

Knights of Columbus Life



MARCH 2008

Edward Douglass White Council No. 2473

Number 9

MARCH EVENTS

Sat. 3/1	First & Second Degree	9:00AM and 10:30	Paradise Lounge
Sun. 3/2	Family Buffet	2:30-5:30	Main Hall
Thurs 3/6	Council Club Meetings	7:30	Paradise Lounge
	Ladies U-Knighted	7:30	Council Home
Fri. 3/7	Shrimp Night	6:30 PM	Council Home
Sun. 3/9	Third Degree		
Wed. 3/12	Knight Life Deadline		
Thurs. 3/13	Officers/Chairmen		
Fri. 3/14	Supper Club	6:30 PM	Paradise Lounge
	AOH/Council St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance (see inside)		
Sat. 3/15	Golf Club Meeting	11:30AM	Council Home
Sun. 3/16	Family Breakfast/Palm Sunday	9:00AM-Noon	(2 seatings) Main Hall
	Blood Drive	9:30-1:30	Paradise Lounge
Thur. 3/20	No Council Meeting (Holy Thursday)		
Fri. 3/21	Good Friday-Closed		
Sat. 3/22	Easter Egg Hunt	12:00-2:00	Front of CH
Sun. 3/23	Easter Sunday Buffet	12:00-2:30 and 3:00-5:30	Main Hall
Mon. 3/24	Fourth Degree	6:45	Paradise Lounge
Fri 3/28	Supper Club	6:30	Paradise Lounge
Mon 3/31	Golf Penderbrook		Noon

IN THE COUNCIL HOME, EVERY:

Tuesday – Burger Night @ 6:30
 Wednesday – Taco Night @ 7:00
 Thursday – Spaghetti Night @ 7:00
 Saturday – Steak Night @ 6:30

UPCOMING EVENTS IN APRIL:

Sun. 4/6 – Family Buffet from 3:00 – 7:00 in the MH (note the change in time)

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

This month I would like to honor a longtime member of EDW. Al Willson Sr. has been a member for over 50 years as a Knight here at EDW. Since that time Al has volunteered countless hours as a Redcoat Waiter and Team Captain, he also worked the BBQ pit for each holiday picnic. Al continues to volunteer to this day as part of the Knight Life labeling/ mailing Team. Congratulations Al Willson Sr. as our Knight of the Month. Thank you for your many years of volunteering here at EDW.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EASTER BUFFET

Sunday March 23, 2008
 12:00 Noon-2: 30PM or 3:00PM-5: 30PM

Carved Beef Tenderloin with Cabarnet Sauce
 Roasted Breast of Turkey with Pan Gravy and
 Apple Sausage Stuffing
 Honey Baked Ham
 Carved Leg of Lamb with Mint Jelly
 Redskin Mashed Potatoes
 Mixed Vegetables
 Whole Green Beans and Red Peppers

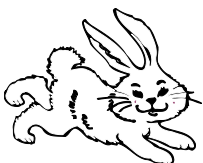
Soups
 Salad Bar
 Assorted Dessert Display

Adults-\$15.00
 Children 10 and under-\$7.50

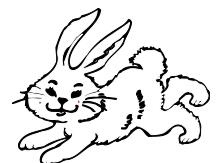
For reservations please call Betty by 5:00PM,
 Thursday March 20th.
 703-536-9656 x6.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

This month I would like to recognize Al Willson, his wife Susan and their children Brooke and Jacob as our Family of the Month. Al has worked as a cook in the Council Home on Burger and Steak nights and volunteers as a Redcoat Waiter. His son Jacob collects and saves soda flip-tops in the Council Home. He turns the tops over to a charity for Childhood Cancer. So, next time you have a soda remember to save your top and leave it for Jacob. Congratulations to the Al Willson family as our March Family of the Month.



Happy Easter!



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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Brother Knights, families and friends,

The conclusion of Lent brings about a contemplation of our resolutions and yet the promise of new life as we await the most holy of days in the Church calendar; Easter Sunday. I would like to wish all of you a Holy and Joyous Easter. This year Easter Sunday falls a little early on March 23. I hope all of you will participate in the many special activities and events that are planned for this spring season.

