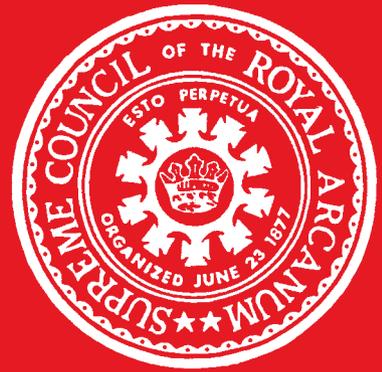


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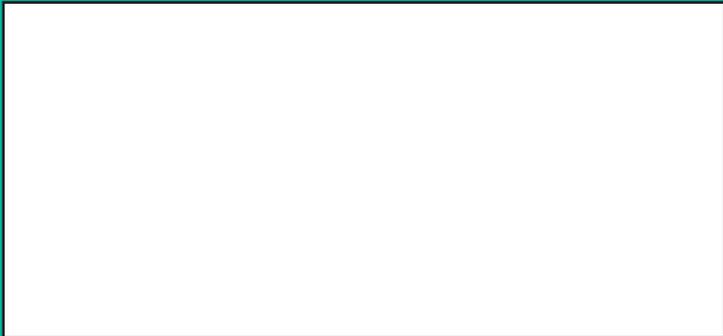


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### A Message from the Supreme Regent Un Message Du Régent Suprême

Peter Ferrara - Supreme Regent



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I take this opportunity to wish all our members in the United States and Canada a happy, healthy and prosperous new year.

It seems that the major story in our countries this past year and continuing into 2014 has been the extremely bad weather that has plagued most areas. Snow, sleet, ice and rain have caused major disruptions in transportation and extensive power outages in large sections of the US and Canada. While I am writing this letter we are preparing for another storm that has the potential to affect over 70 million people in both countries. Hopefully spring is on the way and will make an early arrival.

I have begun making my presentations for my program '**Keeping on Track**'. I have visited the jurisdictions of Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Quebec, Illinois, Florida, Rhode Island and North Carolina. I have scheduled my Pennsylvania presentation for January. I appreciate the warmth and enthusiasm that I was welcomed with at all the visitations. I would also like to express my thanks to the Grand Regents and Deputy Supreme Regents who presented my program in those jurisdictions that I was not able to visit. If there is any jurisdiction that would like to schedule a visitation please do not hesitate to contact me directly or through the Home Office. My email address is PDFSIC@aol.com.

I take this opportunity to remind all of our members that the 2014 Supreme Council Session will take place at the Omni Hotel in Charlotte, NC this coming August. The Omni Hotel is located in downtown Charlotte close to all the activities that the city has to offer. Further details are available in the Bulletin. I hope to see all of you there.

Yours in V. M. C.,

Peter D. Ferrara  
Supreme Regent

Chers frères et sœurs ,

Je voudrais profiter de cette occasion pour souhaiter à tous nos membres à la fois aux États-Unis et au Canada une nouvelle année heureuse, saine et prospère.

Il semble que l'histoire majeure dans notre pays cette année passée et en 2014 a été le très mauvais temps qui sévit dans la plupart des régions. Neige, verglas, glace et la pluie ont causé d'importantes perturbations dans les transports et d'énergie étendue des pannes dans les grandes sections de l' US et Canada. Pendant que je vous écris cette lettre, nous nous préparons pour une autre tempête qui a le potentiel d'affecter plus de 70 millions de personnes dans les deux pays. Espérons que le printemps est sur le chemin et fera une arrivée précoce.

J'ai commencé à faire mes présentations pour mon programme « **Maintenir le cap** ». J'ai visité les provinces du Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Québec, Illinois, Floride, Rhode Island et la Caroline du Nord. J'ai prévu ma présentation Pennsylvanie pour Janvier. J'apprécie la chaleur et l'enthousiasme que j'ai été accueilli avec dans tous les visite. Je tiens également à exprimer mes remerciements à la Grande Regents et sous Regents suprême qui a présenté mon programme de ces territoires que je n'étais pas en mesure de visiter. Si il est une juridiction qui souhaite organiser une visite s'il vous plaît n'hésitez pas à me contacter directement ou par l'intermédiaire du ministère de l'Intérieur. Mon adresse e-mail est PDFSIC@aol.com .

Je voudrais profiter de cette occasion pour rappeler à tous nos membres que notre 2014 Session générale aura lieu à l'Hôtel Omni à Charlotte, NC prochain Août. L'Omni Hôtel est situé dans le centre-ville de Charlotte proche de toutes es activités que la ville a à offrir. De plus amples détails sont disponibles dans le Bulletin. J'espère tous vous voir à Charlotte .

Bien à vous en V. M. C.

Peter D. Ferrara  
Suprême Regent

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Juniors pictured on the cover, frolicking in the snow, are Judy Lynn, Jacob and Jessica Kolek.

**Deceased Members**

Recently Deceased Members are reported on our web site on a monthly basis. Click "About Us" and "In Memoriam."

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# SUPREME REGENT VISITS THE HOME JURISDICTION



On September 29, 2013, Grand Regent Tony Basa was pleased to welcome Royal

Arcanum members for a special gathering of the Grand Council of Massachusetts for the program presentation of Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara. Thirty-five Arcanian members, Juniors and guests arrived for a morning breakfast that was scheduled to welcome Supreme Regent Ferrara. After partaking in a bountiful array of favorites, the Grand Regent introduced special guest, Supreme Regent Ferrara.

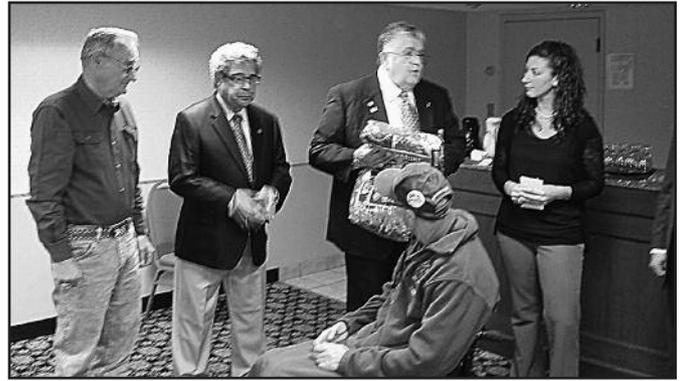
The Supreme Regent outlined the “**Keeping on Track**” program for 2013-2014 and invited the members to participate in the programs that our society has available and reminded them to share their “good news” of Council activities by publicizing their community and charitable

good works. He also thanked the members for their support of his campaigns.

Grand Regent Tony Basa introduced representatives of the New England Veterans. A donation of \$3,000 from the Supreme Council mini-vacation gifting project was presented to Gina Petrino, Administrative Officer for Voluntary Service VA Boston Healthcare System, Veteran John Beadle and Veteran Michael Guilbault. Gina also accepted a military blanket donated by San Jose Council. They expressed their gratitude for having been so generously remembered by the RA Fraternal Family.

The day concluded with the awarding of door prizes and gifts from the Supreme Regent and with everyone sharing good wishes for a blessed holiday season.

