleries, unique diners, and quaint cottage stores is bound to delight you. The local artisan touch is everywhere in Joseph!

### **Wallowa Lake and the Wallowa River**

In an alignment of perfect circumstance - climate, geology, and eons of time - converged to create the great moraines which formed Wallowa Lake 20,000 years ago. It's a special place that awes everyone who first lays eyes upon it.

Referred to as "The Crown Jewel", "The Sapphire in a Sea of Astounding Landscapes", and the "WOW of the Wallowas." Wallowa Lake has inspired passionate expression in words that for many ultimately fall short. You'll find its iconic image featured in more articles on the area because *it is the most loved destination in Northeast Oregon.*

When you drive into the Wallowa Valley for the first time, the scene is a breathtaking experience in and of itself, but it's at the end of the road where real treasure is found. This ribbon lake, with its crystal-clear, deep blue water and majestic mountain backdrop, creates yet another picture-postcard moment that few with a camera can resist. Add to that the crisp mountain air, the brilliant night sky, the emerald green valley and the warmth of its people and you have an experience that's hard to find- no matter where you travel.

And, there is an energy to this place that uplifts spirits and can even heal broken souls. Visitors often remark that being here feels like home, and for many it's an experience that's expressed in spiritual terms. Once you visit, there's no going back- a piece of your heart will always remain.

The entire area between Hells Canyon and The Eagle Cap, including Wallowa Lake, was considered in the early 90's for National Park designation. Wallowa Lake and the surrounding area is a truly magnificent place, like nowhere else on Earth.

**For more details:** [www.wallowacountychamber.com](http://www.wallowacountychamber.com)  
[www.wallowalakevacationrentals.com](http://www.wallowalakevacationrentals.com)





## Pendleton's Scott Hancock Friendship Campground

One of Damon Lodge #4's big projects is our **Hancock Friendship Campground** at Meacham Lake. **Bill Peal** and **Ray Cable** went up and unloaded 6,000 pounds of allen blocks and caps for our retaining wall. These will be placed on the right side of our 20' by 40' picnic shelter which we are planning to erect this summer. It is going to be built out of the timber on the property. The picture on the right is what it will look like, but bigger.

Some of you might get to see it if you come to our 3-day camp out and party over Labor Day Weekend. More details will be given at the Pythian Fun Days in July.

*Article and Photos submitted by Ray Cable*



## Willamette Temple Hosts Grand Chief's Visit

Willamette Temple hosted **Grand Chief Cheryl** with a luncheon at Murphy's in Dallas before their monthly meeting. **MEC Bernice Balschweid** introduced the Grand Officers as Willamette's Manager is the Grand Chief! **Grand Officers: SPGC Virginia Mellor, GP Arlene Kimball, GG Carol Jenkins and Grand Chief Cheryl Bergman**. Gifts were exchanged after the formal meeting. A pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all. Willamette members: **Cheryl, Bernice Arlene, Carol, Linda and Rosalee**. Visitors: **Kaye Pomerleau, Virginia Mellor and Ann Ross**

*Article and Photos submitted  
by Carol Jenkins*





## Ivanhoe Lodge Making Progress

Winter was cold for the lodge at the beginning. We had a bit of trouble with the furnace. It was putting out exhaust into the room. **Knight Hal Sullivan** and **Knight Brad Doern** discovered the chimney was blocked with probably 80 years of soot. They removed more than 20 gallons and found a scrap of partially burned paper from 1935. It has been working well ever since.

Work continues with repairs to the building – ceiling tiles have been replaced, there are new curtains, and we are looking into rainwater mitigation for the lodge. This will require coming up with an alternative to letting the rain water run into the sewer. In the process of cleaning up the office we discovered 3 magic lantern machines and hand painted glass slides that told the Pythian story and maybe a travel log. One of the mentors for the robotics team found a Pythian altar at an antiques store in

Aurora. They wanted about \$300 for it.

Ivanhoe Lodge invited the Sisters of Ivanette Temple twice to join them for one of their monthly dinner meetings. The fourth Tuesday of March the officers from the Grand Lodge joined us for our dinner meeting at Super King Buffet. We were very pleased to have the Sisters join us. We also joined the Sisters for their membership tea with an information table. There were a couple of nibbles from potential new members. We were very pleased to be invited to join the Sisters in their community event. We hope that they will do more of these and that we will be invited back.

