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A Message from the Supreme Master at Arms

When you think of the Knights of Pythias, you typically think of an organization, rich in tradition, with ritualistic meetings. Usually you don't think of social media. Brothers and Sisters, social media is needs to be embraced by our leaders and members to enable our Order to move forward into the future.

What is Social Media? If you look this up on Wikipedia, social media is computer-mediated technologies that facilitate the creation and sharing of information, ideas, interest and other forms of expression via virtual communities and networks. Thus, social media is the tools that engages our thoughts and allows us to exchange information as it happens.

One of the main tools to share information is Facebook. Facebook is an application

accessible from a web browser, but is also accessible from phones and other mobile devices. To start using Facebook, you register online and create a profile. There is no cost to use Facebook. (Facebook makes money through advertisements). Once registered, you can communicate with other users by inviting them to become "Friends". Friends can see each other's status updates, photos or comments. It is important to know that you don't have to share any of your personal information. Each user can add personnel details to the level they are comfortable with.

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Grand Lodge Conventions Fall 2017

Missouri Nevada	October 5-7 SOG Stamm
North Carolina Myrtle Beach	October 6-7 SP Brown
Virginia Virginia Beach	October 12-15 SC Krell
Oregon Gaston	October 14-15 DSC Erickson

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Facebook has affected the social life and activity of people in various ways. Facebook allows people using computers or mobile phones to continuously stay in touch with friends, relatives and other acquaintances wherever they are in the world, as long as there is access to the Internet. It has reunited lost family members and friends. It allows users to trade ideas, stay informed with local or global developments, and unite people with common interests and/or beliefs through open, closed and private groups.

Facebook's social impact has also changed how people communicate. Rather than having to reply to others through email, Facebook allows users to broadcast or share content to others, and thereby to engage others or be engaged with others' posts.

The Knights of Pythians has started to embrace social media, enabling the members to better stay in touch. Many of the Lodges, and Domains have created a Facebook presence. The Supreme Lodge also has a Facebook presence. Look up "Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias". Typical posts highlights events throughout the organization. Often there are pictures or web links shared weekly, but this could increase in the future.

There is some risk involved in using Facebook, but it is low. it is important to review your setting to make sure you are securing your information to an appropriate level.

Facebook is just one of social media technologies that our Order can benefit from using. Other social media tools include Twitter, Pinterest, Instagram and Tumbler.

Take care and look me up on Facebook -
Dana Mark Mead



*From the
Supreme Secretary's Desk*

After decades of bring in business, our jeweler, Harry Klitzner Company in RI, is closing their doors. My contact there has given me the information on the people they have been using (all local) to provide us with the expert services Klitzner has been known for.

However, until all the contacts are made and a relationship established, I am asking that you hold off on ordering certain items – pocket badges in particular, as they are made up on a per order basis.

You will be notified as soon as everything is in place.

You can E-mail us at:
supremelodgekfp@comcast.net

Fraternally,
Allen S. Morris, KGS
Supreme Secretary

INDIANA ASSISTING WITH HURRICANE RELIEF

Lafayette Lodge #51, IN. sent a check for \$100 to help with Hurricane Harvey Assistance. The Lodge also is involved with the Coke Rewards Program which is now doubling points into dollars for hurricane relief. Every day the Lodge registers 15 coke caps for a \$1.50 contribution. So far, we have donated another \$24 dollars with this program. This is a program any lodge can become involved with and help out local schools or in this case hurricane victims.



IN MEMORIAM

Mike Mansfield, PSR (CO/WY) 07-09

**MEMBERSHIP BOOTH IN THE PROCESS OF BEING SET UP BY
WELL IT'S SELF-EXPLAINITORY**



AND SPEAKING OF FLORIDA

PYTHIAN YOUTH FONDATION AND KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS PRESENT CHECK TO JCC OF PALM BEACHES SPECIAL NEEDS CAMP



L to R: Bob Cheskes, Treas. Of Pythian Youth Foundation, Inc., Sir Irv Margulies, Deputy Supreme Chancellor, Mindy Voitman Interim CEO Mandel JCC, Alan Goodman Chancellor Commander and Leslie Viselman Dir. of Development Mandel JCC.

On July 8, 2017, The Pythian Youth Foundation Inc the charitable arm of the Knights of Pythias of Florida, proudly presents to the JCC of the Palm Beaches a check for \$5,000. This annual check brings the total donations to the JCC to over \$55,000 for the past 16 years.

The support of the Knights of Pythias and its affiliate PYF allows children and young adults whose families are in financial need the opportunity to attend this non-sectarian, special needs summer camp Camp Tikvah, which is held at Camp Shalom, located at the Mandel JCC in Palm Beach Gardens and Boynton Beach.

“We are in awe of the continued support of the K of P and the PYF, and are so appreciative of their continued generosity,” said Vicki Roitman, CEO of the Mandel JCC of the Palm Beaches.” “That is what Pythianism is all about, practicing Friendship, Charity and Benevolence...helping those in need in our communities.” Said Sir Irv Margulies, Deputy Supreme Chancellor of K of P.

For additional information about Camp Tikvah: For PBG call 561-712-5227 or for Boynton Beach call 561-259-3000. For the Knights of Pythias or its charitable arm the Pythian Youth Foundation, Inc a 501(c)(3) tax exempt corporation, call Grand Secretary Sir Allan Fogelman at 954-770-3437, or visit its website [www. flpythias.com](http://www.flpythias.com).



