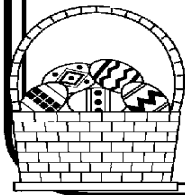


APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Richard Gileau
- Robert St. Pierre
- 11 Ronald Nadeau
- 18 Lucien Beaumier
- Denise Harned
- 21 Rene Sevigny
- 26 Steven Bertrand
- 28 Richard Doucette, Jr.
- 30 Romeo Dube, Jr.



UPCOMING MEETING

Rene Sevigny has arranged for a Ms. Tammy Linteau to be our guest speaker. She is with the Sunrise Assisted Living facility in West Hartford. She, being a person of French lineage, looks forward to addressing our group. She will bring us up to date on assisted living issues of today. Since many of you (I left me out on purpose) plan to avail yourselves of this service, an update is prudent.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| May 14, 2007 | Annual Meeting |
| June 10, 2007 | Family Picnic |
| October, 2007 | Family Night |
| December 2, 2007 | Christmas Party |



HEARD ABOUT TOWN

I am repeating this notice to remind everyone, that Ron Dube has been working to update the Franam web-site. He has even given each of us an email capability on the site. So take a long look at franam.org to see what you're missing.

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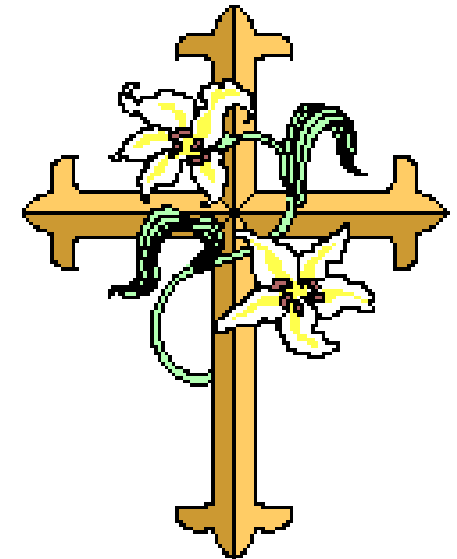
6:30 P.M.
April 9, 2007

Location
Elaine's Restaurant
1841 Berlin Turnpike
Wethersfield, CT

Menu
Chicken Cordon Bleu or
Baked Scrod w/rice pilaf

Dress Code
Business Attire

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Sunrise Assisted Living



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AT THE LAST MEETING

Bob Houle opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. He then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Followed by, Rich Gileau leading us in a prayer before dinner. Bob was filling in for both Ron Dube and Paul Labbe, since neither was able to attend the meeting. There were 12 members, 1 guest and 1 guest speaker present. The Scholarship Raffle which was held netted \$100.00. The winners of the Scholarship Raffle were Conrad Guerrette \$15, Robert Bouvier \$10 and Conrad Guerrette again \$10. All of these fine gentlemen donated their winnings back to the Scholarship Fund. The Pot-O-Gold was drawn and Rene Sevigny would have won \$10, had he been present!

Our guest speaker from St. Francis Hospital Home Care and Hospice was Ms. Laura Holzhauer. Rich Gileau introduced her and explained that she was a registered nurse who had moved onto Home Care and Hospice. Hospice started in the 1960's in London. It's purpose was to improve one's remaining quality of life when death is anticipated in 6 months or less, plus allowing death with dignity. No further tests, hospitalization, chemotherapy or treatment given or allowed. The sole exception being pain medication for the comfort of the patient. Congress mandated Medicare coverage for Hospice in 1986. Hospice strives to meet all of the patient's needs: physical, emotional, social, spiritual, as well as the needs of the family. To qualify for Hospice the patient must be aware of their situation. Ms. Holzhauer felt that truth should be stressed so the patient can prepare and finalize their business, friendships and family affairs. It is a time of preparation to meet death on the patient's terms. Being given at home requires continuous care 24/7. This can lead to the caregiver being overwhelmed. Respite is available for temporary relief of the caregiver's duties. Many times when the situation demands, the last two weeks are spent as an inpatient at a nursing home or hospital. The "team" providing Hospice can be altered to meet the patient's needs, such as a high schooler ironing clothes for a person who has a strong emotional desire to

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always be properly attired. The aim of the Hospice "team" is to provide any support they possibly can for the patient, friends and family. From the practical point of view, once one is in Hospice, the rules for full payment of many items are less stringent than regular Medicare. Therefore, many items not fully covered are now paid in full.

NO DUES INCREASE

While the club still manages to just get by financially, the Board felt a dues increase was not required at this time. Should our finances need shoring up this coming year, adjustments to meeting costs will be used to offset the shortfall. Thank you for your continuing support, which will assure continued quality in our organization. This year's dues invoice is included in this mailing.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Roland Houle and Romeo Dube head up this year's nominating committee. They will try to make certain that anyone proposed to serve as an Officer or Board Member is willing to perform the duties required. This helps to keep the process working smoothly. So if you have been a member in good standing for at least one year, you are eligible to serve. Let either Roland or Romeo know of your interest and they will put your name on the ballot. Bear in mind this is your club, therefore you need to support it!

JUNE PICNIC

It's not that far away! A Franam Picnic is really quite special. So don't forget June 10 starting at 11:30 AM. The same facility as last year, Lion's Club in Unionville



CHRISTMAS PARTY

While you are marking the June Picnic on your calendar, you might as well do Christmas, December 2, 2007. **This year we are moving to Georgina's Restaurant, 299 Boston Turnpike (Rtes 6 & 44), Bolton.** They are located very close to the end of I-384. The event is being held from 5:00PM to 10:00PM on a Sunday. This helps many people with conflicts to attend our event. There we will hold our traditional party, but in a new location. Merry Christmas!

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