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A Message from the Supreme Regent Un Message Du Régent Suprême

Peter Ferrara - Supreme Regent



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

With summer now in full swing, hopefully the violent weather that has affected large portions of the country will subside and many of us will still be able to enjoy well deserved vacations. We should take a moment to remember the victims and families in Oklahoma and other parts of the country who have suffered so much.

For those of you who attended our mini-vacation at the Embassy Suites in South San Francisco, I hope it was as enjoyable for you and your families as it was for us. Fraternal Director Cindy Macon did her usual outstanding job with the "Countdown to Christmas" project. I would personally like to thank all those who participated in these projects.

I urge all Council members to visit our newly revamped web site and look at our Council page, and possibly share stories and photos of their activities with other Councils. The website also has information on two new incentives aimed at keeping the Royal Arcanum on the right track. The first is a new Prescription Drug Discount Card for our members. The name Royal Arcanum is imprinted on the card; however, no individual's name is imprinted on the card, which means that anyone in your family can use the card. The website indicated on the card can be used to locate a pharmacy and the lowest price of a drug that you may need. The site is www.RoyalRxCard.com. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Home Office. The second incentive is for our members who have a life insurance policy and would like to purchase a Royal Arcanum Annuity. We are offering a special one year rate of 2.5% on these annuities (normal rate is 2%). This program will run from August 1, 2013 thru Sept. 1, 2014. In these tough economic times this is an excellent way to increase your savings or investments with a guaranteed rate.

I would like to take this time to invite all of our members to our 102nd Supreme Council Session, which will take place at the Omni Hotel and Resorts in downtown Charlotte, NC. The dates are Sunday August 3rd to Thursday August 7, 2014. The Hotel is centrally located in Charlotte and I'm sure that all of our members and guests will have a great time. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Yours in V. M. C.

Pete Ferrara
Supreme Regent

Chers frères et sœurs,

Eh bien, le printemps semble avoir été très court. Il a disparu très rapidement faisant lieu à un été capricieux avec des intempéries violentes qui ont affecté nombreuses régions du pays. Nous devrions prendre un moment pour se rappeler les victimes des tornades en Oklahoma ainsi que les victimes et leurs familles dans d'autres régions du pays qui ont tant souffert. Malgré toutes ces difficultés, j'espère que vous avez trouvé le temps de profiter des vacances bien méritées.

Pour ceux d'entre vous qui ont participé à notre mini-vacance à l'hôtel Embassy Suites à San Francisco Sud, j'espère qu'elle a été aussi agréable pour vous et vos familles qu'elle a été pour nous. Comme d'habitude la directrice fraternelle Cindy Macon a fait une remarquable présentation du projet «Compte à rebours de Noël ». Je tiens personnellement à remercier tous les participants dans ce projet ainsi que tous les autres projets.

J'exhorte tous les membres du Conseil à visiter notre site Web nouvellement remanié et éventuellement partager des histoires et photos des activités de leur Conseil avec autres Conseils. Le site Web contient également des informations sur deux nouvelles incitations visant à maintenir Royal Arcanum sur la Bonne Voie. La première incitation pour nos membres est une nouvelle carte de réduction de médicaments sur ordonnance. Le nom « Royal Arcanum » est imprimé sur la carte mais aucun nom individuel n'est imprimé. Ça signifie que n'importe qui dans votre famille peut utiliser la carte. Le site web www.RoyalRxCard.com imprimé sur la carte peut être accédé pour localiser une pharmacie et le plus bas prix du médicament dont vous avez besoin. Des informations supplémentaires peuvent être obtenues en contactant le siège principal du Royal Arcanum. La deuxième incitation est pour nos membres qui ont déjà un certificat d'assurance-vie et qui souhaitent acheter une rente à Royal Arcanum. Nous offrons un taux spécial de première année sur ces rentes de 2,5% et 2% après. Ce programme se déroulera du 1 août, 2013 au 1er septembre 2014. Dans ces temps économiques difficiles, c'est un excellent moyen d'augmenter vos économies et vos placements à taux garanti.

Je voudrais profiter de cette occasion pour inviter tous nos membres à notre 102e session annuelle, qui aura lieu à l'Hôtel Omni & Resorts à Charlotte, Caroline du Nord. Les dates sont du dimanche 3 août à jeudi, 7 août, 2014. L'hôtel est situé au centre ville, et je suis sûr que tous nos membres et leurs invités auront un grand moment.

Je vous souhaite une bonne fin d'été

Votre en VMC

Peter D. Ferrara
Régent Suprême

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ALPHA-AGASSIZ COUNCIL

On May 21, 2013 Alpha-Agassiz Junior member Anthony Basa went with Best Buddies, a group from his school, to the Special Olympics Field Day held at North Attleboro High School in North Attleboro. Best Buddies is a group of 40 kids like Anthony who become friends with other kids their age who have mental and/or physical illnesses. Anthony and his buddy Mark had a fun-filled day. Mark did 2 events; 100 meter dash heat and the softball



shot put. At the end of the day, Anthony and Mark raced each other for fun. That day, Mark won a silver medal in the 100 meter dash heat and a bronze medal in the softball shot put; Anthony was so proud of Mark. Anthony is very proud to be in this group and looks to continue with it in high school. Even though they're buddies for a year, they're friends for life.



Anthony Basa (right) and his friend Mark

SUPREME REGENT'S VISIT TO NEW YORK

On March 14, 2013, at the monthly Grand Council Dinner meeting, held at Juliano's in New Rochelle, NY, Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara, was introduced by Grand Regent Errica Conforto, at which time he presented his program, **"On Track For Success."**

He stated that the paid agents are doing very well, but it is very important that the volunteer producers continue in their efforts to enroll new members. He also mentioned the various products that Royal Arcanum has to offer. In addition, he said that traveling to the various jurisdictions and the friendships that developed is very gratifying.

Door prize winners were Carmine Campo, Alfio Carrini and Penelope Morgan.

His presentation was well received by the attendees and he thanked everyone for participating.



The Supreme Regent presenting his program.



Shown in photo: standing, Marie Cavallo, Robert H. Law, III, Augie Magnotta, Carmine Campo, Freddie DiBartolo, Joseph Conforto and Al Sausto; seated, Frances Magnotta, Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara, Errica Conforto and Bettina DiBartolo

SUPREME REGENT WELCOMED IN NEW JERSEY

Grand Regent Richard Macon and the members of the Garden State happily welcomed Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara and visiting Pennsylvanian officers, Past Supreme Regent and Junior Director Herb Snyder and General Counsel Paul D'Emilio to the Meditteraneo in Bayonne on April 27th. Everyone enjoyed hearing the features of Pete's "**On Track For Success**" campaign and the many programs our

fraternal benefit society offers. On behalf of the Grand Council, Deputy Supreme Regent Gen Macon presented a gift to Supreme Regent Ferrara, symbolic of his program. Everyone enjoyed a great afternoon of fraternal fellowship and appreciated receiving the nice array of Supreme Regent's gifts.

Submitted by Cindy Macon



Officers from the Association of the Sons of Poland fraternal, President Frank (Irene) Knurowski, National Secretary Dorothy Kosticka-Wieczerszak and Director Dayle Vander Sande joined the Supreme Regent's Welcome.



