



*American Legion Lithuanian Post 154  
For God and Country*



# Legionnaire

November & December 2007

## Commander's Message

The festive season is upon us once again. In the hustle and bustle of planning, shopping and enjoying our good fortune, let us be grateful for our good fortune and share it where we can.

## Installation

Lithuanian Post 154 Installation of officers for 2008 took place on Sunday, September 16, 2007 at Lithuanian Hall. Past Department Commander Elbert D. White installed nine of our eleven elected officers for 2007-2008. Commander John Maskavich was installed for his fourth consecutive year and fifth overall as Commander of Lithuanian Post 154.

Every year we recognize and present awards to members of our community. Community awards were presented to Teacher Joana Vaiciulaitis-Buivys, Police Officer Stephen Wilson and Firefighter Lieutenant Gilbert Brooks. A scholastic award was presented to Emilie Mosier from Linthicum Elementary and a special award was presented to Vincent Dulys by Commander John Maskavich. We also took the opportunity to present a donation to Monsignor Bastress for the St. Alphonsus Church restoration fund. Monsignor Bastress has been very supportive of our American Legion Post, participating in our Installations, our annual Back to God Mass every



**Lithuanian Post 154 officers for 2008. From left, back row; Joseph Astasauskas, Joseph Jankevicius, Vitas Siaurusaitis, Henry Gaidis, John Maskavich, Fred Kaminski, Gintaras Buivys, Vaclovas Laukaitis and Vincent Dulys. Guests in front: Department officers Michael Mooney, Butch Haggard and Ed White. Monsignor Bastress, pastor of St. Alphonsus Church, is seated at right.**



**Memorial Service — From left, Vaclovas Laukaitis, Henry Gaidis, Monsignor Bastress, Fred Kaminski, Vincent Dulys, Joseph Astasauskas, Joseph Siaurusaitis.**



**The great cooks who prepared our delicious meal - Rasa Malingiene, Nomedra Silgailis, Aldona Buda and Gibriela Silgailis.**



**From left, Legionnaires Henry Gaidis, John Maskavich and Vaclovas Laukaitis with guests from Lithuanian Embassy Defense Attaché Office: Col. Romualdas Petkevicius and Lt. Col. Egidijus Armalys.**

November, and the Baltimore District Four Chaplains Service in February that involves the Balladiers from Parkville Post 183. We had a large turnout with quite a few guests from Department including Department Commander Butch Haggard; and also, guests from the Lithuanian Embassy. We received many

positive comments from our guests about our program. In order to have a successful Installation Program there are many volunteers who put forth that extra effort to make this a special event. I would like to thank Henry Gaidis for displaying the historical memorabilia; Joe Jankevicius for setting up the video and filming during the Installation; Gintaras

Buivys for the music and all the extra special apparatus supplied and wired up; Aldona Buda with all of her volunteers for the catering; Vytautas Dulys, Dave Gorrell, Cas Uleckas and Mike Goff who not only tended the bar, but donated their gratuities to Multiple Sclerosis and Children's Miracle Network; Mark Zaruba who has been our bugler, playing TAPS, in our Memorial Service; all the Post members who took part in our POW / MIA Ceremony and Memorial Service; and everyone who helped set up and clean up. Once again a sincere thank you to everyone for a job well done.

Installation Chairman,  
Vincent T. Dulys

## Membership

The new Fiscal Year 2008 is now upon us and our renewal membership is coming in steadily.

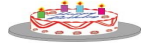
Department's goal is to reach 50% paid membership by September. We met that goal with over 88%. Needless to say, the last 12% come in a lot slower. We still need to add a few more new faces to replace the six comrades we lost during the past year. We have gained two new members so far this fiscal year, Algimantas Siugza from North Point, Florida and Toivo Tagamets from Chevy Chase, Maryland. Our records show 9 who have not yet submitted their dues for fiscal year 2008. If by December 31, 2007 we can get the unpaid members plus two new members via new or transfers, we would reach Department level 3-star status and give a well deserved recognition salute to our Post and Commander John Maskavich who is taking on his fourth consecutive year and fifth overall as Commander of Lithuanian Post 154. Post records indicate that as of October 27, 2007, renewal dues for fiscal year 2008 have not yet been received from members whose membership cards bear one of the following membership numbers.

