Officially established in the United States in 1914, Americans Celebrate This Special Day to Honor and Respect Mothers for the Love & Dedication Shown to Their Children.

In Short, There is No Love Like a Mother’s Love. Show Them the Respect They Deserve But Most of All Pray to Our Blessed Mother On Their Behalf as the Month of May is Dedicated to the Virgin Mary, the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Memorial Day - May 25th

A Day for America to Honor All of the Men & Women Who Have Fought & Died to Preserve the Principles on Which These United States were Founded.

A Day for All Americans to Honor Todays Men & Women in Armed Forces Who are Fighting & Dieing to Protect the Many Freedoms & Way of Life that We Enjoy.

May God Bless Them & Their Families and May Americans Never Cease to Appreciate the Sacrifices These People Have Made and Continue to Make On Behalf of Their Fellow Americans and Their Country.

YOUR PRAYERS ON THESE VERY SPECIAL DAYS ARE REQUESTED

MAY 2009
DEAR BROTHERS,

Here we are already in the wonderful month of May. As we recognize all our mothers in this festive month of conformation, graduation, weddings and baptisms. Especially as Catholics, we celebrate by crowning and kneel to the blessed Mother Mary. This month we have a very special fund raiser that I know Mary and all mothers would be proud of the Knights. It is a very special dinner we are having on May 8th for the Benefit of Mary’s Shelter. This is a beautiful, worthwhile cause giving a mother-to-be a safe haven in which to give birth to new life. This fund raiser for Mary’s Shelter is not just another fund raiser, it is tied to our faith as it speaks out for innocence and life. Please volunteer and get the word out to friends and neighbors to enjoy a Chicken Parmigiana dinner while supporting a great benefit.

Currently, I am in the process of completing reports for the state convention wherein I realized that many of the programs the Knights of Columbus offers, as a whole, separates us from many organizations. The Knights of Columbus have so many very positive programs for community and our faith. Unfortunately, our Council is not taking advantage of many of the programs that K of C state and supreme offer to us. Programs, available through state and supreme, may just need to be managed with minimal efforts. This will help us obtain some milestones.

As I end my term as Grand Knight, I urge you to get involved now and help explore these other programs. I know for many years many Grand Knights of our Council have asked for your assistance and many of you have answered the call, as you have with me. I also know many of you have retired from great organizations with fabulous talents. As we are starting to transition to another Grand Knight, I am asking of you to bring these talents again to our Council and assist in the transition.

As this may be my last letter as Grand Knight of this wonderful Council. I would like to commend our Brother Ray Sobieraj for his outstanding efforts and commitment as Editor of our Council’s Newsletter for many years. Ray is retiring from the Editor’s position and is assisting us in seeking a new Editor. Ray has dedicated his talents which have truly helped us reach our goals as well as kept many of us in touch with the Council and its events. I personally appreciate his dedication as a Knight and his many hours of labor to create a professional Newsletter as well as his involvements with several committees. Please join with me in acknowledging Ray for his loyal dedication to our Newsletter and commitment to the great journalism we all have enjoyed.

VIVAT JESUS,
TIM JOHNSON, GRAND KNIGHT

PLEASE MARK THESE DATES
• Wednesday May 6th - Awards Night
  St. Joseph’s Jazz Band

• May 8th - Chicken Parmigiana Dinner
  Benefit for Mary’s Shelter

• Sunday May 17th - Slam Breakfast
  Benefit for St. Joseph’s Youth Retreat

WANTED: TREASURER
- POSITION OPEN FOR NEW ELECTIONS
- TRAINING AVAILABLE

BINGO! BINGO! BINGO!
★ THURSDAY & SUNDAY
★ VOLUNTEERS EAT FREE!
★ JOIN A BINGO TEAM
★ CALL A BINGO CAPTAIN USING
  THE TEAM ROSTER FOUND IN
  THIS NEWSLETTER
Member's Benefits Message

MAY: Two Incomes Equals Two Insurance Needs

In the days of "Ozzie and Harriet," most families fit one description. Fathers worked full-time, while mothers remained home, raising the kids and taking care of the house. Today, while some families still fall into the traditional, one-paycheck category, many others rely on two incomes to make ends meet — even if one parent works part-time or from home.

The more things change, the more they remain the same. This maxim certainly holds true with life insurance planning. If someone earns an income to support a family, family-income protection through life insurance is of utmost importance.

As your Knights of Columbus agent, I'll be happy to provide a customized needs analysis for both of you. I'll take into consideration the amount and the sources of your income, and suggest different ways to provide sufficient life insurance coverage for you and your family.

You take it for granted that you and your family should get an annual checkup from your doctor. But you'd also benefit from an annual financial checkup. Now's the time, because chances are, your life and your financial obligations become more complicated each year.

Here's some good news for you married folks: If a husband and wife purchase permanent insurance policies at the same time, they can get our Spousal Waiver of Premium rider to each policy at no cost. You have to apply for insurance on or before your 45th birthday, and you both must qualify for insurance at standard rates.

The Spousal Waiver of Premium Rider is an excellent feature for both dual-income and one-income families. Call me. I'll be glad to meet with you both to discuss your options.

Mike Cavenaugh
Benefit Administrator
561-791-9629
Columbiette News
By
Jo DeCarlo

THE NEXT MEETING-WEDNESDAY
MAY 13, 2009 AT 11:30 A.M.

WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE CROWNING OF THE BLESSED MOTHER'S CEREMONIES.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: We will have the Election of the Officers for 2009-2010, Two Delegates and Two Alternates for 2010 State Convention; and for Chapter-Four Delegates and Two Alternates.

NEW BUSINESS: Approval of the 2009 Donations as recommended by the Board of Audit. Marie McCarthy will speak to us regarding the Education Fund and method of distribution.

After the Meeting, we will celebrate THE 33RD ANNIVERSARY AFFILIATION WITH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6241. PAST PRESIDENTS WHO PRESIDED FROM 1976 – 2009 ARE AS FOLLOWS: Dolores Taudie; Eleanor Raisch; Theresa Weiner, Lauretta Musanti; Janet Bradley; Dorothy Starliper Josephine De Carlo; Lucy Burke; Barbara Urbanik Marion Malloy; Vincenza Croisetiere' Rosemarie Hild, Ruth O'Mara; Joan Fisk; Ruth Newland; Marjorie Woodward, Theresa Abruzzo And Eleanor Robinson.

MAY BIRTHDAYS
- IDA ANICITO, -AUDREY BESSE, - ANNA BISHOP, - LUCILLE CRAWFORD,
- ANNETTE DIPRIO, -JULIE EDDINGER, - ELEANOR RAI SCH, - DOLORES ROMEO
- ANN VOLVOICH, -MARJORIE WOODWARD, -MARION SINES

MAY BINGO TEAMS
TEAM C - 5/10/09: Y. Rollando, T. Fox, A. Norelli, J. DiGiorgio
TEAM D -5/17/09: D. Allen, R. Muller, D. Krysta (Substitute)
TEAM A - 5/24/09: J. DeCarlo, T. Abruzzio, M. McCarthy

Education Fund

> This fund is for any student who has a family member that belongs to the Columbiette or the Knights of Columbus Council 6241.
> Please submit the students name and a letter of request why this student needs financial assistance. Student could need help being tutored, or supplies etc.
> Please have this information mailed before May 31 2009 or bring to May Meeting.

THANK YOU,
THE EDUCATION FUND COMMITTEE

> Mail to: The Knights of Columbus, Council 6241
> 7251 S W Gaines Ave.
> Stuart, FL 34997
> Attention: Jo De Carlo
BENEFIT DINNER FOR MARY’S SHELTER

K OF C
COUNCIL 6241
TO HOST BENEFIT DINNER FOR
MARY’S SHELTER

On May 8th, 2009 K of C Council 6241 - located at the corner of Cove Rd. and Kanner Hwy- will host a Benefit Dinner in support of Mary’s Shelter, a wonderful organization which supports Christian beliefs and provides a very unique service to our community and today’s society.

The dinner, priced at $12 per person, will consist of Chicken Parmigiana, salad, dessert and coffee with ALL profits donated to Mary’s Shelter. Dinner, prepared by Enrico’s Catering, will be served starting at 5 PM.

Mary’s Shelter, located around the country, has recently established a facility in Stuart. It basically provides a Christian home for pregnant women 19 and older who lack family support and/or suitable housing whether their decision is adoption or choose to parent the child.

To achieve our worthwhile goal to help Mary’s Shelter, WE NEED YOU, YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS TO ATTEND THIS EVENT AND MAKE IT THE SUCCESS THAT IT NEEDS TO BE.

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS, PLEASE CALL 772-286-7507

For more information regarding Knights of Columbus Council 6241 charitable efforts and events, please visit our website www.KofC6241.org
Dear Brothers & Sisters,

This year we had six collection locations and many volunteers who gave many hours of their time to make this a very successful Tootsie Roll Drive. We were able to collect **$5,640**

The following is a breakdown by stores:

- Wal-Mart Superstore ----------- $1,358.34
- Winn Dixie in Port Salerno-------- 538.97
- Milan's in Stuart----------------- 902.20
- Publix @ Indian Street & U.S.1---- 682.68
- Publix @ Martin Downs Blvd. in Palm City- 1,069.81
- Publix @ Cove Rd. & U.S. 1 City---- 1,088.00

Much thanks goes out to the Captains for their well organized and outstanding efforts in making the Drive such a success. Bob Heuer (Publix in Palm City), Walter Ludwig (Milan’s in Stuart), John Condon (Winn-Dixie in Port Salerno), Bob Curtin (Publix @ Indian Street), John Rollando (Wal-Mart Superstore) and Hal Harr (Publix @ Cove Rd) all deserve a special thanks for what was accomplished. They worked very hard and accomplished much with their volunteers.

We also salute and thank all the Knights, all the Columbiettes, the volunteers from ARC and The Challenger School and other special people that contributed their time and efforts on the 26th, 27th and 28th of March.

*Only with you can we claim another successful “Tootsie Roll Drive” for the Mentally Challenged Charities of Martin County.*

God Bless and Thank You

Ed Hussey  
Tootsie Roll Chairman
THE ABOVE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW ONLY A
HANDFUL OF OUR HARDWORKING Tootsie Roll
Drive Volunteers, Knights, Columbiettes AND
MEMBERS OF THE CHALLENGER SCHOOL AND A.R.C.

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF THE VOLUNTEERS WHO
MADE THIS FUND RAISING EVENT A SUCCESS,
PLEASE REVIEW THE NEXT PAGE
TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS EVENT
I, personally, wish to thank everyone for their outstanding effort in making our 2009 Tootsie Roll Drive such a “SUCCESS”. A list of those folks who gave of themselves and their time is provided in the following paragraphs. The Number in parentheses indicates the number of 2 hour shifts put in at that store. E.G.(2). My apologies if any volunteers who worked this event are missing from the list as well as any names that may be misspelled.

