

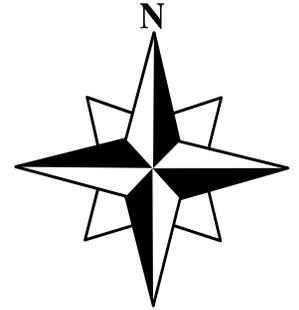


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Grand Knight's Message

(Columbian) Year in Review so-far....

As the 1st year of my duties as Grand Knight comes to a close I have some reflections on being in that role. First of all the job is not as hard as it seems to be because I have received excellent support from past Grand Knights especially Tom Friendschuh, Dave Uerz, and Joe Kozelsky as well as Trustee Dean Hamingson. My job and our council also benefits from an exceptional and dedicated team of officers.

Unfortunately we started off the year with a series of passing of some of our council family. We had five people pass within four weeks. It was a difficult time for our council. But our founding mission is to offer support to widows and orphans. So it is a necessary and important part of the job of being Grand Knight.

In October also we had our annual Religious Appreciation Dinner. This dinner is always a great event and the team that puts this dinner together always does a phenomenal job. It is very gratifying to not only interact with our religious community leaders but it also gives them an opportunity to interact with each other which they do not get a chance to do on a regular basis.

The FLDDSO Christmas Party is also an important event that our Council hosts. I was not able to attend it this year

and missed Santa and his elf. I know that the guests have a great time. Joe Dilal has done an outstanding job planning this event and the picnic over the years as well as managing C&B. Lest we forget, another December Blood Drive, chaired by Barney Quinlan.

As 2015 arrived the Charity Dinner committee shifted into high gear. Their hard work culminated in an \$8,000 donation to Mercy Bridges who provide tutoring in English for refugees. The Charity Dinner this month was the pinnacle of their work and was a wonderful themed event.

Additionally the annual Free-Throw competition happened this quarter. It was again chaired by Bob Keown and Mark Ludington. They did an excellent job as always planning and executing this activity which requires a lot of coordination not only within the Knights of Columbus but outside the council as well.

There are many other events and work that various dedicated members perform which enhance our council and I heartily thank them all. Thanks to the Succession Planning Committee all the officer's slots have detailed job descriptions and all the committee chairs and co-chairs have been identified. The succession planning committee has laid the foundation of leadership for the council for the next few years. Because of their efforts the job of Grand Knight has

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GK Column - Continued

become easier for which I am grateful.

As Spring finally comes we start our Spring clean-up activities including the WCC, Holy Trinity Cemetery, and North Ponds Park. I thank all the leaders of these activities for their continuing dedication in coordinating these projects.

The only area we struggle with is membership. Dan Scalzo has done an awesome job in bringing new members in. But we are basically a word-of-mouth organization and we need all our members to trumpet the benefits of being a Knight.

In May there will be officer nominations for the 2015-2016 Columbian year followed by elections in June. It has been a rewarding job being Grand Knight and I look forward to next year (unless I am voted out!).

Trinity Council Musings

As a fraternal organization founded to care for the widow and children of a deceased member, the Knights of Columbus wake service is an important part of who we are. Many arrangements must be made by the Grand Knight in a short period of time to pull it off. With that in mind, we thank our Council Chaplain, Father Paul Gitau, for assisting at a recent wake service on a Sunday afternoon... Father Gene Weiss, who so graciously celebrated Easter Sunday Mass at Hill Haven Nursing Home at the Council's behest, is a cousin of the late Robert Stein, PGK. Incidentally, the Easter lilies for the service were supplied by St. Joseph's Council, Penfield which sold them as a fundraiser. St. Joe's Deputy Grand Knight, Jim Hopper, delivered the plants right to our Chairman's door nattily attired in the infamous St. Joe's Council navy blue blazer... Speaking of Hill Haven, even world peace seemed achievable Easter Sunday. Mass attendees were treated to the inspirational sight of those Lenten Fish Fry combatants, Joe Bradbury and Dave McCoy, sitting side by side by the altar assisting Father Weiss.

