

BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR
JULY 2018

It is almost two years since I was installed in Cleveland, Ohio in August 2016 and many things have happened which I will elaborate on later. Time goes quickly when you are having fun and I can thankfully say that I am having fun and enjoying every moment. I am happy with the direction that the Supreme Lodge is taking. People seem to be friendlier and nicer to each other which is one of the qualities that seemed to have been lost. Besides, friendship is one of the cornerstones that our Order is based on. The rest of the administration is operating well.

The Supreme Foundation is running smoothly and is making serious amounts of money from our investments. I am told by our Supreme Treasurer that a per-capita increase will probably not be necessary in our next budget. The Foundation Trustees and the Supreme Treasurer are working well together and the end result is that our financial position is very strong and profitable and our assets are protected.

Our Supreme Tribunal has been hard at work revisiting prior cases and rendering revised decisions where necessary. Their calendar remains clear at this writing which means there aren't any cases to litigate. I hope this is a sign that we are becoming friendlier and less hostile.

The Supreme Chairman of Law has asked the Supreme Tribunal (at my request) to reconsider reversing their decision at the last convention to change the name of the Domain of Catania back to "The Domain of Italy". I am happy to report that the name change has been successful.

Our Supreme Finance committee is also running very smoothly and our bills are being paid in a timely fashion. However, our Supreme Finance Chairman PSC Donald Grant resigned during this year and we wish to thank him for his efforts and we wish him well. The new chairman is Brother Dennis Adams from the domain of Indiana who is doing an exceptional job since he took over. The cash flow is good, and all parties involved are doing a very good job coordinating their efforts.

As far as my activities are concerned, I have visited the following Domains (several more than once) to attend their conventions: New Hampshire/Vermont, Massachusetts, Virginia, Texas, and New York. I was scheduled to attend California's Convention, but a bad cough forced me to cancel my trip.

I also conducted four Supreme Council Meetings during the past two years with copies of the minutes available via the Supreme Secretary.

My programs are working well and are being delivered by all of my Officers as they visit the various Domains. I would like to point out that the most successful program to date is the "Read and Ride" program which originated in the Domain of Texas. This is absolutely a win, win program where both the students and the Knights win. It's not easy to continually come up with new programs, but when you have a winner, play it to its maximum.

Another very successful program was the use of 7,700 Yard signs which were displayed throughout North America. For over 40 years I kept hearing that “we must get our name out to the public”. Well, we finally did. Besides being a tremendous membership tool, it also tells the world who we are and what we do... We Help People.

This Yard sign idea was first suggested by our Membership Chairman and I then massaged it until it reached its final form. I ordered over 7,700 yard signs to be delivered to most of our Domains in North America and each Domain will disburse them as they see fit. It's a new idea that may work or may not, but I'm not afraid to try. As I said in my Motto, “It only takes one person to make a difference.” Are you that person?

Finally, we come to my favorite program which is MEMBERSHIP. This year I tried something new and that was running Supreme Lodge like a business. Each of my Officers were assigned four Domains and they were responsible for a net increase of 5% in membership in each Domain. They were also asked to help their respective domains wherever they could. My job was to follow up (FU) with each of them and assist where I could in helping them reach their goals. It was a new, goal-oriented approach and is working well. However, more refinements are necessary. Many domains have had an increase in new members but for some domains the decreases exceeded the increases.

We have installed over 8 new lodges this year. The highlight of course was the new lodge in London, England (a subordinate lodge of the Domain of Indiana). This increases our presence in Europe and together with the Domain of Italy will be the gateway to an increase in foreign membership and the rebirth of the Knights of Pythias.

My Deputy Supreme Chancellors did a fair job these past two-years. Their main objective was membership whether by initiation, reinstatement, transfer or any means that would increase involvement. However, this didn't happen. Whatever the reason, we didn't get the results that we wanted.

It is my opinion that one of the main reasons that we don't get enough new members is that we do not know how to sell. The membership chairmen are not formally trained so that when an opportunity arises, they cannot take full advantage of it. This too was a problem with my officers. At the last Supreme Council meeting in February 2018, my Law Chairman held a seminar for my officers where he explained how to sell the Pythian Order successfully. This written program will also be available at the upcoming Supreme Lodge Convention for all to use.

Still on the subject of improvements in the Order and a major membership boost to our DOKK brothers, we are now saying that every new Knight automatically becomes a DOKK but must still take their special DOKK rank. We also suggested that DOKK dues be free the first year which gives both parties time to acclimate with each other

The remaining programs that were not mentioned above are either directly or indirectly related to membership. Most of them were working well but needed a little more time to develop fully. Some of them never were successful because the chairmen did very little to make them work. As I said earlier, they just needed a little more time.

Finally, the last subject that I wanted to touch upon is the Boy Scouts. With the recent ruling allowing young girls admittance to the Scouts, times are changing and so must we. I feel that it is only a matter of time until they request admittance to our Order and we must be ready to address this issue. In the meantime, I am suggesting that subordinate lodges adopt a troop but, with the understanding that the parents of the troop members join the Knights of Pythias.

We have already seen situations whereby women have gone to court asking the courts to allow them to join men's fraternal organizations, and they are being successful. I have formed a committee to look into this situation and will report to my Pythian Brothers when I receive their report.

In conclusion, I would like to say "thank you" to the many people who worked hard to make this Order a success. These past two years was a learning experience for me and I happily looked forward to the everyday challenges. I realize how wonderful this Organization is and all the wonderful work it does and all the people it helps. But I also realize that there is so much more to do. I hope that those who follow in my footsteps will have the same dedication and energy to carry on this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Alan Krell, KGS
Supreme Chancellor

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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE SUPREME VICE CHANCELLOR

MARCH THROUGH JULY, 2018

My activities for the period attending the annual convention of the domain of British Columbia, May 9-11, follow-up contacts with British Columbia, Connecticut, Maryland, and Michigan, follow-up as to new members in those grand domains, and attempts to meet with the grand lodge of Connecticut; drafting legislation found in the convention materials pertaining to the purpose of the Order, adding, “*to benefit the public,*” and Disaster relief coordination to be under the direction of the Supreme Prelate; and, preparing and planning for the 2018-2020 term.

The meeting with Connecticut did not materialize when two of the three lodges were not Attending. Looking at the Domain in a positive light, John Kelman, GVC, is extremely dedicated, his lodge, Fidelity, has taken in seven new brothers since June, 2017. Bob Goldberg has replaced Peter Scheinblum as grand secretary,

New members for the other domains since the Summer, 2017: British Columbia 2, Maryland 5, Michigan 1. I previously introduced 5 members to the Order, and 1 is pending currently.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Joel D. Fierstien, SVC

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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE SUPREME PRELATE
August 3, 2018

To: Supreme Chancellor, Members of the Supreme Council, Supreme Lodge.

