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St. Johns/ Artisans Christmas Party



St. Johns Halloween Party



MEMA trip to Gettysburg

Winter Issue

VOICE OF THE GAVEL

Hello Brother and Sister Artisans;

I can not believe that this will be my last letter as your Most Excellent Master Artisan. The six years I served in the Chairs has flown by so quickly. I was very fortunate to have the support of St. John's Assembly and it's membership, their help made my job so much easier.

I especially want to thank my wife Barbara and our daughter Kylie for all their love and support as I ran through the Most Excellent Chairs. My entire family has always been active in the Artisans and everyone has enjoyed attending all of the trips and activities throughout the years.

As I finish my term I am proud to announce that the Artisans have ended the year on a positive note on both the business and fraternal ends of our Society. We have shown a great improvement in our finances with the operational end of the business showing the best profits in the last twenty years. On the fraternal end there are more trips and activities trips being run throughout the year and this has led to some of our Assemblies seeing an increase in their monthly attendance. Our social media blitz has been paying off with many of our older members re-connecting with the Artisans through our Facebook page and the new website.

I again want to thank everyone for giving me the chance to serve as your Most Excellent Master Artisan.



Fraternally,

Patrick Ennis

Most Excellent Master Artisan

SUBMIT YOUR ARTICLES AND PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE ARTISAN

Do you have an event planned, some news to report, or any other interesting bit of information that the membership might find interesting? Submit your articles and photographs to *The Artisan*!

All articles for publication in *The Artisan* must be submitted

in Microsoft Word or Word Perfect electronic format.

All articles may be edited. Articles should briefly explain the "Who, What, When and Where."

Write your articles for the general membership who may not be familiar with your assembly, association or members. Readers will be most interested in major events, unusual events, ideas or other interesting information.

Material being sent for consideration for *THE ARTISAN* should be packaged (to protect photographs) and mailed to: Artisans Order of Mutual Protection, 8100 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19152, attention: *THE ARTISAN*. The copy deadlines are December 15 for the Winter Issue, March 15 for the Spring Issue, June 15 for the Summer Issue and September 15 for the Fall Issue. The Artisans cannot assume any liability for the safe receipt of any materials submitted.

The St Johns/Artisans Christmas Party

With 165 Artisans in attendance the annual St. Johns/Artisans Christmas party was a huge hit again this year. Harry, Aggie and Jackie did a great job in getting the door prizes. There were over 100 prizes given out throughout the evening. The Greg Albert Band was fantastic and kept the dance floor full throughout the evening. The staff of the Bensalem Country Club was top notch again, they really went out of their way to make sure that our group had a good time. Mark the date because next the Christmas party will be held on December 12th 2020.



UP-COMING EVENTS

January

Dining Club - 13th

February

Most Excellent Session 1st

Dining Club - 10th

March

Dining Club - 9th

*Share the fun, sign
up a friend today.*



M.E. SUPERINTENDENT LETTER

The Disney on Ice show, Road Trip Adventures, was very entertaining for Artisans of all ages. We had over 300 Artisans in attendance and everyone I spoke to really enjoyed the show and can't wait for the next one. Our brunch with Santa had 70 Senior and Junior Artisans in attendance this year. Santa had a bagful of presents for all the good little boy's and girl's. This upcoming year we have many great Junior activities planned for our members so keep an eye on the website and the Artisan to get more information on our many upcoming events. The Artisans have a Cub Scout Pack that meets on Monday nights at the Hall. Our Scout Troop meets on Thursday. If your son or daughter is looking for something fun to do bring them out to a Pack or Troop meeting. Scouting is a great family activity that can be a lot of fun for both the child and their parent.

Fraternally,
Barry Spindler



Children of all ages really enjoyed the visit by Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus.



Disney on Ice was a fantastic event with kids of all ages enjoying the show.



The annual St. John's Junior Halloween party was well attended and a big hit for the Junior and Senior Artisans who attended this fun filled event.



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Most Excellent Session Banquet

*Help us welcome in our new officers for 2020
while honoring the outgoing MEMA*

**Saturday, February 1, 2020
6:00pm**

Radisson Hotel

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Frateral Activities



While on our last cruise some of our St. Johns Cruisers were photographed patiently waiting for Harry as he unsuccessfully looked for Dr. Who.



Terry Ludwig was busy calling numbers at the annual GAA bingo.



Dave and Pat are shown decorating the Artisan lobby for Christmas.



The dance floor was constantly filled at the New Jersey Boosters annual Christmas party.



Most Excellent Family Visitation to the Tri-County Assembly.



The St. Johns Elves were very busy setting up the room before the annual St. Johns/Artisans Christmas Party.



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OVERVIEW

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Artisan Troop 226 and Pack 2226 at the annual Hawk Mountain Turkey/Rocket weekend.

