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Meeting Night: 1st Tuesday of the Month – Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 3rd, 2012

B.A. Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Hall Rentals: - Contact PGK Jeff Moody – (860) 745-1505

On behalf of the officers and trustees of Council 50 we wish you and your family a happy, holy and peaceful Christmas and New Year! As we hustle through the holiday season with shopping, parties and connecting with family and friends let us all take some time to reflect on the true meaning of this holiday season and stop to reflect on all we've been blessed with. Your support over the past few months has reaffirmed what I always knew about Council 50. When there is a need either within our Council or in the community at large, nobody steps up like Council 50. While Christmas is a time of giving I am inspired and grateful for your year round dedication to charity for our many worthy causes. May God Bless you and your families during this season and throughout the new year!

Turkey Challenge- Thanks to all of you for your overwhelming support of our annual turkey challenge! As you know this year's goal was 213 turkeys. I challenged you to beat last year's impressive total with the reward being the chance to buzz your Grand Knight! The response was tremendous! Council 50 donated to the Enfield Food Shelf in turkeys and cash the equivalent of **429 turkeys** not to mention a variety of non-perishable food items! So at our Knight Before Christmas Party on December 3rd, Linda Bridge, Executive Director of the Enfield Food Shelf buzzed my head. Furthermore we raised more than \$300 more for the Food Shelf by offering those present the chance to get in on the action and remove my hair. To put this in perspective our donation represented approximately 2/3 of all turkeys needed for Thanksgiving and more than 1/3 of all turkeys contributed to the Food Shelf this year. This ensures that all families served by the Food Shelf will be able to enjoy a traditional holiday meal on Thanksgiving and Christmas. I am humbled and inspired by your effort and thank you for your incredible effort and charity.

Knight Before Christmas Party- Thanks to all who attended our Knight Before Christmas Party on December 3rd. Special thanks to **Mary Tiroletto, Erica Frieder, Ellen Moody, Maureen Phillips and Bill Phillips, Sr.** for the delicious food and to **Joe Tiroletto, John Tiroletto** and **Tim Phillips** for organizing this event. Thanks also to **Katie Phillips** and **Aidan Coleman** for a great job as servers.

Network Against Domestic Abuse- Sponsor a family for Christmas- Once again Council 50 is sponsoring a needy family for Christmas. Thanks to PGK **Bill Phillips** and family for organizing and shopping for this very worthy cause.

Honorary Members: Please join me in congratulating **Michael Toolin** who recently earned the honor of Honorary Life Member

Upcoming Activities:

Mohegan Sun Bus Trip- Saturday, January 7th. Tickets (\$25), are available at the bar. Please contact **Joe Tiroletto** for details.

Super Bowl Party- Sunday, February 5th. Please join us for our annual Super Bowl Party. Come enjoy the action, camaraderie, great food and drink.

Chicken & Rib Knight- Saturday, February 11th. To benefit **Marine Corporal Greg Caron** of Ellington, recently injured while serving with his marine reserve unit in Afghanistan. Please join us in support of this worthy cause. Tickets(\$12) will be available at the club.

Comedy Knight- Save the date of Saturday, **March 31, 2012** for Council 50 Comedy Knight featuring Enfield's own **Kenny Rogerson**. Tickets will be available at the club for \$20.00 just after the holidays. Please pass the word and buy your tickets early as they will go quick!

Charitable Contribution Forms- are available at the club. Forms must be completed and given to an officer at least one week before our monthly meetings, which are held the first Tuesday of each month.

Do you know somebody interested in joining our council? We welcome new members with monthly **First Degree installations on the last Monday of each month**. Applications are available at the club. Please contact **GK Paul Cunningham** for information.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Keep up on the latest news and events of Council 50 on our website, www.kofc50.com.

Fraternally yours,

Paul Cunningham, Grand Knight 2011-2012