My Brothers,

It is my honor to be representing the Knights of Pythias as your Supreme Prelate. I look forward to representing the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Council in my upcoming visitations.

I attended all the meetings of my local organizations since my last report, Stonewall-Jasper #6, Sinbad #96, and Elisabeth Temple #2 also the meetings of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina.

I attended the Grand Lodge of North Carolina and installed the officers, very good convention, Glad to see them getting along so well. Attended the funeral of Sir Keith Stooksberry in Findley, Ohio along with Mark and Don. Attended the funeral of Sir Kenneth Bickley Supreme Representative from SC. Sad days for South Carolina and our order. They will be missed.

Nebraska: reports nothing to report, but as of this report have 4 applications to be approved.

Iowa: has lost several members by death but hope to have 4-5 new members by Founders Day.

Illinois: not much going on in the winter months in this domain.

Tennessee: as of this report some lodges have had rank work but no numbers. Several of the Lodges have yard signs up promoting membership. They raised over \$1500.00 for cancer and will do more in 2018. They will be participating in the poster contest.

Again, I thank you for allowing me to represent you as your Supreme Prelate and I look forward to the rest of my term. I look forward to working with you in grow our order.

Fraternally,
/s/ Bruce H. Brown, KGS
Supreme Prelate

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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE SUPREME SECRETARY

In accordance with Supreme Law, I submit this following Biennial Report for your review and acceptance.

These past two years have been busy for the Supreme Lodge Office. In addition to the regular work: correspondence; paying bills; making out and sending vouchers for payment or reimbursement; phone calls throughout the day from our membership – always a pleasure to speak with my Brethren – certificates to make out and mail; Eagle Scout Certificates and Fifty-Year Certificates, both Earned Life and Veteran; there was a lot of extra work that needed to be done in an attempt to help put the Supreme Lodge back on track.

In addition to representing the Supreme Chancellor at the Grand Lodge Conventions of The Maritime Provinces in August 2016 (but was called back home as I got to the US/Canadian Border due to a family emergency); Wisconsin in October 2016; Arizona in June 2017 and 2018; Indiana in July 2017 and 2018; Nevada in September 2017; while at the direction of the Supreme Chancellor I have been attempting to gather information relative to a Grand Lodge Convention in the Domain of Connecticut; but to no avail. I also attended all of the Supreme Council Meetings this term, starting with the one held on Wednesday afternoon, August 10, 2016.

At the conclusion of this report you will see the reports of the Poster Contest, Boy Scout Connection, Pythian International and Golden Spur Committee.

Lastly, at the conclusion of this report you will see what I consider to be the only negative portion of this report; the Membership of this Supreme Lodge, and it is down considerably over the past two years, 16,464 as of the reports of December 31, 2017; 2,126 members less than the report of December 31, 2015 – and of that, only 14,228 are dues paying members... As of this writing this office has still NOT received Annual Reports from all of the domains, so the above numbers are a moving target.

Over the past two years this office has received hundreds of applications for Life Membership, with the overwhelming majority of those applications from one domain. I'm not sure what this means to you, but to me it means we're getting old. Young men don't want to join an old lodge; the young have nothing in common with members that are 30-40 years their seniors. We need to convince them to start new lodges, we need to streamline our method of bringing in new members; time is valuable to them... It's not what it was like when many of us joined; we were the young members – now we're the old guys; wives stayed home with the kids; they did the shopping; managed the household – not today. Today both partners are working, one or both have more than one job; child care is the big thing... We need to provide a vehicle that is attractive to a prospective member, so they don't feel they're wasting their time. We are in competition with every other fraternal organization, all of them better known than we; so we have to work harder at selling the Knights of Pythias.

This biennium our Supreme Chancellor, Alan Krell, stepped in and directed the Supreme Lodge Membership Committee, chaired by SOG Donald L. Stamm (WV) in the right direction; but he can only do so much – then it becomes our responsibility to pick up the ball and run for the touchdown. The flash drives with generic information that were sent to all the Grand Secretaries... Apparently they were not used. Did the Supreme Lodge waste its time and money – I would like to think it went for good.

On the upside, new subordinate lodges have been instituted and new members have been initiated. Baden-Powell Lodge #1907 was instituted in London, England in October 2017. Other subordinate lodges have been instituted and re-instituted throughout the Supreme Domain. Yard signs, close to 8,000 of them, were sent to the Grand Secretaries for distribution to their membership... Touting to the populous, the Knights of Pythias are alive and well and working within and for the community.

Office

Our Clerk, Vivian Bissett, continues to do a terrific job in the office; working on the Boy Scout/Eagle Scout Program (patches, certificates and cover letters); maintaining the database of subordinate lodges, their secretaries and addresses for use in mailing the issues of Pythian International (incase they're ever needed again).

I take care of all of the jewelry orders and the minutes of the council meetings, Vivian proofreads most everything before it's sent out. In addition, I am also the chairman of the Pythian International Committee, the Boy Scout Connection, the Poster Contest, as well as a member of the Golden Spur Committee.

Jewelry and Paraphernalia:

Presently we have a sufficient supply of everything; from subordinate lodge and grand lodge jewels, 50-year veteran and earned life pins, PGC and PC lapel pins and jewels, PC pins with diamonds; PSC lapel pins, etc. Only the 10K gold, GC ring has a 6 to 8-week lead time needed for the order, as they are individually made to the specific ring size on each order. Grand Secretaries need to be aware of this, they need to allow enough time between their order and the date they intend to make the presentation. I ask one favor of the grand secretaries – when ordering a 50-year certificate(s) please indicate if you want an accompanying lapel pin. If a pin(s) is not requested it will not be sent; and please see to it that the name of the recipient, his lodge and its number are legible, we can only print on the certificate what we read.

Clothing:

The office has Pythian shirts, ball caps, and quilt lined baseball type jackets. We have a couple of different sources for clothing; both local to the office and both do quality work at an affordable price.

Paraphernalia, Supplies, Etc.

We sit ready to fill orders from Domains, specifically from the Grand Secretaries. We do not want to fill orders from subordinate lodge secretaries or from members-at-large. We want to deal with one Brother from each domain: one brother who orders; one brother to ship to; one Brother to invoice.