New Unit! Pack 2226 Boys and Girls

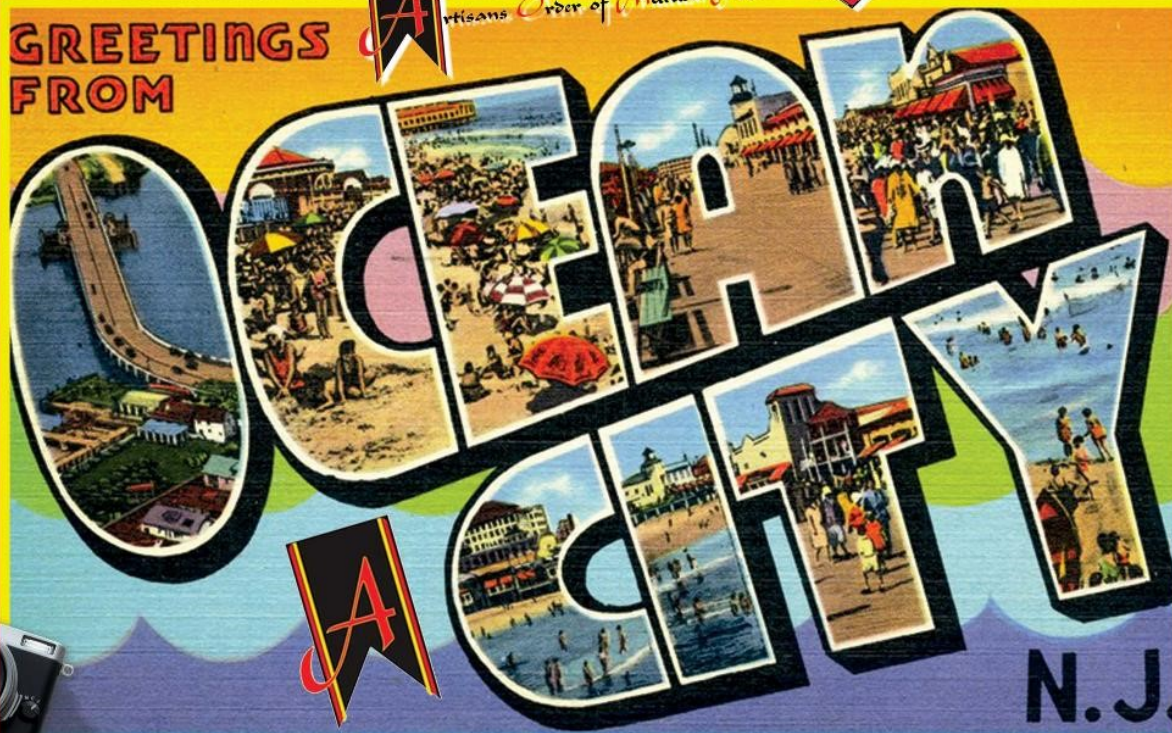
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GREETINGS
FROM



JUNE 12TH, 13TH & 14TH

THERE WILL BE A HOSPITALITY ROOM WITH SNACKS AND DRINKS
ON FRIDAY NIGHT

ON SATURDAY ENJOY THE RIDES AT PLAYLAND'S CASTAWAY COVE
(RIGHT NEXT TO THE IMPALA HOTEL)

AFTER CASTAWAY COVE THERE WILL BE FOOD, MUSIC AND FUN AROUND
THE POOL AT THE ST. JOHNS' ANNUAL POOL PARTY

FINALLY LATER THAT SAME EVENING THE MISS ARTISAN PAGEANT WILL BE
HELD AT THE MUSIC PIER ON THE BOARDWALK



Call the office for pricing and details at 215-708-1000

St. John's

Panama Canal Cruise

**14
Day**

Ship: Carnival Pride

Cruise: 14 Days to the Panama Canal

Sail Date: 1/10/2021 from Baltimore, MD

Return Date: 1/24/2021 to Baltimore, MD

Bus to and from the port of Baltimore included in the price of the cruise



CALL HARRY FLANAGAN FOR DETAILS

267-615-6846

Newsletter and photograph preservation update.



After over two years of dedicated work the first part of our archival preservation has been accomplished. Dave Szafran and Ron Davis have spent many long hours down the basement of the Artisan Hall gathering up and cataloging over 100 years of the Artisan. Dave and Ron learned many interesting facts about our fraternal during their work. Some of those interesting tidbits included the fact that our organization had Assemblies in up-state New York and down to Washington DC. or that one summer we had so many members go to Wildwood N.J., this was before we went to Ocean City for our family weekend, that the Artisans chartered an entire train, from Reading Railroad, to take our members to the shore and back. Never one to let grass grow under their feet both Ron and Dave have started going through the many thousands of old photographs that have been sitting in a file cabinet for many years. We will keep you updated on this latest project.



Frank Reed III, the son of PMEMA Frank Reed, married Angela R, DiMaria on September 20, 2019 at the Northampton Valley Country Club in Richboro PA. The couple enjoyed a relaxing honeymoon in St. Lucia. Both husband and wife are members of Tri-County #17.



