



# The Beacon

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## The Holiday Season

By Jerry Scannell, Editor

We are about to enter what we, as a society, collectively refer to as "The Holidays". I feel that we are doing an injustice to this time of the year with such a terse documentary. For the holidays are much much more than that. It is a time for being thankful for all that God has provided for us: life, family, friends, health, or whatever we can think of. It is also a time when we become unselfish as we give of our selves to those we love. Without, I might add, caring what we get in return. Just the satisfaction of making our loved ones happy is all the gratification we need. It is also a time of deep reflection as to why we are here and where we are going as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. It is also a time for forgiving those who have done us wrong and looking forward to a fresh beginning with the New Year.

So, you see, it is truly a lot more than just "The Holidays". The next time someone greets you with that saying, respond: "and a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year to you, too!"

## A Busy Time for the Council

By Jerry Scannell

We have a very busy fall/winter season planned for you this year. A very aggressive schedule of events is planned that I am sure will provide something of interest for you. I will provide a listing of the events for you here with a detailed announcement by each of the program chairmen inside.

Saturday October 30, 1999: Halloween Party

Sunday November 14, 1999: Annual Memorial Mass

Saturday November 27, 1999: Christmas Trip to New York

Friday December 10, 1999: Council Christmas party

January 2000 (Sat. TBD): Council Free-throw Tourney

Saturday February 12, 2000: Valentine's Day Dinner/dance

## Successful Golf Tournament

By Richard Quetta, Chairman

Thanks to everyone who made our 7<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament a great success. We had 70 golfers who teed off in a shotgun start scramble format tournament at 8:30 and then had a scrumptious steak dinner at 3:00. Most of us were home by 5:00. Through our efforts we were able to increase our St. Augustine's School fund with a sizable amount of money.

Thanks also to all our advertisers who's charitable contributions helped to make our event a huge success.

## The Ryder Cup

By John McGinn, Chairman

The council was fortunate to have had representation at this years Ryder's Cup (the Olympics of Golf) as the best of the US squared off against the best of Europe in a three day tournament. We got to go the event for free (but with a small "price tag"). We operated one of the 16 beverage tents. We were located right next to the 4<sup>th</sup> green. Our efforts bore the council what is estimated to be around \$2,500.00 when it is all said and done. And all we had to do was get up early a few days and drive through the Boston rush-hour traffic and walk about a mile to our destination. That was all before 7:00 AM! Once we got our tent squared away, all that we had to do was wait for the onslaught of thirsty golf fanatics and aficionados. But that was normally between 12:00 and 2:30. Once we closed down the tent we could go watch some golf. It should be mentioned that people paid as much as \$4,000.00 for a ticket - and we got to go for free (with a small "price tag"). Many thanks to the members (and non-members) who took the time off from work to make this endeavor such a big success. Thanks also to Jim Masone of *Hospitality Unlimited* for offering this opportunity to our council.

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## Halloween Party

By John Marcello 353-1921, Chairman

It isn't too late (unless you don't receive this until Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>!) to buy your tickets to this year's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Halloween party run jointly with our brother knights at Dillon Council. October 30<sup>th</sup> is the date so please call Richard right away so you won't lose out on a great time. Tickets are \$15.00 per person (\$30.00 per couple). And wear a costume as we will be awarding prizes for several categories. And if you are adept with a knife, carve up a pumpkin and bring it as we will also be awarding a prize for the best pumpkin carving!



## Christmas Trip to NY

By John McGinn 233-0967, Chairman

Plans are under way for a council *Christmas Trip to the Big Apple* (NY City) for Saturday November 27, 1999. The bus will depart from the lower parking lot of the church at 07:00 AM and will return around 10:00 PM. The price is \$40.00 per person. Continental breakfast is provided on the bus at no additional cost. As an extra bonus this year, we have 25 tickets on hold for the Radio City Music Hall's famous *Christmas Show Featuring the Rockettes* on a "first come first serve" basis at \$52.00 per person. This event is open to anyone so be sure to talk it up to your friends. We had a great time last year!

(Here's an actual photo taken last year as we departed:)



## Annual Council Christmas Party

By Ed Conca 354-4442, Chairman

Plans are under way for a council Christmas Party. Your help is needed to ensure a successful time for all. A liquor basket and other prize raffles are planned. We need liquor, cashews, gourmet crackers, etc. for the liquor basket. Prizes for the raffle **MUST BE IDENTIFIED BY THE OCT 20 MEETING BECAUSE WE WANT THEM LISTED ON THE RAFFLE TICKETS.** Also, ticket orders **MUST** be made and paid by the December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting with entrée choice. **THERE WILL BE NO PAYING AT THE DOOR THE NIGHT OF THE PARTY!**

Particulars:

**When:** Friday December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Where:** Lombardi's 1025 Club

**Time:** 6:30 PM Cocktail hour and Hors d'oeuvres

**Dinner:** Approximately 7:30

**Menu:** Your choice of:

- Surf & Turf (Prime Rib & Baked Stuffed Shrimp)
- Land & Sea (Marinated Chicken Breast & Baked Stuffed Shrimp)

**As well as:** Oven roasted potatoes, California blend vegetables, Rolls, Coffee, and Dessert

**Music:** *Kings Row* the premiere Oldies band of New England.

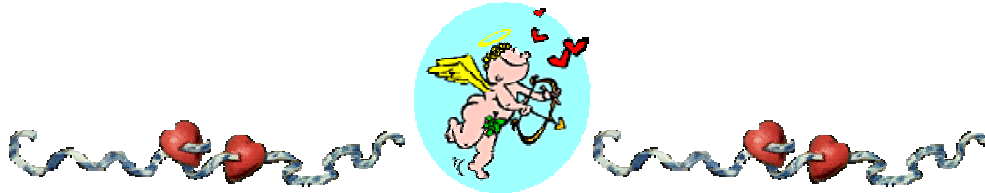
**Price:** \$27.50 per person.



## Valentine's Day Party

By Jerry Scannell 353-1360, Chairman

Plans are under way for a council Valentine's Day dinner/dance. We are bringing this event back after a 1 year hiatus. The party will be held at Dillon Council on Saturday February 12<sup>th</sup>. Music and fun will be provided by Steve Roberts (Music Magic) and the food will be expertly prepared by Giuliani's Catering Service. Bring your love of your life for what is sure to be a fun time for all. Details will be forthcoming - Just set the date aside now.



### Memorial Mass

On Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM our council will have its annual Memorial Mass. Our Chaplain Fr. Healy will say the mass.

Please make every effort to attend. It is one of only a few times each year when we can gather together with our wives and children and celebrate mass together as a council family.

### In Memorium

Sadly, we have to say good bye to one of our charter members. Brother Ed Benz, Sr. passed away on Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup> after a battle with cancer.

He will be missed by all who knew him.

Our sympathies and prayers go out to his family.

*May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



## Grand Knight's Korner

My Brother Knights,

Many thanks to all those people who worked at making this year's yard sale a success. I also wish to thank everyone who worked at the Ryder Cup and hats off to John McGinn for organizing the operation of the Ryder Cup workers. A special thanks to Cindy, his wife, for her patience with all the phone calls she fielded.

The council needs to get five (5) new members for our quota. We need you to ask your friends, family, and acquaintances to join.

Please try to support the upcoming events. The old saying is "The more the merrier." So come out and join your brother Knights and "Let a good time had by all" be the end result of our togetherness.

Last, but not lease, a special thanks to Richard Quetta and his helpers for the fine job that was performed at the Golf Tournament.

It is a pleasure and honor to be your Grand Knight.

Regards,  
Tom Bianco, GK