

Knights Life



DECEMBER 2010

Edward Douglass White Council No. 2473

Number 6

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 2	Council/Club Meetings	7:30 MH
	NO LUK Meeting	
Dec. 3	Supper Club	6:30 MH
Dec. 5	Family Buffet	1:30-4:30 MH
Dec. 9	Officers/Chairmen	7:30 CH
	Ladies U-Knighted	7:30 CH
Dec. 12	Knight Life Deadline	
Dec. 15	Retirees Christmas Party 11:00 CH (see inside)	
Dec. 16	Council Meeting	
	Council Christmas Party	7:30 MH
Dec. 19	Family Breakfast with Santa 9:00-Noon MH	
	NO Blood Drive	
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve	
Dec. 25	Merry Christmas	
Dec. 27	Fourth Degree	6:45
Dec. 28	Club BOD Meeting (Open)	7:00 CH
Dec. 31	New Years Eve Dinner/Dance	6:45 MH
Jan. 6, 2011	Columbus Club Annual Meeting	7:30 MH

Remember our daily Council Home dinner specials.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT EDW

Bob Muschamp

The countdown begins! By the time you receive this December Knight Life there'll be only approximately 30 days until New Year's Eve - and 2011! Before you get too wrapped up (pun intended) in preparing for Christmas, give some thought to the group of friends, relatives, etc., that you'd like to bring together and be with to celebrate New Year's Eve. You'll not find a better total package than what we offer right here at EDW on New Year's Eve.

The evening will start at 6:45pm with two Open Bars and hors d'oeuvres; Dinner 7:45-9pm; Entree choices: prime rib or dijon crusted broiled salmon; caesar salad, cheesecake for dessert.

9pm-12:30am; Dancing to the music of the Jim Bowie Band. This band has been our New Year's Eve Band for several years; they perform a wide range of music/song and keep the dance floor full all evening, and yes they do take requests.

Also included: balloons, party hats, noisemakers; door prize drawings; Champagne for your midnight toast and a continental breakfast. Cost: same as last two years; still a low \$95 per couple; \$50 per single. Tickets will be in the office and available for purchase and pick-up by mid-November. For reservations call 703-536-9656, ext. 6 to speak with Betty Florence.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Join Us for a Breakfast With Santa

Where: Main Hall

When: Sunday December 19, 9:00 AM until Noon

What: A visit with Santa, a great breakfast, Christmas carols, prizes, crafts and gifts

Omelets cooked to order
Belgian Waffles cooked to order
Eggs as you like them
Sausage Links or patties
Bacon
Corned Beef Hash
Ham
Scrapple
Sausage gravy
Chipped beef
Home Style biscuits
Seasoned home fries
Cheesy potato casserole
French toast sticks
Regular or cheesy grits
Fried apples
Fresh Fruit Salad
Assorted Pastries
Bread Pudding
Fruit flavored or regular pancakes
Assorted Juices
Coffee, tea or milk

Adults \$7.50

Children 3-10 \$4.50

Under 3 are free

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COLUMBUS CLUB OF ARLINGTON, INC.

The Columbus Club will hold its annual meeting on Thursday January 6, 2011 in the Main Hall immediately following the council meeting which starts at 7:30 PM.

Please mark your calendars NOW to attend. Matters to be considered include, but are not limited to, presentation, discussion and voting upon the Club budget for fiscal 2011 (found elsewhere in this edition of Knight Life); voting for board members as we have several terms which expire at this meeting; any other business which may come before the meeting.

Your attendance will help ensure we have the necessary quorum to enable us to vote on the budget and for the upcoming board. Thank you for your participation in this important meeting.

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Just having finished many months of preparation for the Knight's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Event, so much to be thankful for and so many of you to thank for all your efforts in making this time of year truly special.

As 2010 comes to a close and the holiday season is in full swing, Brother Knights take hold of your loved one and enjoy our Annual Christmas Party, December 16th following the last council meeting of the year. Then, for the kids, look forward to the family breakfast with SANTA, December 19th.