*Submitted by Dotti Pagnani*



**Above: Deputy Supreme Regent Donald Ferry Sr. (second from right) presenting a donation check to Gina Petrino of the VA Boston Healthcare System, while Veterans John Beadle and Michael Guilbault look on with Supreme Regent Pete Ferrara (second from left).**



**Door prize winners with Pete Ferrara [c]. Left to right are John Beadle, Gina Petrino, Lynda Rodil, Debra Veino Basa and John Crisanti.**

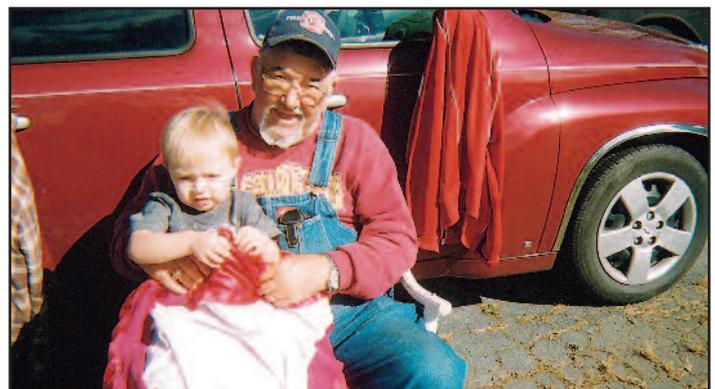
## RHODODENDRON FRATERNAL PROJECT

The youngest members of Rhododendron Council, Asheville, NC have been busy helping with our “Coats for the Cold” drive in Asheville. We collected about 30 coats

-- which means 30 people will have a coat to warm them when the cold winds blow in the mountains.



**Noah Miller, age 6 helped his great grandmother, Lucy Lance get the coats ready for delivery.**



**Dee Jay Sampson, age 2, is helps his Granddad, Harley Sampson, pack the coats for the delivery to the Rescue Ministry.**

# SUPREME REGENT VISITS NEW JERSEY

On October 19, 2013 the members of New Jersey Council welcomed Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara at the Mediteraneo Restaurant in Bayonne for the presentation of his "Keeping on Track" Program. Visiting officers included Supreme Vice Regent Carl Krzystofczyk, Supreme Orator Errica Conforto, Past Supreme Regent August Magnotta, Past Grand Regent of New York Frances Magnotta and Grand Orator of New York, Joseph Conforto.



**NJ Grand Regent Richard Macon, FIC (standing left) welcomed Supreme and Grand Council Officers to the Supreme Regent's program presentation.**

Brother Ferrara's innovative campaign was both informative and enlightening. He introduced new programs of the society and highlighted our product portfolio, emphasizing that we are a family fraternal benefit society. He recognized the efforts members have made for enrolling relatives and friends in the Royal Arcanum and applauded the many fraternal initiatives and charitable activities being sponsored on behalf of our organization.



**The Minicieli-Butto Family was happy to greet Supreme Regent Pete Ferrara in Bayonne. Three generations comprise a 100% Royal Arcanum Family.**

Deputy Supreme Regent Gen Macon presented "Garden State" gifts of appreciation to the Supreme Regent and visiting officers. Additionally, the Supreme Regent received

Durma, Stella Rakowski, Evelyn Magarban and Gen Macon.

Following dessert and some lively conversations, the meeting concluded with everyone setting their sights to the track leading to Charlotte, North Carolina next summer.

*Submitted by Gen Macon*

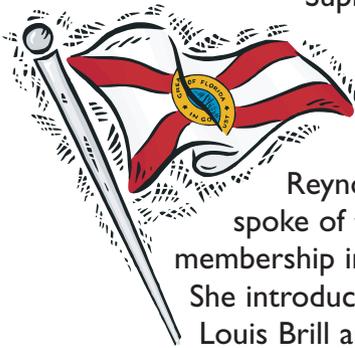


**Community Service Committee members Steve Durma, Marie Baranowski, Ann Dworzanski and Robert Galdon coordinated the "Soup-er Saturday" project for local food pantries. More than 200 cans of soup were contributed by the Arcanians.**



**Prize winners with Supreme Regent Ferrara.**

# SUPREME REGENT IN FLORIDA



Supreme Regent Peter D. Ferrara visited the east coast of the Florida jurisdiction on November 24th. Grand Regent Louise Reynolds welcomed everyone and spoke of the many benefits of membership in our fraternal organization. She introduced Deputy Supreme Regent Louis Brill and wife, Charlotte, Past Supreme Regent Donald Foley and wife, Hillie and last but not least, Supreme Regent Ferrara.

The Supreme Regent was happy to inform the members about some exciting new things happening in the Royal Arcanum. He highlighted the various insurance products and annuity programs and discussed the educational opportunities for our youth. He invited everyone to consider attending the Supreme Council Session next August in Charlotte, North Carolina. He commended the officers and members for their participation in charitable and volunteer work in the Florida communities and for their support to the Supreme Council's national charity projects.

Sister Reynolds presented Brother Ferrara with a unique lighthouse lamp on behalf of the Grand Council and hoped it would "pack well" for the flight back home to Philadelphia.

After a delicious meal, prizes - compliments of the Supreme Regent - were awarded. Susan Polito won the wheeled cooler. She presented it to Arlene Van Amburgh who planned on traveling to New York with lots of homemade favorites to be shared at family holiday meals. Fred Polito won the barbecue set and said it would go great with his outdoor grill.

The time passed all too quickly as members and friends wrapped up a wonderful fraternal event. Everyone enjoyed receiving the Supreme Regent's "Keeping on Track" gifts and appreciated his visit to the "Sunshine State".

*Submitted by Louise Reynolds*



**Supreme Regent Pete Ferrara and Past Supreme Regent Don Foley**



**Deputy Supreme Regent Louis and wife, Charlotte**

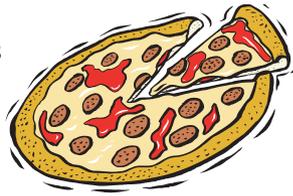


**Supreme Regent's door prize winners, Susan and Fred Polito**

## PROGRAM PRESENTATION PIZZA PARTY

The Grand Council hosted a Pizza party on November 1st. Thirty-two members attended

to hear about the Supreme Regent's "Keeping on Track" Program.



Deputy Supreme Regent Tom Bayliss presented the program with Secretary Virginia Lauzon.



Members in attendance.

## MEMBER, MARTY CULLEN HONORED

Marty Cullen, age 92 is Coronation Council's senior member. Marty was a Baseball player for many years and always stressed to the Council how important it is to support our youth who participate in sports. South Windsor Little League baseball players presented Marty with a plaque and their gratitude.



Sharon Bayliss, Gloria Donaldson, Stephanie Bayliss, Marty Cullen and Darcy Bayliss

## FRATERNAL PROJECT

Coronation Council collected food and clothing for the "Welcome Center" for women to help them get through the winter. There was a check contributed for \$1,000 to purchase additional items.

*Submitted by Tom Bayliss*



Van loaded with items to be donated.



Debbie Young and Sharon Bayliss waiting for some help to unload van.

## TESTIMONIAL DINNER AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Pennsylvania fraternalists came together at Popi's Restaurant on December 9th to honor Brother Joseph Tedesco for his long time service to the Royal Arcanum and to celebrate the holidays together. The event was sponsored jointly by Integrity Council #586 and the Pennsylvania Grand Council. The evening of much merriment was arranged by a committee of Lillie Panichelli, Ralph Ferrara, and Herb Snyder.

Joe Tedesco, the treasurer of Integrity Council, came into the Royal Arcanum about forty years ago at the invitation

of the late Abraham A. Wehbe. He and his wife, Joan, are the proud parents and grandparents of a Royal Arcanum family. Joe held several council offices, including Regent and was elected to serve as Grand Regent of Pennsylvania. He is a Representative to the Supreme Council and continues to serve our fraternal society very effectively.

The full course dinner was high-lighted by the musical entertainment of the Doo-Wop group, "Second Chance."



