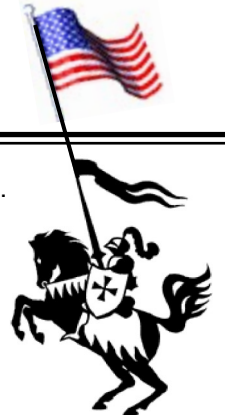




Council and Corporation meetings are held on the 2nd. Monday of every month.
 Corporation meets @ 6:00 PM, Council meetings begin @ 7:15 PM.
 Columbiettes meet 1st. Monday of each month. Mtg.'s @7:00 PM



The Knightly News

Council Meeting – June 8, 2026

Columbiettes Meeting - June 1, 2026

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COUNCIL NEWS & NOTES

Congratulations and Welcome:

To two new Brother Knights, Phil Vincent Castanares and Lloyd W. King Jr., who joined the K of C and our Council by participating in a Charity, Unity and Fraternity Ceremony held at our hall on May 19. Also, by their participation in the ceremony two established members, Rev. Thomas Fallati and Brother Knight Dominic Pouliot also advanced to

Third Degree membership.

Columbiette Breakfast:

The Columbiettes next Breakfast will be held on Father's Day, Sunday, June 21 from 8:30am -12noon. This is usually their biggest breakfast so it is highly recommended to make a reservation in advance. They can always use extra hands to help during the breakfast but especially after for cleanup. Please come and support our Columbiettes See the promo ad on page 4..

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 frost.518@gmail.com.

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Election of Officers:

A REMINDER: At the June Council meeting the election of officers will be held. Elections are always important so your attendance is highly recommended. If anyone is interested in running for any chair nominations can be taken off the floor. Please consider it, we really do need new blood running the Council.

Karaoke Nite with Trish Anderson:

We will be hosting a Karaoke Nite on Friday, June 12 beginning at 6pm. Trish has done several karaoke nights at the club and they really a lot of fun to be at. Check out her ad on page 3 of this newsletter.

Kids Fishing Derby:

Our Community Director Rob Frost

OLA Blood Drive:

Our Lady of the Assumption Church will be hosting a RedCross blood drive on Wednesday July 8, from 2 - 6pm. See their promo ad on page 7.

\$50 Raffle:

We understand that we have been running the raffle form in the newsletter for the past several months and it doesn't really seem to have reached our membership so within the next several days you will be receiving a letter asking that you purchase a raffle ticket. It is absolutely imperative that we sell all 400 tickets because the proceeds from the raffle just about cover our taxes. If we haven't said it once, if every member would buy a ticket we would never have to ask non

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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Well May went by quickly as the Council had a few big events that turned out to be very successful. Kudos to the team of volunteers who worked hard in preparing the Mothers Day breakfast. It was one of the Columbiettes biggest breakfasts and was very well attended. Our Chaplain, Father Fallati stopped by the Council and said a lovely prayer for all the mothers and others who were in attendance. We also had a very nice Exemplification of the Third Degree Ceremony of Unity, Charity and Fraternity and had two new members become brothers of Council 3394 on May 19th and two other members advanced to become third degree by participating in the degree. I thank the Degree team for doing another great job in conducting the ceremony and welcoming our new members. I also thank our Chaplain Father Fallati for being part of the team and for his prayers to our new Council members.

On May 23, the Council celebrated Memorial Day with another great Field of Flags ceremony. Thirty United States flags were raised in memory of United States military veterans who served our great country. I thank all the volunteers who worked hard and represented the Council in making the event successful, bringing high compliments from the various political personalities who attended and also gave inspiring speeches. I also thank the Capital Conferences new Chairman Gabriel Bedore for attending the event with his lovely wife.

Events in the works are the Columbiettes Fathers Day Breakfast on June 21, 2026. We are also looking at scheduling our annual visit to see the Valley Cats play. A proposed date of Tuesday, August 4th, Irish Day at the stadium is being looked at as Hair of the Dog will be playing before the game. We are still working towards scheduling the Councils 75th anniversary.

Thanks to all of you who keep Council 3394 alive and well and a vibrant respected member of the Capital Region!

God Bless all, and thankfully summer is on its way.



DATES TO REMEMBER

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

- Mon. June 1st. - Columbiette Meeting**
- Mon. June 8th. - Council Meeting (Election of Officers)**
- Sun. June 21st. - Columbiettes Father's Day Breakfast**
- Sat. July 18th. - \$50 Raffle Drawing**
- Fri. July 24th. - RedCross Blood Drive**

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

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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

COLUMBIETTE NEWS

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- Past President
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- Financial Secretary
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- Treasurer
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- Sentinel
Mary Cay Snyder

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting is Monday, June 1, 2026. Please consider attending, your ideas and input are important to all of us!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 6/1/26 – Columbiette Meeting
- 6/21/26 - Columbiette Breakfast
- 7/18/26 - \$5,000 raffle

COLUMBIETTE BREAKFAST

Our Father's Day breakfast will be on 6/21/26 from 8:30-12 noon and as usual we can use lots of help, especially with the cleanup. Come have a great breakfast and stay to help with the cleanup. (see promo on page 4)

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 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/ grand-child, or is celebrating a special occasion, please let us know so that we can acknowledge it.

FIELD OF FLAGS

On behalf of Bob Ostiguy and Myself, thank you all so very much for all of your efforts on the "Field of Flags Celebration held recently at the Latham-Colonie Knights of Columbus #3394!

