

Latham-Colonie K of C
 Council #3394
 PO Box 221
 Latham, NY 12110



Council and Corporation meetings are held on the 2nd. Monday of every month.
 Corporation meets @ 6:00 PM, Council meetings begin @ 7:15 PM.
 Columbiettes meet 1st. Monday of each month. Mtg.'s @7:00 PM



The Knightly News

Council Meeting – May 11, 2026

Columbiettes Meeting - May 4, 2026

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COUNCIL NEWS & NOTES

Welcome:

To long time Brother Knight Ronald Boisfert who had his membership transferred to Council 3394

Columbiette Breakfast:

The Columbiettes next Breakfast will be held on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10 from 8:30am -12:30pm. Please come and support our Columbiettes.

July 18 and there are 400 tickets available to be sold. If you have never taken part in this drawing there is a \$5,000.00 Grand Prize waiting to be won, but as the old saying goes, "you have to be in it to win it". There is a raffle ticket form on page 8 of this newsletter.

Election of Officers:

A REMINDER: At the June Council meeting the election of officers will be held. At our meeting in May questions and/ or issues concerning the elections can be discussed.

RedCross Blood Drive:

The RedCross recently held a blood drive at the Council and our thought was, pardon the pun, somewhat anemic with only 10 pints of blood donated. The staffers who worked that day did state that those 10 pints would help nearly 30 people in need of blood.

But we can do better and I hope more people will try to attend the next drive on July 24, 2026.

Kids Fishing Derby:

Our Community Director Rob Frost has scheduled our annual Kids Fishing Derby for June 27, 2026, at Rensselaer Lake (Six Mile Waterworks) in Albany, N.Y. On page 6 of this newsletter is a promo ad detailing the event and there is a QR Code on the form that will take you directly to the fillable and submittable registration form on our website. Volunteers will be needed to assist Rob at the derby and possibly to help seek out donations. For more information on how to help please contact Rob via email at rfrost.518@gmail.com.

Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner:

We would like to thank Steve and Jude Chiera for preparing and serving a delicious Spaghetti and Meatball dinner on April 18. There were approximately 125 dinners served that night. Besides Steve and Jude we would like to thank all of the people who helped in any way. You really have no idea how much we appreciate all the time you give of yourselves to make an event the success that it is.

\$50 Raffle:

We're a bit late getting started on our annual \$50 but we are ready to sell and we hope that this will be our 15th straight sellout. The drawing date is

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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Greetings to all! Spring is in the air. The grass is nice and green and flowers are starting to bloom in our area as the rains and sun have enriched our beautiful region.

Mother's Day is on May 10th this year. The Council honors mothers , not only in our region but wherever there are mothers with the following prayer. "Heavenly Father, we lift to you today all mothers, bless them with strength to continue to care for their children, with the same bold, selflessness Mary showed Jesus. Help all mothers feel our gratitude and truly know their impact . May we honor them today and on all days as vessels of Your love and ask you uplift them today. Thank You for the gift they are in our lives. We pray this in the Holy Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Kof C Semi-Annual Capital Conference meeting was held via Zoom virtual apparatus platform on April 19th. The meeting covered various relevant topics including the update of Conference by laws which is still in progress. To prepare for the meeting the Conference updated a schedule of all current Councils, District Deputies, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries within the Conference. There currently are 49 active Councils, 10 assigned District Deputies to those Councils, 49 Grand Knights, 49 Financial Secretaries. And, for Knights of Columbus purposes the Conference is considered a Downstate Conference. Gabriel Bedore was recently elected Conference Chairman.

Ricardo Lucchetti, C&B Chairman for the Capital Conference attended our April meeting to distribute the new C&B raffle book tickets to our Council's Financial Secretary and to explain the new format of the 2026 NYS Council K of C Charitable and Benevolent Program. A Grand Prize of \$25,000 can be won and additional substantial prizes can be won. Last years Grand Prize winner was from Syracuse. See Hank LaRose our Financial Secretary for details. You can leave messages for him @518-783-0572.

K of C Field Agent Tom Tolan also



DATES TO REMEMBER

Some of the dates are tentative. Please see future Knightly News for up to date notices.