### Membership #

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200694672  
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202742882

I thank each of you who has already sent in your renewal for fiscal year 2008. Each renewal received brings the Post one step closer to reaching coveted 3-star status (membership equal to last year). If your card does not have "2008" on top, you have not paid your current Fiscal Year 2008 dues. Fiscal Year 2008 started July 01, 2007 and ends June 30, 2008 and your card is honored through December 31, 2008. If your card has "2007" at the top your membership is current only through December 31, 2007. If you have any questions about your membership status please e-mail me or leave me a message on my home phone. Vincentas@juno.com / 410-987-5275.

## Happy Birthday



### November

Joseph Astauskas  
Edward Bistriski  
Algirdas Brasauskas  
Edward Budelis  
Robert Burr  
Wayne Callahan  
Edward Daniels  
David Gorrell  
Robert Mellendick  
Walter Schmidbauer

### December

John Antoniak  
Balys Brasauskas  
Boniface Brazaitis  
John Keydash  
Vaclovas Laukaitis  
John Maskavich  
Paul Salvetti  
Richard Seymour  
Egidius Zilionis

## Children's Christmas Party

The annual Lithuanian Post 154 sponsored Children's Christmas Party will be held at Lithuanian Hall on Sunday, December 16th from 1:00 to 3:30 PM.

Volunteers from Lithuanian Hall will coordinate activities to keep the Children busy before Santa Claus arrives. Santa's exact arrival time is not known since Santa makes many stops and the traffic is quite heavy during December. The Post will provide juice refreshments and cookies for the Children. In order to provide a stocking for all the Children, we need to get an accurate count of anyone bringing their children, grandchildren, etc. to the party (recommended ages are under 11 years old). We need to

know the gender and age of every child so we can be certain Santa brings enough appropriate stockings. It is essential that you RSVP to one of the Post Officers listed in this newsletter or send an e-mail to [Post154@Lietuvis.net](mailto:Post154@Lietuvis.net) by Friday, December 7th.

Non Legionnaires in the community should contact Birute Cikotiene, Lithuanian Hall Manager at 410-925-4559 with count of children attending.

## Sick Call



Edmond Bartas  
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Randallstown, MD 21133

## American Legion / Sears Commercial Sales Program

Great news! The American Legion has added a new benefit program with Sears Commercial Sales. The program allows American Legion members to purchase appliances from the Sears Commercial Sales Department. You can get savings purchasing appliances and other major products such as Craftsman® Garage Storage, Sealy® and Sears-O-Pedic® Mattresses, NordicTrack® Exercise Equipment, Craftsman® Lawn Tractors, Kenmore® Outdoor Grills, Televisions and more! Program and pricing is only available through Sears Commercial Sales.

To make your selections and purchase call or visit an Appliance Select Center closest to you. Refer to Employee Purchase Account # CU-067849 when you call.

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Gaithersburg, MD 20877-4038 (240) 599-1360

Sears Commercial (inside Sears Retail)  
7900 Ritchie Highway  
Glen Burnie, MD 21061 (410) 590-2330

Sears Commercial (inside Sears Retail)  
11170 Mall Circle  
Waldorf, MD 20603 (301) 870-6650

Call Bill Gillette of Sears Commercial Sales (214) 687-8758 or send him an E-mail at [wgill03@searshc.com](mailto:wgill03@searshc.com) if you have any questions about the program.

## A Soldier's Christmas By Michael Marks

The embers glowed softly, and in their dim light,  
I gazed round the room and I cherished the sight.  
My wife was asleep, her head on my chest,  
my daughter beside me, angelic in rest.

Outside the snow fell, a blanket of white,  
Transforming the yard to a winter delight.  
The sparkling lights in the tree, I believe,  
Completed the magic that was Christmas Eve.

My eyelids were heavy, my breathing was deep,  
Secure and surrounded by love I would sleep  
in perfect contentment, or so it would seem.  
So I slumbered, perhaps I started to dream.

