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## Upcoming Events at the K of C

### March

- 3 Monday 3rd Degree Meeting  
7:30 pm
- 5 Ash Wednesday
- 7 Friday Youth Dance 6:45 pm
- 13 Thursday Fundraiser Lenten  
Dinner 5 pm until 8 pm,  
4 Cheese Lasagna
- 17 Monday 3rd Degree Meeting  
**Cancelled**  
St. Patrick's Day
- 19 Wednesday Feast of St. Joseph  
Prayer Rally in Albany
- 23 Sunday 3rd Degree  
Exemplification 1:00 pm  
followed by Dinner
- 24 Monday 4th Degree Meeting

### April

- 4 Friday Youth Dance 6:45 pm
- 7 Monday 3rd Degree Meeting
- 12 Saturday Donnie Elvis Show
- 13 Palm Sunday
- 14 Monday 3rd Degree Meeting
- 18 Good Friday
- 20 Easter Sunday
- 26 Saturday 4th Degree  
Exemplification

**Bingo Every Wednesday  
at 7:00 pm**

Detailed "Upcoming Events"  
changes and additions at:  
[www.SaratogaKofC.org](http://www.SaratogaKofC.org)

## Grand Knight's Message

March Musings\_\_ Sitting at my computer is a good thing\_\_ sometimes. There are many things I can do while here. Some are activities that were impossible just a few short years ago. The technological advances are very helpful and time saving. I can research ( OK, look up) any topic or question imaginable. I am the often recipient of the directive "Google it." This newsletter would be (and has been in the years past) an enormous task for the folks who prepare articles for inclusion and to set up for the printer. Today, because of the computer, I have the opportunity to ramble on every month, push a key and off go the ramblings to Brother **Steve Chandler** to work his magic. Also Email is a great way to communicate with family and friends. We have ready access to our website: [www.saratogakofc.org](http://www.saratogakofc.org), thanks to Brother **Paul Sutherland** in which he presents everything about the our Council, Assembly, Order, our parishes and more. We can purchase things online from stores and suppliers that were out of reach. Our resources, savings, bills and calendars are managed in efficient ways. I know you use your electronic devices in many additional helpful ways too.

As I sit and muse, the snow is falling and accumulating. The temperature is dropping and gone below zero. Not much new in that area of life. The oil man comes by every three weeks and the price of his "liquid gold" has been rising steadily since November. I think of our many friends and fellow Knights who are in warmer climes for full year, or the winter season, or part thereof. I miss them and confess to a bit of envy\_\_ sometimes. The snow is truly beautiful and pristine. It's downy, whiteness covers the outcroppings we see in other seasons. I look upon the now invisible snow covered stone wall in the yard. It is, to me, magnificent in shape and structure. Yet, it has always brought to mind that it is a barrier built between the tended grassy area and the woods beyond. It provides an opportunity to consider the barriers I have built between me and those I cherish. The family members, friends, people I have yet to meet, and God at times too frequent. I am reminded that walls may inhibit me from being my very best. I'll BE moving on soon and I shall not take my wall with me. Looking out my long, winding driveway, it is usually cleared of snow and provides clear and safe passage to where I want and need to go in my daily life. That's why I still shovel snow, I guess.

March Musings\_\_ carry my mind to Ash Wednesday 3/5, Lent begins and my birthday, 3/7 Friday Pub Nights return to our lounge, 3/9 Daylight Saving time, 3/13 Fundraiser Dinner with **Chuck Lobosco**, the vernal equinox 3/21 (spring arrives), 3/23 3rd Degree Exemplification. It is a busy, wonderful month for us to prepare for Easter, celebrate the happenings in our lives and the path to salvation God provided for us, to "break bread" together. grow as Knights and share the expectancy of lilies and daffodils. These are times to work, pray and play together as respected friends with common goals. Lastly, watch and listen! The brooks and streams roll and bubble as the snows of this long, cold winter melt away...

