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 Corporation meets @ 6:30 PM, Council meetings begin @ 7:30 PM.
 Columbiettes meet 3rd. Wednesday of each month. Mtg.'s @7:00 PM



The Knightly News

Council Meeting - Nov. 9th., 2009

Columbiettes Meeting - Nov. 18th., 2009

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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

by Paul DeDominicis

Well, it is hard to believe, but here we are in November already and the Holiday Season is peeking right around the corner. Anyone who has known me for any period of time (especially my wife and daughters) will attest to the fact that I am one of those sometimes pesky people who can't seem to get enough of Christmas. With trees, lights, carols, cookies and candy canes, in December my house looks like something right out of Chevy Chase's "Christmas Vacation".

Having said that, imagine my surprise a few years back when an associate of mine said "You know: I really prefer Thanksgiving to Christmas." This gentleman viewed Thanksgiving as a time of quiet reflection, of spending time with family in an atmosphere that was not as pressured with "things", which sadly make up a great deal of the modern

Christmas observance.

I think that we all could take a lesson from my associate's comment and before we charge headlong into our preparations for December, perhaps we could all take some time to review our past year and reflect on the blessings that we continue to enjoy.

In terms of our Council, I feel extremely fortunate. In honesty, 2009 was a painful year. Our Council did not escape the economic turmoil that gripped our entire nation. There was a time a few months ago when the future of our Council Home was in grave jeopardy. However, through the efforts of all, Knights, Columbiettes and Social Members, we have weathered the storm and are making great strides to insure that our Council Hall continues to be a gathering place for many in our community. We are extremely blessed to have a dedicated and enthusiastic group of individuals who are spearheading our efforts. I can't thank you all enough.

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY



Grand Knight Paul DeDominicis tries to scare some of the early arrivals for the Children's Halloween Party. More photos from the party can be found on page 4.

However, that does not mean that we can rest on our laurels. Our efforts must continue, not only to insure the financial stability of our Council, but also to make sure we do not lose sight of our mission as true Knights of Columbus.

This month, our emphasis is on our Order's First Principal, Charity. This month we will be focusing on doubling our efforts to support

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area food pantries, as well as our work with Community Maternity Services.

November is also the month when we remember our departed Brothers and Sisters. This year our annual Memorial Mass will be on Sunday November 8th at the 9:00 Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption. Breakfast will follow at the Council Hall. Please plan on attending!!!!

Finally, my monthly list of "Thank you's" thankfully keeps growing. This month I would like to thank "Boom" Biette and Chris Gilboy for their efforts in putting on the most successful Pig Roast in council history. Thanks to Linda and Dennis Lanthier, Lanny Livingston, Bernie and Jeanne Marshall, the Columbiettes and members of the Bowling League for putting a "fall touch" on the hall. Thanks to Dennis Lanthier and Joe Snyder for planning the Me-



DATES TO REMEMBER

Some of the dates are tentative. Please see future Knightly News for up to date notices.

Sun. Nov. 1st. - 4th Degree Exemplification
Sun. Nov. 8th. - Memorial Mass
Mon. Nov. 9th. - Council Meeting
Sun. Nov. 15th. - Columbiettes Breakfast
Wed. Nov. 18th. - Columbiettes Meeting
Mon. Nov. 23rd. - 1st Degree
Sun. Nov. 29th. - Decorate the hall for Christmas
Sun. Dec. 13th. - Children's Christmas Party

morial Breakfast. Thanks to Joe Sears for donating new latches for our coolers. Thanks to George Bush for painting the coolers and installing the latches. Thanks to Henry LaRose for organizing the Memorial Mass. Thanks to Ron Babbitt and Mary Kay DeJulio for organizing the Halloween Party. Thanks to Bob Church and the Seniors for their efforts on behalf of Community Maternity Services. Thanks to Patrice

Mago, and Dennis and Linda for all their work on "Pub Night" (Bobby Cairns, the Black Bean Soup was superb.). And my biggest thank you to the officers of the Corporation, the Columbiettes and the Council for coming together and supporting us all in our time of need.

The future is truly looking brighter!!! My best wishes for a very Happy Thanksgiving to you and your entire family

COUNCIL NEWS & NOTES

Memorial Mass:

Our annual Mass for our departed Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes will be held Sunday November 8th at 9:00 am at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Watervliet Shaker Road in Latham. Breakfast will follow at the Council Hall. The cost of the breakfast is an item or monetary donation to the food pantry. We do need a count for breakfast so please contact Grand Knight Paul DeDominicis or Financial Secretary Hank LaRose and let us know if you are planning to attend!

Great Job Chris & Boom:

Thank you to "Boom" Biette and Chris Gilboy for their efforts in sponsoring last months PIG ROAST. The event, as a well known area car dealer would say, WAS "HUUUUUUGGEE!". Chris and Boom used a portion of the proceeds to purchase a new 47" flat screen TV for the Social Parlor while the majority of the money went to the Corporation Operating Fund to pay, among

other things, our 2009 School Tax Bill.

Help "Fill The Mayflower":

All during the month of November, our council, with the help of CLARK MOVING AND STORAGE, will be assisting area food pantries by collecting canned goods. Our goal is to "Fill the Mayflower" (truck that is). Last year we collected over 3000lbs of food for the St. Ambrose food pantry. Help us raise even more this year.

Thank You to the Babbitt Family:

For your kind donation of a 42" flat screen TV for our Social Parlor. The donation was made in memory of our departed brother Roland Babbitt.