This year we will start off Holy Week with the Palm Sunday Family Breakfast that will be held in the Main Hall on Sunday 16 March from 9am to 12 noon. This is a perfect way to enjoy Palm Sunday with your family.

The Annual EDW Easter Egg Hunt is on Holy Saturday. The fun starts on the front lawn of our Council Home. Be there on time as in past years we have found that the kids are real pros at hunting down the Easter eggs. Check this month's Knight Life for more details on the Easter Egg hunt.

After Mass on Easter Sunday bring your family to the Easter Sunday Buffet. This is one of EDW's more popular events. See the Easter Sunday Buffet ad for seating times. Make your Easter Dinner reservations now.

Erin Go Bragh! The Annual AOH/EDW St. Patrick's Day Dinner Party will be held on Friday, March 14, 2008. There is always time for a good party at EDW and this event is no exception. Put on some green, bring your friends and celebrate St. Patrick's Day in the true Irish spirit. The Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) at EDW sponsors this event. Check this month's Knight Life for menu selection.

The Council Meeting on Thursday 20 March is cancelled due to Holy Thursday. Our only March meeting is on March 6th with the next meeting on April 3rd. See you April 3rd!

Keep in mind that it is not too early to start thinking about the Knights of Columbus KOVAR Campaign in April. KOVAR is an organization within the Knights of Columbus that raises money to assist the intellectually challenged in our communities. Each year in April every council in the state of Virginia volunteers on KOVAR weekend to collect money from all across the state for this worthy charity. This is the Knights of Columbus biggest Charity campaign of the year. However, we need volunteers like you to make it a great success. Need more information regarding the KOVAR campaign? Please contact the KOVAR chairman Art Gamotis for more information.

Happy Easter!

Vincent Long
Grand Knight

TRIVIA NIGHTS AT THE COUNCIL HOME BAR

Monday Night Football is done for the season. To help fill the void that we all feel your E.D.W. Staff will start Trivia Night every Monday starting March 24th at 7:30.

Grab your friends and make it a team effort! The winners will receive \$10.00 off their bill. We will play four rounds with a variety of topics.

So, Come One and Come All!!!!
Enjoy good food, spirits and friends!

SICK AND RECOVERING

Please remember the following members and their families in your daily prayers. If you have time, give them a call or drop them a note.

Neil Campbell
Eleanor Dougherty
Fr. Louis Gagnard
John Galcius

Claude R. Jenkins
Mrs. John Kramer
Paul O'Brien
Gene Rutherford, PGK

Ed Sajeski
Michael Spencer
Charles Steiner

FROM THE DESK OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

by Jerry Garren, FS, PGK

Second Quarter Dues Notices Considering that the Knight Life is put together well in advance of its publication date, Second Quarter dues notices will be mailed at the end of March or beginning of April. If you have not received your notice, you can pay your dues without the notice; annual dues are \$114 for Regular Members, \$60 for Honorary Members and \$44 for Honorary Life Members. Quarterly payments can be calculated by dividing these amounts by four. Please remember to pay your dues, as the Council incurs costs in the form of State and Supreme assessments (plus other overhead). **FAILURE TO PAY ONLY HURTS YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND YOUR COUNCIL!!!**

Should You Fail to Pay After the Second Quarter Dues Notice... Hunting season will open. This year, I have purchased a program that will allow me to contact delinquent members and leave messages to remind them to pay. I know that some of you may find this new collection method to be annoying; however, please remember, **DELINQUENTS COST THE COUNCIL MONEY**. Look guys, I'm just trying to give this Council its best shot at being viable and charitable. Be a Catholic gentleman. **PAY YOUR DUES** and we all stay friends.

KOVAR: Spring is in the air and so are the smells of that chocolate treat with has a shelf life longer than that of a Twinkie... I know that many of you participate in our annual drive and generously give to this important cause- outside of the annual drive. In the event that you still wish to donate, please be aware that EDW can count all contributions received in advance of the State Convention, scheduled for May. Remember that 100 percent of your contributions are used to support programs and facilities used to help those who are mentally challenged. Thank you for your generous support.

God Bless,

Jerry Garren, PGK
Financial Secretary

COMMERCIAL GRADE OFFICE COPIER "DONATED" TO KOC AND THE CLUB!

