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Synopsis of January Board Meeting

The Board of Directors met at the Home Office on January 17 and 18 for the first meeting of 2011. The main focus of the meeting was to have our consultants present to discuss the financial picture of the company for 2010 and what we can expect for the upcoming year. Mr. Don Weiland of Wells Fargo Advisors and Mr. Brian Wentling of Rockhold-Wentling Advisors reported on our investments. Our average interest yield is 6.4%, which we felt is pretty good considering the market today. The projection for 2011 is that the interest rates may increase by 1/2%.

Mr. Ed DePersis of Bruce and DePersis reported that CLC had an increase of \$4 million in assets and our surplus is over \$1 million. Our expenses were down nearly \$100,000. We will be working on a plan on lowering the lien and plan to have something to approve at the April meeting. Mr. DePersis invited the Board to their seminar in Pittsburgh on May 19 and 20.

Our auditor, Mr. L. Ed Mertz of Hosack, Specht Muetzel and Wood told the Board he is prepared to prepare our audit as soon as

the Annual Statement is completed. The State of Ohio has requested the Audit be completed by May 1. Mr. Mertz informed the Board of the good working relationship he has with our office staff.

Fraternal project reports included: Make a Difference Day netted \$2,184 in monies collected by local councils to be distributed in their communities, the theme "Feed the Hungry" was selected for Join Hands Day, year end showed 10 councils applying for Matching Funds, the remaining \$750 in the Charitable Donation Funds was given to Military Family Association Operation Purple—a summer camp for military families, and the retreat for 2011 was discussed with the final plans to be reported at our April meeting.

Several items approved each year included: fraternal resolutions, contracts with the banking and credit card accounts, insurance providers, business resolutions and committee assignments. It was approved to pay our annual dues to the American Fraternal Alliance and Ohio Fraternal Alliance. All Board members and Vice President of Operations discussed their individual goals for the new year.



The Catholic Ladies of Columbia Council 86, Upper Sandusky raised \$357.00 from the Catholic Schools Open House Bake Sale held at St. Peter's School in January. The CLC's also received \$250.00 from the Catholic Ladies of Columbia Home Office. St. Peter's School will use the money to purchase each student a new religion book for the 2011/12 school year. Pictured are: front row: Gavin Carey, Audrey Bower, Grant Bower. Back row: Mrs. Fairy Wagner, Mrs. Harbour, Sierra Carey, Mrs. Rosemary Smalley.



Dates to Remember

- April 18 Taxes Due
- April 22 Good Friday—Home Office closed
- April 22 Earth Day
- April 24 Easter Sunday
- April 27 Administrative Professionals Day
- April 30 Board of Directors' Meeting
- April 30 Right to Life Donations due
- May 7 Join Hands Day
- April-May Lima Council 222 praying the Perpetual Rosary

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Sharon Says....

Would someone please tell Mother Nature that it is Spring? Sure could use some warm, sunny days to brighten everyone's spirit! We just returned from a week in California and Arizona and I really tried to bring the warm weather back, but it just would not cooperate. My hope is that with the dawn of April we will be seeing some nicer days.

It was while we were in California that the earthquake hit Japan and the tsunami hit everywhere. We were awoken by a text very early in the morning from our son wondering what part of California we were in. We happened to be at a hotel right on the ocean. It did not take long for a return text to tell us what was coming and to get out of there quickly! Thank goodness for modern technology!

Speaking of modern technology, the big hype right now is on social media. I recently read an article where a woman turned her \$50 donation into a donation of over \$11,000 all by using social media. My thought when I read this, what could a CLC council do if they took a charitable contribution or matching funds and used it in such a way? It just takes a little thought and creativity to take a little and make a lot.

Just a reminder you can send in your donations for our Right to Life campaign until the end of April. The Home Office jump starts the donation each year with a \$1,000. Most councils are very diligent in sending in their donations for the educational programs for the Right to Life Society. Right to Life is very appreciative of our generosity!

The tax man makes his appearance in April. If you need to invest money for tax savings, CLC can help you. Our rates are still very good when compared to your local banks, so contact your local agent or the Home Office with any questions you may have.

Join Hands Day will come before our next publication, so I hope most councils are planning to do a project this year to "Feed the Hungry". We all know with the current economic conditions there are many hungry people in our communities. Please do what you can to help feed them. Join Hands Day is Saturday, May 7 and CLC is counting on your participation.

Easter Sunday comes very late this year on April 24. The day promises new beginnings and new life.

***HAPPY EASTER TO ALL FROM CLC BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AND HOME OFFICE STAFF!***



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new features!

Perfect Attendance Awards Presented

Council # 7 • Ottawa

President Dorothy Siefer called the meeting to order in the school cafeteria following prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Ten members answered roll call.