Ed Hussey
Tootsie Roll Chairman

Port Salerno Winn-Dixie: Captain John Condon

Palm City Publix @ Martin Downs Blvd.: Captain Bob Heuer (March 26 & 27)

Stuart – Milan’s Market: Captain Walter Ludwig
Phil & Andree Pomara, Bill & Dolores Esmonde, Eileen Quinn, John Larson, Rita Muller, Bob Bobstein, Connie Ludwig, Walter Ludwig(3), Dolores Allen, Tom Blaike (2), Jerry & Marilee Bialowski, Betty Pollis, & Rudy Schneider. Also, from “ARC”, Marion Davis, Margaret Smith, Danise Parsons, Jimmy Covino, Sarah Alloway, Shari Miller & Cherie Peterson.

Publix @ Indian Street: Captain Bob Curtin
Eleanor Robinson, Al Bischof(2), Bob Curtin(3), Ron Robinson (2) and John Larson. Also, from “ARC”, Annie Daniele, Victoria Powell, Danny Galbicka, Joanne Raimondi, Sean Adler, and Kevin Bowers.

Wal-Mart SuperCenter: Captain John Rollando (Ed Hussey assisted on Sat.)
Ray Sobieraj, Terry Fox (2), Yolie Rollando, Jean DiGiorigo, Al Chrenko(2), Ron Robinson, John Rollando (2), John Larson, Dave Olio, Ed & Pat Donnelly, Tony Bartholomew, Dave Merklin, Phil Pomara, Jerry Seagriff (2), Dominick Zaccone, Barbara & Joe Guido, Andy Donlin, Ben Maran (2), Frank Leone, Bob Rainey & Dick Bonnell,

Publix @ Cove Road: Captain Hal Harr
Floyd Tilton, Terry Abruzzio (4), Marie & John McCarthy (2), John Kullen, Lou & Carol Sarube, Hal Harr (4), Chuck St. John, Andy Nowicki, Rick Brown, Sonny Pugliese (2) and Danny Dayrit.

NOTE TO THE EDITOR FROM BULLETIN BOOSTER AND VOLUNTEER ARNOLD WOODBURY, 4TH DEGREE KNIGHT, CARDINAL MERCER COUNCIL, NY
“Before heading north. I wanted you to know that we are Stuart “Snowbirds” and I volunteered and assisted with the Tootsie Roll Drive this past four years and intend to continue to do so in the future.” THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION & SUPPORT TO THE TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE, ARNOLD, YOU’RE A GEM AND KNOW THE MEANING OF BEING A REAL KNIGHT, HURRY BACK SOON!
UPCOMING EVENTS

AWARDS NIGHT

On May 6th, the Council will be holding its Awards Night wherein the Council will present awards and donations to the following very worthy causes.

**ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL JAZZ BAND**

In appreciation of the fantastic entertainment provided by the St. Joseph's School Jazz Band, the Council is planning to make a donation to St. Joseph's School for the fine work that they do with their students. In addition, the Council also plans to award to St. Joseph's School.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Council is planning to issue scholarship Awards to 3 High School Students. The recipients of these awards will be chosen from: Jensen Beach H.S., Martin County H.S. and South Fork H.S.

**FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE CHALLENGED (A.R.C.)**

For their outstanding service to the challenged community of Martin County, the Council is planning to make a donation of $2500.00 to A.R.C.

**ALTAR SERVERS**

The Council also plans to honor three (3) altar servers for 2009 by awarding each of them a US Savings Bond.

**CHALLENGER SCHOOL**

The Council also plans to award a donation on $2576.00 to the Challenger School for their outstanding accomplishments working with the mentally challenged children of Martin County.

Following the concert and award presentations, light refreshments will be served.

DON'T MISS THIS VERY ENJOYABLE EVENING!

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COUNCIL TO HOLD SLAM BREAKFAST TO BENEFIT ST. JOSEPH’S YOUTH GROUP
SUNDAY – MAY 17TH
8 AM TO 12 NOON
$5.00 PER PERSON.
KIDS: AGES 6 TO 12 $2.00
-UNDER 6 – FREE

On Sunday the 17th of May, the Council will hold a Slam Breakfast to help finance the St. Joseph’s youth group summer retreat.
DON’T MISS THIS EVENT AS WE NEED TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS.
ST. JOE’S KIDS ARE COUNTING ON US!

MENU
EGGS TO ORDER, SAUSAGE & HAM, PANCAKES, FRENCH TOAST, ORANGE JUICE & COFFEE

› BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!
› BRING YOUR FRIENDS!
› BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS!
› PAY AT THE DOOR

LASAGNA NIGHT
MAY 26TH, JUNE 23RD
5PM – 7 PM

MENU
SALAD, LASAGNA, GARLIC BREAD, SPUMANI & COFFEE

$10 PER PERSON
CALL 286-7507 FOR RESERVATIONS

WEBSITE/BULLETIN COSTS

If enough members are willing to forego their printed copy, this would pay website costs as well as reduce our bulletin reproduction & mailing costs.

Use of the website (www.KofC6241.org) allows users to view a color copy of the bulletin as well as other council/K of C data. Plus you can print only the pages you want.