Jesse Corning, General Manager

Through an anonymous source, Merrill Lynch has donated a commercial grade Konica 7033 copier to the KOC and the Club. It now resides in the Main Hall's office. Valued at approximately \$8,000, I was able to secure the donation in late January and the copier arrived on February 1, 2008. The addition of this copier will greatly reduce our overall printing expenses as the KOC, Club, event planning, pool, camp, etc. will be able to use it for their needs. We are donating the current copier to the Smithsonian, which they graciously accepted.

Again, we would like to thank Merrill Lynch for their very generous donation.

Go "Thundering Herd"!

RETIREES' CORNER

March 2008

Bob Brown

703-476-2086 or jrandsue@comcast.net

At this writing Jim Dougherty and Jim Lillis have spent some time in the hospital but I understand they are resting at home now. Please keep them in your prayers. Easter comes early this year. Let's hope it brings spring with it.

March Members Birthdays

Bart Bingham, Bob Brown,
Jim Conrad & Gene Gallagher

March Wives Birthdays

Helene Bingham, Rosemarie Bruno, Catherine
Lillis & Pat Muschamp

March Anniversaries

Russ & Mary Martin

Chuckle of the Month. -- "Maybe it's true that life begins at fifty but everything else starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out."-- Phyllis Diller

Words of Wisdom -. If you think nobody cares if you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments

Pray for us all

SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED

The Knights of Columbus softball team welcomes anyone interested in joining us. We play in the Arlington "D" league, doubleheader games in the evening once a week, with a season-ending tournament (at this time, the specific evening has not yet been set). The season starts the week of April 14th. There's no fee for Arlington County residents. Any interested individuals please contact Charlie Boone at 703-527-4772 or cboone@adirondack-solutions.com.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

An Update on the Pope's Visit.

The Archdiocese of Washington has not yet publicized the details regarding tickets for the Holy Father's visit to Washington, DC on April 17, 2008. According to the Archdiocese's website they have not "finalized plans for distribution" of tickets or volunteer activities. I realize that several Brother Knights are very interested in obtaining tickets and volunteering for the event. Please attend the Council Meetings for the most up-to-date information. The information will also be posted on the E.D.W. as soon as it becomes available.



29TH ANNUAL GAELIC MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT PATRICK

The Col. John Fitzgerald Division #1 Arlington AOH will celebrate the Mass in Gaelic at Saint Charles Catholic Church, 3304 North Washington Boulevard, Arlington VA on the 10th March 2008 at 7:30 PM (Land Mark North Kirkwood & Washington Blvd. in Clarendon).

The following organizations are co-operating in this effort. The Virginia State Board AOH and Ladies State Board along with several Divisions.

Music will be provided by a choral Group directed by John F. Thieman. The group will sing Sean O Riada's Mass in its original Gaelic with organ and harp accompaniment. The celebrant will be the Reverend Gerard Creedon from Co. Cork, Ireland.

Everyone is welcome, please join us for a short reception after words and enjoy the best of Irish step dancing, Irish bake goods, tea and coffee.

Tax Deductible contributions to help defray the costs approximately \$1,000.00 for music, printing, reception and incidental expenses can be made Payable to:

A O H Gaelic Mass and mailed to: James Carmody, 3428 Pelinore Place, Annandale, VA 22003

For further information call Jim Carmody @ 703-560-2676

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

By **Bernie Oetjen**

The K of C Bridge Club has a weekly duplicate bridge game in the Main Hall (usually) of the Main Activities Building at 7:00 p.m. sharp on Monday evenings. We have two sections: the Open Game and the NLM Game, the latter limited to players who are non-Life Masters with less than 500 master points. All members and guests are welcome.

Congratulations to all of last month's winners:

Open Game

David Fleischer and Gay Nanda
Ken Davis and Robert Boyd
Betty Bursey and Sam Westgate
Debnarayan Dhar and Dhiren Ghosh (2)
Madan & Gay Nanda
Thomas Din and Kathy Loh
Bruce Houston and Don Van Arman

NLM Game

Mike Lusick and Fred Adkins (2)
William Murphy and Alan Munro (3)
Bill Hohe and James Biss
Kathryn Miller and Bernadette Merceron
Girard & Frances Brannon

COLUMBUS CLUB OF ARLINGTON, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2008

At the Annual Meeting of the Membership on January 3, 2008, an election was held for the Board of Directors and the 2008 Corporation Budget was adopted.

