



News for and About Oregon Pythians

# Oregon Pythian News

## Pythian Fun Day at Astoria a Good Time for All

Our thanks to Glencoe Lodge for the great food and to the Grand Lodge for a wonderful weekend. The Grand Lodge also paid for everyone to go to Fort Clatsop. They have a great museum there and living history rangers answering questions and demonstrating what it was like when Lewis and Clark were there. If you haven't been there in a while you should visit it again. They have a new film written by the daughter of one of the rangers that is really good and tells the story from the Clatsop Indian's point of view.

It being a true Pythian gathering there were lots of good eats.

Potluck Saturday night with barbecued halibut and oysters caught by Knight Rick Cropp, pulled pork, barbecued beef, some wonderful salads and desserts, and plenty of ice cold libations. It was a wonderful opportunity to chat and renew friendships from around the state. Gary and Stephanie Hedin (guests of Gaston Lodge #104) also brought a bouncy house for the little ones to enjoy while the adults enjoyed a good talk. For the older kids there was the robot to drive. The robot was enjoyed by the adults almost as much as it was by the kids.

For our free time entertainment there were re-enactors at the fort. It gave everybody the chance to look, touch, and ask about a very important time in our history.

It was a great weekend and if you missed it you really missed out. The weather was beautiful, the company was wonderful, and the food was great. Thanks all for another Knights of Pythias great event and wonderful fellowships renewed.

*Article and Photos submitted by: Rebecca LohKamp*



## Grand Chancellor Ed's Message

### "Support Our Troops" at Oregon Grand Convention

October is approaching quickly so now is the time for all the representatives and other visitors to get their meals ordered and hotel reservations made.



My project of the year has been Support Our Troops. A few lodges have joined the cause but some have been slow to get involved. I am requesting each representative and visitor bring items to fill boxes to Grand Convention. Packaged non-perishable items are the best. Packaged nuts, dried fruit, jerky, batteries are a few items.

See you at Grand Convention.

Ed Yates  
Grand Chancellor



## Supreme Chancellor Jerry's Message

Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Domain and Jurisdiction of Oregon.

I am looking forward to greeting you personally at your next Grand Convention.

My program is printed on the Pythian Web site and in the *Pythian International* magazine.

REBUILD THE PYTHIAN ORDER MEMBERSHIP-MEMBERSHIP-MEMBERSHIP. Together we can increase our membership if every Sister and Brother proposed one member, wow, that would be GREAT.

Wishing you all a successful Pythian year.

With Love and Pythian friendship,

Jerry Deitch, Supreme Chancellor



Supreme Chancellor Jerry and his wife Selma

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## Grand Chief Beverly's Message

Greetings from your Grand Chief:

My year as Grand Chief has flown by. It is hard to believe that it is time to get ready fo Grand Temple in Pendleton. In June **Ed Yates, Irene Clink** and I journeyed to Pendleton to finalize arrangements. I hope as many of you as possible can attend.

In my travels to the temples I have made new friends and renewed old friendships. **Donna Johnson, Grand Senior**, and I have many stories that we can tell about our travels.

Let's continue working on keeping our membership growing as we are getting older and we need new members to keep our Pythian Sister temples alive. As I am writing this I just learned that Phoenicia-Rose is gaining 2 members ( 1 reinstatement and 1 new member).

I am looking forward to see many of you in Pendleton.

In P.L.E. & F,  
Beverly Cox  
Grand Chief



## Supreme Chief Audrey's Message

I cannot think of anything more important today than our need to increase our membership. How many of you are using the promotional materials that we received from **Past Supreme Chief Geri Worley**? These items are to be used or gaining new members and some of you may never have seen them. I am paraphrasing what Geri told us when she presented us with the new material:

How many times have you met someone and would like them to join the Order? Give them an info card.

The brochure we have explains what the Pythian Sisters Organization is all about. Pass them out to your family and friends.

The invitation could be used to invite someone to a social affair. The objective is to get acquainted and answer questions.

Your could invite them to fill out an application and act on it as soon as possible. Do not wait or they may lose interest.

You may order these items from your Grand Secretary.

When good friends walk beside us on the trails we must keep, our burdens seem less heavy and the hills are not so steep. The weary miles pass swiftly when taken in joyous stride and the world seems brighter with friends by your side. God knew we could not get along if each were to walk alone. No one gave a passing thought to troubles of their own. To help us on our way to journey's end, He gave us, out of His great love, the cherished bond of friends. God Bless our Pythian Order.

