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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 - Jan. 14th, 2008

Columbiettes Meeting - Jan. 16th, 2008



# The Knightly News

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## GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

by Joseph Hogan

Many thanks to the Makars and all who helped to cook, set up and clean up after our successful Friday night dinner last month. I am especially grateful to all who attended this function as well as those brave parents and children who were entertained at our Children's Christmas party during an afternoon of harsh weather.

We can also salute the Snyder's for volunteering to put on a roast beef dinner for New Year's Eve as well as those who volunteered to help prepare food or entertainment. Once again, we usher in the new year one way or another at Latham - Colonie council.

As the second half or the Columbian year begins, let us reflect on how our council is progressing. In particular, we as Knights and Columbiettes can see how we put into action the three main principles of our Order - charity, unity and fraternity.

We continue to support our church and council through donations to the C & B program. As a group, we continue to donate money and much needed food items to our food pantry. Until a fire destroyed a local soup kitchen, one of our members cooked and supplied soup once a week to the needy in that town. A group of our Knights continues to receive and donate money and supplies which they deliver to an organization that distributes them to families in need.

Our council continues to hold

parties for our children in which we provide food, gifts and entertainment. We also provide special - needs children and their families with money and education tools. At least once during the summer we gather together as friends and families just to have food, fun and entertainment.

Most of the events we held to honor the living and departed among us as well as to raise funds so we can make donations to various groups, individuals and parishes in our area have been well supported. Even events run by new volunteers were successful.

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## Columbiettes Annual Charity Ball

Saturday, Feb. 16th, 2008

7PM till ?



Roast Pork Dinner  
&  
Live Entertainment

Ticket Donation is \$15 Per Person  
Seating is Limited  
Reserve Your Tickets Now!

## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

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Let us continue to support ongoing functions such as the Columbiettes breakfasts this month and in February. There is an opportunity for us to gather together informally on Super Bowl Sunday to enjoy the game, the entertainment and each other's company.

Remember that our Columbiettes host our annual Charity Ball on Sat., Feb. 16th. You can donate goods and services or attend this affair as monies are raised for another worthy cause. They can always use help to set up or clean up after the party.

Brother Bob Makar is planning on putting on a Friday Night dinner on the 25th of this month. If you want relief from the "winter doldrums" and are looking for a way to support your council, consider attending the event or volunteering to help before or during the gathering.

Please continue to recruit new members as brother Knights and sister Columbiettes or to take the next step in either Order. Our council has a 2nd. Degree this month and a 1st. Degree next month. Encourage them to attend our monthly meetings. Although attendance at the Knights meetings have increased slightly, most of the "newer" faces are current members who have been away or transferees. We still need your new energy, enthusiasm and ideas!

Our new Knights and Columbiettes - and our current one - may need to assess if they have the right amount or type of insurance or retirement savings. You can contact our insurance agent as advertised later in this newsletter. It might surprise you the variety of products available to you and your family.

*The Natural Choice is Life*



## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

**Tues. Jan. 1st. - Happy New Year !!! Council Closed**  
**Sun. Jan. 6th. - Decorate the Hall for Valentine's Day**  
**Sun. Jan. 13th. - Columbiettes Breakfast**  
**Mon. Jan. 14th. - Council Meeting**  
**Wed. Jan. 16th. - Columbiettes Meeting**  
**Fri. Jan. 18th. - Vegas Night**  
**Fri. Jan. 25th. - Friday Night Dinner**  
**Mon. Jan. 28th. - 2nd. Degree**  
**Sun. Feb. 3rd. - Super Bowl Sunday**  
**Sun. Feb. 10th. - Columbiettes Breakfast**  
**Mon. Feb. 11th. - Council Meeting**  
**Fri. Feb 15th. - Vegas Night**  
**Sat. Feb 16th. - Charity Ball**  
**Mon. Feb. 25th. - 1st Degree**

## COUNCIL NEWS & NOTES

### C & B Program:

Just one last word about this past 2007 campaign - we made our quota! Thanks to a surge in returned raffle books and our corporation's purchase of some books for the two parishes in Latham, our council was able to meet this goal. This means that we not only supported diocesan programs throughout the state, but also Latham - Colonie as we receive some of the proceed. We should also expect a bonus check mailed to us from NY State council.

The top individual sellers will be given awards later this year. Once again, thank you for your support of this program.

### Congratulations:

To these members who took the first step to full Knighthood in our Order by taking their 1st Degree on Dec. 17th.:

#### Latham - Colonie Council

Anthony Riccitelli

#### Corpus Christi Council

Frederick Rooney

#### Glenville Council

James Masi

#### Guilderland Council

James O'Donnell  
Joseph Rybinski

John Santacrose

Matthew Surman

#### Mechanicville Council

John Keating

#### Niskayuna Council

Michael Jakubowski

Larry Krause

#### Willsboro Council

Thomas Doolittle

### 2008 Calendars:

Brother Kevin Cavanaugh has provided our council with calendars for all Knights and Columbiettes for the new year. The logo, mailing address and phone number are included on each calendar. Please feel free to stop by the council and take one while the supply lasts.

## IN MEMORIAM

The Council and all its members wish to offer their condolences and prayers to the family and friends of brother John Strizzi on the passing of his son Mark Strizzi.

Our thoughts and prayers also go out to brother Steve Kucskar whose brother Paul recently passed away.