The following were elected and now have two (2) year terms as of January 2008 – Art Gamotis, Owen J. Beirne Jr., Tim Walthall, Jerry Garren, and Tom Hazzard. Also elected was John O'Neill III, who will fill a vacancy for a one (1) year term. The current members who also have a one (1) year term are - George Kirby, Paul Bothwell, Dan Metzler, and Dave Paduda.

The first meeting of the BOD was held on January 22, 2008, with the Grand Knight presiding. The Officer and Committee assignments below were elected for a one (1) year term by a plurality vote of the Directors.

President Owen J. Beirne Jr.
. E-mail owen_beirnejr@ml.com
Vice President Art Gamotis
Treasurer Paul Bothwell
Assistant Treasurer Daniel Metzler
Secretary Tim Walthall

Committees

Budget & Finance Paul Bothwell – Chairman,
Daniel Metzler,
Bob Dannemiller, Jr.
Pool Tom Hazzard – Chairman,
Jerry Garren, Dave Paduda
Management Art Gamotis – Chairman,
Jerry Garren
John O'Neill III
Repairs and Maintenance George Kirby,
Dave Paduda
Grounds Steve Brown – Chairman
Capital Campaign Jim Savarese – Chairman
Capital Improvements Tom Hazzard – Chairman
5 Year Long Term Planning. Dan Metzler – Chairman

The BOD's is comprised of 12 Directors, including the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight of the Council.

500 CLUB NEWS

Brothers, the EDW 500 club has been a fun little lottery for us. We ask you to buy a number and we draw 5 winners each month, we draw until we get a winner!!! Last month we had to draw an extra 15 numbers to get our five winners – let me repeat that – 15 extra numbers, until we had our winners. Lately we have had almost as many open numbers as owned. When we have profits they go to the building and maintenance fund, which helps the Council, so if you have not joined yet, or want another chance to win, please let me know. It is very easy to join and win, just pick a favorite open number. The cost is \$5 per month per number. If you want to own your number for 6 months, \$25, for a year is \$50. We give you a free month for every 6 months of ownership. A good deal no matter how you slice it. So please join in the fun, you can call me, I'm in the Knight life.

PGK Kenny Goss JR



LADIES U-KNIGHTED NEWS

Nanette O'Neill

Spring greetings and Happy Easter to everyone! At our last meeting, we enjoyed two guest speakers, Mary Green and Sarah Marchetti. Ms. Green shared info about the lovely Dominican Retreat for Women right in our backyard (McLean). Ms. Marchetti is active with the Arlington chapter of the American Cancer Society and told us how we can help our community with some of their events. After the meeting Norm Marcocci shared his special knowledge about the King Cake season.

LUK is looking forward to the upcoming events in celebration of the 85th anniversary of EDW in May. Next meeting is Thursday, March 6th at 7:30 in the Council Home. Happy birthday to Monica!

**The Edward Douglas White Council,
Knights of Columbus**

and

**The Col. John Fitzgerald Division,
Ancient Order of Hibernians
Cordially Invite You To Our**

Annual St Patrick's Day Dinner Dance



March 14th, 2008
at the Main Hall, EDW

Open Bar 7:00pm – 7:45pm
Dinner 7:45pm

Dancing to our Dee Jay 7:30pm – 11:00pm

Featured Entertainment:
The O'Neill-James School of Irish Dance
Tickets - \$40.00 per person
\$75.00 per couple

Please make checks payable to AOH

Call Betty at (703) 536-9656 ext 6 for Reservations
Must be received by 3/10/08

GOLF CLUB MEETING AND 2008 PLAYING SCHEDULE

By Paul J. Kemp

There will be an organizational meeting for the Knights of Columbus Golf Club in the Old Council Home on Saturday, March 15, 2008, at 11:30 A.M. All members are encouraged to attend. We will be discussing, among other things, the courses to be played this year (appearing below) and solicit your comments and ideas on them and other matters. The Golf Club is open to new members, so please invite your friends and acquaintances who might like to join us on our golf outings. Our dues are only \$30 per year and that includes our end of year banquet, which usually consists off such luscious delectables as prime rib or crab cakes and all the fixings, at least a \$30 value at today's prices. Our Treasurer, Roger Furey, will accept your dues at the meeting, or you can send a check to him at 6543 Hitt Avenue, McLean, Virginia 22101-4654. A luncheon will be provided after the meeting.

