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## Pythians Support Special Olympics

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias presented a check in support of the Special Olympics, Saturday, September 27 at Cantiague Park in Hicksville, NY. WE HELP PEOPLE is our motto.



[Photo Caption: GS Marc Bochner presents donation check (being held by Grand Prelate Sheldon Blitz, Jeffrey Freese and PCDGC Sir Barry Weiner) to Special Olympics. Photo by Grand Outer Guard David Stanger]

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