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# Knights of Columbus

**DECEMBER 2013**

## **Brother Knights, Family Members, Readers, Friends**

Well, I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Hopefully, everyone gave thanks to God for everything they have. We Americans should be thankful for all we have; we have it better than others in most countries. As we begin this Christmas season let's all keep Christ in Christmas and remember the true meaning of Christmas.

We had a successful Veteran's Day Happy Hour at the council due to the generosity of the Ladies Auxiliary. Our meat/seafood raffle on the 15<sup>th</sup> was a huge success! We raised nearly \$2,000 from the raffle. The bar did great as well. The 21<sup>st</sup> we had our annual \$100 raffle party for the building fund. A giant thank you to Trustee and Past Grand Knight Don Poole for spearheading this great fundraiser. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> we hosted the Hockey meat raffle, which brought in a lot of people to the bar. Tim Donovan came up with a very good idea and it turned into a great donation from our members and friends to the homeless and less fortunate. His shoe drive helped many people, which is what our council is all about. On the 30<sup>th</sup> we participated in the Holiday Parade. Thank you to all the families that came down to enjoy the pizza and hot chocolate and ride in the parade with us. Also, a big thank you goes to the Vanderpool's and Big D's Limo for bringing their Fire Truck and Trolley and the members who helped to decorate it and pass out candy. Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for decorating the council and making it look so festive. We had a great turnout for the mass and breakfast held at our council on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. We hosted the Fingerlakes Chapter meeting and we had many great compliments about our council.

We have had to cancel the Braciolo Brothers cooking demonstration and buffet on the 7<sup>th</sup> due to a lack of tickets sold. Also, the ladies happy hour on December 6<sup>th</sup> is cancelled.

**There is not a monthly meeting this month and the council will be closed on Christmas.**

I want to thank Trustee and Past Grand Knight Tom Crawford for heading up the C&B campaign again this year. Unfortunately, what could have been a great fundraiser for our council was very disappointing in the amount of participation from our membership. Speaking of membership, we have a number of members that are not in good standing. This means they have not paid their dues for this year. Some have not paid in 2 or 3 years. We continue to be charged for these members from Supreme and State. If you are one of these members, you will be receiving a call asking if you still are interested in being a member. This is a difficult process for us to follow so please let us know if you are still interested in being a member.

In closing, we have started to be a lot busier lately. Please come down and have some holiday cheer with your brother knights. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all!

Fraternally yours,

Jeff DeChick Grand Knight

# UPCOMING EVENTS.....

December 8<sup>th</sup>

Kids Christmas party 1-3

December 15<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Caroling meet at the KOC at 12

December 31<sup>st</sup>

New Years Party starts at 6:00- \$30 a person

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

I would like to thank these people for helping at the meat raffle:

Tom Crawford  
Bill Weiman  
Rick Webster  
Jack Conway  
Krista Plish  
Mary Quinn  
Donna Quinn  
Brenda Bunn  
Becky Sawyer  
Lisa Stearns



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