Knights of Columbus - NVGA - Elks - Combined Golf Club
Schedule for 2008

DATE	COURSE	INCLUDES	TEE TIME
March 31	Penderbrook	Food	12:00
April 14	Old Hickory		9:00
April 28	Westpark		9:00
MAY 12	Pohick	Range balls	9:00
May 18 - 21	Pinehurst, NC (Call Tom Wilson)		
June 2	Forest Greens		9:00
June 10 - 12	Shenvallee (reserve before 4/1/08 - call Tom Wilson)		
June 23	Shenandoah Valley		9:00
July 7	South Riding		9:00
August 4	Virginia Oaks	Range balls	9:00
August 19 - 21	Carroll Valley (reserve before 4/1/08 - call Tom Wilson)		
August 25	Bull Run		9:00
September 8	Goose Creek		9:00
September 16 - 18	Shenvallee (reserve before 4/1/08 - call Tom Wilson)		
September 22	Blue Ridge Shadows		9:00
September 29	Shenandoah Valley		9:00
October 13	Bristow Manor		9:00
October 27	Penderbrook	Food	10:00

NOTES: 1. All single day events are scheduled on Mondays and are shotgun starts. 2. K of C members or guests should call Tom Wilson or other contact listed below by Thursday evening the week before the outing. 3. NEW PROCEDURE: When you arrive at the course, SIGN IN AND PAY AT PRO SHOP DESK WITH YOUR NAME AND INDICATE YOU ARE WITH K. OF C. Then check in at our sign in desk to pay \$3 club fee and buy 50/50 tickets if you are so inclined. Contact people are Tom Wilson, 703-532-8986 or 703-395-8622 or E-mail at tomWilson@mac.com. Other contacts are Jack Sinclair 703-370-2652 and Paul Kemp 703-536-4869.

THE MARCH FOR LIFE AND THE RELIGION OF ABORTION

It goes without saying that the annual March for Life is one of the most exciting and unifying events in the international movement to defend life. 100,000+ pro-lifers converged on our nation's capital last month, more than half of whom were under the age of 25, and declared that the slaughter of the innocents is never going to be accepted as a permanent institution in our nation. Abortion-promoters would be hard-pressed to show the world that they could sustain such a massive public movement in their favor for 35 straight years. I can only say, "Bravo!" to all the people - especially the kids - who made great sacrifices to join us in Washington this week.

Meanwhile, Planned Parenthood in Schenectady, NY staged its own drama of the absurd. They dedicated a new 18,000 square foot killing center that day and had three members of the abortion "clergy" come out and "bless" it! What I have always said about abortion as a demonic religion was on graphic display in NY as we were marching for life in DC. Two "ministers" came to do the blessing from a "reformed" church - their view of "reform" is obviously different than ours. The (male) reverend used the occasion to proudly announce a new doctrine to the three dozen devotees of sacred abortion: the right to privacy is endowed by God, he said. Now, we cannot even find the "right to privacy" in the US Constitution and yet this fellow makes a new religious right out of whole cloth. Don't ask the demonic religion for a good grounding in history or logic. The other abortion clergyman was a rabbi who blew the shofar as a way to show support for reproductive rights.

The most absurd aspect of the blessing ceremony, however, was when the Rev. Larry Phillips of Schenectady's Emmanuel-Friedens Church led the congregation outside to lay hands on the brick and mortar and to declare that the killing center was "sacred ground." Ugh. The hierarchy (Planned Parenthood), the acolytes (clinic workers), the congregation (supporters) and the ministers were all at the abortion temple that day worshipping the god of abortion. And the demons were so pleased.

St. Paul reminds us in Ephesians 6 that our battle is not against flesh and blood. It is against the principalities and powers of this world of darkness. The darkness is spreading, but the Light of Christ shines forth in all those wonderful kids and their parents that showed the world that life will win in the end.