In Love and Friendship,

Audrey J. Wetterwald, Supreme Chief



Supreme Chief Audrey and her husband Ed



## Words From Grand Secretary Mike Harmes

Fellow Pythians, Dear Brothers and Sisters:

It is time for another OPN issue. I am busy getting ready for the Grand Convention October 20<sup>th</sup> in Pendleton. **Supreme Outer Guard Jerry Footlick** from California will be representing Supreme Lodge this year and laying out our new **Supreme Chancellor's (Gerald Deitch)** Program. Some changes may be happening at the Supreme level and we look forward to hearing about them.

One new item for our Grand Convention this year is a Support Our Troops drive. This is being done on a state level so send your contributions with your Grand Representatives. You can look at past OPNs to see what items work the best or most requested.

Lodges, please try to get me your youth activity and lodge activity reports early so that I can have them pre-published in the journal. If not, then bring them to the convention or give a verbal report at the convention.

Now, at risk of sounding like a broken record player or a scratched CD; how are our lodges doing? Are you sending in to

the OPN your accomplishments and what is happening at your lodge? Many years ago I said **communication** is a key element that we all need to work harder at. This also includes me, so here it is; I am still working a 40-hour week with a second full time babysitting job, my 3 year old granddaughter Sunday through Wednesday after work. Time is precious and should be used wisely; enjoy every day and every minute that we have. Alas, Knights in distress are not being communicated and it really should be. If you know of a Brother that needs help or is sick then let your Brothers know so that we can pray and help them anyway we can.

Fraternally yours,

Mike Harmes, PC, Grand Secretary



## Notes from Grand Secretary Sherri

Summer and sunshine always bring a list of things we want to accomplish for ourselves in our yards and houses and good weather to visit friends and family and socialize more. While I was on my vacation to Eastern Oregon, I stopped to visit **Risa Rikken, PSR** who had surgery in April and while I was there was having one of several chemo treatments she has been having. I want to report that she and husband Don were in good spirits and things were hopeful. She is on a 2 month rest and then they will test her again. Risa said to tell all of you **"Hi"** for her.

I also took time when in Idaho visiting my daughter, **Rachelle** and my 2 grandsons, to go see **Hazel Thornton, PSR** who lives not far from Nampa. We all went on our way to an outing in Boise and visited her for a while. She was in great spirits. She was using a walker, but mostly as a precautionary support, not leaning on it. We visited for awhile, at which time she gave me her Past Grand Chief Pin to recycle. She said how much she missed all of the Pythian Sisters and asked me to pass on her **"hellos" to everyone!** Sadly, only a week after I saw her, she passed away in her sleep on June 28<sup>th</sup>. She was 94 and didn't look a day over 75 when I saw her. I also need to tell you that we lost another dear Pythian Sister, **Fay Bringle Robinson, PSR** who passed away on June 19, 2012 and was 92 years young! We will greatly feel their loss!

I attended the official Grand Chief visit at Helmetta Temple #29 in Eugene and also at Herculena Temple #27 in Milton-Freewater and took **Esther McKibben, Grand Guard** as my traveling companion. We enjoyed the scenery along the way and seeing Sisters we only see once or twice a year. District Convention was in Dallas with **Cheryl Bergman, DDGC** on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Due to illness of Sisters or their

spouses several were not able to come and we only had 24 this year, but a good time was had by all. Several 40-year service pins and certificates and two 50-year pins or certificates were given at this time.

It is time to start thinking about our Grand Temple to be held in Pendleton at the Red Lion Hotel on October 19-21, 2012. **I am still missing a few reports and need them in my office ASAP.** Also, **Secretaries** - don't forget - even though you are on a summer recess, your Necrology report is due in my office after August 31<sup>st</sup>. Please be prompt in these as our committees need this information to prepare for the Memorial at Grand Temple.

As a last note, even if it seems like our Order is slowly fading, don't miss an opportunity to ask someone to join or mention what we are trying to do if not what we are doing or have accomplished in the past. I know it is hard to just do it sometimes, but if **you** never say anything, who will? Stay cool and enjoy what is left of the summer and hoping I will see you at Grand Temple!

In Pythian Love,

Sherri Sievert, Grand Secretary



# In Remembrance of Fay, Hazel and Catherine



## FAY VIOLA BRINGLE ROBINSON 1920-2012

Fay Robinson – a resident of Hillsboro for 67 years died June 19, 2012. She was 92 years old.