The sound wasn't loud, and it wasn't too near,  
But I opened my eye when it tickled my ear.  
Perhaps just a cough, I didn't quite know,  
Then the sure sound of footsteps outside in the snow.

My soul gave a tremble, I struggled to hear,  
and I crept to the door just to see who was near.  
Standing out in the cold and the dark of the night,  
A lone figure stood, his face weary and tight.

A soldier, I puzzled, some twenty years old  
Perhaps a Marine, huddled here in the cold.  
Alone in the dark, he looked up and smiled,  
Standing watch over me, and my wife and my child.

"What are you doing?" I asked without fear  
"Come in this moment, it's freezing out here!  
Put down your pack, brush the snow from your sleeve,  
You should be at home on a cold Christmas Eve!"

For barely a moment I saw his eyes shift,  
away from the cold and the snow blown in drifts,  
to the window that danced with a warm fire's light  
then he sighed and he said "It's really all right,  
I'm out here by choice. I'm here every night"

"Its my duty to stand at the front of the line,  
that separates you from the darkest of times.  
No one had to ask or beg or implore me,  
I'm proud to stand here like my fathers before me.

My Gramps died at 'Pearl on a day in December,"  
then he sighed, "That's a Christmas 'Gram always remembers."  
My dad stood his watch in the jungles of 'Nam  
And now it is my turn and so, here I am.

I've not seen my own son in more than a while,  
But my wife sends me pictures, he's sure got her smile.  
Then he bent and he carefully pulled from his bag,  
The red white and blue... an American flag.



SFC William Cherneski

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Lance Corporal William Dillon III  
HML / A269 ORD  
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Two members of Lithuanian Post 154 are serving in Iraq. Sergeant William Cherneski and Lance Corporal William F. Dillon III. They have volunteered to risk their lives to keep us safe. Don't forget to pray for their safe return to their families and to us. Send them a note during the Holidays.

"I can live through the cold and the being alone,  
Away from my family, my house and my home,  
I can stand at my post through the rain and the sleet,  
I can sleep in a foxhole with little to eat,  
I can carry the weight of killing another  
or lay down my life with my sisters and brothers  
who stand at the front against any and all,  
to insure for all time that this flag will not fall."

"So go back inside," he said, "harbor no fright  
Your family is waiting and I'll be all right."  
"But isn't there something I can do, at the least,  
"Give you money," I asked, "or prepare you a feast?  
It seems all too little for all that you've done,  
For being away from your wife and your son."

Then his eye welled a tear that held no regret,  
"Just tell us you love us, and never forget  
To fight for our rights back at home while we're gone.  
To stand your own watch, no matter how long.

For when we come home, either standing or dead,  
to know you remember we fought and we bled  
is payment enough, and with that we will trust.  
That we mattered to you as you mattered to us."

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Author's Note: A Soldier's Christmas was the first in this series of patriotic writings, drafted on Pearl Harbor Day 2000 when in the wake of the 2000 Presidential Election our nation saw the right of US Armed Forces personnel openly questioned and debated. I felt it unconscionable that at the onset of the Christmas season, those serving to defend our nation would hear anything but our love and support. It is our challenge to stand for their rights at home while they stand for our lives and safety overseas. This poem went out and quickly spread around the world in emails, letters, magazines. I received letters from Marines in Bosnia, soldiers in Okinawa, from a submariner who xeroxed a copy for everyone on his sub. Moms wrote, dads, brothers and sisters. I have saved and cherish every letter and set out to continue writing throughout the year.

