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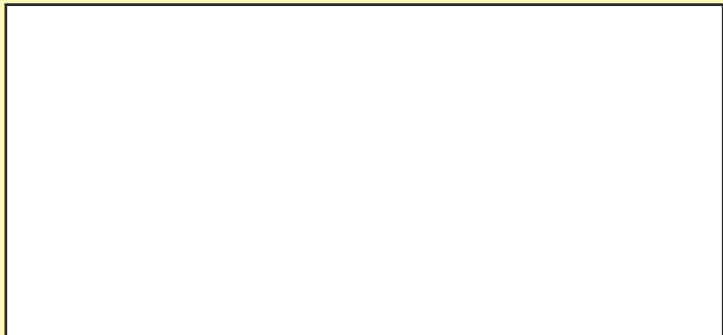
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SUPREME REGENT MESSAGE

A Message from the Supreme Regent Un Message Du Régente Suprême

Maria Bettina DiBartolo - Supreme Regent



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to Spring! The seasons pass by so quickly. I can't believe we are in bloom already!

It's time to take advantage of the warmer weather and longer days. Let's get out with our brothers and sisters and do what we, as fraternalists, love to do the most – help others! There's nothing more rewarding, and there are many ways to help!

I thank all of the councils throughout our wonderful organization for their continuous good work and support. I am blessed to be a part of it!

As the season progresses, I will be visiting more councils to promote my **'Into the Future'** program. I encourage our members to get involved in their councils' projects and continue collecting boxes of cereal and donating them to community causes.

I hope you will join us from July 28 through July 31, 2024 in Baltimore, Maryland for the 106th Supreme Council Session. We'll elect a new Supreme Regent to carry on the Royal Arcanum's mission and further our Society's fraternal work.

As always, please keep all of our brothers and sisters in your prayers.

Keep safe and well.

Sincerely yours in V.M.C.,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maria Bettina DiBartolo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Maria-Bettina DiBartolo
Supreme Regent

Chers frères et sœurs,

Bienvenue au printemps! Les saisons passent si vite. Je ne peux pas croire que nous soyons déjà en floraison !

Il est temps de profiter du temps plus chaud et des journées plus longues. Sortons avec nos frères et sœurs et faisons ce que nous, en tant que fraternalistes, aimons le plus faire : aider les autres ! Il n'y a rien de plus gratifiant et il existe de nombreuses façons d'aider !

Je remercie tous les conseils de notre merveilleuse organisation pour leur bon travail et leur soutien continu. J'ai la chance d'en faire partie !

Au fur et à mesure que la saison avance, je visiterai davantage de conseils pour promouvoir mon programme « **Vers le futur** ». J'encourage nos membres à s'impliquer dans les projets de leur conseil et à continuer de collecter des boîtes de céréales et d'en faire don à des causes communautaires.

J'espère que vous nous rejoindrez du 28 au 31 juillet 2024 à Baltimore, Maryland pour la 106e session du Conseil suprême. Nous élirons un nouveau Régent Suprême pour poursuivre la mission du Royal Arcanum et poursuivre le travail fraternel de notre Société.

Comme toujours, veuillez garder tous nos frères et sœurs dans vos prières.

Restez en sécurité et en bonne santé.

Cordialement vôtre en V.M.C.,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maria Bettina DiBartolo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Maria-Bettina DiBartolo
Régente suprême

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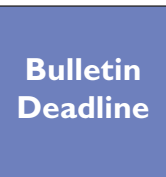
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A Salute to Distinguished Service

This issue is dedicated to the many members of the Society who have given their service to help the Royal Arcanum grow and prosper. We feature here our Brothers and Sisters who have distinguished themselves by introducing new members to the Order over the past years.

The highest award is given to the members who have earned the Founders' Ring of Distinction Award. The second highest level of achievement is the '1105' Royal Purple Achievement Award, followed by the Legion of Honor. Other members who have earned between one and twenty diamonds are awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

The Royal Arcanum is pleased to recognize the distinguished service of all our award recipients.*

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FOUNDERS' RING OF DISTINCTION AWARD



August Magnotta
Claremont CI
New York
(Center Diamond)
(L. of H. Circle-6)



Paul F. D'Emilio
Integrity CI
Pennsylvania
(Founders' Ring W/Diamond)
(Center Diamond)
(L. of H. Circle-7)
(deceased)

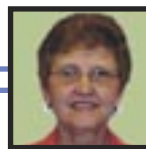


Cynthia A. Macon
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New Jersey
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(Center Diamond)
(L. of H. Circle-10) Bar-I

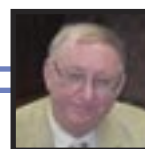
'1105' ROYAL PURPLE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Joseph R. Macon
Bayonne CI
New Jersey
(L. of H.-10)



Frances Magnotta
Claremont CI
New York
(L. of H.-10)
(L. of H. Center Diamond)
(deceased)

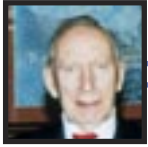


Kenneth J. Kolek
Pawtucket CI
Rhode Island
(L. of H.-10)
(L. of H. Center Diamond)



Louise Reynolds
Treasure Coast CI
Florida
(L. of H.-10)
(deceased)

LEGION OF HONOR AWARD



Peter D. Young
Coronation CI
Ontario
(L. of H.-4)



B. Joe Merrill
Rhododendron CI
Carolinas
(L. of H.-2)
(deceased)



Genevieve A. Macon
Versatility CI
New Jersey
(L. of H.-1)



Marie Cavallo
Claremont CI
New York
(L. of H.-2)