Fay Viola Bringle Robinson was born in Lewis, Kansas on August 24, 1920. She spent most of her life in Omak, Washington. She loved doing things with her family, especially fishing with her father, Etan and mother, Dora Bringle. She was also competitive in athletics. After graduation she moved to Falls City, Oregon. In 1945 she moved to Hillsboro. She worked many years at Hillsboro Farm Implements as bookkeeper. She married Ed Robinson on August 24, 1974.

Fay belonged to the following lodges: Pythian Sisters, Odd Fellows, Rebeccas and Royal Neighbors. She was active in each of them and held high offices. She was accomplished in each of the following: needle work, crochet, knit, quilt, cross stitch, tatting, bobbin lace, weaving and could sew anything from a formal gown to pajamas. She also enjoyed camping and travel, so Thousand Trails was a group she enjoyed. She also made several trips to the Pythian Sister National Convention with other Pythian Sisters and always had well organized pictures of the trips for everyone to enjoy as well as a reliable PSR at Grand Temple.

Fay was initiated into the Pythian Sisters on October 15, 1953 at Phoenicia Temple #10. In 1959 she became a dual member with Ivanette Temple #68 in Portland. She was elected Grand Treasurer and served from 1970 -1975. She served as Supreme Representative 1982-83.

She is survived by her brother Victor Bringle, Nephews: Dan, Bill and Fred Carty; Nieces: Vicki Bringle Crammer, Barb Christopher, Sue Bringle Schimke, Nancy Bringle Irwin and Sally Bringle Bellatty; Step daughters: Dianne Stevens, Charlotte Lawer, and stepson Ken Robinson. She also had many grand, great-grand and great-great kids.



## HAZEL JENSEN HAMSON THORNTON 1918-2012

Hazel Jensen Hamson Thornton, 94, of Eagle, ID, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Thursday, June 28, 2012 at her residence in Eagle. Hazel was born on February 14, 1918 in Milwaukie, Oregon, the daughter of Jens Christian Jensen and Anna Marie Jacobsen Jensen. She attended Concord Grade School, Milwaukie High School and Benke Walker Business College. Hazel was a member of Job's Daughters, Bethel #10 in Milwaukie, OR where she held numerous offices on her way up to "Honored Queen", the highest office attainable. She was chosen to serve as a state officer because of her exemplary work in the order. Hazel was a fifty year member of Eastern Star in Milwaukie, OR. She joined the Pythian Sisters in 1980 and was a very active member for many years. She served as

Most Excellent Chief of Ivanette Temple #68 in Portland and was soon after elected to office in the Grand Temple of Oregon, serving as Grand Chief of Oregon from October 1991 until October 1992, the highest office attainable at state level. Hazel worked for Physician's Association of Clackamas County for twelve years, worked in the lumber business for six years and was a real estate agent for the Bill Snyder Co. of Portland and Prestige Properties in Tigard, OR for thirty years when she retired and moved to Boise, ID to be close to her family. She is survived by her daughter, Barbara J. Hamson Barsness; and several grand and great-grandchildren. Her cremated remains will be placed in Riverview Abbey in Portland, OR.

To read more or sign Hazel's online guestbook: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/idahostatesman/obituary.aspx?n=hazel-thornton&pid=158289382#storylink=cpy>



## CATHERINE ROLLE 1966-2012

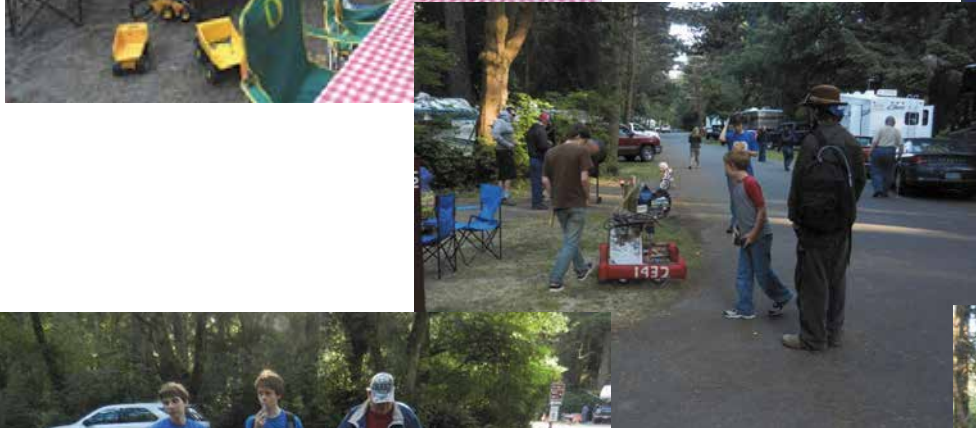
Catherine Rolle, 46, a longtime member of Oregon Pythian Sisters passed away in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on September 3<sup>rd</sup> after a long illness.