Joe Tedesco and his wife, Joan Tedesco, and the Elf (Maryann Squillaciotti)

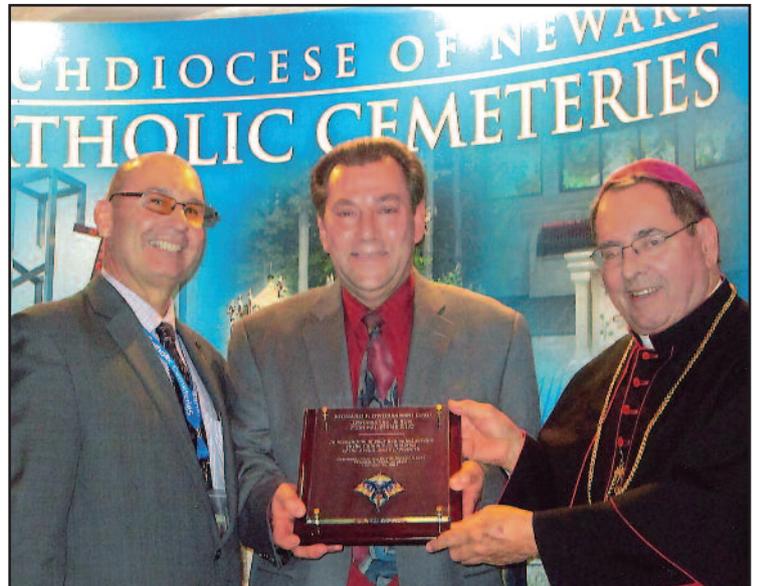


Joe Tedesco and his son, Kyle Tedesco, the Regent of Integrity.

## DISTINGUISHED HONORS FOR NEW JERSEY MEMBER

Richard P. Dworzanski, a member of Bayonne Council #695 was honored on October 30th for his dedicated service to the Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark. A graduate of the American Academy McAllister Institute of Funeral Service in Manhattan, he is the owner of the Dworzanski and Son Funeral Home in Bayonne, which was founded by his parents in 1949. The award was presented at a mass at

the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. A Past President of the Hudson County Funeral Directors Association, Rick currently holds the position of Secretary-Treasurer. He is an active officer and member of many professional, community, heritage and volunteer organizations. The New Jersey members congratulate Rick on this well deserved recognition.



Richard P. Dworzanski (center) accepts the 2013 Meritorious Service Award from Archbishop John Joseph Myers. They were greeted by Andrew Schafer, Executive Director, Catholic Cemeteries (left).

# Putting Technology to Work

The Royal Arcanum is committed to using all tools available to stay in touch and to service its members.

The website, at [www.royalarcanum.com](http://www.royalarcanum.com) provides a window into the works of our fraternal benefit society with pictures, stories, and accounts of the life and times of our family. Our calendar is managed by the Home Office and is available to our Councils to promote upcoming events and activities. You can email [info@royalarcnaum.com](mailto:info@royalarcnaum.com) to have your events posted.

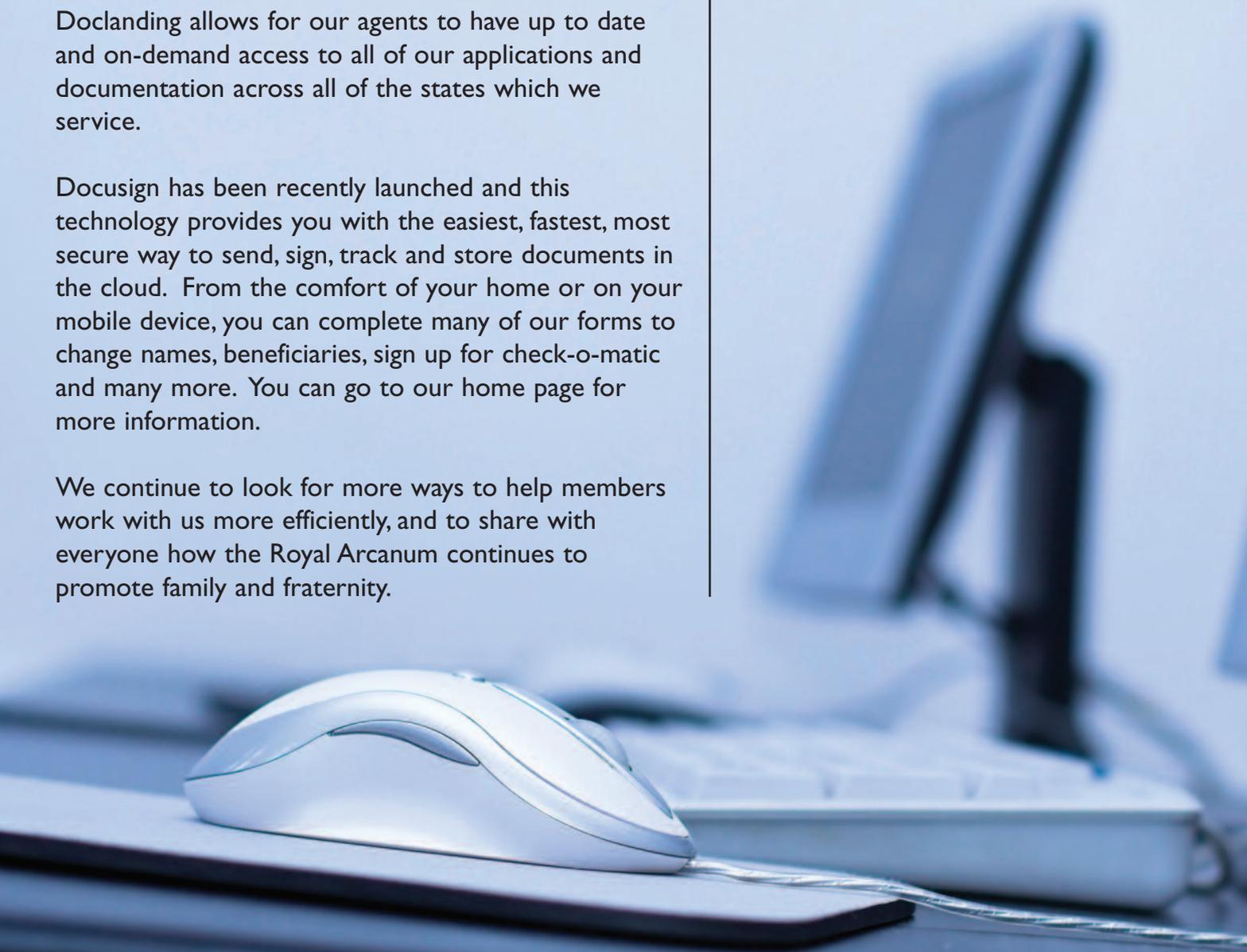
There are other tools that are being used behind the scenes to deliver better customer service to those interested in our products line of annuities and life insurance.

Doclanding allows for our agents to have up to date and on-demand access to all of our applications and documentation across all of the states which we service.

DocuSign has been recently launched and this technology provides you with the easiest, fastest, most secure way to send, sign, track and store documents in the cloud. From the comfort of your home or on your mobile device, you can complete many of our forms to change names, beneficiaries, sign up for check-o-matic and many more. You can go to our home page for more information.

We continue to look for more ways to help members work with us more efficiently, and to share with everyone how the Royal Arcanum continues to promote family and fraternity.

## at the Home Office



## BEST BUDDIES FRIENDSHIP WALK

On Saturday, November 16, 2013, the Best Buddies Friendship Walk was held at Riverside Park in New York City, with the beautiful scenery of the Hudson River in the background.

BEST BUDDIES is dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

BEST BUDDIES is a vibrant international organization that has grown from one original

chapter to almost 1,500 middle school, high school and college chapters worldwide. BEST BUDDIES' programs engage participants in each of the 50 United States and in 50 countries around the world.

The staff members were fantastic, taking care of the young people. There were so many games they played and the young people had a wonderful time. In addition there was a variety of food and beverages served to everyone who attended, free of charge.

*Submitted by August Magnotta*



Shown in the photo are several family members, including our daughter, our grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all members of the Royal Arcanum. Standing next to me is Mandy Fullmer, Area Director of BEST BUDDIES, who accepted Claremont Council's donation of \$500.

