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Grand Knight's Message

We started the month of December with a bang. First was the Council Christmas party. I would like to thank PGK John Campanaro and Chancellor Larry Goggin for chairing this affair. We all had a great time.

My wife Lisa and I were invited to the Retired Knights Christmas Party chaired by John Brennan. Everyone had such a great time, we would thank John for the invite.

The Children's Christmas party - I was not able to attend as I was at my 5th grandchild's Christening. Everyone raved about it. I would like to thank PGK's Joe Marchia, Richie Locke and John Campanaro, Joe Ferraro and Ben Vogt. The kitchen crew Jim Miller, Guy Van Noy, Mike Alleva, Augie Saverese, and PGK John Chester. Larry Goggin (Bugduster the Clown) Richie Locke, Jr. & Billy Campanaro (Santas) and of course, our DJ Bob Molder. Many thanks to Jackie Ferraro, Roe Ritter, Erin Macalea, and Kathleen Horan for taking care of and ordering the toys. Great job girls, you really made the day. A special thank you to Joanne Verderosa, President Kiera Deller and The Squirettes, you can always count on them.

I enjoyed attending The Columbiettes Christmas Party. I would like to thank President Christine Goggin for the invitation, it was a very nice affair.

What can I say about New Years Eve, PGK John Campanaro and Larry Goggin did an outstanding job. Great band, food, drinks and more importantly about 70% of the guests were members at this affair.

We have had more compliments. Everyone had a really great time.

On Jan 19th we had a fund raiser for Memorare Club, with over 220 people attending. Once again, great job John & Larry.

On Feb 11th' 2012 we will honor our Council with 60 years in the order. See the ad in the Memogram.

On March 17th we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The cost will be 32.00 PP. Dinner will be corned beef, cabbage and potatoes. Entertainment will be one of our own, DJ. Robert from Prime Time. Drinks will be served from 7:30 — 8:00 PM. The DJ will be from 8:00 — midnight. Chairpersons are PGK Richie Locke, Sr. and Ray O'Regan. Ticket chairperson is Ed Sweeney. Tickets will be on sale on Tuesday nights.

To all of the Snow Birds, maybe next year I will join you.

Rudy Koenig
Grand Knight

EMERGENCY BLOOD DRIVE February 6, 2012 By Charles Barr

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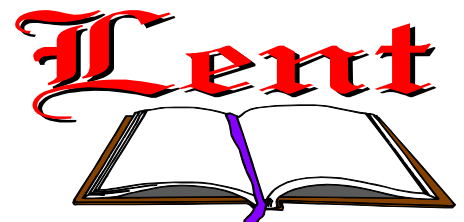
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- | | |
|---------|---------------------------------------------|
| Feb. 2 | Calender Meeting |
| 6 | Emergency Blood Drive |
| 11 | Memorare's 60th
Anniversary Dinner Dance |
| Mar. 23 | Knighthood (Third)
Degree at Memorare |

All events are detailed in this issue.
Consult Council Calendar on page 3.
for the full schedule.



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(c) serving until June, 2012

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Squirettes meet 3rd Monday of each month for Catholic Girls Ages 11-17

**HEARD 'ROUND
MEMORARE**

By Mike Bonagura

E-mail: editor3476@aol.com

Well, we came through the Christmas season unscathed, I hope and are now entering the winter doldrums. As of this writing, January 10, I am in the process of taking down all the Christmas decorations both indoor and outdoor, glad the weather has cooperated and is warm for this activity. In a short time, the Easter decorations will appear since Easter is on April 8. The seasons do fly by.

As our last issue, December/January, had gone to press, Memorare learned of the passing of one of its past hard workers, Bro. Carmine Barbarella. If you joined the Council in the last 10 to 15 years, his name would not be familiar to you but for all other members before that time, Carmine was very active. He was instrumental in starting the Vocation Assistance Breakfast to financially assist seminarians whom Memorare sponsors on their journey to Holy Priesthood. The first breakfast was held on July 16, 1985 with Carmine as Co-Chairman with the late PGK Carl Pira as Chairman. He continued in that capacity until 1995 when he retired and turned the job over to our current Chairman, John Kaley. May Carmine rest in Christ's Heavently Peace.