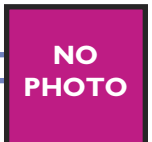
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Ontario
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Carl Krzystofczyk
Medora CI
Illinois
(L. of H.-5)



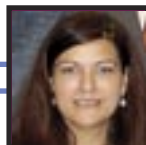
Ralph Ferrara
Integrity CI
Pennsylvania
(L. of H.-10)



David Hryniewich
Alpha-Agassiz CI
Massachusetts
(L. of H.-10)



Richard Slawinski
Woodside CI
New Jersey
(L. of H.-10)
(deceased)



Maria DiBartolo
Claremont CI
New York
(L. of H.-7)



Gregory Hahn
Medora CI
Illinois
(L. of H.-5)



A Salute to Distinguished Service



DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

TWENTY DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Errica Conforto	Claremont	New York	Carmen Rodia	Integrity	Pennsylvania
John Crisanti	Alpha-Agassiz	Massachusetts			

NINETEEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Joe Tedesco	Integrity	Pennsylvania	Loretta Wehbe	Integrity	Pennsylvania

EIGHTEEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Lillie Mae Panichelli	Integrity	Pennsylvania

SIXTEEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Antal Basa, Jr.	Alpha-Agassiz	Massachusetts

FOURTEEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Ellen Phillips	Railroad	Colorado

TWELVE DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Joyce A. Crawford	Germantown	Pennsylvania	Loretta DiGianivittorio	Integrity	Pennsylvania

ELEVEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Ivan Snyder	Integrity	Pennsylvania	Carol Zavitz	Coronation	Ontario

TEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Dotti Pagnani	Alpha-Agassiz	Massachusetts	Carmen Toma	Alpha-Agassiz	Massachusetts

NINE DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Peter Ferrara	Integrity	Pennsylvania	Ethel Reitsema	Merritt	New Jersey
Andrew Madonna	Williamsbridge	New York			

EIGHT DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Charlotte Brill	Treasure Coast	Florida	Roger Gudenkauf	Denver	Colorado (deceased)
Matthew D'Emilio	Integrity	Pennsylvania			

SEVEN DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Herbert J. Snyder	Integrity	Pennsylvania			

SIX DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Rosella Berger	Woodside	New Jersey	Raymond Raniszewski	Bayonne	New Jersey
David Covelli	Ft. Dearborn	Illinois			



A Salute to Distinguished Service



DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

FIVE DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Richard J. Macon	Bayonne	New Jersey			

FOUR DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Richard H. Blase	Dependable	Massachusetts	Gerard Pelletier	Maisonneuve	Québec
James Donati	Rhododendron	Carolinas	Arlayne Skridulis	Mattatuck	Connecticut
Jane Merrill	Rhododendron	Carolinas			

THREE DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
James Boufford	Coronation	Ontario	Richard Phillips	Railroad	Colorado
Inge Huber	Claremont	New York	Michele N. Rhode	Ft. Dearborn	Illinois
Antonio Perillo	Claremont	New York (deceased)	Robert W. Rowlands	Hoboken	New Jersey

TWO DIAMONDS

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
Ann Antuzzi	San Jose	California	Randolph P. Kriz	Coronation	Ontario
Sharon Bayliss	Coronation	Ontario	Thomas H. McGruddy	Integrity	Pennsylvania
Janice Brazas	Detroit	Michigan	John B. Opitz III	Merritt	New Jersey
Elizabeth Delgado	Claremont	New York	Kevin Power	Alpha-Agassiz	Massachusetts
Gloria Donaldson	Coronation	Ontario	Patrecia Tindell	Railroad	Colorado
Kathleen Doyle	Mattatuck	Connecticut	Marjorie Trout	Harrisburg	Pennsylvania
Grace Gavin	Versatility	New Jersey	Harry Uberroth Jr.	Germantown	Pennsylvania

ONE DIAMOND

NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL	NAME	COUNCIL	GRAND COUNCIL
George Arseneault	Dependable	Massachusetts	Walter J. Pagurek	Bayonne	New Jersey
Arlene Baker	Regina	Ontario	John Parris	Rhododendron	Carolinas
Nicholas Benoit	Alpha-Agassiz	Massachusetts	Carl Petlik	Bayonne	New Jersey
Heidi L. Bonness	Lakewood	Ohio	Stella Pettinelli	Penn Laurel	Pennsylvania
Margaret Cameron	Coronation	Ontario	Babette Quinn	Horsetooth	Colorado
Glenda Cole	Catawba	Carolinas	Judith Relovsky	Versatility	New Jersey
Madeline Dumouchelle	Coronation	Ontario	Ann Rescigno	Claremont	New York
Mary Ann Emrick	Detroit	Michigan	Rosalie Rinaldi	Mattatuck	Connecticut
Alan S. Foote	Merritt	New Jersey	Leonard Rowlands	Metuchen	New Jersey
Robert Galdon, Jr.	Bayonne	New Jersey	F.B. Seeley	Royal York	Ontario
Robert Koval	Bayonne	New Jersey	Robert Shea	BH Web	Connecticut
Jeannette Murray	Milette	New Hampshire	Pauline Thomas	Harrisburg	Pennsylvania
Robert Musso	Bayonne	New Jersey	Alan White	Coronation	Ontario
Chris O'Neil	Coronation	Ontario	Eleanore Yelenovsky	Versatility	New Jersey
James E. O'Neill	San Jose	California			

HELPING UKRAINIAN CHILDREN

Councils and members continue supporting the Royal Arcanum's fraternal/charitable program for Ukrainian children who have been displaced by war in their homeland. Two years have passed since the country of Ukraine was attacked by Russian forces. War continues and the hope for better tomorrows is growing dim as more people die and more families get separated (for service and/or safety).



