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*From the
Desk of Supreme Chancellor
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BEST WISHES FOR THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS AND HOLIDAY SEASON

Be appreciative, enjoy, celebrate, and engage. The greatest gifts are what you have and giving of yourself.

“Extraordinary service,” and others may say, “... the world is a better place because they passed this way.”

Seek peace, and the world is a better place through diversity.

And, to you and all those dear to you, get the most out of life, and have a healthy, prosperous 2019!

**“FRIENDS WORKING TOGETHER FOR
A BETTER COMMUNITY”**

Grand Lodge Conventions Spring/Summer 2019

**All dates, Locations and positions have not
been finalized**

South Carolina Columbia	March 1-2 SP Mead
Nebraska Hastings	March 29-30 SOG Schwartz
Oklahoma Tulsa	SOG Schwartz
Maine Bangor	April 25-27 SS Morris
New Hampshire/Vermont Laconia	ST Ast
British Columbia Harrison Hot Springs	May 8-11 SP Mead
Florida Miami	May 5-12 SMA Ward
Massachusetts Peabody	May 9-10 SP Mead
Tennessee Pigeon Forge	June 7-9 ST Ast
Arizona Tucson	SP Mead
Texas Longview	June 7-9 SC Fierstien

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From the Supreme Secretary's Desk

This was intended to be a small, end of the year issue, but the best laid plans...

My understanding, through conversations with those responsible for the hosting of the 2020 Supreme Convention is, all is in readiness and the information will be ready for distribution following the close of the February Supreme Council Meeting.

Wishing all of our Brothers and Sisters the very best for a joyous holiday season, and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2019

Fraternally,

Allen S. Morris, SS/KGS



*From Supreme Chief
Joan Way*

To My Pythian Brothers and Sisters:

It's that time of year again when we celebrate the holiday season and I wish each and every one of you the very best. Our families are blessed to have each other, the Pythian Order is blessed to have you, I ask that you think of the human beings in this world, and in our communities that are not as blessed as we are. Giving a little can make a huge difference in someone's life. We are privileged to have food on our tables, each day, but there are those who do not. Money is not everything although it helps, give to your local food banks and shelters to make a difference. 2019 is going to be here before you know it, again I wish you all the best in the new year.

In P.L.E. & F
Joan



*From the Supreme Secretary's
Desk*

Season's Greetings to All Pythians

At this time of year we all are getting ready for the Holidays. Rushing around getting gifts, putting up decorations, preparing food and having family gatherings.

May your Holidays be filled with special moments that make Happy Memories.

Wishing you The Best HOLIDAYS and a Happy NEW Year !!!

Be safe.

In P.L.E. & F
Connie F. Edwards
Supreme Temple Secretary

DRAMATIC ORDER KNIGHTS OF KHORASSAN



RV Marvin Thornton and IP Mike Thornton donate \$200 to One Accord Food Bank. Receiving check is Ralph Taylor at a dedication ceremony for his late wife Peggy Taylor who was the manager of the FB. Taylor is holding the plaque.

VIRGINIA IS IN THE NEWS, AGAIN



Supreme Representative/Imperial Prince Sir Mike Thornton receives the 2018 Irvin Freidman Charity Promotion award and right Grand Secretary Sir Alan Sims receives the Harry Gosper Distinguished Service Award at the 2018 Grand Lodge of Virginia. The awards were presented by Grand Chancellor Howard Tabor.



Grand Chancellor Howard Tabor presenting a check to representatives of Edmarc Childrens Hospice in Portsmouth, VA. The reps are L-Debbie Stitzer-Brame and R- Laurie Barbaro. The check is for \$10,824.50. The Lodges around the state raised \$5,284.50 and Grand Lodge matched the \$5K.

NEWLY ELECTED GRAND LODGE OFFICERS – VIRGINIA



New 2019 Grand lodge officers for Virginia Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias. Sitting L to R: Grand Sec. Sir Al Sims; PGC Steve Marquardt, sitting in for Grand Vice Chancellor Jeff Mohler; Grand Chancellor Zeke Reynolds; Grand Prelate Mike Benedict and Grand Treasurer Lyle Joyner. Standing- Grand Outer Raymond Jordan; Grand Master of Arms Mike Morad; Installing Officers- Supreme Rep Mike Thornton; Supreme Master of Arms Mark Ward; Supreme Prelate Mark Mead; and Grand Inner Guard Josh Tabor. They were installed at GL convention October 13 in Virginia Beach, VA.

**WISHING ALL A FESTIVE HOLIDAY SEASON – AND A HAPPY,
HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!**



HAPPY THANKSGIVING



A HAPPY HANUKKAH



A MERRY CHRISTMAS



**AND A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND
PROSPEROUS 2019!**