On a business note, in accordance with the bylaws, the slate of officers for the BOD of the Columbus Club is published. The candidates are as follows: Steve Brown, Dave Paduda, John O'Neill III, Dan Metzler and District Deputy Bob Dannemiller, PGK.

On December 31st, as the year comes to a close, the New Year's Eve Party gets into full swing. My hope is that the first half of our fraternal year has been as fulfilling for you as it has been for me. Let's all be as dedicated this upcoming second half, let's do it together. PLEDGE AND PRAY THE ROSARY.

Vivat Jesus, God Bless,
Thomas J. Galvin Grand Knight

SICK AND RECOVERING

Please remember the following members and their families in your daily prayers. If you have time, give them a call or drop them a note.

Shirley Burnett	Bernie Edwartoski	Ed Sajeski
Thomas Coipuram	Mrs. John Kramer	Bob Watson
Eleanor Dougherty		

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

As we enter into the holiday season and celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ, it is most fitting to recognize our council's spiritual leader, Father Joseph Giordano as the December Knight of the Month. Father Joe, as he is affectionately known, came to us in May 2005, when the council was in much need of a Chaplain. He comes to us from Mission Hurst of Arlington. Father presides over our many special events and memorial masses as well as our council meetings. He brings to the order guidance and peace I know that has made your Grand Knight a better person and more dedicated Knight of Virginia. Join me in congratulating Father Joe as December Knight of the Month.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our December Family of the Month is the Thanksgiving Carving Team. The Team is captained by the Schwind brothers, James and David, along with Tim Alexander, their families and friends. What started many years ago as a social get together of several volunteers the Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving has turned into an event all of its own. The team now carves in excess of 130 turkeys in a four hour period. The team has brought on additional carvers, a generational tradition. They are an integral part of the Thanksgiving Event in serving the community for this special holiday dinner. Much gratitude and thanks go out to you all. Please join me in congratulating "The Carving Family" as our December Family of the Month.

NEW MANAGER HIRED BY THE COLUMBUS CLUB

Peter Silano, the new manager for the Columbus Club reported for duty on Monday, November 15, 2010. Mr. Silano has over 25 years of management, catering and restaurant experience in the Washington, DC and New York City areas. He lives in Annandale, Virginia with his wife, son and daughter. We welcome Peter to the EDW family. Stop by his office to say hello as he becomes familiar with the intricacies of our Club's operation.

Mr. Silano replaces Jesse Corning who left us to become the Managing Partner of Hospitality Staff's Washington, DC office. We wish Jesse the best of luck in his new endeavor.

"ROAD GANG" DOES IT AGAIN

It was a fine day for a walk - - AND for picking up trash! On Saturday November 13 EDW's "Road Gang" cleaned up Glebe Road. Say thanks to John White, Steve Helsper, A. J. Valinote, Steve McTeague, Dave Paduda and Bob Dannemiller.

Bravo Zulu!

UPDATE ON THE COLUMBUS CLUB OF ARLINGTON INC.

Owen J. Beirne Jr.

Eleven months go by fast. So how have we done in 2010?

Solid Results should continue – The Corporation's financial performance over the past year has been impressive. Please see the 2011 Budget and narrative in this Knight Life. We expect the corporation to continue generating solid profits at the Pool and Camp, Snack Bar /Clarke's Lounge, Council Home. In addition the Main Hall has come a long way since 2008. We still have the parking lot revenue coming in for 2011 and beyond.

The corporation has made meaningful progress in shoring up its balance sheet, and we expect further improvement in the quarters ahead. Our current estimates imply that the club will be comfortably net cash positive in 2011 and that paying off our 5 year note dated July 2010 should result in membership benefits.

It is difficult to measure the short-term success of a management team and Board of Directors in the Club Business as so much is dependent upon the economic cycle. What a cycle it has been for us since 2008 in these economic times. However, I believe the Board and staff has led the corporation through what is likely the worst of the downturn, and have positioned the Club for success for years to come.