The food was delicious, the Social parlor decorations were beautiful and the ceremony was poignant and moving as we displayed 30 Flags in honor and memory of friends and family!

Our honored guests; US Congressman Paul Tonko, NY Senator Jake Ashby, Colonie Town Supervisor, Peter Crummey and soloist, Rafi Topalian, SW Pitts Fire Department, Cub/Pack Troop 1701, all Flag Sponsors and Flag Posters and all Knights of Columbus Conference Members were all a wonderful addition to the event!



Thank you all so much, we certainly appreciated all of you for your help!

Next "Field of Flags" event is Saturday, November 7th, 2026 at 12 Noon!

Kathy Majer
Bob Ostiguy
Field of Flags Committee

THE LATHAM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Presents

MISS TRISH and JESS

Not your ordinary Karaoke show



We have line dancing, prizes, and surprises!
So bring your singing voice and your dancing shoes, call all your fun friends and see us at the Knights of Columbus on Friday, June 12th!

328 Troy Schenectady road Latham New York

We start at 6:00



Latham Colonie Columbiettes

FATHER'S DAY

Breakfast

Sunday, June 21, 2026

8:30 am - 12 noon

(518)783-0572



Menu

Scrambled Eggs, Omelet Station

Home Fries

Corned Beef Hash

Bacon and Sausage

Pancakes & French Toast served with 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



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.



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Council #3394
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\$50



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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 _____

C & B PROGRAM

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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.

Henry LaRose,
C&B Chairman Council 3394

**BLESSED
ARE THE
DADS**



Blessed Are Dads Who Are Poor In Spirit

Seek to be a father after THE Father's own heart. Being a dad is on-the-job training. No one has it figured out. Don't pretend you do. Go to God every day. Ask him to teach you to be the husband and father he wants you to be; the husband and father your wife and children need you to be.

Blessed Are The Dads Who Mourn:

Be not afraid of feelings. Empathize with your family's tears, fears, and struggles. In scripture, "mourning" doesn't mean "be sad" so much as it means "cultivate a compassionate heart." It is not your job to fix or feel judged by your wife or kids' feelings. It is your job to be present to your wife and kids, to understand why they feel as they do, to show that you care, and to help them work through their feelings in godly ways

Blessed Are The Dads Who Are Meek:

Meekness isn't weakness. Cultivate the humble strength of a listening heart. In biblical Greek, the word for "meek" is "praus, it was adjective used to describe a war horse that is not easily spooked in battle and responds readily to its rider's commands. A real leader listens first. The father who is authentically meek is not afraid to listen to God and to attend to the needs his wife and children bring to him especially when doing so requires him to grow, change, or learn new skills.

Blessed Are The Dads Who Hunger And Thirst For Righteousness

Awesome Dads are on a Mission from

GOOD OF THE ORDER

On May 16 Council member Deacon Alexander J. Turpin was ordained a priest by Albany Bishop Mark O'Connell. Father Turpin's first Mass on May 17 at St. Pius X church was attended by Dennis and Linda Lanthier and Henry LaRose. May God bless

Father Turpin with a long and productive priesthood.

We also ask for your continuing thoughts and prayers for Brother Knight Michael Whalen as he has been recently experiencing some serious health issues.

Blood Drive

Our Lady of the Assumption RCC

498 Watervliet Shaker Road, Latham, NY 12110
Classrooms 5,6,7,8

**Wednesday, July 8, 2026
2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Please visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.
Use sponsor keyword **OurLadyOfTheAssumption**.
Or, call 1-800-redcross



Scan to be directed to RedCross.org



Come give blood June 29-July 12 for a classic American Red Cross x Looney Tunes T-shirt, ltd. qty!



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God. Live for Him. Lead your family To Him. Research shows that when dads model discipleship in their lives and relationship and take the lead in prayer, faith formation, and character training in the home, kids are exponentially more likely to live your faith and values as adults. Be the father that leads your family to THE father.

Blessed Are The Dads Who Are Merciful

Be a loving mentor in your home. Don't break hearts. Mold them. Don't be "The Punisher." Be a mentor and teacher. Treat your children with respect. Don't just yell or impose harsh consequences when they mess up. Instead, teach them how to meet their needs and express themselves in good and godly ways. Put more energy into encouraging, teaching and supporting good behavior than in punishing bad. Easier said than done!

Blessed Are the Dads Who Are Pure in Heart

Cherish the treasure of your wife and

children. Protect their dignity. Affirm their worth Pope St. John Paul the Great taught that the opposite of love is use. Love makes people more people-y. Use makes people into things or tools. Don't treat your wife or kids as the "things" that exist to make YOUR life easier. Set the standard for loving service in your home. Blessed Are the Dads Who Are Peacemakers Keep your house in order. Prioritize your family. Protect the heart of your home. St. Augustine said, "Peace is the tranquility of right order." Be the hands-on dad that makes sure your household is characterized by respect, generosity, mutual service, and orderliness.

Blessed Are the Dads Who Are Persecuted for the Sake Of Righteousness

The world will try to undermine your effort to be an awesome dad. Be one anyway. When your friends, family-of-origin, co-workers, or employers try to make you sacrifice what's best for your family for what they want, choose your family and know God the Father will honor your sacrifice.

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members for their support.

The drawing date is July 18 and at this time there are about 250 tickets available to be sold. On raffle day food and some refreshments will be served from 1 - 4 pm and are free but only if you have purchased a ticket. Also, the drawing will begin promptly at 2:30. 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 6 of this newsletter.

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.

FLAG DAY

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

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