- Mon. May 4th. - Columbiette Meeting**
- Sun. May 10th. - Columbiette Mother's Day Breakfast**
- Mon. May 11th. - Council Meeting**
- Sat. May 23rd. - Field of Flags Ceremony**
- Mon. May 25th. - Memorial Day**
- Mon. June 8th. - Council Meeting (Election of Officers)**
- Sun. June 21st. - Columbiettes Father's Day Breakfast**
- Sat. July 18th. - \$50 Raffle Drawing**

attended our April meeting and gave a nice presentation on Life Insurance, Retirement Annuities, Disability Income, and Long Term Care Insurance policies and investments available to K of C members. He also left valuable reference material with the Council for review by members.

Finally, the council's 75th anniversary

committee submitted a classy Knights of Columbus banner for display at the anniversary celebration and is in the process of proposing recommendations for meals, music, beverages and other activities including the date of the ceremony. God's blessings to all!

CHARITABLE & BENEVOLENT PROGRAM

The Program is conducted by the New York State Council with the local councils in this State. Through the sale of raffle ticket funds are raised to help charitable activities in this State and to award \$50,000 in cash prizes in a grand prize drawing held in December. A member of our Council won \$1,000 in the 2024 December drawing. Over many years members of our Council have purchased or sold ticket booklets to participate in the Raffle. Up until recent years the ticket booklet contained (12) \$1 tickets. In recent years the ticket booklet contained (4) \$3 tickets. In both cases Council 3394 accepted a minimum payment of \$10 as payment for the tickets. Many members would generously send in the full \$12 or more giving their Council additional income.

A Brother Knight in charge of the

raffle in the Capital District Conference (Albany Diocese) attended the April Council business meeting and explained changes to this year's C & B Raffle. The first change is that the booklet has been replaced by a 4" X8" perforated sheet.

The second change is that there are only two \$5 tickets required to qualify as a " Seller" in the Raffle and to be also entered into two drawings for Sellers' Prizes. Your Council will accept a minimum of \$8 for the two tickets keeping the \$2 reduction in effect. Tickets will be distributed in late May or early June when dues billing notices are mailed.

If you wish tickets but don't receive any or if you have any questions contact me at 518-783-1706. Thank you.

Hery LaRose,
C&B Chairman Council 3394

Proverbs 31:25-26: "She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue."

COLUMBIETTE NEWS**Columbiette Officers**

President

Tracylynn Patterson

Past President

Linda Lanthier

Vice President

Wanda Torres

Secretary

Kathy Majer

Financial Secretary

Joy Meher

Treasurer

Jude Chiera

Sentinel

Mary Cay Snyder**NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting is Monday, May 4, 2026. Please consider attending, your ideas and input are important to all of us!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

5/4/26 –Columbiette Meeting

5/10/26 - Columbiette Breakfast

COLUMBIETTE BREAKFAST

Our breakfast will be on 4/12/26 from 8:30-11:30 and as usual we can use lots of help, especially with the clean-up. Come have a great breakfast and stay to help with the cleanup. (see promo on page 3)

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2026-27

Listed below is the recommendation of the nomination committee for the slate of officers for 26-27. We will vote on the slate at our May meeting nominations will be taken from the floor. If you are interested in an office please let us know.

President -Tracylynn Patterson

Past President -Linda Lanthier

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Vice-President – Linda Atchinson

Secretary - Kathy Majer

Financial Secretary - Joy Meyer

Treasurer - Jude Chiera

Sentinel – Mary Cay Snyder

State Delegate – Tracylynn Patterson

State Delegate – Linda Lanthier

Alternate State Delegate:

Linda Atchinson

FIELD OF FLAGS

The Latham-Colonie Columbiettes and our Brother Knights are again offering Memorial Flags in the "Field of Flags" for the Memorial Day and Veterans Day Displays!

The Flags will be installed for two weeks to honor our Military Family Members and Friends on the front lawn of the Knights of Columbus Council in Latham. The ceremony for Memorial Day will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026 at 11am.

The Flags are \$30 per display event or \$50 for both display events; Veterans Day and Memorial Day. (30 Flags are available for sponsorship)

For information, please email Kathy Majer @ klmajer@outlook.com. For a form either contact Kathy Majer at the



above email address or you can download a form from our website:

lathamcoloniekofc.com/field-of-flags.

Forms are also available at the Council Social Parlor and on page 7 of this newsletter.

HOFFMAN CAR WASH TICKETS

KEEP YOUR CAR CLEAN YEAR ROUND

THE COLUMBIETTES HAVE HOFFMAN CAR WASH TICKETS FOR SALE. THEY CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE BAR.