If you are willing to cancel your mailed copy, please e-mail or call Tim Johnson, Grand Knight
Thank you

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS

At the April 8th meeting, it was announced that Lou Cucci, council treasurer, has been elected by the board of directors to replace Tony De Mieri as President for the remainder of the fraternal year. Your prayers for Tony’s health are appreciated. In addition, it was announced that Hal Harr has been appointed as House Director.
OPENING FOR COUNCIL TREASURER

Lou Cucci's appointment to Columbian Club President has left a void for the job of Council Treasurer. Applicants should be a 3rd degree Knight. Financial/book keeping background a plus but not necessary.

If you are good with figures and can balance a check book, you can do this important job. For more information, please call Lou Cucci @ 220-9234 about this vital position.

OPENING FOR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Gene Parnell's appointment to this position will expire in June 2009 and the Council is soliciting applications for this position to ensure an orderly transition. Applicants must be a third degree Knight; computer and basic bookkeeping knowledge would be helpful.

The financial secretary is an integral part of the Knights of Columbus and is involved with nearly all aspects of the council. Major duties are membership record maintenance, billing and dues collections, accounting for the council's revenues and expenses, and being the local contact for the insurance programs of the Knights of Columbus. Please call Gene Parnell at 221-0282 to learn more about this vital position, or submit a brief resume to the Council Grand Knight.

THE APRIL 8th MEETING. Ray had offered to train someone to prepare the May issue. Since no one has stepped up at this time, this issue will be prepared by Ray Sobieraj as best possible.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS INTERESTING AND IMPORTANT POSITION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

> Applicant should be computer literate and have a fairly current PC supported by a color printer. Applicant should also be knowledgeable in MS Word.
> Applicant should be willing to attend various meetings, as well as communicate with various key council & Columbiette Officers and Chairpersons re: various council topics. This includes council events, announcements, event pricing, council happenings, etcetera.
> Council will provide paper and reimburse you for ink cartridges, etc necessary to produce bulletin. Council will also provide special s/w for use in preparing bulletin calendars and k of c clipart.
> Upon request, Ray will provide a copy of computer files for previous bulletins for possible use as a training aid. Ray will also provide a list of media contacts for newsprint, TV and radio coverage of council events. Ray will be available for questions when possible at 232-0117.

APRIL KNIGHT OF THE MONTH AWARD

At the April 8th Council Meeting, with Grand Knight Tim Johnson on medical leave, Deputy Grand Knight Ed Hussey presided over the Council meeting and its agenda. With the Grand Knight in absentia, this prestigious award was not made.

OPENING FOR BULLETIN EDITOR

At the April 8th meeting, it was announced that Ray Sobieraj has resigned as Bulletin Editor for health reasons. A general e-mail requesting that volunteers interested in taking over this important position contact either Ed Hussey or Ray Sobieraj was made prior to the meeting. A request for volunteers was also made at Bingo.
Editor's Pages

COUNCIL OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 2009 – 2010 FRATERNAL YEAR

At the April 8th Council Meeting, the following list of Nominees for Council Officers for the 2009 - 2010 Fraternal Year was read by Ed Hussey, Deputy Grand Knight, to the members in attendance. ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND THE JUNE MEETING. REMEMBER YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

NOMINEES
Grand Knight ........ Ed Hussey
Deputy GK ........ Ron Robinson
Chancellor .......... Andrew Salisbury
Warden ............ OPEN
Advocate .......... Pat O’Gorman
Treasurer ........ OPEN
Recorder .......... John Rollando
Lecturer .......... Tim Hickey
Inside Guard ........ Chuck St. John
Outside Guard ....... John Condon
3 Year Trustee ...... Tim Johnson
2 Year Trustee ...... Bob Ward
1 Year Trustee ...... Andy Nowicki

WORKERS APPRECIATION PARTY

As usual, this event was a good time for all and was appreciated by all that attended. The food and music was great and everyone was in a party spirit. Grand Knight Tim Johnson shown above, thanked everyone for their hard work and during the Fraternal Year. Shown also are some of the volunteers enjoying the music and showing off their fancy footwork.

Shown here enjoying the evening are GK Tim Johnson and Ron Robinson in the background. Also shown (L-R) are Janet and Al Chrenko accompanied by PFN Terry Cannon.

THIS PARTY’S NOT OVER!
Keeping the party going are (L-R) Nancy Johnson, Tim’s mom, Enrico Vittori along with John McCarthy and Terry Cannon’s date for the evening.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO ALL TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS WHOSE HARD WORK MAKE OUR COUNCIL EVENTS A SUCCESS!
Editor's Pages

IN MEMORIAM

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS & SISTERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. MAY GOD HAVE MERCY ON THEIR SOULS AND BRING THEM TO ETERNAL REST. AMEN

† ALSO... PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR MEN & WOMEN IN THE ARMED FORCES AS WELL AS THE LEADERS OF OUR CHURCH, COUNTRY & COUNCIL.

REMEMBER... PRAYERS DO WORK!

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Without God - there is no virtue because there is no prompting of the conscience. Without God - there is a coarsening of the society. Without God - Democracy will not and cannot long endure..."

IF WE EVER FORGET THAT WE ARE ONE NATION UNDER GOD, THEN WE WILL BE A NATION GONE UNDER."