United Way asked for a contribution and \$50 was the amount decided upon. A thank you was received from Fr. Alphons Minya, and Florence Verhoff. President Dorothy took names of attendees to New Cleveland CLC Chapter # 215's Cheese & Wine Tasting at 7PM on March 10th. She also invited members to March 4th World Day of Prayer at 10:30 AM in New Creation Lutheran Church in Ottawa. Sylvia Conn was sent a cheer card and a sympathy card for Jacqueline Fischbach was signed at the meeting. Rosemary Hoehn won the door prize and will have a reading next month. Shirley Duling's knee is mending. Perfect 2010 Attendance awards were presented to Ruth Kuhlman, Carol Beutler, and Doris Tenwalde. Dorothy Siefer read "A Purpose" in Shirley's Duling's place. Those on the committee were thanked for their committee duties. Rosemary Hoehn and Phyl Kistler who had February birthdays were honored with gifts. Next meeting will be March 15th with Janet Leingang and Kathy Kistler as co-chairs and features "Steal Bingo" where everyone brings a wrapped gift. Motion to adjourn was made by Diane Patton and seconded by Marlene Niese. Prayer closed the meeting. Cards were played and prizes were awarded to highest four scores. No one won the traveling prize.

Kalida Plays Bingo With Meadows of Kalida Residents

Council 134 • Kalida

The March meeting was held at The Meadows of Kalida on March 14. We enjoyed fellowship with the residents who wanted to play Bingo. President Mary Lou had purchased a variety of prizes. The leftover prizes were left to be won on another day. Juice and cookies were served. A short business meeting was then held.

Tammy Schroeder informed us about a group that has been organized in Lucas County to fight human trafficking, Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition. Toledo is #1 per capita in the USA in human trafficking, and Lima is high on the list also, due to easy access to transportation. We decided to donate to them to help print informative brochures. Other donations were given to Kalida's post prom, and to the Cancer Assistance Program. Their fundraiser will be held on April 16 at the Ottawa K of C hall.

We will be getting the Friendship Box in December, 2012 until January, 2013. We will be doing the Perpetual Rosary from April, 2012 until May, 2012.

Mary Lou read correspondence concerning Join Hands Day which is May 7. The theme is about helping feed those who are in need. We will join with the youth at school and our parish family with donations of canned goods at church. We will also accept donations at our April and May meetings. We will bring our donations to the Thrift store or the food pantry that St. Michael's helps.

Our next meeting will be back in the church basement on April 11. Our guest speaker will be Donna Pohlman, a dietician at St. Rita's. She will speak on "Power Foods".

New Members

Co. 10 – Cloverdale

Calvin Michael Streidl, Portage

Co. 115 - Bucyrus

Brianna Renee Rankins, Bucyrus

Co. 88 – Ft. Jennings

Cray Alexander Eickholt, Toledo

Co. 179 – Glandorf

Isaac M Ansley, Ottawa

Rose Hohenbrink, Ottawa

Co. 205 – Fostoria

Parker Owen Williams, Findlay

Lincoln Andrew Williams, Findlay+

Co. 900 – Ohio

William Benjamin Rosati, Jr., Cape Coral

Co. 901 – Michigan

Angelina R Nelson, South Lyon

Fraternally Remembered

Co. #	Name	City	Date of Death
032	Margaret Schaufele	Evansport	1/17/11
040	William Wisenbert	Delphos	8/31/10
084	Rose Wurst	Delphos	1/06/11
179	Lillian Zeigler	Miller City	1/19/11
207	Rachael Glenn	Springfield	1/21/11
207	Isabelle Krupp	Springfield	1/30/11
207	Matha Sullivan	Springfield	12/5/10
215	Adam Lammers	Leipsic	1/09/11

Wyandot County Health Department Speaks on Car Seats

Council 86 • Upper Sandusky

The March meeting of the CLC was called to order by Vice President Susan Sampson with 28 members and 2 guests present. The meeting was opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members agreed to make a donation to Right to Life.

Barb Grasz and Cheryl Lyon talked about possibilities for a summer trip.

Heidi Vent was introduced to talk about the "For the Love of Pete" Raffle. The raffle is to support the day to day operation of St. Peter's School. A total of 500 tickets will be sold at a cost of \$200.00 per ticket. There will be 10 monthly drawings starting May 4, 2011 with three prizes given. The grand prize drawing will be March 4, 2012. The monthly prizes are 1st prize \$1000.00, 2nd prize \$500.00, and 3rd prize \$250.00. The grand prize is 1st prize \$10,000.00 2nd prize \$3000.00 and 3rd prize \$2000.00. Anyone having any questions may contact Heidi or Jerry Vent at [419-294-3419](tel:419-294-3419). Anyone wishing to buy a ticket may contact any Transfiguration of the Lord parishioner or St. Peter's student.

Joan Kincade, from the Wyandot County Health Dept., attended the meeting to request assistance with the Car Seat program offered by the County. A car seat inspection will be held April 16 at the Fun Fair to be held at the High School. Members were asked for a donation to help with the car seat safety inspection expenses. Anyone wishing to donate to the program may contact Joan Kincade at the Wyandot County Health Department. There will be a Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Marathon held in Nashville Tennessee on April 30. Krisi Nasse, a niece of a member, will be running.

Happy Birthday was sung to Mary Lou Derr and Susan Sampson.

Dessert was served by Diane Welly, Kim Vaughn, Ann Leightey, Pam Clark, Joan Moening, Judy Rowland, Marie Frey, Carolyn Clabaugh, Jean Shumaker and Angie Wigle. April's committee is Mary Lou Derr, Mary Orians, Cora Derr, Dolly Weaver, La-Donna Orians, Mary Harbour, Judy Wheeler, Margaret Kin, and Mary Alice Wines.



Don't forget: You can still contribute to your IRA for 2010! You have until April 15th.

**Thanks to the
Home Office staff
for all of your
hard work! Happy
Administrative
Professional's Day!**

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