EXTERIOR ONLY \$10.00
FULL SERVICE ONLY \$28.00



TICKETS ARE GOOD AT ALL HOFFMAN'S CAR WASHES



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Latham-Colonie Columbiette's Annual



Breakfast

"Gift For all the Moms"

Sunday, May 10, 2026

8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Latham-Colonie K of C

(518)783-0572

Menu

Scrambled Eggs, Omelet Station

Home Fries

Corned Beef Hash

Bacon and Sausage

Pancakes

French Toast served w/ warm maple syrup

Cereal, Banana's, Fruit Cocktail

Juices(Orange, Tomato, Apple & Cranberry)

Coffee, Tea & Hot Chocolate

Prices: \$15 per person; children 5 -10 \$8; Under 5 - Free





Spring
**Vendor
Fair**

Columbiette Vendors Fair
Saturday, May 16, 2026
9am - 3:30pm

Latham Colonie Knights of Columbus
328 Troy Schenectady Rd. (Rte. 2)
Latham, NY 12110

Rain or Shine
Contact Kathy Majer
At: klmajer@outlook.com
(518) 272 - 8831



Kids Fishing Derby

SATURDAY, JUNE 27th

SIX-MILE WATERWORKS- FULLER RD., ALBANY

Registration begins at 8 am-Competition from 9-12

- For ALL Children ages 4-15
- There is NO registration fee: If possible, we ask that you bring one canned food item to the event to be donated to the St. Ambrose food pantry.
- This date is a FREE FISHING DAY in NYS; meaning that you DO NOT need a fishing license to assist your children with bait or fish. But please, let them catch their own fish..
- Prizes will be awarded for the biggest fish in each age category and the smallest fish overall, so stick around until the end.
- “Fish swag bags” will be given to each participant, until supplies run out.
- Parents (or responsible adult) must accompany children and provide their own fishing pole, bait, tackle, and supervision.
- A complete set of rules provided at registration/ check In.
- Please click on the QR code, log into our website at www.lathamcoloniekofc.com or call (518) 783-0572 to pre-register for this event.



Brought to you by your local Latham-Colonie Knights of Columbus
Council #3394
JOIN US!!

Field Of Flags Order Form

This flag is flown in memory (*deceased*) or honor (*living*) of:

Name of service member (including rank if known):

Branch of Service and Era Served (if Known)

Dedicated by: _____

Contact information:

Name: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____

Price per flag: \$30 Memorial Day Veterans Day

\$50 for both

If you wish to keep the flag(s) check here:

(Flags not picked up by Dec. 31st will be resold)

For more information or questions please email Kathy Majer at: klmajer@outlook.com

Please make checks payable to: Latham Colonie Knights of Columbus

Mail to: Latham K of C

PO Box 221

Latham, NY 12110

To be filled in by Knight or Columbiette at time of payment

Date: _____

Cash

Check

Payment received by: _____

Please give this form to Robert Ostiguy or Kathy Majer

\$50



LATHAM COLONIE
**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL



\$50

PO BOX 221, LATHAM, NY 12110

July 18, 2026

1 PM - 4 PM

15 th Prize	\$125	10 th Prize	\$200	5 th Prize	\$300
14 th Prize	\$150	9 th Prize	\$200	4 th Prize	\$400
13 th Prize	\$150	8 th Prize	\$250	3 rd Prize	\$500
12 th Prize	\$150	7 th Prize	\$250	2 nd Prize	\$1,250.00
11 th Prize	\$200	6 th Prize	\$250	Grand Prize \$5,000.00	

Only **400** tickets are available and are sold on a "First come, First served" basis.
Drawing will begin at 2:30pm. First ticket drawn is the \$5,000 **CASH WINNER!**
We reserve the right to extend the drawing date if necessary.

- Enclosed is my form and check for \$50.00
- I will be attending the drawing at the Knights of Columbus

Food will be provided for **ONE PERSON** per ticket.
Any additional person wishing to attend will be charged \$20.
I will be bringing ___ people with me at \$20.00 each

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **LATHAM-COLONIE K OF C, PO BOX 221, LATHAM, NY 12110**

LATHAM-COLONIE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2026

NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____ TICKET # _____
 STREET NUMBER _____
 CITY/STATE/ZIP _____
 HOME PHONE () _____ CELL () _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____ DATE _____

CAPITAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE "FAITH & NEWS"

As the Faith Activities Coordinator for the Capital District Conference I will attempt to keep you informed of relevant topic's, Catholic news, programs I implement, such as "Faith & News", Pilgrimages (St Francis of Assisi), Novena of the month and I will try to assist us all as we travel the journey of our faith.

