



# Catholic Ladies of Columbia

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Catholic Ladies of Columbia would like to wish you and yours a  
**Happy New Year!**

## Synopsis Of October, 2012 Board Meeting

The Board met on Saturday, October 27 in Upper Sandusky with all members present. The investments were reviewed and it was reported that our investments with Wells Fargo and Raymond James are both earning an average of a little over 6%. CLC has entered into an investment agreement with Mark Alliman of Edward Jones. This was done for more diversification.

Sharon and Cathy reported on the recent American Fraternal Alliance Convention they attended in New Orleans. As a result of the convention, CLC has announced a new fraternal project with the winner being announced at the upcoming convention and

the charity of the winner's choice receiving a donation. They reported that governance continues to be an issue facing most fraternal. An author and motivational speaker, Jim Collins, impressed Sharon and Cathy and CLC will be trying some of his suggestions in the near future.

Interest rates and contract guarantee rates were discussed and tabled until the next meeting. Cathy Burks, Sales and Marketing Director, reported that sales are up from last year. They should remain steady through the end of the year. Loni reported that expenses should be lower than last year and our surplus continues to grow.

Fraternal reports included; no matching funds have been requested for the third quarter, all the charitable funds have been distributed, in 2013 CLC will participate in the MS Walk at the Columbus Zoo in support of Jane Kozman's husband, the coloring contest received 56 entries, and five new members were initiated at the recent Fall Retreat/Initiation. Plans continue for the quadrennial convention to be held at Deer Creek State Park, August 4-6, 2013. The Monitors plan to attend the January Board meeting and give a full report.

## Council 165 Sponsors a Money Tree for CWC Bazaar

*Council 165 • Athens*

CLC Council 165 met on December 10, 2012, at Christ the King Church at 6:00 p.m. There were 18 members present to answer the roll call and two guests; Nadia Mitchell, Pregnancy Resource Center and Angela Cross, President of the Catholic Woman Club.

The dinner was catered this year and noted that the Club saved money by doing so. A letter of thanks was read from Father Pat for gifts on his retirement and from Father Mark for his Thanksgiving remembrance. Those attending were reminded the group will not meet until March 2013. The Council sponsored a money tree and a statue to be presented during the CWC Bazaar. The money tree was won by Rosemary Hayes and the statue by Sherry Chang.

President Trudy Montle announced that those wishing to change their month of being the hostess could be done and to notify her of their decision. The festive decorations were enjoyed by all and a Bingo game produced lots of laughs and enjoyment. A big thank you was given to the hostesses, Trudy Montle and Anita Weisenbach.

The next meeting will be on March 18, 2013. Closing prayers were recited by the group and many wishes of Happy Christmas were exchanged.



### Dates to Remember

January 21	Martin Luther King Day
January 21-22	Board Meeting
August 4-6	Quadrennial Convention

#### FRIENDSHIP BOX

Dec-Jan	Kalida Co 134
Feb-Mar	Ottawa Co 7

#### PERPETUAL ROSARY

Dec-Jan	Leipsic Co 6
Feb-Mar	Glandorf Co 179

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# Sharon Says....

A new year, a new beginning, a fresh start! Many people start off a new year with resolutions, some of them being so hard that they are unable to keep them past the first day or two. My thought is that resolutions are good, but they must be achievable and no one says they have to be that difficult. Your resolution could be as simple as saying an extra prayer each day. So my hope is that you are able to make some sort of resolution and keep it....simple or hard.

2013 will be an exciting year for CLC as we are preparing for our quadrennial convention. It will be held August 4-6, which seems like a long time off. Really it will be here before you know it and as custom has it, we will be having an auction for a charity during our convention. The convention committee has chosen the Wyandot County Council for Birth Defects as the recipient of our charitable work. So my plea to all councils and members attending the convention is to prepare and bring an item or two for the auction. We will have a live and silent auction this year. I challenge you to help us top our last convention donation!!

Another thing to consider for the convention is that we are looking for members to run for the Board. The qualifications to run are: must be a benefit member in good standing, must be a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church, must have attended a convention, must have held an elected office in your local council and must be between the ages of 18 and 70 at the time of your first election. There is dedication and work involved in serving on the CLC Board but at the same time it is a very rewarding experience. Please consider it and I would welcome any questions you may have in making your decision.

Council Presidents please watch your mail in the upcoming months with more information regarding selecting delegates for the convention. Also, this year we will be having a Fraternalist of the Year contest. The Board has designed a new nomination form for this, so please consider nominating someone from your Council for this recognition. We are hoping for renewed interest in the program and I look forward to many nominations!

