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Council and Corporation meetings are held on the 2nd. Monday of every month.  
Corporation meets @ 6:30 PM, Council meetings begin At 7:30 PM.  
Columbiettes meet 3rd. Wednesday of each month. Mtg.'s @7:00 PM

Council Meeting - Dec. 10th, 2007

Columbiettes Meeting - Jan. 16th, 2008



# The Knightly News

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## GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

by Joseph Hogan

Thank you to Kathy Majer, Jeannie Marshal, Linda Lanthier and all the rest of the Columbiettes and Knights who put on a wonderful program for two or our special needs children early last month. They were both awarded money grants this year. Of course, I want to offer my gratitude to all those Knights and Columbiettes who made the Sunday breakfast on Thanksgiving weekend at our council so successful.

A salute also goes out to the Biettes, the Makars and all those of Latham - Colonie who put on a very good and tremendously successful Friday night dinner last month. Good food, a different type of cuisine - just one example of a new or fresh idea for a fundraiser!

I am also grateful to brother Tim Girvin for all his hard work in bringing our council's annual Memorial Mass to St. Ambrose last month. It was a privilege for me to serve as a guest lecturer during the Children's Liturgy. Our Chaplin, Father Tony Childs, gave an inspiring sermon

and a few words of support for our council and the Order towards the end of the Mass. The few of us who attended the service and our breakfast at our council later were treated to a great meal thanks to the Snyder's, the Lanthiers, Jeannine LaRose and all those who helped cook, set up and clean up the hall.

Now is the time of year when we remember that God so loved the world that He sent His only begotten Son to us. He came to us as an infant and lived and died among us as a mortal so that our sins can be forgiven. Let us remember that this is the season of forgiveness as we deal with each other, our friends and our families. It is very easy during the course of our everyday lives, especially during this stressful season, to lose patience with one another. We may sometimes feel we have been wronged by someone intentionally or not and

then turn around and vent our anger at another person, as I have recently experienced.

Remember that we can usually free ourselves from these feelings during this Christmas time by recognizing what exactly

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

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happened in the instances. Once that is done, basic communication with each other is the key to begin "mending" our friendships and relationships. As Christians, it is essential for us to keep our brothers and sisters close and to forgive and forget any transgressions. So let us act in unison as better people, Christians, Knights and Columbiettes. After all, we should all strive towards the same goal - Improving our council and then our Order.

As many of us as possible can attend or help out at our Friday night dinner this month or our Children's Christmas party on the 16th. We can make a donation or use some of our time to help deliver presents and supplies to the needy in our area. Our own brother, Tom Dame, is giving up a few afternoons this month as he chairs a defensive driving course at our council.

Our Columbiettes can always use volunteers as they resume holding a Sunday breakfast. And we should never forget that our food pantry always needs supplies, especially in this season.

Any brother Knight who knows of potential candidates can urge them to take their 1st degree on the 17th or their 2nd on Jan. 28th. Of course, the Knights and Columbiettes can always use new ideas to run our council - so please make an effort to attend our monthly meetings.

May you and your families have the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of New Years!

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Although our thoughts turn to the holidays and all their trappings this time of year, please save a moment of your time to remember the sick and distressed members of our council family. Let us continue to pray for the recovery of brother Fred Fletcher as well as brother George Nugent. Also keep in mind brother Marc Ruggeri while he continues to battle his own health problems.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

**Fri. Dec. 7th. - Friday Night Dinner**  
**Mon. Dec. 10th. - Council Meeting**  
**Tues Dec. 11th. - Defensive Driving Class Part I**  
**Thurs. Dec. 13th. - Defensive Driving Class Part II**  
**Sun. Dec. 16th. - Children's Christmas Party**  
**Mon. Dec. 17th. - 1st Degree**  
**Tues. Dec. 25th. - Merry Christmas!!! Council Closed**  
**Mon. Dec. 31st. - New Years Eve**  
**Tues. Jan. 1st. - Happy New Year !!! Council Closed**  
**Sun. Jan. 13th. - Columbiettes Breakfast**  
**Mon. Jan. 14th. - Council Meeting**  
**Wed. Jan. 16th. - Columbiettes Meeting**  
**Mon. Jan. 28th. - 2nd. Degree**

## COUNCIL NEWS & NOTES

### C & B Program:

A very special thank you to everyone who purchased or sold a raffle book this past year. It was through your help that we raised much needed funds to support our council and diocesan programs.

Let us continue next year to sell more books for the program.