Another member is leaving us and moving south is Bro. Dan Visnauskas. Dan recently lost his beloved wife, Sis. Col. Anne, who herself had been active in the Columbiettes having served 2 terms as President. She had been inactive the past few years due to health reasons. Dan was running our 50/50 raffle at our meetings (and also the Retired Knights) and collecting pennies and other monetary values for the St. Jude Children's Hospital. Our thanks to Dan for a remarkable job. Dan's replacement will be PGK Ray O'Regan who will collect for St. Jude. As of this writing, I do not know who will run the 50/50 raffle.

Can't leave without wishing my daughter in law, Anna, Bro. Michael's wife, a happy birthday on February 1 and to my daughter, Linda, a happy birthday on February 2. Wow, a back to backer. In March, my granddaughter, Jaclyn, Bro. Michael's daughter, will celebrate her birthday on the 27th.

I'll leave now with this Lenten thought, "Lord Jesus, grant me the grace of Lenten perseverance."

COLUMBIETTE NEWS

By Joanne Verderosa

We started the year off with sad news of the passing of our Past President Anne Visnauskas. Anne was a active member for many years and held two terms as President. She will be missed. Our prayers are with husband Danny and her family.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday Febuary 8th at 7:30PM If you have not paid your dues you must do so at this meeting. Dues are \$20.00. If you cannot make the meeting you can mail a check to the council address attention to Nancy Black and make sure to include a self-addressed envelope and your card will be mailed back to you. March meeting will be on March 14th at 7:30PM. Also in March we will have our Communion Supper to remember those who have passed away this year. The mass will be held at 2:00 PM followed by dinner. Marge Savarese is the chairlady you can call her at 516-798-7269. Tickets will be \$ 20.00 per person. Tickets will also be sold at the meeting. Remeber to bring your nickles for Nuns and pennies for the Seminarians to be collected at all the meetings.

CALENDAR MEETING

Deputy Grand Knight Robert Wahl will hold a Calendar Meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2012, at 7 PM in the MEMBERS LOUNGE for the purpose of scheduling event dates for 2012-2013 for the various Clubs, Committees and Columbiettes for use of the CATHEDRAL ROOM.

Any Club, Committee and Columbiettes are invited to this meeting to select and secure the dates you want.

Remember, this meeting is ONLY for dates for the CATHEDRAL ROOM.

CHAPLINS CORNER

The Christmas season which we celebrated not long ago was for many people also a celebration of family. As in years past, people travelled far and wide to be with family members and to celebrate their family traditions. And yet, for millions of Americans, the family celebration of Christmas has become more and more difficult to accomplish.

I am not referring to our recent economic difficulties which have afflicted so many families but rather to the increasing tendency of retail stores to require their employees to work more and more hours during holiday times and sometimes even through a holiday like Thanksgiving. Unfortunately, this trend is simply one aspect of the abandonment by our society of Sunday as a day of rest as department stores, banks, and other retail outlets remain open seven days a week.

It is understandable that there are some people, either because of the nature of their job or because of the lack of other options, who must work on Sunday, but what has happened to the social consciousness of the business owners and the employers? Why have they not pressured governments or their business associations -to unite in closing their businesses on Sunday so that all families might enjoy a day of rest together?

Those who say that work on Sunday is inevitable should look abroad where many countries still observe God's commandment to keep holy the Sabbath and rest. There is no doubt that working on the Sabbath had added to the decline in church attendance over the years. Along with organized sports, work and shopping on Sundays have led many people to conclude that they are just too busy to go to church. God has been squeezed out of their hectic schedule, and more and more children are being raised in families where church attendance is a very low priority. It is not hard to imagine that when these children grow older that this low priority objective will disappear entirely.

It is worth noting that many of God's commandments ask us not to do something, whether that act be murder, theft, or lying. The third commandment, however, has both a positive and a negative aspect: to remember and keep holy the Sabbath and not to do any work on that day. In other words, God is telling us to do something special for him and for ourselves, it is such a simple and pleasant request. Why do we have such a hard time honoring it?

