



THE EAGLE

40+ Years of Service
To Our Members
And The Community

Passing of Past Deputy Supreme Chancellor DAVID PELTZER

- Assistant Cub Master, Pack 164 —1987-1989
- Yorktown Jewish Center Board of Trustee — 1955-56
- Co-Founder and member of the Yorktown Jewish Center's Men's Club 1982 -1996
- President of the Yorktown Jewish Center's Men's Club 1982—1983
- 50 Year member Knights of Pythias
- Founder and Member of Yorktown Lodge #859 from 1980—2024
- Grand Chancellor State of New York 1993-1994
- Received Golden Spur 2009

Important Meeting

Wednesday, March 27 at our Castle Hall at 6:00pm
Dinner will be served

With the passing of Sir David Peltzer we have two positions that we need to fill:

- Vice Chancellor of Yorktown Lodge
- President of the Yorktown Lodge Benevolent Association

Please attend and provide your input.

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Mar. 5 Tuesday Noon - Monthly Freeman's lunch.

Mar. 13 Wednesday Open Meeting at the Mohegan Diner

Mar. 27 Lodge and Benevolent Meeting

May 22 Wednesday 6:00 pm—Preparing for the passing of a loved one.

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The Castle Hall is located at the Universalist Unitarian Meeting Hall, Strawberry Road, Mohegan Lake, NY.

For information regarding the Lodge's activities contact the Chancellor Commander

Kvels n Kvetches

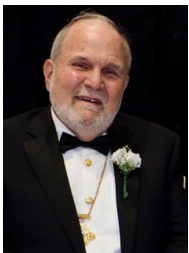
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YORKTOWNLODGE@YAHOO.COM

This way we can congratulate and support

👂 Our condolences to Anita and Jason Peltzer and the Mathews and Warren families.

👂 Congratulations to Linda Levin on being honored by Support Connection with the Amazing Grace Award.

Chancellor Commander's Message



What it means to be a Pythian was illustrated on Friday February 9 at

funeral for David Peltzer, PDSC and KGS. I was concerned with so many Pythian Brothers, out of town for the Florida luncheon or on vacation, that

David would not get the Pythian sendoff he deserved.

WOW was I ever wrong. The room was packed with family, friends and of course many members of our Pythian Order. David, a life member of the order, was a founding member of Yorktown Lodge and,

apologies to others if I am wrong, responsible for our Benevolent Association. And last year when the leaders of Rex Lodge, his home lodge, died and no one was left he stepped up to be CC and asked me and a couple of others to step and revitalize the lodge.

David epitomized what it means to be of service to others. He did not only serve as Grand Chancellor of the order, he continued to serve for many years right up to his passing. He picked and chose what he wanted to work on. He loved to chair the convention committee and install the officers of the Grand Lodge every year. He attended most

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CC Message (Continued)

Grand Council meetings riding shot gun for Randy Silverman and me. He was not afraid to offer his opinions, which were often contrary to what many of us thought.

Many of my Pythian Brothers were surprised at David's passing given how long he survived pancreatic cancer for so many years. They speculated as to how did he survived for so many years (13 I believe). They attributed it to his fighting spirit, his medications. I think it was because of his devotion to serving others through the Pythian order. Drs. Stephan Trzeiak and Anthony Mazarelli have stumbled upon what they called the Wonder Drug, the ability to look outside yourself and help others.

Our generation has been referred to as the me generation. Looking inward with plenty of self-focus. David believed in the power of relationships and the magic of community. That is really the underlying philosophy of the Pythian order.

David was always happy when working on our events. He could be difficult to work with. He was a tough taskmaster throwing himself into projects one hundred percent. He wanted the convention to be perfect. He wanted the leaders to be as dedicated as he was.

I would like this message to remind us what our roles should be as humans and as Pythians. Reach out to others in your community. If you are concerned about a friend, a neighbor, someone in your community pick up the phone, knock on the door reach out to them, If not for their benefit then do it for David.

Fraternally
Don



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PROCLAMATION PDSC DAVID PELTZER, KGS

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of the Domain of New York mourns the passing of our esteemed brother, PDSC David Peltzer, KGS, who passed away on February 6, 2024, at the young age of 77.

Brother David became a member of Rex Lodge No. 551, in 1974, making him a member of our order for approximately 50 years. David received his earned life membership in 2022. Brother David was the founding member and a charter member of Yorktown Lodge No. 859 which was created in 1980. He served in many positions. He faithfully served as Grand Chancellor from 1993-1994 and later served the Supreme Lodge as Deputy Supreme Chancellor. Brother David was awarded the Knight of the Golden Spur in 2009. In addition to the above, Brother David served on numerous committees and especially enjoyed serving as Chairman of the Convention and Grand Chancellor's dinner committees for many years. He was truly a true fraternalist who believed in the ritual work of our beloved order.

