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“HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY”

Dear Brother Knights... I'm happy to report that our Council has been very busy on 2 major fronts ...namely on the implementation of our 2018/2019 Council Service Programs, as well as efforts to help keep the Lackawanna Catholic Club remain open. On August 25th our Council was present at Christ the King Seminary to present diocesan seminarian Jeffrey Donovan a check for \$500.00 and to offer encouragement in his upcoming semester. Also, our Council supported the Day of Caring Golf Tournament benefiting the NYS Special Olympics by donating \$100 toward sponsorship and having four of our golfers, John Sowinski, Chuck Bridge, John Radwan & Dave Schaefer, participate in the tournament; great turnout, perfect weather, event produced over \$7,000 for Special Olympics! At our last meeting the Council approved a donation of \$200 for Vets H.E.R.D. in their mission to help both returning & disabled veterans. And in October, the “Respect Life” month, the Council is looking to participate in the “40 Days for Life Fall Campaign” (Sept.6-Nov. 4) and the Diocesan “National Life Chain” (Sunday Oct. 7th). A sincere “Thank You” to all brother Knights who responded to our “Urgent Plea” to support the Lackawanna Catholic Club with a \$25 or more contribution. John Sowinski reported that to date approx. \$5,000 has been raised. Please, brothers who have not yet responded please help them now; we're about half way there! Finally, all are welcome to our Meat Raffle with Music, no November 10, 2018; this will be Fun! Our Lady of Victory Pray for Us & the Lackawanna Catholic Club. Fraternally, *Gene Mendrysa*, GK

OCTOBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tue Oct 2nd	Bd Meeting 6:30PM	Thur Oct 4 th	Sr. Knights 1PM
Sun Oct 7th	OLV Feast Day 12PM	Mon Oct 8th	Columbus Day
Mon Oct 8th	Seneca Salamanca 9AM	Wed Oct 10 th	Council Mtg 7PM
Sun Oct 21 st	Our Lady of Fatima 1:30PM	Wed Oct 31 st	Halloween

4TH DEGREE NEWS MSGR. TOOMEY ASSEMBLY #2038

The next assembly meeting is Thursday, October 4, 2018, Hamburg Council, 7:30PM. This year Our Lady of Fatima's Annual Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, October 21, 1:30PM, please assemble at 1:00PM; all are invited. Knights Before Christmas is being formulated, date and time TBD.

KNIGHTS NEWS

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

– K of C insurance agent Richard Kabalan will be at the next council meeting Wed., Oct. 10th at 7PM and will answer questions pertaining to insurance coverage from council members. Daily number LCC lottery tickets for the month of Nov. are now available from our bartenders at the council lounge or via PGK John Sowinski. Future dates for council degrees have not yet been determined, they will be posted on the council bulletin board when decided and at the “News & Announcements” section of our council website (fatherbakerkofc.com). Emails will be sent to those members that have given their email address to Fin. Sec. John Radwan. Training Seminars pertaining to leadership & development will take place on the following Sat.'s: Sept. 29, Oct 6 & Nov.3. at Our Lady of Hope, Kenmore Council, 1530 Kenmore Ave. One course addresses how to operate a successful, growing council and the other How To Become a Fin. Sec., these courses run concurrently. You Do Not have to be a current council officer to attend these courses. Doors open at 8:00AM, courses begin at 9:00AM to approx. 12:30PM. Please contact Greg Traves 250-8272, training coordinator or email him gregorytraves@gmail.com for questions. Please RSVP count is important for seating, food & drinks. You may obtain training information on our webpage (News & Announcements section) and it is also posted on our bulletin board.

DARTS - Sorry when initially asked was advised that Darts would probably not be returning, well stick a fork . . . they are alive and well! Wednesdays, 7:30pm, council lounge. So glad this fun filled activity survived the chopping block! Stop down any Wednesday, have a few beers, grab a few C & B tickets, enjoy your fellow Knights.

