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In order that our Home Office Staff may enjoy and celebrate the holidays with their families the office will be closed on December 23, 24 and 31.



Whispers White

*The snow comes down in whispers white
And covers everything in sight
Making all that Heaven might
Know that this is Christmas Night.
Swirls and swirls of flying flakes
Dance, then glance the heavens, and makes
Me thank the Lord for no mistakes
In delivering his Son for all our sakes.
The snow comes down in whispers white
And covers everything in sight
Making all that Heaven might
Know that this is Christmas Night.*

Happy Holidays from: Sharon Calvelage, Deb Evers, Fairy Wagner, Helen Rall, Irene Borrer, Harriet Amendola, Alice Teynor, Loni Perkins, Jane Kozman, Cathy Burks, Ethel Collins

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Sharon Says....

The holiday season is upon us, the hustle bustle is here! Everyone is scurrying to get their holiday shopping completed. It is a very giving time of the year. Perhaps your council has not yet applied for the charitable contribution of \$250 from the Home Office. This would be the perfect time to apply and be able to give a donation to a local charitable cause. In the current economy, I am sure there are some agencies struggling to be able to give at the rate they have been known to give in the past. At this time there is still \$1,000 left to be donated, which means four councils can still apply.

Perhaps there is a family in your area struggling because of illness, disaster or other personal crisis. Councils can apply for matching funds of up to \$250. There is no cap on how many matching funds we distribute, but please remember the council has to raise the money and then apply for the matching funds. What a great gift you could surprise a struggling family with when they possibly need it the most.

Most councils meet this time of the year to celebrate the holidays. I know many of you have expressed concern about getting more involvement at your meetings. At our last convention we held a workshop specifically about this issue. Many ideas were given on how to get more interested and coming to your meetings. For the next couple of months I will elaborate on some of the ideas and my hope is that it will spark an interest in some councils.

This month's idea is to utilize a member's talent. Have one of your talented members do a presentation at your meeting but be sure to let your members know ahead of time of your meeting's agenda. Maybe you have a crafty member that can share her craft and even teach how to do it or someone who loves to read could read and report on a popular book. The ideas are endless, you just need to look for and use the God given talents that surround you.

As the year winds down CLC has much to be grateful for. Our sales have been steady and our bottom line is looking favorable for the end of the year. This is thanks to a successful sales force, a hard working office staff and board, many sacrifices and especially our faithful members.

Wishing everyone blessings and peace for a wonderful holiday season! May Christmas bring you joy and happiness and may the New Year bring you good health and prosperity.



THE WREATH IS ON THE DOOR

The wreath is on the door

And the snow is on the tree

God has laid His holy hands

On all that we can see.

Be quick to raise your voice

And praise what He has brought.

Keep now His love in every choice

And Christmas in every thought.



New Members

Co. 7 – Ottawa

Frances Niese, Ottawa

Co. 10 – Cloverdale

Lawrence J Burkhart, Cloverdale

Co. 25 – Toledo

Jeanette B Rinehart, Maumee

Co. 30 – Ottoville

Grant Thomas Altenburger, Ottoville

Co. 86 – Upper Sandusky

Desiree C Young, Upper Sandusky

Teresa Brodman, Upper Sandusky

Co. 88 – Ft. Jennings

Pierce Patrick Paul, Columbus

Holden Joseph VanPelt, Columbus

Co. 115 – Bucyrus

Cole Allan Payne, Bucyrus

Co. 121 – Van Wert

Stella Sinning, San Angelo

Co. 134 - Kalida

Kegan Price, Van Wert

Morgan Renee Cape, Edgerton

Co. 165 – Athens

Gay Ann Clay, Chester

Andrew J Holzapfel, Albany

Kurt Montle, Guysville

Teresa Ann Montle, Guysville

Co. 208 – Blakeslee

John Semai Jr., Williamsfield

Co. 221 – Cuba

Lisa Lynn Trentman, Kalida

Co.222 - Lima

Sarah K Cedarleaf, Rockton

Rickey J Schaub, Botkins

Renee Ensign, McComb

Co. 900 – Ohio

Cooper Jack MaCaulay, Beverly

Co. 901 – Michigan

Phyllis Crean, East China

Springfield Schedules Holiday Party

Springfield • Council 207

President Mary Ann Jung welcomed 26 members and two guests to the November meeting of Council 207 at the Golden Corral Restaurant.

Opening prayer was led by Sonja Missig.

During the business meeting, the minutes of the October meeting were read and approved and the Treasurer's report was given. November birthdays were announced for Mary Ann Morgan, Beverly Smith, Sonja Missig, Erin Fleming, Rita Copeland, Ann McGree, Mary Ann Beach, Julie Gray, Anne Boitse, and Joann Thomas.

The password and the collection were taken up by Ivy Mammolite. The collection

will be used for a gift certificate which will be added to a Thanksgiving basket to be given to an elderly person.

Sunshine Chairman, Sally Walsh, reported that a sympathy card was sent to Agnes Brugger whose brother passed away, and a get-well card was sent to Martha Sullivan.

Plans for the Christmas party were reported by Carole Ryan. It will be held on Monday, December 6th at noon at the Marriott. After lunch, there will be an optional gift exchange and musical entertainment. Members are to contact Carole Ryan to make reservations.

Closing prayer was led by Sonja Missig. The meeting was adjourned.

FJ Council Plans Christmas Party

Ft. Jennings • Council 88

The meeting was called to order with 17 members present.