Catherine and PGC Ted Rolle, a lifetime member of Ivanhoe Lodge, had been married almost 25 years. They raised 3 children: Ted Rolle, III (24), Karin (20), and Christopher (19). Catherine's health problems began in 1993. A few years ago, the Rolle family moved to North Carolina to be closer to Catherine's family.



# More Photos from Pythian Fun Weekend ~Astoria!

*Photos submitted by Rebecca Lohkamp:*





## Phoenix Lodge & Nomads Donate in Memory of Santa Darrell

Phoenix Lodge #34

Hillsboro Oregon

Last year Phoenix Lodge lost another dedicated Pythian, Darrell Henry. One of Darrell's most enjoyable things he did was to be Santa Claus for Share the Spirit. One of the places he liked visiting was the Rose Haven Women and Children's day shelter in Portland. This is a center in Portland supporting woman and children who have experienced the trauma of abuse and homelessness. This summer the center put out a request for school supplies needed for the start of the school year.

Since Rose Haven was one of his favorite sites to visit as Santa, Phoenix



Santa Darrell surrounded by children at K103 Head Start Holiday Party

Lodge and Rose City Nomads decided to donate the requested school items in memory of Darrell, by supporting Rose Haven, donating backpacks, along with the many different items needed at the beginning of the school year.

Darrell was a great example of a Pythian, I miss his wit, advice, leadership, but most of all his friendship.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlie VanDomelen

Phoenix Lodge #34

Hillsboro, Oregon

## Glencoe Fire Rescue — Everything Went Right That Day!



Glencoe Knight Ted

Yesterday started off like a normal day.

I noticed a red SUV backing up down the street. I heard my neighbor yelling at her dog. I saw smoke. Then I heard someone yell "your house is on fire." I yelled to my wife to call 911, because the house next door was on fire.

I ran outside and pulled my water hose to the fence, and saw that my neighbor, **Brother Ted Valentine** (pictured here,) had already put the fire out with his fire extinguisher. A couple of minutes later, the fire trucks and police car showed up. The

firemen looked around and made sure that the fire was totally out.

Everything worked perfect that day! The man in the red SUV spotted the fire and smoke, and called attention to it. Ted ran out with his extinguisher and put the fire out. The fire department showed up really fast.

If things had not happened this way, the story could be completely different. It would not have taken much time for the fire to have gotten out of control.

Article and Photo Submitted by Roger Newton



### LENTS FOUNDERS DAY

Teenage members of FRC Team 1432 joined with Ivanhoe Lodge to promote membership in both organizations at the Lents Neighborhood Founders Day event.

Note the Knights of Pythias banner in the background.

Photo submitted by Rebecca Lohkamp



# Supreme Pythian Convention in Manchester, New Hampshire



Supreme Representatives Julie Lozano and Sarah Owens



Supreme Chancellor Ed Wright and his wife, PSC Joyce Wright



Margaret Grochocki, Supreme Treasurer, escorted by PIP Buddy



Supreme Representative Bill Peal and his wife Kathy enjoying Lobster Feed at York, Maine



PSC Kathlene Lacy Henry with Lobster Dinner



Supreme Chief Audrey Wetterwald, with 2012-2014 Supreme Temple Officers



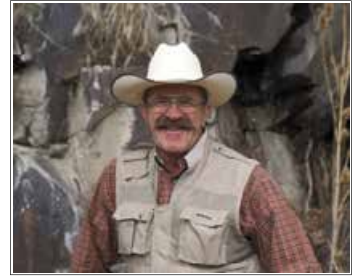
PSR Gwen Rhodes was Margaret's Page

Supreme Chancellor Jerry Deitch, with 2012-2014 Supreme Lodge Officers





## The Delegate's View of Supreme Lodge Convention



### Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias

### 76<sup>th</sup> Convention , Manchester, New Hampshire

### Report by Bill Peal Voting Delegate

This was a new experience for me as your voting delegate from Oregon's Grand Lodge. It was interesting to get an experience with our organization at the Supreme level. If I were to sum it up in a word, I guess it would be tradition. So much of what we do is based on Supreme Law, and the way we always do it. In my estimation this is a poor way to stay afloat on a modern age. I am but a small fish in a big pond as this is my first experience, but I struggled to find a lot to come home and brag about as true benefits being promoted at the top of our organization. So much time was spent debating the arguments of this rule and that mandate, and little was shared or promoted as true program for strengthening of our national cause. Several Past Supreme Chancellors were very vocal and quick to express dissent and call for impeachment or legal action. I feel that the convention lacked a uniting theme that all delegates could support. Oh, what are the principles on which we build our organization. F, C, B. I guess some have lost sight of these ideals which we hold so dear.