CHARITABLE & BENEVOLENT PROGRAM 2018

– The last of the Early Bird drawings took place last month but the Big Stuff lies ahead. Still plenty of time to get your tickets in time for the really Big Prizes: Top prize \$25, 000, 2nd \$10,000, 3rd \$5,000 & 10 \$1,000 prizes, final drawing Dec. 1, 2018. **Tickets available council lounge**; please try and sell at least one book your participation is greatly appreciated. And on behalf of Fr. Baker Council thanks to all who have sold books, hope you are rewarded with a “Big Win!”.

2018/29019 COUNCIL SERVICE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

– As shared in last months newsletter these programs have all been outlined with scheduled dates for activation. Once again, the programs involved: Church Activities, Community Activities, Council Activities, Culture of Life Activities, Family Activities and

Youth Activities; approximately 22 service activities have been identified within these programs. The Total Service Program Expenditure for these activities totals approximately \$3,800.00. For detailed information please attend our Oct. Council Mtg., Wed. Oct. 10th, 7:00PM.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY'S FEAST DAY - On Sun., Oct. 7th, 12:00PM Mass this Mass, will commemorate the centuries old naval victory achieved when a small navy rose to victory over a much stronger adversary through Mary's intercession. This Mass reminds us of the power of prayer & devotion to Our Lady. Reception following immediately after Mass, All Are Invited!

FALL MEAT RAFFLE – Sat., Nov.10th, 2018 the council will be conducting a Fall Meat Raffle to benefit the LCC, doors open 6:00PM, first spin 7:00PM; \$5.00 p/p, includes admission, sandwich, beer, snacks & pop; music provided again by Mike Margerum's Nickel City Road Show, really adds a lot of spark to the fun! Volunteers needed, signup sheet located on lounge bulletin board; hoping those who worked the Spring Raffle will be available again – You Were Great! This is an Adult Event, no alcohol allowed to be brought in! Please contact event chairs Kevin Gilbride – 675-7972 or John Radwan 675-1804 for more information.

SENIOR KNIGHTS NEWS

MEETING: Next Thursday, October 4th, 2018 at 1:00PM, lunch to follow after a brief meeting. We will also be nominating & electing for officers for 2019, please try and attend (you may get elected otherwise!!!!)

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS – Gabe Chiappetta, Bob Meegan, Terrance McCann, Martin McHall, Gerald Sobaszek, Mike Duggan, Jim Hens, John Sowinski (Happy 75th John, don't look a day over 79) & our latest Octogenarian Dennis McNaughton "80"! . . . May your Special Day be filled with love and laughter!

APPRECIATION DINNER: On Wednesday, August 29th, the Senior Knights held a Thank You dinner for all BINGO workers (past & present) for their dedication and commitment to BINGO. Nice turnout, great weather, super food and a most enjoyable evening with fellow BINGO workers! Special thanks to Otto Johnson for putting this most delightful evening together and Mark Lalley at the grill.

CASINO TRIP – Monday, October 8, 2018 (Columbus Day) Sr. Knights sponsored Deluxe Motor Coach trip to Seneca Salamanca – this event is **SOLD OUT!** Bus leaves council parking lot promptly at 9:00AM, returning promptly at 3:30PM. For more information or possible cancelation please contact event chairman Kevin Gilbride @ 675-7972.


SAVE THE DATE – Sr. Knights Christmas Party, Friday, Dec. 7th, 2018; more next month!

BINGO – **"SPECIAL APPEAL"**: We are in dire need of callers, an additional co-chairman & an alternate person trained for payoffs.

Without additional help the future of BINGO at the council is in serious Jeopardy, interested parties please call current chairman Otto Johnson at 998-4433

BROTHERS-In-Need. Please remember in the kindness of your prayers recently departed Hon. Life member John F Schieber who was a member for 53 yrs. Also, Prayers of Healing for PGK/PFN Tom Bystryk and Joe Abram (nursing home) may they all be remember in the Light of His Love!

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