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COUNCIL #3548

The Grand Knight's Desk

Dear Brother Knights and Family,

We had many major events this past month and we are about to embark into December which will bring more fun for your families and friends. On December 4th, we will be entertained by the Metro Band to help get us in the Christmas mood. On December 10th, Seamus Kennedy the Irish singer, comedian, and all-around entertainer comes to the Council. Then, best of all our Council Christmas Party in the Bar/lounge on December 18th. Hot breakfast will be served on December 19th followed by entertainment for our beautiful kids with their special Christmas party.

This past month we had our long awaited Polish night. The food was superb. I truly thank the Tyminski family for the many hours of hard work and dedication in making the beautiful home cooked meal and the entertainment. Also, I would like to thank the serving crew and supporting staff, Debbie Vohringer, Helen Emery, Pete Wellman, Rick Gustweiler, Chris Furnace, Alan Wesenberg, Tim Dolan, and JP Tyinski who also organized the event.

November was a month of thanksgiving and I want to give thanks to my brothers and their families. You should be very proud of yourselves for the support you gave in making food baskets for the Holy Trinity's food pantry. You all pulled together for a beautiful cause and provided enough food for 50+ complete food baskets for the less fortunate families of our community. My thanks and a prayer goes out for all of you, you

are all a blessing to this Council. A special thanks goes out to Dan Batkin, Richard Gustwiller and Dennis Fiore for personally making up each of the baskets and delivering them to the food pantry.

PGK Robert Wood organized and mailed the invites for our Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass for our deceased brothers. It was a special service for many brothers and their families. He also hosted the priest appreciation day at Holy Trinity Church which drew large crowds after Mass.

Our council was entertained by the fine group from Virginia Voices International. They were over 25 voices strong, giving us Broadway show tunes, patriotic songs, contemporary Christian songs, and even a few early Christmas songs to round out the nearly one hour performance. Admission was food for Holy Trinity's Food Pantry. A total of 359 items were collected.

Our next event was the Oyster roast. Dave Nelson does a great job running this major event for our council and for the many people that come from all over to enjoy it. There is no way I can thank all the brothers and family members that participated in making this event the success it was. It was a fun day for all that attended. You all did a superb job and I thank you.

The next one was a special one in my heart. Mark Wray cooked Thanksgiving dinners on November 25th for people that would otherwise not have one. He and his crew cooked and home delivered these meals. It may seem like a small thing, but to give up part of your Thanksgiving day to come in and cook a complete Thanksgiving dinner with deserts is quite special. Thank you goes to Mark and his crew for their hard work and dedication.

Thank you and Vivat Jesus!
Fraternally yours,
Don Fuss
Grand Knight

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December Birthdays

Nabbie John, Jr., Justin Norman, Michael Scotece, Bernard Spalding, Jacob Henderson, Thomas Davidson, Jack Kavanaugh, Stephen Powell, Thomas Summer, Theodore Tosi, Richard Fraley, Anthony Grasso, Thomas Graham, George Schaefer, Mark Wray, Joseph Beck, Edward Davis, Jr., Lucian Montagna, Jr., John Baker, Edward Kavanaugh, Jr., Leo Thomas, Charles Willis, David Nelson, Jr., Charles Fox, James Hollomon, Michael O'toole, Mario Auria, Martin Thomas, Jr., Joseph Vaccarella, James Black, Patrick Callahan, Patrick Moore, Charles Fleetwood, Francis Campbell, Anthony Ritter, James Shaw, Gary Sovine, Roy Barry, Brian Cabaniss, Rev Christopher Fronk, Chris Furnace, Andrew Reese, Matthew Guzur, Paul Kazmierski, Robert Gajdek, Daniel Holmes, Jacob McCall, Freddie Cano.

Sick & Distressed

Please let someone know if there is a death or illness in your family. If someone doesn't let us know, we can't do our part. Please contact Ed Lambe or Chris Klotz.

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Contact Joan Waller at 587-4667

Deputy Grand Knight Corner

The holidays are here now and while we enjoy them, we need to remember to share the holiday spirit by showing kindness and good deeds towards our fellow man. I would like to start by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I want to thank Dave Nelson and his team for the outstanding Oyster Roast. The 3rd Sunday of every month is our Council breakfast and once again I would like to thank the breakfast crew for the outstanding job.

I would also like to thank J.P Tyminski and his family and crew for the great Polish night, he provided videos and the food was outstanding,

It is time to start planning Friday night dinners for 2011. They do not have to be fancy, just something your family enjoys. Also, remember that the Council will provide money to purchase the food in advance. If you are interested or have any questions, please feel free to call me.

I would like to ask again for help with bingo. It truly is the financial backbone of our Council. Bingo allows us to donate money to many different charities in the area and that donation corresponds directly with the success of bingo. So, once every 5 weeks we ask you to donate 3 hours to the Council on a Wednesday night. Thank you. See you in Church.