Website:

A modification to our current website is being worked on. One of the things I would like to include in this modification is the inclusion of Pythian Paraphernalia, including pictures and prices that can be ordered from the Supreme Lodge Office – items that can be added to and/or change as time progresses.

Membership:

Our membership, like that of all other organizations, is on the decline. Again, I will state, we need to start using the technology that we have – SMA D. Mark Mead, KGS (VA) has set up a Facebook page for the Supreme Lodge... We need to get out into the public eye; we need to have a link to the average Joe who doesn't know we exist. We need to start using video conferencing between the officers and between the members. We need to use any means we can; any means we have at our disposal to broadcast the name of the Knights of Pythias. Again, please see the worksheets at the conclusion of this report.

Supreme Council Meetings and Video Conferencing:

How much can we really accomplish by meeting every six months? I realize funding is the main reason we meet so infrequently; so let us spend a few dollars and purchase webcams for the members of the Council (if they don't already have them) and meet every other month basis to discuss ideas and/or any other matter(s) that may arise – not necessarily to bring them to a conclusion, but rather to better prepare ourselves for the “Sit Down, Face to Face” Supreme Council Meetings. Although in the case of an emergency a vote could be taken and be ratified at the next following Supreme Council Meeting. Skype, Google and/or “Go To Meetings” are but three internet systems that will allow us to video conference, to discuss issues we feel are important. Conference calling by telephone is passé; video conferencing is the way of the future.

Charity:

This Order needs to select a charity that is recognized throughout North America, a charity we can exploit for the public recognition we so richly deserve; a charity that will work with us and publicize our name and our Order for the work we do.

State of the Order:

We need a serious influx of new, younger members; if this means we need to consider revising our Ritual to make it livelier, more interesting and more understandable it needs to happen. Other organizations have streamlined their process and are benefitting by it – we need to move into the 21st Century. We also need to consider tactics other organizations have are using. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, so let's flatter the Masons, Elks, and Lions to benefit the Greatest Fraternal Organization in the world – the Knights of Pythias!

Biennial Budget

I've been working very closely with PSR Dennis O. Adams, (IN), Chairman of Finance, to use real numbers for the expenditures in the budget, while taking out “Pie in the Sky” numbers generally used for income. Once Finance has established what it feels is an honest budget, Supreme Secretary Ast will be brought on board for his approval / suggestions. We are hoping the present \$6.75 per dues paying member per capita tax will not need to be increased.

Welcome to the 21st Century

The Supreme Lodge Office is moving forward – electronically, that is. E-mail is being used almost exclusively. Vouchers for the Supreme Foundation and Supreme Budget are being transmitted via E-mail; reimbursements are being made in hours to days in lieu of weeks or months. All interested parties have bought into this – and it is working well. The S.A.P.W. is being sent electronically, as was the Supreme Council Minutes; saving the Supreme Lodge money and time. All Grand Secretaries have and use Email, making the transmission of information flow smoothly. Of course, there are items that cannot be sent electronically. Those items will continue to be sent via the mail; for those items flat rate boxes and envelopes are the least expensive method of shipping large, bulky items such as Grand Lodge Convention paraphernalia, books, etc.

Rathbone Bible

The Bible is being hand carried to the Supreme Lodge Convention to be used for our Ritual, resting upon the Alter during the business sessions. Immediately following the installation of Supreme Lodge Officers, the Bible will be hand carried to Illinois by SFT Arthur Westle, its Grand Secretary for a Rathbone Bible Class in late September.

During this Biennium the Bible has been shipped Indiana: it has been used by them, hand carried from there to Ohio, back to Indiana, back to Ohio – this procedure happened several times during the biennium. It was carried by members of Indiana to England for the institution of Baden-Powell Lodge #1907 and the Rank Work that brought twenty some-odd new Brothers into Our Order. The cost of shipping the Bible for a Class has fallen on the domains that have requested its use; usually in the range of \$60 (Registered Mail including \$5,000 insurance) one way. There was a time, not that many years ago, when the Bible would not be sent to a domain for less than 25 candidates, and for that many candidates, with sufficient notification, the Supreme Chancellor or another Supreme Lodge Officer might have attended.

There is only one e-mail address for the Supreme Lodge Office, it is:
supremelodgekofp@comcast.net

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Allen S. Morris, KGS
Supreme Secretary

Proudly Celebrating 154 Years of Pythianism

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias
2017 Membership and Financials

Grand Lodge	Members 1/1/2017					Loss by Surrender of Charter							Total Deductions					Total Membership					Past Supreme Chancellors					Past Grand Chancellors					Total Membership 12/31/2017				
	Initiated	Reinstated	Transferred	Total	Suspended	Expelled	Transferred	Withdrawn	Deceased	Total Deductions	Total Membership	Past Supreme Chancellors	Past Grand Chancellors	Knights	Esquires	Pages	Total Membership 12/31/2017	50 Year Members	Earned Life	Active Military	Total Exemptions	Total Taxable Mem.	Per Cap Paid														
Alabama	33	0	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	10	11	12	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	33	222.75												
Arizona	160	7	0	0	167	0	1	0	0	45	0	46	121	0	17	37	67	0	0	121	1	2	0	3	118	796.50											
British Columbia	139	5	0	1	145	2	13	0	1	4	4	24	121	0	27	22	61	0	1	111	6	0	0	6	105	708.75											
California	250	16	0	3	269	0	54	0	0	8	13	75	194	1	12	65	113	2	1	194	24	0	3	27	167	1,127.25											
Centennial #2	39	8	4	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	50	0	0	0	21	12	17	50	0	0	0	0	50	337.50											
Colorado/WY	82	0	0	0	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00											
Connecticut	130	1	0	0	131	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	130	0	7	19	80	0	0	106	8	5	0	13	93	627.75											
Dist. of Columbia	50	1	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	21	0	21	30	0	0	0	30	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	30	202.50											
Florida	370	6	1	9	386	0	30	0	0	22	28	80	306	1	23	63	219	0	0	306	0	30	0	30	276	1,863.00											
Mystic #2	60	0	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	21	38	1	0	60	4	4	0	8	52	351.00											
Illinois	236	8	0	0	244	0	2	0	0	8	3	13	231	0	31	61	133	2	1	228	8	0	0	8	220	1,485.00											
Indiana	704	43	1	12	760	0	8	2	0	3	22	35	725	0	59	187	476	0	3	725	67	2	1	70	655	4,421.25											
Iowa	173	2	1	0	176	0	0	0	0	3	3	6	170	0	14	43	111	2	0	170	33	2	0	35	135	911.25											
Italy	50	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	50	337.50											
Maine	427	3	0	2	432	0	1	0	0	0	4	5	427	0	24	106	294	0	3	427	17	14	0	31	396	2,673.00											
Maritime Prov.	223	2	4	0	229	0	0	0	0	10	6	16	213	0	29	73	111	0	0	213	30	0	0	30	183	1,235.25											
Maryland	298	8	0	0	306	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	304	0	41	47	216	0	0	304	11	0	0	11	293	1,977.75											
Massachusetts	313	17	2	2	334	0	0	0	2	4	5	11	323	0	22	91	210	0	0	323	55	8	0	63	260	1,755.00											
Michigan	173	4	0	0	177	0	2	0	0	2	5	9	168	0	14	48	106	0	0	168	25	2	1	28	140	945.00											
Laurel #134	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	2	3	8	0	0	13	3	0	0	3	10	67.50											
Missouri	112	2	3	0	117	0	6	0	0	5	6	17	100	0	21	39	40	0	0	100	2	2	0	4	96	648.00											
Nebraska	51	0	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	48	0	8	7	33	0	0	48	2	1	0	3	45	303.75											
Nevada	151	10	1	1	163	0	11	0	0	10	1	22	141	1	32	20	89	0	2	144	7	3	0	10	134	904.50											
New HP/VT	104	0	0	0	104	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104	1	14	28	61	0	0	104	9	0	0	9	95	641.25											
New Jersey	637	19	0	0	656	0	16	0	0	0	15	31	625	0	23	135	467	0	0	625	57	54	0	111	514	3,469.50											
New Mexico	17	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	9	7	1	0	0	17	0	1	0	1	16	108.00											
New York	7290	60	0	0	7350	0	111	0	0	86	270	467	6883	0	26	638	6219	0	0	6883	1251	3	0	1254	5629	37,995.75											
North Carolina	319	13	0	0	332	4	14	0	0	0	7	25	307	0	27	43	236	1	0	307	8	1	2	11	296	1,998.00											

