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NEWSLETTER MAY 2004

GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER

As I said in my last letter, April was a busy month. I would like to thank everyone for all their help this past month. As you well know, our Membership Drive at St. Agnes and the Parish Appreciation Breakfast were on the same weekend. This proved to be a challenge, but not a challenge too great to handle. Thanks to the efforts of Tom Conway (Membership Drive) and John Colaianni (Appreciation Breakfast) and to our brother knights and their family members that gave of their time and hard work both events were successful. I also would like to thank Bob Vogelsong for mapping out another successful drive for Citizens with Mental Retardation. This could not have been done without the help of so many of my Brother Knights and their family members. I salute all of you from the bottom of my heart for giving of your time for this worthy cause. I know that we all are busy and could use more time in our lives. That is why I appreciate all the time that you can give. Once again, I thank all of you.

Fraternally,
Paul Chatburn
Grand Knight

ANNUAL RAFFLE

The grand prize for this year's raffle is a Sharp 32" Color TV with Panasonic VHS Recorder valued at \$400. (These prizes were donated by Frank Maggio and we are very grateful to Brother Frank for his generosity.) Included with your copy of this newsletter are 3 raffle books and we are counting on you for your support. Tickets are \$1 each or buy the book of 6 tickets for \$5. The winner will be drawn on June 5th, Gloucester Township Day, at Veteran's Park. Proceeds from this raffle will be used to fund our Scholarship Program. Returns may be made at a Council meeting or mailed to Dan Riiff, 514 Little Gloucester Rd. Blackwood, NJ 08012. Your prompt returns are necessary and will be appreciated.

MOTHERS DAY CARNATION SALE

Our annual sale will take place on May 9th, after all the Sunday Masses at both of our Churches. Please make it a point to assist with the sale after the Mass you normally attend. Francisco Olaya (464-0325) will be coordinating this important program. Please give him your cooperation.

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for April was Tullio DeLiberali. Our family of the Month for April was Bob & Annette Calabro. Congratulations and thank you.

DEGREE NEWS

Our Council hosted a First Degree Exemplification on April 30th, in our Council home. We welcome and congratulate 12 new members, 4 into our Council. We welcome Michael Russell, George Badame, John Carr and Michael Frain. Our degree team was in good form in the following roles: John Gandolfo (GK), Fred Durso (DGK), John Heck (Chanc), Bob Vogelsong (Ward), Jack Beckett (FS), Bob Calabro (BnBr), Joe DeLiso & Frank Maggio (HnGds), Tullio DeLiberali & Bob Stefano (Aides), Herb Maddren (InsGd), and Jim McGovern (MusPrnt).

We also welcome Anthony Dandrea, a second degree knight, who transferred into our Council.

PARISH APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

On April 4th our Council demonstrated its appreciation to our supporters by providing a free breakfast to all of our parishioners and their families. Breakfast was served from 8:30 to 11:30 AM in the St. Agnes Parish Center. Thanks to the efforts of many of our members, everything went well, and about 300 parishioners enjoyed breakfast.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our annual Council elections will take place at our June 10th business meeting. Grand Knight, Paul Chatburn has formed a nominating committee, that includes John Gandolfo and Bob Vogelsong, to develop a slate of candidates. This slate will be presented to the Council at the May 13th business meeting. If you are a 3rd degree knight in good standing (dues paid), you are eligible to hold office in the Council. The offices open for election are Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Warden, Treasurer, Advocate, Recorder, Inside and Outside Guards, and a Trustee. If you are interested in having your name placed in nomination contact Bob Vogelsong, John Gandolfo or Grand Knight,

Paul Chatburn for additional information. Finally, nominations may be made from the floor at the election.

STATE CONVENTION

The annual New Jersey Knights of Columbus State Convention will be held, in the Wildwood Convention Center, during the weekend of May 14, 15. Our Council will be sending two delegates, Bob Vogelsong and John Gandolfo, to represent us. Basically, the agenda consists of registration and distribution of awards on Friday, and the reelection of state officers, reading of resolutions and the banquet on Saturday. There will be a hospitality tent on the terrace of the El Comrado Hotel, Wildwood Crest, that is available to all 3rd degree knights and wives, when the convention business is not in session. For further information contact John Gandolfo (227-0447).