Fraternal Director Cindy Macon assembles totes for Ukrainian children.

Ukraine to aid families and the Ukrainian military as best as they are able.

Spring clothes, school supplies, and toys were packaged as "Easter Totes" for the Ukrainian children. The sisters who are stationed in the provinces of Warsaw, Przemysl, and Krakow have expressed their deep appreciation to the Royal Arcanum family and friends of the Society for the prayers, compassion, and support to their efforts of welcoming

Through the Fraternal Department, the Royal Arcanum continues to send funds, shoes and clothing, everyday essentials, and small gifts and treats for the Ukrainian people. Children's items are sent to the Felician Sisters in Poland who are caring for the youngsters by providing school and a home for them. The sisters are also operating hospices for the infirm and elderly, so healthcare items and bedding that are contributed are greatly appreciated. When it is safe to do so, food, clothing, and other supplies are transported to the sisters who have remained in

Ukrainian "guests" and for helping them to directly aid those who stayed in their country during such a tumultuous time.

The founding principles of Virtue, Mercy, and Charity continue to guide the Royal Arcanum's fraternal mission, as evident in the program for Ukraine. A warm "thank you" is extended to everyone for their assistance. May international peace soon be a reality for all.

Springtime gifts donated to the RA Ukrainian Project



IN MEMORIAM: FRANCES MAGNOTTA



1936-2024

The Supreme Council is sad to report the passing of Sister Frances “Fran” Magnotta on February 22, 2024.

Born Frances Barbara Propato, Fran grew up in the Bronx, New York and it was at her “Sweet Sixteen” birthday party that she was introduced to a young man, “Augie”, who would become her beloved partner for

life. Following the party, Agostino “Augie” Magnotta asked Fran on their first date – to a daytime movie. That date led to the start of a wonderful journey together. They were married in 1956 and later were blessed as the parents to two children, Laura and Michael.

Fran had a long and stellar career as an executive assistant and office manager for several attorneys at their law firms in Manhattan. With attention to detail, Fran was knowledgeable and dedicated to the profession. She and Augie were devout and active communicants of Our Lady of Assumption Church in the Bronx.

When Fran and Augie enrolled in 1980 into Claremont Council #1655 in the Bronx, they immediately became immersed in the fraternal and charitable endeavors of the Royal Arcanum. They worked side by side, hand in hand for the growth of the Society on all council levels.

Fran served in various offices of Claremont Council, including Regent, and then advanced in the Grand Council to be elected to the position of Grand Regent where she led a successful campaign for the jurisdiction. She served as an Elective Member of the Supreme Council Executive Committee from 1996 through 2000, and as a member of the Committee on Laws from 2000 through 2006. In 1994 and from 2010 through 2018 she was a Supreme Council Representative.

In addition to the many offices that she held in the Supreme, Grand, and Subordinate councils, Fran served

as Fraternal Field Director, and on the editing staff for the Royal Arcanum Bulletin. She represented the organization at the National Fraternal Congress of America and spearheaded various national charitable projects for the Royal Arcanum. A major effort was coordinated for the 9/11 Fund following the national tragedy in 2001. When the Supreme Council convened for Sessions and mini vacations, she introduced councils to regional charities that were being supported by projects conducted on behalf of the Fraternal Department at the events.

With a strong allegiance to the founding attributes of Virtue, Mercy, and Charity, and recognizing the spirit of fellowship that abounded throughout the organization, both Augie and Fran dedicated themselves to having the Royal Arcanum continue to succeed with council productivity and innovative programs. As volunteer recommenders, they enrolled a host of family and friends as new members. For her steadfast efforts, Fran attained the Distinguished Service Award, was invested as a Legion of Honor Award recipient, becoming its 70th member and also attained the 1105 Royal Purple Achievement Award as a Royal Arcanum trailblazer.

When Augie was elected Supreme Regent for the 2004-2006 term, Fran graciously served as the Royal Arcanum’s “First Lady” and trekked across the United States and Canada with him to promote the Society and to encourage members to volunteer as fraternalists to “**Achieve Our Goals.**” Many lasting friendships were formed during these ventures and the visits created bountiful memories for them as Royal Arcanians.

Left to cherish Fran’s memory are her beloved husband, Augie, their children Laura (John) Flocco, Michael (Katie) Magnotta; six grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, extended family members, and many, many friends in the Royal Arcanum.

Fran was a genuine “Pillar of Fraternalism.” Her legacy will inspire Royal Arcanians to volunteer with selfless acts of kindness done with compassion and understanding to help make the world a better place.

May she rest in eternal peace.

VERSATILITY COUNCIL'S SPRINGTIME SHOWER

Rainstorms and showers may dampen spirits at the start of spring, but in New Jersey, there was a joyful shower as the season approached. The members of Versatility Council #2501 in Bayonne were happy to help the Sisters of Life in their mission of service to mothers and children by donating clothing articles, pajamas, bibs, and more in a springtime gifting shower.

An array of useful items was donated by the council, members, and friends of the Royal Arcanum for distribution to infants and toddlers in need.

The Sisters of Life, a Catholic religious community of women, vow to protect and enhance the sacredness of human life. They are dedicated to helping the mothers of the unborn, the unborn, those who are frail, vulnerable or ill, and those in danger of being put to death. The Sisters serve in New York, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Denver, Phoenix, and Toronto.

The project was sponsored for the little ones to have brighter days **Into the Future** and the sisters were very thankful for the support of their work in the community.



Some of the baby and toddler garments that were gifted in the council's project



Mary Ann, Marie, John, Gen, and Evelyn coordinated the shopping list for the springtime gift shower.