The Supreme Regent (c) and NJ Grand Regent (r) with the "On Track" door prize winners, Paul Zuber, Elaine Zuber and Steve Durma.



Left: Margaret Rummel presents a donation from Kempton Council to Grand Regent Richard Macon for Franciszka House, a charitable foundation at which the New Jersey members volunteer.



Joseph Blicharz accepts his 25 year Veterans pin from the Supreme Regent.



"On Track to a Productive Year": Community service volunteers in NJ were recognized at the Supreme Regent's program for their good works.

INTERNATIONAL FRATERNAL SERVICE AWARDS

Claremont Council donates to the following:

Part Of The Solution (POTS)

Offering a comprehensive package of nutrition, day-to-day, social and legal services under one roof, POTS is an effective “one-stop shop” with an all-encompassing vision of helping low-income people move from crises to stability and, ultimately, self sufficiency. Last year, close

to 16,000 people, including 4,000 children, benefited from its work. This is double the number of individuals POTS served just 5 years ago. Some come to escape the cold streets for a hot meal or warm shower. Others turn to the legal staff with an eviction notice in hand, facing the prospect of losing their homes. For many, POTS is their only hope.



Shown in photo are: Joe and Errica Conforto, Volunteer and Development Coordinator, Kimberly Roginski, Augie and Fran Magnotta.

Thorpe Family Residence

The facility was founded in 1989 by the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill, NY, developed and operates two homeless projects, a 16-unit Tier II Transitional Shelter for homeless mothers and children, and a 20-unit permanent

supportive housing apartment building for families. Open to homeless in need without regard to religion or creed, Thorpe Family Residence, Inc. makes its primary goal the care of homeless families seeking to develop life skills in preparation for independence.



Shown in photo are: Errica Conforto, Fran and Augie Magnotta, Social Worker Guillermina Granada, Business Manager Siobhan Haley, Joe Conforto and Case Worker Caroline Pagan.

Best Buddies – Carmel High School Chapter

Best Buddies, students with disabilities, has chapters in all 50 states. Some of the activities include a dance twice a month, making tie dye shirts and various other crafts. The students are taken to dinner, bowling and movies to teach them life skills and how to get jobs, etc. The money that is raised is used for various functions.

At this recent outing, it was gratifying to witness these students smiling and hugging their teachers and the warmth and love that they have for them and the dedication and love that the teachers have for their students. Several of the students spoke about how grateful they are for their teachers. They also said they were happy to have a job.

A delicious buffet dinner was provided for all attendees.



Shown in photo are the Carmel High School Chapter Best Buddies students, including Angelina Flocco (member of Claremont Council), teacher Alliston Woolston, and Augie and Fran Magnotta.

Submitted by Fran and Augie Magnotta

101ST NEW YORK GRAND COUNCIL SESSION

Grand Regent	Maria Bettina DiBartolo
Grand Vice Regent	Freddie DiBartolo
Grand Orator	Joseph Conforto
Sitting Past Grand Regent	Errica Conforto
Grand Secy/Treasurer	Albert Sausto
Grand Chaplain	Frances Magnotta
Grand Guide	August Magnotta
Grand Warden	Diana Chiechi
Grand Sentry	Marie Cavallo
Grand Trustees	Aurora Caponegro Marie Cavallo
Deputy Supreme Regent	Errica Conforto



Shown in photo are: (seated) Aurora Caponegro, Fred and Bettina DiBartolo, Fran Magnotta and Errica Conforto; (standing) Joseph Conforto, Albert Sausto, Augie Magnotta, Joseph R. Macon and Robert Galdon (Installing Officers), Past Supreme Regent Robert H. Law, III and Carmine Campo.

On June 19, 2013, Maria DiBartolo, member of Claremont Council #1655, was elected as the Grand Regent of New York. Her program, “**One Step At A Time**”, was designed to encourage current members to attend the monthly dinner meetings and bring new ideas and suggestions, in addition to enrolling new members.

In her program, Maria Bettina emphasized the need to educate those who do not know about the Royal Arcanum to make them aware of all the benefits our Society offers, such as scholarships, grants and loans for our Juniors, life insurance and annuities and the most important aspect - our charitable work, helping those who are less fortunate.

The new Grand Regent thanked Installing Officers Joseph Macon and Robert Galdon from the New Jersey jurisdiction, as well as the members of the New York Jurisdiction for attending.



A 100% RA family the DiBartolos and the DiFrancos honoring new Grand Regent of New York, Maria Bettina DiBartolo.

WALK FOR HEMOPHILIA



On June 1, 2013 family and friends joined Alpha-Agassiz Junior member Andrew Basa, in the Walk for Hemophilia, which was held at Byrd Park in Walpole, MA. It was a great day (the temperature was in the 90s) and there were over 700 walkers present. This year's goal for Andrew's Crusaders was to raise \$3,000. They met that challenge and raised \$3,306 and the New

England Hemophilia Association raised over \$126,000; the highest total in the four years since the Walk began.

Next year's Walk will be bigger than ever for Andrew's Crusaders, because we were approached by one of the major drug companies which produces the factor that Andrew uses for his Von Willibrands (Andrew's form of Hemophilia). Next year, they will sponsor his team for the Walk. We are very excited!

Submitted by Tony Basa

NEW YORK GRAND COUNCIL DINNER MEETING

On May 9, 2013, 42 members attended the New York Grand Council Dinner Meeting at Juliano's, New Rochelle, NY. A potted plant was given to all the ladies in honor of Mother's Day as a thank you from Grand Regent Errica Conforto.



Submitted by
Joe Conforto

Pictured are the lucky ladies of the Jurisdiction of New York with Grand Regent Errica Conforto (sixth standing from right) and Past Grand Regent Fran Magnotta (third from left) and Grand Vice Regent Bettina DiBartolo (second from left).

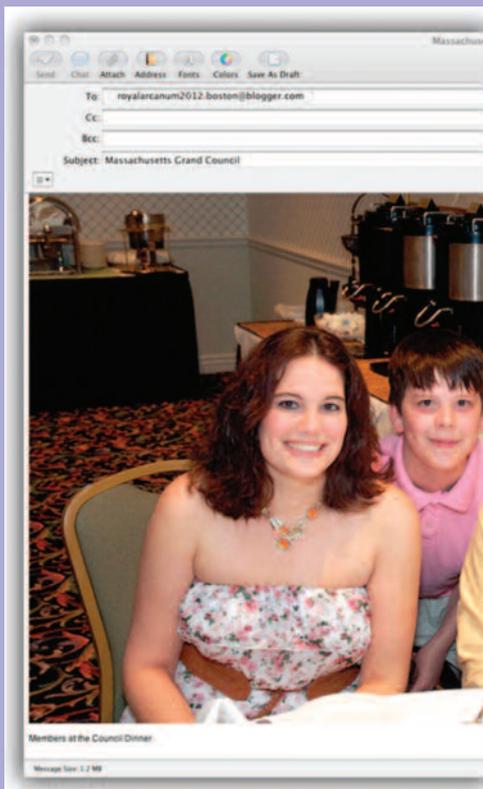
INTRODUCING THE ROYAL ARCANUM BLOG

What is a blog? A blog (a contraction of the words web log) is a discussion or informational site published on the World Wide Web.