## Lithuanian Hero of The Forgotten War by Henry L. Gaidis

The Korean War fought from 1950 to 1953 is frequently called our Forgotten War largely because it was overshadowed by World War II and the Vietnam War. Still for those who fought in the conflict it was every bit as bloody and hard fought as any war before or since. This historic small peaceful nation had been occupied by the Japanese and was divided at the end of World War II. The division of Korea with a Communist dictatorship in the north and a fledgling democracy in the south would soon become the first battle field of the Cold War. The war commenced in the early hours of June 25, 1950, when troops of North Korea crossed the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel dividing the two nations. This war was not an exclusive American-Korean fight, but involved a combined United Nations effort with troops provided by Australia, Belgium, Canada, Columbia, Denmark, Ethiopia, France, Great Britain, Greece, Holland, India, Italy, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, South Africa, Sweden, Thailand, and Turkey. In turn, the North Koreans were supplied and assisted with troops from China and the Soviet Union. Though Lithuania is not listed among the countries providing soldiers to this conflict, hundreds of Lithuanian-Americans took part in this epic struggle. I doubt that more than a few among us are aware that many single Lithuanian males in the German Displaced Persons Camps were allowed to migrate to the United States after having enlisted and fighting in the Korean War. It was from such camps that America obtained some of its most dedicated warriors. These young men who had fled their homeland in the advance of Russian tanks fully realized the great threat that Communism posed to the world. The number of these aging warriors is decreasing daily, but many of these heroes still live among us and never talk of their past glories. If your grandfather, father, uncle, or neighbor is one of these forgotten heroes, take the opportunity now to thank them for their service.

History documents that the war featured some of the most intense fighting and worst weather and geographic conditions ever encountered by troops on a battlefield. Before the three years of fighting ceased, some 37,000 Americans lost their lives. This three year struggle produced a significantly higher annual casualty ratio than the 58,000 Americans lost during ten years fighting in Vietnam. Before fighting ceased the members of the United Nations forces underwent severe trials and tribulations. The small American force assigned to Korea during the surprise attack that commenced the war suffered a series of humiliating defeats before being able to stop the enemy onslaught. Though the brilliant landing of American troops under the command of General Douglas MacArthur at Inchon took the struggle into North Korea, American Marines had to show true grit in their epic withdrawal from the Battle of Chosin Reservoir when surrounded by a vastly superior Chinese force that entered the war. The fighting took place from mountain to mountain throughout freezing winter conditions and stifling hot summers. In the end, an armistice was signed in 1953, between the United



**Lt. Col. Anthony Herbert**

Nations, the United States, China, and North Korea, leaving the two nations divided as they had been before the war commenced. Today North Korea's efforts to secure a nuclear weapons is just a continuation of this long ago struggle.

Many Americans who lived through these years have chosen to forget the heroic struggle of the American fighting

men in this war like many others before and since. Our educators tasked with the responsibilities of teaching political correctness, have little time to dwell upon the past glories and struggles of those who gave us the freedom we have today. Regrettably Lithuanian Americans for the most part are no different than their fellow Americans. Before you started reading this article, chances are you probably hadn't thought about the heroes of the Korean War recently. I only have a limited amount of space to devote to these heroes. As a result, I will have to limit my remarks to the recounting of the exploits of one Lithuanian American, Anthony Herbert.

Tony's grandmother was pregnant when the Arbutus Family first came to American in 1896 to work in the Pennsylvania coal fields. As frequently happened to new immigrants, their Lithuanian family name of Arbutus was changed to an American sounding name of Herbert. His father was born in Larmar, Pennsylvania, but when his grandfather became ill a year after his son's birth, the family returned to Lithuania. As his father told Tony, "so they could put his bones into dirt he knew." After his grandfather died, his grandmother married Nicholas Solkinus and the family returned to America at the turn of the century and settled in Herminie, Pennsylvania. Like many Lithuanians before him, grandfather Solkinus went to work in the coal mines. Though in America, the family always sought to continue their lives as they had known it in Lithuania. Tony's grandfather was a grizzly old miner who loved to tell stories about his youth in the old country. To supplement their income, they operated the "Solkinus Distillery" making homemade whiskey. Grandmother Solkinus was caught by revenuers and spent six months in Greensburg jail for making whiskey. Over time the family prospered and Tony's father grew to manhood, eventually marrying the daughter of one of the town's most respected English descended citizens. As a youth, Tony regularly visited with his Lithuanian grandparents who preferred to live a traditional Lithuanian peasant life. The family was typical of those living through the depression and World War II. Two of his uncles served in World War II. His brother Chuck was an infantry officer in Italy and his brother Bud was a torpedo man aboard a destroyer in the North Atlantic. Having grown up in such a proud Lithuanian American family it was no surprise that Tony and his friend Charlie Czhiেকে in 1947 found their way to a military recruiting station in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## Lithuanian Hero - continued