Congratulations:

To the following Brother's who made their 2nd Degree on October 26th at Latham-Colonie:

Latham-Colonie Council

Peter Watrobski

Glenville Council

Melvin Byron

Daniel Byron

Middleburgh Council

Bernard Berelli

Edward Carter

Anthony Fagnani

James Simmons

RPI Council

Michael Heise

Phillip Maas

St. Henry's Council

Paul Cramer

Thank You:

To the Senior Dart League for your continuing efforts to offset our expenses through your weekly 50/50.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY NOTES

Unfortunately several brothers have not yet paid their annual dues requiring our council to send out another billing in the near future. As previously indicated if any member has a problem meeting their dues he should contact the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary. All information will be kept confidential.

COLUMBIETTES NEWS



NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18 at 7 PM. We will be discussing the children's Christmas Party, and our December breakfast. Please try to attend, we need your help and input.

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

Thank you to everyone who helped make the children's Halloween party the success it was. About 50 children attended along with their parents. The costumes were great and children terrific. Once again you provided the children with a fun filled day. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

MEMORIAL BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 8th

Our annual Memorial Mass and Breakfast will be held on Sunday, November 8th beginning with Mass at 9 AM at Our Lady of Assumption followed by breakfast at our Council. The cost of the breakfast is an item or monetary donation to the food pantry. We also ask that you let me know if you are attending so we will know how much food to buy. This year the Capital District Columbiettes will be joining with us. As he does every year Joe Snyder will be our chef along with Mary Kay Snyder. Bernie and Jeanne Marshall have graciously agreed to help with the Breakfast This is a wonderful way to honor our deceased brothers and sisters, so please try to attend.

COLUMBIETTE BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 15th

THE BEST DEAL IN TOWN

8:30 – 12:00

MENU INCLUDES

JUICE, COFFEE, TEA OR HOT CHOCOLATE
FRUIT CUP
SCRAMBLED EGGS
SCRAMBLED EGGS, WITH HAM,
PEPPERS, ONIONS AND CHEESE
PANCAKES & HOT SYRUP

HOME FRIES
CORN BEEF HASH
BACON AND SAUSAGE
CEREAL & BANANA BREADS

OMELET STATION

All you can eat for only \$7.00, children 5-10 \$3.50 under 5 free. Come relax and let us do the cooking.

CHANGING TO CHRISTMAS

On Sunday, November 29th we will be taking down fall and putting up Christmas. Christmas takes a long time to put up, so we can use all the help we can get. The more people the quicker it will go. We will be gathering at Noon.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

In order to keep you informed of what's going on at the Council I would appreciate it if you would send me an e-mail (doublel@excite.com) so that I may add you to my e-mail list.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

We extend our congratulations to Millie and Larry Girard on the birth of their twin great-granddaughters.

We extend get well wishes to Joanne Connor's sister who was in the hospital.

The Columbiettes have a Sunshine Committee, so if you know of a Columbiette who is ill, in the hospital, has lost a loved one or has a new child, grandchild, or is celebrating a special occasion, please let us know so that we can acknowledge it.

HELP COMMUNITY MATERNITY SERVICES



Bob Church and Fred Bonneville prepare to deliver packages for last years drives for Community Maternity Services.

Again this year, Bob Church and the Seniors will be spearheading two drives to assist Community Maternity Services. One at Christmas and one at Thanksgiving. Please help with a monetary donation, or a donation of your time. For more information see House Chairman Bob Church or call him at 783-6680.

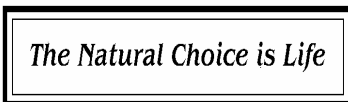
CORPORATION NEWS

Pub at the Club:

Don't forget that we continue to offer "Pub Night at the Club" Friday's. A "Pub Style" menu of wings, cheese stix, fries, and a weekly dinner special is available each week 6-9pm. Thank you to Patrice Mago, Dianne Velardi and Dennis and Linda for making this happen.

Special Thanks:

Go to Brothers George Bush and Mickey Lyons for the work they've done recently at the council. George did a beautiful job cleaning the carpets in the hall and Mickey helped out doing some much needed electrical work.



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District 69**

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- Deputy Grand Knight
Vacant
- Chaplain
Vacant
- Chancellor
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- Recorder
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- Treasurer
Joseph Snyder
- Advocate
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- Warden
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Douglas Decker
- Outside Guard
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Joe Hogan
Two Year
Lanny Livingston
Three Year
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Vice President / Council Trustee
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- Secretary
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- Treasurer
Dennis Lanthier
- Vacant** Deputy GK
Council Trustees
Joe Hogan
Lanny Livingston
John Dugan
- Board Members
Mary Gettings
Tim Girvin

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY



GOOD OF THE ORDER

Calling all Chefs!!!

Do you watch the Food Network every night? Do you secretly wish you were Emeril Lagasse or Bobby Flay? Do you wish you could win this weeks Iron Chef competition? Here is your chance!! WE NEED COOKS!! We need folks to help plan or fundraising dinners for the upcoming months. See Bob Church or Paul DeDominicis for details!!!

FOOD PANTRY

As we approach the holiday season please keep in mind that our Council maintains a food donation basket in the inner lobby of our building. We have been repeatedly thanked for our donations to the St. Ambrose food pantry.



Please support our program by trying to drop off a nonperishable food item whenever you visit the Council. Remember, charity is the First Principle of our order and hunger doesn't just occur during the holidays.

