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NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2007

GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER

Summer has come and gone and one quarter of the Columbian year is gone. We have scheduled an Open House for Monday, Oct.8th at 7.30 PM and a First Degree on Thursday, Oct. 18th at our Council hall. It would be great to see a big group of our members attending to show the new candidates that we care about what is happening in our in our Council. So if you can find the time to attend, it would be great to see some new faces. We are having a hoagie sale on Oct.6th, we could use help Friday night, Oct.5th anytime after 4 PM, also on Sat. Oct.6th, anytime after 6.30 AM. We need your help.

Fraternally

Robert E. Calabro,
Grand Knight

HOAGIE SALE

We will be having another hoagie sale on Saturday, October 6th in the St. Agnes Parish Center. Our telephone blitz is in progress. (A reminder, if you place an advanced order, please honor it and pick up your order). We are going to need your help to prepare the ingredients on Friday, October 5th, starting at 4:00 PM in the Parish Center. We will start making hoagies after 6:30 AM on Saturday morning in the same place. After we make the hoagies, we will be selling them at several business locations and at our Churches after Saturday Masses. This has proven to be an important fund raiser, but we will need your help to make and sell our quality product. Our inflation fighting prices will continue to be \$3 each, 2 for \$5. Gus Urbano (228-2974) is our director so let's get on board and make this one another success.

CRAB FEAST

We kicked off our annual Big Raffle and Monte Carlo Night extravaganzas with another delicious informal crab feast dinner. On September 15th, Dan Riiff brought in 28 bushels of steamed Maryland hard shell crabs and served up in the St. Agnes Parish Center. Tickets included all the crabs you can eat, with spaghetti and clams, hot dogs, cold cuts, beer and soft drinks. This most enjoyable social attracted over 250 people and the net to our treasury was \$2,600. We congratulate Brother Dan Riiff for coordinating this program. There are many of you to thank and we do apologize to any we may have missed. But we thank our GK Bob Calabro, Bob Stefano, Dave Lusardi and family, Gus Urbano, Tullio DeLiberali, Frank Brandis, John Colaianni and many more.

KNIGHT FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the month for September was Gus Urbano (Hoagie Sale). Our Family of the month for September was Dave Lusardi and family (Crab Feast). Congratulations and thank you.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

During the weekend of Sept. 29-30, we held our first membership drive of the new Columbian Year. We can't say enough about the importance of membership recruitment. We are very pleased that more of you are now bringing in new members. These must be Catholic men, over 18 years. All of you have friends, relatives or neighbors that meet these requirements. This is the time to bring them in. We all share this responsibility, not just our worthy membership director. We are following this up with an Open House on Monday, October 8th at 7:30 PM in our Council home, Church St. We will then host a First Degree Exemplification on Thursday, October 18th at 8:00 PM in our Council home.

2007 BIG 50/50 CHURCH RAFFLE

Included with your copy of the newsletter is a book of 5 Big Raffle Tickets. Tickets are \$25 each or \$100 for the book of 5. Please support this effort and buy/sell the tickets and make your returns promptly. Proceeds will go toward the Church debt reduction program and you might just be lucky enough to win one of the generous prizes. Five thousand tickets will be sold and if all are sold, 53 cash prizes totaling \$50,000 will be awarded as follows,

First Prize - \$15,000, Second Prize - \$10,000, Third Prize - 5,000, Fourth through Eighth - \$1,000, Ninth through Eighteenth - \$500, Nineteenth through Fifty Third Prize - \$300. And don't forget the \$500 Early Bird drawing for those purchasing the 5 ticket \$100 package and making the return by October 15th. The Big Raffle Drawing will take place at our Monte Carlo Night to be held on Saturday, November 10th, in the Parish Center. Don't forget we are counting on our members to provide a sales force to sell tickets in the rear of the Church, after

all the Masses. When you make a commitment to sell, please honor it.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT

Our Monte Carlo Night will be held on November 10th. We will definitely need business sponsors, silent auction items and bottles for the baskets of cheer. See back page.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The early followers of our Lord were known to the unconverted Jew as Nazoreans or Galileans. Among themselves those first converts used such terms as: disciples, brethren, holy people, faithful, and believers. The name Christian was first used in the city of Antioch, by the pagan Gentiles to distinguish the followers of Christ from the Jews who had not been converted. In Antioch, the faith was so firmly established that after the fall of Jerusalem that city became the center of Christianity in the East. You and I are Christians because we are followers of Christ. We should not only thank God who made us what we are, but we should keep these words in our minds all the day of our lives-a follower of Christ.