On the morning of May 10, 1947, Private Anthony B. Herbert arrived at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and began a long and distinguished military career. As recounted in *Soldier*, an autobiography Tony would write years later, "I recall that moment was among the happiest days of my life; the moment I stepped off that train, I knew I was on my way to my dream. I was going to be a soldier." And what a soldier, Tony would make. After basic training, Tony went on to paratrooper training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and a tour of duty at Fort Lewis, Washington with winter survival training in Alaska. He reenlisted, on February 3, 1950, in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne and was assigned to Fort Dix and Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. In June, 1950, the Korean War started and many sought ways to avoid the fight. Still for others, this was their opportunity to see combat and Tony soon wangled his way into a unit serving at the front. Learning that his old unit, C Company, 23<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Infantry Regiment from Fort Washington was going to Korea, he reported to a Replacement Depot and secured orders assigning him to the unit. He soon found himself fighting in the Toback Mountains just north of the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel pushing the North Koreans back. The American advance was later stopped on the night of November 26, 1950, when units of the Chinese Army crossed the Yalu River and entered the war. The next few days were nightmares as thousands upon thousands of Chinese soldiers pushed southward through snow and freezing ice. As Tony would later recount, "We fell back fighting and constantly regrouping as our numbers progressively decreased." Tony noted although he and his fellow soldiers were just fighting to survive, many would later be decorated for their bravery. During this epic withdrawal, Tony was attached to a Turkish unit and later with E Company of the 38<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment. Tony continued in action through that winter and into the spring. Eventually the Chinese advance was stopped and they were pushed back. After three years of bloody fighting, an armistice was agreed upon in 1953 and fighting ceased. During those three years, Tony was promoted to Master Sergeant and for his bravery was selected by the military to tour around the country. During his tour Tony met President Harry S. Truman, Governors, Senators, Congressmen, and hundreds of thousands of plain Americans.

For his bravery in the Korean War, Anthony B. Herbert was decorated with twenty-two medals making him the most decorated U.S. Army enlisted man of the Korean War. His decorations included the Purple Heart with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Silver Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Bronze Star with "V" for valor, the Soldier's Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Jump Wings from the German and British Armies, the Pathfinder's Badge, and Ranger Tab. In addition, Herbert was the only non-Turkish citizen in the world to have been awarded the coveted Turkish Ozanu Order.

One would think after all Tony went through, he would choose to rest upon his laurels, but such was not the case. Tony remained in the service and went on to a distinguished



MSgt. Anthony Herbert With Eleanor Roosevelt - 1952

military career. He was commissioned a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in 1957 and eventually rose to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. His colorful career took him to Japan, Korea, Alaska, Iceland, the Azores, Canada, Saudi Arabia, 51 African Nations and across Europe. He commanded Special Forces units in the Dominican Republic in 1956 and the 173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne Brigade in Vietnam in 1969. He became fluent in Portuguese and a qualified military interpreter. Herbert went on to receive a bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh and a Masters Degree and Ph.D. from the University of Georgia.

Herbert was the perfect American military officer and that perfection would eventually cause him to leave the service. While commanding combat troops in Vietnam, Herbert would find himself forced to report corruption, criminal malfeasance and war crimes he saw around him. Rather than being praised for reporting such issues, Lt. Col. Herbert was attacked by his commanders and political office holders. As a result, Lt. Col. Herbert was forced to leave the service in order to continue his struggle. It has only been with the passage of time that history has proven the allegations he made so many years ago to have been truthful. Today, Lt. Col. Herbert lives a quiet life in retirement with his family.

For those seeking a more in-depth story, the author recommends Lt. Col. Herbert's own book, *Soldier* by Anthony B. Herbert, Lt. Col. Retired with James T. Wooten, Holt Rinehart Winston, New York, New York, 1973.

## Free Book

Lieutenant Colonel Herbert has donated 100 books to our Post. You can pick up a free copy at any Lithuanian Post 154 meeting or contact Vincent Dulys for a copy.



