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CHANCELLOR COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

As my last meeting as Chancellor Commander draws near, I look back on the last two years and I feel great. It has been a wonderful experience and I am pleased that I was there to serve the Lodge when it needed me. I am handing the reigns over to Arthur Getzel, who is bright, innovative and willing to work. We are all in good hands.

I can honestly say that I did not attend one meeting which I did not enjoy. It's not that I need or like the attention of being behind the podium leading the meetings. It's that the camaraderie and support gave me a real boost. I stood alone in front of the Castle Hall, but I never felt alone.

If pressed to tell you what I accomplished, I would say that WE (my Lodge Brothers and I) accomplished a lot. We brought in some new members, fielded a softball team, continued our tradition of Wine Nights, open meeting, picnics, chicken dinners and turkey raffles, started playing poker after each meeting, and generally put smiles on the Brothers' faces.

I am always hesitant about saying thank you for fear that I might leave someone out. Nevertheless, I will give homage where it is due and I hope that I have not overlooked anyone. The backbone of the Lodge is made

up of the desk officers and the Collation Chairman. Irv, Tony and Jerry keep the Lodge running just because they are dedicated Pythians. I shouldn't tell them that other Lodges compensate their desk officers with compensation ranging from free dues to several hundred dollars per year. We just give our love and they accept it without asking for more. Of course, no meeting would be complete without the food for which, once again, I thank Arie (and Tony for the milk).

One of the key men in our Lodge who always contributes wise comments on pending matters, prepares our calendars, designs our ads, puts together the Knight Light, and works hard for Grand Lodge is Itzy. He is the main wheel which helps us keep rolling along. In fact, without him, we would have some flat tire. Finally, I want to thank Arthur, Ron, Dave, Elliott, Michael and everyone whom I forgot for coming to meetings, giving us your insight, and for being there. I look forward to being Master of the Work and I hope that someone tells me what I have to do, besides sit in a certain place during the meetings. Thank you all.

Fraternally and Sincerely,

PC Sidney Weber

SEVENTH ANNUAL FRIENDS AND FAMILY PICNIC

Yes, it's déjà vu all over again. The first Sunday after Labor Day is when North Shore Lodge holds its Annual Picnic. As usual, the rain date is the first Sunday after Labor Day in the following year.

This year the day is Sunday, September 11, 2011, the time is 11:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. (but no one will force you to leave), and the price is a smile. We will supply the hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, cole slaw, trimmings, drinks and dessert. If you want to be comfortable, you should also bring a chair.

The site is the same lovely area in Cunningham Park where we picnicked the last two years at 193rd Street off Union Turnpike. Just take Francis Lewis Boulevard south and go right at the first entrance south of Union Turnpike. Continue to the end and

you will BE THERE!!!



Friends and Family of North Shore Lodge 824 enjoying the picnic at Cunningham Park.

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FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

This year Robert Banks served the Grand Chancellor as the Deputy of the 52nd District. Robert delivered the Grand Chancellor's Message and represented him at various functions. He performed the job well and had a wonderful time doing it. He met Brothers from other Lodges with whom he will remain friends for a lifetime. It has been said so many times that the year a man is a Deputy is the best year of his Pythian life. Of course, the reason it is said so often is that each year men finish their year as deputy and agree.

Why am I writing this article? I want you to know what you are missing. You can ask Robert if it is true that he had a fantastic year. Then, ask Tony or Irv (that's me) or Ronnie. They all served as Deputy Grand Chancellors and can tell you what it was like.

Now, once again, it is time for a North Shore Lodge Brother to step forward and enjoy this wonderful experience. I was about to say swell, but it seems that word is out of

fashion. Consider how much time you have for going out and having a good time. As a Past Deputy Grand Chancellor, I can say from my personal experience that it does not have to be very time-consuming. The Deputy can largely pick and choose which events to attend. Of course, the more that you do, the more fun you will have.