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Ohio	1380	55	6	31	1472	0	62	0	25	18	36	141	1331	0	25	347	959	0	0	1331	153	22	1	176	1155	7,796.25	
Oklahoma	105	0	0	0	105	0	4	0	0	3	3	10	95	0	13	23	59	0	0	95	0	0	0	0	95	641.25	
Oregon	298	22	4	0	324	0	16	0	0	5	2	23	301	0	11	62	205	0	23	301	14	0	1	15	286	1,930.50	
Pennsylvania	587	5	0	0	592	0	10	7	0	9	8	34	558	1	18	35	500	0	0	554	62	18	0	80	474	3,199.50	
Quebec	153	0	5	0	158	0	2	0	0	3	11	16	142	0	17	40	85	0	0	142	34	0	0	34	108	729.00	
South Carolina	149	3	1	1	154	0	13	1	0	2	2	18	136	0	31	37	68	0	0	136	4	0	0	4	132	891.00	
Tennessee	424	14	2	1	441	0	4	0	0	13	12	29	412	1	23	70	318	0	0	412	9	1	0	10	402	2,713.50	
Texas	409	11	0	1	421	0	32	0	0	0	8	40	381	0	21	149	211	0	0	381	39	0	1	40	341	2,301.75	
Virginia	678	15	7	15	715	0	30	0	16	3	21	70	645	1	28	132	484	0	0	645	60	13	0	73	572	3,861.00	
Washington	157	14	0	0	171	0	0	0	0	7	1	8	163	0	19	31	96	7	10	163	4	0	0	4	159	1,073.25	
West Virginia	405	9	1	0	415	0	22	0	0	0	13	35	380	0	22	119	236	0	2	379	25	3	1	29	350	2,362.50	
Wisconsin	28	0	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	25	0	9	6	10	0	0	25	0	2	0	2	23	155.25	
Amethyst #49	12	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	2	5	5	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	81.00	
Damon Lodge #3	29	4	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	28	0	0	8	20	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	28	133.00	
TOTALS	17418	387	43	79	17927	6	464	10	44	299	519	1342	16585	7	731	2878	12708	27	63	16464	2032	193	11	2236	14228	95,983.00	

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias
Grand Lodge Assets as of 12/31/17

Grand Domain	Cash on Hand 1/1/2017		Total	Disbursements	Cash on Hand 12/31/2017		Real Estate	Furniture, Fixtures, Etc.	Total Grand Lodge Assets
		Receipts				Investments			
Alabama	\$977	\$520	\$1,497	\$969	\$528	\$22,219	\$0	\$0	\$22,747
Arizona	\$659	\$30,581	\$31,240	\$27,582	\$3,658	\$800,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$808,658
British Columbia	\$5,077	\$25,980	\$31,057	\$22,675	\$8,382	\$2,760,007	\$0	\$0	\$2,768,389
California	\$1,729	\$42,813	\$44,542	\$33,188	\$11,354	\$737,493	\$0	\$0	\$748,847
Colorado/WY	\$12,386	\$0	\$12,386	\$0	\$12,386	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,386
Connecticut	\$1,115	\$5,400	\$6,515	\$6,097	\$418	\$0	\$0	\$50	\$468
Dist. of Columbia	\$835	\$0	\$835	\$315	\$520	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$520
Florida	\$21,164	\$0	\$21,164	\$0	\$21,164	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,164
Illinois	\$7,466	\$7,155	\$14,621	\$7,297	\$7,324	\$260,100	\$0	\$0	\$267,424
Indiana	\$58,850	\$251,463	\$310,313	\$266,172	\$44,141	\$2,524,127	\$615,900	\$5,000	\$3,189,168
Iowa	\$9,400				\$4,090	\$177,349	\$0	\$740	\$182,179
Italy	\$700	\$7,000	\$7,700	\$7,000	\$700	\$0	\$0	\$9,000	\$9,700
Maine	\$13,272	\$21,519	\$34,791	\$15,311	\$19,480	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$319,480
Maritime Prov.	\$7,392	\$9,411	\$16,803	\$8,816	\$7,987	\$29,219	\$0	\$0	\$37,206
Maryland	\$37,482	\$4,720	\$42,202	\$6,119	\$36,083	\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$38,583
Massachusetts	\$27,438	\$214,357	\$241,795	\$194,621	\$47,174	\$11,206	\$0	\$0	\$58,380
Michigan	\$11,676	\$33,500	\$45,176	\$34,326	\$10,850	\$0	\$0	\$3,175	\$14,025
Missouri	\$2,975	\$8,125	\$11,100	\$9,636	\$1,464	\$244,714	\$0	\$500	\$246,678
Nebraska	\$1,036	\$2,687	\$3,723	\$2,590	\$1,133	\$26,392	\$0	\$500	\$28,025
Nevada	\$7,489	\$8,326	\$15,815	\$7,642	\$8,173	\$140,239	\$0	\$500	\$148,912
New HP/VT	\$7,081	\$0	\$7,081	\$4,986	\$2,095	\$131,000	\$0	\$2,500	\$135,595
New Jersey	\$47,054	\$25,125	\$72,179	\$5,688	\$66,491	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$66,491
New Mexico	\$13,211	\$7,030	\$20,241	\$6,433	\$13,808	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,808
New York	\$18,165	\$148,520	\$166,685	\$153,619	\$13,066	\$1,417,161	\$0	\$30,587	\$1,460,814
North Carolina	\$2,903	\$31,106	\$34,009	\$28,216	\$5,793	\$872,249	\$0	\$2,000	\$880,042
Ohio	\$19,601	\$107,439	\$127,040	\$106,219	\$20,821	\$2,733,435	\$0	\$0	\$2,754,256
Oklahoma	\$36,556	\$633	\$37,189	\$10,000	\$27,189	\$258,849	\$0	\$4,500	\$290,538