At the Annual Meeting in January 2011, we are anticipating the announcement of "the best year ever financially" in the Inc.'s 79 year history (established in 1931) as we will have closed the books for 2010. Looking forward to seeing all of our Brothers on January 6th, 2011.

RETIREE'S CORNER

December 2010

Bob Brown

703-476-2086 or jrandsue@verizon.net

This year's Christmas party will be held on December 15th. Wives, widows & girlfriends are invited. Appetizers will be served at 10:30 with lunch at 12:00. Bridge starts at 10:00.

December Members Birthdays

Richard DeCorps

December Wives Birthdays

Margaret Edwartoski, Ann Murphy, Jean Ratway, Eleanor Snakeskin, Eniss Waldschmidt

December Anniversaries

Bob & Sue Brown, Leo & Barbara Maimone

Church Bulletin Bloopers

Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B. S. is done

Apology

Apologies to Mick & Pat Daley for missing their anniversary last month; 56th I understand. Sorry and belated Happy Anniversary.

Merry Christmas to All

Pray for us all

NO BLOOD DRIVE IN DECEMBER!

Due to the ongoing renovations in the lower lounge and the unavailability of the Bloodmobile there will be NO blood drive on December 19 as was announced in November Knight Life.

Thank you for your support. We will advise when the next drive is scheduled.



December Specials

FAMILY BUFFET

December 5, 2010

REMINDER: New hours 1:30-4:30

Carved Beef
Roast Pork Loin with apples
Baked Talapia
Mashed Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Soup and Salad Bar
Array of Desserts

Adults: \$12.50
Children 3-10: \$6.00
Under3: Free

All taxes included

**Merry Christmas to all from
the Family Buffet Staff**

Supper Club Friday, December 3, 2010 Club Favorites

Soup
Beef Tips over Noodles or Rice
Chicken Marsala
Seafood Newburg and Rice
Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli
Succotash
Salad Bar
Array of Deserts

Adults \$12.50; Children 10 and under \$6.00
To assist the Club in set up and food preparation, please call Betty by Noon, Dec. 3.
Although reservations are helpful, walk-ins are welcome.

Hours: 6:30 to 8:30 PM



LADIES U-KNIGHTED NEWS

Jo Balsamo Wood

Greetings! Halloween is over, Thanksgiving is upon us and before long it will be Christmas! Time sure flies when you are having fun. That's what we like to do here at LUK – have fun!!!

Speaking of fun . . . I hope you found time to stop by the Seventh Annual Halloween Party. The Old Council Home was decorated spectacularly and the costumes, as always, were fantastic. Everyone seemed to have fun, seeing old friends, checking out costumes, and dancing to the Skyla Burrell Blues Band. Overall, I consider this another successful event. At midnight, an esteemed panel of judges selected the following winners of the Annual costume contest:

Best male – Mike Bauer as the Capital One Viking

Best female – Meredith Dittmar as Cleopatra

Most original – Katie O'Brien as a Bed Bug

Funniest – Mike Kearney as John O'Neill Jr.

Best Couple – Bob Dannemiller and Amy Hunt as Miss Piggy and Kermit the Frog

Best overall – Grand Knight Thom Galvin and Marijo Galvin as Poppa and Mama Smurf

Please check out the photo of the winners in this issue of the *Knight Life*. I want to thank everyone that helped to make this party a success by decorating, setting up, cooking food, bartending, dressing up, and cleaning up. Thanks to the Knights that moved all of the decorations down from and back to the attic. Special thanks to PGK Art Gamotis, aka "the Webmaster," who went out of his way arranging his schedule to create magic with webbing. Because he had to work the night we planned to decorate, he volunteered to decorated the front hall ceilings and stairs on his own. Art is LUK's Knight of the Month! As I always say, many hands make light work. We, once again, proved that LUK, the EDW K of C, and the Columbus Club make a great team.