The best part of this blog is that it is easy for

members to post to it. This can be done simply by emailing to royalarcanum2012.boston@blogger.com.

As shown below, put in a Subject, attach your photos, type your message, and click send.



SUPREME REGENT VISITS CALIFORNIA

The Grand Council of California hosted a brunch at Mariani's Restaurant in Santa Clara. Grand Regent Alice Mangano welcomed Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara. There were 60 members and guests in attendance. We had such a wonderful time with Peter. He presented his exciting and dynamic program, "ON TRACK FOR SUCCESS" and everyone enjoyed the presentation and hearing about his years of service with the railroad.

Peter pledged his help and support to the members and congratulated them on their numerous fraternal and charitable projects. Sister Mangano presented the Supreme Regent with a beautiful picture frame from the Grand Council, in appreciation for his visitation and program.

Names were drawn for the door prizes, courtesy of the Supreme Regent. Winners were Chris O'Neill, Chic Cannon, Ann Antuzzi, Jennie Quartuccio, Mark O'Neill and Marilyn Fanelli.

Submitted by Joanie Francis



Door prize winners, Jennie Quartuccio, Ann Antuzzi, Peter Ferrara, Chris O'Neill, Mark O'Neill, Chic Cannon.



Members at the Supreme Regent's presentation.



Peter Ferrara presenting his program.



Grand Regent Alice Mangano presented a gift to Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara.

ANECDOTES: BRING A LIGHT TO PEOPLE'S EYES

According to a story, Benjamin Franklin wanted people in the city of Philadelphia to adopt street lighting, but initially he couldn't get anyone interested. So instead of arguing, he simply hung a nice lantern on a long bracket in front of his door. He kept the glass polished, and every night he made a point of going outside to light it as the sun set.



Franklin's neighbors watched, and soon they began mounting their own lights outside their homes on their own. After a short while the entire city was brightly lit at night—without Franklin having to do anything more than demonstrate the usefulness of a light.

Sometimes the best way to persuade is to set an example.

NEW YORK FRATERNAL ACTIVITIES

BEST BUDDIES PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On March 9, 2013, a Best Buddies Breakfast was held at Applebee's in Brewster, NY.

We are grateful to Applebee's for its generosity to each of the 250 people who attended. It was heart-

warming seeing the children, although handicapped, serving the food. The teachers and their assistants are to be commended for their time, dedication and patience. The event raised \$2,100 for Best Buddies.

Shown in the photo, are some of the servers, members of Royal Arcanum, including Augie and Fran Magnotta, Angelina Flocco, Sofia, Ava and Anthony Bruno.



PART OF THE SOLUTION (POTS)

On Monday, April 1, 2013, Joe and Errica Conforto and Augie and Fran Magnotta, members of Claremont Council, delivered seven bags of children's and adult clothing to POTS (Part of the Solution), which provides daily quality services to hundreds of individuals in need. Last year, nearly 16,000 people, including 4,000 children benefited from their work. The facility is open 7 days a week to provide hot meals, a warm shower and barbershop services.



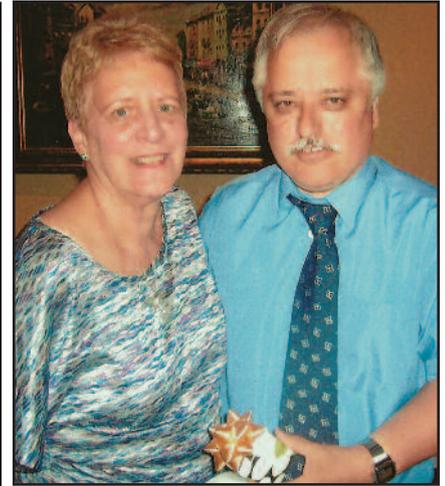
Shown in the photo are: (l-r) Joe Conforto, Augie and Fran Magnotta, Randy Brown, member of the staff at POTS, Errica Conforto and Kimberly Roginski, Volunteer and Development Coordinator

NEW JERSEY ACTIVITIES

Members have been “On Track” conducting their councils’ fraternal and charitable activities throughout the Garden State.



The NJ Grand Council Session was held in June. Grand Regent Richard Macon (seated, center) presented the “Our Strength is Our Pride” program. Pictured are the NJ officers for the 2013-2015 term.



Ethel Reitsema accepted her 6th DSA pin and a Recommender’s Award from NJ Grand Regent Richard Macon.



Versatility’s Social Concerns Committee organized “Tee-Day” for kids in need in Hudson County. Pictured are Stella Rakowski, Gen Macon, Mary Ann Decha and Marie Baranowski.



DSR Gen Macon, Grand Regent Richard Macon and Bayonne Council Regent John Baranowski at the grave of NJ Grand Chaplain Emeritus Harry V. Leobig, a veteran of WWI. In observing Memorial Day, our fraternalists decorated the graves of RA members who served in the armed forces.



Grand Regent Richard Macon presented a Service Appreciation gift to Grand Secretary Margaret Rummel for her support of his “RA Family Tree” program.

REFLECTIONS ON WATER, WATER, AND MORE WATER!

All the rain, not to mention the rather serious flooding in some areas, has been the subject of much casual conversation in the building where I live. It seems that someone has been complaining about the rain almost every day for the past month.



recreational aspects of water, such as in my favorite sport, swimming; but also boating, cruising, fishing, rafting, surfing, ice-skating, skiing, and the water parks. Water is also used to provide transportation. There are, for instance, water taxis, ocean liners, cargo boats, kayaks, motor

As I sat down at my computer to compose this edition's REFLECTIONS article, watching the rain come pouring down, I decided to write about WATER.

Water is such a big and essential element in life. Actually, more than two thirds of the earth's surface (71%) is water, and more than half of the human body (55-78%) consists of water. Water is vital to the existence of life upon this earth. Water is everywhere!

We must consume water in order to live. Only 2.5% of the water on this earth is fresh water. The good news for those of us who watch our weight is that there are absolutely no calories in water, so why not be healthy and try to drink six to eight glasses a day! The bad news is that water is also tasteless and odorless, so when people refer to fresh spring water as tasting good, they are actually talking about the minerals in the earth. On the negative side, if there is a pungent taste to the water or a strange smell, there could be something vile in it.

Water is not just used for human consumption, but has many uses. One immediately thinks of the

boats, row boats, sail boats, and many other forms of water transportation.

Who has not enjoyed the seafood delicacies that the water provides? Many people relish a good seafood dinner! Thirsty after the feast? Then have a refreshing glass of water. Of course, water is also used for safety, as in fire extinction. One of the primary uses of water is for the cleaning of our bodies and environment. How impossible it would be to have a beautiful flower garden or a bumper crop of vegetables without water!

The next time the pouring rain is messing with my plans for the day, instead of complaining, I am going to try to be thankful that the supply of water I need every day of my life is being restored through the water cycle of evaporation, condensation and precipitation.