MEMORIAL MASS

There will be a memorial Mass for the deceased members of our Council on Sunday, October 14th, at 9:00 AM at St. Agnes Church. Please try to attend and remember our deceased brothers in prayer.

INTRODUCING THE "VANTAGE" ANNUITY

Our Knights of Columbus insurance and annuity contracts are designed to provide the highest level of security to our members for their families' benefit, and in keeping with this core principle of our program, we have introduced the "Vantage" annuity as of August 1, 2007. We still offer our Flexible Premium Annuity, which can be opened with a minimum deposit of \$300.00, and allows for additional monthly or other periodic contributions. The main features of the Vantage are that it's a "Single Premium" annuity, calling for one deposit only, at a minimum of \$25,000. In exchange for the

higher deposit, the Knights of Columbus will guarantee the initial interest rate for 5 years, as of September 1, 2007 that guarantee is 4.8%. If \$100,000 is deposited, the guarantee increases to 5.0%. In both cases, tax on interest is deferred until it's withdrawn. After the five year period, the annuitant may withdraw their money without penalty for a period of 30 days, after which the then established rate would otherwise apply. So if after five years, you like the rate we're offering then, you'll get another five year rate guarantee, or if you wish, withdraw the funds without penalty for any reason. Naturally, we expect our rate announcement to vary from month to month, so as of October 1, we may have a new rate, up or down. Just call us at any time to hear what our rate is at that particular time. The rate you'll receive is the rate in effect on the date we sign the contract, so why wait?

To receive a full, detailed description of the Vantage or any of our contracts, call me anytime, we are here for our members and their families. Don't forget that our annuity contracts may be written as IRA and Roth IRA accounts, as well as IRA, 401k and 403b Rollover IRAs.

Thomas J. Conway, Jr.
FICF, Field Agent

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the third Wednesday at 8:00 PM, Church Street.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the St. Agnes Chapel on First Friday, Oct. 5, following the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:00 PM, and close with Benediction. We are committed to "watch" in half-hour shifts throughout the day. To schedule your time call John Colaianni (228-9528). Please try to stop in during the day to spend time with the Lord.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following brothers or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays in October: Mrs.

Dolores Aukerman, Frank Brandis, Tom Cocco, Tullio DeLiberali, Larry Dinoto, Fred Durso, Mrs. Rose Durso, Mrs. Annette Enos, Nick Fecencko, Jim Fishburn, George Fuchs, George L. Fuchs, Kristen Fuchs, Vince Gallagher & Vince III, Dave Guido, Jeff Heck, John Heck, Jr., Mrs. Kathy Heim, Frank Maggio, Bill Means, Peg O'Connor, Daniel Olaya, Frank Puchalski, Tom Sherlock, John Sirolli, Philip Sirolli, Kailey Tolen, Bill Toner, Lee Zane, and Eric Zeidler.

The following members will celebrate their anniversaries in October: Mr. & Mrs. Peter Brusco, Mr. & Mrs. Rich Calabrese, Mr. & Mrs. Vince Gallagher, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Mikos, and Mr. & Mrs. John Sirolli. CONGRATULATIONS! If we missed someone, contact John Gandolfo (227-0447).

EDITORIAL

The month of October will include our first membership drive, open house and First Degree of the new Columbian Year. With the major programs that we are involved in at this time, we can't take our eyes off the importance of membership. Last year, several of you (besides our Membership Director) brought in a new member. This is really a good thing, because it gets a lot more people involved in spreading our message of charity and fraternalism.

Vivat Jesus.

IMPORTANT DATES

Oct. 4 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
Oct. 5 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
Oct. 6 Hoagie Sale (Parish Center)
Oct. 8 Open House (7:30 PM Church St.)
Oct. 11 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
Oct. 14 Memorial Mass (9 AM St. Agnes)
Oct. 18 First Degree (8 PM Church St.)
Oct. 25 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
Nov. 1 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
Nov. 2 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
Nov. 8 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
Nov. 10 Monte Carlo Night (Parish Center)
Nov. 22 Chapter Thanksgiving Mass (9 AM Pius X Retreat Center)

MONTE CARLO REMINDER CHECKLIST

Monte Carlo Night is just around the corner. We still have serious needs in certain areas and here are some of the things the membership can do to help with these needs. The time is now.

1. Did you mark your calendars for November 10, 2007?
2. Did you mark your calendars for November 8, 9, 10 (preparation)?
3. Did you join the "75 Bottle Club"? We need bottles now for Baskets of Cheer.
4. Bring in the business sponsors now.
5. Get us some things (or make a cash donation) for the Silent Auction.

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