LUK is sponsoring the annual Christmas Tree Decorating event on Friday, Nov 26 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please come by and bring the kids to turn the Old Council Home into a Christmas wonderland. Plea

LUK is having its annual Christmas party meeting on Thursday, December 9. All LUK members and potential new members are welcome to attend. Everyone who wants to participate in the Christmas gift exchange is asked to bring a wrapped gift worth \$20. Please bring a snack (hors d'oeuvre or dessert) to share. This is a great meeting for potential members to attend!

Please join Ladies U-Knighted in wishing a very happy birthday to me, your LUK President, Jo Wood (Dec 24).



2010 KorC Halloween Party Costume Contest Winners: From Left: Best Couple – Bob Dannemiller and Amy as "Miss Piggy & Kermit the Frog," Best Female – Meredith Dittmar as "Cleopatra," Best Overall – Grand Knight Thom Galvin and Marijo Galvin as "Poppa & Mama Smurf," Most Original – Katie O'Brien as "Bed Bug," Funniest – Mike Kearney as "John O'Neill." In Front: Best Male – Mike Bauer as "The Capital One Viking."



"Capital One Viking," LUK President, Jo Wood as "Girl Scout," and Tana Farrell as "Devil."

FISH CLUB NEWS

The EDW Sport fishing club is having its annual Christmas party on Saturday Dec. 11th starting at 6:30. All members are invited with their significant other. We will provide potatoes, veggies medley and pork loin. Please bring a dish to share, dessert or appetizer, contact Capt Mark Koerner to see what side dishes are needed. Merry Christmas to all.



Celebrate Christmas...

... with Ladies U-Knighted at our **Annual Gift Exchange** to be held Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m. at the Old Council Home. Bring a wrapped gift worth \$20 and hors d'ouevres and treats to share!

www.ladiesuknighted.com

COUNCIL HOME HALLOWEEN PARTY 2010



The Skyla Burrell Blues Band rocked the Knight away.



Bartender John O'Neill and Past LUK President Nanette O'Neill as "Garden Gnomes."



Mark Rougeux as "Mr. Clean" and Kathi Daylor as a "Chilean Miner."



Newlyweds, Niki and John Berkon, as "Halloween Spooks."

OUR SEMINARIANS

Please Drop a Note or Card of Support to One or More when You have a Minute, Especially Christmas, Easter or Birthday.

Clip and save for future reference, please.

Mr. Thomas Cavanaugh
Mount St. Mary's Seminary
16300 Old Emmitsburg Road
Emmitsburg, MD 21727-7797
[Born May 8]

Mr. Colin Davis
Pontifical College Josephinum
7625 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43235-1499
[Born May 28]

Andrew Haissig
Theological College
401 Michigan Avenue, N.E.
Washington, DC 20017-1518
[Born August 26]

Mr. Jordan Willard
Pontifical College Josephinum
7625 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43235-1499
[Born August 15]

Mr. Thomas Yehl
Theological College
401 Michigan Avenue, N.E.
Washington, DC 20017-1518
[Born January 8]

HOW WE GOT OUR OWN SEMINARIANS

by Mike McMorrow

Last year, His Holiness the Pope declared "The Year for Priests." EDW observed this special time by inviting every (yes: "every") priest in the Diocese of Arlington to be our guest at a Supper Club. Funds came from a special call and 39 of us each contributed \$100. The notice in *Knight Life* promised that leftover monies would be devoted to "vocations." A number of priests took supper with us. Money was left over.

When asked at Christmas 2009, EDW joined other local KofC councils and contributed \$1000 to the Office of Vocations for our almost priests, that is, our Diocesan seminarians.

Years ago, the Supreme Council established a program of financial support for seminarians, as well as novices and postulants, both male and female. It is called "RSVP" -- **R**efund **S**upport **V**ocations **P**rogram. A council gives \$500 to an individual seminarian and the Supreme Council refunds \$100. The seminarians are identified by the Diocesan Office of Vocations. EDW never joined RSVP -- until now. Funds remaining from the Priests' Suppers project are being divided among five seminarians identified elsewhere in this issue. As refunds are received from the Supreme Council, they, too, will be disbursed through RSVP. In future years, our regular budget item "vocations" will be devoted to RSVP.