This promises to be a very busy year for CLC! I am sure there will be challenges, but none that we cannot overcome. I am looking forward to all the excitement of the New Year and doing the best job I can for the betterment of the Society! One last thing, the end of January I will be getting a replacement knee. Yes, some of grandma's parts are wearing out! I would appreciate your prayers, please!! Thank you in advance!



## Fraternally Remembered

Co. #	Name	City	Date of Death
020	Mary Parrish	Ft. Wayne	12/06/12
025	Virginia Wernimont	Toledo	09/18/12
040	Mary Schaffner	Delphos	11/20/12
043	Robert Barbe	North Bloomfield	10/08/12
088	Alice Maag	Ft. Jennings	10/25/12
092	Clare Loving	Yellow Springs	11/17/12
092	Helen Sill	Circleville	10/29/12
105	Bernadette Wagner	Middletown	10/17/12
110	Elizabeth Johnson	Alexandria	11/19/12
133	Amelia Liptak	Gilford	09/03/12
134	Joyce Jerwers	Kalida	09/22/12
205	Clara Miller	Fostoria	11/24/12
218	Lois Westhoven	Wauseon	11/25/12
222	Thad Cochensparger	Lima	09/27/12

## *Please help us to locate the following members:*

Joleen L Batt – Co #32 – Novi, Michigan  
Angelo D Colapietro- Co #23 – Cleveland, Ohio  
Brandon Colapietro – Co #23 – Cleveland, Ohio  
Candance Colapietro – Co #23 – Cleveland, Ohio  
Louise A Cvetkovich – Co #23 – Cleveland, Ohio  
Steven Cvetkovich – Co #23 – Cleveland, Ohio  
Martha J De-La-Torre – Co #179 – Ottawa, Ohio

Eileen Koepp – Co #215 – Dayton, Ohio  
Judith Price – Co #181 – Vermilion, Ohio  
Mary M Price – Co #181-Vermilion, Ohio  
Zachary Reay – Co #97 – Newark, Ohio  
Linda Ryan – Co #59 – Springfield, Ohio  
Mary L Ryan – Co. #59 – Springfield, Ohio  
Kayliene M Schweitzer – Co #32 – Defiance, Ohio  
Sue Warnecke – Co #134- Kalida, Ohio

Please call the home office, 1-800-845-0494, if you know a current address or phone number on any of the above people.

## **St. Peter's Students Entertain Council 86**

### ***Council 86 • Upper Sandusky***

The Upper Sandusky CLC met at the KofC for their Christmas party. Vice Pres. Barb Grasz welcomed 53 members and guests. Sister Jeannette Zielinski led the group in prayer before enjoying the delicious meal.

After the meal the group was entertained by St. Peter's students singing Christmas carols. The students were led by St. Peter's music teacher Jayne Brimmel and accompanied by Devin Brimmel.

Special guests for the evening were Sister Jeanette, St. Peter's Principal Kathy White, CLC President Sharon Calvelage and CLC Sales and Marketing Director Cathy Burks.

Members were reminded we will be bag-

ging candy for the children's Christmas party Dec. 13 at 6:00 at the Kof C hall. The Children's Christmas party is Dec 14 at the Kof C Hall. All members are reminded to bring cookies to the Christmas party.

Door prizes and game gifts were given out to end the evening.

The Christmas committee of Susan Sampson, Joann McNamara, Judy Rowland, Marie Frey, Cheryl Culver, Mary Catherine Thiel, Tonelle Wagner, Ruth Swartz and Mary Lou Best was thanked for the lovely evening. The Jan. meeting will be Jan. 2 at 8:00 with the committee of Charlene Beeler, Bonnie Thiel, Diane Winterstellar, Teri Long, Katie Thiel, Chris Johnson, Helen Vogel, Helen Vent and Laurie Donagan.

# **Landeck Council Participates in Christmas Tree Festival**

### ***Council 84 • Landeck***

November and December meetings were opened with prayer, the reading of The Legend of the Christmas Prayer by Brian Morgan and salute to the flag.

Birthday wishes and get well prayers were sent out to our members. Club 25 winners were Joann Merricle for November, Laura Ladd for December and Sue Radabaugh for January.

Holiday drawing winners were Patricia Suever, Jane Rahrig and Melvin and Catherine Heitz. Christmas baskets were won by Ethel Schwinnen and Bonnie Merschman. Pot of gold was won by Kay Seifer. Congratulations to all the winners.

Landeck council now has 2 members licensed to sell CLC life insurance; Janet Siefker and Velma Wehri.