You can get your toes wet by becoming active in the 52nd District. The meetings are short and are held immediately before our Lodge's Executive Board meetings at Sinai Chapels. Instead of coming down at 8:00 P.M., you show up at 7:30 P.M. Little by little you will become enthused about what you can accomplish, while enjoying yourself at the same time. If I'm wrong, all you did is attend a few one-half hour meetings in finding out.

Fraternally,

Irving Kleiman, Secretary

KENNETH I. AARONSON**It's My Fault**

I know, I can't complain. I take responsibility for my actions or lack of same. I should have gone to meetings of the Lodge. If I had gone, I would have known about some of the great activities which North Shore held. My neighbor, Jerry, tells me about the events, but only after they are over. This morning I went out to water the grass and he told me about the barbecue that took place in Eisenhower Park. Thanks a lot! It wasn't a great day weather wise, but my daughter loves picnics in the park. We would have gone. I remember going to the North Shore Lodge picnic in Cunningham Park and both my wife and daughter had a great time. I remember the songfest. Jerry tells me that there will be another one after Labor Day.

Jerry also told me that there will be another issue of the Knight Light. He didn't know exactly when, but I'm not taking any chances and I'll send this to Ron Degen very soon.

I'm still not working many hours, so if the Lodge plans another catered party, please let me know early enough so that I can tell my boss, and maybe Simon could cater it. We both could use the business. I keep telling him to join the Lodge so he could advertise free on the www.kopny.com website, but he is cheap and always says he is too busy. Busy.....that's a laugh.

Your Brother

Kenneth Aaronson

NORTH SHORE LODGE OFFICERS

On May 17, 2011, we held Second Nominations and the Election of Officers. Our newly elected officers are:

Chancellor Commander	Arthur Getzel
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They will be installed at our open meeting on June 21, 2011. BE THERE!!!

BUDGET AND PLANNING MEETING

On Tuesday, August 9, 2011, North Shore Lodge will hold its annual budget and planning meeting at Sinai Chapels. If any Brother is dissatisfied with anything about the Lodge, wants a change, or just wants to make sure that something is not changed, he should attend that meeting. As usual, the Chancellor Commander will tell us what he would like to do, we will prepare a Calendar of Events for the upcoming Pythian Year, and we will figure out how much money we will have and how we are going to spend it. BE THERE!!!

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Thanks, Jerry Geier

ONE OF OUR LATE PC JESSE LEVINE'S POEMS**THE SAPLING**

I saw a sapling and I felt glad
 The next time I looked, I was extremely sad
 Someone had broken this beauty to be
 Destroyed this life, robbed you and me
 Of the joy of watching it grow and leaf
 Providing shelter and welcome relief
 A place for birds to rest, perhaps nest
 As they fly about from east to west
 To hear their songs of joy and life
 This melodious sound that eases your strife
 Of children playing beneath it's shade
 Their laughter ringing as though from a glade
 It's sap was running like glistening tears
 As though it was saying I have no years
 No time to enjoy my purpose on earth
 I have been destroyed, was this my worth?

THE DEPUTY'S CORNER

As we come to the end of yet another Pythian year at North Shore Lodge, one which has been very special for me, I would like to wish all my Brothers and their families a very enjoyable summer. Because the Knight Light has not been published since last September, I have not had the opportunity until now to address most of my Brothers and especially those of you who live outside the metropolitan area and cannot come to meetings.

As a Deputy, I have traveled to lodges from the east end of Long Island to the shores of Lakes Region Lodge in Tuxedo, New York, with stops along the way in Long Island, Queens, Brooklyn, Westchester and Rockland Counties. It truly has been, as the adage goes, the best year of my Pythian life.

I really appreciate the support that I received from my Brothers of North Shore Lodge. I thank everyone who came to hear me deliver the Grand Chancellor's Message last October, who celebrated my Homecoming with me in December, and who attended the dinner in Verdi's in May. Seeing my Lodge Brothers at these events made me feel special inside. I would feel even more gratified if the men who came out for me continued to attend meetings and functions to help make North Shore Lodge thrive. It consists of a wonderful group of men with only one missing ingredient—more members.

