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NEWSLETTER APRIL 2010

GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER

Brothers: The spiritual Lenten season is almost over. I hope you take some time from your busy schedule to reflect on the glorious celebration of the risen Christ. Speaking of busy schedules, several of our brothers are hard at work organizing some very important events. There are many to thank but special mention to John Colaianne for running a successful Parish Appreciation Breakfast and Tom Conway for our Council Membership Drive, March 27-28th. Dave Lusardi is preparing for our hoagie sale on April 10th; Dan Riiff is once again leading the annual scholarship raffle and Bob Vogelsong is getting ready for the Intellectual Disabilities campaign. In addition, we are hosting an Open House and First Degree Exemplification led by our Advocate John Gandolfo. Your Council sponsored a new seminarian and contributed funds to several local charities. It was the intent of Bob Stefano that we donate the generous proceeds collected in his memory to the Ability Center, ARC of Camden County and St. John of God. Lastly, I am very happy to see the great turnout, over 50 members in attendance, at our previous meeting. It's good to see some new faces. I urge you to read this entire newsletter at length, visit our website, mark you calendars and come out and support all the good work your Council is doing.

Fraternally,

Daniel J. Tumolo, Grand Knight

PARISH APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

For the eight year, in order to express our appreciation to our parishioners for their support throughout the year, our Council provided them with a complete breakfast after the Sunday Masses. The program was another huge success and we served (according to Jack Wolnski's official count) 519 parishioners and friends a really wonderful and complete breakfast. We thank all who helped with the setting up and the food preparation. The job they did was outstanding. Once again we are reluctant to mention specific names because we would'nt want to miss anyone. But we feel we must give special recognition to John Colaianne for directing.

HOAGIE SALE

On Saturday, April 10th, we will be having another hoagie sale. We will begin preparing the ingredients of Friday, April 9th, from 4 to 7 PM in the Parish Center. We will start making the hoagies a 6 AM in the same place. The hoagies will then go on sale at several business locations and after all the Masses on Saturday. If you place an advanced order, please honor it and pick up your hoagies. We will need your help to make and sell the hoagies so please lend a hand. Our inflation fighting prices are \$3.50 each or two for \$6.00, still the best deal in town. Dave Lusardi (227-3675) is our director for this program so let's work together and make this sale another success.

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our knight of the month for March was Tom Conway. Our family of the month for March was John Colaianne and family. Congratulations and thank you.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We held our Church membership drive during the weekend of March 27-28. We will follow this up with an open house on April 8th, at 7 PM, prior to the start of our regular meeting and a First Degree Exemplification on April 22nd, at 8 PM in the Parish Center.

CAMPAIGN FOR CITIZENS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

During the weekend of April 23-25, our Council will participate in the annual Knights of Columbus fund raising drive for Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities. We will be taking up a presence at business locations and Church after all the Masses. You will be receiving a call from our program director, Bob Vogel song, as he prepares our solicitation schedule. Please cooperate with Brother Bob and make yourselves available to cover our stations and, when you schedule a time, please honor your commitment. If for some reason you can't honor your commitment, please let Bob know so that coverage can be arranged. Remember that we have always tried to make this a family participation program, so we will welcome help from wives, children, friends, or anyone who wishes to make this very worthy cause a success. Brother Bob (435-0414 or cell 609-314-0423) could really use help to co-chair this rewarding program. If you are available, please contact him. Thank you.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The real Christian will try to follow in the footsteps of Christ by accepting his daily crosses, or sufferings, in imitation of the suffering Jesus, and will do all the good possible as an expression of his faith. In the Lenten Gospels our Lord indicates for the first time what lies ahead of Him, the Son of Man, are rejection, suffering and death. Jesus brings salvation to the world not as a political

liberator and king, but as a suffering servant. Jesus encourages us to follow Him on the royal road of the cross. On that great day of reckoning we shall grasp the full meaning of His words. The next world is the great equalizer. Those who have accepted their crosses for and with Christ will be rewarded with consolation and joy; those who have rejected Christ and all that He stands for, will be doomed to torture and suffering. The Apostles, the early Christians, and the faithful of every age accept their trials, sufferings and even martyrdom because of their deep love for Christ, and the glory that awaits them in heaven.