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias
Grand Lodge Assets as of 12/31/17

Grand Domain	Cash on Hand 1/1/2017		Total	Disbursements	Cash on Hand 12/31/2017		Real Estate	Furniture, Fixtures, Etc.	Total Grand Lodge Assets
		Receipts				Investments			
Oregon	\$13,532	\$20,875	\$34,407	\$16,716	\$17,691	\$140,036	\$0	\$2,000	\$159,727
Pennsylvania	\$19,806	\$5,325	\$25,131	\$23,939	\$1,192	\$18,000	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$4,019,192
Quebec	\$25,000	\$15,000	\$40,000	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000
South Carolina	\$22,809	\$1,215	\$24,024	\$2,364	\$5,338	\$12,200	\$0	\$0	\$17,538
Tennessee	\$4,171	\$11,767	\$15,938	\$10,907	\$5,031	\$448,551	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$456,082
Texas	\$4,677	\$0	\$4,677	\$633	\$4,044	\$344,399	\$0	\$0	\$348,443
Virginia	\$27,913	\$44,535	\$72,448	\$24,932	\$47,516	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$47,516
Washington	\$2,890	\$13,565	\$16,455	\$8,432	\$8,023	\$50,000	\$1,000,000	\$10,000	\$1,068,023
West Viginia	\$9,191	\$15,090	\$24,281	\$18,987	\$5,294	\$86,509	\$0	\$0	\$91,803
Wisconsin	\$4,095	\$0	\$4,095	\$1,121	\$2,974	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,974
TOTAL ASSETS	\$507,773	\$1,120,782	\$1,619,155	\$1,088,548	\$518,375	\$14,545,454	\$5,621,900	\$75,052	\$20,760,781

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias
Subordinate Lodge Assets as of 12/31/2017

Grand Lodge	Cash on Hand 1/1/2017		Total	Expended for Relief	Current Expenses	Invested during Year	Total Expenses	Cash on Hand 12/31/2017		Real Estate	Paraphernalia & Furniture	Totals Assets
		Receipts							Investments			
Alabama	\$16,402	\$1,586	\$17,988	\$0	\$3,395	\$0	\$3,395	\$14,593	\$35,080	\$0	\$0	\$49,673
Arizona	\$12,581	\$34,500	\$47,081	\$1,700	\$38,175	\$0	\$39,875	\$7,206	\$0	\$44,900	\$13,354	\$65,460
British Columbia	\$31,693	\$0	\$31,693	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$31,693	\$868,224	\$0	\$86,591	\$986,508
California	\$65,637	\$41,314	\$106,951	\$0	\$41,192	\$0	\$41,192	\$65,759	\$179,237	\$0	\$1,150	\$246,146
Centennial #2	\$12,330	\$5,652	\$17,982	\$4,550	\$3,550	\$0	\$8,100	\$9,882	\$205,389	\$0	\$150	\$215,421
Colorado/WY	\$6,108	\$0	\$6,108	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,108	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,108
Connecticut	\$3,520	\$9,100	\$12,620	\$4,128	\$322	\$0	\$4,450	\$8,169	\$0	\$0	\$50	\$8,219
Dist. of Columbia	\$1,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,300
Florida	\$35,795	\$0	\$35,795	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,795	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,795
Mystic #2	\$1,043,988	\$208,179	\$1,252,167	\$0	\$58,134	\$34,445	\$92,579	\$1,159,588	\$3,255,231	\$3,030	\$3,014	\$4,420,863
Illinois	\$32,595	\$24,517	\$57,112	\$0	\$24,453	\$0	\$24,453	\$32,659	\$79,047	\$229,520	\$12,050	\$353,276
Indiana	\$308,924	\$342,824	\$651,748	\$31,019	\$339,690	\$0	\$370,709	\$281,039	\$461,573	\$663,500	\$120,516	\$1,526,628
Iowa	\$39,213	\$0	\$39,213	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$39,213	\$0	\$0	\$28,000	\$67,213
Italy	\$6,500	\$2,000	\$8,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,500	\$0	\$0	\$7,000	\$15,500
Maine	\$18,475	\$0	\$18,475	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,475	\$1,000,000	\$423,400	\$15,000	\$1,456,875
Maritime Prov.	\$35,917	\$33,671	\$69,588	\$0	\$41,762	\$0	\$41,762	\$27,826	\$0	\$285,000	\$32,000	\$344,826
Maryland	\$150,753	\$242,145	\$392,898	\$26,110	\$206,506	\$0	\$232,616	\$160,282	\$201,535	\$1,453,000	\$6,588	\$1,821,405
Massachusetts	\$53,032	\$41,062	\$94,094	\$0	\$18,634	\$11,500	\$29,782	\$64,312	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$64,812
Michigan	\$13,269	\$0	\$13,269	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,269	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,269
Missouri	\$30,312	\$7,084	\$37,396	\$1,050	\$6,017	\$0	\$7,067	\$30,329	\$0	\$72,309	\$13,700	\$116,338
Nebraska	\$3,788	\$10,322	\$14,110	\$0	\$5,380	\$0	\$5,380	\$8,730	\$20,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$29,730
Nevada	\$35,098	\$34,022	\$69,120	\$0	\$38,193	\$0	\$38,193	\$30,927	\$56,658	\$1,591,721	\$4,967	\$1,684,273
New Hamp/VT	\$7,692	\$8,725	\$16,417	\$0	\$9,650	\$0	\$9,650	\$6,767	\$44,000	\$0	\$250	\$51,017
New Jersey	\$47,804	\$61,800	\$109,604	\$0	\$75,800	\$0	\$75,800	\$33,804	\$0	\$0	\$900	\$34,704
New Mexico	\$14,599	\$1,174	\$15,773	\$2,513	\$5,872	\$0	\$8,385	\$7,388	\$0	\$60,000	\$2,000	\$69,388
New York	\$7,530	\$330,000	\$337,530	\$0	\$327,130	\$0	\$327,130	\$10,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,400
North Carolina	\$25,168	\$0	\$25,168	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,168	\$251,606	\$376,361	\$3,250	\$656,385
Ohio	\$290,322	\$321,181	\$611,503	\$27,046	\$250,460	\$0	\$277,506	\$333,997	\$1,446,847	\$2,558,451	\$492,216	\$4,831,511
Oklahoma	\$3,090	\$18,432	\$21,522	\$450	\$16,612	\$0	\$17,062	\$4,460	\$33,742	\$50,000	\$5,000	\$93,202
Oregon	\$184,681	\$270,227	\$454,908	\$128,804	\$225,837	-\$41,156	\$313,485	\$141,423	\$440,383	\$4,492,520	\$112,368	\$5,186,694
Pennsylvania	\$73,100	\$9,500	\$82,600	\$23,000	\$8,527	\$0	\$31,527	\$51,073	\$692,378	\$425,000	\$4,200	\$1,172,651
Quebec	\$2,800	\$3,500	\$6,300	\$0	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500	\$2,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,800
South Carolina	\$23,778	\$2,190	\$25,968	\$2,375	\$6,975	\$0	\$9,350	\$25,968	\$2,800	\$0	\$400	\$29,168
Tennessee	\$19,810	\$32,091	\$51,901	\$10,640	\$17,520	\$0	\$28,160	\$23,741	\$100,519	\$230,000	\$22,400	\$376,660