### Congratulations:

To these members who continued their journey to full Knighthood in our Order by taking their 2nd. Degree on Nov. 26th.:

### Latham - Colonie Council

Raymond Bucholz  
Chris Gilboy

### Albany Council

Thomas Dalton  
William Maloney  
Terrance Murray  
Gerald Scalzetto

### Ballston Lake Council

Rael Brearton

### Niskayuna Council

Michael Kellish  
Mark Methe  
Daniel Shanahan  
Timothy Stachnick

### Our Lady of Victory Council

Brian Campbell  
Frederick Hemeon

### Schaghticoke Council

Gerard Blais  
Robert Carlson

### St. Henry's Council

Joseph Zink

### St Jude Council

Patrick Hogan

### Worcester Council

Kristian Espensen



**IN GOD WE TRUST**

# COLUMBIETTES NEWS



## NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 16, 2008 at 7:00 PM. We will be discussing the Charity Ball. We need your ideas and help, so please plan to attend. WE DO NOT MEET DURING DECEMBER.

## LOOKING FOR GIFTS

Again this year the Knights and Columbeittes will be providing food and gifts to Community Maternity Services. They are asking for items for newborns. There is a box at the Council that your donation may be dropped in. During this Christmas Season, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, let us remember other infants that will be born this month to less fortunate mothers who are not able to provide the necessities babies need. When you are out shopping why not buy a baby item to donate. All items must be received by December 16th

*The Natural Choice is Life*

## 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.

for delivery the next week.

## DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

We will be turning our Council into a winter wonderland on Sunday, December 2nd. We need lots of help, it takes a while to decorate for Christmas and we can always use new ideas. We will begin the transformation at 11 AM. Please try to attend. Brother Knights we can use your help too!!!

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Children's Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 16th from 1 PM to 4 PM. The children will be treated to a coloring contest, Christmas Bingo, hear the Christmas Story and visit with Santa, receive a gift and have a picture taken with him. We are again asking that you provide something for the food table. We can also use your help, why not come and participate. The children are great and what better way to spend some time this Christmas Season than with the little ones.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS - DECEMBER 2ND 11 AM
- STUFFED CHICKEN DINNER - DECEMBER 7TH 6 TO 8 PM
- CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - DECEMBER 16TH 1 PM TO 4 PM
- NEW YEARS EVE DINNER & GAMES - 7 PM

## CORPORATION NEWS

### 50/50 Drawing:

We know it's a tough time of year with Christmas shopping and all but please try to keep in mind that there is a 50/50 drawing each month at the council. For only \$10 per month the odds are good for winning some decent holiday spending money, so stop by and take a chance.

## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

We send our congratulations to Sharon Bennett on the birth of her first grandchild a little girl, Kayla. Mom, Dad, grandma and Kayla are all doing wonderful.

Congratulations to Patrice Mago and Kenny Radliff on their recent marriage. We wish you all the happiness in the world.

Please keep our Sister Columbiette, Lil Connor in your prayers, she is experiencing some health problems.

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.

Your Officers would like to wish you and your loved ones a Blessed Christmas. As you and your family gather on Christmas, please remember our men and women who are not with their families because they are serving our country and keeping us safe.

## FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

By Stan Marszalek

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS

Please notify me whenever your address, telephone number or e-mail address changes so we can keep in touch with you. Send this information to [fskofc3394@verizon.net](mailto:fskofc3394@verizon.net), leave a note at the Council with a bartender, or call me at my home at 518-785-3856.

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**We miss you  
 Please come back**

*- Signed,  
 Your old pals at the Knights of Columbus*

**We miss you at the Council, at the meetings, the parties  
 and our outings; both you and your family.  
 Come on back, you don't have to pay back dues.**

*To join us again, contact Patrick Murray at:*

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 now smoke  
 free! Please  
 come out and  
 enjoy the new  
 "atmosphere"**



**SOCIAL PARLOR ETIQUETTE**

Our Council and Social Parlor has always been a comfortable and friendly place to bring family and guests and we need to keep it that way. We are a smoke free building and there should be no profanity at the bar. Remember we are a Catholic organization and should act as such. The bartender on duty is in charge so if asked to refrain from smoking or using profanity please do so.

Fighting, shoving matches or any verbal abuse to the bartender or any member or guest will not be tolerated. Any such incident will be brought to the corporation board for discussions and the party or parties involved will be faced with a minimum of a 30 day suspension from the use of the social parlor.

**COLUMBIAN  
 SOCIETY OF  
 COLONIE, INC**

**LAS VEGAS NIGHTS**

**12/21/07  
 01/18/08  
 02/15/08**



**GAMES BEGIN AT  
 8:00 P.M.**

The games of chance that are offered are: Black Jack, Joker Seven, Roulette and Big Nine Wheel.  
 You must be at least **18 years of age** to play.