Mark Wray

Knight of Columbus Insurance and Investments

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

In the last few years, almost all of us have experienced financial loss due to a combination of a volatile market and companies working with unethical business practices. Standing out from this crowd the entire time has been the Knights of Columbus. Not only are we one of only two companies with ratings of AAA and A++ from AM Best and Standard and Poor's as well as having the IMSA certification for ethical practices in the market place, we have also been recognized as having the highest dividend rate among all Life Insurance companies in all of North America. Currently, our dividend rate on Whole Life Insurance Policies is 7.35%. That's a full head and shoulders above the rest of the market! There's more good news too! The Knights of Columbus Board of Directors has just certified that we will continue our dividend rate through 2011.

Our Order's Founding Father, the Venerable Father McGivney wanted to make sure there was a company that looked out for the best interests of Catholics and their families. We exist today on the same principles upon which we were started back in 1882. The Knights of Columbus has provided GUARANTEED GROWTH for all of our members in the past years, and we will continue to do so into the future.

If you have any questions regarding what the Knights of Columbus can do to help protect you and your family, as well as secure your finances, please contact me via email or my cell phone. I'll be glad to schedule an appointment with you to discuss any topics.

God Bless,
Eli Crownover

Membership

If anybody knows of anyone who would like to join our Order, please contact Ken Emery at 588-8019 or ramboteck@aol.com

Recall/Address

If you recently moved or changed contact information, please contact Chris Klotz at 587-1295 or kofc3548fs@yahoo.com

Food Pantry

Our council is hosting the Metro Band on 4 December at 7pm. Admission is FREE with a donation of canned foods. The food will benefit Holy Trinity's food pantry. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to donate non-perishable food. Please take the time to donate in the bin inside the bar.

Lockers

Pete Wellman is in charge of the locker rentals. Rents for the 2010-2011 year are now due at \$5 per year. Please contact Pete to retain your locker. Call Pete at 480-9332 for more information.

Newsletter and Event Updates

Do you read e-mail regularly? If so, you could start receiving the newsletter and any updates on events electronically. Please send email to Don Fuss at Dfussie@aol.com



Comedy Night (All proceeds go to KOVAR)

Seamus Kennedy will be the featured performer at our Council. As a comedian, musician, and author, he has been performing for thirty years. Seamus has taken his music from Alaska to Florida. His trademark is his ongoing interaction with his audiences. From the moment he steps on stage, he starts talking to them and encourages them to talk back. He is quick with a quip and likes nothing better than to discover someone in the audience who is similarly. Fast-paced humor is very much a part of what Seamus does, where he is telling a series of rapid-fire jokes or launching into a lyrical parody. More information is available at www.seamus-kennedy.com

If you are planning to donate to KOVAR via the United Way or any other organization, please send us a legible copy so the Council receives credit. Last year we missed out on opportunities to receive Council credit for KOVAR donations. Please make sure you provide a clear and legible receipt to either Don Fuss or Michael Hightower for donations made through your place of employment.

Letters to Service Members

Please consider sitting down prior to Thanksgiving and writing a letter. We have so much to be Thankful for as United States citizens. These letters are distributed to service members traveling through Ramstein AFB during the Christmas holidays. Father David McGuire is active in this program and asks that you pass on the information to anyone who may lead a group that might participate.

Project Rudolph
Tawny Campbell
CMR 402 Box 2414
APO AE 09180

We ask our volunteers to make it a goal to write letters year round to help us meet our annual goals. But please follow the letter writing guidelines.

* Letters **CANNOT**:

- Be Dated
- Ask any questions about war, injuries, killing, etc (Believe it or not 10% of all letters cannot be delivered because of this) -- Be politically motivated or mention politicians or political affiliation
- Be type written or photocopied
- Be in a sealed envelope (all letters have to be reviewed before being handed out)
- Be unsigned. All unsigned letters will be thrown out.

* Letters **CAN**:

- Express support and appreciation
- include a drawing (if from a child)
- Tell about the writer's family, life, likes, etc.
- Share personal experiences that motivate
- include a return address

Make sure to **SIGN** all letters or they will not be included in the bags.

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December

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			Team # 5		Shrimp Dinner 6:30pm	Metro Band 7pm
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales at Mass		K of C Meeting 8:00pm	Team # 1		Seamus Kennedy 8pm	Adopt A Street at Knights 10am
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Columbian Club Meeting 7:30pm	Team # 2			Adult Christmas Party 7:00pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Breakfast 9am Kid's Christmas Party 1pm		1st Degree 7:30pm	Team # 3		Christmas Eve	Merry Christmas
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
		Officer's Meeting 7:30pm	Team # 4		New Year's Eve Party	New Years Day



Knights of Columbus #3548

Presents the

Hampton Roads

Metro Band!!