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias
Subordinate Lodge Assets as of 12/31/2017

Grand Lodge	Cash on Hand 1/1/2017		Total	Expended for Relief	Current Expenses	Invested during Year	Total Expenses	Cash on Hand 12/31/2017		Real Estate	Paraphernalia & Furniture	Totals Assets
		Receipts							Investments			
Texas	\$47,854	\$26,122	\$73,976	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$73,976	\$883,892	\$0	\$0	\$957,868
Virginia	\$113,014	\$826,291	\$939,305	\$309,299	\$449,003	\$0	\$0	\$939,305	\$865,904	\$2,669,174	\$378,689	\$4,853,072
Washington	\$68,319	\$92,648	\$160,967	\$0	\$103,511	\$0	\$103,511	\$57,456	\$240,654	\$234,624	\$20,832	\$553,566
West Viginia	\$48,112	\$56,492	\$104,604	\$0	\$63,171	\$0	\$63,171	\$41,433	\$196,261	\$241,000	\$50,400	\$529,094
Wisconsin	\$16,395	\$0	\$16,395	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,395	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,395
Amethyst Lodge #49	\$2,085	\$370	\$2,455	\$50	\$553	\$0	\$603	\$1,852	\$0	\$0	\$50	\$1,902
Damon Lodge #3	\$4,913	\$22,996	\$27,909	\$17,258	\$8,613	\$0	\$25,871	\$2,038	\$0	\$0	\$700	\$2,738
Laurel #134	\$877	\$3,185	\$4,062	\$1,000	\$1,430	\$0	\$2,430	\$1,632	\$66,729	\$0	\$50	\$68,411
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,959,173	\$3,124,902	\$6,082,775	\$590,992	\$2,399,567	\$4,789	\$2,217,694	\$3,856,730	\$11,627,689	\$16,103,510	\$1,439,335	\$33,027,264

REPORT OF THE SUPREME LODGE POSTER CONTEST

The theme of the 2018 Poster Contest was “What is a Friend?” Brochures were available for all Grand Domains. This is a very popular topic for both students and high school administrators.

The deadline of June 15, 2018 for all posters to be received in the Supreme Lodge Office has come and gone. This year ten (10) grand lodges participated in the contest, with some sending multiple copies – hand-drawn as well as computer generated. One grand lodge submitted 12 plus posters; that will be sorted out at the Supreme Convention before the judging begins. A panel of non-interested judges will be selected to select the winners on Monday late afternoon; the winners will be announced, and the posters displayed on the convention floor on Tuesday; then the winning posters will be posted on our website, as well published in Pythian International.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Allen S. Morris, KGS
Supreme Secretary – Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOY SCOUT CONNECTION COMMITTEE

The Supreme Lodge is charging \$5.00 per package/per scout. The \$5.00 is prepaid with the application before the package; consisting of a certificate, patch and cover letter, is sent. Requests arrive daily from troop leaders and parents of the scouts awaiting their Court of Honor. Vivian is and has been taking care of those requests. Since I’ve taken office we have processed thousands of requests.

We have heard nothing from the Knights of Pythias Foundation regarding the motion that passed at the February 2018 Supreme Council Meeting relative to the Foundation sponsoring the cost of the Eagle Scout Package – the \$5.00 cost per scout fee is still in effect.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Allen S. Morris, KGS
Supreme Secretary - Chairman

PYTHIAN INTERNATIONAL

Since August 2016, eleven (11) issues of Pythian International have been printed and distributed... That is just under twice the number of issues sent out during the last biennium. Each issue averaging six to eight pages; put together using MS Word, converted to a PDF format, they are e-mailed to all Supreme Lodge Officers, Grand Secretaries, Deputy Supreme Chancellors, members of the Supreme Tribunal and the Knights of Pythias Foundation - and yes – the Web Site Manager (to make sure the site is up to date) asking that they forward electronic copies to their Brethren throughout their respective Grand Lodges. From there they have been e-mailed to the secretaries of subordinate lodge and various members of the Order. Within a day of its initial emailing, so I've been told, it is distributed to an exceptionally large audience – and the feedback has been positive.

Pythian International may also be viewed electronically by logging on to our web site at pythias.org and clicking on the Pythian International link. If you have newsworthy items that you wish to share with other domains, please forward to supremelodgekofp@comcast.net. Pictures are always welcome, but please include an article to accompany it/them. Thanks to all for your support.