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8 PM every 2nd Wednesday  
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Executive Comm. Meeting,  
7:30 PM on the 4th  
Wednesday of the month at  
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## Calendar & Reminders

### November

Sat 03	Baltimore District 4 Frenchmen Service – St. Mary's Cemetery - 10 AM
Sun 04	Lithuanian Post 154 – Back to God Mass – St. Alphonsus Church - 8:30 AM
Sun 04	Daylight Saving Time ends - move clocks back an hour
Tue 06	Election Day
Thu 08	Baltimore District Meeting – Brooklyn-Curtis Bay Post 187
Sat 10	Heroes to Hometown Fundraiser – Morrell Park Post 137 - 7 PM to 11 PM
Sun 11	Veterans' Day – Baltimore District Service at War Memorial - 2 PM
Wed 14	Post 154 Gen Meeting Lithuanian Hall – 8 PM. / Lite fare served - 7 PM
Sun 18	3 <sup>rd</sup> DEC Meeting – Goldstar Post 191 – Mount Airy
Thu 22	Happy Thanksgiving
Wed 28	Post 154 Executive Meeting – J-Ray's Café - 7:30 PM

### December

Tue 04	Hanukkah begins at sunset goes to December 12
Fri 07	Pearl Harbor Remembrance – Baltimore District Service at War Memorial
Wed 12	Post 154 Gen Meeting Lithuanian Hall – 8 PM. / Lite fare served - 7 PM
Sun 16	Post 154 sponsored Children's Christmas Party at Lithuanian Hall - 1:00 PM
Sun 16	Battle of the Bulge-Remembrance
Sat 22	First Day of Winter
Mon 24	Christmas Eve / Kucios
Tue 25	Merry Christmas
	There will be no Executive meeting in December
Mon 31	Getting ready to bring in "2008"

### January

Tue 01	New Year's Day
Wed 09	First drawing of Post 100 Club fundraiser
Wed 09	Post 154 Gen Meeting Lithuanian Hall – 8 PM
Thu 10	Baltimore District Meeting – General Joseph Haller Post 95 - 1746 Fleet St.
Wed 16	Second drawing of Post 100 Club fundraiser
Wed 23	Post monthly Executive Meeting at J-Ray's Café - 7:30 PM
Wed 23	Third drawing of Post 100 Club fundraiser
Wed 30	Fourth drawing of Post 100 Club fundraiser

## 100 Club



Every year we have a fundraiser called "100 Club" that was started in 1985 when Pete Okas was Commander and I was Vice-Commander and chairman of this fundraiser. Other fundraisers have fizzled out while this one is still thriving due to member and friend's support. There are 3 separate - 100 Club fundraisers during the course of the year. Lithuanian Post 154, Lithuanian Hall and the Lithuanian Athletic Club take turns raising money for their organizations. Some

enthusiasts support all 3 organizations and others choose to support only one. Many of the participants pick their numbers at the party for the next sponsoring organization's fundraiser, while others keep the same numbers for all three organizations fundraiser.

This is the way the fundraiser works:

- Only 100 tickets sold;
- The donation for a 100 Club ticket is \$25;
- Available #'s are 00 through 99;
- Winning # is the last 2 digits of Wednesday mid-day and evening 3 digit Maryland

Lottery drawings;

- Two winners each Wednesday of \$40 for ten weeks;
- First drawing will be Wednesday January 9, 2008;
- Last drawing will be Wednesday March 12, 2008;

There will be a free party for 100 Club participants on Sunday-March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008 from 1 to 4 PM at J-Ray's café, Herkimer and Carey Streets. Hot buffet, beer, wine, liquor and soda will be provided. Your 100 Club ticket number will be used

in a random main drawing of \$300, \$200 and \$100 during the party – you need not be present to win. Various door prizes will also be given out – you must be present to win them.

I have approximately 30 unsold numbers. if you are interested or have any questions please e-mail me or give me a call. I normally have all 100 numbers sold by the end of November. My phone number and e-mail is listed under Adjutant / Finance Officer above-left.

Vincent T. Dulys, Chairman