The Lodge is still working on coming up with a fundraiser.

*Article submitted by Alan LohKamp,  
Chancellor Commander*

## Portland's FRC Robotics Team

FIRST Robotics Competition Team 1432 sponsored by Ivanhoe Lodge # 1 has just finished its first of 2 district competitions for the year. This year's challenge required the robot to overcome the obstacles that protect a castle - moat, draw bridge, portcullis, etc. They also needed to breach the tower through launching boulders (or in this case balls) at it. At the end of the competition there was the opportunity to try and climb the tower wall. The team scored well enough to make it to the semifinals at the Philomath competition. This has been accomplished through the hard work of the students and the purchase of distance sensors and the help of Cody Hanks programming mentor. They had 6 weeks to design, build, program, and learn to drive the robot. The team is looking forward to their second district event at Clackamas Academy of Industrial Science. Their next competition is April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Oregon City. There's a slim chance that the team will win their way into the finals of this next competition. This would be a wonderful thing and something that the team has never achieved before but if they do they will have less than one week to come up with \$6,000 to compete at the regional championship the following weekend. If you are interested in watching the regional championship the best of the best 60 teams from Oregon and Washington will compete for a chance

to go to the World championship in Chicago. The top 6 teams from both states combined will get to go. We won't even think about what that would cost.



There was some question as to whether or not the team was going to get to compete at all this year, in fact they almost didn't. But, thanks to the generosity of the Pythian community and supporters of FRC Team 1432 they made it. It is the team's hope that they will be able to bring the robot to the Pythian Fun Days and you can all see it in action.

FRC Team 1432 would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have supported them and especially **Chancellor Commander Alan LohKamp**, and **Knight Patrick LohKamp** for their help in making the program possible.

## Southern Oregon Pythians Welcome New Member

Thermopylae Temple #37 of Grants Pass initiated a new member in December. We welcome Lori Baczkowski to our midst. Lori attended many potluck dinners as the guest of MEC Paula Bice and we are happy that she has joined us "officially".

Thermopylae Temple and Talisman Lodge hosted the official visits of **Grand Chief Cheryl** and **Grand Chancellor Mike** on April 3rd. We heard that lasagne is a favorite, so what is hoped will be a scrumptious meal has been planned for our fearless leaders and their entourage.

*Article submitted by Robyn Neeley*



# Professional Historian Assists McMinnville Lodge's Historic Committee



Knight Rob Stephenson and Rebecca Quandt, McMinnville Downtown Association with historic Diana Lodge minutes book

Diana Lodge #63, McMinnville, formed an historic committee a few years ago to address the identification and preservation of historic relics discovered in deep storage within their own lodge. The age of these relics promises to tell a tale of the founding of Diana Lodge, which seems to coincide with the founding of the City of McMinnville. Items of interest date back to the late 1800s and include ceremonial robes, an antique projector with slides, swords, pendants, various documents, and several leather bound minutes books old enough to

document the very first lodge meeting and the purchase of the lodge building. Lodge members discovered many interesting facts through analysis of these relics, but soon came to realize that in order to further their understanding of the history of the lodge, consultation with others outside of their limited circle of knowledge would be necessary.

Luckily, committee efforts caught the attention of **Rebecca Quandt**, who is an historian with and the director of the McMinnville Downtown Association (MDA). She has become an honorary committee member of sorts. Rebecca has offered her expertise in the analysis of Diana Lodge artifacts. She is especially interested in a connection between the early histories of Diana Lodge and downtown McMinnville. There seems to be an interesting correlation and influence.

Rebecca is a professional historian who was recruited by committee member Rob Stephenson. She holds a Master of Science in Historic Preservation and Architecture from the College of Charleston / Clemson University. Rob's business office just happens to be in the same building with Rebecca's, each within the offices of the McMinnville Downtown Association. Diana Lodge is very lucky to have her assistance.