To be fair there is much that I did not see and maybe I missed the true work of the convention. It was so nice to meet delegates from all over the country and find out about their lodges and State Organization. I was especially pleased to spend time walking to town and having lunch with our visiting delegate and his wife from Italy. Kathy and I enjoyed Manchester, and loved the fact that traffic and big city congestion were not the experience. Our trip to York, Maine and the Lighthouse Tour and Lobster Feed were certainly a highlight.

I tried to propose an idea for the good of the order, aimed at making Supreme an experience that you could come home from with exciting new ideas to share with your state and local lodges. It is called, "*This works for me*". It is a way to pass good ideas in the form of handouts, and placed into a best practices book. Each delegate to receive a copy of the ideas presented for sharing with their home lodge. Each state would conduct a sharing exercise and choosing the best for forwarding on to Supreme. This is not a contest, but a recognition to eliminate the politics of winning and promote the true good of the order.

Many categories of participation are possible:

- ◆ Membership growth / recruitment
- ◆ Promotion of the lodge PR.
- ◆ Community Activities
- ◆ Protection of our heritage and lodge history
- ◆ Growing the members new and old, personal development, professional development
- ◆ Promoting membership in the leadership journey
- ◆ Promotion of the ideals of Friendship, Charity, and Benevolence.

I believe the idea is a good one and one that the Oregon Grand Lodge could benefit from. Please give it some consideration and see if you can improve on this idea for our Grand Lodge convention in Pendleton.

I wish to thank the Oregon Grand Lodge for sending me as your voting delegate and invite your comments and observations regarding Supreme.

# A Busy Summer for Glencoe Lodge

Glencoe Lodge #22 has had a very busy summer! Thanks to all of our members and families who made this a great summer.

North Plains held its first annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration. The day had lots of fun starting with a parade and ending with fireworks. I saw so many Pythians around town that day. **GC Ed Yates** was spotted checking out the car show and in our lodge. Our Support Our Troops float, pulled by **Kevin Hardwick** won first place in the parade!



August brought our lodge's biggest yearly event and fundraiser – The North Plains Garlic Festival. As always, our lodge ran the beer garden, and we were as busy as ever. Setup began on Wednesday, and we opened on Friday at noon. Sunday night was the time to take down all that we had set up. **Brother Tony Hoffman** included Abbey Creek Vineyard as one of the wine vendors for the festival.

Abbey Creek is in the process of opening its new winery and tasting room on the same block as our lodge.

In July, we had quite a few Brothers and their families attend Pythian Fun Day. We had a great time. Thanks for them memories and friendship. **Grand Secretary, Mike Harmes**, volunteered our lodge to cook dinner on Saturday night, and breakfast on Sunday morning. We had plenty of help and were able to pull it off with no problems. You should make it point to attend next year's Pythian Fun Day. They are getting bigger and better each year.

Our lodge raffled off a \$1,100 grill that was won by a local resident. The proceeds from the beer garden and raffle will allow us to give back the community, and hopefully put some money towards improvements at our lodge in 2013. All of the tips from the beer garden will go towards our Support Our Troop's project. We raised over \$500 for this cause. Cub Scout Pack 175, that we charter, sold soda and water at the Garlic Festival for their summer fundraiser.



As July ended, so did our relationship with the North Plains Hardware store. The owners decided to retire, and close down the shop that they rented from

our lodge for 30 years. We were able to secure a tenant who opened up "The Treasure Chest" in August. The Treasure Chest is owned by **Pythian Justin King and his mother Sandi**. This is an antique mall that we expect will be very successful for many years to come. If you are in North Plains, check it out.

On August 7th North Plains participated in National Night Out. Our lodge continued our tradition of donating bike helmets; and the police department gave them out to kids to help keep them safe.



We enjoy a potluck meal on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month at 7 PM. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday is our business meeting and the 4<sup>th</sup> is strictly social night. Stop by the lodge and visit on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday sometime.