"The light shines on in darkness, a darkness that did not overcome it." (Jn 1:5)

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Rev. Thomas J. Euteneuer,
President, Human Life International

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The Columbus Club's Main Hall at the Knights of Columbus

The Banquet Hall

Our largest venue, this bright, spacious room comfortably seats 120 to 350. Perfect for elegant receptions, corporate luncheons, and fundraisers, this room sets the tone for a spectacular event. Weddings, conferences, Scouting events such as "Blue and Gold" dinners; the Columbus Club's Banquet Hall is a great choice.

This 5,500 square foot venue has 12 foot ceilings, ample parking, a full service bar area, and a large in-set elevated stage, and much more.

The Charles Paradise Room

Also known as the "Lower Lounge" this room is perfect for more intimate gatherings - small to medium sized groups up to 120. Anniversary parties, HOA meetings, company holiday parties are all possible in this comfortable, yet spacious venue. A bright, ground-level room, the Lower Lounge is equipped with its own large bar area and can be used for both catered and non-catered events.

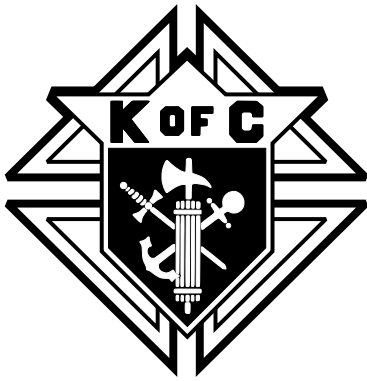
Suggested time slots are: Daytime 9:00 am - 4:30 pm;
Afternoons 3:30 pm - 9:30 pm; and Evenings 6:30 pm - 12:00 am.

To reserve, call **Stephanie Kingree at (703) 536-9656 x1**

Rent Now! 2008 is going fast



More information and a slideshow are available at our Website: www.kofcedw2473.org



KOVAR CHARITIES

KOVAR is the largest charity fundraiser that E.D.W. Council is involved with. Each year, volunteers from E.D.W. run a large drive to collect funds for the KOVAR charities. This year we plan to collect at our four parishes and stores around the local area on the weekend of April 17-20. We need volunteers to help collect at these locations.

SAFEWAY LOCATIONS

6118 Arlington Blvd. Falls Church

2500 N. Harrison St. Arlington

3713 Lee Highway Arlington

6244 Old Dominion Dr. McLean

5101 Wilson Blvd. Arlington

GIANT LOCATIONS

1230 W. Broad St. Falls Church

Please contact:

KOVAR CHAIRMAN

P.G.K. Art Gamotis (703) 448-0332

Council Office leave a message (703) 536-5956

MULTI-COUNCIL BASEBALL GAME TO BE HELD JUNE 7

On Saturday, June 7, 2008, there will be a multi-council Washington Nationals baseball game against the San Francisco Giants at the new Nationals ballpark. The 4th Degree will be presenting the colors at the game. There will also be a tailgate in the ballpark's picnic area. If we get 500 people to come, we will be presenting awards.

More details will be announced in the coming months. For now, mark your calendar. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact either Norm Marcocci, EDW Special Activities Chair at (703) 263-9771 or LouisianaKnightNorm@gmail.com, or Bill Tyson, PGK, Our Lady of Hope in Sterling, at (703) 421-1144 or btyson07@verizon.net.

COLUMBUS CLUB CORP. REPORTING FOR FINANCIAL FOR 2007

**Paul Bothwell- Treasurer, Dan Metzler- Assistant,
Owen J. Beirne Jr. President**

Enclosed in this Knight Life is the financial report for 2007 which shows the actual income and expenses versus the 2007 budget. If there are any questions regarding this report, please call us or come to the Board meeting on Tuesday, March 25, 2008 at 7:00 PM in the Council Home or the next joint meeting on April 3, 2008 in the Main Hall at 7:30 PM.

In summary, we are very proud of the Corporations success in 2007 as we strive to move forward and leave ourselves farther up the sand on the beach each and every year. It was a growing year for the Corporation in many areas. Let's start with personnel. We finally hired a new General Manager, Jesse Corning, who started in mid April and our new Chef, Ernest Todd started in January. We completed the approved Capital improvements. Other replacements were done as well such as the loading dock door assembly with an entirely new storefront look, new flat screens in the CH and the pool lounge, completed concrete work in front of the MH entrance and along with railings, among others.

