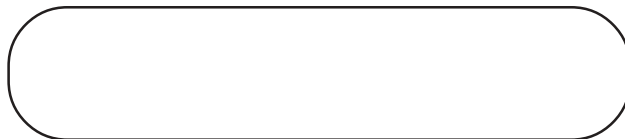


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

November started out as a slow month and then switched gears into high. I attended the Columbiettes First Degree, they have 8 new members. Good job Christine. We then had our Testimonial for PGK Alan Malingone. It was a very nice affair. Outside Guard Bob Moulder, our DJ, as usual did an outstanding job. Hats off to PGK's Joe Marchia & Pat Vivona for chairing, great job.

Our Memorial Mass was held on November 16th to honor our deceased brothers and sister Columbiettes. I would once again like to thank PGK Joe Marchia for all of the hard work that went into this very special evening. Also many thanks to Father Bob Hayden for celebrating the Mass. I would also like to thank all of my Officers for a job well done.

The Columbiettes hosted the Nassau Chapter Major Degree on November 17th. I was very happy to attend. It was very impressive.

On Sunday, December 4th, Padre Pio Assembly will hold their Annual Christmas Party and Testimonial for PFN John Savin. See PFN Augie Savarese for tickets.

On December 5th Memorare will light their newly planted Christmas Tree. Ralph & Kathy Schneider will be hosting. I hear they have some great ideas for this year's event. Come and see for yourself. There will be Hot Chocolate and Venison Stew served.

Our Council Christmas Party is on December 7th (members only). See Chancellor Larry Goggin for tickets.

The Children's Christmas Party is on December 11th. We will be selling raffles for a Large BBQ, an IPAD and other gifts. You do not have to be present to win. See PGK John Campanaro or any of the Past Grand Knights for tickets.

When I started this year I said I was going to keep the price down on the different affairs at Memorare. New Years Eve is going to be just \$65.00 pp. That will include a live band, cocktail

hour, dinner, open bar, noisemakers and hats. Tickets went on sale after the Memorial Mass. See PGK John Campanaro for tickets and seating.

The Memorare Club will be doing a fundraiser on January 19th. It will be 1/2 a Chicken Dinner. Tickets will be \$15.00 pp and you guessed it, see PGK John Campanaro for tickets.

And now mark your calendar for February 11 th. Memorare Council is celebrating 60 years of service. This event is being chaired by PGK Sal DeAngelo and all of the Past Grand Knights of Memorare.

May God Bless all of you for all the good work you do for Memorare.

On behalf of my family and all of the officers of Memorare Council, I wish you all A Blessed Merry CHRISTmas and a Happy & Healthy New Year.

Rudy Koenig
Grand Knight

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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|------|----|--|
| Dec. | 4 | Padre Pio Assembly
Christmas Party And
PFN Testimonial |
| | 5 | Council Tree Lighting |
| | 7 | Council Christmas Party |
| | 8 | Retired Knights
Christmas Party |
| | 11 | Children's Christmas Party |
| | 14 | Columbiette Christmas Party |
| | 15 | Ladies Club Christmas Party |
| | 19 | Fishing Club Christmas Party |
| | 31 | New Year's Eve Dinner Dance |
| Jan. | 19 | Club Chicken Dinner |
| | 22 | Pro-Life Mass |
| | 23 | March for Life |

All events are detailed in this issue.
Consult Council Calendar on page 3.



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**HEARD 'ROUND
MEMORARE**

By Mike Bonagura

E-mail: editor3476@aol.com

We're coming into the time when some of the the Memogram's Circulation team heads south with the birds for winter. In past years, this was a big problem but, unlike those years when additional help was needed, the decrease in the mailings to members has eliminated this problem and sufficient help is available to get us through the winter months. Therefore, I wish the snowbirds good voyage and enjoy the sun (you lucky dogs).

Before going I want to wish my grandson, Joseph, a happy 9th birthday on December 3. Nine more years to go and he'll replace me. Can't wait. And to his sister, Rafaela, a happy 6th birthday on December 18. Also to my son in law, Bro. John Campanaro, Jr., a happy ??? birthday on January 17. I'm going, I'm going.

I'll leave you with this thought, "Lord, Your birthday is also ours, for it is You who gave us life and joy." Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

CHILDREN ARE QUICK

Teacher: Glen, why do you always get so dirty?

Glen: Well, I'm a lot closer to the ground than you are.