## NEW YORK FRATERNAL PROJECTS: SISTERS OF LIFE

On November 19, 2013, a donation of \$200 was made to the Sisters of Life, a contemplative/ apostolic community founded in 1991 by John Cardinal O'Connor. They profess vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. The sisters also take a fourth vow to protect and enhance the sacredness of life.

In a midtown Manhattan convent, the Sisters invite women to live with them during their pregnancy and for months after the birth of their child. Both in Manhattan and Toronto, the sisters assist pregnant women in need with material,



(left to right) are Augie and Fran Magnotta, Sister Filumena, Sister Veronica, Sister Virginia Joy and Joe Conforto.

emotional and spiritual support with the help of a network of Co-Workers of Life, who share professional skills, and open their homes and their hearts in friendship. The Sisters also offer hope and healing to those who suffer after abortion. The Sisters host retreats to Villa Maria Guadalupe, an international retreat

center of the Knights of Columbus in Stamford, CT, designed to uphold the dignity of human life and human love. They also direct the Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

## NEW YORK FRATERNAL PROJECTS

On November 25, 2013, we delivered adult and children's clothing, toys and a baby's crib to the Bishop Joseph M. Pernicone Catechetical Center.

On November 27, 2013, we delivered 20 turkeys, stuffing, pasta, canned food and chicken broth for Thanksgiving, which will be distributed to needy families of the area.



Shown in the photo are (left to right) Augie Magnotta, Joe Conforto, Frances Magnotta, Sister Loreto, M.S.C., Religious Education Coordinator and Errica Conforto.

Shown in the photo are (left to right) Joe Conforto, Augie and Frances Magnotta, PBO Mary Cunningham (who will graduate from the Police Academy in December at Madison Square Garden and she will sing the National Anthem with the New York Police Department Choir), Sister Loreto, Carmine Campo and Errica Conforto.



### WOUNDED WARRIORS PROJECT

On November 21, 2013, we visited the Wounded Warriors office in New York City and personally delivered a check in the amount of \$500 which was collected from Claremont Council and the Royal Arcanum Association of New York. We presented the check to Sgt. Juan Garcia, U.S. Army Ret., who served in the Army for seven years. He was very grateful for our support. The staff gave us a tour of the office, which was being decorated for a Christmas party for the wounded soldiers and their families. They showed us



Fran and Augie Magnotta presenting check to Sgt. Juan Garcia.

a collection of artifacts recovered from the World Trade Center. We also saw many photos of heroes who went above and beyond to protect our country and our freedom.

Thinking of the pain and suffering they and their families have endured was heartbreaking. We owe them a debt of gratitude for their selfless dedication

that makes our very way of life possible.

*Submitted by August and Frances Magnotta*

## SUPREME REGENT'S VISIT TO NEW YORK

On October 3, 2013, Grand Regent of New York, Bettina DiBartolo welcomed Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara. Accompanying the Supreme Regent were Fraternal Director Cindy Macon and Junior Director Herb Snyder. The meeting was held at Julianos Caterers in New Rochelle, NY, with 53 adults and three Juniors in attendance. After dinner, the Supreme Regent presented his new program, "Keeping on Track." He encouraged the members to continue with their fraternal endeavors and attempt to enroll new members by explaining the various programs that Royal Arcanum has to offer. In addition, he shared that the 102nd Supreme Council Session will be held at the Omni Charlotte Hotel, Charlotte, North Carolina from Sunday, August 3rd to Thursday, August 7, 2014. At the meeting, Cindy Macon presented Augie Magnotta with the 2013 Fraternalist of the Year, Second Runner-Up Award from the American Fraternal Alliance.



Supreme Regent's prize winners, Paul Mita, Teresa DiBartolo, Freddie DiBartolo, Teresa DiFranco, Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara, Frances Magnotta, Frank Mortati and Bettina DiBartolo. Kneeling, front row, Sal DiFranco.



Cindy Macon presenting Augie Magnotta with his Fraternalist of the Year, Second Runner-up Award with Peter Ferrara.



Seated left to right, Aurora Caponegro, Herb Snyder, Peter Ferrara, Errica Conforto and Frances Magnotta; standing, Fred and Bettina DiBartolo, Cindy Macon, Augie Magnotta, Diana Chiechi and Joe Conforto.

## MAKING THE HOLIDAYS BRIGHTER

San Jose members presented the Pediatric Oncology Department at Santa Clara Kaiser Medical Center with handmade blankets and books for the young patients. Pediatric Life Specialist Emily Heffelfinger and Child Life Specialist Wendy Fought graciously accepted this donation. They thanked the Royal Arcanum for such a wonderful gift to help the children during the treatment program and throughout the recovery process.



Left to right, Orator Toinette Fanelli, Emily Heffelfinger, Wendy Fought and Vice Regent Grace Howell.

## RHODE ISLAND MAKE-A-DIFFERENCE DAY

On Sunday, October, 27, 2013 members from the Grand Council of Rhode Island made their annual visit to the Summit Commons Nursing Home in Providence, RI. As in the past, Juniors were happily dressed in their colorful Halloween costumes. They presented each 3rd floor resident with a decorated pumpkin. Many residents were anxious to pose for pictures with the Juniors. Jackie Wudkiewicz, our photographer, later gave residents a personalized picture of themselves as a remembrance of this special day.



Pictured are Karen Lockaby, Ken Kolek, Sandra Gauvin, Victoria and Nicholas Gauvin, and Judy Kolek. Sitting down is Judy Lynn and Jessica Kolek, Kaitlyn Lockaby and Lisa Kolek.

## SUPREME REGENT VISITS RHODE ISLAND

On Saturday, November 16, 2013, Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara and Dr. Herb Snyder, Junior Director were welcomed to Rhode Island by Grand Regent Kevin Kolek. The dinner meeting was held at the Hose Company No. 6 Restaurant in Pawtucket. Peter presented his Supreme Regent's program, **"Keeping on Track"**. Attendees were very interested when Peter spoke about Royal Arcanum's insurance and annuity offerings. He emphasized the special annuity rate that we are now offering members for a limited time. Peter then encouraged all to attend our Supreme



Left to right, Ken and Judy Kolek, Herb Snyder, Pete Ferrara and Kevin Kolek.

Council Session in Charlotte, North Carolina in August 2014. He assured them they would have a great time in Charlotte.

Brother Herb Snyder spoke about many of the Royal Arcanum Junior programs and activities.

Kevin Kolek extended thanks to all for their

attendance and for the wonderful donations to the Rhode Island Food Bank. At the conclusion of the meeting the Supreme Regent's promotional gifts were given to the members.

## Section 19 (1), 20, and 21 of the Constitution

The offices, including the committees, shall remain the same.

By July 15 of the year of the Supreme Council Session, the Chairperson of the Supreme Council Executive Committee shall appoint a Committee on Nominations consisting of four Supreme Council Session members (current or past), representing the diversity of our Order, plus the Supreme Regent, who will serve as chairperson for the purpose of developing a slate of officers for the ensuing Supreme Council Session. It is suggested that an announcement of this appointed committee and the nominations procedure be included in the "CALL" to the Session and in the Spring Edition of the Bulletin.

At the REGISTRATION DESK on OPENING DAY of the Supreme Council Session a list of the Nominations will be distributed to the representatives. It is recommended that a brief bio of not more than 75 words for each nominee be included.

On THE SECOND DAY of the Supreme Council Session additional nominations may be made from the floor. All those being nominated shall have been contacted by the member making the nomination in order to insure that those being nominated are willing to have their names on the slate. A bio on each nominee of not more than 75 words would be helpful. (A resolution will be presented at the beginning calling for nominations on the second day).