We (meaning the BOD and the staff) also addressed the areas where income was down for 2006. We now feel that we have procedures, accountability, and marketing techniques in place for a very efficient operation of the MH, CH, camp and pool.

The 2007 actual vs. 2007 Budget shows net cash flow was more than budgeted by about \$17,000. Income was up 12%. However expenses were up vs. budget by 19%. This was do for two reasons (1) - we had a special one-time large depreciation write-off and (2)- salaries increased as we finally had a full time GM and Chef in 2007.

From a cash flow perspective, 2007 was about \$47,000 greater than 2006. We spent \$37,000 for replacement of fixed equipment and other purchases in 2007 that gets recorded as Fixed Assets but is not reflected in profit/loss statement.

Also enclosed in this Knight Life is the financial comparison report going back to 2001 through 2007 which shows the actual income and expenses year-by-year.

We are looking very optimistically at the year 2008 as we move into the game with a lot of seasoned talented players on our team with the support of several key contractors. Our staff has our full support and confidence for the 2008 season. We are here as a BOD to oversee the process, not manage the people.

Lastly, I want to thank the Board of Directors and Committee Chairman's for all the time, effort and enthusiasm put forth as you did all of the above plus pull off the Capital Improvements Project and the Capital Campaign program (special thanks to Jim Savarese as Chairman !). Thank you!!!



Columbus Club of Arlington, Inc.
Income vs. Expenditures; 2001 Through 2007

Income	Actual 2001	Actual 2002	Actual 2003	Actual 2004	Actual 2005	Actual 2006	Actual 2007
Food Sales	\$361,000	\$386,974	\$378,115	\$397,405	\$463,347	\$364,640	\$413,097
Beverage Sales	\$172,000	\$183,021	\$176,354	\$166,253	\$175,775	\$164,796	\$185,577
Facilities Rental	\$46,000	\$49,377	\$63,930	\$59,556	\$85,628	\$92,445	\$124,949
KOC Assessments	\$68,000	\$69,559	\$61,412	\$66,790	\$60,694	\$58,597	\$75,195
Pool Membership	\$96,000	\$123,103	\$97,230	\$110,732	\$156,950	\$187,573	\$223,655
Pool Admissions	\$33,000	\$42,002	\$43,249	\$35,965	\$14,213	\$16,407	\$15,215
Camp Fees	\$139,000	\$192,075	\$209,355	\$214,092	\$180,198	\$172,496	\$204,153
Cell Leases	\$17,000	\$16,769	\$17,270	\$19,297	\$27,450	\$43,241	\$46,659
Labor Charged	\$36,000	\$56,907	\$38,062	\$43,923	\$53,973	\$34,515	\$67,995
Miscellaneous Sales	\$34,500	\$10,000	\$38,704	\$30,539	\$18,282	\$13,831	\$24,265
Total Income	\$991,500	\$1,119,787	\$1,123,681	\$1,134,552	\$1,236,510	\$1,148,540	\$1,370,760
Cost Of Sales							
Food	\$158,000	\$174,138	\$171,825	\$186,129	\$181,443	\$162,110	\$187,773
Beverage	\$69,000	\$71,378	\$67,401	\$65,189	\$65,286	\$61,909	\$65,025
Other	\$45,000	\$51,455	\$43,662	\$45,074	\$55,515	\$34,140	\$37,504
Total Cost of Sales	\$272,000	\$296,971	\$282,888	\$296,392	\$302,244	\$258,158	\$290,302
Total Gross Profit	\$719,500	\$822,816	\$840,793	\$838,160	\$934,266	\$890,381	\$1,080,458
Expenses							
Salaries	369,000	430,500	414,647	431,830	365,190	352,256	454,609
Pool Management					59,071	55,100	57,875
Pool Expenses					20,881	16,800	20,898
Camp Expenses					4,026	10,300	15,317
Utilities & Trash	94,000	81,135	94,889	91,242	95,854	92,260	95,061
Depreciation/Amort.	49,000	50,625	39,113	70,242	43,245	31,173	99,414
Taxes/Insurance	87,000	113,386	134,826	140,373	116,608	152,124	159,848
Repairs	21,000	17,391	40,829	37,867	28,076	66,551	50,289
Other	69,000	92,604	24,242	101,779	96,466	107,717	156,294
Professional Fees	27,000	25,045	89,824	34,234	28,539	35,530	21,435
Total Expenses	716,000	810,686	838,370	907,567	855,946	919,811	1,131,040
Net Income	\$3,500	\$12,130	\$2,423	(\$69,407)	\$78,320	(\$29,430)	(\$50,582)
Add Back Depreciation/Amort.	49,000	50,625	39,113	70,242	43,245	31,173	99,414
Net cash Flow	\$52,500	\$62,755	\$41,536	\$835	\$121,565	\$1,743	\$48,832