SAVE THOSE LABELS

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

COLUMBIETTES

By Joanne Verderosa

Our December meeting will be on Wednesday December 14th. This will be our Christmas party. You must have a ticket for the party the tickets are \$ 10.00 each see Lisa Koenig. Remember we will also be collecting toys for tots and have the Marines there to pick up the toys. Nancy Black will be there before the meeting to collect dues. The dues are \$ 20.00. We do not have a meeting in January. You can mail your check made out to Memorare Columbiettes to the council attention to Nancy Black with a self-addressed envelope or you can pick up the card at the meeting in February. We will continue to collect nickles for Nuns and pennies for the Seminarians at all meetings.

Our next fund raiser will be another Shuffleboard night for Men & Women the admission will be \$ 5.00 and snacks will be served. The date will be Friday January 20, 2012 with a snow date of January 27, 2012.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday February 8, 2012.

President Christine Goggin and her board of officers wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

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CHAPLINS CORNER

As the holiday season approaches, I become more and more aware that these holidays mean different things to different people. For me the holidays are primarily holy days. Even Thanksgiving seems like a holy day when people gather at their local parishes to celebrate Thanksgiving Day Mass. This day is primarily a national holiday, but when we ask, "To whom should we give thanks most of all?" I hope that we answer, "God, the source of all blessings."

Christmas is a holy day by origin, but it has become for most people a holiday. Its religious meaning has been largely erased for the sake of commerce, and the traditional representations of Christmas — the manger, the Holy Family, the angels and the shepherds — are rarely seen outside of church. Christmas has become a "winter holiday." For many people the angels and shepherds in the field have been replaced by elves, and we find ourselves, for some odd reason, focusing on penguins and snowmen.

In a pluralistic society such as ours, public institutions must, of course, be careful to avoid favoring one religion over another, but the secularization of Christmas extends into the home as well. It is therefore from the home that the renewal of Christmas should begin. From the Advent wreath in the dining room to the nativity scene on the front lawn, we need to keep the religious meaning of Christmas before our eyes, lest we too forget.

The Season of Advent gives us time to prepare spiritually for Christmas and to discover where the true joy of this feast is to be found. When our priorities point to Christmas as a celebration of the birth of the Savior and when our gift-giving includes also those in need, then we are bringing joy to ourselves and to the world. May this holiday season be for you and your families a holy season indeed!

Fr. Robert Hayden

DOUBLE DOUBLE

This issue of the *Memogram* covers two months, December and January.

The NEXT issue of the *Memogram* will ALSO cover two months, February and March.

Eight (8) issues will be printed this Columbian Year.

**COUNCIL CALENDAR
DECEMBER, 2011/JANUARY 2012
PEACE ON EARTH**

- Dec. 1 Ladies Night.....7:30 PM
- 3 C&B Final Drawing
- 4 Padre Pio Assembly
Christmas Party and PFN
Testimonial at
Memorare....2 PM to 7 PM
- 5 Retired Knights
meeting....12:30 PM
Council Tree
Lighting.....7:30 PM
Officers and Surge Program
meeting.....8 PM
- 7 Council Christmas
Party....7:30 PM
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate
Conception
Holy day of Obligation
Retired Knights Christmas
Party.....2PM to 6:30PM
Foundation meeting..7:30 PM
- 11 Children’s Christmas
Party.....11:30 AM to 4 PM
- 12 Columbiette Officers
meeting.....7:30 PM
- 14 Columbiette
meeting.....7:30 PM
Christmas Party for
Columbiettes Only
- 15 Ladies night.....7:30 PM
- 17 Christmas Baskets assembly
and distribution.....9 AM
- 19 Fishing Club
meeting.....7:30 PM
Christmas Party
Squirette meeting.....7:30 PM
Board of Directors
meeting.....7:30 PM
- 21 Council meeting.....8 PM
- 24 Christmas Eve
Columbian Room closed
- 25 BIRTH OF CHRIST
Columbian Room closed
- 29 Yacht Club meeting..7:30 PM
- 31 New Year’s Eve Dinner
Dance
Cocktail Hour.....8 PM