RONALD REAGAN
40th President of the United States

CANCELLATIONS FOR PRINTED COPIES OF THE MONTHLY BULLETIN

As of this printing, the following members have agreed to view the copy of the Bulletin on the Council website and cancel receipt of the printed copy:
Mike Hague, Dom Tommasini, Christine Czeb, Bob Ward, Ray Sobieraj, Don Barber, Pat O’Gorman, Julie Webster and THAT’S IT!

TO VIEW THIS ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN IN COLOR, GO TO WWW.KOF6241.ORG.

DID YOU KNOW THAT PFRN TOM O’CONNOR HAS A VERY UNUSUAL STORY TO TELL?

Did you know that Tom O’Connor started his K of C membership at Council #24 in Waterbury, Connecticut; the same Council that our founder, Fr. McGivney started.

By coincidence, Tom O’Connor and Fr. McGivney were both born in Waterbury, they both went to St. Mary’s school, the first Catholic school in town. Not at the same time, of course. If anyone ever drives thru Waterbury (20 miles N.W. from New Haven) they can take a picture of the ten foot tall bronze statue of Fr. McGivney on the grounds of the City Library.

PRETTY INTERESTING STORY, DON’T YOU THINK!

† SICK AND VIGIL †

Sick & Vigil Committee Chairman John Condon is always looking for volunteers to attend wakes and funeral masses for deceased Council Members. Volunteers are NOT required to respond to all of John’s requests but to make an effort to attend when possible. It means a lot to the families of the deceased when Brother Knights visit to pay their last respects and offer a prayer for their departed brother. It’s truly a very rewarding experience.

SHOULD ANYONE ELSE BE INTERESTED IN JOINING THIS WORTHY CAUSE...

TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CALL JOHN CONDON @ 546 - 8640!

BILL LIPKO COULD HAVE BEEN $93.25 RICHER BUT HE WASN’T AT THE APRIL COUNCIL MEETING
COLUMBIETTE'S
TO DONATE $1000
TO COUNCIL BULLETIN

In a recent telephone call to the Bulletin Editor, Colombette President Jo De Carlo expressed her appreciation of the support that the Bulletin has shown of the Colombettes hard work as well as the quality of the Bulletin. As a result, the Colombettes are going to double their annual donation of $500 to $1000 to defray Bulletin costs. Aside from being very generous, these ladies are very hard working and provide important support services to the Council. MAY GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM FOR THEIR EFFORTS.

Thank you for the Certificate of Appreciation Award as well as your continuous moral and financial support over the years. Thanks also for the lovely THANK YOU card from all of the members of Colombettes 6241. It's truly appreciated. - Ray Sobieraj, Bulletin Editor

HOT NEWS

DEGREE ADVANCEMENT BY NEW MEMBERS!

Congratulations to twelve Council Members who have proceeded to full knighthood in our order at the 3rd Degree Exemplification on March 29th.

- Richard S. Bonnell  
- Andrew Pugliese  
- Robert J. Reaney  
- John T. Spran  
- James S. Tiller, 3rd  
- Martino E. Troia

We extend our very best wishes to these brothers. Now that you are 3rd degree members, you are eligible to serve as a Council Officer. We hope you will remain active and help our Council to grow.

A salute of thanks is expressed here to our other Council members who attended the 3rd to support these brothers. They are Grand Knight Tim Johnson, Chancellor Ron Robinson, District Deputy Phil Deчmerowski and Council Brothers Artie Birke and Frank Pepitone.

Thank you for your fraternal support.

John Condon
Membership Director

FOR GOOD OF THE ORDER

Many Knights and/or members of their family have had serious medical situations and are in need of your prayers.

- CHUCK ST. JOHN
- PATTI GEFFON, DAUGHTER OF TERRY CANNON
- TONI SCHWEIZER, DAUGHTER OF LUKE SCHWEIZER
- PATRICIA GALLIERS, MOTHER-IN-LAW OF ANDREW SALISBURY
- ED DACCARET
- TONY DE MIERI
- DON KNIPPEL'S WIFE, JUDY
- PHIL DECHMEROWSKI, DISTRICT DEPUTY
- FRANK ORLANDO
- PAT BREEN
- JOHN ROLLANDO
- TIM JOHNSON, GRAND KNIGHT
- RAY SOBIERAJ

COUNCIL
ADOPT-A-ROAD
CLEAN-UP RAINED OUT.
NEW DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

The PLEDGE of Allegiance

. . . A Short History

Francis Bellamy (1855 - 1931), a Baptist minister, wrote the original PLEDGE in August 1892. He was a Christian Socialist. In his PLEDGE, he was expressing the ideas of his first cousin, Edward Bellamy, author of the American socialist utopian novels, Looking Backward (1888) and Equality (1897). Francis Bellamy in his sermons and lectures and Edward Bellamy in his novels and articles described in detail how the middle class could create a planned economy with political, social and economic equality for all. The government would run a peace time economy similar to our present military industrial complex.
The PLEDGE was published in the September 8th issue of The Youth's Companion, the leading family magazine and the Reader's Digest of its day. Its owner and editor, Daniel Ford, had hired Francis in 1891 as his assistant when Francis was pressured into leaving his Baptist church in Boston because of his socialist sermons. As a member of his congregation, Ford had enjoyed Francis's sermons. Ford later founded the liberal and often controversial Ford Hall Forum, located in downtown Boston.