By Dr. Herb Snyder



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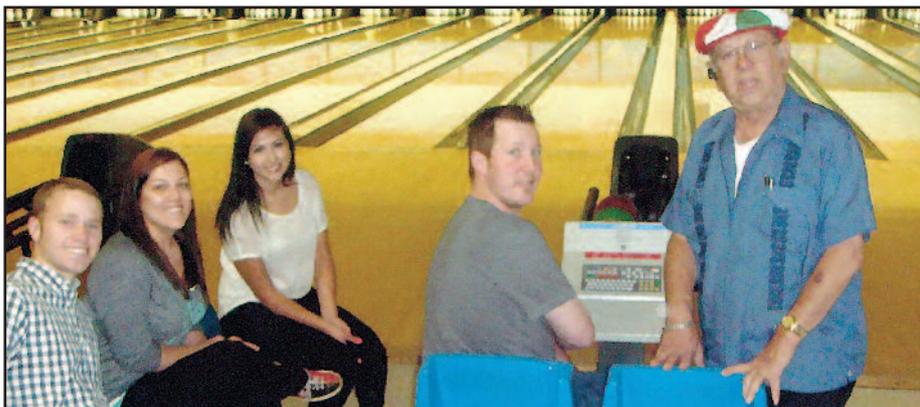
San Jose Council held its Annual Bowling Fundraiser at Cambrian Bowl in San Jose. Ten Juniors and fifteen adults participated in actual bowling. There were raffle prizes, bake sale items and a silent auction. A check for \$500 was donated for Aaron Hern of Martinez, California who was injured at the Boston Marathon bombing.

A special thanks to Grace Howell for donating the blankets for the raffle and silent auction and for doing a terrific job in coordinating this event. Also, to the men and ladies who helped make it a success.

Submitted by Joanie Francis



Above: Winner Pat Falkowski with her prize Bowling Blanket with Joanie Francis and spectator.



Left: Some of the young people bowling.



Decisions, decisions, for choosing a raffle prize.



Some of our Junior Bowlers having a great time - Holly and Josh Bootz; Dante, Dominic and Marco Fanelli.



Excited members of San Jose Council who made this event a success by donating part of the proceeds to Aaron Hern, a Boston Marathon survivor.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS CORNER

You may notice that there has been a name change to my column, from Home Office Manager's corner to Director of Operations corner.

I can say, on behalf of everyone in the Northeast, that we have had enough rain this season and are ready for the sunshine and warm temperatures. I'm hoping by the time this Bulletin is published, we will be in the midst plenty of beach-going weather!

We have been looking at different ways to provide incentives and benefits to our members, and have implemented a new Annuity promotion as well as a prescription discount card which you will read about in this bulletin. Any member can take advantage of the annuity promotion which provides an increased first-year guaranteed growth rate. The prescription discount card can be utilized by all members as well as non-members. Please contact me if you have a member benefit that you would like us to consider adding.

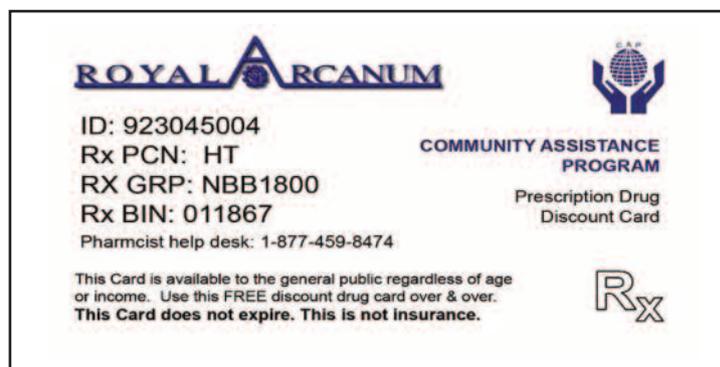


Find out more about our Blog on page 8

New features have been added to our website. One is a blog and the other is the fraternal calendar. It welcomes you to add Royal Arcanum activities such as council events, charitable events or even start up a conversation among members. The new web site implemented earlier this year has shown a dramatic increase in viewership traffic, which is a great sign for our Order. We are always looking for ways to inform our members of the newest activities about Royal Arcanum and this gives you an opportunity to become involved. As a reminder, the website is located at <http://www.royalarcanum.com>.

A bill has been filed with the Massachusetts Legislature to amend a law restricting fraternal orders' investment

options. As a fraternal order domiciled in Massachusetts, we have limits on our investment options which restricts our ability to invest in certain funds, which then affects our ability to generate investment growth. In working with State House Representative Paul Heroux, an amendment bill was filed on June 18, 2013 and can be found under House bill docket #H3542.



Find out more about our Medical Card on page 19

This year we have been working on several projects to enhance the many aspects of being a Royal Arcanum member, including our Blog, the Medical Card, products offered, as well as an increased focus on our charitable work. One project in particular we are developing is a marketing plan to further expand our audience and let others outside of our Order know how great it is to be a member of Royal Arcanum.

I enjoyed meeting those members who attended the Mini-Vacation in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nick Benoit', written over a white background.

Nicholas G. Benoit
Operations Director
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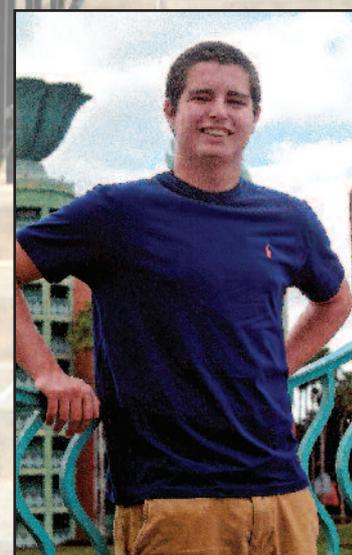
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Rutgers University,
New Brunswick

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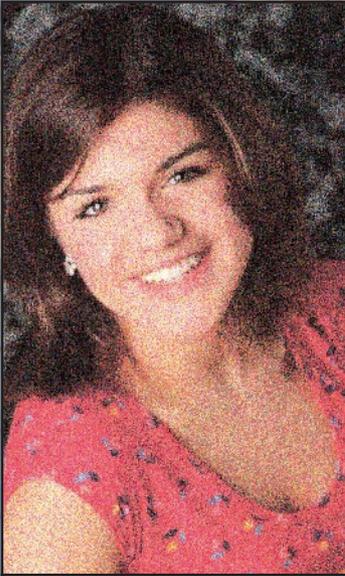


Jacob Fluegge
Hawthorne CI #2491
Missouri State
University

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2013 ROYAL ARCANUM GRANT RECIPIENTS

Continuing
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Grant Winner



Emilee Thompson
RA/ACA CI #13
TSOA @ New York
University
\$600



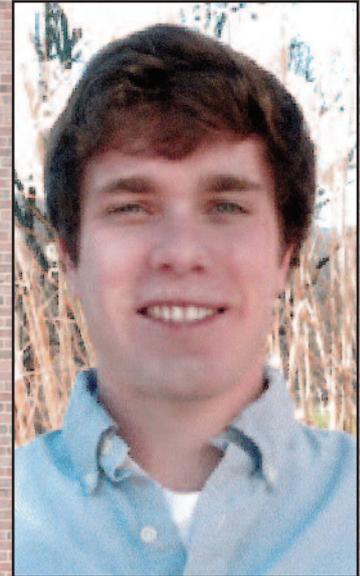
John J. Battista
Claremont CI #1655
SUNY, Cortland

\$250



Caryn N. Grabowski
Woodside CI #1358
Kean University

\$250



Jeffrey L. Royer
Germantown CI #586
Elizabeth College

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Mark D. Barillas
Alpha-Agassiz CI #1
Martin Electrical &
Technical School
\$250

Dana C. Mancuso
Atlantic CI #1417
Kutztown University

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Nicholas S. Mancuso
Atlantic CI #1417
Kutztown University

\$250

NEW MEMBER BENEFIT: PRESCRIPTION CARD

The Royal Arcanum Prescription Card for our members, families and friends!