On THE THIRD DAY of the Supreme Council Session, printed ballots including the names of all nominees shall be distributed. In the case of the Line Officers and the Executive Committee, there must be individual ballots (unless the Constitution is changed), but the other committees may be elected on one ballot. Additional nominations will not be entertained at this time. Delegates will cast their votes, which will be counted by the two appointed tellers and the Judge of Elections, who will count the votes. (A resolution will be presented at the beginning to nominate and elect all Committeepersons and Trustees, collectively unless there is a contested election. In the case of the two Finance Committee Members, Supreme Trustees, Committee on Juniors and Committee on Appeals, if there are more than four nominees, the four receiving the highest vote will be declared winners).

THE NOMINEE with the majority of votes based on our established ratio between delegates and officers, shall win the election to his or her respective office. In the case of the committees, the required members for each committee with the highest number of votes shall be elected (the four Supreme Trustees, the three members of the Committee on Laws, the two additional members of the Finance Committee, the four members of the Committee on Juniors, and the four members of the Committee on Appeals).

Send bios to Chairman James O'Neill, 6196 Kaski Court, San Jose, CA 95123. Bios should in the Chairman's hands by June 1, 2014.

# SAN JOSE COUNCIL'S FRATERNALISM IN ACTION

## SAN JOSE ANNUAL JUNIOR PICNIC:

On September 15, 2013 the annual picnic of San Jose Council #2384 was held in Campbell, California. Adults and Juniors enjoyed a delicious Italian sausage luncheon and played many games for prizes. Royal Arcanum gifts, courtesy of Junior Director Herb Snyder, were distributed to the Juniors. The council held an "Alex Lemonade Stand" to raise funds for Child Leukemia. Special guests were the Goeders family, who were at the Mini-Vacation in San Francisco with their son Jacob, "The Leukemia Slayer" and the Jimenez Family whose baby daughter, Isla,

is undergoing cancer treatment. Appreciation is extended to the Royal Arcanum members throughout the United States and Canada who donated during our campaign in San Francisco which enabled San Jose Council to reach its goal of \$2,000 for the foundation. A special thanks to Grace Howell who spearheaded San Jose's effort.



San Jose members enjoying the picnic.



The lemonade stand is ready to go!



Left to right, Amy and Tommy Jimenez, baby Isla and Jacob Goeders.

## MAKING THE HOLIDAY BRIGHTER FOR CHILDREN:

Members of San Jose journeyed to Palo Alto, California in October to present gifts to Ronald McDonald House at Stanford University. They delivered homemade blankets and books for the kids at the Care Center (a home for children who receive transplants, cancer treatments and other medical procedures.)



Left to right, Jim O'Neill, Grace Howell, Joanie Francis, Family Activities Coordinator Sara Reichanadter

# SAN JOSE COUNCIL'S FRATERNALISM IN ACTION

## DONATIONS FOR THE NEEDY OF SILICON VALLEY:

In November, San Jose members delivered groceries and a check to the Second Harvest Food Bank in San Jose to assist in the mission of providing food and clothing to many needy families during the holiday season.



Left to right, Kelli Quan, Bryanna Nevarez, Mary Ann Valenti, Jim O'Neill and Dollie DeFranco

## OAKLAND KAISER CHILDREN CENTER RECEIVES HOLIDAY CHEER:

In early December San Jose members presented toys, blankets and books to the pediatrics department at Oakland Kaiser Medical Center with the hope of making the holidays merrier for the young patients.



Left to right, Jessica Garcia, Grace Howell, Child Life Specialist Carla DeLemos, and Joanie Francis

## SANTA'S STOCKINGS:

Christmas stockings, which were part of the mini-vacation charity project in San Francisco, were delivered to the Goeders Family by Grace Howell and Laura Slabon. The stockings were to be distributed by Jacob Goeders, "The Leukemia Slayer" to the children at Stanford Hospital's oncology unit.



Left to right, Grandmother Jane Perri, Jordan Goeders, Grace Howell and Laura Slabon

## CARING FOR OTHERS IS A WAY OF LIFE:

Grace Howell is an excellent example of what Royal Arcanians do for community. Despite a demanding work schedule and helping her husband John in the family business, she has dedicated herself for the sake of others. Grace is actively involved in Royal Arcanum charity work. She works closely with many organizations relating to children's cancer, animal rescue, feeding the hungry, and for providing food and clothing to the underprivileged in the area. Most of the gifts she distributes are handmade, such as the blankets for hospitalized children.



Left to right, Dominic Fanelli, Grace Howell, John Howell and Joanie Francis

Because of his skill in languages, Jay R. Newlin has been asked to be “Guest Reflectionist” for this article. Jay is a Past Regent of Integrity Council #586, Grand Sentry of Pennsylvania, and a Supreme Trustee.



“Bonjour! Comment allez-vous?” From the time I was a child, my mother insisted that my siblings and I memorize the basics of polite French phrases. She is part of a generation which, like many before it, learned that French was a lingua franca – a language that one needed to speak to “get by” almost anywhere in the world. That remains true, as nearly 300 million people in the world speak French as their first or second language. An official language in 29 countries and the United Nations, it is still a great choice for striking up a conversation with a stranger almost anywhere in the world.

“Hello! How are you?” Yes, English is my first language, so I’ve learned and used it throughout my life. In the early twenty-first century, English has also become a lingua franca, as 380 million people speak it as their first or second language. No matter where I travel, I can find someone who speaks English (especially if they are under 30 years of age).

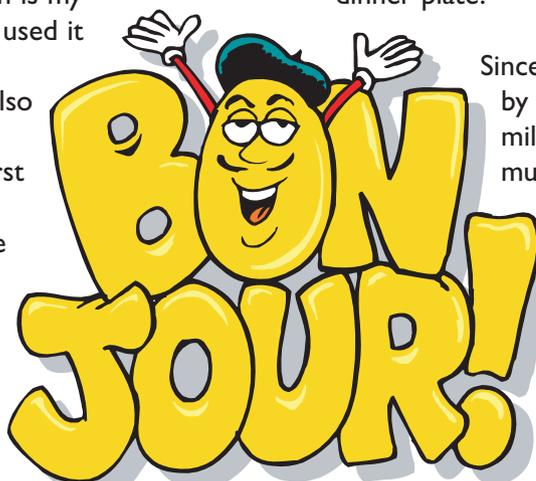
In our Royal Arcanum family, French and English are both official languages. We have many members in the Province of Quebec, and French is one of the official languages of Canada. Most of our materials, especially relating to production and other official business, must be available in both languages. Wherever we go as a Society, our languages will both be heard in restaurants, meeting rooms, and hotel hallways.

I count French as my fourth language, so I thought that it would be fun to reflect on our two languages for our Bulletin. I hope that you’ll enjoy this time of thinking about our two languages!

Many people forget how influential French has been on the development of English over the centuries. Even before William II (“The Conqueror”), Duke of Normandy, became King William I of England in 1066, there were Normans living in southern England. As a result of the Battle of Hastings, it suddenly became stylish to speak Norman French, and that became the language of the

aristocracy for generations. As a result, many “sophisticated” words derived from French replaced the common or “vulgar”

English equivalents (derived mostly from Anglo-Saxon). This is seen most clearly in our English names for animals and the food that comes from them: we raise steer, and we eat beef (*boeuf*); we raise swine and eat pork (*porc*); sheep are animals, but their meat is mutton (*mouton*); deer run wild, but they become venison (*venesoun*) on the dinner plate.



Since France and England are separated only by the English Channel, which is some 20 miles wide at its narrowest, there has been much interaction between the two cultures throughout history. The influence of French language on English continues today (interestingly enough with French heavily influencing English “upper-class culture” and cuisine [yet another word derived from French]). Where would English be without *café*, *restaurant*, *pistol*, *squadron*, *terrace*, *pavilion*, ... and on and on? Some experts estimate that 30% of English comes from French, and that some 80,000 words could be included on this list!

