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TO:

**"We Help People"**

**Nov., Dec., 2024**

# ***The Gavel***

## ***Calendar of Events and Times***

Wesley Hills Village Hall ~ 432 Rt. 306, Monsey, NY 10952

### November, 2024

Monday,	November 18 <sup>th</sup>	District Meeting ~ Street School	7:00 PM
Friday,	November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Homecoming of Deputy Chancellor Commander Susan Grill. Come join this open meeting and share a A SPECIAL NIGHT.	7:00 PM
Monday,	November 25 <sup>th</sup>	Habibi Temple ~ Street School	7:00 PM

### December, 2024

Friday,	December 6 <sup>th</sup>	Honor Night for GC Errol Lewis ~ Open Meeting	7:00 PM
Friday,	December 13 <sup>th</sup>	District Honor Night for GC Errol Lewis. Co-Op City~Open Meeting	7:00 PM
Friday,	December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting ~ Shoprite Holiday Gift Cards	6:30 PM
Thursday.,	December 26 <sup>th</sup>	Pre New Year's Eve dinner at Gilligan's with New City/Orangetown Lodge ~ See page 4 for details	7:00 PM

### January, 2025

Friday,	January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
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***Award Winner***  
***Editor-in-Chief***  
***Susan Grill***  
***2022 ~ 2023 Newsletter***

***Reminder: The final date that all 2025  
articles are due for the winter issue of  
the "Gavel" is January 20, 2025.***

## Ramapo Lodge #485 Knights of Pythias 2023-2024 Officers

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*Our Castle Hall is located at the Wesley Hills Village Hall  
432 Route 306, Monsey, NY  
(Across the road from Wesley Kosher Supermarket)*

## Ramapo Lodge #485 Knights of Pythias 2023-2024 Committees

### Budget

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### Cemetery/Benefits

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Harold Heller 845/548-3349

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### Kitchen

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### Membership

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### Scholarship

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### Sunshine/Visitations

Harold Heller  
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### To All Members

Please notify all changes of address and or telephone numbers to the membership committee.  
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Send all committee activity reports to:  
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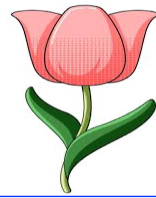
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## Chancellor Commander's Message November, December, 2024



It has truly been a busy few months being District Deputy Grand Chancellor. Erwin kept telling me it would be the best years of my pythian life and so far it truly has been (and pretty much quite busy). I began with presenting the Grand Chancellor's message at New City/Orangetown Lodge on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. It was an exciting evening with the Chancellor Commander Sir Charlie Pakula having a slight mishap which ended the evening a little early. My second reading was a reading Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> in Co-op City to Pelham Brotherhood University Co-op City Lodge and Wendell Wilkie Lodge. As always I was treated like a gem. I had a break of a week and then traveled to Lakes Region Lodge on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. I must say this was a small but delightful group and I look forward to having the opportunity to visit with them again. As many trips as I made, so did the Chief Deputy Grand Chancellor David Salem. What a delight and very lucky to have a boss to be working with. No break as the following evening was my visit to Ramapo Lodge (kind of special). I delivered the message once again with much pride and hopefully continued to do a good job. I also must thank my companion on all these trips, my Master at Arms Erwin Grill. Every time I had to dress in my tuxedo so did Erwin. My house was crazy getting ready to leave for these presentation of the GC's Message. At the writing of this message I still have one to go and that is at Yorktown lodge which could be the most interesting one of the year (as I am told). I will let you know in my next message.

With all this I also made two Deputy visits to enjoy my other deputies in their presentations. Erwin and I took a ride to Brooklyn to visit Keith Karen on Tuesday, September, 17<sup>th</sup> as he gave the GC's message at Esquire Goodfellowship Lodge and Ken Schechter of Knickerbocker Lodge on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. It's time to relax.

Winter will eventually be upon us (won't we be surprised) and we will wear winter clothing, gloves. Pay attention to the calendar to upcoming important dates especially our yearly Pre New Year's Eve dinner at Gilligan's. As of now our committee, Erwin Grill and Steven Gold have not meet to set up the menu but I assume it is going to be very similar to last year (in price also).