Fr. Robert Hayden

**COUNCIL CALENDAR
FEBRUARY/MARCH, 2012
HAPPY 60th ANNIVERSARY**

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| <p>Feb. 1 Council Meeting.....8 PM
 2 Calendar Meeting.....7 PM
 Ladies Night.....7:30 PM
 6 Emergency Blood
 Drive..3:30 PM to 8:30 PM
 Retired Knights
 Meeting.....12:30 PM
 Columbiette Officers
 Meeting.....7:30 PM
 8 Columbiette
 Meeting.....7:30 PM
 9 Foundation
 Meeting7:30 PM
 11 Memorare's 60th Anniversary
 Dinner Dance
 Cocktail 1/2 Hour...7 PM
 14 Valentine's Day
 15 Council Meeting.....8 PM
 16 Ladies Night.....7:30 PM
 Admission (First) Degree at
 Joseph Lamb Council'
 Syosset
 17 Nassau Chapter Meeting at
 Memorare.....8 PM
 Honoring Nassau County
 Columbiettes
 20 President's Day
 Squirreltes Meeting...7:30 PM
 Fishing Club
 Meeting.....7:30 PM
 22 Ash Wednesday
 Beginning of Lent
 23 Yacht Club Meeting.7:30 PM
 Pro-Life Committee
 Meeting.....6 PM
 27 Board of Directors
 Meeting.....7:30 PM
 29 Padre Pio Assembly Meeting
 at Memorare.....8 PM</p> | <p>Mar. 1 Ladies Night.....7:30 PM
 5 Retired Knights
 Meeting.....12:30 PM
 Officers and Surge Program
 Meeting.....7:30 PM
 7 Council Meeting.....8 PM
 11 Daylight Savings Time Begins
 17 St. Patrick's Day
 19 St. Joseph's Day
 Squirette Meeting....7:30 PM
 Fishing Club
 Meeting.....7:30 PM
 21 Council Meeting.....8 PM
 23 Knighthood (Third) Degree
 at Memorare.....8 PM
 Columbian Room Closed
 to ALL except Third
 Degree Members
 26 Annunciation of Our Lord
 Board of Directors
 Meeting.....7:30PM
 28 Padre Pio Assembly Meeting
 Council TBD,.....8 PM
 29 Yacht Club
 Meeting.....7:30 PM</p> |
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Prayer to the Blessed Virgin
(Never known to fail)

Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me & show me herein, you are my mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven & Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh show me herein you are my mother. Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you. (3x) Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands. (3x) Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive & forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. You must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the result may be granted. This prayer will always be printed in the Memogram to satisfy your obligation to have it published if your request was granted. You need do nothing further.

FRATERNAL NEWS

BROTHER KNIGHTS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY

Bro. Eugene Bree, Bro. Vincent Dioguardi
RELATIVES OF BROTHER KNIGHTS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY

Irene Rafferty, sister of Sis. Col. Janet Rafferty and sister in law of PGK George Rafferty; Sis. Col. Anne Visnauskas, PP, wife of Bro. Dan Visnauskas; Sis, Col. Mary Ruhnaw, mother of dec. Sis. Col. Carol Horigan, PP and mother in law of dec. Bro. John Horigan
BROTHER KNIGHTS WHO ARE SICK AND IN DISTRESS

GK Rudy Koenig, Leo Tricarico, Carlo Ruggierio, John Carbone, Ron Plant, Peter Montalbano, Drew Cole, Frank Holdampf, Bill Schwarz, Tom Malinowski, Bob Zontini, Ed Montalvo, PGK Joe Maurici, Art McQuillan, PGK, PFN, FDD, Larry Zontini, PGK.

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Sis. Col. Joan Locke, wife of PGK Richard Locke; Alan Meyer, son of Bro. Gene Meyer; Lucille Meyer, wife of Bro. Gene Meyer; Linda Marchia, wife of PGK Joe Marchia; Susan Vivona, wife of PGK Pat Vivona; Diane Melkun, sister of OG Joe Scarpa; Arthur Malangone, brother of PGK Alan Malangone; Janet Mullen, wife of Bro. Tom Mullen

2011 C&B DRIVE

Memorare Council completed a successful C&B Drive for 2011.

The Council came in First Place in Nassau County and Third Place in New York State.

Memorare congratulates and thanks Warden John Kopp for this tremendous effort and a special thank you to all those who participated and sold books with a special thanks to those members who manned the table at Zorn's during Thanksgiving week.

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HONORED MEMBERS

Memorare Council congratulates the following members upon reaching their respective plateau in the Order:

HONORARY LIFE

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Vincent Profera

HONORARY

John D. Hajko
Joseph A. Contorno

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FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

By PFN Augie Savarese

At our January meeting, we elected 4 members from the floor to serve on the Assembly's Nominating Committee for the 2012-2013 Columbian Year. Interviews for Officers will be held in early February. Please consider becoming an Officer.

