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Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon	Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon	Regular Meetings
3rd Mon	
1st Wed	4th Degree Officers
2nd Thurs 4th	Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed	4th Degree Regular
4th Wed	Council Committees
4th Thurs	Columbian Club

CALENDAR

Dec 2 7:30 PM	First Friday
Dec 8 Holy Day: Ir	nmaculate Conception
	Christmas Dinner Mtg.
Dec 18 Chile	dren's Christmas Party
Dec 25	Christmas
	. New Year's Eve Party
Jan 1 Holy [Day: Solemnity of Mary
Jan 6 7:30 PM	First Friday
	Council Meeting
Jan 23 8:10 PM	Council Meeting
Jan 29	Super Bowl Party

SWIM CLUB NEWS

The annual Swim Club meeting will be held on January 20th, 1995, beginning at 8:00.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

November 1994



Brother Knight Walter Lodzinski

Brother Knight Walter Lodzinski and his wife Lynda have been married for ten years, and reside in Irvington, NJ. They are the proud parents of two lovely children: Walter, age 8, and Diana, age 5. Walter and his family are communicants of Saint Michael's Church in Union, and their children attend the parish school.

Walter grew up in Elizabeth and attended Elizabeth High School, where he was a member of the honor society, Key Club, and Bowling Team.

After graduating from Elizabeth High, Walter attended Union College and the Elizabeth General Medical Center's School of Radiology. Walter is now employed as Senior Staff Technologist of the Radiology Department at the Hospital Center.

Walter has been attending Swim Club work parties for the past two years where his many talents have made a considerable contribution to the many diversified types of work that are performed at these work parties. When Walter is not helping out the Swim Club he enjoys camping and fresh water fishing with his family.

Union Council 4504 takes pride in naming Brother Knight Walter Lodzinski as Knight of the Month for November 1994.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

AT THE COUNCIL

JANUARY 29, 1995

FOR DETAILS CALL RAY PRUSZKOWSKI 688-0559

Grand Knight's Column



Imagine having all your leisure time to yourself: no meetings to attend, no more wake prayer services on Sunday nights, no visits to the hospital to see the pain and

suffering of others, no sore feet from standing on street corners, nor stiff arms from holding plastic containers filled with change, no aching back from stacking cans of food, no headaches from listening to all those whining children and no one to bother you about why you're not contributing your time or money. Wouldn't that be great! We might even rationalize as we sit back and relax that the rest of humanity will survive if we leave our cans at home.

Yet, how do you rationalize away 43 million hours of volunteer-time given by the Knights of Columbus, to their church, community, youth and various other charitable activities. Nor can you explain away the 94 million dollars that was contributed by the Knights last year in the support of the same activities. Is it possible that over 1.5 million Knights had nothing better to do with their time that they all conveniently hung around other Knights to collect food for the hungry, money for the retarded or terminally ill, and supported their churches and priests because it was fashionable and popular? I think not.

Being a Knight is hard work and it takes a great amount of our time away from our families, friends and leisure. We do it to help one another. It is our gift to God and humanity.

Thank you for your Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. To all our Brother Knights, their families and friends, I wish you the Happiest, Healthiest and Merriest Christmas and may God Bless Us All!



Chaplain's Column

Rev. Leonard E. Dembow



With all the happiness and wonderment the Christmas season brings, it is not necessarily bestowed on all equally. For some, it is a melancholy time and for

others a realization of need when there seems to be so much plenty. Peace on earth to people of good will seems to be an elusive reality in Somalia, Bosnia, and in the Middle East. The very birthplace of Jesus is a place of contention for so many.

But the birth of Jesus should awaken in us all the realization that with Him much of the contention and want can cease. With Him peace need not be just a word. With Him we realize what we can be for ourselves and for our brothers and sisters.

The birth of Jesus awakens in us all the child that needs a God. A God who will strengthen and affirm and direct us. Our Father who art in Heaven is now tangibly present to us all and we are again thank-

Allow me to share this meditation with you when we think of what is possible with God.

> It is God that enables you to smile in spite of tears; to carry on when you feel like giving in; to pray when you are at a loss for words; to love even though your heart has been broken time and time again... It is God who enables you to sit calmly when you feel like throwing up your hands in frustration; to be understanding when nothing seems to make sense; to listen when you'd really rather not hear; to share your feelings with others, because sharing is necessary to ease the load. Anything is possible.

> > ... Faye Sweeney



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 18TH 1994 10:30 AM TO 1:00 PM PANCAKE BREAKFAST JUICE AND MILK

There will be a surprise visitor.

Each family is asked to bring a \$3.00 present which will be distributed to a local children's home.

R.S.V.P. by December 15th.

Contact Ted Czapla at 686-7411

A PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS

For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulders dominion rests.

They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, From David's throne, and over His Kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgement and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this!

Amen

A DECEMBER PRAYER

Lord Jesus, in the peace of this season our spirits rejoice: With the beasts and angels, the shepherds and stars, with Mary and Joseph we sing God's praise. By your coming may the hungry be filled with the good things, and may our table and home be blessed.

> From "Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers"

COLUMBIAN CLUB REPORT

The Columbian Club is still looking for a treasurer. If anyone is interested, please call John Reiton CCP at 388-8655.

Our hall is a major means of income to the Columbian Club. Our prices are competitive and our facilities could accommodate any type of affair. Call our booking manager, Vinnie lannuzzi, for more information on hall rental.

I would like to take this time to wish all the members and their families a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

> John Relton Columbian Club President

KEEP THIS DATE OPEN

February 26, 1995

Champagne Breakfast and "Pound Auction" for the benefit of the Summit Speech School. Watch future digests for further details.



NEW YEAR'S EVE IS COMING!!!!

Featuring a fantastic feast, dancing, a Continental breakfast, noise-makers. and music by the Mad Hatter (plus some surprises).

Call Tony at 964-0115 or Joe Tortora at 688-1422 for tickets or more information. No tickets will be sold at the door The cut off date for tickets is

December 17, 1994.

RICHARD FUENTES

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