- Jan. 1 Feast of Mary, Mother of
God
Columbian Room closed
- 3 Officers and Surge Program
meeting.....7:30 PM
- 4 Council meeting.....8 PM
- 5 Ladies night.....7:30 PM
- 9 Retired Knights
meeting.....12:30 PM
- 11 MEMOGRAM Deadline for
February/March issue
- 16 Squirette meeting....7:30 PM
- 18 Council meeting.....8 PM
Fishing Club
Meeting.....7:30PM
- 19 Club Chicken Dinner....7 PM
Ladies Night.....7:30 PM
- 22 Pro-Life Mass at St. Patrick’s
Cathedral, NYC..10:15 AM
- 23 March for Life in Washington,
DC
- 25 Padre Pio Assembly
meeting at Memorare..8 PM
- 26 Yacht club meeting...7:30 PM
- 30 Board of Directors
meeting.....7:30 PM



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SQUIRETTES

By: Joanne Verderosa

Why not start out the new year by becoming a counselor for the Squirettes We have many Columbiettes and I cannot believe we don't have anyone who would want to help. The Squirettes are always helping at council events and they also raise money on their own to donate to charities. We have one meeting a month Sept-June the third Monday of the month from 7:30-9:00 pm. and one or two events a month which are only 2-4 hours. You would not have to make every event.

Try to take turns as long as there are two counselors there. Come to a meeting see what-it-is

all about. Make a difference in a young girls life. Give me a call. 631-563-6487. Hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year !

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

PGK Alan Malangone is collecting non-perishable food items and monetary donations for Memorare's Christmas baskets.

The baskets will be assembled and distributed on Saturday, December 17, 2011, at 9 AM.

The basket collection is a joint venture of the Knights and Columbiettes of Memorare Council.

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.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE

The new year, 2012, will be welcomed at Memorare Council on December 31, 2011, with a Deluxe Cocktail Hour from 8 PM to 9 PM in the Cathedral Room.

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FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

By PFN Augie Savarese

We will be having our Christmas Party/Testimonial for PFN John Savin at Memorare on December 4 from 2 PM to 7 PM. If you receive this issue by December 3 either via mail or online and wish to attend call me, 798-7269.

There will be no Assembly meeting in December. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 25, 2012, at 8 PM at Memorare.

The Assembly wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

This article was written in the middle of November and for those new members taking their First, Second and Third Degrees in the next few months, you can take your Fourth Degree in October, 2012.

NASSAU CHAPTER NEWS

All Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes received a letter in July from the Nassau Chapter, Knights of Columbus, containing three chances for the Chapter's Charity Drive.

We ask you to return the chances with your donation of \$10 or whatever you desire.

The drawing will be on Friday, December 16, 2011, at the chapter's month meeting. You need not be present to win.

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.



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

CHIPS FROM THE BOARD

By Mike Bonagura

The Board's October 31 meeting started at 7:30 PM with prayers and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Club Secretary John Savin took the roll call of Directors and the minutes of the September 26 meeting was read and accepted.

Club President George Milligan discussed some of the past expenses incurred by the Club and stated that belt tightening had to be observed closely.

BANQUET MANAGER Greg Macerino stated that bookings for the Cathedral Room have improved and the Club's website is receiving more attention. Ed. Note: Why not consider the Cathedral Room for your next affair? You will not regret it.

STEWARD CHAIRMAN Jack Bums mentioned that the Club is In need of waiters and waitresses for the Cathedral Room and can use some one to handle the coatroom.

LIQUOR INVENTORY CHAIRMAN Augie Savarese has maintained the liquor inventory.

COLUMBIAN ROOM - Grand Knight Rudy Koenig announced that the bookings for the Columbian Room were going well.

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

FOOD AUDIT CHAIRMAN Jim Miller prepared his report for the month of October.

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE - Deputy Grand Knight Bob Wahl presented the Directors with some sample notices that are being prepared for distribution to the parishes.

Next 2 Board meetings will be on Monday, December 19, 2011 and January 30, 2012, both at 7:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 10 PM with prayers.

CATERING STAFF OPENINGS

Memorare Caterers is in need of Wait Staff (Waitresses and Waiters) to work in the Cathedral Room. Hat Check Staff is also needed for the Coatroom. Must be at least 17 years of age. If interested in any of these positions, call Steward Chairman Jack Burns, 221-6497.

Also in need are Bartenders to work in the Cathedral Room. If any member in good standing is interested, call Bar Chairman Ron Ade, 785-3476.