# 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.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thank you to everyone who helped make the children's Christmas Party the success that it was. All who attend had a joyous time. Whatever you did to help, Thank You, Thank You, Thank You. A special thank to Santa AKA Bernie Marshall, Paul DeDominicis our MC, Aikia Gettings our picture elf, Santa's helper Victoria Wittemann, Dennis Lanthier our Mr. Music and of course all the Columbiettes.

## CHARITY BALL

Our annual Charity Ball will be held on Saturday, February 16th beginning at 7 PM. This year the Columbiettes will be providing a roast pork dinner with all the trimmings for the Charity Ball. You will also be treated to homemade desserts. If you have a new item that you do not want, we would be happy to take it to raffle at the ball. We have sent solicitation letters, but since so many organizations solicit the local businesses, if you can provide something to raffle off it would be most appreciated. There will be live music for your listening and dancing pleasure. Please plan to join us on the 16<sup>th</sup>! For

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

It was inspiring to see brother Fred Fletcher at our council meeting last month as well as brother George Nugent attending the defensive driving course held at the council during December. However, we should continue to pray for their continued recoveries as well as for brother Marc Ruggeri while he battles his own health problems.

a \$15.00 donation you will have a wonderful time and be helping the less fortunate. Seating is limited so reserve your tickets early, don't be left out of this wonderful event.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TAKING CHRISTMAS DOWN AND DECORATING FOR CHARITY BALL - JANUARY 6 - 11 AM

COLUMBIETTE BREAKFAST - JANUARY 13 - 8:30 TO NOON

## THANKSGIVING '07

By: the Committee

To our Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Dart Leagues and all Members.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the great response we received this year for our annual Thanksgiving food and materials drive for the needy at Community Maternity Services. Through your generosity, we were able to provide the following for 12 families: Each received a basket containing the following: A Turkey; potatoes; stuffing mix; milk; butter; eggs; cranberry sauce; cereal; a variety of canned soups and vegetables; apple sauce; sliced peaches; peanut butter and jelly; bread; a pie; and even spaghetti and spaghetti sauce. Also for the Center, we were able to purchase 2 cases of "Huggies" (528 diapers) and 2 cases of Baby Wipes (1440 count).

We will try to do even better for Christmas, and yes we will once again be looking for your support. (The Columbiettes have already kicked off our drive with a check to get us started).

Needless to say, the appreciation from the Center was overwhelming and our thanks to all of you is the same. Hopefully we will surprise everyone with an even larger

## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

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 Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!!!

gift at Christmas!!

Our sincerest thanks John McLaughlin, Fred Bonneville, Bob Church, Mickey Lyons, Bob Pyskadlo, Tom Novak and all who helped.

## CORPORATION NEWS

### 50/50 Drawing:

It's a new year, with new hopes and resolutions. Make it one of your resolutions to purchase a monthly 50/50 raffle ticket. Stop by the councils social parlor and pick one up today. You might be happy you did.

## 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.

**INSURANCE NEEDS**



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**Arnold Locsin, FIC**  
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AGENCY DEPARTMENT  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**Career Opportunity:**

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance programs. We offer a complete benefits package with this full time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please call Patrick Murray, General Agent, at (518) 452-0107. e-mail cnyganypat@yahoo.com

**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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Albany, NY 12203 - 4961  
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cnyganypat@yahoo.com

The order just keeps getting better. Last year alone, the Knights donated more than \$125 million and more than 60 million volunteer hours to charitable causes.  
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Our Council is now smoke free! Please come out and enjoy the new "atmosphere"



**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.

**COLUMBIAN  
SOCIETY OF  
COLONIE, INC**

**LAS VEGAS NIGHTS**



01/18/08  
02/15/08  
03/21/08

**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.

**CARPET FUND  
50/50 RAFFLE**

Brother Bob Makar is chairing a 50 / 50 raffle, in which the proceeds will be used to replace the carpeting in the council. The drawing will be held on "tax day", April 15th, 2008. The cost of each raffle ticket is \$5 per ticket and they may be purchased either at the council or by printing and filling out the ticket in this newsletter and mailing it back to the council. Checks should be made payable to the council and addressed to:

Latham - Colonie K of C  
Carpet Fund  
PO Box 221  
Latham, NY 12110

This is a very ambitious endeavor that brother Bob is attempting and your financial help is greatly needed and appreciated.

If anyone has questions about this raffle he may contact Bob at 783 - 7960.

	<h1>50/50</h1>			
<p><b>To Benefit New Carpet Fund For The "Latham - Colonie Knights of Columbus"</b></p>			<p><b>NAME</b></p>	
<p><b>Drawing Date: April 15, 2008</b></p>			<p><b>PHONE #</b></p>	
<p><b>Donation \$5.00</b></p>				

**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.



**INFORMATION FOR KNIGHTLY NEWS**

Do you have information that you would like to see published in our newsletter? Well if you do, here's how you can get it into publication. You can either drop off your article at the Council or you can email it to Bob Ostiguy at [rostigu1@nycap.rr.com](mailto:rostigu1@nycap.rr.com). All information must be received by the 10th of the month prior to publication (i.e. Articles for Sept. must be received by the 10th of Aug). We need to do this to ensure that everyone receives there newsletter by the 1st. of every month and that the information in the newsletter is fresh and pertinent. If anyone has any questions in regards to the Knightly News please feel free to contact Bob Ostiguy at the email address listed earlier in this article.