Our lodge membership is growing, and we are close to 40 members. This means that we need to do initiations on a regular basis. Sept 12<sup>th</sup> will be our next initiation. We can't wait!

*Article and Photos submitted by Roger Newton*



## Ivanhoe FRC Team 1432 Summer Activities

This summer the FRC Robotics Team sponsored by the Ivanhoe Lodge has been very busy. They started with the Lewis and Clark Camporee and then moved on to the Multnomah County Fair where they did a segment with Drew Carney.

The television guys were really impressed with the robot and what the kids had accomplished. After the Multnomah County Fair was the Marion County Fair where they got to teach the Miss American Teen contestants how to drive the robot.

The following weekend was the Oregon Pythian Fun Weekend camp



Hadrian and the Miss America Teen contestants

out at Fort Stevens where they joined us with their robot. A good time was had by all. **Knight Alan LohKamp** shared that the robotics team in Umatilla would love to make a connection with the Pythian Lodge in Pendleton.

### PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR UPCOMING EVENTS:

**October 13th - Open House - 2PM - 6PM at Ivanhoe Lodge No 1**

**November 9 and 11 - Service project cleaning up the beach and looking for tsunami debris and invasive species.**

**November 17 - Spaghetti Feed - 5:30 - 7:30PM at Reedwood Friends Church, 2901 SE Steele, Portland, Oregon 97206.** We will have raffle baskets. We really need 100 people to come so hope you all can make it. You won't be disappointed in the meal as it is a full dinner of spaghetti, 2 sauces, green salads, 4 dressings, garlic bread, and dessert. All you can eat and it's only **\$7.50 per person.**

Please help us feed hungry children, and change the lives of children in need by supporting FRC Team 1432. Your support will make us possible for us to buy the food we need to feed children who depend on us for their next meal. Supporting this program will feed the bodies and the minds of children who have no other way out of poverty.

Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/team1432> and <http://team1432.org/> or [info@team1432.org](mailto:info@team1432.org)

Submitted by Rebecca LohKamp and FRC Team 1432.



## Herculena Happenings

Hello to All from the Herculena Sisters.

We wish you all a beautiful fall. We are looking forward to seeing all of you at Grand Temple/Lodge. In June as we closed for summer recess Herculena Sisters met for a fun and festive summer picnic at our hall. There were 12 sisters and their families in attendance. We had a potluck supper followed by wonderful desserts and good conversation. We are looking forward to getting together again for our first meeting and planning for the coming year.

We will be bringing 7 Sisters to Grand Temple to meet and do our

part to make this another great session.

Over the summer our families have been growing, 3 of our Sisters have become great-grandmothers and what fun that has been. **Linda and Sunny Reyburn** celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary at a dinner with family. **Kaitlyn Griffith**, another of our members finished her CNA training and passed her state boards. So it has been a busy and fun summer for everyone and we are looking for a busy and productive year.

See you all at Grand!

*Submitted by Vesta Poteete, PSR*

## A Visitor's View of Gaston's Wapato Car Show



Anyone make it to this year's Wapato showdown? I did and it was a hoot, had lots of fun looking at all the cars. I am sure there were over 350 cars there of every make and model that you can think of. Even a car made from all wood.

The show itself is put on by our Brother Knights in Gaston. It is their big, once a year fund raiser to help support their community. I like the old cars and by going, which doesn't cost anything to enter, I am helping them.

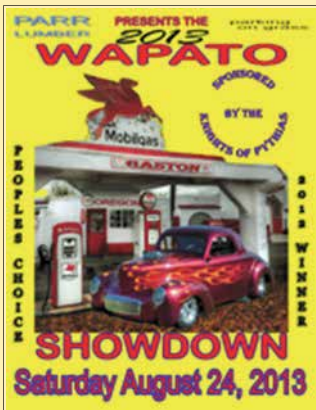
Plus I just like the "good old boys" that they are.

Had a fantastic time and really look forward to next year's event. Wasn't this their 16<sup>th</sup> year of doing this?



Article and Pictures Submitted by: Mike Harmes

## Gaston's Wapato Showdown Car Show Winners



On August 24 and 25, 2012 Gaston Lodge 104 held its 16<sup>th</sup> annual Wapato Showdown Car Show and Good Ol' Days parade and steak feed.

