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COLUMBIAN CLUB OF WATERVLIET officers: Bruce Meyers Glen Giannetti Art Stanley Robert Herman
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SICK OR IN DISTRESS---

Len Wurn REC Frank Simanton Pete Mannino Pauline Palgen
PGK Art Stanley Don Young Ann Krietner Fran Young
plus Robert Ott (son of DGK Bill Ott and Ryan Ott's brother) Sandy Teunissen
Rick Lara's wife (cancer) Dan Hutchins Ruth Frogberg(Deacon Art's daughter)

DUES NEWS---The council is suspending one member for non-payment of dues. The main reason is that our brother knight has permanently moved to Florida.

The council sent a check to the State Council in the amount of \$593 which represented our membership's donation to the State Council's Take 10 fund drive.

Vic Walter's Family donated \$190 to the council in Vic's memory last fall. Keeping in mind Vic's respect for the clergy, a motion was passed at the April meeting to donate that \$190 to the Sacred Heart Major Seminary Endowment Scholarship Fund. The council included that amount with the \$377 that members donated through the dues process for a total donation of \$567.

I would like to thank all of you for making the dues process rather painless for me this year.
Paul Nickels

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S SERVICES---PGK Art Stanley won one of the daily prizes from the 2019 Giving Calendar. Congratulations Art!!!!!!!!!!!!

The Giving Calendar is just one way to support the Holy Cross. The State Raffle is a second way. Of course, the can in the Columbian Club and supporting the 50/50 drawing during membership meetings has worked for years. Finally, HCCS will accept donations anytime and you know you will be supporting efforts to help a youngster or young adult have a safe home.

DONATIONS/MOTIONS

A motion was passed at the April Meeting to donate \$250 to Immaculate Conception parish for an Easter Egg Hunt.

A motion was passed to donate up to \$350 to the Lake Michigan Catholic High School organization that has students help with the spring clean-up at the St. Joseph's Cemetery in Watervliet later in April.

IRS---The Internal Revenue Service has sent the Columbian Club of Watervliet notice that the Columbian Club is now considered a 501c(10) organization. The Club and Council owes PGK Bill Ott a big thank you for all the work, time and effort he has put into clarifying the Club's status with the IRS after our two organizations split.

2019-2020 BUDGET---Treasurer Art Stanley will present a tentative budget to the council for the next fiscal year at the May 2019 Meeting. Any questions or changes to the proposed budget should be brought up at that meeting. SO, last chance to suggest donations and/or programs for the council to take on for the next fiscal year is Monday, May 12.

The new budget will be voted on during the June 2019 meeting and start on July 1, 2019.

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

As stated in this newsletter before, the bingo is our main source of income. In the middle of April, the bingo had its largest crowds in many years. A sincere thank you to our brother knights that did extra nights to help work the crowds and keep the bingo going smoothly.

OFFICER'S ELECTION IN JUNE---The council needs officers to lead us during the 2019-2020 fraternal year. The council had a PGK fill in as DGK for the past two years because others would not volunteer for the job. Many of our current officers have been officers for many years.

A basic fact for any organization is that leadership is necessary to give the organization a direction and a drive. PLEASE volunteer to become an officer.

WIDOW'S ADDRESSES---The computer that I have used for years to do the council's work finally died. The tech guys in town have been unable to retrieve my documents and records. (I thank them for trying.) Our membership records are kept in the K of C Supreme Council's computers and I can access those records when needed via the internet.

SO, I need help. If you know of one of our widows that would like to keep receiving this newsletter, I need their address.

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There are other projects around the parish that need repair and sprucing up. The parish has not had a regular maintenance person on staff in years but normal maintenance has to happen. A few things are:

- paint the entry doors and trim on the parish garage
- paint the rectory gutter, doors and trim
- remove and replace some warped/rotted boards on the deck behind the rectory
- stain the deck
- repair the water spigot at the cemetery

If you are able to do one of these projects, please let FS Paul Nickels or Building and Grounds Chairman Jason Hicks know.