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Upcoming Events

October

7 Mon. Officers Installation
Dinner 5:30 PM
14 Mon. First Degree
18 Fri. Monthly Raffle Drawing
21 Mon. Council Meeting 7:30
25 Fri. Fish Fry 5:00 - 8:00 PM
28 Mon. 4th Degree Meeting
7:30 PM

November

4 Mon. Council Meeting 7:30
Rosary 6:30 PM
11 Mon. Memorial Mass @ St.
Mary's Church
15 Fri. Monthly Raffle Drawing
18 Mon. Second Degree
23 Sat. Catholic Daughters
100 year
25 Mon. 4th Degree Meeting
7:30 PM

BINGO every Wednesday 6:00

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

September was a great month for a council. We did our monthly raffle as well as a successful fish fry to close out the month. Our October is packed with many events. On Monday, October 7 we will be having our Installation of Officers Dinner prepared by Chef Joe. This is open to all members and their spouses. If you are planning attending please contact me at rspratt6@gmail.com or call me at 518-260-4402.

On Monday, October 14 we will be having a first degree. I am hoping to get great attendance from our members. We have some great candidates that will be joining our organization and I want them to feel welcome.

I want to thank Rick Schwartzback for all the work he has put in on our monthly drawings. We are getting a nice crowd for the drawings and that is great to see.

Lastly I want to talk about too big events coming up in November. On November 11 we will be having our memorial mass at St. Mary's Church. More details will be coming. Also in the month of November our Catholic daughters are going to be celebrating their one hundredth anniversary. They are having a mass on November 23 followed by a luncheon at the Knights. I will be forwarding you more details regarding this event.

Once again thank you for all each of you do for our organization. If you have any ideas thoughts or suggestions please feel free to contact me.

Rob Spratt
Grand Knight

Columbian News

The columbian association has new Treasurer, Chris Spratt who takes over from Dick Grimm. Dick has been the columbian treasury for the past 7 years. Dick brought strong organization skills and an understanding of the ins and out of our organization. Dick is responsible for the strong financial position that the Columbian currently enjoys, Rentals were a little slow over the summer but are picking up, we met our obligation in September which included besides day to day operating expenses. \$2120 for our liquor license and \$7000 real estate taxes. We need a strong push for our 10,000 raffle, please start selling the tickets now do not wait till the last minute.

Thanks,
Ken

Assembly Rollover Raffle

Our first rollover raffle was a success. We have to make a few tweaks this year, but all in all it went well. We made \$1150 for our scholarships and closed out our year with 3 first place winners from our council and Catholic Daughters. 2018- 2019 winners were Gina Ponnessa, Gus Ross, and Manny Ballestero with alternate winners at the close of the season: Dave Tarity, Frank Bunch, and Stan Drosky. The total payout was \$3175.

The mailbox and envelopes for this season are in the bar. Please try to pay by Wednesday October 16 for the next drawing on Friday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. Your chances of being the big winner are 1 in 472!! You can also pay \$60 for the whole year. Good luck!!

October Birthdays

George H Gasser
Mario Izzo
James H McVeigh
John M Murray
Michael J Lyons
Charles W Miskovsky
Joseph F Gecewicz Jr
Jason W Munafo
Richard E Snyder
Richard F Mullaney
David E Foster
Rev Udemba Simon
R Paul Sutherland
David L Kretzschmar
Jonathan M Kochendorfer
Raymond J Laura
Mark T Phillips
Edward N Reed
John C Trimmings
Ernest G Cusick
Jeffrey M Pawlick
Charles M Lobosco
Francis D Mc Cleneghen
Thomas Harvey
Patrick F Miller
Richard S Swantek
Robert H Hamlin
Dean R Heithoff
Joseph Verrigni

Pro-Life Corner

Our governor wants to bail out a non-profit agency that is refusing Title X funds. Not with money from his own pockets, but with taxpayer funds. The allegedly non-profit entity is Planned Parenthood (PP) that is classified as a 501c(3) charity.

Over 300,000 unborn Americans are killed surgically by PP each year and this is a very lucrative and profitable business. If the loose standards under which they gained their charitable tax exemption status were applied fairly, some very shady organizations would easily qualify. It seems that PP has some sort of diplomatic immunity because they provide the contraceptive pill, a group 1 carcinogen, as classified by the World Health Organization. Of course, Gov. Cuomo has an ingenious plan to raise money for his PP bailout. He wants to force New Yorkers to buy new license plates, which cost less than two dollars to make, for twenty-five dollars. This will be over and above the regular registration fee.

Wendell Neugebauer

“Unplanned” Movie

St. Mary’s of Ballston Spa will be showing the movie “Unplanned” at 6:30pm on Friday October 25th in the auditorium.

Online Resources

Supreme KofC: <https://www.kofc.org>

Council 246 Website: www.SaratogaKofC.com

Catholic Info Service: <https://www.kofc.org/un/en/cis/>

\$10,000 Raffle!

Your favorite number may still be available. \$100 a ticket. The drawing is December 14 at the Christmas Party. Only 250 tickets are available numbers 1-250. Let's support our council and Catholic Schools! Contact Rick Schwartzbeck at 518 893-7074 to reserve your favorite number. There are also some tickets available behind the bar.

CPR Training

We are looking at offering APR AED/ first aid training class in November. The class would run from 8-1. We will be posting, at the bar, the date of the event but wanted to let you know it is being offered.

Charity

Unity

Fraternity

Patriotism

Football Sunday's

Just a reminder every Sunday in October, our chef chuck Lobosco prepares food for the half time of the 1:00 games at the low price of \$5.00. Great food and the NFL ticket make for a great Sunday!



I just want to thank all those that volunteered as well as those that came for dinner on Friday September 27. It is not easy to pull off this event but once again, Joe, Frank and their team did an amazing job. We hold these fish fries every month and help before, during and after the event is always appreciated. I also want to thank our Spa Catholic volunteers as well as the youngest Miller.....a chip off the old block!



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Bingo

As you are aware, every Wednesday, we host Bingo and bell jar. These are two events that raise money for our council. We are looking for additional volunteers to assist. If you can donate a small portion of your time one Wednesday a month, it would make a huge difference. If you are able to assist or would like more information, please e-mail dhtaylor49@aim.com. – Dennis Taylor



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All Council #246 and Assembly #745 News will be distributed to our membership via email. This includes the monthly newsletter, and various bits of K of C news, notices, calendar changes, fundraiser reminders, etc.

Any member-provided news or updates can be sent to our entire membership by sending an email to the Grand Knight at: rspratt6@gmail.com.

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