TREASURE FROM OUR PAST

Pictured is a past regent's jewel that was presented by Hoboken Council #99 to Peter W. Steller in 1925. The family's history with the Royal Arcanum continues on as new generations are enrolled into the Society.

Currently, Terri (Steller), Julia, and Gabriella Hammond, George E. and Hazel Jean Steller are upholding the tradition as fraternal members.



ALPHA-AGASSIZ SUPPORTS PAN-MASS CHALLENGE



Alpha-Agassiz Council #1, Massachusetts supported the Pan-Mass Challenge (PMC) by partnering with Acada Communications for the second year as a sponsor. The mission of the challenge is to raise funds for cancer research and treatment at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

COO Nick Benoit commented, “The Dana-Farber Institute has been a world leader in cancer research and treatment and we are proud to support an institute that is making a difference in cancer research. Nearly everyone has or had a loved one affected by cancer, and our partnership is one that holds true to our fraternal values as a community insurer.”

Riders, volunteers, and supporters gather for the bike-a-thon across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, each giving their efforts to raise funds to provide doctors and researchers with the necessary resources to discover cures for cancers and related illnesses. One hundred percent of all rider-raised funds go to cancer research and treatment at Dana-Farber.

The PMC brings community together to raise funds, celebrate life, remember those who succumbed to cancer, and bring medical professionals closer “by the mile” to a cure.

The council has actively supported programs at Dana-Farber and continues to join community activities such as the PMC to help make a difference for patients, families, and those affected by cancer.



AIR FRYING GOODNESS

Air frying is a cooking method that involves circulating hot air around food at high speed to create a crispy outer layer. It's often considered a healthier alternative to deep frying because it requires significantly less oil, or sometimes none at all, to achieve a similar texture and taste.



Many types of food can be cooked in an air fryer, including vegetables, meats, seafood, and even desserts. Commonly air-fried items include french fries, chicken wings, fish fillets, and spring rolls.

In an air fryer, food is placed in a basket or tray, and the machine uses a fan to circulate hot air around it. This rapid circulation of hot air cooks the food quickly and evenly, resulting in a crispy exterior and moist interior.

Air frying has gained popularity due to its convenience, speed, and perceived health benefits compared to traditional frying methods. However, it's important to note that the healthiness of air-fried food can vary depending on the ingredients and cooking techniques used.



BAYONNE COUNCIL'S PET-FRIENDLY PROJECT

For years the members of Bayonne Council #695, New Jersey have demonstrated their animal-friendly spirit by coordinating a host of projects for the benefit of pets that are residing in shelters and humane societies while they wait for their fur-ever families and for some, a second chance at a better life. Sadly, in recent years, shelters have become overfilled with pets in need of adoption. It's becoming more expensive to care for pets and for this reason, some seniors and families have had to make a tough decision to surrender their loyal companions to animal care centers.

The Arcanians continue to support organizations with a mission to rescue, shelter, rehabilitate, render medical care and find adoptive homes for pets brought to their doors. Basic supplies are always in demand and donations are much appreciated by staff who care for the animals.

The Bayonne members once again responded to the need for towels, blankets, and bedding supplies. With many newborn kittens awaiting adoption, these items were on the springtime Pet Wish List. Twenty-two bags and boxes of items were contributed by the members. The council supported the project with additional cartons of pet food, collars, harnesses, leashes and other treats as donations to the Bergen County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center in Teterboro.

The fraternalists enjoyed volunteering together for the shelter pets and are hopeful that there will be many happy "tales" of the dogs and kitties being adopted soon and with more to follow ***Into the Future.***



Left: Community Outreach Committee members Rich Romelczyk and Evelyn Magarban pack donations for shelter pets.



Right: Delivering pet supplies in Teterboro, New Jersey



BAKER'S BOX: APPLE OR BLUEBERRY CAKE

Enjoy this recipe from Past Supreme Regent Errica Conforto for a springtime brunch with family and friends. It may become a favorite of yours for year-round baking!

Ingredients:

2 eggs
1 ½ cup sugar
1 cup sour cream
½ cup light oil
1 tsp. vanilla extract
1 ½ cups peeled & diced apples
(about 2) or blueberries

Flour Mixture - Mix together:

2 cups flour
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. baking powder
Dash of salt

Topping - Mix together:

½ cup sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
½ cup chopped walnuts

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

In a large bowl with an electric hand mixer or Kitchen Aid, mix eggs and sugar to cream. Add oil and vanilla extract and continue to mix for 2-3 minutes. Add flour mixture alternating with sour cream.

When the ingredients are well incorporated, add the diced apples or blueberries and fold gently.

Transfer the dough to a 9x12" baking pan that has been greased with oil and dusted with flour. Add the topping and bake for 35 to 45 minutes. Remove from oven. Cool before serving.

Note: Photo of cake is made from a double batch and baked in a round pan.



NEW YORK NEWS

The Grand Council of New York hosted its traditional St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's Day dinner-meeting on March 14, 2024 at San Martino Ristorante in Yonkers. Members were pleased to partake in the fraternal fellowship gathering and plan their springtime roster of activities.

A donation of \$250 in memory of Past Grand Regent Frances Magnotta was made to the Alzheimer's Association. Donations from Claremont Council #1655

and the Grand Council were also outlined for the St. Theresa Parish food pantry in the Bronx.

The officers and members are always willing to carry forth the council's charitable support through gifting projects and monetary donations. They anticipate a busy spring season and are pleased to continue efforts for the Buddy Project with Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and California members for helping the poor, hurting, and homeless.