While on the subject of the Lenten Fish Frys, we wish to acknowledge all of the brother Knights who anonymously donate their time and talents to their parish. We see examples of this all of the time. Snow-plowing. Widow installation. Garage deconstruction



Thursday, May 7th Dinner Meeting

Turkey Dinner with all of the Trimmings

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and reconstruction. And on and on.

Did we mention the December Red Cross Blood Drive in our roundup last month of recent Council activities? No? Uh, sorry Chairman Barney [Quinlan]... Best wishes to Council Recorder Jeff Kiser, PGK as he mends from shoulder surgery... The Diocese's Catholic Men's Conference will take place at St. John Fisher College on Saturday, May 16. Visit www.exultrochester.org to register or for more information... The New York State Council Knights of Columbus has invited Pope Francis to stop by the just-renovated Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville during his trip to New York City in September. Will he accept? Stay tuned...

Charity Dinner Observations. While delivering his remarks Charity Dinner Co-Chairman Ed Wynne was on his best behavior. That was no accident. When his grammar school principal at St. James, Sr. Edwina Weaver, RSM, heard that he was leading the Council's Mercy Bridges fund-raiser she decided she had better attend the Dinner with her fellow Sisters of Mercy to make sure Ed didn't attempt any of the hijinks he was noted for in his younger years.

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Trinity Council Musings - *Continued*

Too bad M.C. Dave McCoy's grammar school principal didn't attend too...

Kudos to whomever went through the trouble of folding the napkins in the shape of a nun's habit... We don't care how you do it, but if you were not at the Charity Dinner make sure you buy, borrow or steal (well, don't steal; the Sisters might not like that) a copy of the Program Book. It featured some unique ads the likes of which we may never see again...If you do business with any of the advertisers be sure you tell them that you saw their ad. The ad book was a splendid piece of work by Dave Uerz, PGK with a "special contribution" by our Editor. We cannot even begin to guess the number of hours that went into its preparation.

Memo to the Co-Chairmen: Next year please line up a volunteer gaffer to raise the house lights in the front of the North Hall for the after dinner presentations and remarks. It is not fair for the Working Press to be saddled (by default) with this important task in addition to their other responsibilities at the Dinner...It is recommended that someone from Table 3 be given that responsibility, as that table is near the light switches. We observed some Brother Knights at Table 3 this year with too much time on their hands -- and they were hardly sitting on their hands.

While on the subject of time, it has come to our attention that Grand Knight Steve Tedesco has moved. We all know what a time-consuming undertaking that is. That can only mean one of two things. Either he is delegating his G. K. workload to his officers like no other previous Grand Knight has ever done, or we are not giving him enough to do... Speaking of our GK, you should have seen the nifty catch Deputy Grand Knight McCoy made of the GK's script as it floated down from the lectern at the April General Membership Meeting.

Free Advice. Before entering the Webster Columbus Center next time make sure you look up...Ah, the merry month of May. That means the resumption of the monthly North Pond Cleanups, the first one on Monday, May 4 around 6. p.m. All you need to do is show up... Congratulations to all who have a child or grandchild graduating from college in May. Or any

other month this year, for that matter.

That's all for now, folks. Gotta go get our reservations in for the May 16th 200 Club Dinner. And don't forget the St. Rita's Fiesta May 29-30. A must see.

Trinity Council Aids

Sisters of Mercy's Literacy Mission

You have to concede one thing to the Sisters of Mercy of Rochester, and that is this: they really know how to celebrate. When they reached the milestone of one hundred fifty years of service to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester they did what came naturally to their educational instincts. They formed a new "Jubilee" ministry headed by Sister Nancy Whitley.

And that is how Mercy Bridges, devoted to helping those in our midst learn English as a second language, was born in 2006, causing another "celebration," Trinity Council's Forty-fifth Annual Charity Dinner, on April 18, 2015, a party of such enormity that it took not one, not two, but *three* Co-chairmen (in alphabetical order Bob McNeill, FS, Dave Uerz, PGK and Ed Wynne) and a virtual legion of Knights to pull it off. Over eighty people, including four members of the Sisters of Mercy, were on hand.