The prescription card can be used by Royal Arcanum members as well as non members. Please contact the home office at (888) 272-2686 or visit www.royalrxcard.com for additional details.

The card we distribute saves on average 15% on brand-name drugs and 55% on generics. It can be the difference between someone in need filling a prescription or doing without. These savings are based

on the fact that we have over 56,000 pharmacies processing millions of prescriptions annually. The bearer of this card will always receive the lowest price available for any particular drug at the chosen pharmacy.




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COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
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This Card is available to the general public regardless of age or income. Use this FREE discount drug card over & over. This Card does not expire. This is not insurance.



CORONATION COUNCIL "JOIN HANDS DAY" PROJECT

We united with the Windsor Sportsman Club and the Windsor Police Association to participate in a fishing derby held for children on the Detroit River. The ladies (Debbie Young and Sharon Bayliss) made up give-a-way bags filled with fishing items.

Morgan Young judged the size and weight of the fish that were caught by the youngsters. This fishing derby has been an annual event for 65 years and it was nice for us to join these great organizations for a fun filled day.

Submitted by Tom Bayliss



Morgan Young and Assistant Judge weighing and measuring the fish that were caught.



Pictured: Tom Bayliss, Debbie Young, Morgan Young and Sharon Bayliss.

NEW LIFE FOR WHEELCHAIR FUND

For over 18 years Joe Colasanti of Colasanti's Tropical Gardens in Ruthven, Ontario has been collecting aluminum from pop tabs and cans as well as larger scrap pieces. He recycles these items into cash to help families with the cost of wheelchairs and accessible equipment. New life was breathed into the project when workers from Instagram-Windsor Seating presented them with a check for \$12,400. Joe said the money was much needed. Over the years the fund has used approximately \$175,000 worth of aluminum and



Debbie and Morgan Young donating the poptops to Colasanti's Tropical Gardens.

donations to help more than 200 families obtain wheelchairs and accessible equipment. Colasanti said motorized chairs can cost more than \$10,000 and not all is covered by provincial health programs. He said the fund usually offers \$500 to \$1,500 to help families with their share of the cost. Royal Arcanum members in

Ontario are strong supporters of this effort. Joe said, "What's most rewarding is the smile on the faces of the children when they see their new chairs."

FRATERNAL DEPARTMENT NEWS

Dear Friends,

The good will of those we serve is the foundation of our success. As we begin the 136th year as a fraternal benefit society, the Royal Arcanum's service to families and communities in the United States and Canada proudly endures. Although history is recorded by changing times, the allegiance to the attributes of virtue, mercy and charity exemplified by our founders remains constant with fraternal members until today. Our councils, spanning two great nations, are continuously engaged in fostering good will and advancing fraternalism for future generations. It is that good will which has enabled our organization to grow in council activity, volunteerism, outreach initiatives and charitable work. The Royal Arcanum provides life insurance with a PLUS! Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara's "**On Track for Success**" campaign is encouraging our members to promote the Royal Arcanum, and welcome family and friends into our society. Hopefully many fraternalists will be on board this year!



The Fraternal Department commends the grand and subordinate council officers for their leadership. The unique programs of our Grand Regents signify their dedication to the Royal Arcanum and aspirations to further expand fraternal projects in their jurisdictions. The International Fraternal Service, Fraternalism in Action, Lend a Hand-Lift a Heart, and Legacy of Hope programs acknowledge the spirited service of our members and assist their efforts in providing good will to others through ongoing support to charitable causes.

Fellowship and good will were generously extended by the Arcanian Family at the recent mini vacation. Many thanks go to everyone for their contributions to our coast to coast gifting project for children with leukemia and cancer in pediatric hospitals in the San Jose area and for the New England Handicapped

Sports Association's winter adaptive clinic for wounded, disabled military veterans. Friends and members once again came together in common purpose and with fraternal heart to conduct a memorable summer project. Much appreciation is sent to Dotti Pagnani and the Fraternal Events Committee for being the jolliest and busiest team of elves in Santa's satellite workshop south of the North Pole!



Don't forget to capture your team spirit with a photo and send your council news to the Royal Arcanum for printing in the BULLETIN and posting on the web site. Your stories may inspire other councils to raise the bar and sponsor a new activity, share good will and see great things happen!

Enjoy the summer sunshine and its many opportunities to get out and about. It's also an ideal time to stop by our senior members who may be physically unable to take part in council work. A cheerful visit can surely brighten their day! Right about now students get excited about the approaching school year. When you shop for all the new supplies, perhaps consider purchasing an extra notebook or box of pencils and take it to a local "welcome" center which assists students in need. A small gesture of kindness can make a huge difference in their life and that's what fraternal good will is about!

In friendship,
Cindy Macon

DOMREMY COUNCIL PROJECT

In February and March of 2013 Domremy Council #23 in Lowell hosted their monthly meeting and a presentation of information of the French/American culture. This information was presented to a 5th Grade Class.



Regent of Domremy Council, Roger Lacerte spoke at a school in Lowell for Franco-American Week. He explained Franco-American Heritage to the class.

Le rencontre d'avril fut vraiment une soiree d'amitie. La bonne humeur regnait; des jassettes un peu partout, une courte seance d'affaires et une partie de cartes remplie de rires et d'histories. Notre President Roget Lacerte nous fit decouvrir un ecrivain de chez-nous, Joh Nowak, il nous lut des passages d'in de ses livres concernant Lowell. Quoi interessant Cecile Provencher nou dit qu'une conference donnee par Carole Salmon est ajoutee au programme de la Semaine Franco-Americaine.



Domremy Members Roger Lacerte, Cecile Provencher and Yolande Lessard with two teachers from St. Louis School (l'Ecole Franco-Americaine) of Lowell.

DR. PAUL FORTIER COUNCIL FRATERNAL PROJECT

On April 11, 2013, Dr. Paul Fortier Council #52 joined with Schooner Estates Retirement Community in Auburn, Maine for a decadent dessert event to benefit the American Heart Association. The event raised \$222 for the cause.



Standing left to right, Mark Prevost, Director Resident Services, Council Member Dolores Poirier, Lucien Baril, Gilbert Baril, Norm Levesque, Alder Levesque, Loraine Dubois, Maurice Dubois; seated left to right, Therese Banks, Marie Godine, Henriette Bergeron and Jeanne Poulin.