English is the “younger” language, so words didn’t start moving “the other direction” until more modern times. Today we hear or read “jeans,” “lawn-tennis,” “sport,” “trade-union,” all imported directly from English into French. One might even read the sentences, “*Un meeting a cu lieu au Skating-Rink. Les leaders des Trade-Unions ont explique au personnel lock-out la cause du conflit,*” and almost wonder if it was in a French news report or in an English newspaper!

Thanks for spending a few minutes thinking about our two wonderful languages with me! The next time that you’re with someone who is fluent in “the other” language of our Society, sit, and listen. Sit in admiration of how beautiful each language is...and you’ll probably hear a word or two here or there that you recognize!

On Saturday, November 16, 2013, members of Domremy Council #23, Lowell, MA participated in the Christmas Fair of the St. Louis School. They sold items from the Hours of Treasures (yard sale), with the proceeds benefitting the school.

*Submitted by Cecile Provencher*



Pictured are left to right, Suzy Carnevale, Nancy Downing, Yolande Lessard and Cecile Provencher.

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# THE GARDEN STATE'S FRATERNAL PROJECTS



Pictured left, **On Track for Happy Deliveries:** Members of Versatility Council's Community Service Committee, Gen Macon, Evelyn Magarban, and Christine Piscitelli, delivered parcels of groceries and healthcare essentials which were contributed by Council members and friends to several charitable foundations throughout New Jersey's Hudson County in time for the holidays.



Members of Versatility Council's Fraternal Committee attended the veterans' tribute with Bayonne Council at the museum in Bayonne.



**Food Pantry Donation:** A monetary donation and cartons of canned goods were gifted to the Giordano Food Pantry at Our Lady of Assumption in Bayonne, New Jersey for Thanksgiving. The presentation was made to Marianne Silvani and Janice Machin, coordinators of the parish cluster soup kitchen and food bank. Program volunteers provide nourishing meals and grocery parcels to those in need.

**Honors in the Peninsula City:** Bayonne Council hosted an Appreciation Dinner for Margaret Rummel in recognition of her dedication as New Jersey's Grand Secretary. Gifts of gratitude and a Certificate of Meritorious Service were presented to Sister Rummel by Bayonne Regent John

Baranowski. Shown in photo are Grand Regent Richard Macon and Past Regents of Council #695 who offered their congratulations and thanks to Peggy for her tireless service.



**International Fraternal Service Project:** Bayonne Council presented a \$1,000 donation to the Bayonne Veterans Museum, a non-profit organization with is operated by the Joyce-Herbert Post 226 Veterans of Foreign Wars. The mission of the museum is to show respect, honor and gratitude to all of the men and women who served in the Armed

Forces and to educate students and visitors about the times that the veterans served through documents, artifacts and a vast collection of military history; many of which have been gifted to the museum from families whose loved ones proudly served their country. The Royal Arcanum donation was made to Glen J. Flora, Commander of the Post and Jackie George, Museum Curator.



# IN MEMORIAM: OUR DEARLY DEPARTED

## ANNA LUCAS



Anna Lucas, a forty-year veteran member of the Royal Arcanum, died on September 20, 2013. She was a Past Regent of Versatility Council and served New Jersey as Grand Committeewoman and Deputy Grand Regent.

An active Arcanian, "Annie" was dedicated to the fraternal and charitable works of the Council. She was an avid baker and crafter and volunteered with the Orator's

committee for planning unique meetings and activities. Her generous heart was always shared to help the underprivileged, particularly for special needs children.

Since 1974, Annie attended Supreme Council events and she was a participant in many premiere presentations of Supreme Regent programs.

Annie has a 100 percent Royal Arcanum Family. A genuine fraternalist, she will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

## ALBERT SAUSTO



Albert "Al" Sausto of Claremont Council #1655, Bronx, New York died on October 23, 2013.

His dedication to the Order was constant. A Past Grand Regent of New York, he was also Grand Auditor, Grand Secretary-Treasurer, officer of the Hospital Association and Supreme Representative. He was a member of the Supreme Council Committee on Finance from 1998 till the time of his death.

Al served in the US Army during the Korean War. He was Vice President of AmVets Post 38 and President of the Belmont Community Center in the Bronx. Al earned the Legion of Honor, '1105' Royal Purple Achievement Award and attained the illustrious Founders' Ring of Distinction.

Al is survived by his children, Joseph (Eileen) Sausto and Rose Ann (Thomas) Harrigan, four grandchildren and many family and friends.

The Supreme Council is grateful for Al's stellar leadership and tireless service to our fraternal organization.

## CONSTANCE LUCIA



Constance, "Connie", passed away peacefully on November 8, 2013 at the Tappan Zee Manor Retirement Home in Nyack. She spent most of her life in the Belmont section of the Bronx (a neighborhood she loved dearly). She moved to Nyack after suffering a stroke four years ago.

Connie was Grand Chaplain of New York from 1995 until her death and had served as Deputy Grand Regent. She was a

Distinguished Service Award member with twenty Diamonds.

She was an active parishioner of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in the Bronx. She was the consummate people person. She is fondly remembered for the great joy she brought to our fraternal gatherings, teaching line dancing and participating in a host of Supreme Council productions.

Connie is survived by her son, Tom (Vivian) Lucia, two grandchildren, two great grandchildren and many family members and friends. A dedicated fraternal sister, she will be deeply missed.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

A long, snowy season is here for many of us, so it's not unusual to start wondering how to keep your spirits up during the cold and dreary winter days. No need to fret; turn your frown upside down and be assured that your smile will go a long way to lift your spirits and brighten the days for others, too. Now may be the perfect time for you to get involved and participate in your Council's fraternal and charitable initiatives. It could be the start of a wonderful experience! There's a host of projects being coordinated by the brothers and sisters in our subordinate and Grand Councils, and volunteers are always welcomed.

The gloomy forecasts don't hinder our fraternalists in action in several of the jurisdictions; they continue with an energetic enthusiasm to lend hands and lift hearts, bringing warm rays of hope and happiness to those in need, both near and far. Sometimes one member's idea can

initiate a flurry of activity and produce a meaningful result. However, since we're still in the midst of bleak and damp days of winter, it's possible for some to drift to inactivity. So why not be the one to keep your spirits up and take the lead in a project for your Council? It could be collecting non-perishable groceries for a community food bank, serving hot beverages in a soup kitchen, organizing a mitten and muffler drive for a local shelter or collecting new or gently used towels for the humane society. These are just sample suggestions. You know best where help is needed in your area. Perhaps you'd like to make it a family project in the Council and invite the Juniors to come on board, too. Before long, you'll forget the winter blues and see sunshine on the horizon. Make sure to send your Council news and photos for inclusion in the Bulletin and for posting on the RA website.



In his program, Supreme Regent Peter Ferrara encourages our Councils for **"Keeping on Track"**; growing our society with new member enrollments, promoting good will and fellowship in fraternal endeavors, and increasing community awareness of our society through our charitable projects and volunteer efforts. The Royal Arcanum takes pride in our Councils' good works and acknowledges our members' inspiring service.



On that note, applications for the Lorraine J. D'Emilio "Legacy of Hope" Award are to be submitted by March 21, 2014.

Volunteers for the Fraternal Events Committee for our gifting project in Charlotte, North Carolina will be appreciated. Contact the Fraternal Director if

you wish to join the team for the Supreme Council Session activities. These members will assist in coordinating plans in their jurisdiction in the weeks leading up to the Session. As we've done before, by sharing and blending thoughts and talents, we'll be able to create a memorable national project.

In closing, I hope that everyone stays safe, warm and healthy. If you're stuck indoors as the snowflakes fall and snowdrifts mount, you can keep your spirits up, confident that spring's just 'round the bend!