In 1892, Francis Bellamy was also a chairman of a committee of state superintendents of education in the National Education Association. As its chairman, he prepared the program for the public schools Quadricentennial Celebration for Columbus Day in 1892. He structured this public school program around a flag raising ceremony and a flag salute - his “PLEDGE of Allegiance.”

His original PLEDGE read as follows: “I PLEDGE allegiance to my Flag and (to*) the Republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” He considered placing the word, “equality,” in his PLEDGE, but knew that the state superintendents of education on his committee were against equality for women and African Americans. [*“to” added in October, 1892.]

Dr. Mortimer Adler, American philosopher and last living founder of the Great Books program at Saint John’s College, has analyzed these ideas in his book, The Six Great Ideas. He argues that the three great ideas of the American political tradition are “equality, liberty and justice for all.” “Justice” mediates between the often conflicting goals of “liberty” and “equality.”

In 1923 and 1924 the National Flag Conference, under the leadership of the American Legion and the Daughters of the American Revolution, changed the PLEDGE’s words, “my Flag,” to “the Flag of the United States of America.” Bellamy disliked this change, but his protest was ignored.

In 1954, Congress after a campaign by the Knights of Columbus, added the words, “under God,” to the PLEDGE.

What follows is Bellamy’s own account of some of the thoughts that went through his mind in August, 1892, as he picked the words of his PLEDGE. It began as an intensive communing with salient points of our national history, from the Declaration of Independence onwards; with the makings of the Constitution . . . with the meaning of the Civil War; with the aspiration of the people.

The true reason for allegiance to the Flag is the “Republic for which it stands.” And what does that word the Republic mean? It is the concise political word for the Nation - the One Nation which the Civil War was fought to prove. To make that One Nation idea clear, we must specify that it is indivisible, as Webster and Lincoln used to repeat in their great speeches. Just here arose the temptation of the historic slogan of the French Revolution which meant so much to Jefferson and his friends, “Liberty, equality, fraternity.” No, that would be too fanciful, too many thousands of years off in realization. But we as a nation do stand square on the doctrine of liberty and justice for all.

Some pro-life advocates recite the following slightly revised PLEDGE: “I PLEDGE allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all, born and unborn.”

Mother’s Day

AN AMERICAN CELEBRATION

JULIA WARD HOWE’S MOTHER’S DAY PROCLAMATION OF 1870

The first North American Mother’s Day was conceptualized with Julia Ward Howe’s Mother’s Day Proclamation in 1870. Despite having penned The Battle Hymn of the Republic 12 years earlier, Howe had become so distraught by the death and carnage of the Civil War that she called on Mothers to come together and protest what she saw as the futility of their Sons killing the Sons of other Mothers. With the following, she called for an international Mother’s Day celebrating peace and motherhood.

At one point Howe even proposed converting July 4th into Mother’s Day, in order to dedicate the nation’s anniversary to peace. Eventually, however, June 2nd was designated for the celebration. In 1873 women’s groups in 18 North American cities observed this new Mother’s holiday. Howe initially funded many of these celebrations, but most of them died out once she stopped footing the bill. The city of Boston, however, would continue celebrating Howe’s holiday for 10 more years.

Despite the decided failure of her holiday, Howe had nevertheless planted the seed that would blossom into what we know as Mother’s Day today. A West Virginia women’s group led by Anna Reeves Jarvis began to celebrate an adaptation of Howe’s holiday. In order to re-unite families and neighbors that had been divided between the Union and Confederate sides of the Civil War, the group held a Mother’s Friendship Day.

ANNA M. JARVIS’S MOTHER’S DAY IN 1908

After Anna Reeves Jarvis died, her daughter Anna M. Jarvis campaigned for the creation of an official Mother’s Day in
Editor's Pages

MEMORIAL DAY
MAY 25, 2009

As Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. said in his Memorial Day address in 1884, Memorial Day "celebrates and solemnly reaffirms from year to year a national act of enthusiasm and faith". With changing times, Memorial Day is more celebrated as a holiday than the grim occasion it was meant for.

We must remember that the day has been set aside primarily to honor America's defense personnel who lost their lives in various wars. Though, people used to honor the graves of the war dead even before the Civil War, the National Memorial Day holiday, originally known as "Decoration Day" was first observed on May 30, 1868.

The concept originated in the mind of General John Logan, who dedicated this day to decorate the graves of the American Civil War dead. Later, it encompassed all those who sacrificed their lives for their nation, from the Revolutionary War to the present.

Every year until 1971, May 30th was celebrated as Memorial Day. Later, the federal government issued the orders of holding Memorial Day on the last Monday of May. Alabama celebrates Confederate Memorial Day on the fourth Monday in April while the states of Mississippi and Georgia celebrate it on the last Monday of April.

Seeing Memorial Day losing its importance in the minds of younger generations, the concept of the National Moment of Remembrance was hatched by a national humanitarian organizations known as the "No Greater Love", based in Washington, D.C. It was introduced in 1997 and is recognized by the President and Members of Congress. Since then, "Taps" is at 3 p.m. throughout America to honor the contributions of our dead soldiers.

NOTE
ON MAY 25TH, 2009 AT 3:00 P.M, ALL AMERICANS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PAY THEIR RESPECT TO OUR FALLEN HEROES BY KEEPING SILENT FOR ONE MINUTE IN THEIR MEMORY. MAY GOD BLESS THEM & ALL WHO SERVED. A PRAYER FOR ALL OF OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL, DEAD OR ALIVE, WOULDN'T HURT EITHER.

