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NEWSLETTER JUNE 2006

GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER

My brother Knights at our Council meeting on June 8th, 2006, you will elect the officers for the coming Columbian year. The slate of officers to run the Council during the next Columbian year was presented to the membership at the May 11th business meeting. It has been my pleasure to serve as your Grand Knight the past year. It has been an experience that I have found to be challenging but more often than not, rewarding. There are many of you that I must offer my special thanks, and rather than risking missing anyone, THANK YOU ALL.

Fraternally

Robert E Calabro
Grand Knight

ANNUAL RAFFLE

The grand prize for this year's raffle is a 32" color TV (donated by Frank Maggio and we are very grateful to Brother Frank for his generosity). Tickets are \$1 each or buy the book of 6 tickets for \$5. The winner will be drawn on June 3rd, Gloucester Township Day, at Veterans 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. Tickets will also be sold at stand in Veterans Park on Gloucester Township Day. Your returns are due now.

20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Sunday, June 4th, we will celebrate the 20th anniversary of our Council. The celebration will begin with Mass at 12:00 PM, St. Agnes Church. We will then proceed to the beautiful Palace Catering Hall, Black Horse Pike, Blackwood. Dinner will include several hot buffet dishes, dessert, wine, beer, and soft drinks (guests must be 21yrs.), and music with a DJ. You will find a reservation form on the back of this newsletter. You can also pay at the door. Tickets are \$20 per person. So far, the returns have been pretty good and we are looking for a good turnout. We will also take this occasion to honor our knight and family of the year.

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for May was Larry Villarose (service to the Council). Our Family of the Month for May was Tom Conway and family. Congratulations and thank you.

DEGREE NEWS

We would like to congratulate two of our Council members on the occasion of taking their Second Degree on May 3rd, at Father McColgan Council, Westville Grove. Our new Second Degree knights are Frank Accardo and Jim Carr. Participating and witnessing the degree were John Gandolfo (Chan), and Fred Durso (GK).

CITIZENS WITH RETARDATION

During the weekend of April 28-30, our Council participated in the annual Knights of Columbus fund raising drive for "Citizens With Retardation." We took up a presence at Kmart, Stop and Shop, and outside our Churches after all the Masses. We are very pleased to report that thanks to the generosity of our friends and parishioners, and the direction of Bob Vogel song we collected \$3166.04. We thank all of you for your participation, especially Bob Massaro for making the drive a success. The funds will now be forwarded to the State Council and when they are returned to us, we will make distribution to our designated facilities for citizens with retardation.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

In spite of the many benefits God has blessed us with, how many times do we complain about little difficulties and trials? We lose sight of the big picture and fail to appreciate the really important things. Just as we cannot benefit from a wrapped gift under a Christmas tree until we open it, so gratitude can be seen as our way of opening the gift of God's love intended by all the small and big positive events in our lives.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our annual Council elections will take place at our June 8th business meeting. Our Grand Knight, Bob Calabro had formed a nominating committee that includes Bob Vogel song and John Gandolfo, to prepare a slate of candidates that was presented at the May 11th business meeting. Here is the slate that was presented: Grand Knight Bob Calabro, Deputy Grand Knight Bob Stefano, Chancellor Andy

DiJoseph, Warden Nick Marcantonio, Treasurer Jim McGovern, Advocate John Gandolfo, Recorder De Tumolo, Inside and Outside Guards Joe DeLiso and Jack Wolnski, and Trustee (3yr) Tullio DeLiberali. If you are interested in having your name placed in nomination, contact a member of the nominating committee or our Grand Knight. Finally, nominations may be made from the floor at the election.

STATE CONVENTION

The annual New Jersey Knights of Columbus State Convention was held in the Wildwood Convention Center during the weekend of May 19-20. Our Council was represented by two delegates, Bob Calabro and John Gandolfo. The business of the convention featured the election (actually reelection) of our worthy state officers. Reggie Beckett was reelected State Deputy, Tom Ciborski State Secretary, Herb Meyer State Treasurer, Wayne McCormack State Advocate, and Dan Rossi State Warden. Three of the more important resolutions that were adopted were to keep the words "under God" in our pledge of allegiance, to reemphasize our position against same sex marriages, and the support of our troops presently in harms way.

COUNCIL RECEIVES STATE AWARD

Our Council was honored with the receiving of a state award at the State Convention. We were recognized for our many years of participation in the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). Presently we provide some assistance to Jack Delaney who will be ordained this year, and Anthony Infanti who is presently a seminarian at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, and a member of our Council. Our Worthy Grand Knight, Bob Calabro accepted an award plaque from the State Chairman of Vocations/RSVP Joseph Luciano PSD, via John Carlucci DD. We would especially like to thank Bob Vogel song for his direction of our Council's involvement.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of

things. Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the beneficiary originally designated to receive the proceeds from that policy needs to be updated. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since been married, that could be updated to reflect your spouse, and even your children.

Most people list a primary beneficiary – that person is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary – an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary predeceases the insured.

When I call to arrange your annual “insurance check-up,” one of the matters that we can discuss is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can usually complete the paperwork during the appointment. I look forward to meeting with you to review all your life insurance policies.

Give me a call.

Thomas J. Conway, Jr., FICF
Field Agent

SOCIAL MEETING

Our June 22nd meeting will be a social meeting and all are invited. We will be playing BINGO and card games. The BINGO cards will be 2 for \$5 and all the money collected will be distributed as the prize money for the winners. Refreshments will be served.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the third Wednesday of the month, at 8:00 PM, Holy Family Church Hall, Sewell.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Blood Donor Drive - July 6th, Parish Center.
(K)Nights at the Ballpark - July 14th, Campbell Field
Backyard Barbeque - July 27th, Bob Vogelsong's.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the St. Agnes Chapel on First Friday, June 2nd, following the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:30 PM, and close with Benediction. Try to stop in during the day and spend some time with the Lord.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following Knights or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month: George Badame, Ryan Belmont, Frank Calabrese, Joe Casserly, Tom Conway, Sr., Don DeNarie, Mary Fishburn, Alfred Fulginiti, Ed Lagatie, Nick Marcantonio, Rose Massaro, James McGovern, Judith Michalak, Russ Mogavero, Lisa Muldowney, Hugh Murray, Joe Riviello, Lucy Sirolli, Barry Lee Start, Joe Tiberii, Gus Urbano, and Dennis Wirth. The following members will celebrate their anniversaries: Mr. & Mrs. James Fishburn, Mr. & Mrs. William Toner. CONGRATULATIONS. If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447).

EDITORIAL

The news from the State Convention was good. It saw the reelection of truly dedicated, quality men to the state offices. Our position on important issues of the day remains clear. We are one nation “under God”, we oppose same sex marriages, and we support our troops. Vivat Jesus.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 1 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
June 2 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
June 4 Anniversary Dinner (1:30 PM Palace Hall, Blackwood)
June 8 Council Elections (8 PM Church St.)
June 22 Social Meeting (8PM Church St.)
July 6 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
July 6 Blood Drive (2-7:30 PM Parish Center)
July 7 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
July 13 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
July 14 (K)Nights at the Ballpark (Campbell Field)
July 27 Backyard Barbeque (6 PM Bob Vogelsong's Yard)

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