New York members in attendance at the March dinner-meeting

PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS FOR THE BULLETIN

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- When taking photos for submission for publication, try to make sure you follow these tips for best quality.
1. Keep the light source behind the photographer.
 2. Be aware of your subject's background.
 3. Take many photos of the same subject.
 4. Make sure the photo is at least 1920x1080 pixels.
 5. Invest in a tripod to get the sharpest photos.
 6. For even better shots, learn the rule of thirds.

NEW YORK COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Members of Claremont Council #1655 participated in the annual St. Joseph's Day mass and social with members of the Saint Benedetto of San Fratello Society in the Bronx. Throughout the year, their community partnership supports charitable causes and endeavors to aid local parish volunteer programs.

Pictured in both photos are members and friends sharing hospitality.



BATTER UP!

The spring 2024 Plymouth, Massachusetts Little League draft for the age 9-11 age group took place in March. Royal Arcanum Junior members of Alpha-Agassiz Council #1 were selected, with Teddy Benoit, age 9, being the first overall selection in the draft, along with his younger brother, Harry Benoit, at age 7, being selected in the 5th round of the 12-round draft!

Congratulations to our young athletes! Hope they enjoy a spectacular baseball season!



FRATERNAL DEPARTMENT NEWS

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Fifty years have passed since the television show 'Happy Days' premiered. The sitcom had a successful run for over 11 seasons and featured a total of 255 episodes. Families across the country eagerly tuned in each week for a half-hour program that depicted life in Milwaukee during the 1950s and early 1960s. The series revolved around teenager Richie Cunningham and his family and friends. Episodes often focused on the experiences and dilemmas of the students at Jefferson High School and everyday family antics.

Fans could identify with the characters that appeared in the shows. It seemed that every episode had a life's lesson subtly connected to it. Through thick and thin, the Cunninghams, Ralph, Potsie, Fonzie, Chachi and the others shared life's successes and challenges. No matter the outcome, the crew never gave up and they showed America that life was what you made it. The sitcom's theme song lyrics - "Happy Days are yours and mine" motivated generations of the show's followers to make the best of every day!

The Royal Arcanum's success as a fraternal benefit society for 147 years can be largely attributed to the members who have been engaged in council initiatives for the advancement of fraternalism and happy days, ahead! We are grateful for Frances Magnotta who served our organization as Grand Regent, Fraternal Director, Executive Committee member, and as a member of many special committees. Her kindness ensured many happy days for those who were helped by her volunteerism. Sister Magnotta passed away in February but her countless endeavors as a fraternalist-in-action will continue to inspire Arcanians to volunteer with a joyful heart and to be a beacon of hope for others.

Together we can share the spirit of the Happy Days series to make the days happier **Into the Future**. Although the bomber jackets, poodle skirts, juke boxes, and drive-in diners are memories of times gone by, today there are many ways for council members to get together and do something positive for others, especially for those in need. Supreme Regent Maria has requested members to consider providing a box or two of cereal

for a food pantry, meal program, or to an organization that aids those who are hurting, hungry or experiencing food insecurity. Small acts of kindness, when coupled with those of family, neighbors, and friends, can produce great results. Just like Jefferson High's record-breaking sock hop marathon, let's set a new record for the Supreme Regent with 100% of RA jurisdictions participating in the Cereal Campaign this year.



The RA Buddy Project launched with an enthusiastic start throughout the Supreme Council. Jurisdictional teams are working together to achieve goals and help community.

Invite friends to learn more about the Society and to potentially enroll as members. The permanent life insurance plans and member benefits are outstanding offerings. Remember! The Royal Arcanum has much good news to share! As we enjoy the seasonal sunshine, councils will celebrate happy days and special occasions. It's a great time to have our family grow by welcoming new members!



Frances Magnotta

I hope that your summer plans will include joining the Royal Arcanum at the Supreme Council Session in Baltimore, Maryland in July. Our fraternal project will benefit St. Elizabeth's School for children who have special needs. Our gifts will hopefully help the students as we wish them Happy Days for a new school year. Everyone's support will be appreciated.

In friendship,



Cindy Macon
Fraternal-Communications Director

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ROYAL ARCANUM BUDDY PROGRAM

This program was started to see if we could continue our charitable work across jurisdiction lines. At this time, I'm pleased to inform everyone that we can and have done so with great results! The Grand Councils of Massachusetts, Ohio, and Florida have completed this amazing task. Our charitable cause was the Lions Club and its work in Vision Screening which was started in 1925. Inspired by Helen Keller, the organization continues to serve and advocate for the blind and visually impaired. The Royal Arcanum councils have been engaged in an incredible and exciting adventure to support the cause and help those in need. All of us look forward to continuing our efforts as "buddies" **Into the Future.**

Submitted on behalf of Grand Councils of Massachusetts, Ohio, and Florida by:

*Tony Basa
Supreme Secretary*



Grand Council of Massachusetts, Grand Regent Anthony Basa presents to Rob Goodrich, President of the Easton Lions Club.

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- * Subject to contestable period in first 2 years

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INTEGRITY COUNCIL

It was a rainy and stormy afternoon, but there was a lot of laughter and brightness inside Popi's Restaurant in South Philadelphia, where Integrity Council gathered for their quarterly meeting on March 23, 2024. Among other matters discussed were the success of the still ongoing Sedgley Scholarships (awarded by both Integrity and the Grand Council) and the amount of charitable work Integrity has accomplished. Those in attendance talked excitedly about the upcoming Supreme Council Session in

Baltimore, sharing who all will be going. Plans were made for a trip for Integrity Juniors to Dorney Park this summer.

The Italian Dinner was enjoyed, and soon the group was on their way, ready to face the stormy weather outside. The next meeting will be June 22nd or 29th.