Rebecca's expertise involves the analysis of and preservation of historic artifacts. Certainly the most valuable piece of evidence to committee members are those beautiful hand written minutes books; there are several of them, one dating back to 1894. Rebecca has a well-trained eye for reading the elegant cursive writing from yesteryear. She took possession of a couple of the lodge's oldest books for the purpose of transcribing cursive writing in the books into text documents for easier reading.

Each historic committee member seems to have their own special area of interest. **Trustee Brad Robison**, for example, took special interest in the ceremonial robes. Brad writes: "The Diana lodge of McMinnville has been fortunate to have many uniforms (costumes) from our past. Our Historic Committee decided in January of 2013 to have 8 of the best preserved

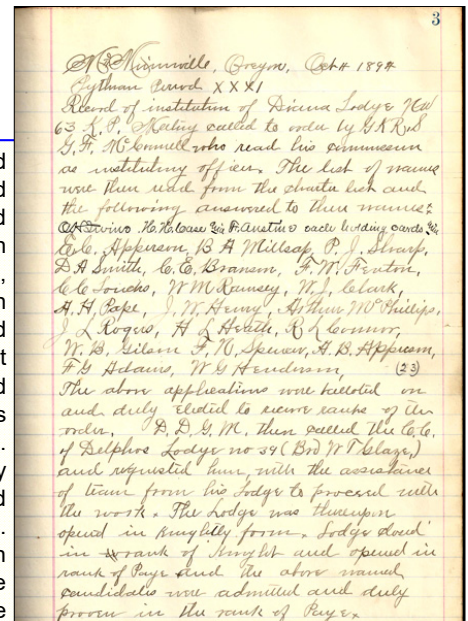
uniforms, crowns and head gear cleaned and repaired as needed. They are stored in archival coverings, clean and dry. The Committee, with Board approval, then built by hand an oak and glass lighted display cabinet for the uniforms and assorted other historic items to be seen in our lodge hall. These items on display may be well over 100 years old and in remarkable condition. If you look closely you can see that they were made with very top of the line materials as well as being well made. Along with the eight preserved uniforms, our lodge has approximately eighty other costumes in various condition in storage, not to mention the swords, armament, helmets, wigs and many other artifacts from the era of when these items were in use."

Prior to building a display case for these antique costumes, the lodge acquired a large glass display cabinet to protect some of the other relics. Presently included in this display case is a "black ball" style voting box, an antique slide projector and slides, which was likely used for initiation ceremonies, an old uniform catalog, and many other items likely used for lodge ritual. The historic committee has made a point of interviewing the lodge's oldest members, hoping to find a knight who can recall the use of these robes and ceremonial items. To date, no living member interviewed is old enough to have been around when these items were used. This further indicates a need for researchers to look outside the lodge for answers.

The board of directors of Diana Lodge has considered the possibility of hosting an open house event one day in the future. The purpose of this event would be to give interested lodge brothers from other lodges a chance to come view all of the lodge's antique robes, documents and ceremonial relics for themselves. The Historic Committee would appreciate this as a possible opportunity to attract persons with advanced interest, knowledge and expertise in our fraternal order, who could possibly give context to many of these relics.

Committee members continue to meet and have an enjoyable time while continuing their research and investigation. **Committee members include Ken Heininge, Historian; Brad Robison; Mike Sliper; Rob Stephenson; Larry Williams and Jeff Burgess.**

Article and Photos submitted by: Ken Heininge,  
Diana Lodge #63; McMinnville, OR



Example of fancy script handwriting from Diana Lodge's old minutes books



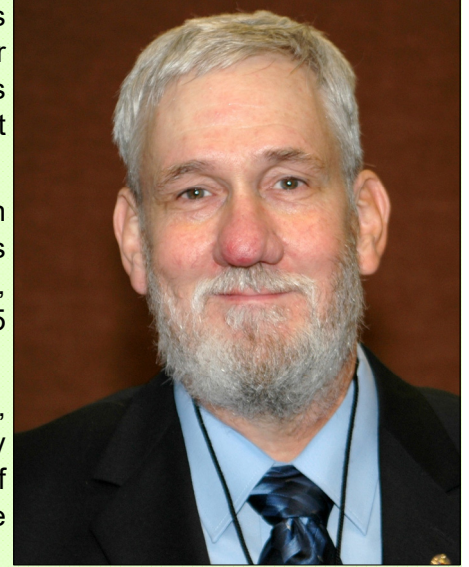
## Phoenix Lodge Supports Their Community

Phoenix Lodge was able to participate with a homeless shelter in Hillsboro this winter by adopting a family for the Christmas season. We helped make their Christmas a little brighter, by providing food, clothing, household items, and gifts for the three children and Mom. This family was placed in their new home just before Christmas, after being homeless.