To the new members of the Knights of Columbus, if you make your Third Degree by March, you can make your Patriotic (Fourth) Degree in October, 2012. Do so and join an active Assembly.

Our next meeting will be on February 29 at Memorare at 8 PM. March will also be at Memorare.

Don't forget February 14 is Valentine's Day.

FALL 2011

BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

BrotherKnights
Sister Columbiettes:

On November 21, 2011, Memorare hosted its 4th blood drive for 2011 on behalf of the Long island Blood Services (LIBS). Over 100 donors turned out and we netted 86 pints. These gifts of life were distributed throughout the NY metropolitan area. We also collected food items for Memorare's food pantry. Thanks again to the Columbiettes for their donor telephone calls and administrative support at the drive. As usual the roast beef dinners and crumb cake desserts were delicious. The kitchen crew performed above and beyond as usual.

Special thanks to our Worthy Grand Knight Rudy Koenig for allowing us to serve our community once again. Also, thank you donors for sharing your time and gifts of life to those patients in area hospitals in their time of need.

Our next blood drive will be held on February 6, 2012. It's classified as an emergency blood drive due to the anticipated shrinkage of blood supply levels during the winter months.

Fraternally yours,
Charlie Barr

CHIPS FROM THE BOARD

By Mike Bonagura

There have been 2 Board of Director meetings since our last issue.

Meeting of November 28, 2011:

Co-Banquet Manager Greg Macerino stated that bookings should improve in the new year.

STEWARDS Chairman Jack Burns announced that the catering procedures were now in place.

BAR Chairman Ron Ade mentioned that everything was going smoothly. Grand Knight Rudy Koenig stated that the Columbian Room bookings were staying steady.

Meeting of December 19, 2011:

Co-Banquet Manager Greg Macerino stated that bookings for the Cathedral Room have picked up.

INSURANCE Chairman Bill Dondiego announced that the Club's insurance policies were renewed in December.

CFO Tom Moseman presented the Club's financial report for the month of September, 2011.

Next 2 Board meetings will be on Monday at 7:30 PM on February 27, 2012, and March 26, 2012.

NASSAU CHAPTER NEWS

The Nassau Chapter, Knights of Columbus, will hold its monthly meeting at Memorare Council on Friday, February 17, 2012, at 8 PM.

This meeting will honor all Columbiettes in Nassau County.

All Third Degree members in good standing are invited to attend this meeting.

PRO-LIFE

LIFE is our First Right without which NO OTHER rights exist.

If you know of a female who is pregnant and contemplating ending the pregnancy through abortion, the Long Island Coalition for Life has set up a hot line to counsel and guide the individual.

Call 1-631-243-0066; line is open 24/7.

FORGETFUL?

This elderly married couple goes to see a doctor who examines them and tells them that there is nothing wrong with them. The husband says that he forgets things. The doctor tells him that it is common with his age.

The next morning the husband tells his wife that he will make her breakfast of anything she wants. She tells him that she would like a bowl of ice cream with chocolate chips, syrup and whipped cream. He looks at her, says ok and proceeds to the kitchen.

He comes out of the kitchen with a plate of ham, eggs, hash brown potatoes and coffee. The wife tells him that he forgot the toast.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Bro. Guy Van Noy conducts a Defensive Driving Course periodically in the Columbian Room. If you are in need of this course which reduces part of your car insurance and removes points off your driving record, contact Guy at 516-735-0895 or PGK Alan Malangone at 516-622-8755.

When enough participants express interest, the next course will be set up.

Cost for the course is:

AARP Member - \$12

Non-AARP Member - \$14

REPORT ADDRESS OR PHONE CHANGES

It is extremely important for a member to report a change in his address to Financial Secretary Dennis Glander so as to continue receiving the Council mailings, Columbia magazine, etc.

Changes in phone numbers are also important so that the council can provide counselling on financial and insurance matters and for any emergency situations.

Dennis Glander, PGK
Financial Secretary - 384-2013

RETIRED KNIGHTS NEWS

By Nick Tirino, PGK

At our November 14 meeting, we welcomed back Roy Emanuel after a lengthy absence. Roy had a relapse and is in need of our prayers. Roy and his wife, Rose, celebrated 61 years of marriage on November 26.