Submitted by Herb Snyder



Pictured are Past Grand Regent and Integrity Treasurer Joe Tedesco, Past Supreme Regent and Integrity Regent Peter Ferrara, Past Grand Regents Ralph and Anita Ferrara, Grand Regent Antoinette Malone, Lottie Bruno, Past Grand Regent and Integrity Junior Director Lillie Mae Panichelli, and Past Grand Regent Jay Newlin. Not pictured: Past Supreme Regent Herb Snyder.

KNITTING IS COOL AGAIN

Knitting seems to be making a comeback. Always a favorite of my parents' generation, it is becoming more common to see someone in their 20's to 50's pull out their needles while watching TV. In recent years, there has been a resurgence of interest in traditional hand made crafts like knitting among younger generations, driven by various factors including a desire to make something themselves and not buying products that are mass produced.



loved the fact that knitting was a portable event and had a low cost.

Social media and other online communities, like Instagram, Pinterest, and YouTube have facilitated the sharing of knitting projects, patterns, and tutorials. This has created vibrant online communities of knitters of all ages, providing inspiration and support for beginners and experienced crafters alike.

I recently asked a few knitters I know why this activity appeals to them. They reported that they loved the creativity and mindfulness of knitting. Some knitted in groups and appreciated the socialization, while others

So why not grab yourself some needles and give knitting a whirl, you might just like it.

Submitted by Patrick Fitzgerald

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

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

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

Forty-five (45) days prior to the start 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.

The nomination committee report will be presented at the Executive Committee meeting prior to the Session. 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 for each nominee be included. For positions that will serve on the Executive Committee, it is recommended that the bio contain relevant information such as qualifications, aspirations for office, their Royal Arcanum history, etc.

At 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 would be helpful. (A resolution will be presented calling for nominations).

For the election of officers, printed ballots including the names of all nominees shall be distributed. In the case of 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 and Officers 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 the Order's 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 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 Cynthia Macon, 24 East 43rd Street, Bayonne NJ 07002 or email to CAJMacon@aol.com.

Bios should be in the Chairman's hands by June 20, 2024.

CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER CORNER

Spring is here! Little league fields are filled with players who have big-league aspirations. Crowds cheer at the sound of the bat hitting the ball and runs come in! Now is a perfect time to plan an activity for your council. There are many ways to create a buzz with your event and hopefully begin an annual tradition such as Detroit Council's golf tournament. Establish a clear purpose for your event to attract interested participants by using free advertising channels through social media and by putting up signs throughout the community.

As part of my responsibilities in overseeing the Royal Arcanum Home Office and insurance operations, I'm always focused on building towards the future. We continue to move forward with several initiatives to operate in the most efficient manner, provide products that benefit our members and potential members in the marketplace, as well as to compete in the marketplace side to earn increased insurance production from our distribution channels. It's vital that we continue creating new ways to get current and potential members involved. Make additional efforts to organize the next event that can grow your council membership. It could be partnering with another non-profit to build an event, or establishing a partnership collectively, as well as challenging members to find that next leader in your council. You may know of potential fraternal members in another organization, community group or even college. It sometimes takes being uncomfortable to achieve great new beginnings.

Be sure to submit your reservations for the 106th Supreme Council Session in Baltimore, MD from July 28th through July 31st. The reservation form and event information can be found in this Bulletin. I also recommend submitting your nomination for office to our Chairperson, Cindy Macon [cajmacon@aol.com], ahead of the June 20th deadline. Don't miss it!

We welcome our councils and members to share news of their events and charitable projects for inclusion in the Bulletin, and for posting on the RA website and Facebook page. From now until November 30th, all submissions will be

entered into a random drawing that will take place in December for a holiday gift donation to the charity of the member or council's choice.

I suggest contacting a family member or friend that you haven't spoken with in a while or someone who may be going through a personal or health issue.

Reaching out can make a difference in that person's day, as well as provide a possible opportunity to get them involved with the Royal Arcanum family.

It's important to remember to review your insurance coverages to ensure your contact information and your beneficiaries are up to date. If you want to update any information, there is a 'Forms' section on our website that contains many of our member service forms.

<https://www.royalarcanum.com/forms.html>

The Home Office continues to operate Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. EDT. Should you have any questions or concerns, we ask you to call the office (888)-272-2686 or e-mail info@royalarcanum.com.

Sincerely,



Nicholas G. Benoit
Chief Operations Officer
nbenoit@royalarcanum.com



NEW JERSEY SUPPORTS SHELTERS



Part of the café donation for the shelters

Grand Regent Richard Macon, FIC invited the New Jersey members to participate in a Lenten project for the benefit of the homeless and transitional shelters in Hudson and Bergen counties. Since a winter chill lingered over much of state into the month of March, warm beverages continued to be in need at facilities that serve the hungry and homeless.

A large assortment of coffees, teas, cocoas, and sweeteners, plus cookies and cereal bars were contributed by the members. Since Easter was just 'round the corner, chocolate eggs and other treats were sent along, too.

New and gently used clothing articles were also donated as part of the Buddy Project. Together with members in Pennsylvania, New York, and California, the fraternalists plan to continue their efforts for the shelters and prepare more parcels for delivery in the coming weeks.



Deputy Supreme Regent Gen Macon and Grand Regent Richard Macon with one of the trays of Easter candies for the shelter project

FLORIDA DONATES FOR CHILDREN

The Grand Council of Florida recently made a donation to the Saint Lucie West Lions Club Foundation. The purpose of the donation was to aid funding eye needs of underserved children.