CLUB BY-LAW CHANGES

Revise Article VI Section 1 Concerning length of time a member can serve on the board to the following

"No Member of the board shall serve for more than 2 consecutive 3 year terms or a maximum of 8 consecutive years, if elected for a 1 or 2 year term. The member must wait 1 year before he can run for a position on the board, including positions created by a member not being able to serve his full term. The only exception to the number of consecutive years on the board would be the Grand Knight, who is on the board by virtue of his position.. After his term as grand night is up he has to be off the board as indicated above."

Add the following new by law

"If there is not a sufficient number of people appearing before the nominating committee to fill all of the vacancies on the board those who served on the nominating committee can run off the floor for a position on the Board once the committee has been dismissed."

Article VII Section "The least number of members in good standing at any general meeting for the purpose of transacting business shall be Fifty"

Change Fifty to Thirty Five

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



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Dec. 11, 2011

This year's Children's Christmas Party for our children, grandchildren, relatives and friends of a member will be held on Sunday December 11th in the Cathedral room. The price for adults and children will be \$12.00. Both child and adult in the Cathedral room will be required to purchase an admission bracelet, which will entitle each child or adult a lunch consisting of hot dogs, chicken nuggets and French fries.

Thanks to the efforts of our raffles that we are selling now and will continue to sell the day of the party we are able to put on a great Christmas party. Very special thanks go out to Don Tuffeil of East Meadow Bikes for his continued generosity year after year.

Our day will start at 11:30AM to 1PM sharp with each child having their picture taken with Santa; this will give us time to print each picture before the end of the party. Lunch will be served following picture taking along with clowns making all kinds of animals out of balloons. After lunch the children will be treated to a great magic show with the finishing touch of each child receiving a gift from Santa. Food along with a cash bar will be served downstairs in the Columbian Room for all adults who purchase an admission bracelet and cannot be brought upstairs to the Cathedral Room. If you have a group of 8-10 You can have a table reserved. Let us know at the time of purchase. NO ONE will be admitted without a bracelet.

Tickets will be sold in the Columbian Room on Tuesday evenings and at the Council meeting after our Memorial Mass on Nov. 16th. You can purchase your tickets from John Campanaro PGK, or Joe Marchia PGK. Any questions call Joe Marchia at 516 661-2073. Your total support will make this day a huge success. And remember it is a Christmas Tree and the season is Merry Christmas.

God Bless,
The Committee

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual Christmas Party of Memorare Council for its members Will take place on Wednesday, December 7, 2011, at 7:30 PM in the Cathedral Room.

Tickets are priced at \$15 per person and were still available at press time from Party Chairman Larry Goggin, 286-3000 or 579-3054.

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

The menu is roast pork, red potatoes, peas and carrots, cheese cake, coffee, tea, beer, wine and soda.

ADJ will play for your dancing pleasure.

If you want to receive a grab bag gift, bring one with a minimum cost of \$10 marked male or female.

Also, remember to bring an unwrapped baby gift for Birthright.



PENNIES FOR ST. JUDE

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

WAKE CALLS

In case of death, notify ANY OF the following IMMEDIATELY in order for a Wake Call to be issued:

Grand Knight

Rudy Koenig, PFN
(516) 826-5751

Deputy Grand Knight

Bob Wahl (516) 776-2767

Financial Secretary

Dennis Glander, PGK
(516) 384-2013

Memorial Chairman

Richard Longo (631)-842-2275

RETIRED KNIGHTS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Retired Knights of Memorare and their guests will enjoy their Annual Christmas Dinner Dance on Thursday, December 8, 2011, in the Cathedral Room from 2 PM to 6:30 PM.

Full details were printed in the November Memogram.

Cutoff date for purchase of tickets was in November.

PRO-LIFE MASS

The Annual Pro-Life Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City will be celebrated on Sunday, January 22, 2012, at 10:15 a.m.

Grand Knight Rudy Koenig is arranging for a bus to leave from Memorare for those who wish to attend the Mass.

If you are interested in attending, call Rudy at 826-5751.

The March for Life will be held on Monday, January 23, 2012, in Washington, DC.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

It's our Holy Season again, and we should keep it that way by greeting people with "Merry Christmas" instead of the secular greeting.

Use religious Christmas cards and the Madonna postage stamp.

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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

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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.