Apart from the financial support, participating councils also pledge moral support. The primary form is prayer. Other forms are cards and notes on special occasions (namely, Christmas, Easter and birthday). Every member of EDW is asked to remember our seminarians through private prayers and by sending a card or note of encouragement from time-to-time. The names and addresses of our current seminarians (and their birthdays) are in this issue in a special box that you can clip and keep handy as a reminder. Put it on your refrigerator door!

If and when their busy schedules permit, our seminarians also may take advantage of a standing invitation to participate in the EDW social scene (suppers, hamburger nights, picnics, parties and the like). Extend a hand and word of welcome if you see one visiting.



FROM THE DESK OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

by Jerry Garren, FS, PGK

2010/2011 Dues:

You should receive (or have received) your dues notice for 2011. Per my column last month, Columbus Club dues will increase \$2.00 this year. Members will also be subject to a special assessment of \$6.00 per member to maintain Supreme's 'Culture of Life Fund' to further and promote the teachings of the Catholic Church with respect to matters affecting life, family, marriage and similar issues. Due to communication issues with Supreme, we failed to collect the assessment in 2010 and has been doubled to recoup the out of pocket payment we made. Considering the size of our Council, this assessment was a significant expense that must be passed on to the membership in order to maintain our financial health.

For purposes of your personal budget planning, most members' dues will increase by a total of \$8.00 this year. Dues for Regular Members dues will be \$126; Honorary Members dues will be \$70, Honorary Life Members dues will be \$50 (they are exempted from the Special Assessment and are required to pay Columbus Club dues only).

Dues are Cumulative

If you failed to pay your dues in 2010, you are still responsible for paying your delinquency to become current in 2011.

Effect of Non-Payment

Please remember that a "member in good standing" is defined simply as a Brother Knight who pays his dues. But when a member doesn't pay dues, he hurts the Council finances, as there are significant costs associated with each membership (e.g., State and Supreme dues that MUST be paid, even if a member does not pay). So, when members fail to pay, they unnecessarily increase the costs to this charitable organization and impact our ability to help others.

More importantly, remember **YOU MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY APRIL 1ST TO AVOID A \$100 PENALTY TO JOIN THE POOL.**

If you are having money difficulties, we want to keep you as a member. The Council will help any Brother Knight who cannot pay their dues. All you have to do is to write to fs2473@hotmail.com or call me at (202) 498-1638 and I will help. Also, if you are in arrears, please take the time to call me to discuss your particular situation.

Please be thoughtful...pay on time...Men join the Knights of Columbus for various reasons. If you are no longer interested in membership at EDW, please contact me to arrange withdrawal or, if still interested in membership, transfer to another Council.

Honorary Life Members As you well know, the Supreme Constitution provides that HLM receive a full exemption from the payment of Council dues. However, this exemption does not apply to dues levied by their "home corporation." Please be aware

that the By-Laws of the Columbus Club DO NOT provide for the exemption, or reduction, of dues for HLMs. As such, HLMs are reminded that they still must pay Columbus Club dues (\$50) in order to ensure that sufficient funds are available for the operation of the grounds.

KOVAR and the Combined Federal Campaign It's that time of the year again. All Federal employees are reminded that it is VERY easy to support the Virginia KOVAR charity through regular payroll deductions made possible through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). Please remember that EDW can receive credit for your contributions when you provide a copy of your pledge sheet to me. Thank you for your generous support.

Merry Christmas!!! Remember, Christ is the reason for the season!!! May God bless each and everyone of you and your families.

Jerry Garren, PGK
Financial Secretary

GREAT FOOD AT THE COUNCIL HOME!!!!!!

ften time's members or friends ask "*Is there any food served in the Council Home?*" The answer is –YES, YES, YES!! And the front two rooms are SMOKE FREE!

Tuesday is Burger Night where you get a meatloaf on a bun. Just kidding, however the burgers are huge and they are 100% fresh ground beef. You can choose off the menu to have it cooked 7 different ways and there is fixing bar too. Fries or onion rings are included. \$6.50

Wednesday is Taco Night and it is all homemade and cooked to order.

