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Sharon Says....

You Could Win \$1000 for Your Favorite Charity

I recently attended the American Fraternal Alliance convention in New Orleans. Along with having a little fun I came away with a couple of very good ideas for CLC. I want to share one of them with you and let you know how you can win a prize for your favorite charity.

Most fraternal suffer just like CLC in that it is hard to get member participation at meetings. Everyone is so busy and if they have children they are running in a million different directions trying to accomplish a great deal. One fraternal told how they have instituted a fraternal outreach program and have had much success with it. Members, family and friends of all ages come together to do something good for someone or something. They have fun doing it and are fully rewarded with the positive outcome. They are not sitting in a boring meeting, but out doing a good deed. The fraternal can still promote their products and benefits at the event, if they choose to do so.

So here is the plan.....CLC will sponsor a fraternal outreach contest among all members and here are the criteria. 1) Select your team—it does not have to be all CLC members and please include all ages. 2) Decide together who in your community needs your help. 3) Plan and carry out your event. The contest will run from December 1, 2012 – June 15, 2013.

The participants will be judged on three criteria—1) Demonstration of “Bridging the Generation Gap” 2) Complexity of the project 3) The fraternal results of the project. And the winning project will be announced at our convention in August and they will win \$1,000.00 for their charity. So this in addition to the amount raised could be a huge help to some needy recipient.

I will be sending a letter to all Council Presidents outlining the above contest, but I wanted all of our members to be aware of it. Maybe you are not affiliated with an active council but would love to do something and possibly win the prize for your charity—you too are eligible to compete. That is the idea—get involved to the degree you feel comfortable with. If you are one of those people and need more information, please contact me or the home office and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

A couple of Sundays ago while sitting in church listening to the readings one of them struck me and it ties into our convention theme—“Purse'uing Faith”. It is—demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works. Everyone can practice this by finding a project and getting to work. Good Luck to all!

On a completely different subject...fall is here and with it brings election time. Please get out and exercise your American right. My theory is that if you do not get out and vote, you cannot complain on the outcome.



Council 86 Donates to House Fire Victims

CLC members Fairy, Tonelle and Adalee Wagner and Grant and Audrey Bower present the Andy and Sarah Thiel Family, who suffered a home fire, a donation of \$661. The money was raised by the Council from the St. Peter's Festival Bake Sale and Matching Funds from the CLC Home Office.

Synopsis of July Board Meeting

The CLC Board of Directors met in the Home Office July 23-24, 2012. Loni Perkins and Cathy Burks also attended the meeting. Mr. Ed Mertz of Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood LLC was present to give the 2011 Audit Report. Ed reported he found nothing wrong on the annual statement and he was happy to see that our surplus had risen to \$1.5 million. He also complimented the office staff on the good job they do and the ease of working with them.

The Lien Stabilization and Reduction Plan that was proposed to the Ohio Department of Insurance was discussed. The ODI is requesting a few changes to the plan and the Board approved those changes.

Annuity interest rates were discussed and it was decided to lower the 9 year annuity rate by a quarter of a percent. The new rate will take effect 8/1/2012.

The American Fraternal Alliance's Consumer Research Report was discussed. It was suggested by the findings of this report to change some of the wording of our publications. So many people do not

know or understand what a fraternal is and we do have a great story to tell—we just need to let people know about it.

Cathy Burks reported that 22 agents attended the recent CLC Agent Day. She was happy with the turnout and she is getting licensed agent referrals from our current agents.

Fraternal reports included: \$2,500 has been distributed in Matching Funds; \$4,700 has been given out for Charitable Contributions, \$300 remains; \$3,181.68 was sent to Ohio Right to Life; all 15 \$1,000 scholarships were awarded and 51 entries were received for the Coloring Contest. Irene reported on the October 14 retreat and initiation to be held in Columbus. Deb reported 12 Councils took part in Join Hands Day and raised a total of \$1,300. And the theme for Make a Difference Day is "Sheltering Life". The new Fraternalist of the Year contest qualifications were discussed.

It was decided to open a 401K plan for the employees. At this time the company will not be contributing anything to it, but the option is there when CLC's position improves.