Not knowing what will happen following the close of the Supreme Lodge Convention, if I am asked to stay on as the editor of Pythian International, I would like to revert to a format used by Brother Marv Wilson (BC). Since we are all family, I would like to see information about the Pythian Sisters and the DOKK incorporated into PI. A message from the Supreme Chancellor and the Supreme Chief, the Supreme Secretaries, The Imperial Prince and Imperial Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Allen S. Morris, KGS
Supreme Secretary - Chairman

GOLDEN SPUR

Made on behalf of Chairman, PSC Edwin H. Wright, KGS (NH/VT)

The Supreme Lodge Golden Spur Committee received, reviewed, and approved fourteen (14) applications for recipients of the Golden Spur during the 2016-2018 Biennium. One of the fourteen was postponed by the committee, sent back for additional information.

The application form, for both Grand and Subordinate Lodges needs to be modified to set a limit by which information should be written. Volunteer work within the community that is annotated on the application should be volunteer work done after the prospective candidate became a Knight, not before; and all information contained therein should not be older than 10-12 years.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Allen S. Morris, KGS
Committee Member

BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE SUPREME TREASURER

Section 1.08.051 of the Supreme Statutes requires me to report on the financial affairs of the Supreme Lodge for the most recent biennial period then ended. The Supreme Lodge financial reports consist of the operations of the Supreme Lodge and its wholly owned subsidiary, The Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias Foundation.

Accordingly, I herewith submit the following reports in compliance with my statutory responsibilities pursuant to Section 1.08.051 of Supreme Statutes. The comparison of budgeted expenses and revenues to actual operating expenses for the most recent biennial period then ended as well as the statement of revenues and expenses for the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias Foundation for the most recent biennial period then ended.

Further, I am herewith submitting a detailed schedule of disbursements and receipts as appears in the books of account with respect to the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias operating account for the most recent biennial period then ended. Additionally, I am herewith submitting a detailed schedule of disbursements and receipts as appears in the books of account with respect to the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias Foundation operating account for the most recent biennial period then ended.

I have no responsibility to report on any other checking account(s) in which I do not have signatory or control of such account(s). Such reporting is the responsibility of those charged with controlling and overseeing such accounts.

During the past twenty-four months I have diligently performed the duties of this office to the best of my professional ability and understanding in accordance with the Supreme Constitution and Supreme Statutes.

Fraternally submitted,
/s/ Alan J Ast, KGS
July 31, 2018

Celebrating 154 Years of Pythianism

Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias
 Comparison of Actual Income and Expenses to Budget
 For the Biennium Ended July 31,
 2018

	Year Ended <u>7/31/2018</u>	Year Ended <u>7/31/2017</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Budget</u>	Over (Under)
#1 -					
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>	<u>38,703.79</u>	<u>37,557.08</u>	<u>76,260.87</u>	<u>78,000.00</u>	
1a - SC Stipend	4,500.00	4,500.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	
1b - SS Stipend	17,100.00	17,100.00	34,200.00	34,200.00	
1c - ST Stipend	4,200.00	4,200.00	8,400.00	8,400.00	
1d -SS Clerk	10,800.00	9,600.00	20,400.00	20,800.00	
1e - Payroll taxes	2,103.79	2,157.08	4,260.87	5,600.00	
#2 - OFFICERS TRAVEL AND PROMOTION					
	<u>17,051.40</u>	<u>13,612.30</u>	<u>30,663.70</u>	<u>27,500.00</u>	
2a - SC Travel	1,433.70	1,293.30	2,727.00	10,000.00	
2b - SVC ravel	1,579.05	1,230.60	2,809.65	3,500.00	
2c - SS Travel	3,494.55	1,666.80	5,161.35	500.00	
2d - ST Travel	732.30	613.70	1,346.00	500.00	
2e - Others	9,811.80	8,807.90	18,619.70	13,000.00	

#4 - ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	<u>19,131.67</u>	<u>23,062.10</u>	<u>42,193.77</u>	<u>51,000.00</u>
4a - Telephone/Fax	1,196.10	1,171.68	2,367.78	2,500.00
4b - Postage	2,226.36	3,099.47	5,325.83	5,000.00
4c - Audit	-	-	-	6,500.00
4d - Misc Printing	1,549.24	1,755.14	3,304.38	7,500.00
4e - Rent	7,550.00	7,200.00	14,750.00	13,500.00
4f - Office supplies	1,981.11	5,450.14	7,431.25	5,000.00
4g - Publications	-	-	-	1,000.00
4h - Journal printing	-	-	-	4,000.00
4i - Insurance	3,592.00	3,665.00	7,257.00	4,000.00
4j - General and Emergen	693.64	223.24	916.88	1,500.00
4k - Internet	343.22	497.43	840.65	500.00

#5 - PYTHIAN INTERNATIONAL

5a - Postage and Printing	=	=	=	<u>20,000.00</u>
	=	=	=	<u>20,000.00</u>

#6 - CONVENTION EXPENSES

	<u>9,160.09</u>	<u>38,413.37</u>	<u>47,573.46</u>	<u>55,500.00</u>
6a - Mileage	6,432.24	31,857.56	38,289.80	50,000.00
6b - Convention expense	2,727.85	1,537.46	4,265.31	5,000.00
6c - Other	-	5,018.35	5,018.35	500.00

#7 - PURCHASES	<u>11,792.10</u>	<u>10,455.93</u>	<u>22,248.03</u>	<u>25,500.00</u>
7a - Furniture	-	-	-	500.00
7b - Merchandise	11,792.10	10,455.93	22,248.03	25,000.00
#8 - COMMITTEE EXPENSES				
	<u>14,356.13</u>	<u>28,880.33</u>	<u>43,236.46</u>	<u>51,500.00</u>
8a - Supreme Council	7,800.22	11,210.57	19,010.79	40,000.00
8b - Supreme Tribunal	6,555.91	17,669.76	24,225.67	10,000.00
8c - Law	-	-	-	1,500.00
TOTALS	<u>110,195.18</u>	<u>151,981.11</u>	<u>262,176.29</u>	<u>309,000.00</u>
INCOME	<u>134,205.81</u>	<u>143,596.43</u>	<u>277,802.24</u>	<u>277,500.00</u>
Per Capita Tax	97,745.51	99,384.39	197,129.90	202,500.00
Stock Sales	25,060.30	28,042.75	53,103.05	50,000.00
Host - Convention	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00
P I Assessment	-	740.00	740.00	12,500.00
Foundation subsidy	-	-	-	-
Other	<u>1,400.00</u>	<u>5,429.29</u>	<u>6,829.29</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>
Under (Over)	<u>24,010.63</u>	<u>(8,384.68)</u>	<u>15,625.95</u>	<u>(31,500.00)</u>