MEDORA COUNCIL WALKS FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Juanita Glassi, Dina Drankie, Donna Hahn, Kathy Gaffney, Erica Hallstrom, Diane Guenther and Susan Martin-Fry represented Medora Council #1648 on Mother's Day at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in downtown Chicago. For more than 10 years the ladies and their families have been participating in various activities such as the Y-Me Walk to heighten awareness and raise funds

to find a cure for breast cancer. Medora members Lil Juarez and Juanita Glassi are both survivors of the disease. Lil was the inspiration for the team whose participants throughout the past ten years continue to grow. The Royal Arcanum commends the members of Medora, their friends and colleagues for their dedicated effort to make a difference in the lives of others.



Juanita Glassi, Dina Drankie, Donna Hahn, Kathy Gaffney, Erica Hallstrom, Diane Guenther and Susan Martin-Fry.

A LA MÉMOIRE DE GILLES BÉDARD (1936 - 2013)

Gilles Bédard est né le 10 février 1936 à Montréal, Québec. Il a gradué au Collège St-Clément de Beauharnois, puis il a suivi un cours de 2 ans au Collège Commercial Élie. Il a débuté son travail au Journal La Presse Ltée en novembre 1959 où il a travaillé 40 ans. Il a été Trésorier du Syndicat durant 18 ans. Le 28 mai 1960, il a épousé Jacqueline Wilson. Gilles est devenu membre du Conseil Maisonneuve en 1943 et il a occupé plusieurs postes au sein de ce Conseil. Il fut Fideicommissaire 1963-64, 1964-65; Garde 1965-66; Guide 1966-67; Régent 1969-70; Passé Régent 1970-71-72; Collecteur 1974-78; Secrétaire/Collecteur 1973 et il fut Secrétaire jusqu'à son décès. Il est monté jusqu'aux sièges du Grand Conseil; il est devenu Grand Orateur en 1976; Grand Vice-Régent en 1977; Grand Régent en 1978 et Passé Grand Régent en 1980. En 1986, il fut nommé Député du Régent



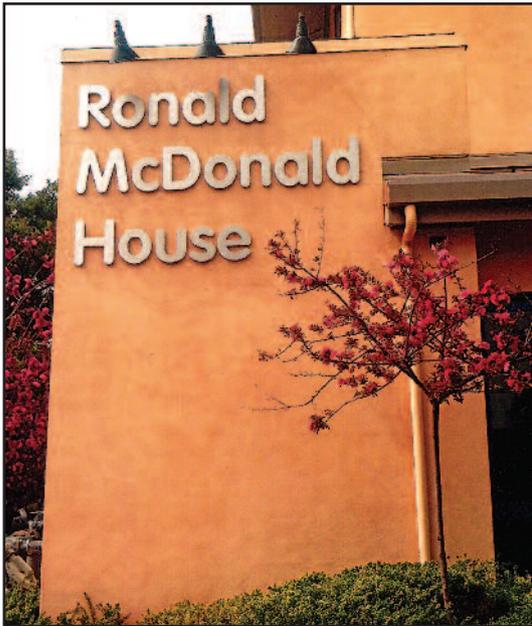
Suprême. Gilles a été élu Fideicommissaire du Conseil Suprême en 1986, Sentinelle du Conseil Suprême en 1990, Guide du Conseil Suprême en 1994 et Président des Fideicommissaires du Conseil Suprême en 2002. Gilles a été introduit à la Légion d'Honneur #74 en 1990. Il a aussi traduit les messages du Régent Suprême pour le Bulletin durant plusieurs années. Gilles est décédé le 12 mars 2013. Il laisse dans le deuil, son

épouse Jacqueline, sa fille Christiane, son gendre Luc, ses deux petits-fils Mathieu (Mélissa) et Maxime (Sophie), ses soeurs, belles-soeurs, beaux-frères et plusieurs parents et amis. Plusieurs personnes de notre organisation ont été touchées par son modèle de camaraderie fraternelle. Gilles manquera tristement à nos frères et soeurs à travers les États-Unis et le Canada.

Que son âme repose en Paix.

SAN JOSE FRATERNAL PROJECTS

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE



Ronald McDonald House. Helping children and their families in need.

Orator Grace Howell sprang into action when she heard that the children at Ronald McDonald House desperately needed Easter baskets for the Holiday. She filled them with stuffed animals, books, candies, etc. and wrapped them beautifully. The young patients enjoyed getting such thoughtful gifts.



Grace Howell bringing the Easter baskets to Ronald McDonald House.

SANTA CLARA KAISER HOSPITAL

What a surprise to Child Life Support Specialist, Wendy Fought and Santa Clara Kaiser Hospital Nurse, Sandy Connolly, when Marilyn Fanelli, Grace Howell and Toinette Fanelli delivered "cute bunny buddies" for Easter. These bunnies will be a comfort to the children during their days of cancer treatments. This is the second year that we did this project and thank all of our members for their participation.

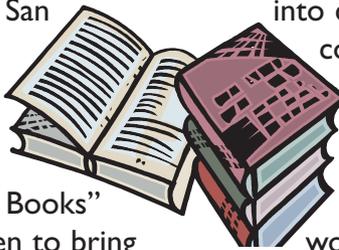


Left to right, Child Life Support Specialist Wendy Fought, Nurse Sandy Connolly, Grace Howell, Marilyn Fanelli, Toinette Fanelli and Bunny Buddies.

SAN JOSE FRATERNAL PROJECTS

COLLECTING BLANKETS AND BOOKS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

The Ladies of San Jose got together for their project, "Blankets and Books" for the children to bring comfort and love to them during their time in the hospital. Grace Howell cut out over 100 blanket pieces for our ladies to craft



into colorful coverings for the children. The members enjoyed working together.

Submitted by Joanie Francis



Seated left to right, Grace Howell, Mary Ann Valenti, Loretta Miller, Alice Mangano and Ann Antuzzi.

PAWTUCKET COUNCIL WALKS FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

The Cystic Fibrosis Great Strides Walk was held on May 11, 2013, at Slater Park in Pawtucket, RI.

This year, the members of Pawtucket CI #537, walked for two children with cystic fibrosis. Lauren Whatmough's team was "Laps for Lauren" and Cael Schneider's team was "Cael's Crusaders". Lauren is a former classmate of Junior Kaitlyn Lockaby and Cael is a classmate of Junior Jacob Kolek.

The Royal Arcanum Junior members walking were Kaitlyn Lockaby, Jessica, Jacob and Judy Lynn Kolek. Adult members participating were Karen Lockaby, Clarita Lepine, Jackie Wudkiewicz, Lisa, Judy and Ken Kolek.



RA members and friends walked for Cystic Fibrosis with Lauren Whatmough, front row, second from right.



Ken Kolek is pictured with youngsters who walked with "Cael's Crusaders." Cael is the second child on the right.