GOD BLESS THE GUIDE DOG

Many years ago, in the early '60's, Memorare decided to follow the theory of Vatican II which was for all Christians to join together. So Memorare joined forces with the Masonic Lodge of Bellmore to form a Mason-Knight Comraderie and they chose the "Guide Dog Foundation" as their prime charity. Cocktail parties and Mason-Knight dinners were held each year to raise money for the Foundation. These affairs alternated between Memorare Council and the Masonic Lodge in Bellmore for 25 years and over that period 5 guide dogs were adopted. The Masons seemed to have lost interest in this project and about 6 years ago, Memorare continued on its own. Our first dog was called "Pio" and after the check was presented to the Foundation's CEO, it was suggested that the members visit the facilities in Smithtown to get a first hand view of the happenings at the Foundation. At our first visit, we purchased a bench and placed a stone in an area now called "Memorare Park" in loving memory of deceased Sir Knight Don Gulli, PFN, who had a great hand in establishing this project for Memorare.

As our fund-raising progressed, more dogs have been purchased and all have been named after Saints. This must have pleased God because our fundraising trips and donations have been going well.

After "Pio" who was named after St. Padre Pio, the next one was called Mary but some members weren't sure about naming a dog after Our Blessed Mother but God must have been pleased because she was so perfect that they did not use her as a guide dog but as a breeder for future guide dogs. Next came "Jude" who turned out to be a little rough so she was used for law enforcement. The fourth dog was "Francis", patron saint of all animals. "Lucy" was our fifth dog named after St. Lucy, patron of the visual impaired. The sixth dog was "Bernadett" after St. Bernadett and the seventh dog was "Rocco" after St. Rocco, patron of the handicapped.

We are now coming into the year "2012" and the Foundation ran a "special" in honor of the 65th anniversary of its founding and we are lucky enough to adopt 6 dogs. When you consider it took 25 years to adopt 5 dogs it's quite an accomplishment for us to get 6 dogs in one year. It took the "special"

and a terrific amount of help for this to happen and it probably will not occur again.

We will be turning over \$20,000 to the Foundation for these dogs which will occur sometime in the spring at a presentation dinner the committee is currently in early planning stages. At this event, we will either have live or via photoes of the new dogs which are named "Ann", "Anthony", "Pat", "Augustine", "Grace", "Odelia" after St. Odelia patroness of the eyes.

We thank all those who made personal donations and there are many plus the Council Clubs who have also made many valued donations. Our thanks also goes to the many hard workers of our Council who have helped make this program a success. Memorare, by itself, has donated in excess of \$65,000.

Our trip upstate is our biggest fundraiser and we thank all who come and those who help on the weekend.

This year, unfortunately, our weekend was ruined by Hurricane Irene which caused some severe problem which the committee and the hotel worked out to the satisfaction of most. To those who were not satisfied, we apologize from the Grand Knight down. This was an event that was unforeseen and a creation of nature that put a big damper on a wonderful weekend that was planned. This situation should not minimize the wonderful things that Memorare and its members have done for the Guide Dog Foundation this and in past years.

Remember, all monies that go to the Foundation for training of the dogs, in fact, directly benefit's the visually handicapped, military veterans with severe injuries and physically disabled who receive the dogs.

All the giving is for helping our fellow men and women in need.

God Bless the Guide Dog.

Merry Christmas

PRAYER

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

PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE

Dear Brothers:

We would like to invite you to lunch on Friday, 12:30pm, January 6, 2012. This lunch will be 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:

The real question today...

"The real question today is not when human life begins, but, What is the value of human life? The abortionist who reassembles the arms and legs of a tiny baby to make sure all its parts have been torn from its mother's body can hardly doubt whether it is a human being. The real question for him and for all of us is whether that tiny human life has a God-given right to be protected by the law— the same right we have."

~ Ronald Reagan - Abortion and the Conscience of the Nation ~

Guilty?

"Guilty? Yes. No matter what the motive, love of ease, or a desire to save from suffering the unborn innocent, the woman is awfully guilty who commits the deed. It will burden her conscience in life, it will burden her soul in death; But oh, thrice guilty is he who drove her to the desperation which impelled her to the crime!"

~ Susan B. Anthony, The Revolution, July 8, 1869 ~

To be Catholic...

"To be Catholic means to be pro-life."
~ Bishop J. Peter Sartain, March for Life, Washington, D.C., January 22, 2010 ~

Become part of our committee, join us on Friday, 12:30pm, January 6, 2012.

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RETIRED KNIGHTS NEWS

Hope everybody had a busy Halloween with lots of little ones trick or treating! Our October 17 meeting was presided over by VP Brother Jack Burns. Meeting came in at just over 17 minutes. Not too bad.