The Lodge was able to participate with Washington County Bicycle Transportation Coalition, Adopt-a-Bike program by adopting three bike packages for Christmas 2015 season. The package consists of a refurbished bicycle, a new helmet, a lock, and a two-hour skills course. Phoenix Lodge also donated funds for the 2015 summer bike camp for two children to attend.

We're in the process of creating our team to participate in the 2016 Relay for Life, and started our annual fundraising for Relay for Life. On the first Saturday of every month starting at 4:30 PM we have an all-you-can-eat dinner and bingo event. If anyone is interested in helping with the fundraiser, please stop by and enjoy a nice dinner and spirited games of bingo.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlie Van Domelen  
Secretary/ Treasurer  
Phoenix Lodge #34  
Hillsboro, Oregon



## Gaston Lodge Hosts Appreciation Dinner



On March 12 Gaston Lodge held its annual Wapato Showdown Appreciation Dinner and Casino Night. Over 110 members, their wives, non-members that assisted on car show day, and Sponsors that have sponsored us from the very beginning (**20 Years this year**) were served a fabulous prime rib and chicken dinner. Following dinner we enjoyed hours of fun and prizes.

Plaques were presented to those sponsors who have been with us for all these years.

**Ed Yates** presented to Lodge Secretary **Stan Shope** a certificate from Supreme Lodge certifying that Gaston Lodge #104 qualified to be an Honor Lodge. Thanks to Stan's research and letter writing Gaston Lodge received official Honor Lodge status for 2015.

*Submitted by Ed Yates, PGC*



## New Ivanette Temple's Busy Calendar



Since December the Temple has been very busy. We received our copy of the Supreme constitution and have almost finished writing our by-laws. While cleaning up the Lodge Knight **Hal Sullivan** found a case full of papers and files from the original Ivanette temple. We haven't had a chance to go through all of them yet but there were some Pythian songbooks and it all looks quite intriguing. Thanks Knight **Hal** for all your hard work and help.

In January five of us went to Phoenicia Rose Temple's officer installation and it was so nice. They did a really nice job. Some of us even participated in the ceremony. Many thanks for your patience with us. We still have a lot to learn.

In February we lost one of our members due to health reasons. We were very sorry to see **Lydia** go but wish her all the best. We normally only meet once a month but in February we had several unofficial meetings to prepare for our Bazaar.

We had a membership-community Tea and Bazaar March 12<sup>th</sup>. It was very pretty and we had a nice turn out. We sold 7 tables for the sale and received some very nice compliments from the community on the tea. One lady and her 90 year old mother came. She had lived in England for 35 years and said we had done a very nice job with our tea and it would in fact have put several in England to shame. That gave us a few smiles.

We set up information tables for the Knights and Sisters. We displayed two cases of old Knight jewels and pins. The Knights' table also had pictures from the charities they support, and flyers about their program. The Sisters' table had flyers provided by Grand plus an information board about our charities: **Doernbecher's Child Life program**, **Oregon Pythian Community Education Fund**, and **Support Our**

**Troops manufacturers coupon collection program.** Our is collecting money and supplies for a women's shelter but will have to wait until winter to make the donation. Our vendors sold a wide variety of things. We had a painter who painted on site and was selling a variety of things including some of her modeling supplies. There was a jeweler with wonderful pieces, and one with vintage clothing and hats. It was such fun! There were even contemporary pieces. There were several other eclectic collections but everything was quality, so much fun!