Coffee and cake was served at this meeting. The Retired Knights donated \$100 to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at their November 21 meeting. We also welcomed back Bro. Frank Vereline after his medical procedure.

At our November 28 meeting, Bro. Charles O'Rourke brought his oranges and grapefruit from Florida. He also was a winner in our raffle.

President Ron Ade lite the Christmas tree in the Columbian Room in December and Bro. Sal Canzoneri had an article published in the Columbia Magazine. Please be sure to read it.

Bro. Bob Buchius' daughter, Michelle, is a Surgical Resident at York Hospital and was published in the American Medical Association Journal.

Charlie gets his revenge. Bro. Charles Schmitt exacted revenge on Bro. Al Monihan. Bro. Al had a 4 queens only to lose to Bro. Charles' straight flush.

Our Annual Christmas Party was held on December 8. Due to the work load of Bro. John Brennan and his wife, Jean, it was a beautiful affair. Everyone had a good time. It was attended by 101 people. Thanks again to Bro. John and Jean. Looking forward to next year's Party.

Our Christmas luncheon was held on December 12. Usual fare of heroes, salads, cake and an open bar. A good time was had by all. Also our 50/50 drawing had an extra kick to it. 8 bottles of spirits were donated and the

members had CHOICE OF CASH OR SPIRITS. Net profit of \$47 was donated to St. Jude.

Bro. Charlie Kuchiewski, aka Charlie Money, shuffleboard team, will be a 58 year member of Memorare Council in February, 2012. Congratulations Charlie and may you have many more years as a member.

Our last meeting of December and our first meeting in January were Cancelled due to the holidays. Hope everyone enjoyed their holiday.

Last issue, I wrote that we welcomed Bro. John Gibbons. Correction his first name is Don. Sorry Don.

We mourn the loss of Columbiette Past President, Anne Visnaukas, wife of Bro. Dan. Anne was a devoted member of the Council and we will miss her. Bro. Dan is moving to South Carolina. We wish him well on his move. Bro. Dan was the Chairman for our St. Jude project. PGK Ray O'Regan has volunteered to continue with this important work. Thanks, Ray.

Also on January 6, the Council opened for the attendees of the funeral for AFT Agent, John Capano. Bar, restrooms were opened. All proceeds went to the family of John Capano.

As always, please pray for our sick and distressed.

SEMINARIAN DINNER

Memorare Council will sponsor its Annual Dinner for our seminarians whom the Council is financially assisting on their journey to the Holy Priesthood.

The dinner is scheduled for Thursday evening, April 19, 2012, at 7 PM.

The menu is 1/2 chicken, potato, vegetables, ice cream, beer, wine and soda.

The cost is \$15 per person and tickets will go on sale in February from Chairman John Kaley.

Music will be provided by Big Band.

MEMORARE'S ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Sunday, May 20, 2012, is the date for Memorare Council's Annual Communion Breakfast where the Council honors the Family of the Year and the Knight of the Year whose names will be revealed in the April *Memogram*.

The Breakfast will be held in the Cathedral Room immediately following the 9:15 a.m. Mass at St. William the Abbot Church. The Breakfast menu was not finalized at press time nor was the cost of tickets. This information will be available at the Council's March and April meetings.



PENNIES FOR ST. JUDE

Bring your pennies to any Council or Retired Knights meeting and give them to PGK Ray O'Regan who is collecting them and will make a donation later in the year to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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TREE OF LIFE

Memorare Charitable Foundation sponsors a Tree of Life which is a lovely way to remember your loved ones.

LEAF -- \$125

3 lines of 25 characters each including spaces

ACORN -- \$300

3 lines of 25 larger characters each including spaces

STONE -- \$500

5 lines of 25 larger characters each including spaces

To obtain forms and additional information, contact PGK Joe or Sister Columbiette Barbara Pace, Tree Coordinators, 516-731-3342.

CHILDREN ARE QUICK

Teacher: Millie, give me a sentence with "I".
 Millie: I is.
 Teacher: No, Millie, always say, "I am."
 Millie: All right. I am the ninth letter of the alphabet.

SAVE THOSE LABELS

Memorare Council is collecting *Campbell Soup* labels. Bring them to any Council meeting where Bro. Tom Gallagher will accept them.

**COUNCIL AND CLUB
 NOMINATING
 COMMITTEES**

Both Council and Club will appoint members to the respective Nominating Committees in March to select candidates for election in June - June 6 for Council Officers and June 20 for Club Directors.