June and July will be exciting months for me. I hope to share some of the fun with you. Unfortunately, we will be having only one convention in June, because Shavouth falls on June 7th and the Grand Chancellor's Homecoming is on June 14th. However, the June 21st open meeting will be a great one. We will be starting our meeting at 7:30 PM with bagels and delicious spreads. Then I will have the honor of installing the officers of North Shore Lodge for the 2011-2012 year. Of course, dessert will follow. It will be a good opportunity to catch up with old friends, meet some new ones, and say adieu for the summer.

As I mentioned earlier, June 14th is the Homecoming for our Grand Chancellor, Michael Sukenick, in Rockland County. Anyone who wants to join Ron, Irv and me should give one of us a call, so that we can travel together. Also, coming up on Saturday June 11th is the Diabetes Research Foundation's Pitch and Putt Golf outing at Riis Park in Rockaway, New York, starting at 8:00 AM. The cost for this very worthwhile outing is \$60 for golf and barbeque or, if all you want to do is eat, the price is just \$25 per person. There will be a lot of food. But what is more important is that all of the net proceeds earned at this event will go to finding a cure for this terrible disease. And I do not believe that anyone reading this newsletter can say that he or she does not have a family member or a very close friend who is afflicted with this disease, if not himself or herself. So please come out and support this great cause. We need you there. By the way, you can also volunteer to help on the day of the outing. Oh, I forgot to mention that there is a prize for a hole-in-one—\$50,000—if you do it. Everyone has a one in eighteen chance of accomplishing this feat (not really, but it sounds good and you do get 18 attempts). So, as our Chief and Grand Chancellor would say in closing, "Let's work together and make good things happen." See you all on the road.

Fraternally,

Robert Banks, DGC

INCOMING CHANCELLOR COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

In the past few days, I decided to take a look at the bulletins of some of the other lodges in our domain. In one bulletin, I saw that one lodge had difficulty finding anyone to serve as Chancellor Commander. I recall my father telling me of a lodge meeting, when he was a young man, with over one hundred people in which there would be some very heated elections. Even in 1980, when my father and uncle brought me into the lodge, I recall over 100 people being there for the ranks that took place over three separate weeks. Sadly, the lodge that had difficulty finding a Chancellor Commander was the same one that made me a Knight over 30 years ago.

What has happened? Well, our modern world has too many distractions. I will be the first one to admit that after I became a Knight, I did not attend another meeting for 30 years. It seemed of little importance to me at the time. During that time, I did not understand the importance of being a Knight. Its true purpose is not just to have a little fun, but also to give to others. There should never be a discussion about whether we should give, but how much we can give. I understand that when you are in a situation with dwindling membership and are trying to survive as an organization, it becomes harder and harder to be altruistic.

The Knights have a rich history and we have to dedicate ourselves to its preservation and growth. There are no easy answers as to how to increase membership and spark the interest of a younger generation. All I can say is that over the next year I will do my best to try. But one person cannot do it alone. Success is always collaborative. I am going to reflect over the summer as to how we can continue to revive our lodge. I hope everyone will do the same thing so that when we come back in the fall, we will be able to work together to have a great year.

Fraternally,

VC Arthur Getzel

TIGERS ON A TEAR

Last September, we reported on the phenomenal season which the North Shore Tigers had just completed in their first year in the A Division. They almost won it all. Well, this year they are back and they are determined to take nothing less than a championship trophy. After 4 weeks of play, they boast an 8-0 record and are sitting in first place overall for the whole league, with 7 regular season games remaining. Anyone who wants to come down and cheer them on should contact Sidney Weber or Tony Mercado for further information.

HEY, BROTHER, GOT A DIME?

