

# Ohio Pythian News

Summer 2019

*Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, Domain of Ohio*

**CELEBRATING OVER 150 YEARS OF PYTHIANISM!**

**2019 Grand Lodge Convention – MAKE RESERVATIONS SOON!**

**Remember – Lodge Reps receive a \$150 per diem stipend for attending Grand Lodge. EVERY Lodge in Ohio should be represented on Friday and Saturday!**

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

*Evening – Hospitality Room*

Thursday, September 5, 2019

*9:30 – Joint Opening and Memorial Service*

*11:30am – Lunch Break*

*1:00-4:00pm – Knights' Registration*

*1:00-4:00pm – Grand Officers & Trustees, Grand Tribunal, & Committee Meetings*

*Evening – Hospitality Room*

Friday, September 6, 2019

*8:00am – Knights' Registration*

*9:00am – Open Grand Lodge*

*Noon – Lunch Break*

*1:30pm – Grand Lodge Reconvenes*

*5:30pm – Social Hour with cash bar*

*6:30pm – Friendship Banquet (\$38.00 per person – see below for RSVP instructions)*

*Evening – Hospitality Room*

Saturday, September 7, 2019

*8:00am – Knights' Registration*

*9:00am – Grand Lodge Reconvenes*

*Noon – Lunch Break*

*2:00pm – Joint Installation of Grand Lodge and Grand Temple Officers*

*[Note that the Memorial Service will be on Thursday morning with the Joint Opening instead of having a separate Memorial Service on Wednesday night.]*

## Friendship Banquet Information and Reservations

*The Friday night Friendship Banquet is open to all and is \$38 per person. You have your choice of Roast Prime Rib of Beef, Chicken Scallopini, or Vegetable Pasta. Meals include rolls, salad, coffee/tea/water and dessert (NY-style cheesecake). The beef and chicken meals also include Au Gratin Potatoes and mixed vegetables. **Reservations are REQUIRED and must be made by AUGUST 30, 2019.** Remember to specify your meal choice when making reservations. To make reservations, contact Shirley McAlister, 5932 Marysville Rd., Ostrander, OH 43061, or (740) 262-6438. Make checks payable to: "The Grand Lodge of Ohio K of P."*

## Hotel Information

*Holiday Inn Fairborn*

*2800 Presidential Dr., Fairborn, OH 45324*

*937-426-7800 or 866-628-6503*

*Special room rate of \$109.00 plus tax (including FULL, HOT BREAKFAST BUFFET). Make your lodging reservations BEFORE August 4<sup>th</sup> to receive this special room rate. The group is "Knights of Pythias." If you have issues making a reservation, you may call the hotel Sales Department at 937-431-4611.*

## Grand Chancellor's Charity

### The Grand Chancellor's Charity for 2018-2019 – Special Olympics of Pickaway County



The Special Olympics is a great opportunity for individuals with developmental disabilities to be part of a team, learn new skills, and make new friends. They offer golf, softball, track & field, and basketball along with other sports activities. The Grand Chancellor has adopted their motto, "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

Make checks payable to "K of P Grand Lodge of Ohio" and send ALL Grand Chancellor Charity Donations to the Grand Secretary at the following address:  
P Grand Lodge of Ohio, c/o Martin Trent, 4267 S. Xenia Dr., Enon, OH 45323

## Memoriam – Past Grand Chancellors



Roger O. O'Brien

**April 18, 1951 – April 14, 2019**

The Supreme Ruler of the Universe has called Roger Owen O'Brien, Past Grand Chancellor, to take his place in peace eternal.

Roger was a member of Red Star Lodge No. 205, having received his Page Rank in January 2006. He also is a former member of Lafayette Lodge No. 37 and Ingomar Lodge No. 610 where he progressed to the rank of Past Chancellor. He served the Grand Lodge of Ohio as its Grand Chancellor in 2015-2016. He also briefly served as a Grand Trustee for the Grand Lodge of Ohio and was active in the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan (DOKK) and a Past President of Ohio Society.



Sir David M. Huey

**January 26, 1934 – May 19, 2019**

The Supreme Ruler of the Universe has called Sir David M. Huey, KGS, Past Grand Chancellor, to take his place in peace eternal.

