



# Knights of Columbus

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## Upcoming Events at the K of C

### April

- 4 Mon. Council Mtg 7:30 PM  
Rosary 6:30 PM
- 5 Tue. Catholic Daughters  
6:30 PM
- 18 Mon. Council Mtg 7:30 PM
- 21 Thu. Benefit Dinner  
4:30 - 7:00 PM
- 23 Sat. Donny Elvis Show
- 25 Mon. Assembly Mtg 7:30 PM

### May

- 2 Mon. Council Mtg 7:30 PM  
Rosary 6:30 PM
- 3 Tue. Catholic Daughters  
6:30 PM
- 14 Sat. May Crowning of Mary
- 16 Mon. Old Timers Night
- 19 Thu. Benefit Dinner
- 23 Mon. Assembly Mtg.  
7:30 PM

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

## Grand Knight's Message



It's April! This is the time golfers bringing the clubs out of the cellar to give them a good cleaning. I don't know about you but my game doesn't improve with cleaned up clubs. I still have the title of "sometimes hacker". But I still enjoy the game and the camaraderie.

On Sunday March 13 we hosted the Third Degree Exemplification. It was a huge success. Forty seven Knights gained full Knighthood of which five were from our Council. They were Daniel Mattrazzo, Alan A. Hills Jr. Alan A Hills III, Paul J. Gagnon, Edward J. Minahan and Roger Calkins. Kudos go to Joe Freddette and Frank Bunch for the wonderful turkey dinner that was served. Events like this can only go well when we have Knights who assist in all the necessary tasks needed to make it a success. Thanks go to everyone who had a part in it.

Keep in mind the importance of your participation in the fund raising raffle now in progress. Ticket sales are limited to Knights, CDA and family until May 15th. After May 15th sales open to the general public. A portion of the proceeds will be dedicated to the much needed treasury of the Third Degree.

The date for the Bishops Burse has been set for June 25th. The cost will be \$25.00 per person which of course it will include dinner. Invitations will be sent out to all councils.

A reminder that this months benefit dinner will be held on April 21 from 4:30 to 7:00pm. It will be a ham dinner with all the trimmings. The donation will be \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and veterans, children 6-12 \$6. The profits will be directed to our Council.

The chairmen of the nominating committees for next years officers are FN Rick Schwartzbeck for the PGK committee and Don Stevenson, Sr. for the floor committee.

We had an easy winter but we can still enjoy the coming beauty of Spring when everything blooms again.

God bless us all!

Vivat Jesus!

**Deacon Bill Gaul, Grand Knight**

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

## Columbian Report

We have had a good two months, through March 4 rentals are up 33% or \$ 3,100, due in part to our kitchen rental. Our regular hall rentals are up about \$700. Due to the outstanding efforts of Rick and Dave, we will have a very good March and April. They have booked many dates and have spent a lot of time showing our home to potential renters.

It is a little early to declare our lighting program a success but the numbers are heading in the right direction. We have had almost a month with our new lights and our current bill is 1127 compared with 1,756 (in 2015) 1,305 (in 2014) and 1,680 (in 2013).

Gus has been spending a lot of time doing maintenance and keeping our home in good shape. Last but not least Dick Grimm continues to keep a watchful eye on our financial.

**Ken Davis**, Columbian President

## Faithful Navigator's Report



At our February meeting, Director of the Homeless Veterans' Homes in Ballston Spa, Cheryl Perez thanked us for our support of the two homes in Ballston. Proceeds from the Thursday dinners, Christmas Gift Cards, and Joe Fredette's getting new beds donated have been greatly appreciated. She also outlined future goals for the local homes such as new furniture, on-going upgrades to the homes and pairing local industries and businesses with our local veterans.

A tentative committee and date has been set for the Veterans' Dinner Fundraiser. The date is October 1 with details to follow as soon as "snowbirds" return in April. Many hands will make light work and this is a good way to practice our Assembly's Principle of Patriotism. Also remember Flag Day Parade is June 11th.

May the Peace of the Lord be with you,

**Rick Schwartzbeck**, Faithful Navigator

## Prayers

Please keep in your hearts and prayers our Brother Knights and their family members who are ailing and recovering.

## Pro Life Corner



"On previous occasions we have warned of dangers to the right of privacy posed by governmental birth control programs; we have urged upon government a role of neutrality whereby it neither penalizes nor promotes birth control. Recent developments, however, show government rapidly abandoning any such role. Far from merely seeking to provide information in response to requests from the needy, government activities increasingly seek aggressively to persuade and even coerce the underprivileged to practice birth control. In this, government far exceeds its proper role. The citizen's right to decide without pressure is now threatened. Intimate details of personal, marital, and family life are suddenly becoming the province of government officials in programs of assistance to the poor. We decry this overreaching by government and assert again the inviolability of the right of human privacy."

- Statement Issued by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, November 14, 1966

**Wendell Neugebauer**

## Veterans Fundraiser

The 6th annual Veterans Fundraiser will be held at the Knights of Columbus home on October 1st. So far the committee consists of Tom Boehlert, Rick Schwartzbeck, Don DiBiase, Jack Whitney, Ken Davis, Dan Pemrick and Dave Tarity. If anyone else would like to volunteer your help would not only be appreciated, but needed. Contact Tom Boehlert for more information at 944-0402 or Ttbandsb@aol.com.

**Tom Boehlert**



## Chaplain's Message



April 4 is the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. This is when the Angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would be the Mother of God. The event takes place in Nazareth. She answered: "let it be done unto me according to thy word ." Luke 1, 38

At each meeting as part of our closing prayers, I include "Mother of Perpetual Help pray for us." In 1866 the icon of our Mother of Perpetual Help was found in the ruins of a destroyed church in France. It had been believed that it had been lost forever. Pope Pius IX gave the Redemptorists a specific mission to " make the miraculous icon known throughout the world". At every single Redemptorist church, seminary, school and retreat center in the world you will see a picture of that icon. St. Clements Church in Saratoga Springs is staffed by the members of the Redemptorist Order. A beautiful picture of Our Mother of Perpetual Help hangs on the side of the Sanctuary. This year is the 150th anniversary since the Redemptorists were entrusted with its care. Devotion to Mary, as the Mother of Perpetual Help, is a prominent part of their spiritual life.

" The desire for God is planted in every human heart but Mary with her maternal warmth is probably the easiest and most nonthreatening road back to the Father."

Father Philip Dabney, CSsR

Deacon Bill Gaul, Chaplain

### Catholic Daughters



Just a reminder that our Court is holding a Basket Raffle again this year. All of our Members will have a list of the baskets to be raffled together with tickets which are \$1.00 each or a book of 12 for \$10.00. So, if you happen to see one of our Members, ask to take a look at the list, you never know, you might end up a lucky winner!

We are also holding a Donny Elvis Show again on Saturday, April 23rd, doors will open at 5PM and the show will start at 6:30PM. Tickets are \$15.00 each. The proceeds from this show will be going to Mary's Haven and Gateway House of Peace, both of which are local organizations that help people with terminal illnesses. As always, Donny puts on a great show so come and enjoy an evening with friends and help support these two wonderful organizations.

A reminder that our meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month, September through June, at 6:30 PM, at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Our Court always welcomes new members or anyone who would just like to attend a meeting to find out what we are about. If anyone has questions regarding membership please call Eileen Tuohy, Membership Chairperson (584-3472) or me, Aileen Thomas, Regent

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**Grand Knight Bill Gaul**

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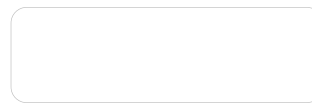
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