Actually, it could cost more than a dime, but not much. Elliott Frankel, our incoming Master at Arms, pushed hard for a Poker Night and the Lodge agreed to try it. Well, it turned out to be such a success, that now it is a staple of our meetings! Our conventions are short, so that by 9:15, we are done with business and ready to play some cards. Like me, you might say, well, I don't really play cards. WRONG!!! Everyone can play and have a good time. The stakes are low, but the fun is high, and we are strictly amateurs. If you need a crib sheet to remember whether a flush is better than a straight, we will give you one. Being a Knight is part having fun. Sitting around the table for an hour or so, enjoying light conversation, and, once in a while, winning a pot is a lot of fun. BE THERE!!!

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SOMETHING TO CHEER ABOUT

On Friday night, May 20, 2011, PC Jerry and Fran Geier celebrated the bas mitzvah of their granddaughter, Marisa Geier. It was a joyous occasion and Marisa made Jerry and Fran feel very proud.

PC Itzy and Phyllis Sirota found out it is a lot easier to have grandchildren than children. After all, in a period of 2 months they were blessed with two grandsons. Lehy Max Bernstein, son of daughter Deana and her husband Haven, entered this world on March 11, 2011, weighing 10 lbs., 13 oz. Naturally, it was a C-section. However, it did not take long before he had to share his grandparents' love with his cousin Hudson. On May 10, 2011, Matthew and Amy became the proud parents of Hudson Alexander Sirota, who

came into this world weighing 8 lbs., 3 oz. If Itzy has to miss a meeting, he has 2 wonderful reasons. Congratulations Itzy, Phyllis, Deana, Haven, Matthew and Amy! Enjoy the beautiful boys (but please come to as many meetings as you can)!!!

PC Barry and Kathie Wheatman are veterans when it comes to being grandparents. Daughter Elyse and husband Joseph became the elated parents of their third child, Ava Lenora Isopo, who was born on November 19, 2010 and weighed in at 6 lbs, 1 oz. She joins siblings Arianna and Alex and cousins Ethan and Noah as one of 5 Wheatman grandchildren. Congratulations!!!

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IRA S. LUGENER

To My Brothers,

There is a conspiracy going on and I am part of it. By now you realize (I hope) that there has not been a Knight Light since last September. Can you imagine how much money the Lodge has saved in printing and postage costs? Why, the Welfare Association will have enough money to erect a mausoleum for Iris and me.

Meanwhile, the downside could be that I miss out on benefits, because they are not published. Ha! No way! That's where e-mail and the websites of Grand Lodge and North Shore Lodge come in so handy. I know what's going on, while many of you don't have a clue. So, for example, I got two of those free tickets to Comedy Night (at \$30 a piece, that's some savings) just because I'm on the ball. How many of you even knew that we had a Comedy Night on May 29th? Iris is so proud of me that she wore her sexy nightgown to

bed after the show. Too bad I was out looking for empty bottles to return and wasn't home.

In looking ahead, I know that the Budget Meeting is generally held on the second Tuesday in August. I urge you, my Brothers, to come down to the meeting and make sure that those spendthrifts adopt a reasonable budget. I suggest that we hold all our meetings in diners, thus eliminating the rent cost. We could use that many to pay for our meals in the diner. After paying per capita tax and giving some money to charity, we should save a little and spend the remainder on subsidies. We can e-mail the Knight Light to everyone who has a computer. The dinosaurs can read it on the North Shore Lodge website at their local libraries.

Oh, I am so talented!
Fraternally and Sincerely,

Ira S. Lugener

DGC ROBERT BANKS

Robert has been like a race horse that cannot get through the starting gate. For several years, one thing or another impeded his path as he sought to serve as Deputy Grand Chancellor of the 10th District. As reported in the last issue of the Knight Light, North Shore Lodge joined the 52nd District and Grand Chancellor Michael Sukenick selected Robert to be its Deputy. At the same time, his year as Vice President of the Long Island Pythian Council ended and he was elected its President. Being either a Deputy or President of the LIPC can be demanding. Robert devoted himself to the Knights of Pythias and filled both positions admirably. He got cheated out of a dinner, since the LIPC Dinner and the 52nd District Dinner were combined. However, he quickly approved the idea and did not mind.