When: December 4, 2010

Time: 7:00pm

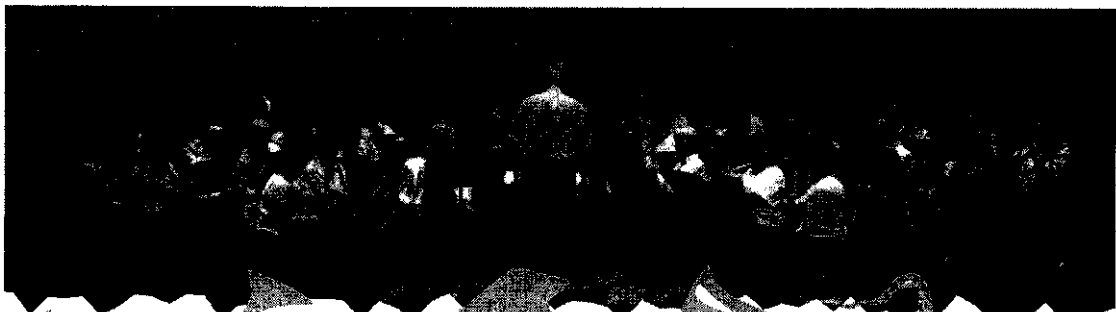
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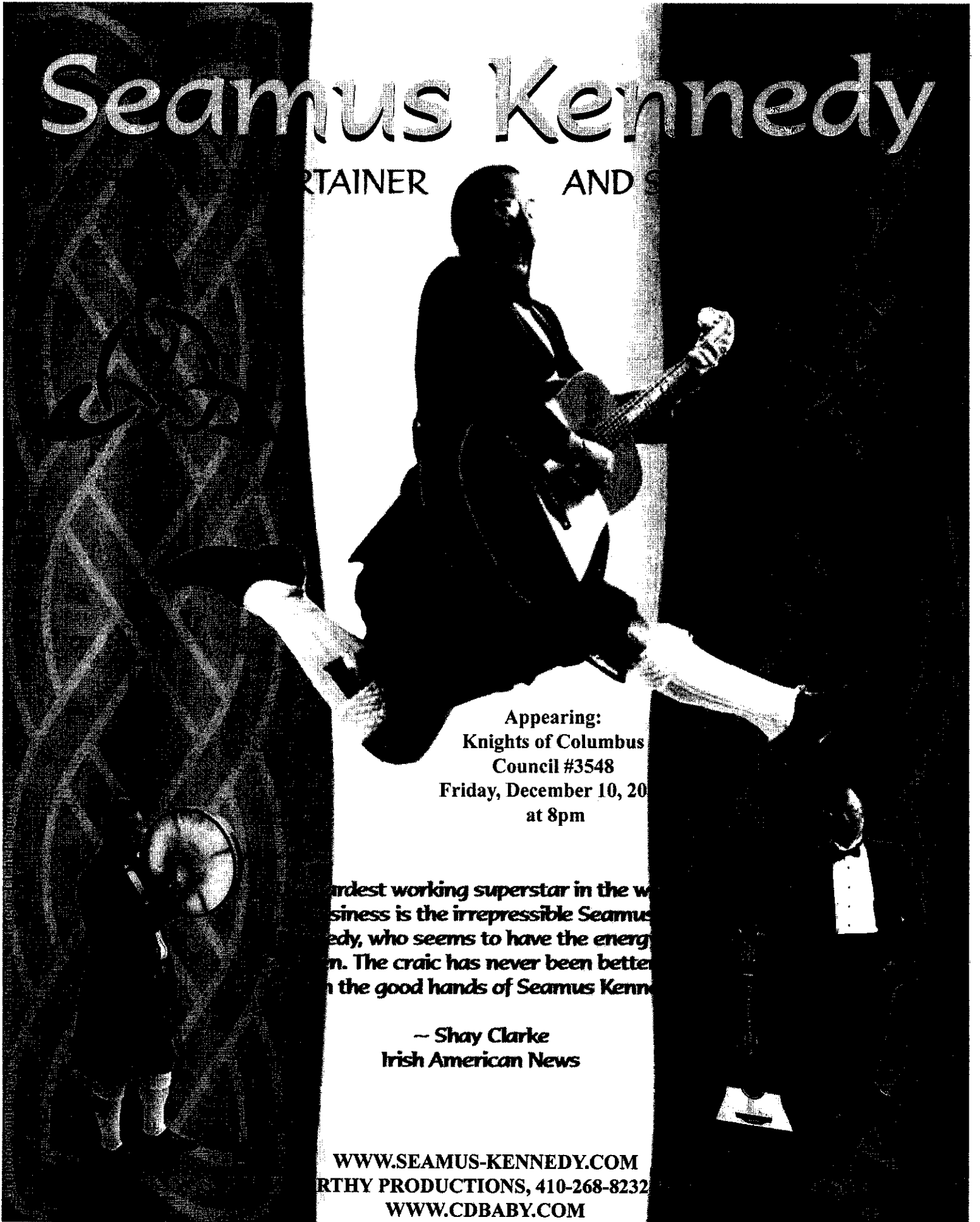
FREE ADMISSION

with the giving of canned goods to benefit
Holy Trinity Church's food pantry.



Seamus Kennedy

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Appearing:
Knights of Columbus
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Friday, December 10, 20
at 8pm

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n the good hands of Seamus Kenn

— Shay Clarke
Irish American News

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