



The



FRANAMIAN

Official Newsletter of Franam, Inc
 1st Annual Continuity Since 1939

JANUARY 2009

VOLUME 67, NUMBER 10

GENERAL DINNER MEETING

**5:30 P.M.
 January 12, 2009**

Location
**McAuley of West Hartford
 275 Steele Road
 West Hartford, CT**

Menu
Sliced Sirloin

Dress Code
Business Attire

Program
**McAuley Presentation
 William Fiocchetta
 President**



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



23 Clement Nadeau

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 11, 2009 Annual Meeting

**FRANAM, INC.
 30 CLARK STREET
 E. HARTFORD, CT 06108**

«FIRSTNAME» «LASTNAME»
 «STREET»
 «TOWN», «STATE» «ZIPCODE»

FIRST CLASS POSTAGE

THE FRANAMIAN

Office of the Secretary
116 Jessica Drive, East Hartford, CT 06118

2008-2009 OFFICERS

President C.J. Picard	563-3827
Vice President Roland Houle	569-8473
Secretary Rita Houle	569-8473
Treasurer Romeo Dube, Jr.	646-1326

BOARD of GOVERNORS

Steve Bertrand	Norman Bolduc
Raymond Dargie	Richard Gileau
Robert St. Pierre	

CHEERS COMMITTEE

Romeo Dube, Jr.	860-646-1326
-----------------	--------------

FRANAMIAN EDITOR

Norman Bolduc	860-643-2072
---------------	--------------

233 Carter Street, Manchester, CT 06040
Email: nbolduc@cox.net

WEBSITE EDITOR

Ron Dube	860-622-8469
----------	--------------

AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING

President CJ Picard opened the meeting and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Richard Gileau offered the prayer before the meal.

The Scholarship Raffle winners won a turkey apiece and were Ray Houle, Conrad Guerette and R. Houle. The Pot-O-Gold spilled out the name of Paul Bertrand, who won \$10 for being present.

Steve Bertrand arranged for Dave Ljungquist from CT Clean Energy to be our guest speaker. He started with the new thin skin

solar panels as the latest innovation to save electricity. Where Steve Bertrand works they get 1/3 of their electricity needs from these new solar panels. That amounts to 73KWH. Another reason to use these panels is the government subsidy to help defray the cost of installing this solar system. The cons are low efficiency, a bit expensive to install, no electricity generated at night or less on cloudy days, and panel efficiency decreases as temperature rises. Yet since 50% of the energy in the US is consumed by buildings, this solar power as it continues to develop should prove more and more viable. For more information there is a website to consult www.ctcleanenergy.com.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY !!!

Once again the Christmas Party was held at Georgina's Restaurant, but on a Saturday evening. The party reached the height of 82 persons. A fine turn out to match a fine party. The meals were served on time and proved to be exceptional. Smiles, jokes and hugs were traded and enjoyed by all. The Scholarship Raffle also reached a new height of \$801.00. The joy of many good Franam friends partying together was obvious. The time went sliding by too quickly, even though the party went past 11:00 PM. Franam members and our guests were all the merrier for having spent time together with close friends during a blessed time of the year.

THE FRANAMIAN

UPCOMING MEETING NEW LOCATION!

Franam is going on a field trip this month. Gerard Barrieau is sponsoring our group at the lovely community he lives in. So let's take advantage of his invitation and go visit him. Do not wander over to Elaine's Restaurant, instead look at the map on the next page and drive to the following location:

McAuley Of West Hartford
275 Steele Road
West Hartford, CT

Park in the Upper Parking Lot and go to Building A (First Bldg)

NEW MEMBER

At the November meeting we gained a new member. His father was also a member of Franam, serving as the Secretary from 1954-1959. It is always heart warming to see a son of a former member join the organization. Dave was born in Hartford and has two daughters. Roland Houle that night read "What Is Franam" as is customary on such an occasion. Please be sure to welcome him into Franam.

Dave Grenier
Wife Crystal
Owner of Elite Cabinets
15 Darmouth Place
Newington, CT 06111
Home 666-2792
Work 243-3787 ext 12