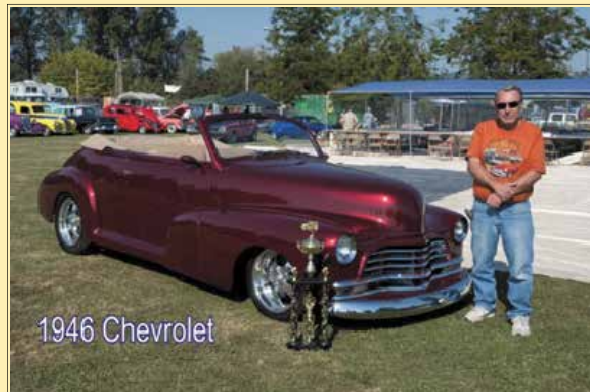
The Gaston Booster Club again had the food booth and many of the sports teams and individual classes had fund raising activities (snow cones, cotton candy, drinks, etc.). The Boy/Cub Scouts were also a great help keeping the site clean and doing security.

Our new Girl Scout troop had their own booth. Live music after the show in the beer garden was a success.

We entertained 380 plus show cars. People's choice and Parr's choice, which was also the Photographer's Choice shown here and you can go to [www.wapatashowdown.org](http://www.wapatashowdown.org) to see more. Overall this was another huge success for the Gaston Community.

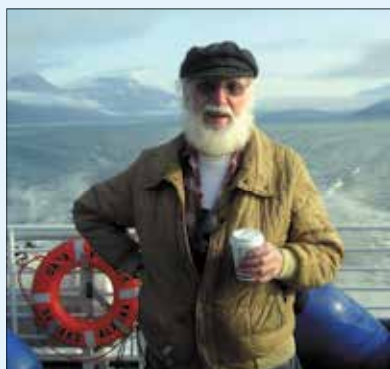
Ed Yates GC

Pictures by Fred Black, Webmaster





## Alaska—The Last Frontier



Greetings from the last frontier,

I have been back up here in Alaska since mid June. Unfortunately, this has not been one of the best summers for us. The weather has been overcast and rainy a good share of the time.

That did not deter us from a wonderful sockeye salmon run. We residents of Alaska are allowed to dip-net up to 25 fish for subsistence. My nephew, Pat, and I dipped the Kenai River a half dozen times which allowed us to put many fillets in the freezer as well as to make wonderful smoked-salmon from about 80-100 pounds of delicious sockeye.

We discovered a new delightful brine for marinating the fish before the smoking. It consists of 1 quart water, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 part soy sauce, 1 part white wine, seasoned with garlic, onion, pepper and lemon juice. It is the very best we have ever found.

We find plenty of time to continue to work on the house I am building on a little lake. This year we put a roof on the new garage and started siding the house in a rustic slab wood. It is

very unique and quite attractive as well as very economical. One of the building material suppliers is interested in possibly going commercial with one similar.

Some of you may have heard that I am having a bit of medical difficulties, coughing and dizziness. We did many tests and ruled out many things including the possibility of lung cancer.

We are having a great time up here, but mid-October I will be coming back to Oregon for the winter. See you all at Grand Lodge/Temple.

With Pythian  
Friendship,

Don Lacy



Don's "cabin" in Alaska



The lake view from Don's home in Alaska

## OPN Holiday Greetings — Submit by November 10th

*The next issue of the Oregon Pythian News will be our HOLIDAY ISSUE! If you'd like to send a greeting to all of your Pythian friends—and—support the OPN at the same time, consider putting an ad in the next issue. You can either complete this form and send it in with your check—or—send an email to Kathlene with your information and mail the check to me. Make check payable to: Grand Lodge of Oregon—OPN.*

**Cost: \$25—1/4 Page \$50— 1/2 Page**

**Wording for Holiday Ad / Greeting:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What type of design would you like to include (circle your choice):**

Holly — Ornament — Dove — Santa — Bell — Snowflake — Picture of yourself?

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Holiday Greeting from:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge/Temple: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_