Thursday is Spaghetti Night with freshly made sauce, pasta cooked to your liking with garlic bread and a salad included. How big is the serving? – Brother, it is served family style; I mean large plates with the red and white checkered place mats and bowls. *Come see Chef Doug and Ellen!*

Friday? - It is always a special. It could be a fish fry, crab legs, crab cakes, spiced shrimp and these are large portions. Bring up a group of 20, call ahead to get it set up, and then you have your own private room and dinner served to you! Your friends will love you.

Saturday is Steak Night. It is the one and only! A 14 ounce fresh steak cooked to order with a baked potato, fresh greens, and a salad included. The price – priceless – \$15.50

Also on Saturday all day – Scotty's Subs, it does not get any better. Fresh sub rolls and all fresh meats, tomatoes, and lettuce. Why stand in line at the Italian Store – come and set in the Council Home.

Do not forget our regular menu available all the time. For Example:

Crab Cake Sandwich with coleslaw \$6.50, Crab Cake Platter \$8.50 (with French fries and coleslaw \$15.50), platter of knee pads 4 for \$5.00, Fried Shrimp Platter \$13.50, cheeseburger platter \$6.50, Hot (and mild) Wings \$0.75 each, Specials- chili cup, bowl, dog, stews, soups and every Friday – Seafood.....

Come and enjoy great inexpensive food and great friends!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

NARRATIVE FOR THE PROPOSED 2011 BUDGET FOR THE COLUMBUS CLUB OF ARLINGTON INC.

Dan Metzler, Treasurer

Enclosed in this December Knight Life is the Columbus Club, Inc., proposed 2011 Budget for the review of Council members pursuant to the By-Laws, Article V, Section 7. This budget will be presented at the annual meeting of the Corporation which will be held on January 6th, 2011 for membership approval.

The following table presents a 5 year portrait of corporate income and expense to illustrate the progress we have made. From a net loss of \$50,000 in 2007 we have brought the corporation back to financial health with a projected profit of over \$200,000 in 2010. This has been achieved through the efforts of Council membership who have donated their time in many ways, as Red Coats, repairing and maintaining the facility, providing legal services, etc. Thanks is also due to the paid staff of the corporation, the general manager, office, council home, pool bar, camp and kitchen staff for providing a high level of service to the Council and the other clients/customers who use our campus.

The increase in income is largely a result of, from 2007 to 2010:
a 47% increase in pool membership fees, from \$223,000 to \$329,000
a 48% increase in camp income, from \$204,000 to \$303,000
the addition of cell phone antenna renters, increasing income 56% from \$46,000 to \$72,000
a 13% decrease in the cost of sales from \$290,000 to \$251,000
the addition of \$48,000 in parking revenue annually
increases in revenue from the pool snack bar and council home
stability in revenue from our meeting facilities and a slight decline in our general expenses

In 2011 we have adopted a conservative approach to budgeting. The 2011 Budget is based on our projection of income and expenses for 2010. Total income from all sources is budgeted at \$1,579,000 compared with the projected income of \$1,590,000, a slight decrease reflecting a reduction in the dues assessed to the Council. Given the current economy, no increases are projected in income from the main hall, pool or camp.

Cost of Sales for 2011 is projected at \$251,000, equal to our 2010 projection. Administrative and General Expenses budgeted for 2011 total \$1,132,000, an increase of 3% over 2010 projected costs. There are slight increases budgeted for utility costs, employee benefits and several other expense items. The 2nd table breaks down some of the expenses that we incur on a day-to-day basis that are aggregated under "other". The 3rd table "Real Estate, Payroll Taxes, and Insurance Explained" portrays the cost / budget of four major overhead expense areas.

After the projected income of \$196,000 you see the principle payment of \$57,684 repaying the outstanding loans funding improvements to the pool and main hall roof. (The increases in income from the pool and the camp are in part a result of the improvements we have made to the campus in recent years.) Of the remaining income, the Columbus Club Board has placed the parking lot revenue of \$48,000 in a reserve account.