It is in that spirit I ask that you please distribute this email to all the members of your councils. I will send these "Catholic Faith" writings (below in this email) out from time to time and each will be different, educational to some, and hopefully thought provoking to all.

- Credits: I wish to thank various material resources I regularly use, such as Ascension Press, Catholic Online, Siena University, Vatican News, EWTN, Formed, Catholic Review, USCCB, and others which I use to gather writings, topic's and information which I take the liberty to edit, restructure and paraphrase as I feel appropriate/needed. So due credit to these resources.

Coming up:

Novena's:

May:

Pentecost (Holy Spirit) Novena

Start Date: Friday, May 15, 2026

End Date: Saturday, May 23, 2026,

Feast Day: Sunday, May 24, 2026

June:

Sacred Heart Novena Start Date:

Thursday June 4 – Friday June 12, 2026, leading directly to the Feast of the Sacred Heart on Friday, June 12, 2026. This year holds special significance, as the U.S. Bishops will consecrate the nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, making it a major focus of prayer for 2026.

I will send Novena emails out to you all well in advance... and they will contain the actual novena's within, so no one will have to search for anything.

If any of you have a topic you would like included in this "Catholic Faith Series" email me (or call) and let me know! (my info at bottom)

SK Jake Delgaudio

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COLUMBIETTE NEWS

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Alternate State Delegate:

Kathy Majer

Chapter Delegate – Tracylynn Patterson

Chapter Delegate – Colette Murray

Chapter Delegate – Mary Cay Snyder

Chapter Delegate - Linda Atchinson

Chapter Delegate – Constance LaJoe

Alternate Chapter Delegate:

Patrice Mago-Radliff

Alternate Chapter Delegate:

Carolyn Marszalek

Alternate Chapter Delegate:

Denise White

VENDOR'S FAIR

The Columbiettes will be hosting a Vendor's Fair on Saturday, May 16 at the Council. We are looking for vendor's, Craft or Flea Market, to participate in this annual event.

If anyone is interested in taking part you are asked to contact Kathy Majer at klmajer@outlook.com or you may download an application from our website lathamcoloniekofc.com

HOFFMAN CAR WASH TICKETS

The Columbiettes are again selling Hoffman Car Wash tickets; they make great gifts. We have exterior for \$10.00 and Full Service for \$28.00, they are available at the Bar.

DUES

Dues for 2026 are due; they are \$15.00 per year. Please mail to Joy Meher at 35 Western Avenue, Watervliet, N.Y. 12189 or if you'd prefer to leave them at the Social Parlor, you can stop any day after 4 pm. Make checks payable to the Latham Colonie to the Latham Colonie Columbiettes.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

The Columbiettes have a Sunshine Committee. If you know a Columbiette who is ill, in the hospital, has lost a loved one, has new child/ grandchild, or is celebrating a special occasion, please let us know so that we can acknowledge it.

LATHAM-COLONIE COLUMBIAN FAMILY MILITARY WALL

In the vestibule of the Council Building, the Latham-Colonie Columbiettes and Knights of Columbus have installed a wall display to honor our Family Members who are currently serving in the Military, in addition we pay tribute to those who have served and have gone before us! The Wall includes a Folded Flag, the Prisoner of War Table and Pictures of the current known active duty members! I'm happy to let everyone know one

of the pictures is my Grandson Sargent Nicholas O. Majer, US Marines, Nicholas received an Honorable Discharge on May, 31st, 2025, after six years active duty, we are incredibly proud of him!

If you have a Family Member serving in the Military and would like their picture displayed on our wall, please email me at klmajer@outlook.com. Please include a picture of your family

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GOOD OF THE ORDER

We ask that you keep Brother Knight Michael Whalen in your thoughts and prayers as he has been recently experiencing some serious health issues.

THANK YOU ALL!

Thank you to all the Member Volunteers of Latham-Colonie Council #3394, Columbiettes, Brother Knights and Columbian Society and their Friends!

Our events may look flawless and easy to bring to fruition, I can guarantee you they are not! The logistics and planning used are wings and prayers!

Many hands do the work that makes our Council as successful as it is many you see and many you don't!

We couldn't do anything without them!



USED CLOTHING DROP-OFF SHED



Knights of Columbus

328 TROY SCHENECTADY ROAD
 LATHAM, NY 12110



We accept clothing, shoes, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, curtains, pillowcases and stuffed animals. Please bag all items.

We do not accept: furniture, electronics, books, household items, toys, garbage, pillows, rags, fabric scraps, etc.