Several people are interested in our program so we may be getting 3 new members soon. We made preliminary plans for fundraising for our charities. The temple presented our first donation to the Grand Chief's charity, **Doernbecher's Child Life program**, when she visited us April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Ivanette temple #68 was pleased to welcome **Grand Chief Cheryl Bergman** and **Grand Protector Carol Jenkins** to our April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. We had a really good turnout and a great potluck before the meeting. Many of the ladies wore pink or plum in honor of the Grand Chief's visit. **Grand Chief Cheryl** shared about her charity, **Doernbecher's Child Life Program** and the raffle she is holding to raise money for her charity. She has some beautiful prizes and the raffle tickets were well received by the Ivanette members. Grand Protector Carol's daughter **Rosalee George** was also able to join us for our meeting.



She graciously filled in for our Guard who recently had to quit due to health problems. It was a very productive meeting.

We also attended the District Convention April 30<sup>th</sup> where we presented the "closing" ritual. We all worked hard to learn our parts. We really wanted to do it well.

Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup> was our next Tea and Bazaar from noon till 5PM at the Pythian Lodge Hall. It was a really nice, free, and fun Mother's Day treat. We will continue to have more teas as we go along. If you are interested in having a table please contact **Mary Lou Sullivan** on our Facebook page SE PDX Pythians:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1483807245248018/>

*Article submitted by Most Excellent Chief Rebecca LohKamp*



# SUPREME PYTHIAN CONVENTION—AUGUST 6-10

## DoubleTree by Hilton Cleveland East Beachwood (Cleveland)

3663 Park East Dr, Beachwood, OH, 44122, US

Phone Number : 216-464-5950 or 800-445-8667

**Group Code: "Supreme Convention"** — \$105.00 single/double

*Make reservations as soon as possible — 2/3 of blocked rooms are already reserved.*



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## **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE—Deadline for meals and tours July 15, 2016**

### **Saturday—August 6, 2016**

Supreme Council meetings, Tour to Rock n Roll Hall of Fame (\$23—limit 44), Theater to see the play *Billy Elliott* (\$30—limit 60)

### **Sunday, August 7, 2016**

Morning: Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage (\$10 at the door), Afternoon: Joint Opening & Memorial, Evening: Supreme Banquet (\$50)

### **Monday, August 8, 2016**

Official openings of Supreme Lodge & Supreme Temple, Canadian breakfast (\$22), Sisters' GS/GT luncheon (\$28), Dinner at Fazio's Italian Restaurant (\$32—Limit 50), New York & Canadian caucuses

### **Tuesday, August 9, 2016**

Supreme Sessions, Nautica Queen Dinner and Sightseeing Cruise (\$44—limit 125)

### **Wednesday, August 10, 2016**

Supreme Sessions, Installation of new Supreme Lodge & Temple Officers, Reception Dinner (\$55)

## **SOUVENIR JOURNAL—Deadline July 1, 2016**

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If you're interested in attending 2016 Supreme Pythian Convention, you can get a copy of the information and registration forms from PSC Kathlene Henry, your Supreme Representatives, or your Grand or Supreme Secretary.

**Editor's Note:** *With thanks to Martin Koehler, Imperial Secretary—Dokey/Nomad Herald for sharing an electronic copy of this material so it didn't have to be reformatted and retyped..*



# Hillsboro Pythians' Activities

Hillsboro Pythians' Knights, Sisters and Nomads are still very active.

This year the Murphy family is heading up all 3 parts of the Hillsboro Pythians. **Phil Murphy** is Chancellor Commander of Phoenix Lodge; **Maureen Murphy** is Rani for Rose City Santha Nomads and **Sarah Murphy** is Phoenicia-Rose Temple's MEC.

We continue our "first Saturday fundraisers" to raise money for American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. So far this year we have raised over \$1,000. Several of our members will be walking relay-style for 24 hours on the weekend of June 25th. We walk in memory of those we have lost to cancer and in honor of those who are survivors. Relay is close to our hearts and we're fighting to find a cure. You can help by donating to our cause by going onto the American Cancer Society website and look for our Hillsboro Pythians Team. Or, you can come to the Hillsboro Stadium on Saturday, June 25th. Contact our chairman **Sarah Murphy** for more details.

