

Celebrating 153 Years of Pythianism!
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PARTIAL LISTING OF REPORTED UPCOMING EVENTS OF LODGES & TEMPLES

February 28 – Crescens Lodge #33 – Outing to Hoosier Park Racing & Casino – 6pm
March 4 – District #4 Convention – Crescens #33, New Castle – 1pm – meal following
March 11 – District #3 Convention at Brotherhood #3-5-7 in Carmel – 11 am - Breakfast served prior to
March 27 – Al Hilal #33, DOKK Meeting, New Castle – Eat @ 6, Meeting @ 7 – Door Prize \$115.00!
March 28 – Crescens #33 Table Lodge – 7pm – All Knights invited!
April 21, 22 & 23, 2017 – State Bowling Tournament – MUNSEE LANES, MUNCIE, IN
April 25 – New Castle Rusty Spike Night – Meal at 6pm
May 6, 2017 – PS District #1 Convention – Hostess: Ruth Temple #56
May 13, 2017 – PS District #2 Convention – Hostess: Lizton Temple #462
May 20, 2017 – PS District #3 Convention – Hostess: Muncie Temple #28
May 29, 2017 – New Castle Memorial Service – 8am at Cemetery – Parade at 10 am with Big Knight float
July 20, 21, 22, 2017 – Grand Lodge/Grand Temple Convention – Four Points by Sheraton – W. Lafayette, IN
August 13, 2017 – DOKK Family Fun Outing to Indianapolis Indians – 1:35 pm – 30 tickets available – 24 bus seats. First Come, First Served! Contact Denny Adams at 765-529-7712 for reservations
Aug 30 – Sept 2, 2017 – Grand Lodge of Ohio – Fairborn Holiday Inn
Sept. 16 & 17, 2017 – Grand Lodge of Illinois – Peoria
Sept. 16 & 17, 2017 – Grand Lodge of Michigan - LTBA
Oct . 7 & 8, 2017 – Family Fun Fest, BBQ Hog Roast, Chili Cook-off & Car Show – New Castle – Beginning of the 28th Annual Knights of Pythias Holiday Festival in New Castle
Nov. 4, 2017 – Brotherhood Lodge #3-5-7 – 2nd Annual Chili Cook-off
Nov. 18, 2017 – 28th Annual Knights of Pythias All American Christmas Parade – New Castle – 4pm

Remembering our Sick and Shut-ins

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers or maybe a card:

Edna Keeney, PSR – PO Box 100 – Lizton, IN 46149 - Fell 11/26 & broke left shoulder & arm – re-alignment surgery on 1/9/17 – cards & prayers appreciated
PSC Mary Parker – 312 Mill St, Ossian, IN 46777 – Been released from hospital, now in Bluffton Regional Continuing Care Unit for strengthening. Cards please.
Florence Masters – PO Box 185 – Royal Center, IN 46978
Cathy Davidson - Wesley Healthcare -1751 Wesley Rd – Auburn, IN 46706
Cathleen Trueblood, PGC – 9185 N CR 50 E – Seymour, IN 47274
Irene Lawson, PSR– PO Box 128, Royal Center, IN 46978
PGC Joyce Wright - 1109 Princeton St, Elkhart, IN 46516
Sharon Galbreath – PO Box 111, Frankton, IN 46044 –at home as she continues to recover.
Rochelle Olds, PGC –0360 N CR 200 E, LaGrange, IN 46761
Euphema Phillips, PSR – 1010 Observatory Rd, Martinsville, IN 46151
Wilma Gentry – Meadow Lake Nursing Home, 200 Meadow Lake Dr Room 715, Mooresville, IN 46158
Tina Stillwell - Venus Temple #50 - in hospital and is very ill.
Sherry Murphy, PGC – 4132 Poli Poli Court, Ruskin, FL 33570 – Recently had kidney removed
Mrs. Mary Stucker (wife of Brother Duane Stucker) fell & broke shoulder on Nov. 27th – slow recovery
Carl Jones -Heritage House – 1023 N 20th St – New Castle, IN 47362
J. Herschel Forgey –confined to the Christian Assisted Living Center – Brownstown, In 47220
Ed Wright – 1109 Princeton Av, Elkhart, IN 46516
Murl “Bud” Wheeler – 1086 Boulder Ridge Dr, New Haven, IN 46774
Ezra Hodgson – major back surgery – cards to 504 CR 455, Berryville, AR 72616
Cud Willis – 2679 E 1100 S, Amboy, IN 46911 – 2 fractures of the spine – Lutheran Hosp. – Surgery 1/19/17
Charlie Batty – 2804 S Eastlawn Ct, Muncie, IN 47302 – In hospital with cancer diagnosis – 2/9/17

Grand Chancellor’s/Grand Chief’s Charities

If you are desirous of donating to the Grand Chancellor’s charity choices, your Lodge, Temple and individual gifts can be made to the Methodist Hospital Emergency Department or to Riley Hospital for Children by sending your checks made payable to the Methodist Hospital Foundation with a notation of Emergency Room Department or to Riley Hospital For Children in your memo and mail them to the Grand Lodge Office, 1204 Broad, New Castle, IN 47362. Grand Chief Jaci chose Riley Hospital for Children as her charity as it is very close to her heart and her family. Pythian Sister donations should be sent to Grand Secretary Ruth Daring. Grand Chancellor Jerry is proud to team up with Grand Chief Jaci this term in an attempt to raise even more money for this very worthy charity. Thank you for your generosity for the Grand Chief’s and Grand Chancellor’s charities.