The evening's revelry was launched by, of all people, Father Richard Shatzel, who, in delivering his first-ever Charity Dinner Invocation, performed like the "old pro" he is. Not to be outdone, Master of Ceremonies Dave McCoy, DGK, was at his incisive best. Working feverishly to keep the crowd under control was maitre d' Joe Rizzo. Dick McHale, PGK, PFN lead the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. Omnipresent Deacon Rick Rall gave a fitting Benediction, which, along with the soothing strains of McQuaid Jesuit High School's Jazz Ensemble, sent everyone home in a mellow mood. And let's not forget Bud Shura who served up the libations.

Donations were raised through the sale of ads to Council members and supporters and Monroe and Wayne County businesses and professionals. Solicitors included Art Manning, Gene Verschneider, Dick McHale, PGK, WCC President Dave Samuelson,

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John	Carnevale	0507
Donald	Kaler	0507
David	Wirley	0507
Joseph	Kozelsky	0508
Edward	McGraw	0509
Robert	Lincoln	0510
John	Burns	0513
Gary	Damico	0513
Samuel	Defranco	0513
Eugene	VerSchneider	0514
Thomas	DiSalvo	0517
Kenneth	Heim	0517
Bernard	Quinn	0517
Dc. Andrew	Yarchuk	0517
Thomas	O'Connell	0519
Dc. Larry	Feasel	0520
Thomas	Wilson	0520
Robert	Polito	0521
Michael	Butler	0524
Donald	Fisher	0525
David	Uerz	0527
Michael	Amico	0528
John	Buzzelli	0528
Joseph	Rizzo	0529

Editor's Note: Many of you have asked to list the actual birthdates in in case you may wish to send a card. The Council database does contain most everyone's dates. If any information is in error, please contact Karl Steigerwald at 265-9396 or by e-mail at: kjsteig@aol.com

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Key Dates for upcoming activities

- 5/4 Monday, North Ponds Park Clean Up 6:30PM
- 5/7 Thursday, Dinner & Membership Meeting- WCC—6PM
- 5/15 Friday, Monthly Euchre Tournament- WCC—7PM
- 5/16 Saturday, WCC Clean Up Day- WCC—9AM
- 5/16 Saturday, 200 Club Dinner & Jackpot Drawing—6PM
- 5/20 Wednesday, Officer's Meeting- WCC—7PM
- 5/28 Thursday, WCC Board Meeting-7PM
- 6/4 Thursday, Dinner & Membership Meeting- WCC—6PM



North Ponds Park—Our work in the community
Clean Up Schedule
 Monday, May 4th, 6:30PM

Bob Leschhorn
 (585) 278-3685

**Thanks to May's
Lawn Rangers**



Marty Sondervan

Joe Dilal



Let us Pray: If you are aware of someone from our Council Family that should be on our prayer list, please contact Tom Schoenwetter at 265-2263.



For our Veterans, that we always remember those who have given their lives for our freedom and that we support our troops as they return home.

Prayer for our troops: Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. AMEN

For our Seminarians, that the Lord gives these men the strength to remain committed to answering God's call to serve Him and his people in a special way.

Our Council Brethren and family members and who are ill, under treatment or recovering.

Marilyn Bowman	Adeline McKenna (granddaughter of Neil)
Peter & Jackie Breidt	Ron McNinch
Stewart Coon (father of Stew)	Al Montante
Cindy Dole	Joe Nagel
Bob Dominik	Bev Neumann
Deacon Stan Douglas & Joanne	Family of Gary Nicastro
Susan Douglas-Doyle (daughter of Deacon Stan)	Richard O'Connor (father of John)
Russ Fernaays	Michael Pellittiere
Joe Frate	Mary Przysinda (sister of John Stebler)
Catherine Fremut (twin sister of Peter Breidt)	Michael Quinlan
Lori Freunds Schuh (sister of Tom Freunds Schuh)	Ann Rohnke
David Gilfoy (father of Dave Gilfoy)	Family of Tim Runyan
Richard Habes	Tammy Serio-Miller (daughter of Vic)
Carolyn Hafner	Art & Rita Schuth
Cindy Hoage (daughter of Bill & Carol Van Slyke)	Jim Senecal (brother of Don)
Gladys Hickey	John and Bernadette Stebler
Tom Hoffend	Karl Steigerwald
Ron Hosenfeld (Brother of Mile Hosenfeld)	Tom Sweeney
Helen Kester	Gertrude Swol
Walt Kowalski	James Thurston
Jack Kuebel	Carl and Ann Tiberio
Lana Leschhorn	Family of Gene VerSchneider
Donna Martin (daughter of Jean Chappell)	Sid Webster
	All Requests of the Trinity Council Prayer Chain