Congratulations to 7 year old C.J. Szafran, grandson of Dave and Helen Szafran, who took home three medals in cross country at the National Meet held in Shelbyville Indiana this past November. C.J. will compete this summer in the Junior Olympics games that will be held in Hershey PA.



Most Excellent Family visitation to Haddon Assembly



Most Excellent Family visitation to St. John's #28



Our members were treated to a fantastic display of artifacts and a lecture by a historian at the hospitality room in Gettysburg.



During the New England/Canadian cruise some of the St. Johns cruiser took a schooner cruise in the Casco bay.



Bryan Werner was being presented with a plaque from the Philadelphia Fraternal Alliance for his work as their past president.



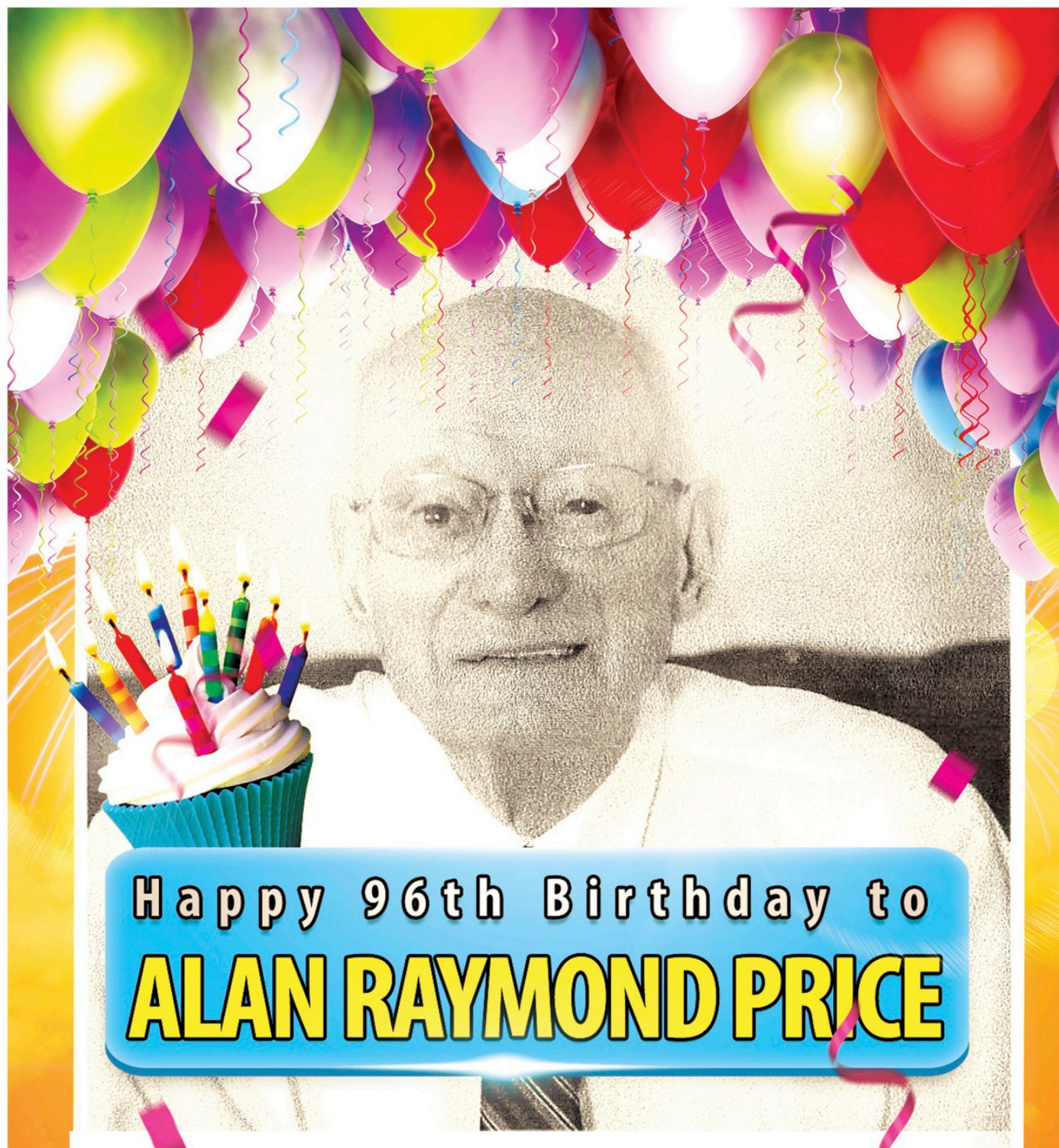
Jackie, Aggie and Harry are shown decorating the main hall for brunch with Santa Claus.



Tom DiLauro doing another great job as master of ceremonies at the annual New Jersey Boosters Christmas party.



The officers of the Golden Artisans are shown at their annual Christmas party at the Cottage Green in Philadelphia.



Happy 96th Birthday to
ALAN RAYMOND PRICE