Talk about tough luck. Brother Charlie Schmitt was dealt 3 four of a kind hands. Only thing is he lost 2 out of 3 of them. One hand was lost to Brother Al Monahan's straight flush and the other to Brother Al Poletti's 4 Jacks. All my years I have never seen that before.

Our October 24 meeting was our fall luncheon. Hero's, anti-pasta, assorted salads and fruits along with beer, wine and soda were served. Everyone had a great time. We also welcomed Brother John Gibbons as a new member. Welcome John.

At our November 7th meeting we welcomed back our health guru Brother John Faldetta. President Ron Ade informed the members that a check was presented to the Grand Knight for the Thanksgiving & Christmas baskets. We were all informed that Brother Don Christino has passed-a fixture behind the bar at Memorare and a true Knight. May he rest in peace.

Our Christmas party will be held on December 8th• Brother John Brennan & his wife Jean have put a great deal of effort into making it a great party. I am sure it will be a great time.

Belated anniversary wish to my son Richard and daughter in law Deirdre. 11 years on 11/11/11. Also a very special birthday wish to my wife Marie on December 12th.

We had 8 winners in the 50-50 drawing and after many weeks yours truly finally won one of them. Our winter luncheon will be held in the latter part of December. No dates have been set but keep your eyes & ears open.

All members who have not paid their yearly dues of \$10 please see Treasurer PGK Sal De Angelo.

I like to wish everyone a blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Please pray for our sick & distressed.

Fraternally ours,
Nick Tirino, PGK

SHUFFLEBOARD

By: Paul Gerasci

Hello, and welcome to the first and last news jotting of the 2011 shuffleboard league. By the next time you receive another update it will be 2012. Let me be the first to wish you a Happy New Year. We are already nine games in and we have some good parity across the board in each division. In the tightest division, the Western, only 4 games separate first from last place. In the northern division, Joes Gang, Sluggers and TTNCB are tied for first. A two way tie for second between The Hangovers and Shamrocks exists. It looks like the Blind is going to go winless. Wally and PGKs are challenging them for that last place spot (LOL) In the Eastern division I would like to welcome Dante's Inferno led by Captain Inferno himself Dante Castro-Redo, Jim Jennings, Kevin Hochbrueckner, Fred Cardino, Joe Pignataro, Mike Angerhauser. The Holy Men have a strong hold on first with the Gallows a very close second. In the southern division The Westies and Haydens Heros struggle to stay on top while the Hawks push to challenge for first.

For those who do not recognize the new board, Mike "Chip" Valentine is holding down the VP position for now until a successful assassination of me Pauly G. is made.(LOL). Sgt at arms Tom Koster, Tres. Dan Sheehan, Scott Coffman, John McLaughlin and Jeff Maier who handles all our high tech computer printouts as club standings and hanger leaders. Thank you to all members of the board for making this transition and the first 9 weeks go smoothly.

A special thanks to Joe Marchia, Augie Saverese, Tom Gilmarten, Jack Burns, Gene Meyer, Matt Meule opening up the boards and stepping up to ref. A special thanks to the members of Guns and Hoses for giving of most the night to ref, collect money and get me beer so I could collect dues. DUES. Remember when there due. Apparently NOT. The first two weeks of every quarter. Why. So someone does not have to sit at a table every week and collect. Refereeing. With the retirement of Mike Witty (who did an incredible job for years at the A board) Team captains need to have someone ready to ref at a moments notice to ref a game. IT IS NOT Guns and Hoses job to ref every game with Joe Marchia, Augie Saverese, Tom Gilmarten Gene Meyer and anyone else who thankfully stepped up to cover the games. ITS YOUR LEAGUE. The board will handle administrative responsibilities but we are also there to enjoy our night also. One night one team wanted me to ref, set up a board, collect dues and serve pizza. NOT. Step up!!!! Its your League.

Pizza Night for the new year is slated for Jan. 31 and Mar 13. I giggle when some ask when Hero Night is. Just to let you know Hero Night was possible cause Mike Aleve, Mike lannacone, Guns and Hoses and a few others Stepped Up. So by now we know the Spirit of my message. Other than that I love my new Tuesday night job and want to wish everyone a wonderful and joyous Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to you and your Family, Merry Christmas from Pauly G., Chip, and the Board.