Diane Calain, Acting Grand Regent of Florida and Life Member of the Supreme Council presented the donation to Geoff Wade, Treasurer of Saint Lucie West Lions Club. Diane also serves as



Vice President of the Lions Club. Ruth Rupnik, a member of the Supreme Council Junior Committee and a Grand Council officer was unable to attend the presentation.

Submitted by Diane Calain

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT NEWS AND VIEWS

We have come a long way considering that this June, the Royal Arcanum will celebrate its 147th year of dedicated service to our members.

As a family fraternal society, one of the many benefits that we offer is to provide our Juniors with educational help by having them apply for our scholarships that are available to all eligible members. Every year, the Royal Arcanum awards close to \$60,000 in scholarships and grants. We are hopeful that all who applied this year will receive some financial assistance. We will announce this year's winners at the end of May and the Home Office in Boston will notify the recipients by phone or email. The judge of the program is a third-party judge and is not affiliated with Royal Arcanum.

Another program that the Junior Department launched in 2022 is the YOUTH OF THE YEAR AWARD to recognize the volunteerism of our Juniors in their councils and communities. Getting involved in good causes may seem like quite the time commitment, but even the busiest individuals can make time to volunteer in their communities through charitable acts. There is always time for helping others when you do it with love, and especially if it is done with friends and family members. Share your stories of good deeds with us. The winner will receive a \$300 check and will be featured in a Royal Arcanum Bulletin. You can

find the application form with rules and regulations on our website and in this Spring Bulletin.

The Royal Arcanum will conduct its 106th Supreme Council Session in Baltimore, Maryland, from Sunday, July 28th, 2024, through Wednesday, July 31st, 2024. I hope many of our Juniors will join us with their parents and grandparents for a memorable time and lots of fun.

I wish all of our members a wonderful Mother's Day.

As Memorial Day approaches, I salute and honor all of our men and women who serve and fight to protect our freedom. May all be safe.

Sincerely in V.M.C.,



Errica Conforto
Junior Director



Junior Department
Director
Errica Conforto



JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

Youth of the Year Award Program



The Royal Arcanum announces a great program for 2024 to recognize the volunteerism of our Junior members in their council and community as they continue the Society's fraternal mission of service. Members are encouraged to nominate a Royal Arcanum Junior member for the award.

A recipient may receive the award **once** when eligible in each category.

The award will be made to one recipient in each of the (2) categories---

Category #1: Ages 12 - 14 Category #2: Ages 15 - 17

Nomination for the award may be made by any Royal Arcanum member in good standing; a member may nominate one Junior per category per year.

Nominee must be a Royal Arcanum Junior member for at least (2) years.

Volunteer work, service projects, community activity, etc. performed during the calendar year of 2024 **ONLY** will be evaluated.

A photo of the nominee should be included with the nomination. Age category is based at the time application is received at the Royal Arcanum Office.

Completed nominations must be postmarked no later than November 30, 2024.

An independent panel of judges will determine the winners. Decisions are final.

Winners will receive a \$300 award check and will be featured in the Royal Arcanum BULLETIN.



2024 YOUTH VOLUNTEER AWARD APPLICATION

Please print or type

Royal Arcanum Junior's Name: _____ Council: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address:

City/State-Province/Zip:

Civic (non-school) Activities*:

Royal Arcanum/Council Activities*: _____

***Information can be submitted on a separate sheet of paper. Please type or print.**

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**THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED BY ROYAL ARCANUM MEMBER
MAKING JUNIOR NOMINATION**

Royal Arcanum Member Signature

Royal Arcanum Member Name (please print)

Phone #: _____

Council: _____

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+Send completed application/information and photo to:

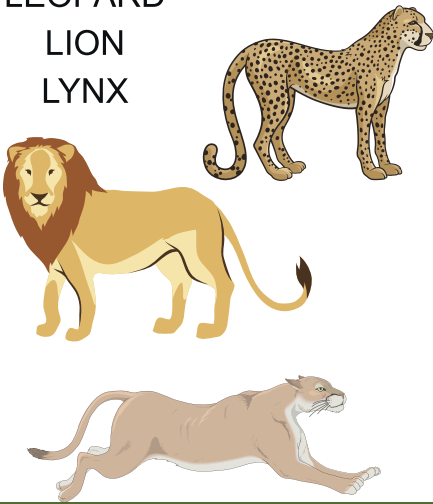
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Errica Conforto, Junior Director
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JUNIOR CONTEST RULES

Our rules provide that a Junior can win only one prize per issue of the Bulletin. Members from the same family can submit answers to same puzzles in order to win. Puzzle entrants are restricted to Juniors no older than 17 years 11 months. All entries must be received prior to distribution of the next Bulletin.

All Junior entrants can earn a \$10.00 gift certificate award from Amazon.com!



Junior Must Submit:

Name _____

Age _____

Council _____

Email Address _____

PLEASE SEND ALL ANSWERS TO:
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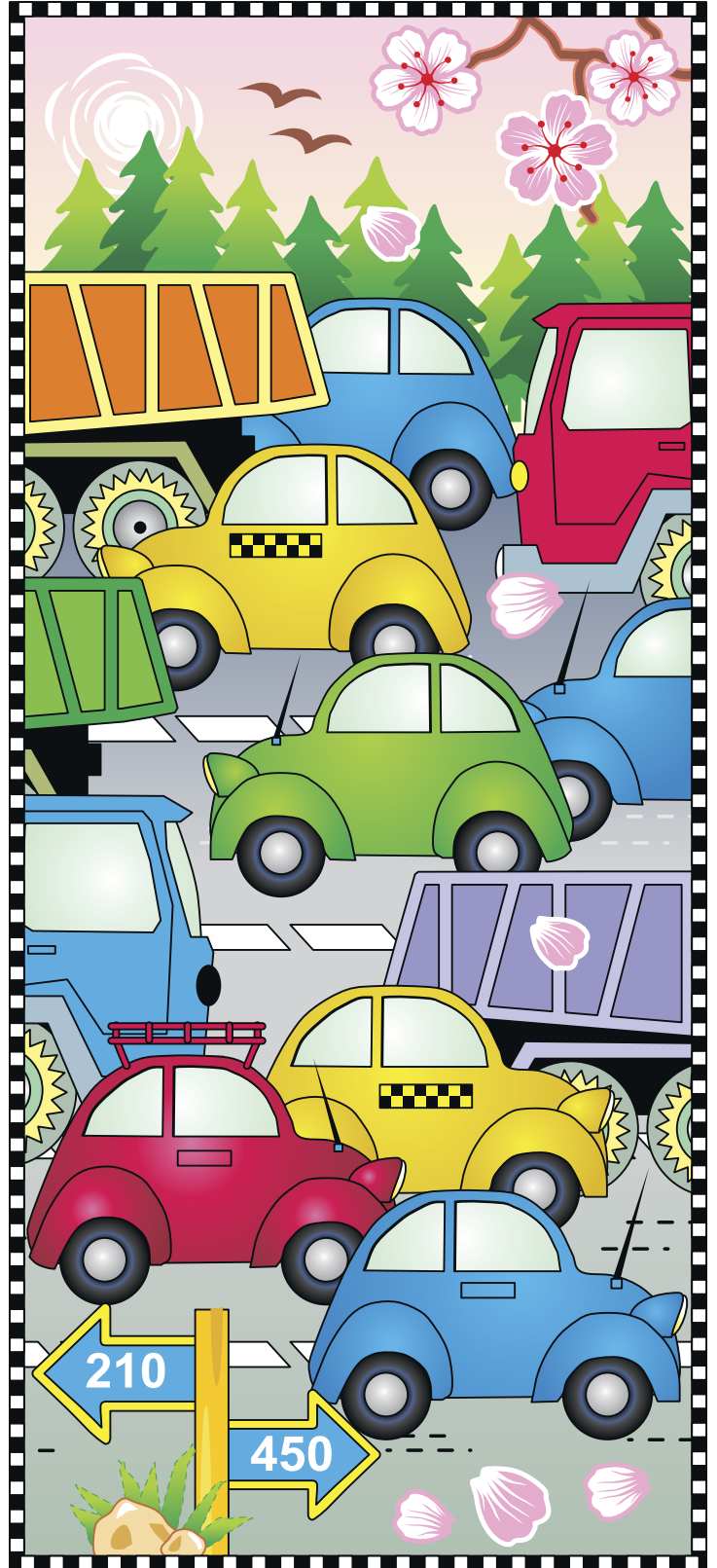
SPRING MAZE

The flowers are starting to bloom and honey production is underway. Help the bees make their way back to the hive so they can do their thing.



SPOT 10 DIFFERENCES

Traffic seems to be getting worse as the weather gets warmer. Spend your time in your car spotting the ten differences between the two pictures.







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Arrangements for members to extend their hotel stay in Baltimore (if rooms are available) can be made for an additional charge.

Arrival date _____ Departure Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

IMPORTANT: Names and home addresses of ALL individuals must be supplied. Guest rooms will be available after 3 pm on Sunday, July 28, 2024. Departures will be on Wednesday, July 31, 2024.

**A Deposit of \$50.00 per person (Adults and Juniors),
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A WORD FROM THE SUPREME SECRETARY

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

The weather is getting warmer, birds are coming back, and soon the trees will be green again. We cannot forget about spring clean-up, both inside the house and outdoors. While it may sound like a lot of work, it can be fun. I know everyone is saying, “You’re crazy” and you are correct!

Our family refreshed the small flower island in front of the house by filling it with mulch and about 10 gnomes and flowers and then added a small wooden fence to go around the entire island. Spring brings rebirth to everything around us, along with a calming sense that is important with our busy lives. After a hectic day it’s nice to have somewhere you can go to unwind



takes to spread the word about the Royal Arcanum. They were very interested in the idea that we were a Fraternal Society and wanted to know what that actually meant. Then came the history lesson, which I love to explain!

As the weather improves, we’ll probably get out more and will have the chance to spread the word of the Royal Arcanum and the wonderful work we do to help others. Whether it’s a small gathering or sitting with a friend over a cup of coffee, mention that you belong to a wonderful society that does charitable work and you’ll see how quickly they become interested. It would be helpful to have the Home Office number handy so they can call.



The Spring clean up at the Basa household



Making room for a future flag pole

and recharge, like the local park, the lake, or beach if you live near the water. In our case the backyard works just fine.

As the weather warms up, we have the opportunity as Royal Arcanians to enrich the lives of others in our community through our charitable works. These works can be as simple as a local clothing or food drive, helping in a food pantry, or stopping by a local shelter. It can even be smiling at someone else. Any act of kindness can and probably will brighten up someone’s day.

Another way to help someone is by telling them about the Royal Arcanum. Recently I was talking to someone about the Royal Arcanum, and they asked, “What is the Royal Arcanum?” So, I explained what we do to help others in our community in different ways. That’s all it

The definition of the word “Arcanum” is “secrets or mysteries” but we don’t want to keep our great society (with its 147-year history) a secret. We should bring the Royal Arcanum up every chance we can. Remember that we want to bring the Royal Arcanum **Into the Future**. We need your help to spread the word about its products, benefits, and charitable deeds to have our organization continue to grow and succeed **Into the Future**.

Yours in V.M.C.,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Basa". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Tony Basa
Supreme Secretary

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