The council Christmas party will be held on December 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the church basement. The committee will be Christy Good, Dee Stechschulte and Nancy Wiechart. Please RSVP to a committee member if you would like to attend. Those attending are asked to bring a Christmas decoration to place on a wreath that will be decorated.

Members were reminded of the Member Campaign for 2010. Bring a friend to the meeting, if they become a member and pay their \$3.00 dues, you get \$5. If they become a social member with a CLC insurance policy you receive \$5. So, bring a friend to the Christmas party, awards will be given at the party.

A breakfast at the church was planned for March 6, 2011 and a motion was made to pay Bob Wiechart \$.25 per plate for the election day dinner. This brought the total bill to \$190.50. Kathy and Kim McCabe were the top sales for the dinner.

Early Christmas Party Brings Joy

Kalida • Council 134

Council 134 held an early Christmas party on November 8. Our evening began with Mass at 6:00 pm. The thirty-four members present feasted on Chef Mary Lou's dinner of chicken and the trimmings. The meal was topped off with ice cream and cookies. We were then entertained by Joan Vennekotter's second grade class. Their talents and their excitement gave us all some early Christmas joy. Throughout the evening door prizes were passed out to lucky ladies. Bingo was next. We were all hoping for just one more number so that we could claim the next prize.

Our president, Mary Lou Hoffman, held a short business meeting. After the usual business matters were finished, a discussion about next year's Christmas party was held. President Mary Lou is open to any and all suggestions on how to improve our party and how to attract more members. The trustees passed out exchange presents. November and December birthdays were also celebrated. We all left having enjoyed an evening of fellowship with our CLC sisters.

38 Birthday Boxes Donated

Upper Sandusky • Council 86

The Nov. meeting of the CLC was called to order by Pres. Teresa Brodman. The meeting was opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Communications were received from CLC President Sharon Calvelage, Fort Jennings Council 88, Karen Buckley, Ethel Collins, Jerry Farley, Vivian Oney, Yvonne Baldwin, White Star Tours, Rosalin Gears, and Charlene Beeler.

The council's Make A Difference Day project was to prepare birthday boxes for the food pantry. With the donations received at our 100th celebration 38 boxes were assembled and wrapped by St. Peter's Religious Education students. The boxes contained a cake mix, frosting, decorations and candles.

President Brodman thanked all the members for their help with the 100th celebration. It was a huge success. We hope to have another 100 years.

The council was thanked for their donations of cookies to the K of C Halloween party.

Nov. 12 there was a soup cook off at the K of C at 6:30. The results of the soup competition will be in the next INDEX.

Election of officers was held. The officers for 2011 are Pres. Teresa Brodman, Vice Pres. Susan Sampson, Recording Secretary Fairy Wagner, Financial Secretary Helen Rall, Treas-

urer Rosemary Smalley, Inner Guard Yvonne Baldwin, Monitor Susanne Brodman.

A Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at the Upper Sandusky K of C Hall on Thanksgiving Day from 12-2. It will be open to anyone who would like to attend. Members are asked to donate side dishes or desserts. They may be brought to the Hall 4-9 on the 24th or Thanksgiving morning.

The CLC Christmas party will be Dec. 1 at 6:30. Members are asked to bring a dish. Table service and drinks will be furnished. All women of Transfiguration of the Lord and O.L.C. parishes will be invited. Members and guests are asked to bring a donation for the area food pantries. The council will also be taking up donations for a member in the Air Force who had a home fire and lost all his belongings. The amount donated will be matched by the council.

The K of C children's Christmas party will be Dec. 17 at 6:30. Members are asked to bring cookies. The council will also prepare goody bags Dec. 15 at 7:15 at the Hall.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Lou Strasser. The lottery was won by Joyce McMillan.

Dessert was served by Cookie Davidson, Virginia Gottfried, Jean Garner, Karen Young, Regina Brinson, Bonnie Graver, Joann McNamara, Denise Lafontaine, Celestia Brodman, Joan Moening, Regina Spiegel.

Fraternally Remembered

Co. #	Name	City	Date of Death
007	Angela Bermudez	Ottawa	08/03/2010
007	Nancy Borchers	Ottawa	08/28/2010
162	Ruth Russell	Portsmouth	09/11/2010
205	Katherine Davis	Bowling Green	09/26/2010





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Cookies and Money for Inmate Programs

Bucyrus • Council 115

The Bucyrus Council held their October meeting in the home of Joy Keller. Special guest was Stephan Neuman, who thanked the council for the \$500 donation we gave him when he had his accident. A bake sale and matched funds were used for this.

Five members attended the Upper Sandusky, 100th Anniversary. Alice Gabriel attended the retreat in Glandorf.

The council held its annual Make a Difference Day project by donating money and baked cookies to the Kairos Ecumenical Christian Ministry. The Ministry is designed for use in men and women's correctional institutions in Marion, OH. It is conducted in cooperation with chaplains of correctional institutions by teams of laity and clergy who are qualified by their experience in Christian Renewal Movement.

The council was asked to donate plastic grocery bags to the Salvation Army.

The sunshine report was given. Cards were sent to Pat Bennett and Father LeJune on the deaths of Pat's husband and Father's mother and for Joan Boudinot's eye surgery and Patti Miller's accident in October.

Christmas was discussed and it was voted to take four names from the church's Christmas tree and buy for four children.

Barb Underwood won the hostess prize. A nice lunch was served by Joy Keller and her daughter, Patti Miller.

Next meeting will be November 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the K of C home.

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