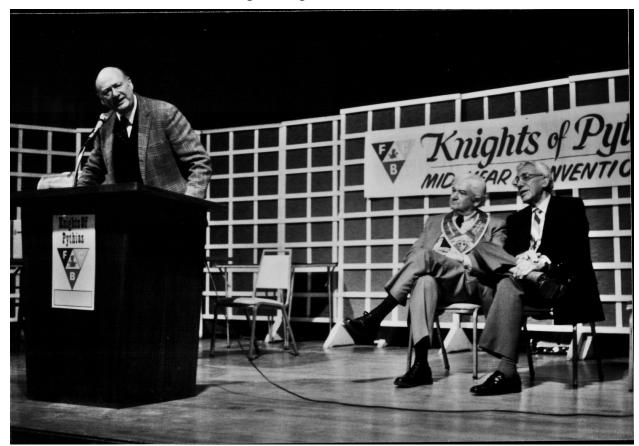
## RIP - EIK: Pythians Remember Our Mayor

February 4, 2013

At the meeting of the Grand Council of the Domain of New York, Knights of Pythias, Pythians recalled order's connection to the late Mayor Edward I. Koch. The Mayor addressed (see photo) a Pythian Convention during his mayoral tenure noted Past Grand Chancellor Roger Siegel.



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