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“Happy St. Valentine’s Day!!”

We are happy to report that our 2018/2019 Service Program is continuing as scheduled. Last month we held our “Keeping Christ in Christmas” poster contest at Our Lady of Victory Elementary School and are happy to report Ryan Geary and Kendal Markiewicz as the winners in their respective groups. Each will receive a check for \$25.00. Also we are happy to share that our Free Throw Contest for boys & girls ages 9-14 again at OLV School was a big success. Last month mentioned that the New Year offers each member an opportunity to start afresh and become more involved in Fr. Baker Council Service programs; our priority will include recruitment since it is key to our future. We urge you all to invite your family, friends and co-workers to become members. In addition to our service programs, we will look forward to having a number of new social, fraternal and fundraising events for the membership. It’s time for the members to share in the enjoyment of our fraternity whether it’s our current home or elsewhere. Please come to our next monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 7:00PM to hear more. Come at 6:30PM and enjoy food and refreshments prior to the regular business meeting. Hoping you New Year got off to a Healthy, Happy, Prosperous start and may your St. Valentine’s Day be shared with those you love . . . Fraternally, **Gene Mendrrysa, GK**

FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun Feb 3rd	Super Bowl Sunday	Tue Feb 5th	Board of Directors 6:30PM
Thur Feb 7th	Sr. Knights 1:00PM	Wed Feb 13th	Council Meeting 7PM
Thur Feb 14th	St. Valentine’s Day	Mon Feb 18th	President’s Day

4TH DEGREE NEWS MSGR. TOOMEY ASSEMBLY # 2038

The next assembly meeting is Thursday, Feb 7th, 2019 Hamburg Council, 7:30PM. Just an early reminder that this year’s Exemplification Degree of the Fourth Degree will take place on in April 2019. Gentlemen this Degree “totally” does exemplify what a Sir Knight

FINANCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT – The next First Degree will be held at Hamburg Council, 36 Pierce Ave. on Tuesday, March 12th. Candidates must arrive by 7PM; ceremony starts at 7:30PM. Anyone interested in joining the K of C please contact John Radwan, 675-1804 for details. Info on other upcoming degrees will be sent to members whose email addresses I have on file. Any council member interested in receiving the free digital version of the K of C’s *Knightline newsletter* can subscribe by enrolling at: kofc.org/myinfo. Check the box that states: “Membership/Columbia” & “I am a member of the Knights of Columbus” and fill in the form. *Knightline* is an important resource for local K of C leaders interested in learning more about leadership in the Knights of Columbus. Any personal changes as phone #'s, Emails & addresses please contact John Radwan at 675-1804 or jr0410@aol.com to updates your info.

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DARTS – Played each Wednesday evening 7:30PM. This social event has long been played at the council and continues to thrive. Please note that on Wednesdays in conjunction with both BINGO & Darts, the council lounge is open. You may also check on Saturdays and Sundays

FREE THROW CONTEST Fr. Baker Council sponsored the local competition for boys & girls ages 9-14 at OLV Elementary School on Sat., Jan. 19th. Eighteen contestants participated for the right to compete at the next level of competition, the district level, to be held at Hamburg Council on Sun., Jan. 27th at noon. Winners of the Fr. Baker Council competition going to the district competition: Ava Turchiarelli, Taylor Zajac, Lizzy Sibley, Samantha Benes, Noah Ortiz, Caleb Ventura, AJ Grimmer, Pete Diamond & Alex Rudnicki. Many thanks to OLV Elementary School & Athletic Director Rick Diamond for hosting this event & also to the following council volunteers for helping this a great success: Bruce Coleman & daughter Olivia, Rob Stoklosa & son Robert, Karen Bienko, Sandy McHugh, Bob Roland, Wayne Peszko, Otto Johnson, Barb Radwan and Chairs John Radwan & Bob Meegan. To all our winners – Good Luck at District!!!

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY – “Happy to Report” on Sunday, Feb. 3rd, Fr. Baker Council lounge will be open for their Annual Super Bowl Sunday celebration. As in the past it is requested you bring a dish to pass and if tradition holds true, there will be amazing selection to choose from. **Doors open at 4:00PM**, kickoff 6:30ish, cash bar and if you’re a Patriots fan well than just stay home!!!

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SENIOR KNIGHTS NEWS

MEETING: Next Sr. Knights meeting Thur. Feb., 7th, 2019 @ 1:00PM.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS – Gerald Broderick, Mike Ciesla, Jim Gallagher, Dennis Kane, Gerald Pasnik, Chas Poloncarz, Tom Reilly, John Rudnicki, Dave Schaefer, Chuck Skipper, & Joe Smaczniak.

2019 DUE’S ARE DUE! - Dues are still only \$5.00, if paying by check payable to Fr. Baker Sr. Knights and forward to: Otto Johnson, 5680 Rice Rd, Boston, NY 14025 or bring them to the meeting on the 3rd.

BINGO – We all know how important BINGO is to the survival of our council, we are in dire need of not only floor volunteers but a few people who will be willing to accept administrative positions as a member of the BINGO team, these roles **Must Be Filled** please give it some serious consideration, for more information please contact Otto Johnson via the club 825-5150.

BROTHERS-In-Need. For the Good of the Order no new names submitted this month to the sick list. Fr. Baker Knights of Columbus extends to council member Chuck Skipper it’s sincerest expression of sympathy on the loss of his wife Barbara (Herr) Skipper. Words become difficult at a time like this but Barbara was one of the sweetest, caring, loving individuals you ever had the good fortune of knowing. Her smile was infectious and she always, I repeat always went out of her way to say Hello and to send messages to your loved ones. Chuck, believe me when I say you both are in our prayers & to you and your family “Always remember the Good Times” you had over 50+ years to build a mountain of them! All God’s Blessings, Sincerely, your endless list of friends at Fr. Baker Council.

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