The names of the members serving on these two committees will appear in the April *Memogram*.

Deadline for the slate of candidates from both Committees will be Wednesday, April 11, for publication in the May-June *Memogram*.

BELIEVE??

An atheist was going fishing in a lake in Switzerland. He took his equipment and boat out and was enjoying a few hours of peace and relaxation when all of a sudden from out of the lake came this hideous creature. The atheist saw this and began to shout, "Oh, God, save me." A voice came from above and said, "I thought you did not believe in me?" The atheist responded, "Until a minute ago, I did not believe in the Loch Ness monster either."

PRAYER

Venerable Michael J. McGivney (1852-90) Apostle to the Young, Protector of Christian Family Life and Founder of the Knights of Columbus,
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 (516) 826-5751

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Bob Wahl (516) 776-2767

Financial Secretary

Dennis Glander, PGK
 (516) 384-2013

Memorial Chairman

Richard Longo (631)-842-2275

PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE

Dear Brothers:

Our scheduled meeting on Friday, 12:30pm, January 6, 2012 needed to be rescheduled due to the funeral for the ATF policeman's funeral. The new date and time is February 23, 2012 at from 6:00 - 8:00pm. At the meeting we will discuss how you can get involved with our committee. There will be pizza and soda sponsored by the Pro-Life Committee so the cost to you is only your time. It is our hope that many of you will join us for the kick off of this newly reformed committee and see what we are all about. Please invite your wives and friends. Call 516 785-1937 and let us know if you will be attending.

Please reflect on the following quotes:

"Science teaches that human life begins at conception. If it is also true that it is affirmed by religion, it does not for that reason cease to be a strictly scientific truth, to be transformed into a religious opinion. He who denies that human life begins with conception does not need to contend with religion, but science. To deny this certainty of biology is not to express a lack of faith, but a lack of basic knowledge of human genetics, something that is even known by the general public."
 ~ Ecuadorian Federation of Societies of Gynecology and Obstetrics, April 17, 2008 ~

"All who are genuinely committed to the advancement of women can and must offer a woman or a girl who is pregnant, frightened, and alone a better alternative than the destruction of her own unborn child."
 ~ Mary Ann Glendon, Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, September 5, 1995 ~

Abortion is the most selfish and abhorrent crime committed by man for two reasons: (1) its victims are so innocent and defenseless, and (2) the crime is so terribly brutal. What's more, there is no more callous denial of God's Being than abortion. In abortion, man sets himself up as God to decide who shall live and who shall die. But man deserves no such power, for the simple reason that man does not create himself. To think otherwise is to deny God His true Being as the Author of Life.

~ Fr. Paul Marx, The Apostle of Life, p. XV

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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY THANK YOU

Wow! What a party we had this year for our children, grandchildren, family and friends. Thanks to all who attended making this such a joy for not only you but to all of us that worked on this party. We would like to thank our Grand Knight Rudy Koenig for giving us the privledge to be part of this special day. There are many people to thank and we hope we do not leave out anyone, but if we do please except our apology. We have to start with a committee of young ladies that worked for many months and nights getting all of the special gifts that were given to each child that attended Jackie Ferraro, Erin MaCleer, Kathleen Horan and Roe Ritter. Also a big thank you goes out to Lauren Ferraro, Molly Griffith, Samantha Ferraro, Erin Horan Angela Paton, Noelle McManus, Amanda Kane, Web and Lorain Paton along with Jackie, Erin, Kathleen and Roe as our decoration committee. Thank's to Santa's elfs Ana Campanaro and Nicole Campanaro for helping Santa with the taking of pictures and giving out the toys. A committee who is second to none of dedicated brother knights, sister columbiettes, squirettes, family and friends that devoted their time to making all of the activities flow smooth and easy. That committee consisted of Rich Locke Sr PGK, Mr. Santa himself Rich Locke Jr, John Campanaro PGK, Ben Vogt, Photographer Joe Ferraro, and Joe Marchia PGK. Our kitchen crew Mr. numbers himself Jimmy Miller, Guy Van Noy and Mike Alleva great job of keeping the children happy with all of the food. John Chester PGK and Augie Savarese PFN did an outstanding job controlling all the admissions at the door and to Billy Campanaro you once again look good in red. Special thanks go out to Don Teufel from East Meadow Bikes for his continuous generosity year after year, PLEASE if you need to purchase a bike remember Don and what he does for our council. To Bob Moulder and his daughter Katie thank