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Ft. Jennings Participates in Bicentennial Parade

Ft Jennings • Council #88

Our town of Ft Jennings is so proud. Our Bicentennial was a huge success!! Friends & Family gathered from all over!!

Our CLC members had a lot of fun joining in the Bicentennial parade on Sunday August 19, 2012. We decorated the truck with posters. Our CLC member, Roger, gave a ride to our Local CLC Fraternalist – MaryLou Krietemeyer. We had Elaine Wehri sitting on the back of the truck, playing her accordion, along with some younger members who are taking accordion lessons from Elaine. They did a fine job of keeping the parade audience entertained with great music. We had several members walking in the parade, passing out candy and carrying CLC banners. Our CLC banners were hand-made

by MaryLou Krietemeyer. MaryLou volunteered to design our banners in the past, and these are the banners that we display at different events.

We had volunteers, of all ages, to participate in the Bicentennial parade. We all wore matching T-shirts to proudly announce our FJ CLC Council, and on the back of our T-shirt we had printed, FAITH-FAMILY-FRIENDS.

We can not fail to mention our special passenger we had with us on the truck...he was our mascot for the day, and he was holding the U.S. Flag along with a poster to get the message out to the crowd...

"MONKEY C, MONKEY DO, U CAN B A MEMBER 2!"

*CLC would like to wish
all of its members a
Happy Halloween!*



New Members

Co. 6 – Leipsic
 Lois Niese, Leipsic
 Clara E Schroeder, Leipsic
 Rosemary Crosby, Leipsic
 Co. 7 – Ottawa
 Mary Ann Recker, Ottawa
 James J Recker, Ottawa
 Co. 22 – Tiffin
 Cornelius C Krupp, Tiffin
 Co. 30 – Ottoville
 Mya F Hamilton, Ottoville
 Co. 32 – Defiance
 Jane M Hoffman, Defiance
 Steven A Hoffman, Defiance
 Co. 40 – Delphos
 Grant S Hohenbrink, Defiance
 Co. 84 – Landeck
 Norah E Green, Wapakoneta
 Co. 86 – Upper Sandusky
 Bailey E Spiegel, Morral
 Aubrey E Boes, Findlay
 Katherine G Boucher, Jerry City
 Jackson D Boes, Findlay
 Samuel J Boucher, Jerry City
 Co. 88 – Ft. Jennings
 Cheyenne M Ricker, Ft. Jennings
 Josh Jeffrey Rode, Delphos

Axel Fredrich Fiedler, Ottoville
 Bela Rose Fiedler, Ottoville
 Richard J Klaus, Delphos
 Lydia K Beining, Tipp City
 Co. 95 – Columbus
 Gene A Hughes, Powell
 Co. 121 – Van Wert
 Alexandria R Showalter, Van Wert
 Co. 134 – Kalida
 Jacob R Bockrath, Kalida
 Owen Matthew Bockrath, Kalida
 Co. 165 – Athens
 Richard T Zippert, Athens
 Patricia A Robson, Athens
 Linda B Smith, Worthington
 John P Strekal, Albany
 Co. 205 - Fostoria
 Linda K Dick, Findlay
 Co. 901 - Michigan
 Linda L Whipple, Waterford
 Timothy D Brasher, Hudson
 Sandra F Mege, Oak Park
 Arleen Oberliesen, Brighton
 Jean Heaton, Belding
 Mary Jane Goryl, Oxford
 Leonard Mege, Oak Park

Upper Sandusky Taking Purse Donations

Upper Sandusky • Council 86

The Sept. meeting of the CLC was called to order by Pres. Teresa Brodman. Volunteers were asked to help with the Wyandot County Fair Right to Life Booth.

Thank-yous were received from Jo Ann and Connor McNamara, St. Mary Chapel's Festival, OLC and Transfiguration of the Lord's Confirmation Classes, and the CLC Board of Directors for the Council's donation to Right to Life.

Barb Grasz and Cheryl Lyons reported for the Chicago Summer trip. Everyone had a great time and are waiting to hear where and when the next trip will take place.

The St. Peter's bake sale proceeds and the Matching Funds will be given to the Andy Thiel family who lost their belongings in a home fire. CLC will sponsor a Bob Evan's Fundraiser, to benefit OLC School in Carey. Anyone presenting a flyer will be donating 15% of their purchase to the school.