Father of goodness & love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our council, their families and friends, and for all those who are in need.

Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole, and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and join us in thanking you for all your gifts.

With Mary, we ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.



Ladies Auxiliary of Trinity Council



May Meeting:

May 11, 2015

P.E.T. Project
 Personal Energy Transportation
 Harold Files

Donations in April:

Water for Sudan
 P.E.T. Project

Special Prayers:

Kathy Uerz, Adam Winslow

Monthly Offering:

We will be collecting items for
 Hope House.

May Birthdays:

- 4th Dorothy Simpson
- 13th Karen Smith
- 20th Anita LaBelle
- 24th Mary Hyatt
- 24th Elaine Sutherland
- 25th Ronnie Zawacki
- 26th Debbie O'Connell



Dates to Remember:

Auxiliary Banquet – June 8th
 at Glendoveers

Dinner before May Meeting:

Please contact Donna Baumgartner by Saturday, 5/9, if you are interested in dinner – 5:30p at the Atlantic Restaurant.

Auxiliary Updates:

We received 7 responses from our Membership Survey. Thank you to those who completed the survey.

We will be pulling a group together to review the information collected, prioritize items and develop a plan we can begin to work on. Some of these issues related to increasing membership, possible changes to how we do things and ideas for different meeting programs/speakers.

As we get further into this process, we hope that you will join in these discussions to make our organization even better than it is now.

If you haven't completed the survey, please feel free to do so and turn it in to me.

May Board Meeting:

Note change of date and place

April 30th at 7 pm
 Karen Smith

Reminders: We are always looking for assistance with Bingo and Hill Haven. Please contact Kathy Uerz if you are willing to help out!

Donation Requests:

Please submit donation requests in writing to an Auxiliary Board Member before the next Board meeting for discussion and review. Please provide the name of the organization/ person for the donation and a brief description of their needs. Forms are available from the Auxiliary President.

Slate of Officers

For 2015-2016
 President: Linda Kozelsky
 Vice-President: Karen Smith
 Treasurer: Kathy Pritchett
 Secretary: Pat Obbie

President's Notes:

It is hard to believe we are almost at the end of another great year! Thank you all for your assistance. Please join us for our June Banquet. I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Mother's Day!
 Linda





340, 41, 11, 2, 28

What is this all about? It's about the Capital Fund Drive (CFD) for the WCC. Here's what's going on. WCC paid off the mortgage 4 years ago and had a major celebration. This culminated 25 years of hard work, scary moments and sacrifice by the members of 4618.

We thought we were done.

Guess what? We were wrong. There is more. Just like at home.

Here is an example of what happened at our house. I'm sure it happens to everyone in our position. After a long, long time, we paid off the mortgage. We were happy and thought we were on easy street. But, we were dreamers. Next, we had to replace the gutters, then the back patio door, then the garage door, then it needed painted. Now, it needs new shrubs. And this is just the outside. Aye, yi, yi! It just keeps going on and on. Evidently, you are NEVER, EVER done.

Same for WCC. We need things, we want things and we have to have things. Look around, you

can see some of our needs and envision some of our wants. For this reason, the latest Capital Fund Drive was initiated. A partial success. Here's the details.

We have approximately **340** members. There were **41** contributors, approximately 11 to 12 % of our membership. Of these 41, 3 are widows of former members. There were **11** one time contributions, and **2** others have paid in full. \$6935 has been received and \$8415 remains for **28** outstanding pledges, a certain portion of which, of course, will not be collected. Thus, if all pledged funds were received, then the Capital Fund Drive (CFD) would have raised \$15,350.