In friendship,

Cindy Macon

# CHRISTMAS IN SAN JOSE

## ANNUAL JUNIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

On December 5, 2013, San Jose Council held their annual Junior Christmas Party at St. Martin's Church Hall. There were 17 Juniors in attendance who received toys and gifts from the Council and the Royal Arcanum Junior Department. Everyone enjoyed the hot dog dinner and trimmings, thanks to the efforts of Orator Toinette Fanelli. Grand Regent Alice Mangano, Leslie Hein and Denise Lemucchi assisted in the activities. Members brought toys for the Sacred Heart Community Center's program for needy kids. Gifts for senior citizens were also collected for distribution to various local senior care homes.



Junior members enjoyed the Christmas Party.



San Jose members donated toys for kids.



Alice Mangano delivered gifts to Sacred Heart.

## ANNUAL ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas Party was held at Viva's Restaurant in San Jose on December 15, 2013. Everyone celebrated the holiday season and looked forward to another busy year of Royal Arcanum activity in 2014. Members brought presents for the "Gift in the Middle" game and everyone had a great time.



Denise Lemucchi and Alice Mangano



Jeff Fanelli and Toinette Fanelli

## DONATION FOR THE SISTERS

On December 17, 2013 members of San Jose Council delivered food to the Carmelite Nuns at their Monastery in Santa Clara. This is a yearly ritual to provide needed food and goodies to the residents and is made in honor of deceased Past Grand Regent Paul Ferro. Leslie Hein, Bob Sherman, Dom and Marilyn Fanelli, Grand Regent Alice Mangano and Edd and Judy Infantino presented the donations.



Left to right, Leslie Hein, Dominic Fanelli, Alice Mangano, Sister Marie, Marilyn Fanelli, and Edd Infantino.

## YORKTOWNE COUNCIL JUNIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Santa arrived a little early in Pennsylvania. On December 20, 2013, Yorktowne Council held their annual Junior Christmas Party at the Church Aid Society. There were 13 Juniors and 19 adults present.

Our group was served a fine and delicious luncheon. We were entertained by a group of 17 puppeteers based on stories from the Bible. Following the interesting program, Santa arrived with gifts for the children. Everyone enjoyed the gifts from the Supreme Council Junior Department. After photos were taken, Yorktowne Council awarded several door prizes as all exchanged good wishes for a happy holidays.



*Submitted by Herb Chronister*

Some of Yorktowne juniors with Santa.

## THE SEASON FOR GIVING IN CALIFORNIA

Joanie Francis, Grace Howell and Jim O'Neill presented toys and other gifts to the Lucille Packard Hospital at Stanford University. These toys will be located in the "Oncology Box" which assists children currently undergoing cancer treatment. Santa arrived before Christmas to the delight of the children.



Pictured are Grace Howell, Joanie Francis and Jacob, the Pediatric Life Specialist.

# PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR FINAL RA/LDS BOWLING TOURNAMENT!

**Time has caught up with us and regrettably this will be  
our final tournament.**

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**If you have not attended in few years, this is your last chance, so...**

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**Please join us for a Special 62nd National RA/LDS Bowling  
Tournament!**

## Information Sheet

**DATE:** May 16 and 17, 2014

**TOURNAMENT SITE:** Oak Lanes, 8450 N. Middlebelt Rd., Westland, MI 48185

**BOWLING TIMES:** Friday - Singles – 2 PM and Doubles – 7 PM  
Saturday - Teams – 11 AM  
Grudge Match follows Team Events.  
\$19.00 per event

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

Comfort Inn – Livonia, 29235 Buckingham Drive, Livonia, MI 48154  
\$74.99 + tax per room per night – King or Double Queen  
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Free Hot Breakfast included

### SATURDAY NITE AWARDS BASH:

Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150  
**Free for all RA/LDS Members**  
\$30.00 charge for non-members  
Time: 6:30 PM to 12 Midnight  
Open Bar - Dinner - Dancing

### ADS & WELL WISHERS:

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**Cost of Well-Wishers** - \$5.00 Per Name

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**Janice Brazas**  
23826 Valley Drive  
Brownstown, MI 48174  
Home: 734-283-7335  
Work: 313-222-3283  
Cell: 313-670-2105  
Email: [jabrazas@comerica.com](mailto:jabrazas@comerica.com)



**Mark your calendar & join us as we celebrate our Final Bowling Tournament!**

As I reflect on the past year, I'm certainly proud of many of our accomplishments that we have been able to achieve in 2013 and look forward to accomplishing more in 2014. It's still hard to believe December marked my first year anniversary with Royal Arcanum. We have met many challenges within the business and fraternal operations, and certainly feel we have made progress. We recently added a new Social Media outlet to Royal Arcanum by developing a Facebook page in addition to our social blog on our web site. Please feel free to "like" our page and post your stories to our page to share with members. An additional feature we added to our web site [www.royalarcanum.com](http://www.royalarcanum.com) allows you to submit certain forms electronically. It is called "Doc-u-Sign". For example: you can electronically submit a

beneficiary change or checking account or credit card payment authorization form for your policy. This does not affect your ability to continue to mail requests into the Home Office. If you would like

additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact Don Ferry at (888) 272-2686.

In this holiday season, I'm proud to take a moment to reflect upon what is important to everyone as people. Locally, we donated toys and holiday food to a family affected by recent unemployment, and we contributed to the "Toys for Joy" program in Springfield, MA. Please share your stories of kindness by writing a post on our Facebook page, web site blog, e-mail me or send me a letter. My three-year old put a bag of toys together from her own collection to give to children who may not be as fortunate as her and her sister. I'm certainly very proud of her. I know my three-year old daughter was certainly pleased with the drawings that she

made to pass out to individuals she saw at the grocery store with my wife, as well as to Santa Claus.

We reviewed the financial products available to our members and made a change to one of our life insurance products in 2013 by reducing the Final Expense/Simplified Issue age minimum from 40 to 20. This policy has a simplified application with limited underwriting requirements to qualify for coverage.



This year I will be looking to add new products to our portfolio to better enhance the products available to our members. Please see our website, Facebook page or contact the Home Office at (888)272-2686 for the latest information!



If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me as I always enjoying hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicholas G. Benoit". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Nicholas G. Benoit  
Operations Director  
[nbenoit@royalarcanum.com](mailto:nbenoit@royalarcanum.com)

## INTEGRITY COUNCIL FRATERNAL PROJECT

This time of year is particularly busy for those of us who do charity work. In addition to Integrity Council #586 sending out thousands of dollars in donations to favorite charities, some members continue to volunteer in their community. Past Supreme Regent, Herb Snyder, prepared and served 200 meals to the homeless of Center City Philadelphia the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

Past Grand Regent, Joe Tedesco took the donation from Integrity, doubled it with donations from family and friends, bought thirty pies and a turkey to help MANNA. Then he took the items and donated them to St John's Hospice. Thus he helped two charities who were able to obtain their goals in helping others.

*Submitted by Joe Tedesco*



Joe delivering the pies to St. John's Hospice.



Joe presenting a box of pies to a member of St. John's Hospice.

## NEW JERSEY'S HOBOKEN COUNCIL #99

New Jersey's Hoboken Council #99 made a donation of \$400 to the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department's Engine Company #3. The Royal Arcanum recognized the squad's ongoing dedication and outstanding efforts in providing safety, support and rescue for residents in communities of Hudson County. Regent Phil Syracuse (center) delivered the contribution to Lieutenant Roy Coville. Firefighters Rocco Bhotani, Jason Leppin and Captain Carl Leppin witnessed the presentation. The photo was taken by Firefighter Frank Sasso, Jr.



Volunteer Firefighters with Regent Phil Syracuse.

## JUNIOR DEPARTMENT NEWS AND VIEWS

Juniors, their parents, and adult leaders can be on the look-out for some special Junior activity this month. VALENTINE CARDS will be sent to all the Juniors who became Royal Arcanum members in the past year.