SHUFFLEBOARD NIGHT FOR MEN & WOMEN

Friday January 20 2012

7:30 PM

Admission will be \$ 5.00

Snacks will be Served
and

There will be a Cash Bar.

Snow Date:

Friday January 27th 2012

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 COORDINATED IN ADVANCE WITH GRAND KNIGHT RUDY KOENIG WHO WILL CLEAR AND APPROVE THE DATE WITH S.K. EUGENE BREE.

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.

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.

THANKS FROM FRANK

I want to thank all my Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes who sent me prayers, Mass cards, get well wishes and phone calls during my recent illness.

Prayers definitely do work and God does respond.

Again, thanks to all for your concern and I am now feeling quite well.

Frank Vereline

2011 C&B DRIVE

The C&B Drive for 2011 will conclude on Saturday, December 3, 2011, with the Grand Prize drawings.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

The annual lighting of the Council Christmas Tree will be on Monday, December 5, 2011, at 7:30 PM.

There will be the singing of traditional Christmas carols. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served in the Columbian Room under the auspice of Bro. Ralph Schneider.

Bring your entire family down and begin to celebrate the joyous season of Christmas.

This event is gratis to all attending.

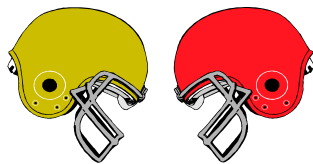
LADIES CLUB

The Ladies Club will meet on Thursday, December 1, at 7:30 p.m. for games and cards.

On Thursday, December 15, the Club will have its Christmas Party at 7:30 p.m. All who attend are asked to bring snacks.

In January, the games and cards nights will be on Thursday, January 5th, and Thursday, January 19th both at 7:30 p.m.

Any questions, call Mary Pat Goggin at 579-3054.



MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

The schedule for December:

Dec. 5 San Diego at Jacksonville

12 St. Louis at Seattle

19 Pittsburgh at San Francisco

26 Atlanta at New Orleans

All games start at 8:30 PM.

Visit the Columbian Room and enjoy.

MEMORARE FISHING CLUB

By Ed Ireland

It's been a tough fishing season when the best days are yesterday and tomorrow. Four of us went fishing on the "Superhawk" in Pt. Lookout and Tom McHale, Bill Brust and Ken ladarola caught some nice sea bass and small codfish. Gene Meyer went on Dennis Glander's boat and they brought home some nice blackfish fillets. Jim Miller and Eddie Sweeney were still catching blackfish in the bay in the middle of November. Most of the members are putting their boats in drydock and are looking forward to the upcoming boat and tackle shows. Thanks to Steve Hurley whose term as president of our club is coming to an end. We don't know who his successor will be. A special thanks to Joanne Verderosa and the Squirettes for their well appreciated help at the Fall Fishing Festival.

Start preparing your favorite dish for our Christmas Party which will be in the Columbian Room on our next meeting night---Dec. 19th at 7:30 PM.

Quote—" Bragging may not bring happiness, but no man having caught a large fish goes home through an alley".

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!



300 CLUB NEWS

Following are the winners from October 18 through November 15:

Date	\$75	\$35
Oct. 18	Jim Murtha	Vinnie Accardi
		Pete Montalbano
Oct. 25	Harold Johnson, PGK	Louis Martin
Nov. 1	Tom Murtagh	Joe DeGregorio
Nov. 8	Peggy Henry	Pete Montalbano
Nov. 15	Ed Ottinger	Rose Ann Pettino



GOLF CLUB NEWS

Results of Sept. 26th Golf outing at Stonebridge:

<u>Gross</u>	<u>H'cap</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>Winner</u>
86	25	61	Bob Ilasi
90	27	63	John Campanaro
93	30	63	Guy Van Noy
103	37	66	Mike Witty
104	38	67	Rudy Koenig

Calloway system			
Member			
103	26	77	Don Katz
Guest			
84	11	73	Joe Connors

Closest to the pin, Hole 9 - Charlie Stanton, Hole 15 - Dick Carden
Longest drive - over 70- George O'Brien, under 70- Joe Gelderman

The 2011 Memorare Golf Champions:

- 203 - Dick Carden
- 204 - Bob Ilasi
- 205 - John Campanaro
- 205 - Vinny Maroldo
- 207 - Ed Glander



It was a good year. Lots of fun and laughs. Thanks for your support and participation.

Your golf committee.

The outing for October 31st was cancelled.