In the next column, we will talk about some of the WCC needs and wants. In the meantime, if you haven't done so already, please think about helping with this drive.

Next month we will present some exciting ideas for the WCC that architect Dave McLellan has presented. In the meantime about what YOU would like to see at the WCC, and how YOU would like it to look. This is YOUR building.

WCC Capital Fund Drive Committee

Council Brings Easter Joy To Hill Haven

The 2015 Trinity Council Easter Sunday Mass at Hill Haven Nursing Home brought joy to many of the residents there. That was made possible by Father Gene Weiss who celebrated the Mass and a small legion of Brother Knights and their families who helped out.

Fr. Weiss was supported by an all-star cast of altar servers: Deputy Grand Knight Dave McCoy, cantor Joe Bradbury, Jim Rousseau, PGK and Bob Keown, PGK. Assisting in other capacities were Andy Weidman, PGK; Pam Rousseau and Pam and Jim's grandsons, Matthew Kells and Jimmy Kells along with the Nicastros: Gary, Virginia and their daughters, Marisa and Rene. Not present but playing indispensable roles nonetheless were Barney Quinlan and Karl Steigerwald. Twenty-eight Hill Haven residents and their family members attended. An additional three residents/family members had the Eucharist brought to their rooms afterwards.



The Editor's two cents worth

A week prior to the Charity Dinner my wife Carol and I had the opportunity to attend a Sisters of Mercy Benefactors Mass and reception. A young lady who walked up to us to take our empty dishes was an immigrant who went through the program of Mercy Bridges, this year's Charity Dinner recipient. This young lady is now head of the cafeteria at Mercy High School. A job well done Trinity Council. Congratulations!



Annual Columbus Center Clean up

On Saturday, May 16th from 9 AM till 1 PM we will be working around the

Columbus Center to spruce up the grounds. Tree trimming, weed pulling and painting the outside block on the West Side of your building. We could use the help. Sign up at the next Council Meeting or contact Mike Donovan at 738-7883 or e-mail at mdonova1@rochester.rr.com

Thanks in Advance



The Knights of Columbus policy on replacing existing life insurance is as follows: *“The Order does not condone the practice of soliciting replacement insurance or using cash values or dividends of existing policies to finance new business. In most cases, replacement is not to the policyholder’s advantage.”*

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You purchased the life insurance you have for a reason – probably a very good reason. It is a good idea to hold onto that coverage. That doesn’t mean you have all the coverage you need or will ever need.

I’ll be happy to meet with you at your convenience and perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis for you and your family. My job is to determine any gaps in your existing coverage, and to help you to fill those gaps. It’s not to replace your existing coverage. Give me a call.

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200 club update

The bi-annual 200 Club dinner is scheduled for May 16th at the Webster Columbus Center. A 200 Club Membership is \$35 per ticket and entitles the holder to a dinner on the night of the Jackpot Drawing. There are 20 weekly drawings for \$35, \$20 and \$10 prior to the **Jackpot**. On the evening of the Jackpot Drawing, the following prizes are drawn: \$500, \$250, \$150, \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25. The 200 Club runs every 6 months. Enjoy the evening and win some money.

Contact any of the following Knights to join:

- Dave McLellan mclellanconsult@aol.com (585) 503-8598
- Dave Samuelson dsamuell@rochester.rr.com (585) 671-1039
- Mike Donovan mdonova1@rochester.rr.com (585) 738-7883

We are also in need of two volunteers to help us pull numbers for the weekly drawings at the monthly Council Meetings, let us know if you can help!



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Free Throw Update: Upstate Conference Regional and New York State Council Finals

By Robert Keown, PGK

The Upstate Conference Regional Final Free Throw round was held on Saturday February 28th at Bishop Grimes High School in East Syracuse. Trinity Council's entrant in the 14 year old Boys age category, Jacob Allen, made 15 of 25 shots that day but was bested by Matthew Ladieu-Reiblein of Council #6067, Morrisonville who made 5 more baskets.