A CLC Initiation and Retreat will be held Sunday, October 14 at 3 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Columbus. Anyone wishing to attend should come to the October 3 meeting or call Teresa Brodman at 419-294-3756 or Fairy Wagner at 419-294-5397. We are planning on carpooling.

The Council will be collecting toiletries, purses and donations to be given to a women's shelter for Make a Difference Day. The CLC 2012 theme is "Sheltering Life." Anyone wishing to donate can bring items to the Oct. 3 meeting or call Teresa Brodman.

Jerry Davidson from the Knights of Columbus thanked the Council for their support and presented \$100.00 to the Council. The Council will help with the Children's Christmas Party. The K of C will start serving meals on Friday nights in October.

Members bringing guests and inactive members were entered into a drawing for a purse and a bag. The drawing will be held before the August 2013 convention. The contest is to boost our membership and meeting attendance.

Dessert was served by Ruthann Frey, Rose Rowe, Celestia Brodman, Denise Lafontaine, Regina Spiegel, Karen Young, Edna Davidson, Catherine Gillen and Brenda Frey. October's committee is Beth Bower, Tammy Wagner, Regina Brinson, Bonnie Graver, Virginia Gottfried, Alinda Rosvanis, Pat Thiel, Jane Frey, and Audrey Bower.



Fraternally Remembered

Co. #	Name	City	Date of Death
022	Pauline Krupp	Tiffin	6/26/2012
052	Anne Spire	Lancaster	7/26/2012
056	Catherine Compton	Sierra Vista	10/13/2011
056	Eleanor Lowe	Springfield	7/18/2012
063	Paul Gabringer	Centerville	7/15/2012
063	Thelma McBride	Dayton	1/19/2008
063	Diane Portwood	Phillipsburg	4/22/2012
075	Mary Giesige	New Bavaria	6/25/2012
088	Marie Klausing	Lima	6/04/2012
115	Helen Steele	Mansfield	8/08/2012
121	Marie Clum	Jupiter	8/17/2012
122	Mary Gallagher	Uniontown	7/22/2012
129	Gene Hughes	Amtwerp	7/16/2012
135	Genevieve Stock	St. Marys	6/15/2012
147	Helen McAdam	Strongsville	7/01/2012
151	Mary Rozell	Troy	11/18/2011
179	Jeanette Dangler	Ottawa	6/11/2012
201	Donna Minnick	Springfield	4/12/2012
205	Jean Sheeley	Fostoria	7/28/2012
222	Norma Purpus	Minster	7/03/2012
222	Patricia Young	St. Marys	6/07/2012
900	Joseph Rowe	Jamestown	5/25/2012
901	Clara Gosseaux	Warren	6/21/2012

Kalida Cake Wheel Fundraiser a Success

Kalida • Council 134

The first meeting of Kalida Council 134 after the summer break was held on September 10 in St. Michael's church basement with 21 ladies present. President Mary Lou began with prayer. The results of our major fundraiser, the Pioneer Days Cake Wheel was discussed. It was a resounding success. Mary Lou thanked all who helped make it a success. Special thanks to Mary Hoffman who made over 100 baked items for us. Our raffle winners were Eileen Decker, Katie Maag, Ruth Vorst, Ginny Lammers, and Shari Warnecke. And we appreciate all who stopped and supported us.

The theme for Make a Difference Day is CLC Sheltering Life. We will be bringing canned goods and trial sized items such as lotions, shampoo, and toothpaste to our next meeting. Mary Lou is checking on places to donate to. Our meeting ended with our charter draped and prayers said for our departed sister, Anna Wehri. August and September birthdays were celebrated. Our next meeting is October 8 with special guests, Don and Kathy Herman, the Rug Weavers.



Dates to Remember

October 8	Columbus Day
October 14	Retreat/Initiation
October 20	Sweetest Day
October 27	Make a Difference Day
October 27	Board Meeting
October 31	Halloween
November 4	Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 6	Election Day

FRIENDSHIP BOX

Oct-Nov	Ft Jennings Co 88
Dec-Jan	Kalida Co. 134

PERPETUAL ROSARY

Oct-Nov	New Cleveland Co. 215
Dec-Jan	Leipsic Co. 6

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