The officers and members of the Grand Lodge, of New York join me in extending our heartfelt sympathy to his beloved family which includes his wife of fifty-four years, Anita, their daughter, Beth Warren and her husband Dan, their daughter Ronni Mathews and her husband Ryan and their Son Jason. Their four grandchildren are Alexa, Jayden, Tyler and Madison.

In memory of this distinguished Pythian and beloved fraternalist, I, Richard E. Resnick, Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, Domain of New York, do proclaim a period of mourning to continue for thirty days from the reading of this proclamation (or through March 10, 2024). I direct that with appropriate ceremonies, the charter of each subordinate lodge and Grand Lodge be draped in affectionate recollection of our departed beloved brother.

Given under my hand and under the great seal of the Grand Lodge and attested by the Grand Secretary thereof, on this 9th day of February, two thousand twenty-four and Pythian Period CLVI.



ATTEST:

Richard E. Resnick

Richard E. Resnick
Grand Chancellor

Steven H. Gold

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Grand Secretary

PREPARING FOR THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE

Save this Date! **Wednesday, May 22**

Yorktown Lodge Brother Michael Rosenthal will be hosting a discussion on preparing for the passing of a loved one.

- How to prepare
- Who do you call
- What can you expect
- What happens afterward

This meeting is open to all families and friends.

Sweetheart Breakfast



Celebrate, Celebrate Dance to the Music

March Birthdays

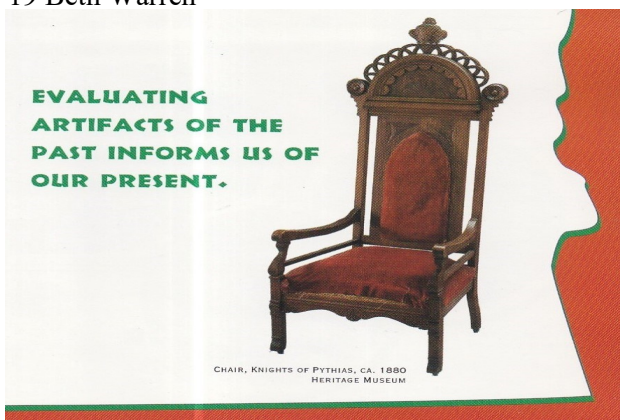


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| 02 Barry Levin | 19 Beth Warren |
| Audrey Wolotsky | 22 Roberta Rosenberg |
| 03 Jody Coleton | 23 Lauri Goldberg |
| 07 Marc Rothchild | 25 Pearl Lowy |
| Gaye Altman | Josephine Uffer |
| 08 Stewart Glass | 28 Sol Lirtzman |
| 10 Martin Winter | Jason Silverman |
| 13 Ira Uffer | Karen Hoffman |
| 15 Joan Tomback | 29 Gary Schwartz |
| 18 Howard Davidson | Madison Mathews |
| 19 Beth Warren | |



March Anniversaries

- 23 Ira and Regina Uffer
25 Gene and Audrey Wolotsky



Grand Lodge College Scholarships

Dear Pythian Poppa and Grandpa,

Don't miss out on \$4000 worth of available college scholarships from Grand Lodge. In order for your grandchild to receive this scholarship, your son or son-in-law (the father of the recipient) must (1) be a Pythian for two years prior to applying for this scholarship, (2) be a member of any Lodge in New York State, and (3) must remain a member through the child's college career.

If they pay dues (\$65 a year) for the required six years they will have paid \$390. You grandchild will receive in return \$4000! Please call Grand Lodge for an application and a complete list of eligibility requirements at (516) 739-5000.

Yorktown Lodge High School Graduation Gift

Just a reminder that if your Daughter or Son will graduate High School by June 2024 they are entitled to a gift from your Benevolent Association Scholarship Fund. Please contact Jeff Paintner and let him know if your child is graduating.

Traditionally we make a presentation at the end of year installation of officers.

DOKK Scholarships

For those brothers who are members of the Dramatic Order Knight of Khorasan (DOKK) the Student Loan program has now changed to a Scholarship. If you or your spouse or son or daughter or grandchild are going to enter a college program you can apply for a scholarship. The only stipulation is that you must have been a member of the DOKK for at least two years.

The amount of the scholarship will be determined during the application process. Please email Ken Moder
pythian54@outlook.com for an application

Freemen's Luncheon



Our next Freeman's Luncheon will be held on **Tuesday, February 6th** at 12 Noon.

Brodie's Pub
3262 E. Main Street
Mohegan Lake, NY 10547

If you need a ride please call Fred Kanter
(914) 245-5605 (home) or (914) 804-3368. (cell)

If you like, bring a friend. A prospective member.

Photo from last month's Freeman's
Breakfast



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Hi, Y'all! Greetings from North Carolina.

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***If Fraternal Love Held All Men Bound,
What A Beautiful World It Would Be.***