From 1775 to present, millions of men and women have valiantly and unselfishly served this country to gain as well as preserve the many freedoms we enjoy and sometimes take for granted.

remembrance of her mother and in honor of peace. In 1908, Anna petitioned the superintendent of the church where her Mother had spent over 20 years teaching Sunday School. Her request was honored, and on May 10, 1908, the first official Mother's Day celebration took place at Andrew's Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia and a church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The West Virginia event drew a congregation of 407 and Anna Jarvis arranged for white carnations—her Mother's favorite flower—to adorn the patrons. Two carnations were given to every Mother in attendance. Today, white carnations are used to honor deceased Mothers, while pink or red carnations pay tribute to Mothers who are still alive. Andrew's Methodist Church exists to this day, and was incorporated into the International Mother's Day Shrine in 1962.

In 1908, a U.S. Senator from Nebraska, Elmer Burkett, proposed making Mother's Day a national holiday at the request of the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA). The proposal was defeated, but by 1909 forty-six states were holding Mother's Day services as well as parts of Canada and Mexico.

Anna Jarvis quit working and devoted herself full time to the creation of Mother's Day, endlessly petitioning state governments, business leaders, women groups, churches and other institutions and organizations. She finally convinced the World's Sunday School Association to back her, a key influence over state legislators and congress. In 1912 West Virginia became the first state to officially recognize Mother's Day, and in 1914 Woodrow Wilson signed it into national observance, declaring the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. The holiday flourished in the United States and flowers, especially white carnations, became very popular. One business journal, Florists Review, went so far as to print, "This was a holiday that could be exploited." But the budding commercialization of Mother's Day greatly disturbed Jarvis, so she vociferously opposed what she perceived as a misuse of the holiday. In 1923 she sued to stop a Mother's Day event, and in the 1930's she was arrested for disturbing the peace at the American War Mothers group. She was protesting their sale of flowers. In the 1930's Jarvis also petitioned against the postage stamp featuring her Mother, a vase of white carnations and the word "Mother's Day." Jarvis was able to have the words "Mother's Day" removed. The flowers remained. In 1938, Time Magazine ran an article about Jarvis's fight to copyright Mother's Day, but by then it was already too late to change the commercial trend.

In opposition to the flower industry's exploitation of the holiday, Jarvis wrote, "What will you do to route charlatans, bandits, pirates, racketeers, kidnappers and other termites that would undermine with their greed one of the finest, noblest and truest movements and celebrations?" Despite her efforts, flower sales on Mother's Day continued to grow. Florist's Review wrote, "Miss Jarvis was completely squelched." Anna Jarvis died in 1948, blind, poor and childless. Jarvis would never know that it was, ironically, The Florist's Exchange that had anonymously paid for her care.

BY THE TIME OF ANNA M. JARVIS'S DEATH, OVER 40 COUNTRIES OBSERVED THE MOTHER’S DAY HOLIDAY!
Editor's Pages

We, and future generations, must never forget the sacrifices that they have made and those in the armed forces continue to make. We must never falter to make sure that we maintain these freedoms for future generations and for them to understand the price that they have paid for us to maintain our heritage and to remain "One Nation Under God". For the day may come when they will have to do the same.

MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 25TH
A Day for America to Honor All of the Men & Women Who Have Fought & Died to Preserve the Principles on Which These United States were Founded.

A Day for All Americans to Honor Today’s Men & Women in Armed Forces Who are Fighting & Dying to Protect the Many Freedoms & Way of Life that We Enjoy.

May God Bless Them & Their Families and May Americans Never Cease to Appreciate the Sacrifices These People Have Made and Continue to Make On Behalf of Their Fellow Americans and Their Country.

TO HONOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN AS WELL AS THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY 
AND TO DEMONSTRATE OUR SUPPORT OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE PHRASE “ONE NATION UNDER GOD”, OUR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY DEMONSTRATION WILL BE HELD. PLEASE JOIN YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND SISTER COLUMBIETTES.

THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS. ALL ARE WELCOME!

EDITOR'S MAILBOX
ENCLOSED WITH THEIR BULLETIN BOOSTER CHECK, ELEANOR & RON ROBINSON WROTE
Ray, Thanks & praise – for all that you’ve done in publishing the Bulletin for the past 4 + years! God Love & Bless You,
Always, Ellie & Ron
EDITOR: THANK YOU RON & ELLIE FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND VERY KIND WORDS.
COLUMBIETTE 6241 MEMBERS SEND CARD WHICH SAYS . . . . Your help meant so much. Just saying thank you can never begin to tell you how kind and how helpful you have been.
EDITOR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR VERY THOUGHTFUL CARD. I appreciate THE MEMBERS taking the time to indicate their appreciation of my efforts. IT HAS BEEN MY PLEASURE TO WORK WITH ALL OF THE COLUMBIETTE CLASSY LADIES AT COUNCIL EVENTS.

EDITOR'S CORNER
As this is the last issue of the Council Bulletin that I will publish, please know that it has been an honor to serve the Council and its members in the capacity of Bulletin Editor. While it has taken 30 to 100 hours each month, it has been a labor of love which I gladly did for the good of the Council and my duty as a Knight.

I would like to thank everyone that has supported my efforts to provide an informative and professional Bulletin.

First, I would like to acknowledge PGK Frank Mulligan, deceased Grand Knight and Bulletin Editor of Council 8048 – Jensen Beach, who befriended me and served as a mentor in various capacities.