Grand Chancellor Jerry Weilenman would like to say *Thank You* to Brothers *Forrest Timberlake, Jr.* and *John Cheesewright* for your recent donations to his charity...the Methodist Hospital Emergency Department. This money will be added to the presentation check at the Grand Convention banquet in July. Also, a special thank you goes out to Ashley Lodge #394 and Lizton Lodge #342 for your recent donations to Riley Hospital For Children.

Mark Your Calendar Now With The Events On The Calendar!

State Bowling Tournament Is Coming

The Indiana Pythian State Bowling tournament is coming to MUNSEE LANES, MUNCIE, IN. on April 21, 22 & 23 (note date change). This may be the largest participation that we have had in years! We hope that you will participate, whether you bowl or not! Come and have fun! Entries have been mailed to your Secretary or can be requested from Grand Secretary Adams at the Grand Lodge Office e-mail: indianaglkop@att.net or call

Attention POSTER CONTESTANTS

Beginning this year, if your child OR Grandchild are going to be entering the POSTER CONTEST....you need to request your info. for the poster contest thru this office. They will be mailed or e-mailed to you. E-mail to indianaglkop@att.net or mail to 1204 Broad St, New Castle, IN 47362. Poster deadline is April 1, 2017 for your poster to be at the local lodge. You will be assigned the lodge you are to send it to by the Grand Lodge office!

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A Story That Never Grows Old (continued)

An address delivered before the 15th district convention at Belle Plaine, March 13, 1912

By Frances A Heald

Star of the West Lodge No. 1, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

(Picking up where we left off in January) The tyrant disguises himself and enters the prison, and cunningly endeavors to persuade Pythias to desert his friend, suggesting that a ship is at hand in which he may make his escape. And to make the test even more bitter and severe, the one woman that Pythias loves and adores, comes to him with tears and impassioned pleadings and begs and begs of him to flee while opportunity is yet at hand. But Pythias, who holds friendship dearer than life, and whose honor is stronger than the fear of death and more potent than the love of woman, falters not, but remains in his chains rather than desert his friend. Meanwhile the test is hard for Damon. When the time comes for him to return, all the entreaties of wife and child and home and life are brought to bear upon Damon to persuade him to remain. Even the servant of Damon slays his master's favorite steed in order to prevent his master's return. But Damon proves true to his friend. Despite the swollen streams, and the perilous journey over the hills and plains, he battles his way back, and as Pythias is being led to execution, the shout is heard, "Damon is coming!"

Does Damon arrive in time to save Pythias? Find out next month in:

"A Story That Never Grows Old"

SECRETARIES – THANK YOU ALL for your work in compiling the information for the annual reports. 2017 has been one of the smoothest years since I have been in office...thanks to all of you! Please keep in mind that I must be picky on the information that is contained in the annual reports because that is the history of the lodge for that year that will be recorded for all time. We must make sure that it is accurate and complete. So when I write back for clarifications, information, etc. it is for the Good of the Order, the history of the Order and not for my benefit! Thanks for understanding.

What is your lodge or Temple doing??

153rd Rathbone Celebration Held In New Castle

The Grand Domain of Indiana proudly celebrated the 153rd anniversary of the founding of the Order Knights of Pythias on Saturday, February 18th by holding a Three Rank Day in New Castle at Crescens Lodge #33, home lodge of Grand Chancellor Jerry Weilenman. Six lodges were represented plus the Grand Domain of Ohio as we were honored to have Grand Chancellor John Morris in attendance. There was a total attendance of 24 with 7 Grand Lodge Officers and 5 Past Grand Chancellors and 1 Grand Tribune attending. We certainly want to welcome the following NEW KNIGHTS into the Order: JOHN MACE of Brownstown Lodge #60, CHUCK THOMPSON and JAMES ALEXANDER BUCKHORN of Brotherhood Lodge #3-5-7 and DYLAN BAILEY and GARY GRIGGS of Crescens Lodge #33! We are VERY proud to have each of you as a member of our respective lodges! Thanks to all who participated in the rank work. You did an awesome job! A meal of pulled pork, potato salad, baked beans, slaw and brownies was served following the meeting.



The 2017 Rathbone Celebration Class!

(L-R) Dylan Bailey, Chuck Thompson, James Alexander Buckhorn, Gary Griggs & John Mace.



The 2017 Rathbone Celebration Class with Grand Chancellor Jerry Weilenman holding the Rathbone Bible.