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We need the Church to bring us to Christ, for Christ founded the Church. There are people who think there is nothing wrong with their lack of Church attendance. They say, "My religion is my own affair. I don't need a Church to pray." As far as praying goes, these people stick to their childhood prayers, "now I lay me down to sleep." It's certainly juvenile to think that way because maturity brings many problems that need a stronger faith to subdue them. We need the Church to counsel us and guide us because the Church has dealt with these dilemmas over the centuries.

CITIZENS WITH MENTAL RETARDATION

During the weekend of April 23-25, our Council, with some family members, donated their time and efforts to ensure another successful fund raising drive. This is always one of our more rewarding programs and thanks to 40 of you, it was another success. We would especially like to thank Bob & Pauline Vogelsong for organizing and directing the drive, with a lot of assistance from George Fuchs, Dave Lusardi and Ray Zarzecki. The effort raised \$2,251 for this worthy cause. We thank Kmart and Super G for their cooperation.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Supreme Council has determined that the Damiano Assembly was becoming too large and that the membership would be better served by creating a new assembly. A preliminary meeting was held on March 31st at our Council home on Church Street. It was proposed that the new Assembly would include the sir knights from Holy Crusaders, St. Jude and Sancta Familia Councils. The new Assembly will be named "The Bishop Shad Assembly," and it will meet on the third Wednesday of the month, at 8 PM, at the Holy Crusaders Council Home, Church Street. The applicable sir knights are requested to transfer from the Damiano Assembly to the Bishop Shad Assembly. Transfer requires completion of Form 4. For further information or to expedite your transfer, please contact Ernie Aukerman (227-2371).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

Your Knights of Columbus agent is professionally trained to help you and your family secure life insurance coverage that meets your needs, goals and budget. They are committed to the Order's agency force, because they believe that only a trained professional, a brother knight, can provide you and your family with the service you deserve.

They are also provided with top-quality support materials to help you make a more educated buying decision. When you meet with your agent to review your insurance needs, you will see that he has new literature that explains the Order's products.

Enhancements are being made to our web site and you can check it out at www.kofc.org. But no brochure or web site can ever take the place of a professional agent. Your agent will work with you to secure the coverage that's right for you now and in the future. Your family's financial well-being is his primary concern.

Call me today for more information.

Thomas J. Conway, Jr.

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FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the St. Agnes Chapel on First Friday, May 7th,

following the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:00 PM, and close with Benediction. Our Council would like to schedule specific times when a knight will be present for adoration. There is a sign-up sheet by the door in the chapel.

EDITORIAL

April was a month that highlighted several important programs that emphasized a team effort by our Council, and that was largely responsible for their success. These were the Parish Appreciation Breakfast, the Campaign for Citizens with Mental Retardation, and the strong membership/recruitment effort. We know there is a strong feeling of satisfaction among all of you who participated and a better understanding of what our Order is about. Vivat Jesus.

MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following Knights or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month. Garry Aichroth, Bob Dietrich, Anthony Fini, Marvin Hitchner, Godknows Ibekwe, John Iovacchino, Mike Massaro, Mario Monaco, Nick Pascale, Peter Polijczuk, Dan C. Riiff, Joan Riiff, Janet Sirolli, Bob Stefano, Carmella Stefano, Fred Ware, Edward Yurick, and Julius Zaccone.

The following members are celebrating their anniversaries: Mr. & Mrs. Sal Aversa, Mr. & Mrs. Gabe Busa, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Layden and Mr. & Mrs. John Muldowney.

CONGRATULATIONS If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447).

IMPORTANT DATES

May 6 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)

May 7 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)

May 8,9 Carnation Sale (Churches)

May 13 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)

May 14,15 New Jersey State Convention
(Wildwood Convention Center)

May 27 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)

June 3 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)

June 10 Council Elections (8 PM Church St.)

June 24 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)

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**THE DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE ON
JUNE 5TH, GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP
DAY AT VETERANS PARK**



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BY MAIL TO
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PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND