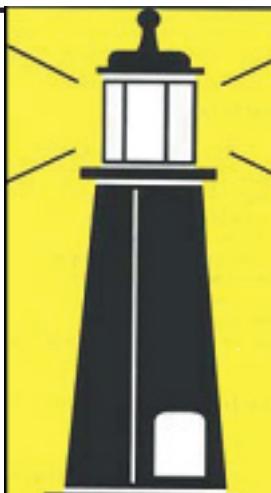


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MEETINGS ARE HELD 2ND & 4TH FRIDAYS OF EACH MONTH (EXCEPT AS NOTED) AT OUR CASTLE HALL:  
AOH HALL, 2750 GERRITSEN AVENUE, BETWEEN FLORENCE AND EVERETT AVENUES, BROOKLYN, NY 11229

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS TAKE PLACE PRIOR TO REGULAR MEETING AS SCHEDULED.

WATCH THE BEAM FOR DETAILS

Next Meetings:

Thurs., Jan. 1, 12 noon  
New Year's Brunch  
RSVP to Corey Bearak by 12/22  
(See Page 3)

Fri., Jan. 23, 7:00 p.m.  
"Juke Box BINGO"  
Supporting FDR Charities  
@ AOH (RSVP by 1/19  
(See Page 5)

Sat., Feb. 14, 7:30 p.m.  
Sweethearts Dance  
@ Matteo's (See Page 4)

Fri., Jan. 9, 7:30 p.m.  
Holiday Dinner, Dancing,  
DJ & Karaoke "Party"  
@ AOH (RSVP ASAP)  
(See Page 3)

Superbowl Pool  
(See Page 3)

Fri., Feb. 13, 8:00 p.m.  
Foundation followed by  
Board & Regular Meetings  
(Closed)  
@ AOH (Collation to follow)

Read the Beam on line FDR's Website at:  
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**Deadline for Next Beam  
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## *Family Plots Available*

Buy a Family Plot and provide for your family members who are unaffiliated with FDR Lodge and save \$\$\$\$\$. We have plots available in Beth Moses and Beth Israel cemeteries. For more info contact: PDGC Lewis J. Smith (See his contact above.).

## A Word from Our

### Chancellor Commander

My Pythian Brothers:

Best wishes in this new year!

Hope all who attending enjoyed our brunch on New Year's Day.

As all should know a storm delayed our post Xmas Holiday Dinner/Dance-Karaoke Party from Dec. 26 to its new date, January 9 at AOH (As a result our Annual Foundation was pushed back to February 13 and our Benevolent meeting preceded by a members-only dinner is still set for February 27).

January indeed is a social month at FDR as Juke Box BINGO remains set for Jan. 23 (and regular BINGO April 10. Our Sweethearts Dance is Feb. 14 at Matteo's. Our Knight of the Shield is May 8.

Mets v Yanks at Citi Field is May 16. Our Picnic/BBQ at Alley Pond Park is June 6.

A special thank you to Eric Diamond who designed and created our event flyers and the special hold the date notices you receive in your email inbox.

Hope to see you at upcoming events and meetings.

Fraternally Yours,

Jeff Smaller

Support Your Lodge Advertise in The Beam  
- see p. 7 for details

# Holiday Party

New Date: JAN. 9

**FRIDAY DEC 26th 7:30PM**

Celebrate with FDR Lodge

RSVP by 12/26

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**PAYMENT:**

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Apt. 1V, Forest Hills, NY 11375.

FDR Members contact PCDGC Ted Pashko  
(347) 678-2202 or TedPashko@aol.com for info



## NEW YEAR'S BRUNCH



**THURSDAY, JAN 1st @ 12:00PM**

**New Hyde Park Diner**



**LOCATION:** New Hyde Park Diner @ 160 Hillside Ave

**COST:** \$25 FDR Member Couples \$15/pp Members

**PAYMENT:** Mail Checks payable to: FDR LODGE  
Corey Bearak, PO Box 135 Glen Oaks, NY 11004

**RSVP/MORE INFO:** 32 Spots, First In Paid  
Contact CGTrib Corey Bearak at Bearak@me.com

### Avoid a Conflict that Makes You Miss a Can't Miss Event:

view updates on our website: <http://fdrlodge613.knightsofpythias.com/Events/>

### Happy Birthday

1: Barbara Grebler & Renae Kaufman; 3: Marlene Belkin; 4: Rita Tropp;  
7: Jack Benjamin; 11: Alan Krell; 12: Jarmine Diamond & Michael Chin;  
14: Jeffrey Goodhartz; 17: Milton Sonenblum; 19: Judy Osofs; 24: Lenny Backerman;  
27: Heidi Pashko; 29: Judy Berman & Rona Rosenshein; 31: Jordan Levy.

### Happy Anniversary

25: Jerrold &  
Eileen  
Sussman.

The Beam editor asks all brothers and widows who have not shared their birthdays and anniversary dates (we now milestone so you might wish to share the year) to please send or email their information to CGTrib Corey Bearak, P.O. Box 135, Glen Oaks, NY 11004 or email: Bearak@me.com. Also make sure we have your up-to-date telephone numbers and emails. Please use the form below.

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### SCHOLARSHIP NEWS *\$\$\$ for your child*

**FDR LODGE #613** now accepts applications for **its Kings Tolerance Foundation's Annual Scholarship Awards**. Starting January 1 through April 30, 2025 any member in good standing in FDR Lodge #613 who has children graduating from high school and has an average of 86 or higher and performed community and/or school service may apply. Contact

TedPashko@aol.com for applications.