Second, I would like to acknowledge PGK John Rollando who gave me the opportunity to serve as Editor and the latitude to design and develop the Bulletin in such a manner that it provided a better vehicle to communicate with members of our Council and other readers. I can remember John saying: “The Council is like a machine and the Bulletin is the oil that makes the machine run”. I couldn’t agree more. His confidence in my ability, his help and support over the years have always been appreciated.

I also want to acknowledge other major contributors as Grand Knights Pat Breen, John Rollando, Bob Ward and Tim Johnson. Also included are Columbiette President Jo De Carlo, Ron Robinson, Mike Mulligan, Gene Parnell, Tony De Mieri, John Condon, and Past Columbiette President Ellie Robinson. My sincere thanks to those behind the scenes members who helped get the Bulletin printed and to the Post Office after my wife and I were unable to continue to do so: John Rollando, Gene Parnell, Al Chenko, Bob Heuer, Fritz Wilhelm, Andy Salisbury, Ron Robinson, and everyone else who helped.

I also want to thank all of the Bulletin Boosters, especially the COLUMBIETTES, for their contributions and support as well as those readers who expressed their overwhelming approval of the content and format of the monthly Bulletin over the years. This support helped me to disregard the periodic negative comments by some members who indicated, that the two monthly calendars with events were all that people really cared about and that I was wasting my time. SOMEBODY ONCE SAID . . . . “It’s impossible to please everybody! And you have to be crazy to try!"

MY SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS FOR THEIR KIND THOUGHTS & WELL WISHES. YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR MY SUCCESSOR IS REQUESTED.

Your Brother in Christ,
S.K. Ray Sobieraj, Bulletin Editor
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**PS: DON'T FORGET OUR MEMORIAL DAY "ONE NATION UNDER GOD" DEMONSTRATION ON MONDAY MAY 25TH. PIZZA PARTY TO FOLLOW.**

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# BINGO TEAM ROSTER

## SEE CALENDAR FOR YOUR TEAM'S DATES

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If you would like to switch to another team, please notify your Team Captain.

## ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A FREE MEAL AND REFRESHMENTS WHILE WORKING BINGO

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## WITHOUT YOUR HELP IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO MEET OUR CHARITABLE GOALS!

1. **DON'T BE SHY! HELP OUT AT COUNCIL EVENTS AND WORK PARTIES**

2. **BE A BINGO VOLUNTEER**

3. **GIVE AS MUCH TIME AS YOU CAN. EVERY HOUR COUNTS!**

4. **DO WHAT YOU CAN; WHEN YOU CAN. BUT DON'T FORGET YOUR OATH OF CHARITY!**
# May Birthdays

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- Norbert M
- George E
- Richard J
- John B
- Lawrence A
- Dominick C
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'Texas Hold 'Em' Tournament

May 15, 2009
Tournament starts at 7 pm sharp

★ This exciting event will also be held on the following dates:
★ June 12 ★ July 24th
★ Each event will be limited to 80 people

★ Initial buy-in $40.00
★ Free Italian dinner ★ Drinks available

Cash prizes determined by the number of players attending the event.

Net proceeds to charities of our choice

★ For more information ★

📞 CALL SEAN @ (772) - 631- 8831 NOW 📞

📢 Get on our mailing list 📢

Playing poker at the K of C Hall

...is a great way to enjoy yourself as well as help those less fortunate.

Remember... it’s for Charity!
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MAY & JUNE ‘09 EVENTS
7251 SW Gaines Ave & Cove Rd, Stuart, FL 34997

KNIGHTS SLAM BREAKFAST

EVENT DATES

May 17th
8:00AM – 12 NOON

Menu
EGGS COOKED TO ORDER
SAUSAGE & HAM
PANCAKES
FRENCH TOAST
ORANGE JUICE & COFFEE

$ 5.00 Per Person
Kids
Ages 6-12: $ 2.00
Under 6: Free
PAY AT THE DOOR

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY
BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS

WHERE CAN YOU EAT A BREAKFAST LIKE THIS FOR THIS PRICE !!!!

LASAGNA NIGHT

EVENT DATES

May 26th & June 23rd
5PM– 7 PM

Menu
SALAD
LASAGNA
GARLIC BREAD
SPUMONI & COFFEE

$10 Per Person

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Call For Reservations
286-7507

WHERE CAN YOU EAT DINNER FOR THIS PRICE !!!!
Knights of Columbus Council 6241
Corner of Cove Rd. & Kanner Hwy, Stuart, FL 34957

MAY & JUNE 2009 Events
Reservations Are A Must, CALL 286-7507 NOW!
Prices Do Not Include Gratuities

TGIF DINNER/DANCE
May 22 + JUNE 19
6:00PM
CALL
ENRICO'S CATERING
283-3009

MARY'S SHELTER
BENEFIT DINNER
FRIDAY - MAY 8, 5PM
$12 PER PERSON
Salad, Chicken
Parmigiana, Coffee &
Dessert
PLEASE ATTEND THIS IMPORTANT EVENT
FOR A VERY WORTHY CAUSE!

4TH DEGREE
DINNER DANCE
SAT – JUNE 6TH
CALL CLUB MANAGER FOR PRICING
AND OTHER INFO

AWARDS NIGHT
WED - MAY 6 - 6PM
★ FREE – OPEN TO ALL
★ ENTERTAINMENT
★ LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
★ DON'T MISS IT