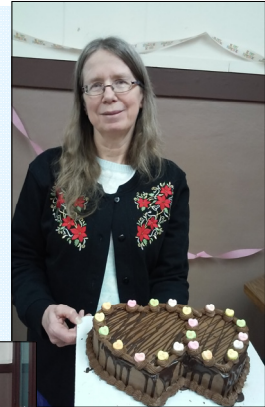


Our Nomads group has been very active in supporting our community. In December we partnered with Phoenix Lodge in supporting local families with food baskets, clothing and gifts. In April the 4-H group came to our meeting and did a presentation on their annual Wagon Train project. It was very interesting to hear the children explain their roles and hear from the advisors on how the children are mentored and how each year they step up to take more active roles in this worthwhile venture.

Phoenicia-Rose Temple hosted the Pythian Sisters' District Convention on April 30th with **Heather Johnson King** presiding as our District Deputy. 26 Sisters were present for the fun-filled day of learning and fellowship. Our Brother Knights **Charlie VanDomelen, Phil Murphy and Andrew Murphy** assisted with the luncheon. After the meeting concluded we held one of our monthly bingo and dinner fundraisers for Relay for Life. It was nice to have a few new faces in the crowd. Special thanks to **Farrel Fuerst** for staying after the convention was over to visit and play bingo with us!

Hillsboro Symphony Orchestra plays 3 concerts each year so some of our members attend those concerts as a group and then to go Shari's for snacks and visiting afterwards. The theme of the last concert was Pirates! In the photo to the right, **MC Bill Goodbaudy** in pirate costume joined us for a few minutes after the performance.

Four Hillsboro members are planning to attend 2016 Supreme Convention in August: **PSC Kathlene Henry, PSR Shelley Corby, SR Beverly Cox and SR Donna Johnson**. We hope to have productive meetings and enjoy time with other Pythians.





## KNIGHTS REGISTRATION AND MEALS ORDER FORM

### Oregon Grand Pythian Convention

October 14 through October 16, 2016

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All Pythians, Family and Friends are welcome to attend all meals.

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Your Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City, State, ZIP			
Telephone:		Email Address:	
Lodge Name and Number:			
MEALS		Price	Quantity
FRIDAY:			
Joint Banquet: Boneless Pork Chop Dinner—Boneless Pork Chop with Spicy Plum Sauce, Fresh Garden Salad, Rice, Vegetable and Chocolate Cake	\$23.00		\$
Memorial follows dinner at 8:30PM / Hospitality—To Be Announced			
SATURDAY:			
Lunch: Soup and Salad Bar—Fresh Garden Salad & Dressings, Two Home Made Soups, Served with Deli Sandwich and Cookie	\$18.00		
Joint Banquet: Mesquite Marinated Sirloin Roast & Grilled Chicken, Fresh Garden Salad, Rice Pilaf, Seasonal Vegetables, Roll and Butter, Chef's Choice of Dessert, Coffee, Hot Tea or Iced Tea	\$36		\$
SUNDAY:			
Lunch: 1/2 Smoked Turkey Croissant Sandwich—Savory sliced turkey on HALF of a Flaky Croissant, Swiss Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato served with Pasta Salad and Fresh Garden Salad and Cookie	\$18.00		
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TOTAL (If all 4meals are purchased):		\$95	
<b>TOTAL COST OF MEALS</b>			\$
SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:			

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**If any questions, call Arlene Kimball at 503-362-1227**

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# Invitation to Washington's Grand Convention—Sept 16-18

Been to Washington lately?? It's about time to make a visit! We would like to invite all the Sisters and Brothers from Oregon to join us for our Grand session which will be held in Yakima, September 16th – 18th. We will be meeting at the Howard Johnson Hotel and promise you a good time as well as an opportunity to share some of your ideas with us. We usually have a good turnout of our Canadian friends so here is an opportunity to visit with them also.

We are on a quest to get our Membership pumped up so we will be happy to hear anything you can offer. We will be hosting our regular Friday night Social followed by a choice of either hopping our shuttle to the Casino or maybe winning a prize in a rousing game of Bunco. Either way you are bound to enjoy yourself. We need to find more ways to get the two Jurisdictions to work (and play) together.

Saturday both the Sisters and Knights will hold Sessions followed by the banquet which always holds some excitement. Besides the dinner and raffles there is usually an opportunity to bid on some extravagant beverage. Our installation is usually done by 1P on Sunday so you will have time for a leisurely drive home.