PAWTUCKET COUNCIL MEMBER GETS FIT

My name is Ashley Lockaby. I am a member of Pawtucket Council #537 in Rhode Island and attend Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut. I am studying Exercise Science in pursuit of my PhD in Physical Therapy. I was always interested in sports and fitness, but I have recently found a new passion. Since the age of four, I was involved in gymnastics and dance. In high school, I joined the cheerleading team, making varsity as a freshman and won the RI State Championship. I placed



First Team All-State for two consecutive years and was selected captain as a senior. I continued cheerleading at SHU. In addition to being a member of our nationally ranked team,

I was appointed as Strength and Conditioning Coach. I led the girls in 6 a.m. workouts for the entire 8-month season, to prepare for nationals. During my studies at SHU, I acquired an overwhelming enthusiasm for fitness. The feeling I got from encouraging others to develop a healthy lifestyle was like no other in the world. Although I loved the sports I was previously involved in, nothing compared to my newfound drive and enthusiasm for the fitness field. I attended a workshop through American College of Sports Medicine which led me to obtain my Personal Training Certification.

I soon began creating new workout plans and diets for myself, friends and family. As I started to progress it really changed my lifestyle, and I noticed that I was motivating others. I also realized that I had never felt so good and never looked better in my life. I knew that I had to share this excitement and help others make the transformation to a healthy lifestyle. I developed a website to help get the word out and I am continuing to pursue my goal of changing peoples' lives by guiding them into healthy habits. I am currently training clients, online and in person and will be competing in a Fitness Competition this summer.



Although it's an amazing feeling to reach my own fitness goals, I believe that I was put on this earth to help others by changing and even saving lives. Whether it be through personal training or adding my physical therapy skills in the future, I know that I want to help people and will do whatever it takes to obtain and succeed in that goal.

Prepare your children for the first day of school

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that parents follow this formula...

A young child's first few days of school can set the tone for a successful year and a lifetime of education. The secret is talking to your child about what to expect so the first day doesn't come as a shock. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that parents follow this formula:

- Calm your children's fears. Encourage them to talk about their feelings. Let them know that feeling nervous about the first day of school is completely normal.

- Focus on the positives. Talk about what they'll learn, the new friends they'll make, and how their teachers will help them. Don't build up unrealistic expectations about how great the school year will be, but be upbeat so they have something to look forward to.



- Visit the school before it opens. This helps young children feel comfortable when the big day comes. If possible, try to arrange a meeting between your kids and their new teachers so they can get familiar with each other.

- Review safety rules. Go over safety measures regarding traffic and strangers. If your neighborhood has children who attend the same school as your child, get them to travel together. On the first few days of school, it might be a good idea to walk with your children to the bus stop or to school until they feel comfortable on their own.



First and foremost, let me add my congratulations to all those senior high school students who have won scholarships and grants this year. There were 27 recipients. Those entering their Senior

year of High School are reminded that the process for applying for a college scholarship or grant from the Royal Arcanum in 2014 begins next month.

Many councils and jurisdictions honored the scholarship and grant recipients at their June meetings. Integrity Council had a Junior Night when Juniors were invited to come out for their special evening and observe the Pennsylvania winners receive their scholarships and awards. A fun time was had by all involved!

It was exciting to be in San Francisco for the mini-vacation with the Juniors who attended. The Juniors were guests at all the tours, including the special trip to Alcatraz.

I sure hope that the Juniors in your area have felt special this summer because of the activities you have provided for them. Be sure to let me know about the Junior activities that were sponsored by your council and how the gifts of the clear bank that counts the coins, the wooden box of games, and the cuddly stuffed lion available to all our Juniors were received in your council.



It is not too early to start planning for a special holiday event for your Juniors.

I wish all our Juniors who will be going to school in a few weeks a very special and wonderful year.

By Dr. Herb Snyder, Director of Junior Work

INVOLVE CHILDREN IN THEIR OWN HEALTH CARE, SURVEY SAYS

Sick children are often sheltered from discussions about their health care, but a study published in the Journal of Clinical Nursing suggests that health professionals and parents would do better to consult children more and include them in decisions.

Researchers in Ireland spoke with 55 young people, ranging in age from 7 to 18, with acute or chronic illnesses. Most had been hospitalized previously (71%), stayed less than seven days (85%) and lived with two parents (80%). Some of the study's findings were:

- Children said they want to take part in discussions about their health and treatment, and to have their views and concerns taken seriously.
- Knowing the health professionals helps children feel able



to ask questions freely and express their concerns.

- Many children look to their parents to act as advocates and to explain what's happening, and they rely on their parents because they have problems communicating with health professionals.
- The way health professionals communicate and behave can be an obstacle to children's getting involved. Children said health professionals tend to "do things" to them with very brief explanations or none at all. Health professionals exclude them, they said,

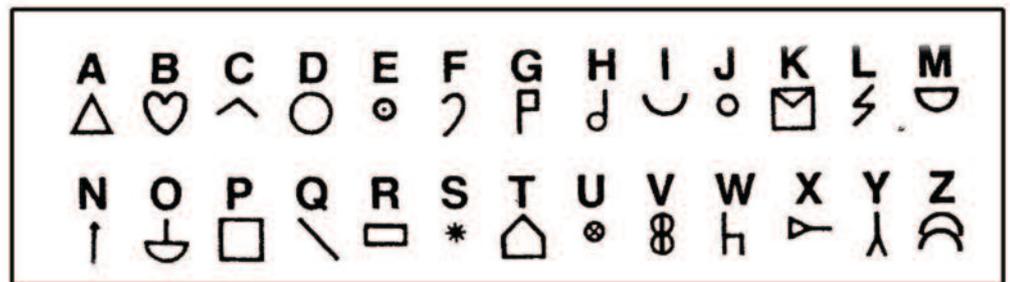
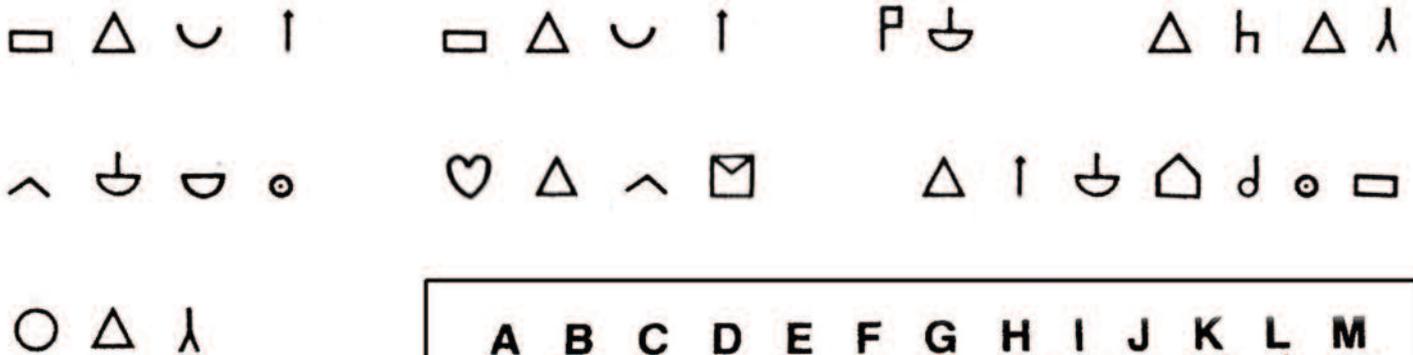
directing information at their parents using language they don't understand.