HOLY THURSDAY VIGIL

April 1st is Holy Thursday and our Council has made a commitment to stand watch during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, following evening Mass. Dress for this occasion is tuxedo with baldric. To participate or for further details, contact Barry Start (348-5884).

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our Council elections will take place at our June 10th business meeting. Our Grand Knight, Dan Tumolo, has appointed a nominating committee that includes Bob Calabro and John Gandolfo, to prepare a slate of candidates to be presented 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. 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 meeting.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

Our unmatched code of ethics

There are hundreds of fine life insurance companies in the marketplace today. So why should you entrust your life insurance needs, and those of your family to the Knights of Columbus?

In their rating report on the Knights of Columbus, Standard & Poor's states that its "AAA" rating is based upon the following strengths: extremely strong capital, very strong competitive position,

extremely strong liquidity and historically strong profitability. We've earned this rating for 16 consecutive years!

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades, along with what S&P described as "a distinct competitive advantage, a loyal customer base and a unique rapport with clients" is because we remain steadfastly committed to the vision of Father Michael J. McGivney, "Protecting Families for Generations" by means of "life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights."

Our ethical principles for marketing are summed up by our Golden Rule: "In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself."

That's what you can expect from me, your professional Knights of Columbus field agent. I welcome the opportunity to present to you and your wife, honestly and accurately, all facts necessary for you to make a sound life insurance decision. myself.
Tom Conway, FICF
Field Agent, (856) 753-4458

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

The next 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. We are committed to "watch" in half-hour shifts throughout the day. There is a sign up sheet in the Chapel to schedule your time. Please try to stop in during the day to spend time with the Lord.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The makeup for the 4th Degree Exemplification is scheduled for April, 17th, 2010, at St. Peter's Parish, Merchantville. Registration is at 1:30 PM. Any 3rd degree knight interested in taking his fourth should contact Tony Porcellini, (784-8226) or tonyp54@comcast.net.

The Bishop Schadt Assembly meets at 8:00 PM, on the 3rd Wednesday in the Parish Center.

EDITORIAL

The last quarter of our Columbian Year is filled with exciting and rewarding programs. As you have already read in our Grand Knights letter, these programs touch all areas of the principles to which we dedicate ourselves. Our principles are Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism and these programs address all of them. The success of these programs, as always, depends on the support and participation of the membership, and this has been very gratifying. Finally, this is Holy Week and we are first and foremost a Catholic organization. Please observe and participate in our Church services. Vivat Jesus.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following members or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month: Ernie Aukerman, Roseanne Aversa, Adam Berstecher, Karynlee Berstecher, Richard Calabrese, Annette Calabro, John Cerkez, Msgr. James Checchio, Robert Colletuori, Ed Condon, Tom Dickerson, Ed Fiscella, Mrs Jo-Ann Gandolfo, Harry Hamp, Jeffrey G. Lilley, Dave Lusardi, Lester Pilangi, Theresa Porcellini, Steven Thomas, Mrs. Linda Tolen, Jack Werner, James Worstall, Diane Woyciechowski and Raymond Zarzecki. Members celebrating their anniversaries are: Mr. & Mrs. Dan Riiff, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pettineo, and Mr. & Mrs. Paul Woyciechowski.

CONGRATULATIONS.

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr. 1 Holy Thursday (No officers meeting)
Apr. 8 Open House (7 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 8 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 10 Hoagie Sale (Parish Center)
Apr. 22 First Degree (8 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 23-25 Citizens With Intellectual Disabilities
May 6 Officers Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
May 7 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
May 13 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
May 14-16 State Convention (Wildwood)
May 27 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)

HOAGIE SALE

SATURDAY, APRIL 10th



**HOAGIES MADE AND SOLD IN THE
ST. AGNES PARISH CENTER AND AFTER
ALL THE SATURDAY MASSES.
PRICES ARE \$3.50 EACH OR 2 FOR \$6.00
PLACE ADVANCED ORDERS WITH
DAVE LUSARDI 227-3675**