Columbus Club of Arlington, Inc.
Actual 2007 vs. Budget Fiscal Year 2007

Income	Actual 2007	Budget 2007	Difference
Food Sales	\$413,097	\$407,000	\$6,097
Beverage Sales	\$185,577	\$175,000	\$10,577
Facilities Rental	\$124,949	\$60,000	\$44,949
KOC Assessments	\$75,195	\$60,000	\$15,195
Pool Membership	\$223,655	\$188,000	\$35,655
Pool Admissions	\$15,215	\$16,000	(\$785)
Camp Fees	\$204,153	\$200,000	\$4,153
Cell Leases	\$46,659	\$45,000	\$1,659
Labor Charged	\$67,995	\$40,000	\$17,995
Miscellaneous Sales	\$24,265	\$13,000	\$11,265
Total Income	\$1,370,760	\$1,224,000	\$146,760
Cost Of Sales			
Food	\$187,773	\$185,000	(\$2,773)
Beverage	\$65,025	\$62,000	(\$3,025)
Other	\$37,504	\$25,000	(\$12,504)
Total Cost of Sales	\$290,302	\$272,000	(\$18,302)
Total Gross Profit	\$1,080,458	\$952,000	(\$128,458)
Expenses			
Salaries	454,609	390,000	\$64,609
Pool Management	57,875	56,000	\$1,875
Pool Expenses	20,898	20,000	\$898
Camp Expenses	15,317	15,000	\$317
Utilities & Trash	95,061	96,000	(\$939)
Depreciation/Amort.	99,414	30,000	\$69,414
Taxes/Insurance	159,848	145,000	\$14,848
Repairs	50,289	45,000	\$5,289
Other	156,294	138,200	\$18,094
Professional Fees	21,435	15,000	\$6,435
Total Expenses	1,131,040	950,200	\$180,840
Net Income	(\$50,582)	\$1,800	(\$52,382)
Add Back Depreciation/Amort.	99,414	30,000	69,414
Net cash Flow	\$48,832	\$31,800	\$17,032

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2	3 Bridge 7:00	4 Burger Night 6:30	5 Retirees 11:00 Taco Night 7:00	6 Council and Club Mtg. 7:30 LUK Meeting 7:30 Spaghetti Night 7:00	7 Shrimp Night 6:30	8 Steak Dinner Night 6:30
9 Third Degree Daylight Savings Time Starts	10 Bridge 7:00	11 Burger Night 6:30	12 Retirees 11:00 Taco Night 7:00	13 Spaghetti Night 7:00 Officers/Chairmen	14 Supper Club 6:30 AOH and Council St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance	15 Golf Club Meeting 11:30 Steak Dinner Night 6:30
16 Family Breakfast 9:00 - Noon Blood Bank 9:30 - 1:30 Palm Sunday	17 Bridge 7:00	18 Burger Night 6:30	19 Retirees 11:00 Taco Night 7:00	20 Spaghetti Night 7:00 NO Council Meeting Holy Thursday	21 Good Friday CLOSED	22 Easter Egg Hunt Noon Steak Dinner Night 6:30
23 Easter Sunday Buffet Noon-2:30 and 3:00-5:30 (see inside)	24 Fourth Degree 6:45 Bridge 7:00	25 Burger Night 6:30 BOD Meeting	26 Retirees 11:00 Taco Night 7:00	27 Spaghetti Night 7:00	28 Supper Club 6:30	29 Steak Dinner Night 6:30
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