**SUPREME LODGE KNIGHTS OF
PYTHIAS
COMPARISON OF BUDGETED EXPENSES
AND REVENUES
TO ACTUAL OPERATING COSTS AND
REVENUES
FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDED
JULY 31, 2018**

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGETED</u>	<u>OVER (UNDER)</u>
<u>Line item #1 Administrative Expenses and Salaries</u>			
Subdivision			
1A Supreme Chancellor	9,000	9,000	-
1B Supreme Secretary	34,200	34,200	-
1C Supreme Treasurer	8,400	8,400	-
1D Supreme Secretary's Clerk	20,400	20,800	(400)
1E Payroll taxes	<u>4,261</u>	<u>5,600</u>	<u>(1,339)</u>
	<u>76,261</u>	<u>78,000</u>	<u>(1,739)</u>
<u>Line item #2 Travel and Promotion</u>			
Subdivision			
2A SC Travel	2,727	10,000	(7,273)
2B SVC Travel	2,810	3,500	(690)
2C SS Travel	5,161	500	4,661
2D ST Travel	1,346	500	846
2E Others	<u>18,620</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>5,620</u>
	<u>30,664</u>	<u>27,500</u>	<u>3,164</u>

Line item #4 Administration expenses

Subdivision

4A Telephone and Fax	2,368	2,500	(132)
4B Postage	5,326	5,000	326
4C Audit	-	6,500	(6,500)
4D Miscellaneous printing	3,304	7,500	(4,196)
4E Rent	14,750	13,500	1,250
4F Office supplies	7,431	5,000	2,431
4G Publications	-	1,000	(1,000)
4H Journal Printing	-	4,000	(4,000)
4I Insurance	7,257	4,000	3,257
4J General and Emergency	917	1,500	(583)
4K Internet and Website	<u>841</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>341</u>
	<u>42,194</u>	<u>51,000</u>	<u>(8,806)</u>

**Line item #5 Pythian
International**

Subdivision

5A Postage and Printing	=	<u>20,000</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>
	=	<u>20,000</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>

**Line item #6 Convention
expenses**

Subdivision

6A Mileage	38,290	50,000	(11,710)
6B Per Diem	4,265	5,000	(735)
6C Other	<u>5,018</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>4,518</u>

	<u>47,573</u>	<u>55,500</u>	<u>(7,927)</u>
<u>Line item 7 Purchases</u>			
Subdivision			
7A Furniture	-	500	(500)
7B Stock for resale	<u>22,248</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(2,752)</u>
	<u>22,248</u>	<u>25,500</u>	<u>(3,252)</u>
<u>Line item #8 Committee expenses</u>			
Subdivision			
8A Supreme Council meetings	19,011	40,000	(20,989)
8B Supreme Tribunal meetings	24,226	10,000	14,226
8C Law Committee	=	<u>1,500</u>	<u>(1,500)</u>
	<u>43,237</u>	<u>51,500</u>	<u>(8,263)</u>
Total expenses	<u>262,177</u>	<u>309,000</u>	<u>(46,823)</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
Per capita tax	197,130	202,500	(5,370)
Stock held for resale	53,103	50,000	3,103
Pythian International	-	12,500	(12,500)
Foundation	-	-	-
Convention	20,000	10,000	10,000
Boy Scout Connection	1,791	1,500	291
Miscellaneous income	<u>5,778</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>4,778</u>
	<u>277,802</u>	<u>277,500</u>	<u>302</u>
Net revenues over expenses	<u>15,625</u>	<u>(31,500)</u>	<u>47,125</u>

BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE SUPREME OUTER GUARD

To: Supreme Chancellor, Members of the Supreme Council

Brothers, it has been an honor to and a pleasure to serve as your SOG for the past two years. The last six months have been very busy.

In March I attended the South Carolina Grand Lodge Convention and traveled to Alabama for a Special Grand Lodge Convention. In May I attended the Florida Grand Lodge Convention and in June, I was back in Alabama for their annual convention. Finally, in July, I attended my own Grand Lodge Convention in West Virginia where Sir Mark Mead was the visiting Supreme Representative.

I am looking forward to the Supreme Lodge Convention in New York City and what the future holds for our order.

Fraternally Submitted,
/s/ Donald L. Stamm
Supreme Outer Guard

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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Final Membership Report for the 2016-2018 term

Brothers, it has been an honor to serve as the Membership Chairman for the 2016-2018 term. The past two years have been challenging and educational. We have managed not to lose any Domains and that in itself is amazing. Through all the trials and tribulations I'm happy to report Pythianism is still alive but, there is much to do in the future.

In the spirit of Pythianism I simply ask that all Knights take the challenge of promoting our order in the ensuing 2018-2020 term. Membership is the life line of all fraternal organizations, and our struggle to keep growing is the number one priority. "My door is always open and my ears are always listening".

Fraternally Submitted,
/s/ Donald L. Stamm
Supreme Outer Guard
National Membership Chairman

BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To: The Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias

Dear Brothers,

First of all I would like to start off by saying how humbled I was when I was asked by Supreme Chancellor Krell to fill this position when it became available. I will certainly do everything within my power to do the job to the best of my ability and understanding.

I would like to thank SS Al Morris for all of the cooperation from his office and for his guidance in the learning process as I tip toed into this position.

I immediately found that the budget numbers that were plugged into the spread sheet were the budget numbers approved from the 2014-16 budget instead of the 2016-18 budget. Instead of trusting the inherited spread sheet for accuracy, I asked the Supreme Secretary to send me copies of all of the vouchers since the beginning of the biennium. I then re-set the proper budget numbers into the spread sheet and began the arduous task of checking and/or re-entering the voucher amounts into the spread sheet. I found some errors, which have been corrected. I found some errors where some vouchers were charged to the wrong accounts. After conversing with the Supreme Secretary, those very few errors have been corrected. I have spoken once with Supreme Treasurer Ast, inquiring about why we have no vouchers showing where payroll taxes have been paid during the biennium. I also inquired about why there are no vouchers pertaining to reimbursement to Supreme Officers for attending Supreme Council meetings. He assured me, on July 11th, that he would send me the information I needed. As of this date, July 17th, I am still waiting. If I do not receive this information, I will be forced to submit a budget with “guesstimate numbers” in those areas. This is a choice I do not want to make, but may be forced into.

Again, thank you for this opportunity to serve you and the Supreme Lodge and the Supreme Domain.

Fraternally Submitted,
/s/ Dennis O. Adams, KGS, Chairman
Supreme Finance Committee

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