# Sweethearts Dance

**SATURDAY, FEB 14th @ 7:30PM  
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155-10 Cross Bay Blvd. (Belt Pkwy Exit 17)

**COST:**

\$80 FDR Member Couples

\$160 Non-Member Couples

**PAYMENT:**

Mail Checks payable to:

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PO Box 135 Glen Oaks, NY 11004

**RSVP/MORE INFO:**

Contact CGTrib Corey Bearak at [Bearak@me.com](mailto:Bearak@me.com)

## Grand Lodge Scholarships

Don't miss out on \$4000 college scholarships. Call Grand Lodge for an application and eligibility requirements at (516) 739-5000.

Provide your email address to [Bearak@me.com](mailto:Bearak@me.com) to get notices of events, meetings, & the *The Beam*.

# JUKEBOX

# B I N G O



**WHEN: Friday January 23, 7:00 p.m. (Doors 6:30 p.m.)**

**WHERE: @ AOH 2750 Gerritsen Ave Brooklyn, NY**

**COST: \$50 Per Couple - Non Members \$40pp**

**Includes Perry's Catering & Game Cards • 50-50 Raffles Too!**

Reservations must be received by January 9th. More Info Ted Pashko 347.678.2202

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## FDR Calendar for 2025-2026 - Clip & Save it

All meetings are Fridays except where otherwise noted

► New Year's Day Brunch noon \$25 FDR Member couples; \$15/pp FDR Members. Mail Check to "Kings FDR Tolerance Foundation" to Corey, PO Box 135 Glen Oaks, NY 11004 by Dec. 22. Limited to 32 attendees, first PAID reservation, first in.

► Fri., Jan. 9, 7:30 p.m. Holiday Dinner & Dancing, DJ & karaoke at AOH. RSVP ASAP. Member-only & guest BYOB \$25 FDR members (1 guest included), \$50 non-members (includes 1 guest), BYOB, payable to FDR Lodge\* to PCDGC Ted Pashko, 67-71 Yellowstone Blvd., Apt. 1V, Forest Hills, NY 11375.

► Fri., Jan. 23, Juke Box BINGO (Doors open 6:30 p.m.; Open) at AOH. \$50 FDR Member couples; non-members \$40pp; includes Perry's Diner Catering & game cards; 50-50 raffles. RSVPs required by Jan. 9. Send checks payable to FDR Lodge\* to PCDGC Ted Pashko, 67-71 Yellowstone Blvd., Apt. 1V, Forest Hills, NY 11375; tele: (347) 678-2202.

► Sun., Feb. 8, 5:00 p.m. District Superbowl gathering (OPEN) at AOH, \$15pp FDR Members & their significant other; \$30pp Non-Members. RSVP by Feb. 6 to PCDGC Ted Pashko (347) 678-2202.

AOH. ► Fri., Feb. 13, 8:00 p.m. Annual Foundation Meeting followed by Board and Regular Meetings (Closed) at AOH. Collation to follow.

► Sat. Feb. 14 Sweethearts Dance @ Matteos, 155-10 Cross Bay Blvd., Howard Beach (Belt Pkwy., exit 17). Dining, & DJ/Dancing, Unlimited Wine & Soda, cash bar. \$80 FDR member couples; \$160 nonmembers.

► Fri., Feb. 27, 7:00 p.m. Members-only Pre-meeting Dinner followed by Annual Benevolent & Reg. Mtg. 8:00 p.m. followed by Regular Meeting RSVP by Feb. 20 to PCGTrib Corey Bearak. See The Beam and/or FDR Pythian Events Calendar for details.

► Fri., Mar. 13, 8:00 p.m. 1st Nominations (Closed) @ AOH. Collation to follow.

► Monday, March 16, 8:00 p.m. 46th District Blue Jacket to GC (Closed) at AOH. (tentative)

► Fri., March 27, 8:00 p.m. Dance Instruction – Collation to Follow (tentative - Open) @ AOH RSVP Warren Nadel Pricing TBA

► Fri., April 10, 7:00 p.m. (doors open 6:30 p.m.) Foundation BINGO after Dinner @ AOH. \$50 FDR Member couples; non-members \$40pp; includes Perry's Diner Catering & game cards; 50-50 raffles. RSVP by Mar. 27. Checks payable to FDR Lodge to Ted Pashko, 67- 71 Yellowstone Blvd, Apt.1V, Forest Hills, NY 11375.

► Fri., April 24, 8:00 p.m. 2nd Nominations & Elections (Closed) at AOH. Collation to follow.

► Sun., May 3, 10:00 a.m. Humanitarian Fund Brunch @ Temple Avodah. See FDR Pythian Events Calendar or Grand Lodge website for details.

► Fri., May 8, 7:00 p.m. Knight of the Shield – (Closed) at AOH. Must RSVP for 7:00 p.m. Pre-Program Dinner by May 3 to SMA Craig Shink

► Sat., May 16 Mets v. Yankees @ Citi Field.

► Fri., May 22, No Meeting (Memorial Day)

► Sat, June 6, 12:00 noon BBQ & Cornhole Tourney @ at Alley Pond Park, Bayside. 12:30 p.m Tourney, 1:30 p.m. BBQ. RSVP by May 31. Suggested \$10/ couple donation to Kings-FDR Tolerance Foundation & mail to PO Box 135, Glen Oaks, NY 11004

► Fri., June 12, 8:00 p.m. Installation of Officers, Charity & Scholarship Awards (Open) at AOH

► Sun., June 14, noon GC Dinner @ Temple Avodah, \$130/FDR member couples; \$130pp others

► Fri., June 26, Regular Meeting at AOH

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