When the dust settled the Finger Lakes Conference stood tall as four girls from our area won their age categories and advanced to the New York State Council Finals. They were:

Age	Name	City	Council	Score (out of 25)
9	Lily Funk	East Rochester	7085	16
10	Carly Scott	Elmira	229	21
11	Michaela Eichas	Hilton	7707	19
14	Annika Gates	West Henrietta	11411	22

Those of you who are avid fans of the Free Throw program might recognize a familiar name. Michaela Eichas. Michelle, who last year won the Girls' 10 Year State Title, is the daughter of Tyler and Kim Eichas. Tyler is a gym teacher over at Plank Road South Elementary School here in Webster and a big promoter of our Knights of Columbus Free Throw Program.

The New York State Council Finals were held on Sunday April 12th at the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. Although it was the first time in several years that Trinity Council did not have an entrant in the Finals I am pleased to report that the Finger Lakes Conference had THREE State Champions this year! They are: 10 year old Girls: Carly Scott (18 of 25); 11 year old Girls: Michaela Eichas (18 of 25 – 2nd straight State Title: and 14 year old Girls: Annika Gates (19 of 25).

State Chairman Rich Sheffer and Cadet David Chacko conducted another wonderfully successful State Council Finals competition. On behalf of Trinity Council I want to extend our thanks to them as well as the Cadets (and fellow Knights from the College Council) at The United States Military Academy in West Point, New York for their outstanding and continuous dedication to hosting the New York State Council Finals each year.



Admiring their check from Trinity Council's Charity Dinner Proceeds are Sisters Delores Stein and Katherine Ann Rapp, RSM.



Those at the top of the Charity Dinner this year, Co-Chairmen, Bob McNeill, Ed Wynne, GK Steve Tedesco and PGK Dave Uerz, stand with Sisters Delores Stein and Katherine Ann Rapp, RSM.



Enjoying this year's Charity Dinner and saying "take my picture please" are (sitting) Julie Steinhilber along with her brother David Stein. Standing are maître d' Joe Rizzo with event co-chairman Bob McNeill.

Photos by Bob Leschhorn and Carl Vandewinckle.



Trinity Council Aids

Sisters of Mercy's Literacy Mission

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Karl Steigerwald, Dean Hamingson, Joe Kozelsky, PGK, Dave McCoy, Bud Shura, Stew Coon, Tom Dole, FN, Jeff Kiser, PGK, Barney Quinlan, Bob Leschhorn, Andy Weidman, PGK and rookies Mike Donovan and Joe Bradbury. Leading by example, Grand Knight Steve Tedesco also pounded the pavement.

Through the support of the business community and the generosity of our members and supporters \$8,000,00 was raised for Mercy Bridges, including a sizeable donation from Trinity Council. Mercy Bridges Co-Directors Sister Dolores Ann Stein and Sister Katherine Ann Rappl, no strangers to Trinity Council, accepted the check on behalf of the recipient from Tedesco, Wynne, Uerz and McNeill. "Good job, boys!" Sister Dolores exclaimed as she thanked the Council for continuing to be a part of her life.

Sister Dolores Ann Stein also made known that Mercy Bridges is always looking for volunteers to help tutor its clients on a weekly basis for a year. The waiting list of potential clients presently numbers fourteen.

Special thanks to those who set up the WCC for the Dinner. They were: Uerz, McNeill, Rizzo, Wynne, Leschhorn and Pat Iulianello. While deadline pressures kept us from lingering long afterwards, we did, out of the corner of our eye on the way out the door, observe Karl Steigerwald and Dick Jester stacking chairs and gathering the linen.

Last but no least we salute the Super Bowl Sunday crew who dispatched the solicitations, the Brother Knights who stayed after the March General Membership Meeting to prepare the invitations and Uerz and Steigerwald for the mailings.

All in all, a great night for a good cause. We should justifiably be proud of what we, collectively, accomplished as a Council.



Seen at this year's Charity Dinner was Ed Wynne apologizing to Sr. Edwinde Weaver, RSM, for his many shenanigans while he attended grammar school where Sr. Weaver was principle. BUSTED!