To those that will not be joining us I wish a happy and healthy new year. Erwin and I have had a great loss, my daughter had to put our granddog Brody to sleep. I could never have understood how strongly these feelings over a dog could be. He had a good life from my daughter, and I only wish anyone who has lost an animal of any kind my deepest kind thoughts and love.

To a wonderful, **HAPPY, HEALTHY AND BEAUTIFUL 2025!!!**

*In Fraternity,*

*Susan C. Grill*

**CC Susan C. Grill, DGC**



### Cemetery

*Several members have complained about the headstones which have been blackened by weather over the years. The committee has investigated the cost of power washing these stones and found it would be too expensive for the lodge to pay for all of them. Therefore, if any family wishes to clean a particular stone, they may do so by contacting Gene Jackson and paying him directly.*

*His number is 845/595-7584.*

### Congratulations

to Barbara & Burt Steinberg on becoming Great-Grandparents on October 7, 2024. The baby's name is Charlotte Hannah Crowley & her proud parents are Jacqueline & Sean Crowley (Burt & Barbara's Grand-Daughter.)





# New City Orangetown/ Ramapo Lodges Pre-New Year's Eve Dinner

Thursday,  
December 26, 2024

7:00 PM

Gilligan's Restaurant  
366 Route 202,  
Pomona, NY

Cost ~ \$45.00 Per Person  
+\$10.00 for Lobster Tail  
with Main Course

Subsidized cost to brothers, wives and  
their significant others will be \$20.00  
Per Person +\$10.00 for Lobster Tail  
with Main Course.

Choice of Appetizer:

Shrimp Cocktail  
Fried Calamari

Main Course:

1. Chicken Marsala
2. Penne Ala Vodka with Shrimp
3. Grilled Chicken & Shrimp
4. Steak
5. Flounder Francaise

Lobster Tail ~

\$10.00 with Main Course

Dessert:

Cheese Cake or Chocolate Cake  
Coffee, Tea and Soda

Please RSVP by December 20<sup>th</sup>.

Send checks payable to

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## Planning Calendar for 2024 -2025

### November

Friday,	November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Deputy Chancellor Commander's Homecoming	7:00 PM
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### December

Friday,	December 6 <sup>th</sup>	Grand Chancellor Visit & Presentation of Pen Set	7:00 PM
Friday,	December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM

### January

Friday,	January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday,	January 17 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday,	January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Open Meeting - Dinner Out - TBD	7:00 PM

### February

Friday,	February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday,	February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Valentine's Day - Open Meeting - Dinner Out - TBD	7:00 PM
Friday,	February 21 <sup>st</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM

### March

Friday,	March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday,	March 21 <sup>st</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM

### April

Friday,	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting - Wine Night	6:30 PM
Friday,	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM

### May

Friday,	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Regular Meeting - First Nominations	6:30 PM
Tuesday,	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	Scholarship Night - Open Meeting	7:00 PM
Friday,	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting - Second Nominations & Elections	6:30 PM
Friday,	May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Open Meeting - Dinner Out - TBD	7:00 PM

### June

Friday,	June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday,	June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Installation - Open	7:00 PM

**Winter** is the coldest and darkest season of the year in polar and temperate climates. It occurs after autumn and before spring. The tilt of Earth's axis causes seasons; winter occurs when a hemisphere is oriented away from the Sun. Different cultures define different dates as the start of winter, and some use a definition based on weather.



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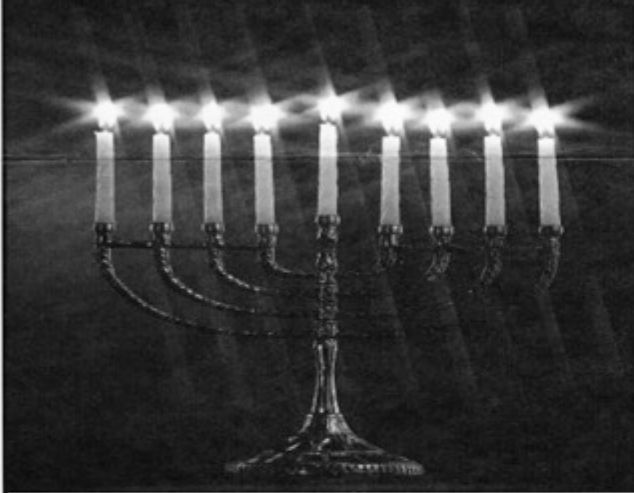
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