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PARTIAL LISTING OF REPORTED UPCOMING EVENTS OF LODGES & TEMPLES

- Dec 3, 2023 – Kris Kringle Run/Walk – Memorial Park – 2pm
Dec 4, 2023 – Thanksmas Dinner – Ashley Lodge #394 – 6:30 pm – Bring a covered dish to share –
Entertainment – Santa”of the North” will be there! Everyone is welcome!
Dec 7, 2023 – Christmas Walk – Downtown New Castle – Crescens Lodge Carriage Rides & Santa – 5-8pm
Jan 1, 2024 – Your personal dues are PAST DUE to your Lodge or Temple
Jan 31, 2024 – All Lodge Annual Reports are due in TODAY. \$5 penalty per day after today.
Jan 31, 2024 – Final day to submit Scholarship applications. NONE accepted after TODAY!
Applications are on indianapythias.org (everything is done on-line)
Feb 17, 2024 - Grand Council Meeting – Grand Lodge Office – New Castle – 10:31am
Feb 17, 2024 – 160th RATHBONE CELEBRATION THREE RANK DAY – New Castle – Lunch Noon
Work starts when lunch ends.
April 13, 2024 – Pythian Sister District #1 Convention – Ashley Lodge #394
April 20, 2024 – Pythian Sister District #2 Convention – District #4 Pythian Welcome Center - Muncie

Remembering our list of Sick and Shut-ins:

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers or maybe a card:
Sue Hutson, PGC – 305 Church St, Frankton, IN 46044 – Fell 9/29 – broke arm & wrist – recovering at home
Cathleen Trueblood, PGC – 9185 N CR 50 E – Seymour, IN 47274
Euphema Phillips, PSR – 1010 Observatory Rd, Martinsville, IN 46151
PGC Joyce Wright – 1109 Princeton St, Elkhart, IN 46516 –doing some better
PSR Angie Woods – PO Box 154, Greensfork, IN 47345 – staying at daughters in Greensfork – Not doing well.
Carl Jones –Heritage House – 1023 N 20th St – New Castle, IN 47362
Gr. Trustee Lowell Pruett – 10318 E CR 200 N, Apt 102 , Indianapolis, IN 46234 - Doing Better

In Memory

Worthington Lodge #253 is deeply saddened to announce the passing of Past Chancellor Frank Cox on October 12, 2023 following a long bout with illness. He was born December 4, 1937 in Linton, IN. He married Jeanne Johnson on December 14, 1979. Frankie was a 50 year member of the Linton Masonic Lodge and a 7 year veteran of Worthington Lodge #253, joining the Knights of Pythias on the Rathbone Celebration February 20th, 2016. He loved hunting & fishing and playing cards. He was well known at the Lincoln City Park for his home grown produce. He retired from the Peabody Coal Co with 32 years of service in 1998. Family members left to cherish his memory include a son Jeffrey, daughters Kimberley, Pamela, Laura & Mitzi, 8 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and a brother Charles. He was buried October 16th in Fairview Cemetery in Linton. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and to the officers & members of Worthington Lodge #253.

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of District Deputy Richard Arroyo, 48, at 10:02 am on Monday, November 13th. Brother Richard was in the hospital in Illinois fighting liver and kidney failure and was surrounded by his family at the time of his passing. Brother Richard joined the Order on the William Keith Goff, Jr. Three Rank Day in New Castle on September 16, 2018. He became very active in his local lodge and the Grand Lodge, becoming a District Deputy in both Districts 3 & 5. He portrayed the 6th Senator very well. He joined Al Hilal Temple #33, DOKK where he portrayed Suruk. Brother Richard will be greatly missed. He was also very active in the Masonic order, currently serving as the Worshipful Master of Carmel Masonic Lodge. Brothers traveled to west Chicago to perform Masonic and Pythian Memorial Services. A Funeral Mass was held on Monday, November 20th in Illinois. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Brothers David and Orlando Arroyo, his children and the entire family.

Our Sympathy

Our Pythian Family has been hit with death pretty hard recently as we share our hearts and our grief with each other, especially during this time of family get togethers during Thanksgiving. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Deb and Chad Hartley and their families at the passing of Deb's Mother Rosie Church. May God's comfort and peace be with you through this time of grief.

Our hearts and prayers also go out to Brother Andy Harry and family of Crescens #33 at the passing of Brother Andy's Grandmother. Grandmothers are very special people and we send our sympathy to the Harry Family at this time.

Our hearts also grieve with our Brother Ralph Willis as he lost the love of his life, Ruth Ann, on Monday, November 20th. As of this writing, arrangements are pending. May the peace of our loving God be Brother Ralph and his family during this time of mourning and in the time ahead.

Happy Pythian Anniversary!