I wanted to put him on detention for a year, exclaims Sr. Edwinde Weaver, RSM, to Ed's wife, Carol after Co-chairman Wynne spoke at the Charity Dinner.



When in doubt, Deacon Rick is in the house!

Photos by Bob Leschhorn and Carl Vandewinckle.



Bishops Burse and Third Degree Exemplification

By Robert Keown, PGK

Knights and Ladies from all over the Finger Lakes Chapter area gathered on Saturday March 21st at St. Jude the Apostle Church for the Annual Bishops Burse Dinner and accompanying Third Degree Exemplification. The central theme for the day was the motto of our order, "in solidarity with our priests."

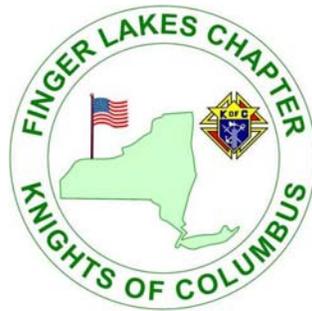
The Noon Third Degree Exemplification brought several Brothers into Full Knighthood. The ceremony was conducted by the Finger Lakes Chapter Third Degree Team captained by Trinity Council's own PGK and also current Chapter President, David Stein. Also on the Team was Trinity Council's John Buzzelli. Jason Starsyk, who joined Trinity Council last December, was among the candidates taking the Degree.

While the men were busy with the Degree, the ladies were attending the Ladies Luncheon at Red Fedele's Brook House Restaurant chaired by Anne Zguta, wife of Finger Lakes Chapter Vice-President Roman Zguta. The ladies enjoyed a wonderful brunch and the raffling off of door prize baskets.

After the completion of the Degree ceremonies and the Ladies Luncheon, Knights and their wives gathered at St. Jude's for the 5:00 PM Mass. After Mass everyone processed to the church hall for a social hour prior to the serving of the Bishop's Burse dinner.

The Bishop's Burse Dinner is attended by Knights from Coun-

cils, Assemblies, the Chapter and the New York State Council to honor our Diocese's Bishop and to show our "support" for him ("being in solidarity with our priests"), not only in a spiritual way, but also by helping him by supporting Diocesan vocations efforts to find and prepare candidates to become priests through donations presented to him at this dinner. The State Council raises the money for its donation through their portion of the proceeds from the C & B program. Every year it makes a \$10,000 donation to each of the eight Bishops in New York State.



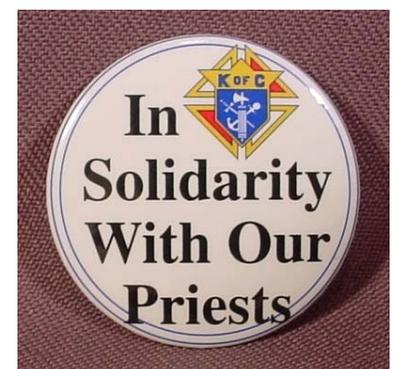
The Bishop's Burse Dinner program began with Chapter President Stein introducing the Emcee and Bishop's Burse Chairman, Roman Zguta. Zguta then made his opening remarks welcoming everyone and introduced the many dignitaries who were escorted to their tables by members of the 4th Degree Color Corps. Looking mighty sharp were Color Corps members Bob McNeill and Dave Gilfoy from Trinity Council. Dignitaries included our Bishop, Salvatore R. Matano, Father Bill Coffas, Father Mike Schramel (Pastor of St. Jude the Apostle), Father John Gagnier, Chapter Chaplain, and Sister Delores Stein (David Stein's Aunt). Also in attendance from Trinity Council were Judge Bill Polito and his wife, Marie, Financial Secretary Mc Neill and his wife, Rashmi, Gilfoy and his wife, Theresa, Faithful Navigator Tom Dole and wife, Cindy,

Buzzelli, and myself.

Father Gagnier gave the Invocation. The Color Corps posted the colors and stood guard as Stein led a very moving Candle Ceremony honoring the brave men and women who lost their lives as a result of the acts of war against our country on September 11, 2001. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by 4th Degree Rochester Diocesan Coordinator Joseph Marinaccio.