**Steve Toussaint, GK**

## Financial Secretary's Report

Brothers:

Last week I sent out 54 second notices for the 2014 dues -- over 75% of the membership have paid their 2014 dues.

On Monday Feb. 17 we had 10 candidates make their first Degree -- THANK YOU to our degree team.

We are hosting a third degree exemplification -- the information is as follows:

Brothers:

February 18, 2014

Saratoga Springs Council #246 is hosting a 3rd Degree exemplification: Sunday, **March 23, 2013 50 Pine Road ,Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.**

Candidates should arrive at 1:00PM. Exemplification at 2:00PM. There will be a dinner following the degree. Dress code is jacket and tie for all.

Fees are:

Candidates - \$25. (\$15. for dinner, \$5. for degree team, \$5. for new 3rd Degree Medal)  
Members - \$15.00 for dinner

Dinner reservations for candidates, Brother Knights, and guests **closes on March 14, 2013.** Registration and dinner reservations should be sent to: Don Stevenson Sr. , FS Council #246 , [don.stevenson.sr@gmail.com](mailto:don.stevenson.sr@gmail.com). Email registrations and reservations are preferred so we can have an accurate count of candidates and guests.

Each council please provide council number, council address, and name of each candidate along with number of guests. All registrations information has to be received no later than **March 14, 2014.**

**Don Stevenson Sr.**, [don.stevenson.sr@gmail.com](mailto:don.stevenson.sr@gmail.com)  
Financial Secretary

### Prayers...

Please keep in your hearts and prayers the many Brother Knights and their family members who are ailing and recovering, also those from our council who have died.

## Columbian Report

I am happy to report that after suffering the vicissitudes of Winter Storm Pax, the Tar Heel State is back to normal. We have returned to the golf course and are perspiring mightily in 80 degree weather.

**Gus Ross** and **Joe Freshwater** are surely on the top of the list of most appreciated brothers for the sustained efforts in snow management for the 2014 season at 50 Pine Road. Mother Nature has been challenging everyone but they have kept her at bay. They have enabled us to continue all vital operations of the activities we host in our Council Home.

In my absence **Rick Schwartzbeck**, assisted by **Dave Tarity**, has been busy making bookings for a variety of events in the spring and early summer. Hopefully this will make up for the dearth of activity in the immediate post-Christmas season. We are grateful for the many brothers who have volunteered their time, talent and energy to ensure the success of our Bingo, Youth Dances and hall rentals by setting up, running, cleaning up, and in general, managing all things.

I look forward to getting back in the swing of things at the end of March.

Submitted by:

**Ken Davis**, President, Columbian Association

*Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism*

## Catholic Daughters of The America's



Court McLaughlin #422, Catholic Daughters of the America's, will hold their regular monthly meeting **Tuesday, March 4, 2014** at the K of C home at 6 PM. Members will be holding their annual Birthright Baby Shower and a representative from Birthright will be on hand to collect the items and accept the Court's annual monetary donation. Other items on the agenda include selection of a nominating committee for this spring's election of officers. New members are always welcome.

For additional information contact Regent **Eileen Tuohy** at 584-3472 or Vice Regent **Anne Senecal** at 885-0663.

Submitted by **Anne Senecal**, Vice Regent



## Chaplain's Message

On March 17 we remember and honor St. Patrick, the patron Saint of Ireland. There are many stories that have been told and written about St. Patrick. One of the best story tellers I ever knew was my Grandfather John Gaul, who was born in County Clare. When we were kids he kept us fascinated with all of his stories about Ireland, St. Patrick, leprechauns, shamrocks etc. Grandpa used to say that this is the one day of the year that everybody is Irish.