(394) Kenneth Adams – 11/18/1980; David Damasauskas – 11/27/2000; Lawrence Leveque – 11/2/2020; (60) Roy Anderson – 11/13/1982; David Booth – 11/30/2010; Beverly Deaton – 11/9/2021; Mark Goble – 11/6/1973 (50 YEARS!); (3-5-7) Cesar Garcia – 11/6/2021; Sennett Johnson – 11/6/2021; David Roth – 11/6/2021; (A) Justin Asher – 11/13/1988; Earl Bryant – 11/27/1984; Joh R. Ent – 11/15/1987; Louie Montgomery – 11/26/1972; Gordon Olds – 11/26/1973 (50 YEARS!); (33) Denny Adams – 11/28/1967; David Lee Cook, Jr – 11/26/1985; Arnold Dudley – 11/26/1957; E. Edward Dunsmore – 11/5/1974; James Fairchild – 11/11/2012; James McNickle – 11/8/1981; William Reiners – 11/5/2017; Kenneth Roy – 11/5/2017; Keith D. Ruetz, Sr – 11/13/1990; Dennis Schraeder – 11/5/2017; Kenneth Stockton – 11/1/1994; (99) Mark Galloway – 11/9/1991; (315) Curtis Granger – 11/1/1979; Wayne Hendrick – 11/4/1967; Christopher Breedlove – 11/4/1981; Ken Moder – 11/9/1992; (342) Sean Jones – 11/2/2014; Kevin Kisner – 11/11/1989; Allen Pool – 11/2/2014; Lowell Pruettt – 11/28/1995; Thomas Retherford – 11/2/2014; David Allen – 11/30/1956; Irv Bitting – 11/9/2014; Charles Combi – 11/2/2014; Rick Elman – 11/9/2014; Anthony Guilfoyle – 11/22/1992; Timothy Loughmiller – 11/15/1987; Michael Ryan – 11/22/1992; (124) Jason Dunbar – 11/2/2014; Joe Durham – 11/17/1983; Robert Goldsberry – 11/17/1983; Don Haberlin – 11/2/2014; Matt Hankins – 11/23/1999; Barry Haughton – 11/23/1999; Robert Hill – Robert Hill – 11/2/2014; Wesley Mikesell – 11/6/2021; Andy Price – 11/23/1999; Ronald Pritchett – 11/2/2014; troy Whitaker – 11/23/1999; (36) Owen Moudy – 11/25/1984; Robert Tanner – 11/25/1984; (253) Kenneth Norris – 11/15/1984; Reuben Stance – 11/5/2017.

Pythian Scholarship Announcement!!!

Brothers and Sisters All! The Pythian Scholarship program has been modernized this season. The entire registration program will now be done ONLINE!!! Your link can be found on the GRAND LODGE WEBSITE at indianapythias.org That link should lead you through the entire process of filing for the first time or re-filing if you are already in college. MAKE SURE you check the appropriate box as the new system will change your registration form automatically. Your essays will be done ONLINE and you will download your transcript ONLINE. When you finish...look it over...make sure everything is correct...then you MUST SUBMIT your application!! You should get a copy sent to your e-mail as well. Your NEW DEADLINE is JANUARY 31ST. There is no longer a postmark. The system will NOT accept applications after this date!! The system will automatically submit your application to the appropriate judge. If you have ANY questions, PLEASE E-MAIL the chairman Denny Adams at indianaglkop@att.net. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN SUBMIT AN APPLICATION!!

Venus Temple #50, Pythian Sisters, Has Initiation!



On Saturday, October 28th, Pythian Sisters from all over Indiana joined Venus, Frankton & Lucullus Temples as Venus Temple hosted their yearly inspection. Venus Temple also had two ladies to initiate! We would like to give a hearty WELCOME to new members of Venus Temple #50, Kathy Brumley (black shirt) and Mae Fulton (white shirt) in the center of the picture accompanied by DDGC#2 Cassie Willis on the left and Grand Chief Suzy Cyrus on the right.

General Lewis Wallace Lodge #2019 Making A Difference!

The City of Franklin built a new public park in the downtown area. The park contains an amphitheater, tennis courts, pickleball courts picnic areas, decorative lighting and other amenities that make the area attractive. The area was flooded in 2008 and a large number of buildings were destroyed and the park was built as a means of reclaiming the area as a floodway. Opportunities were made available for the public to have "ownership" of the space by contributing funds for benches and other seating areas, walkways, etc to encourage use of the facilities. One of the features was to purchase brick paving areas for walkways and seating so people, clubs and organizations could have a means of recognition for their efforts and contributions. General Lewis Wallace Lodge #2019, Knights of Pythias, is leaving their "footprint" for all to see as they are making a difference in their community! A job well done by one of our newest lodges!



Crescens Lodge #33 Holds 34th Knights of Pythias Christmas Parade November 18th!



Grand Secretary Denny "Santa" Adams and his daughter PGC Jodi "Mrs. Claus" Goff get ready to mount the large Santa sleigh float complete with 9 reindeer as they are the featured attraction in the 50 unit parade presented by Crescens Lodge #33 of New Castle, Indiana. Brother Adams is in his 54th year of portraying Santa Claus while Sister Goff took over for her Mother PGC Maridene, who passed away in January of 2015. Brother Adams son, PC Chris Adams, assisted by his wife Michele, annually creates the Santa float for the parade. Crescens Lodge annually hosts Santa headquarters in its huge Castle Hall, where the Claus's arrive following the parade. Children can come and visit Santa and get their picture taken with Santa free of charge all during the Christmas season.



Brothers from Brotherhood Lodge #3-5-7 bring their miniature Corvette, miniature old car and mini bikes as a great new addition to the parade! Thanks to Brother Brandon Schults and company!

Skinner Transport once again brought their semi as we never know what they will transform it into! This year they made it into a Gingerbread house! The whole Dewitt family was dressed up like Gingerbread people! It was soooo cute! The Knights of Pythias award for the best entry in the parade!



(L-R) Duty Calls Plumbing (a new entry); Brother Matt Sousa's Lawn Care (Theme Award – Believe in the Miracle of Christmas) and new entry Weenee World with the best mini float in the parade! An awesome parade with 52 degree weather for mid November!