you for keeping the children jumping and for being such special and generous members of our council. Elaine Pira daughter of PGK Carl you once again did a tremendous job of making Santa Claus and the children look good with your camera. THANK YOU! To Albert and Marybeth Fusco their sons Albert and James and Laurie Locke for the great job of getting all of the pictures in the frames and the outstanding job of selling the raffle tickets. A Special thank you to Joanne Verderosa and her squirettes for their hard work every year serving the food and helping Santa. Thank You for helping us clean up to Joe Salemi, Matt Meule and the Guns and Hoses Group of Chip, Scott, and all of your friends and family, I never seen a room get cleaned so quick. Larry the Clown I hope you got the feeling back in your finger tips for all of the balloons you tied up, THANK YOU! Mike Whittey did a great job of serving and controlling all the food downstairs in the Columbian room and to Dennis Glander PGK as our bartender. Last but not least we have to thank for their generous donations Bill Law of Law Funeral Home, Oceanside Credit Union, Memorare Golf Club and Memorare Shuffleboard League. Well Christmas has come and gone and our party was a huge success and we look forward to seeing you all next year. Through our e-mail and memogram we will keep all of you up to date on next year's party date and times. Have a GREAT YEAR once again we apologize if we left off anyone's name out but know that we, all appreciate all of your help and time. With Great Appreciation, The Committee.



60th ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE

Memorare Council will celebrate the 60th Anniversary of its founding on Saturday, February 11, 2012, in the Cathedral Room.

A Deluxe Cocktail Hour will start at 7 PM with dinner served at approximately 9:30 PM with your choice of Chateau Briand or Poached Salmon complete with potatoes and vegetables, dessert, coffee, tea, decaf. An Open Bar will be available all evening. Music for your dancing pleasure will be provided by DJ Bob from 8 PM to Midnight.

General Chairman Sal DeAngelo, PGK, announces that the cost for the evening is \$37.50 per person and tickets were still available at press time from the following Co-Ticket Chairmen: John Campanaro, PGK, 796-0307, Alan Malangone, PGK, 935-4753, Harold Johnson, PGK, 795-5331, John Chester, PGK, 799-5640.

All Memorare Past Grand Knights are Co-Chairmen of this affair.

ATTENTION ALL MEMORARE CHAIRPERSONS

Meeting space is at a premium at Memorare, and the following rule is now in effect:

ANY COUNCIL OR COLUMBIETTE MEETING OR FUNCTION MUST BE CO-ORDINATED IN ADVANCE WITH GRAND KNIGHT RUDY KOENIG.

Remember, if your function does not appear in the Club's datebook, it does not exist.

SAVE THOSE TABS

Save those aluminum can tabs which are found on soda, juice, snack and pet food cans. They are valuable to Birthright.

Bring them to a Council meeting where Bro. John Kopp, 799-7223, or Bro. Jim Gallagher, c/o Schmitt Funeral Home, 785-3380, will collect them.

**MEMORARE
FISHING CLUB**

By Ed Ireland

Our Christmas Party was a success. Thanks to Ed Sweeney for purchasing the prizes and to Alice Miller for her interesting "Trivia" game. Thanks to all the chefs and their wives for making some delicious dishes. We had "Villaneuva Empanadas", "Majikas Smoked Halibut", "Miller Blackfish Salad", "Moulder Crumb Cake", "Mullen Pastries" and many more culinary delights.

I will list the new "Officers" in the next Memogram. We've been hearing that the size of "keeper" fluke may be lowered next year. Yeah! Hopefully the "cod fishermen" got some warm clothes as gifts for this season. I took my two granddaughters to the Memorare "Christmas Kiddie Party" and we all had a great time. Now that the weather is colder I've been dreaming of Marge Zontini's July trip to Hawaii. If Santa didn't bring you fishing tackle there are plenty of shows where you can load up on all sorts of goodies.

Our next meeting will be Mon. Feb. 20th at 7:30 PM

Quote—"Fish is supposed to be good for the brain, but fishing is even better for the imagination."

Quote—"If all the big fish that got away were in the sea, there wouldn't be any room for the water."

Quote—"A fisherman first lies in wait for a fish, and then lies in weight after landing it."