Robert went to more meetings, honor nights and dinners than he was required to attend and led the LIPC to a year of incredibly successful fund raising. He also managed to find time to start a new job and travels into Manhattan from Suffolk County every day. It seems that Robert has found a way to squeeze more than 24 hours into a single day.

Anyway, North Shore Lodge is proud of the job he has done, congratulates him on having a great year, and wishes him much success in life and a bright Pythian future.

GRAND LODGE CORNER

All politics is local and so is the Knights of Pythias. North Shore Lodge always comes first. However, we are part of a larger Order and what happens on the Grand Lodge level is important to our organization. This year our Grand Chancellor is Michael Sukenick of New City Orangetown Lodge. He has done a fine job of leading the Domain of New York and will be honored at his homecoming on June 14, 2011 in the American Legion Hall in Monsey, New York.

The Grand Lodge Convention will be held at the Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center in upstate New York from July 5th through July 8th. Our Lodge will be represented by Robert Banks, Irv and Anita Kleiman, Dave and Roz Gurock and Ron and Arleen Degen. Throughout the year, the Grand Lodge and its Committees hold many worthwhile and charitable events. For a complete calendar, just go the Domain of New York website at www.kopny.com for a complete itinerary.

The Annual Investiture will be held in our Castle Hall on July 26, 2011, starting at 7:30 P.M. The Grand Chancellor will deliver his message and the newly appointed members of his Administration will take their oaths. Dessert will follow the meeting, which will end by 9:00 P.M. Everyone is invited.

NOSTALGIA CORNER MARCH 1988

The late Senator Ike Roffman wrote a monthly article entitled "It Seems to Me" for the Knight Light. For many readers, it was the first thing that they read. Always, entertaining and insightful, Ike had a knack of making his point by letting the reader find the answer. The following article appeared in the March 1998 Bulletin:

Recently while shopping at Waldbaum's, I was approached by a woman who asked: "You're Ike Roffman from Douglaston Lodge, aren't you?" I pleaded guilty and she proceeded to tell me how much she used to enjoy my talks at open meetings. We talked for a while about "the good old days" and then she said: "I hope you won't be angry if I ask you a question." I assured her that it was very unlikely I could be angry with such a charming woman as herself and to ask away. "Well," she said, "I know that only this past summer you suffered a double loss, a sister and your brother-in-law Iz Friedman; so how can you write humorous articles for the Knight Light?"

For a moment I was nonplussed. I had been under the impression that my articles were educational and had social redeeming qualities. Then I told her that I would answer her question but first I would like to tell her a true story:

It happened during World War II. We had been stationed at an Air Force base in England about two years when the powers that be got the idea that we were getting out of condition and orders came down that in addition to our regular duties we were to engage in morning calisthenics.

That first morning, sometime in December 1944, was cold, windy and damp. The officer in charge of the exercises, a Lieutenant, smiled when he saw me all bundled up in a winter coat and the ear flaps of my hat covering my ears. I wore thick fleece-lined leather gloves which I pulled way down when the exercise called for touching our toes. When we had to raise our hands high over our heads, I barely got them up past my eyes. I noticed that the Lieutenant's smile had been replaced by a frown. When he called for finger exercises which consisted of making a tight fist and then opening the hand fully and at the same time stretching each finger as widely as possible, I could barely close my fist and could hardly stretch my fingers. The Lieutenant must have been watching me because he came over to me and asked: "How can you do finger exercises properly, wearing thick leather gloves?"

My answer to your question I told the woman in Waldbaum's is the same answer I gave that Lieutenant forty-three years ago:

"It ain't easy."