Also Ash Wednesday falls on March 5 this year. It is a day of fast and abstinence. Lent is the time of year when the Church asks us to take a good look at ourselves and to recognize what it is in our lives that is keeping us from being closer to God. Lent is a good time to go to confession which can help us get back on track. It would not only empower us with God's grace but it would certainly bring us closer to Him. I would suggest reading Psalm 51 before we go to confession. It is known as the psalm of mercy. *"Penance is the purifier of the soul."* St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

There are two other days in March which are of great importance to us. One is March 19 the solemnity of St. Joseph, the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster father of Jesus. The other is March 25 the solemnity of the Annunciation when Mary gave her "Fiat" to the Angel Gabriel: *"Be it done unto me according to your word"* Luke 1; 88

With the golf season rapidly coming upon us which could give us months of frustration: a question

Q. What is the easiest golf stroke?

A. The fourth putt.

—Deacon Bill Gaul, Chaplain



Our K of C Fundraiser for the month of March will be a special Lenten Dinner on Thursday, March 13 from 5 pm until 8 pm at our Council Home at 50 Pine Road. Brother **Chuck Lobosco** will prepare a delicious menu featuring his famous FOUR CHEESE LASAGNA and MINE-STRONE SOUP! Of course, a surprise dessert will be announced by **Papa Schwartzbeck** when

you "clean your plate". We are requesting donations as follows: Adults \$10, Seniors \$9, Children (under 12) \$7. You must also provide great conversation and give away lots of smiles throughout the dinner .



## Pro Life Corner

**Respect Life - "If We Want Peace, Let Us Defend Life"**

"Our human dignity is inseparable from the sacredness of life as the gift of the Creator. In God's plan, each person is unique and irreplaceable. A person comes into this world in a family, which is the first locus of humanization, and above all the first school of peace. To build peace, we need to look to the family, supporting it and facilitating its task, and in this way promoting an overall culture of life. The effectiveness of our commitment to peace depends on our understanding of human life. If we want peace, let us defend life!"

*(Pope Benedict XVI, Meeting with the Government of Lebanon, Sept. 15, 2012)*

Wendell Neugebauer

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### Public Event Announcements:

Please mail K of C event announcements for publication in local papers and church bulletins at least three weeks before the event,

to:

P.O. Box 3094, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866  
C/O Grand Knight

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Please submit items you wish to have published in the newsletter **NO LATER than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

Please provide **ALL** details.

(start/end time/date, who can attend, etc.)

While items may be delivered to **Grand Knight Stephen Toussaint**

at the council home,

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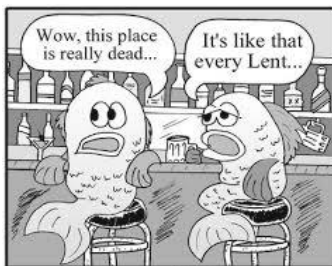
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## Youth Dance

The next youth dance will be held on Friday, Mar. 7. The dance will run from 6:45 — 9:45 p.m. Chaperons are asked to arrive at the K of C HOME at 6:15 p.m. We welcome all youth in grades 5-7 to attend. Admission is \$10.



[www.catholiccartoonblog.blogspot.com](http://www.catholiccartoonblog.blogspot.com)

Woohoo! Hey Everybody! **The Fabulous K of C Friday Night Pub is BACK!** Chef Bill and his merry band of Brothers are returning to the Lounge at 50 Pine Road and will be presenting for the PUBLIC mouthwatering, delicious fish and seafood temptations. We will serve on Fridays March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and April 4th from **5:00 pm until ALL ARE SERVED.**

**Fresh\_Fresh\_Fresh Haddock!** Fried or Baked Haddock Dinners!

Our #1 Seller\_Haddock Franchise w/ Angel Hair Pasta!

Fried Haddock Hero\_BIG!

Fried Seafood Platter\_Clams, Shrimp, Scallops!

All of the above have a choice of French Fries, Tossed Salad or Baked Potato.

Additionally, Pasta and Red Sauce available nightly along with Cole Slaw, Cheese Sauce, Chef made Soup and Dessert!

### SOME of YOUR FAVORITE SPECIALS WILL APPEAR FROM TIME to TIME

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