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MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

If you have this equipment for disposal, or are in need of such equipment, contact Bro. Jim Gallagher, at Schmitt Funeral Home, 785-3380.

SHUFFLEBOARD NEWS

By Chip Valentine

President Pauly G. asked me to write the Shuffle Board League Column for February. I agreed of course and then he said Mike Bonagura needed it in 12 hours. Thanks Mr. President.

First, I would like to wish all our league members and their families a happy and healthy new year. As of January 1, 2012 the league has 148 members. We had a few members not return after the first couple of games but they were replaced during the 2nd quarter keeping membership about the same as week one. We started the year with 31 teams and hopefully next season we can recruit one more team to fill the BLIND.

I would like to let you know that for the 2011/2012 season the league has made donations to Memorare Councils Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter Food Basket collections for the needy families in our area. The League has purchased 32 C & B's, one booklet to represent each team. The League also contributed to the Memorare Children's Christmas party.

The Shuffle Board Club, along with other Memorare Clubs made a donation for the purchase of a new hot dog machine to replace the missing one that someone has forgotten to return. (Maybe we will have a hot dog night.)

As of January 1, 2012 the League has had two successful Pizza/Bar nights and by the time you read this, hero night will be successful also. (I hope!) On January 24, 2012 along with hero night, PGK, FDD Dennis Glander continued his practice of celebrating his birthday (which is actually, January 18th) by providing beer, wine and soda for the league. Thanks Dennis and Happy Birthday!

The standings as of January 1, 2012 had two teams tied for 1st Place in the American League. The Sluggers and the Westies both with 11-3 records, 2nd Place also a tie with Joes Gang, The Eddie Bowers and the Team Nobody Can Beat with 9-5 record. The National League has 3 teams tied for 1st Place, The Bone Crushers, Celtics and The All Hands with an 11-3 record. The Ans are in 2'd place with a 10-4 record. The fight for Hanger Champ is tied with John Conlon from Joes Gang and Fred Schmitt Sr. from The Bone

Crushers. They both have 6 hangers for the season. Six members are in 2nd with 5 hangers.

Pauly G. did inform me as of the January 10 games, 3 teams are tied for last Place. The rookie team, Dantes Inferno, the veteran team, Wally and the PGKs and the BLIND. Don't let it get to you, everyone makes the playoffs. That's what they told Gun's -N- Hose's in 2009, 2010, and 2011 with our losing seasons. (Wow! I'm depressing myself with this.) Hang in there guys.

On a sadder note, the shuffle board league would like to extend our sympathy and prayers to Danny Visnauskas (Gods Miracles) and his family on the passing of his wife Anne Visnauskas.

The Board had wanted to announce the date of the Dinner/Dance in this issue but we were asked to move the original date for the good of the Council for an outside venue. We should have the date booked prior to you getting this issue of the Memogram and will make it public so you can mark it in your calendars.

Last I would like to thank the following group of guys for stepping up for the league and help refereeing during the past couple of weeks. It's made collecting dues much easier and also allowed the board members to visit with some of the members.

Augie Savarese, Pete Donnelly, Gene Meyer, Joe Marchia, Joe Salemi, Mall Meule, Frank Collins, Tom Inglese, John Brennan, Tom Gilmartin, Fred Schmitt Sr., Frank Veraline, Tom Quinn, John Kopp, Nick Tirino, Jack Burns, Richie Locke Jr., Steve Hurley, and the entire Gun's-N-Hose's team. A couple of the guys even came down on their bye night and refereed!!! Sorry if I missed anyone. Also, thanks to Joe Salemi for printing the new score cards for the league at no cost to the members. They will be put into use prior to this issue going to print.

Yes there is Shuffleboard on February 14 so don't forget to get that special someone flowers before you leave for your game. Happy Valentine's Day!



300 CLUB NEWS

Following are the latest winners in the Club weekly drawings:

Date	\$75	\$35
Nov. 22, 11	Florine Martin	Bill Law
Nov. 29	Dan & Anne Visnauskas	Sue Balaff
Dec. 6	Mary Pat Goggin	Sue Balaff
Dec. 13	George Smith	Aldo Orlandi
Dec. 20	Paul Petrowski	Guy Van Noy
Dec. 27	Joe D, Bill D, Ed O	Virgal Franko
Jan 3, 12	Augie Savarese, PFN	Talma Cama
Jan. 10	John Chester, PGK	Al Inglasio