Columbus Club of Arlington, Inc.

Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 2011



Income	Actual 2007	Actual 2008	2009		2010		Budget 2011
			Actual	Budget	Projected	Budget	
Food Sales	\$413,097	473,301	366,342	\$438,000	371,766	\$423,000	\$372,000
Beverage Sales	\$185,577	206,890	186,350	\$197,000	208,250	\$198,000	\$208,000
Facilities Rental	\$124,949	75,716	66,775	\$106,000	95,970	\$78,000	\$96,000
Monthly Dues / K of C Assessments	\$75,195	80,421	84,261	\$78,000	75,067	\$66,000	\$66,000
Pool Membership Fees	\$223,655	285,570	295,340	\$286,000	329,315	\$295,000	\$329,000
Camp	\$204,153	177,291	263,247	\$217,000	303,738	\$266,000	\$304,000
Pool Admissions	\$15,215	19,852	24,444	\$19,000	27,477	\$24,000	\$27,000
Cell Phone Antenna Rental	\$46,659	52,437	71,435	\$71,000	72,804	\$71,000	\$71,000
Labor Charged	\$57,995	79,541	39,683	\$62,000	32,386	\$57,000	\$32,000
Miscellaneous Sales	\$24,265	39,383	27,962	\$32,000	25,677	\$35,000	\$26,000
Parking Income			48,000		48,000	\$48,000	\$48,000
Total Income	\$1,370,760	1,490,402	1,473,839	1,506,000	1,590,450	1,561,000	1,579,000
Cost Of Sales							
Food	\$187,773	\$204,546	\$154,198	\$199,000	\$155,721	\$178,000	\$156,000
Beverage	\$65,025	\$76,539	\$68,514	\$69,000	\$73,305	\$71,000	\$73,000
Other	\$37,504	\$32,729	\$24,907	\$40,000	\$21,867	\$32,000	\$22,000
Total Cost of Sales	\$290,302	\$313,814	\$247,619	\$308,000	\$250,893	\$281,000	\$251,000
Total Gross Profit	\$1,080,458	\$1,176,588	\$1,226,220	\$1,198,000	\$1,339,557	\$1,280,000	\$1,328,000
Expenses							
Salaries	454,609	536,028	504,186	514,000	474,316	505,000	474,000
Pool Management	57,875	62,212	60,800	64,000	62,628	66,000	64,000
Pool Expenses	20,898	2,895	14,327	14,000	12,024	9,000	14,000
Camp Processing Fees			16,059		16,059	13,000	16,000
Utilities & Trash	95,061	108,348	97,867	109,000	100,323	111,000	104,000
Depreciation	99,414	23,301	33,364	30,000	38,152	28,000	38,000
Real Estate & Payroll Taxes/ Insurance	159,848	178,760	178,197	180,000	181,317	185,000	185,000
Repairs	50,289	42,124	48,311	55,000	52,258	42,000	52,000
Other (includes Loan Interest Re-payment)	156,294	158,647	127,551	140,400	137,661	146,000	149,000
Professional Fees	36,752	25,458	20,151	40,000	29,256	36,000	36,000
Total Expenses	1,131,040	1,137,773	1,100,813	1,145,000	1,103,994	1,141,000	1,132,000
Income	(\$50,582)	\$38,815	\$125,407	\$51,000	\$235,563	\$139,000	\$196,000
Less Loan Principal Payments					\$45,655	\$48,000	\$57,684
Less Reserved Parking Income					\$48,000	\$48,000	\$48,000
Income Net of Loan and Reserved Parking Income					\$141,908	\$43,000	\$90,316

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12 Rosary 12:30 CH Knight Life Deadline	13 Bridge 7:00	14 CH Burger Night 6:30	15 Retirees Christmas Party 11:00 CH Famous Taco Night 7:30	16 Council Meeting and Christmas Party 7:30 MH Spaghetti Night 7:30	17 CH Fish Fry 6:30	18 CH Steak Dinner Night 6:30
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