# OREGON PYTHIAN GRAND CONVENTION REGISTRATION AND MEALS ORDER FORM



<b>Your Name:</b>				
<b>Mailing Address:</b>				
<b>City, State, ZIP</b>				
<b>Telephone:</b>				
<b>Lodge Name and Number:</b>				
MEALS		Price	Quantity	Total
<b>FRIDAY:</b>				
Dinner: All members and guests - Roast Turkey Breast		\$27		\$
<b>SATURDAY:</b>				
Lunch: Friendship Luncheon for All				
Buffet: Soup, make your own sandwich of choice of 3 meats and cookies		\$22		\$
Dinner: Grand Banquet				
Choice of <b>(Circle your choice)</b> of 1) Rosemary Crusted Prime Rib 2) Char Grilled Chicken Breast + Cedar Smoked Salmon 3) Two (2) Char Grilled Chicken Breasts		\$34		\$
<b>SUNDAY:</b>				
Fun for Funds Breakfast				
Buffet: Scrambled eggs, bacon, hash browns, Danish, fruit juice, coffee, tea		\$20		\$
Convenience Lunch for All				
Buffet: Salad, make your own sandwich of choice of 3 meats, and brownie		\$22		\$
<b>TOTAL for KNIGHTS &amp; SISTERS (If all meals are purchased.):</b>		<b>\$125</b>		
Pythian Sisters PDDGC's Breakfast—SATURDAY MORNING		\$11		
<b>TOTAL for SISTERS who will be attending PDDGC Breakfast</b>		<b>\$136</b>		
<b>TOTAL COST OF MEALS</b>				<b>\$</b>
<b>SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:</b>				

## OREGON PYTHIANS — CONVENTION REGISTRATION INFO:

**EVERYONE:** Please make check for the **Total Cost of Meals** payable to **Pythian Registration Committee** and mail to: **Carol Jenkins at 4682 Beaverbrook Ct. SE Salem, OR 97317-5901**  
If any questions, call **Carol Jenkins at 503-363-8314** or **Arlene Kimball at 503-362-1227**

**KNIGHTS:** If your lodge does not pay your convention registration fee of **\$25** please make check payable to **Grand Lodge of Oregon** and mail to: **Mike Harmes, Grand Secretary, PO Box 443, North Plains, OR 97133-0443**

**SISTERS:** Please send separate check for convention registration fee in amount of **\$10**. Make check payable to **Grand Temple of Oregon** and mail to: **Grand Sec. Sherri Sievert, PSR, 5063 S. Hwy 97 #30, Redmond OR 97756**

**CHECKS SHOULD BE MAILED IN TIME TO BE DELIVERED BY OCTOBER 5th.**



## Editors' Message

**To all Pythians and friends ~**

Here it is the end of summer and time to be thinking about Oregon Grand. It's also the time for Oregon Pythian Sisters and those Pythians who reside outside of Oregon to review the OPN Booster List to see if it's time to renew. (Oregon Knights are ALL boosters as the Knights pay their share of the OPN via their membership dues.)

Once again I say a BIG THANK YOU to all of who submitted articles and photos—particularly those of you who were good enough to send your items by the due date without having to be reminded. It's been said before, however one easy way to contribute is to send in your article and photos as events occur. I just save those items in the folder for the next issue, then they're ready when it's time to go to press.

**Speaking of going to press—now that the OPN is only being published 3 times per year, the new print deadline dates will be:**

- ⇒ **November 10—for Holiday Issue (including Holiday Greetings)**
- ⇒ **March 10—for Spring Issue**
- ⇒ **August 10—for Summer/Fall Issue**

With Love & Hugs,

*Kathlene*

**PS—If I missed any articles, I apologize! Please just resubmit them—and—be sure to put the word "PYTHIAN" in the email subject line!**

**PPS—I had hoped to put a copy of the OPN Booster list in this edition of the OPN so that everyone could review it prior to Grand. Unfortunately none of us can find a copy of the list of people who renewed at last year's Grand. We'll keep looking and will bring it to Grand and print the updated list in the next issue.**

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## Upcoming Pythian Events

- ⇒ **October 19-21—Oregon Grand Convention — Pendleton, OR** —Hotel information on this page; Registration forms on pages 13 & 14
- ⇒ **October 27 - Make A Difference Day**— An opportunity to take part in community service AND promote the Pythian Sisters. Don't forget to enter your project on the MakeADifferenceDay.com website. Please put "Pythian Sisters" at the Front of your group's name (such as "Pythian Sisters—Eugene, Oregon") so that our community service projects will be "grouped" under the Pythian Sisters name.
- ⇒ **November 1**—Next due date for Holiday Greetings, articles and photos for Holiday Issue of the OPN
- ⇒ **January 2013**—Aurora's Annual Crab Feed
  
- ⇒ *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 19-21, 2012**

Convention Site: Red Lion Hotel—Pendleton  
304 SE Nye Avenue, Pendleton, OR 97801

Hotel Reservation Cut Off Date: **October 4, 2012**

Rooms Available: Standard Queen, Standard King,  
Queen Queen Non View, Premium Queen Queen:

**All Room Rates are \$80.95 plus taxes.**

Phone for Reservations: 1-541-276-6111 or 1-800-733-5466

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