L to R: Danielle Ross Development Assoc., Michael Rudnet Dir. of Sports & Rec., Leslie Viselman Dir. of Development Mandel JCC, Bob Cheskes Treas. of Pythian Youth Foundation, Inc., Sir Irv Margulies Deputy Supreme Chancellor, Howie Silver Deputy Grand Chancellor, Alan Goodman Chancellor Commander and Stuart Greenblatt Pres. of Pythian Youth Foundation Inc.

LIZTON LODGE #342, INDIANA, RAISES FUND FOR ALZHEIMERS

Lizton Lodge #342 Knights of Pythias sponsored their 2nd annual "Walking for Alzheimer's" on Saturday, August 12, 2017. Approximately 20 walkers enjoyed a beautiful summer morning trekking the streets of Lizton. \$350.00 was collected in donations from walkers/community for this event. Lizton Lodge #342 Knights of Pythias contributed matching funds for a total of \$700.00 for the Alzheimer's Association - Greater Indiana Chapter.



Pictured are a group of family, friends and community walkers.

MASSACHUSETTS READ & RIDE PROGRAM

On Thursday evening, August 15, members of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge visited the Public Library in the Town of Hanson to make a presentation of six bicycles to 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade boys and girls; this concluded the library's Summer Reading Program. This was the second of ten libraries the Grand Lodge visited for the presentation of bikes... All totalled, sixty (60) bikes (30 boys, 30 girls) with stickers touting the Knights of Pythias) and 60 helmets have been purchased for presentations throughout the domain.



Left to right: GIG Earl Gashin; GS/SS Allen Morris, KGS; GT Alan Zamansky, KGS (Program Chairman) and GVC Steven A. Winer, KGS; standing behind the six winners of the Read & Rode Program with their bikes.

ANOTHER MASSACHUSETTS GRAND LODGE DONATION

On Monday evening, August 21 the Massachusetts Grand Lodge donated \$31,575.00 to Handi Kids Camp in Bridgewater. The donation was given to help defray the cost of the refurbishment of the Administration Building that has fallen into disrepair. Handi Kids was founded by King Solomon Lodge #18 some 55-years ago; the Knights of Pythias still support it with monetary donations, as well as having members sitting on the Executive Board and the Board of Directors.



Left to right: GMA Richard B. Albert; Dov Yoffe, recording secretary of the Board of Directors; and GVC Steven A. Winer, KGS, Chairman of the Charitable Presentations Committee.

ANNUAL COOKOUT, HOSTED BY OAK LEAF LODGE IN TENNESSEE

Oak Leaf Lodge in Rockwood hosted its annual summer cookout with Volunteer Temple Pythian Sisters on Saturday, August 26, 2017 on the lake front at Roane County Park. A good attendance enjoyed lots of good food, fellowship and socializing with the brothers and sisters.



Pictured L to R: PGC Gerald Willard grilling hamburgers, PSC Bobby Crowe, PGC Mike Hartley, Dylan Willard and Jonathan Foust.



SHERATON TIMES SQUARE HOTEL 811 7TH AVE, NEW YORK NEW YORK 10019

Room Rates

Number in Room	Fri 8/3	Sat 8/4	Sun 8/5	Mon 8/6	Tues 8/7	Wed 8/8	Thu 8/9	Fri 8/10	Sat 8/11
1	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199
2	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199	\$199
3	\$229	\$229	\$229	\$229	\$229	\$229	\$229	\$229	\$229
4	\$259	\$259	\$259	\$259	\$259	\$259	\$259	\$259	\$259

Please send in your Reservations to Committee as listed below.
Please Do Not Call the Hotel

Room Reservations (Mark Number in Room & Nights staying at Hotel)

Number in Room	Fri 8/3	Sat 8/4	Sun 8/5	Mon 8/6	Tues 8/7	Wed 8/8	Thu 8/9	Fri 8/10	Sat 8/11

COST FOR CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Total Hotel Room Rates	
X Number of Nights	
= Total Cost of Hotel Registration	

TOURS & EVENTS

	Time	Event	Cost Per Person	Number Attending	Total Cost
Sun 8/5	9:30am-1:00pm	Trip to National September 11 Memorial & Museum	\$45.00		
Sun 8/5	6:00pm-7:00pm	Cocktail Hour at Ballroom Area	Cash Bar	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
Sun 8/5	7:00pm-11:00pm	Banquet in Honor Supreme Council & Supreme Temple Officers 2016-2018	\$65.00		
MEAL CHOICES (Please note the number of each meal chosen for this Reservation)					
	Chicken				
	Fish				
	Pasta				

Make checks payable to: KOP Humanitarian Fund Supreme Convention and mail to:

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	Vegetarian			
Mon 8/6	5:30pm- 11:00pm	World Yacht Dinner Cruise Around Manhattan	\$75.00	

COST OF TOURS & EVENTS

Cost of Tours & Events	
X Number of People	
= Total Cost of Tours & Events	

Total Cost	
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RESERVATION FORM

NAME _____ TITLE _____

DOMAIN _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ LODGE OR TEMPLE: _____

FOR SUNDAY BANQUET, PLEASE SEAT ME/US WITH:

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