A SPECIAL OFFER TO 16 YEAR OLDS will be made to encourage them to improve their SAT, ACT, PSAT, and LSAT by offering reimbursement up to \$50.00 to any Junior taking a workshop, course, or tutoring to assist them in doing better with these tests. The receipts for whichever method is selected for improvement should be sent to the Home Office, attention of Dorothy Pagnani, Royal Arcanum, 61 Batterymarch Street, Boston, MA 02110.



OUR COLLEGE AND TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL STUDENTS should be sure that we have their school addresses so that we can send them a COLLEGE CARE GIFT PACKAGE filled with “goodies.” Last year we sent over 70 such packages!

Word has it that there were some very nice JUNIOR CHRISTMAS PARTIES and COUNCIL PARTIES geared to

Juniors this holiday season. The stuffed frogs, puzzle blocks, and the bean bag toss games were received with much enthusiasm! The time is now for us to be planning some very special SUMMER ACTIVITIES for our Juniors.

Good luck to all our High School Seniors who have applied for our Royal Arcanum SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS this year. I just wish that we could give scholarships and grants to all our students who apply. The good news this year is that more than half of those who apply for a scholarship or grant will more than likely receive one.

Plan on bringing our Juniors to the Supreme Session in Charlotte, North Carolina. There is no cost to those staying in the rooms with their parents or another adult, except for transportation; and many of the fun activities like the Water Park and Motor Sports Museum are free also. This is a wonderful opportunity for an unusual family vacation.

*by Dr. Herb Snyder, Junior Director*



## CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR INTEGRITY “KIDS”

Junior Director Herb Snyder arranged a special Christmas party for the Juniors of his own Council, Integrity #586, held on the afternoon of December 15th. This year's party setting was “Bette's Family Fun Center,” a children's delight just filled with games, activities, amusements, and all sorts of surprises. Santa “Newlin” was on hand with some special gifts to make the youngsters even happier.



The Integrity Juniors and the adults accompanying them had their own special section of the Fun Center, where they enjoyed pizza, beverage, and beautifully decorated Christmas cupcakes made by Mrs. Nettie Malone. Each young person in attendance received a special gift from Integrity Council in addition

to the cuddly frogs, puzzle blocks, and bean bag toss games provided by the Royal Arcanum Junior Department.

# HAPPY VALENTINES

**Use the key on the side to figure out the phrase**

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- B=2 N=14
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- I=9 V=21
- J=10 W=22
- K=11 Y=23
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**All Junior entrants can earn a \$10.00 gift certificate award from Amazon.com!**



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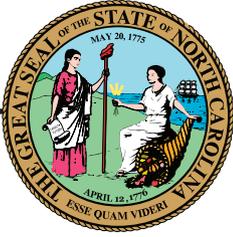
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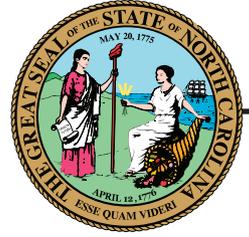
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Please enter my reservation for the 2014 Royal Arcanum Supreme Council Session at the Omni Charlotte Hotel, Charlotte, North Carolina on Sunday, August 3 to Thursday, August 7, 2014.

My party will consist of the following persons: (type or print only)

M \_\_\_\_\_ Council No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse (please enter first name) \_\_\_\_\_

Children (enter names & ages) \_\_\_\_\_

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king-size bed

double beds

single room

king-size bed

double beds

third person in room

Have you earned a prize trip?  Yes  No  No. of trips \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Package includes:** Dinner on Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, hospitality party and formal banquet on Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> and hospitality party and dinner on Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

The Omni hotel's Trade Restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. For an inexpensive breakfast, McDonald's and Dunkin' Donuts are available in the hotel. There are many moderately priced and gourmet restaurants within walking distance.

Arrangements for attendees who wish to extend their hotel stay in Charlotte (if rooms are available) can be made at the same room rates.

**IMPORTANT:** Home address of individuals with different names must be supplied. Guest rooms will be available after 3 pm on Sunday, August 3, 2014; Departures will be on Thursday, August 07, 2014. A Deposit of \$50.00 is required with each reservation.

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## A WORD FROM THE SUPREME SECRETARY

As a fraternal benefit society, Royal Arcanum strives for members to become involved in charitable and volunteer work. We seek to accomplish these goals by organizing local and national events where our members can connect and have the opportunity to work as a team. Many of our members have created lasting friendships with fellow Arcanians throughout the United States and Canada. Each year we schedule either our Supreme Council Session or "Mini-Vacation" and search to find interesting, exciting destinations where attendees can have a pleasurable experience at affordable prices. In recent years we've been to San Francisco, San Antonio, Nashville, Atlantic City, Orlando and St. Pete's Beach.



Carolina National Bank into today's Bank of America, with its national offices located in the center of Charlotte.

The bulk of the city's business, entertainment and cultural sites are located in Center City, which comes alive every night with diners, theater goers and folks just out and about to enjoy the sights and sounds of the city.

Charlotte is also home to three major professional sports teams:

Carolina Panthers of the National Football League, Charlotte Bobcats of the National Basketball Association and Charlotte Hounds of Major League Lacrosse.

There are many things to experience in Charlotte and

one of them is a tour of the NASCAR Hall of Fame where you can participate in interactive exhibits like the Pit Crew challenge and racing simulators during team building exercises.

This August we are going to Charlotte, North Carolina. Founded in 1768, it is known as the "Queen City", being named for Queen Charlotte, the wife of King George III of England. The Omni Hotel where we will be staying is located in the center of the city.



The Reverend Billy Graham was born in

Charlotte and many people enjoy visiting the Billy Graham Library and boyhood home which chronicles more than 60 years of his life and ministry.

The first gold mine in the United States was established in North Carolina at Reed Gold Mine. In order to conveniently process this gold, the United States Congress approved an Act in 1838 to establish one of the nation's first mints in Charlotte. At that time only gold coins were permitted to be made. The mint remained in existence until May 1861 when North Carolina seceded from the Union because of the Civil War. As you can imagine, these coins are very scarce and are highly valuable today. There are two mint museums in Charlotte, one in the Randolph section and one in the Levin Center for the Arts in Center City. Both of these museums offer exhibits and a theater featuring lectures and performances.

Charlotte is now one of the leading financial centers in the country. Financier Hugh McColl is largely responsible for this notable position, having transformed the North

Charlotte has much to offer and we invite you to experience it with the Royal Arcanum. Save the dates -- Sunday August 3 to Thursday, August 7, 2014. We look forward to having you and your families join us!

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kenneth J. Kolek".

Kenneth J. Kolek  
Supreme Secretary

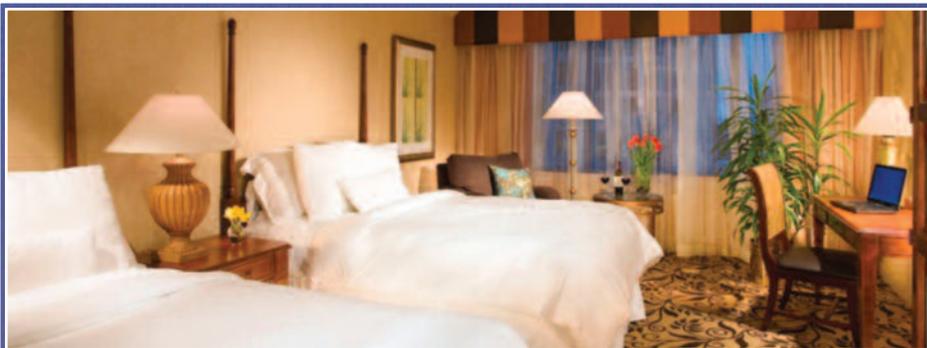
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