

## **Knight Lines**





## Hoffman-Schaumburg Council #6964

Silent night, holy night -- All is calm, all is bright Round you Virgin Mother and Child -- Holy Infant so tender and mild Sleep in heavenly peace -- Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night! -- Shepherds quake at the sight Glories stream from heaven afar -- Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia! Christ, the Saviour is born -- Christ, the Saviour is born



The "Adoration of the Shepherds" Our providing this as a gift of the true meaning of Christmas far exceeded expectations. Our **compliments to John Heavey's initiative** and to all of our brother knights who volunteered to make this picture puzzle available to our families, children, parents and friends.

<u>Children's Christmas Party</u> was quite spirited. The kids enjoyed riding the Little Tyke floor train, Maggie the Clown's balloon art, face painting, temporary tattoos, and having two hours of just fun stuff. Santa was in robust, great form. Our children and grandchildren gave him their wishes and received gifts.

Nick Bratt sends his thanks to his Co-Chair & 'Kitchen Elf' Barb Bratt, Jim 'Ho-Ho-Ho' Manfre, Dick 'Choo Choo' Lambke and all of the knights and wives who helped make this such a wonderful party. We also collected and donated 38 children's gifts to the Toys for Tots Program. Two pages of party pictures follow.

<u>Council Blood Drive at St. Hubert</u>, Vince Wroblewski reports that there were donations of 57 units (the goal was 40) that will help save up to 171 lives. Seventeen knights and their wives donated. **Bill Clark and George Noonan** took the lead in managing the drive. Thank you to all who donated and volunteered their help.

<u>Zacchaeus House Award</u> – Three *Larrys*, chaplain **Deacon Smith, Bretz and Arquilla** represented our council at the Zacchaeus 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. The archdiocesan deacons 'Diaconate' has Zacchaeus House as a project to help men in transition. The house is not as-treatment facility or half way home, but rather a spiritual, holistic, job finding 'Faith to Work Program.' **We received Zacchaeus' highest recognition** for our continued, outstanding support. Congratulations to all for selling raffle tickets and making this happen.

<u>Council Christmas Party</u> – A huge note of appreciation to **Dick Kossack and all who helped** stage another joyful Christmas Dinner Party. 70 knights, their wives and past member widows were on hand at the Dover Straits Restaurant to share stories, enjoy the camaraderie and the Spirit of Christmas.

## <u>December Anniversaries – in Years of Membership</u>

Nicholas Caldarola 5 James Gasior 8 Norbert Mroz 9 Kenneth Oleksy 44

Deacon Larry Smith 3 Rev. Joseph Wilk 26

Our Next Business Meeting: Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 p.m. St. Matthew Hughes Center 1001 Schaumburg Road

Merry Christmas

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