If you have time to join us before September, our District meeting will be held on Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> at Crescent Temple in Black Diamond. On a good day, there is a beautiful view of Mount Rainier. Registration for District begins at 9A and the session at 10A.

Hope to see you soon in Washington!

Lovingly in PLE&F,

Gwen Rhodes, Supreme Protector



## OPN Editor's Message

*Hello, Everyone,*

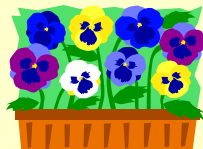
*Here's hoping that you're enjoying some of this pretty spring weather—sunshine and flowers! I'm really looking forward to our Pythian Fun Weekend at Wallowa Lake + Supreme Convention this summer! It will make for a busy and fun time.*

*In case you didn't hear the good news, at Grand Lodge's 2015 Grand Convention in Pendleton they decided to financially support the OPN again. I don't have the Knights' figures, however Oregon's Pythian Sisters (including a few out of state Boosters) contributed \$943 for 2014/2015. The Sisters are on schedule to contribute another \$804.50 for 2015/2016, so the Sisters are paying their fair share of the OPN's printing and mailing costs.*

*Just like we did in 2015, again this year we're only publishing 2 issues of the OPN—this Spring/Summer issue plus the Holiday issue in November. Hopefully we will have better funding to support 3 issues again in 2017.*

*Big THANK YOU's go to all of our OPN Boosters + our members who write and send in their articles and photos! Without you, the OPN would not exist.*

*With Pythian Friendship,  
Kathlene D.L. Henry, PSC  
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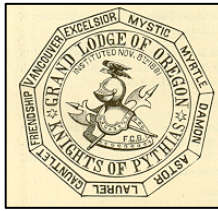
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- ⇒ **July 14 to 17—Pythian Fun Weekend — Wallowa Lake** — See article on page 8 for details
- ⇒ **July 23 (Saturday) NOON-3:00pm—Ivanhoe/Ivanette Joint BBQ Picnic**—All are welcome. Bring food to share if you wish.
- ⇒ **August 6-10 - Supreme Pythian Convention—Cleveland, Ohio**—See article on page 14 for details.
- ⇒ **August 12-14 (Friday-Sunday)—North Plains Garlic Festival**—for more info see: [www.funstinks.com](http://www.funstinks.com)
- ⇒ **August 27 (Saturday)—Gaston's Wapato Showdown Car Show**—For more info see: [www.wapatoshowdown.org](http://www.wapatoshowdown.org)
- ⇒ **September 16-18 - Washington Grand Convention—Yakima WA** at the Howard Johnson Hotel (See page 18)
- ⇒ **October 14-16 Oregon Grand Convention — Village Green, Cottage Grove, OR** —Hotel info on this page; Registration forms on pages 16 & 17 **IMPORTANT: VILLAGE GREEN HOTEL REQUIRES THAT ALL MEAL RESERVATIONS BE MADE AT LEAST 3 WEEKS IN ADVANCE. NO MEAL TICKETS CAN BE ADDED AFTER WE ARRIVE AT THE HOTEL. PLEASE MAIL YOUR MEAL FORM + CHECK TO ARRIVE BY SEPT 16TH.**
- ⇒ *Please send details of your Pythian events to the OPN Editor and we'll add them to the calendar in the next issue!*

## Oregon Pythians' Grand Convention



**October 14-16, 2016**

Village Green Resort & Garden  
725 Row River Lane  
Cottage Grove, OR 97424



**Hotel Reservation Cut Off Date: Sept 14, 2016**

**Meal Deadline Date: Sept 16, 2016**

### **Room Types Available:**

#### **STANDARD**

Single/Double: \$69.00 / Triple/Quad: \$79.00 + taxes

#### **DELUXE, EXECUTIVE, LUXURY**

Single/Double: \$79.00 / Triple/Quad: \$89.00 + taxes

**Check-out Time: NOON**

RV Parking also available: \$33.00 + \$3.00 tax per night.

**Call Moonstone Hotels Central Reservations: 1-800-966-6490**

(Local #541-942-2491)

In order to get our special rates, identify yourself as a member of  
**Knights of Pythias** or **Pythian Sisters**

***Reservations MUST be guaranteed by credit card.***