After dinner Zguta presented an award to this year's Chapter honoree, Roland Bergeron, in recognition of his long and faithful service to the Knights of Columbus and the Church. Following that came the presentation of donation checks to Bishop Matano from the Chapter, Assemblies and Councils. The State Council presentation was made by Jerry Connelly, the New York State Council Administrative Coordinator for Diocesan relations.

Bishop Matano then spoke. He wished everyone a happy and joyous Easter. He went on to praise the Knights of Columbus, expressing gratitude for the donations made by the Knights. He thanked us for the many good works that the Knights do in support of our Church and communities. The evening then concluded with a Benediction given by Father Gagnier.





**Local Vocations News.....
Knights Supporting
Diocesan Seminarians**

Knights of Columbus Councils and Assemblies throughout the Finger Lakes Chapter have come out strong once again this year to support our diocesan seminarians and to support vocations in general. By June 30th, all sixteen major seminarians will have received \$1000 in support of their vocation. This financial assistance is used to offset costs for their clothing, educations, technology and personal needs.

Both Trinity Council and the Reverend Paul Cuddy Assembly sponsored seminarian Michael Harris with \$500 each through Supreme Council's Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). Michael is a 24 year old resident of Webster, NY, and a parishioner of Holy Trinity Parish. He attended the Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, for two years and transferred to St. John's University where he graduated in May 2012. He completed a year of pre-theology at the Cathedral Seminary Residence of the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston, NY, and 2nd theology at Theological College, Catholic University. He is currently in his Pastoral Year at Our Mother of Sorrows Church in Rochester.

In other vocations news, the Diaconate Ordination this year is June 6th, 10AM, Sacred Heart Cathedral. Jorge Ramirez, Justin Miller, and Erick Vilorio will be ordained transitional deacons.

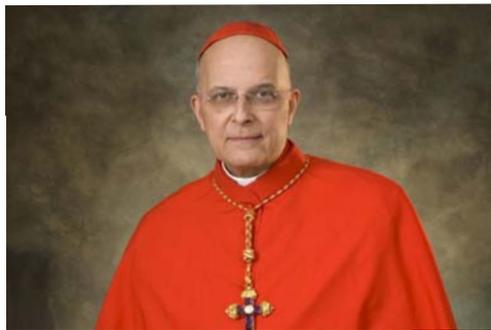
Priesthood Ordination is June 20th at 10:30am. Daniel Ruiz, Michael Fowler, Matt Jones, and Carlos Sanchez will be ordained to the priesthood.

Three of the four being ordained are being provided with their personal chalices by local 4th degree assemblies, including the Reverend Paul J, Cuddy Assembly.

All three men at Becket Hall this year who have gone through a period of discernment are moving on to a major seminary for the diocese.

On Friday, April 10th, the 6th Annual Bishop's Vocations Dinner was held at St. Patrick's in Victor. This dinner, underwritten by the Finger Lakes Chapter Knights of Columbus was attended by fifty five young men who were on hand to hear talks about the Knights of Columbus and about vocations. There were twenty four priests and Bishop Matano himself there for moral support. Bishop Matano was quite complimentary of his vocations staff and the Finger Lakes Chapter Knights for the success of this event.

**Talk To your children
about Religious Life!**



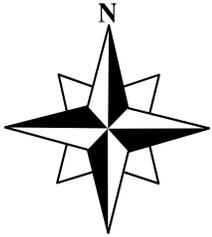
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A Knight of Columbus since 1991, he served as the Order's state chaplain for the state of Washington, in addition to serving as host ordinary for the Supreme Convention in Chicago in 2005. The cardinal also presided over the Knights' Eucharistic Congress following that convention, and was a keynote speaker at Supreme Conventions in 2002 and 2009.

On Jan. 30, 2015, Cardinal George received the Knights of Columbus' highest honor, the Gaudium et Spes Award. Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said on that occasion: "In his brilliant speeches, homilies, letters and books, and in the brave witness to the faith that he has shown to the world — in sickness and in health — Cardinal George has proven over and over again one of the leading voices in the Catholic Church in the United States, and the Knights of Columbus.



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