Sir Dave was nearly a 60-year member of Ingomar Lodge No. 610, having received his Page Rank in October 1959. He advanced through the officer line to become a Past Chancellor of the Lodge and served the Grand Lodge of Ohio as its Grand Chancellor in 2012-2013. Prior to entering the Grand Line, Sir Dave served many years on the Grand Tribunal, including a long tenure as Chief Tribune. He was a trusted advisor and elder statesman whose opinion was sought and valued by dozens of Grand Chancellors through the years. He was also a dual member of Red Star Lodge No. 205 and Lafayette Lodge No. 37. He was a member, supporter, and regular attendee at Red Star Temple, Pythian Sisters. His Pythian dedication was also shown in the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan (DOKK), where he served Bokara Temple No. 113 as Royal Vizier and Ohio Society as its President. He continued to faithfully participate in all branches of the Pythian Order until his health severely limited his mobility.

## Ronald D. Hempfield

**November 24, 1944 – May 27, 2019**

The Supreme Ruler of the Universe has called Ronald D. Hempfield, Past Grand Chancellor, to take his place in peace eternal.



Ron was 50-year member of Champion Lodge No. 581, having received his Page Rank in Timon Lodge No. 45 in 1964. He advance through the officer line to become a Past Chancellor of his Lodge and served the Grand Lodge of Ohio as its Grand Chancellor in 1995-96. He also served as a Grand Trustee for many years. Ron belonged to the Pythian Sisters and was a dual member of Lafayette Lodge #51 in Indiana. His Pythian dedication was also shown in the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan (DOKK), where he served Taj Mahal Temple as Royal Vizier and Imperial Representative and Ohio Society as its President. He was a founding member of Amir Temple in Indiana and served the Imperial Palace as a Deputy Imperial Prince and then as an Imperial Palace Foundation Trustee, eventually earning the title and rank of Past Imperial Prince. Ron was also a Past President of the Midwestern Pythian Association and a founding member of the Board of Directors of the JH Rathbone Museum and Resource Center located in Indiana.

## 2019 Poster Contest

# Congratulations!



*1<sup>st</sup> Place - Kyle Harris  
Springfield, Ohio*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Ashli Stiles  
New Carlisle, Ohio*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Jeremy Zettel  
Springfield, Ohio*

*Honorable Mention*

*Abbey Linger of Springfield, Ohio  
Max Bruckner of Canton, Ohio  
Madeline Grillo of Clinton, Ohio  
Juliana Colant of Massillon, Ohio*

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*"If brotherly love held all men bound,  
what a beautiful world this would be."*

J.H. Rathbone

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## Map for July 28 Picnic – Prospect Community Park

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### **Calendar of Events**

#### **3 K of P PICNICS This Summer!!!!**

**Saturday, July 6, 2019 – Picnic South (Middletown) – Starts at Noon – Lafayette Acres, 7555 Franklin-Madison Rd., Middletown, OH 45042. Bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. As has become a tradition, bring a wrapped/bagged surprise to auction for the Grand Chief's and Grand Chancellor's charities.**

**Sunday, July 21, 2019 - Picnic North (Cleveland) – Starts at Noon – West Woods Park (Turkey Ridge Pavilion), 9461 Kinsman Rd., Russell, OH 44072. Steaks, baked potatoes, and beverages will be provided. Last name A to I bring desserts; J to R bring side dish; S to Z bring salad. Out of towners aren't expected to bring a dish, but it would be helpful to know if you plan on coming. RSVP by July 12<sup>th</sup> to Ron Stovsky at 440-449-5582.**

**Sunday, July 28, 2019 - Picnic Middle (Prospect) – Starts at 1pm – Prospect Park (at the south end of 5<sup>th</sup> Street in Prospect, Ohio) at the large shelter house as you follow the main drive thru the park (see map above). Hot dogs, burgers, drinks, and plastic ware will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. RSVP to Stan Lauer by July 21<sup>st</sup> at [turbostan@frontier.com](mailto:turbostan@frontier.com) or 740-494-2493. There are picnic tables or bring a lawn chair. There will be a "White Elephant" sale like we have done at the Middletown picnics and all proceeds will benefit the Grand Chief's and Grand Chancellor's charities. So be sure to bring a wrapped/bagged surprise.**

**Grand Lodge and Grand Temple Convention**  
**Sep 5, 6, & 7, 2019 – Fairborn Holiday Inn (see cover page)**

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