Our council was once again part of the Delphos Canal Museum Christmas tree festival. Our Christmas tree this year was a ginger bread Christmas tree decorated by Catherine Heitz. She personally made and decorated each ginger bread man herself. She made the ginger bread men come alive.

Each council has shut-in members and Landeck council is no different. 12 Christmas gift bags were made and hand delivered by active members. The experience was enjoyable and full of laughter for all that participated.

More than 5 years ago Kathy Siefker, along with Landeck CLC began sending Christmas Cards to the military. This year was no different. 481 Christmas cards were sent to our troops. Great job ladies.

Our Christmas celebration was December 11th at 6:30 pm with 35 members participating. A delicious Christmas meal was served by Sandy Hellman and Linda Martin. The optional Christmas gift was exchanged with each member telling a Christmas memory from the past.

Our next meeting will be in February. Watch your mail for the Landeck CLC newsletter, The Chatter Box.

## *New Members*

Co. 6 – Leipsic

Keith D Haselman, Leipsic

Linda S Bratt, Leipsic

Larry E Butler, Leipsic

Doris J Ladd, Leipsic

Co. 20 – Decatur

Carolyn J Sterling, Seymour

Mary J Pottschmidt, Brownstown

Charles N Sterling, Seymour

Co. 25 – Toledo

Francis Nowak, Toledo

Co. 30 – Ottoville

Kara Laine Slusser, Ottoville

Co. 32 – Defiance

Kenneth L Shook, Defiance

Co. 86 – Upper Sandusky

Christine E Carey, Upper Sandusky

Co. 88 – Ft. Jennings

Sara C Berelsman, Ft. Jennings

Eleanor R Berelsman, Ft. Jennings

Andy J Berelsman, Ft. Jennings

Adele G Berelsman, Ft. Jennings

Deena A Good, Ft. Jennings

Co. 133 – Cleveland

Gary W Heather, Massillon

Co. 165 – Athens

Michael D Mefferd, Westerville

Co. 166 – Columbus Grove

Charles F Huffman, Pandora

Diane Gary, New Carlisle

Herbert H Huffman, Columbus Grove

Diane M Siefker, Columbus Grove

Eugene M Krietemeyer, Columbus Grove

Co. 205 – Fostoria

Donald C Speakman, Findlay

Logan J Richard, Owens Crossroads

Co. 222 – Lima

Alice Diller, Lima

Diana J Diller, Lima

Co. 900 – Ohio

Marin Macaulay, Beverly

Co. 901 - Michigan

Matthew L Monahan, Hudson



# Ottoville Donates to Many Local Charities

## Council 30 • Ottoville

On Monday, December 10th, 25 members and our pastor, Fr. John Stites, met at the parish center for a half hour social gathering and then, after Fr. John gave the blessing, a delicious dinner, prepared by BBQ Express, was enjoyed. After dinner, a short business meeting was conducted by Ruth Miller, president. Secretary and treasurer reports were given, and we noted the donations made recently to Church of the Good Shepherd, Thanksgiving dinner for a local family, Ottoville School for special Christmas needs for local families, the church flower fund and special items were purchased for the hall kitchen.

Thank you's were read from flower committee of church; Beth Huffman, our October speaker, and Church of the Good Shepherd. Christmas cards were signed for sending to faithful members not able to attend. We were happy to see Irene Miller, a long time member who now resides at Van Crest in Delphos, join us for the evening!

Our next meeting will be on April 8th, when we will honor golden weddings and 70th birthdays.

# Council 40 Plays JINGO

## Council 40 • Delphos

The December meeting began with our annual Christmas dinner party with 18 ladies attending. We were served a delicious catered meal with desert provided by the committee. A punch bowl and snack table was also available. Our special guests for the party were the Sisters of Notre Dame from St. John the Evangelist Church here in Delphos. We played JINGO and everyone received a prize. It was fun and we all had a goodtime. A short meeting was held with the reading of the minutes and treasurers report from the previous meeting. Our next meeting will be Feb. 5, 2013 as Tues. Jan. 1, 2013 is a holiday. The attendance award went to Ruth Calvelage and Jan Hilvers got the birthday award for December. 50-50 winners were Velma Wheri, Marsha Meils and Jan Hilvers. Chairladies for Feb. meeting are Leona Berlesman and Lisa Faurot.

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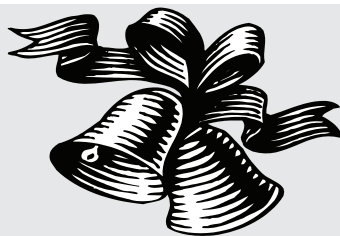


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