ONE OF THE EDITORS SPEAKS

Although we have such short stays on this earth, each of us in our own way makes some kind of a mark. If we are remembered, then our lives may have had more meaning. I know no one as renowned as George Washington, Abraham Lincoln or William Shakespeare in the Knights of Pythias. However, we have our own heroes. At meetings, names from the past, such as Danny Deckler, Jere Lifson, and more recently Ed Rasquin are mentioned and stories about them are exchanged. We recall Barney Linden, who died less than a year ago and who gave us our name—North Shore Lodge.

I knew two men who are still influencing us, although they both have departed from this life. In this edition of the Knight Light an article written by Senator Ike Roffman 23 years ago has just as much meaning now as it did in 1988. A poem written by PC Jesse Levine and never published during his lifetime also appears in the Bulletin. Ike wrote about going on when things are tough and of not quitting because loved ones have been lost. "It ain't easy," but otherwise, we have been defeated. Jesse asked whether the premature death of a sapling before it could make a contribution to its environment means that its life had no meaning. These men are gone, but they continue to touch our lives.

In this Lodge, as in most organizations, a small cadre of men does most of the work and keeps us going. They, too, affect our lives. To these men, who do not receive remuneration, parades or medals, I say, "thank you." If you want to show your appreciation for their contributions and renew some friendships, as well, come down to a meeting and join in the fun.

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GRAND CHANCELLOR'S DINNER

On Saturday evening, June 4, 2011, the Grand Chancellor's Dinner was held at The Sands of Atlantic Beach. Irv, Anita, Tony, Carmen, Sidney, Marion, Jerry, Fran, Itzy, Phyllis, Ron, Arleen and Robert sat together at table 20 and had a wonderful evening. An hour-long smorgasbord was followed by a full dinner and some wonderful speeches—yes, wonderful! Grand Chancellor Michael Sukenick's wife (Rita), daughter (Bari) and son (Scott) gave glowing, well-deserved tributes to their husband and father, while Michael's 2½-year-old grandson entertained all. Next year, we honor Robert Kaufman. BE THERE!!!

HUMANITARIAN FUND BRUNCH

Knights have fun, but they do serious charity work as well. This year the Humanitarian Fund raised and gave away a lot of money. It's Brunch, held on May 15th at the George Washington Manor was a great fund-raiser. The Journal and the raffles made it a great success. North Shore Lodge was represented by Irv, Anita, Dave, Roz, Tony, Carmen, Ron, Arleen, Robert and Janet Linden. The food and the socializing were fantastic. Next year, you should BE THERE!!!

NECROLOGY

It is with deep sorrow and regret that we offer our sincerest sympathy to our Brothers and their kin upon the demise of dear members of their families.

EDWARD FEDER

2/14/11

MYRA FEDER

5/16/11

BEN TAUBLIEB

3/30/11

HARRY HERSHKOWITZ

4/3/11

*We thank thee, O Lord for their companionship
and the sweet memories they leave behind.*

*May their souls be bound up in the Bond of Eternal Life
and may their families know no more sorrow.
Amen*

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Meeting Schedule

CONVENTIONS ARE NORMALLY HELD EVERY FIRST & THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 8:00 PM
Marathon Jewish Community Center 245-37 60th Ave. Douglaston, NY (718) 428-1580
Executive Meetings are held at Sinai Chapels 162-05 Horace Harding Expy, Fresh Meadows, NY 11365

* Meeting dates and locations are subject to change.

June 21	Installation Night (Open Meeting) 7:30 P.M. Dinner of bagels and spreads 8:15 P.M. Installation of Officers 9:00 P.M. Dessert.
August 9	Budget and Planning Meeting 8:00 P.M. at Sinai Chapels.

Seventh Annual Friends and Family Picnic

September 11, 2011
11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Bring your chair, we will supply the hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, coleslaw, trimmings, drinks and dessert.

The place: 193rd Street off Union Turnpike in Cunningham Park with plenty of shade and a playground for the children.

Directions: go south on Francis Lewis Boulevard and go right at the first entrance south of Union Turnpike. Go to end of parking lot.

Membership Application

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Full Name: _____

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