- Children want to make "small" decisions, but almost half want to leave "serious" decisions about issues like surgery to their parents and health professionals.

JUNIOR PUZZLES

CODE BREAKER

Write the symbol over its matching symbol to discover the secret phase



IN LIEU OF CONTINUING THE E-BULLETIN, WE WILL BE PUBLISHING ADDITIONAL CONTENT TO OUR WEBSITE. PLEASE CHECK BACK REGULARLY. IF YOU HAVE ANY RIDDLES, GAMES, OR ARTICLES YOU WOULD LIKE PUBLISHED TO OUR WEBSITE, PLEASE EMAIL THEM TO: PFITZGERALD@ROYALARCANUM.COM

JUNIOR CONTEST RULES

Our rules provide that a Junior can win only one prize per issue of the Bulletin. Members from the same family can submit answers to same puzzles in order to win. Puzzle entrants are restricted to Juniors no older than 17 years 11 months. All entries must be received prior to distribution of the next Bulletin.

All Junior entrants can earn a \$10.00 gift certificate from Amazon.com!



award from the Royal Arcanum

Junior Must Submit:

Name

Age

Council

Email Address

PLEASE SEND ALL ANSWERS TO:
JUNIOR DEPARTMENT, ROYAL ARCANUM,
61 BATTERYMARCH ST., BOSTON, MA 02110-3208



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Debra Veino Basa
John D. Crisanti
Kevin Power
Roland Van Liew
Polly A. Veino



On May 4, 2013, the Grand Council of Massachusetts held its session at the Cape Codder Resort and Spa, in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. There were 35 members in attendance. The evening began with a social hour and a buffet dinner. Grand Regent Tony Basa opened the meeting, and Supreme Chaplain Donald Ferry Sr. gave the invocation. Deputy Supreme Regent Donald E. Ferry, Sr. was the Installing Officer who also presented Grand Regent Basa with an appreciation award from the New England's Winter Sports Clinic for Wounded Military.

During the weekend, it was easy to locate the Junior members because they did not want to get out of the pool. The pool had two very special items: 1) a wave machine; and 2) two slides. So needless to say, the Juniors were very happy.



One of the Juniors was very daring, when he challenged two older members to a volleyball game. Roland Van Liew and his wife Riska, along with Tony Basa and his son Anthony set the match for Saturday morning. Tony and Roland were the "OLD TEAM" while Riska and Anthony were the young team. After everything was said and done the "OLD TEAM" won (I guess that put Anthony in his place; now he is planning the next game).

All in all, everyone enjoyed the weekend and are looking forward to the next event.

Submitted by Tony Basa and Dotti Pagnani



Deputy Supreme Regent Ferry presenting Grand Regent Basa with an appreciation award from the New England's' Winter Sports Clinic



Carlos, Phil, Gaylene and Tony Basa Sr. with Kelly Arruda and her fiancé Kenneth.

A WORD FROM THE SUPREME SECRETARY

This year Royal Arcanum awarded more than \$51,000 in scholarships and grants. Over \$616,400 in educational loans has been advanced to members since 2000. Our family fraternity strongly believes in providing educational benefits to our young members. They will be the leaders of tomorrow.

The current global economic climate has sparked a revolution on how we should be teaching our students. Research results put the curriculum focus on science, technology, engineering and math. These areas are consistently making headlines in the news.

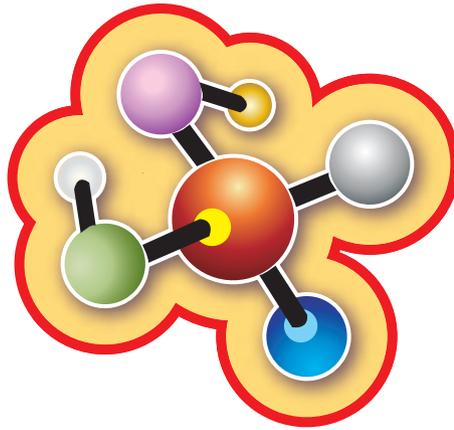
DNA (hereditary material) can now be collected by law enforcement officials and used as evidence for solving crimes. DNA provides useful information about ancestry and how illnesses and drugs may interact. Who knows - in the future, life insurance companies may possibly utilize DNA for issuing policies. There will probably be an increasing demand for graduates who become experts in the field of DNA science.

Google company engineers are working to develop "new cars" which can automatically drive themselves. The only accident recorded thus far involved one car being rear ended by a driver at a stop sign. Human error (and not technology)! I've dreamt about cars driving on their own, but never thought I'd see the day it would actually happen!

Will Social Media sources such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, etc. continue to surge and be an integral part in our lives? People are constantly connecting with friends and colleagues. Text messaging has become a way of life for some! Even I use it, but I still have a lot to learn. I didn't know that "10Q" means "Thank you", and 404 denotes "I haven't a clue". How about you?



to design artificial limbs for humans in this innovative field of science.



If you grew up with LEGO plastic bricks, you may be intrigued by the study of robotics. In a research and development lab in Denmark, there is an amazing array of robot prototypes. New versions of the childhood past-time have the ability to walk, crawl, grasp and more! These toys will be in stores within a few weeks. So if you remember kids playing with LEGO bricks, who knows, they may set their sights on becoming robotics engineers

Some communities have shut off street lights in an attempt to cut costs; however, more accidents have been occurring since the change to darker roads. Now piezoelectric materials can harness vibrations and pressure from passing cars and convert that energy into usable electric power for lights. Now that's a cutting-edge concept!

With the advances of technology, new challenges also arise. These will demand new courses of study, but

I'm convinced that the next generation will be qualified to answer the call!

To really be prepared for the future, why not purchase a new life insurance policy or annuity from Royal Arcanum? There may never be a better time to do so.

We enjoyed seeing many of you at our Mini-Vacation in San Francisco. Next August, our Supreme Council Session will be held at the beautiful Omni Hotel and Resort in the center of Charlotte, North Carolina. We look forward to having you join us!

Fraternally,

Kenneth J. Kolek
Supreme Secretary

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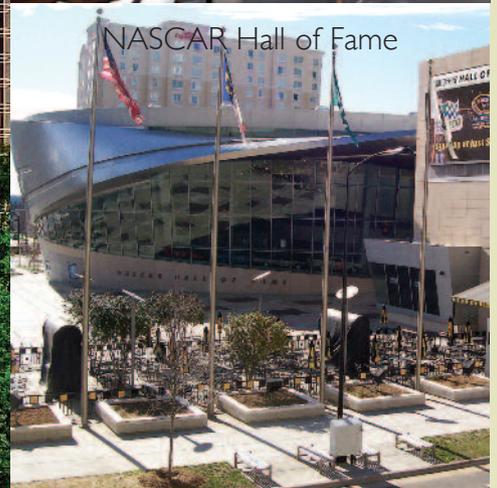


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Carolinas Aviation Museum



NASCAR Hall of Fame



Carolinas Aviation Museum



CHARLOTTE HIGHLIGHTS

NASCAR Hall of Fame - Discovery Place - Bojangles' Coliseum
Carolinas Aviation Museum - Bechtler Museum of Modern Art