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NEWSLETTER JUNE 2013

Dear Brother Knights:

The upcoming month is especially important for our Council. Our focus must now shift to tackling those few remaining goals to achieve the Columbian Award and designation of Star Council. Our Council has a long standing tradition of receiving these honors reserved for only the very best Councils. I must thank all members for their help and hard work over past eleven months to get us to this point. All of you should be proud of the charitable works, church activities and recruitment efforts you helped to make a reality. I plan to accompany a new member to Somerset NJ to make his first degree on Sunday, June 2nd. Every new member into our order is a huge success, but our participation in this first degree will fulfill the last requirement we need to be considered for Star Council.

Of equal import, we are wrapping up plans for the Annual Golf Tournament scheduled for Friday, June 14th. As was mentioned in the May newsletter, we are counting on all members to come through with sponsorships in the form of tee ads to make the golf outing a successful fundraiser for our charitable works throughout the coming year. I urge you to contact businesses you frequent and ask for their support. Please submit the sponsor form and payment to any member of the golf committee by June 7th to be included in the ad book. Any further questions about the golf tournament can be directed to the golf committee as well.

May also saw its share of tragedy for the victims of the devastating tornado in Moore, OK. Our Council was one of the first to step up to help. We approved \$300 donation to Knights of Columbus Charities Oklahoma Fund at our last business meeting. Please pray and consider a personal donation to this worthy cause.

Remember that we help others not because they are Catholic, but we help others because we are Catholic. Still, I found a council in Moore OK by the name of St. Andrew the Apostle Council #9919. The Council meets at their Parish Center like us and has been in existence for about as long as us. I'm certain part of our donation will go to help our brothers and other victims in Moore OK as they start on the long road of recovery. Please help more in any way you can.

Lastly, I wish to congratulate John Gandolfo on receiving the honor of 2013 Knight of the Year and the Calabrese Family on receiving the honor of 2013 Family of the Year. Both were recognized for these well-deserved honors at our Awards Banquet on May 21st.

Vivat Jesus,

Frank Brandis, Grand Knight

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for May was Dan Riiff (Service to the Council). Our Family of the Month for May was Tom Skelly and family. Congratulations and thank you.

DEGREE NEWS

On May 1st, a Second Degree was held at Santa Maria Council and 9 of our members took their second. We congratulate Frank Bailey, Kevin Brandis, Joseph Donnelly, Michael C. Harkins, Daniel McHugh, Michael Moffa, Alex Skelly, Michael Finucane and Oredola Soluade. Witnessing the degree were Frank Brandis, Tom Skelly and John Gandolfo.

We congratulate Alex Skelly who took his 3rd degree on May 10th at Shanes Castle Council, Waterford.

We welcome Michael A. Matulewicz who transferred into our Council.

ATTENTION ALL SECOND DEGREE KNIGHTS

On Friday June 14th, Santa Maria Council, Haddon Heights, will be hosting a Third Degree Exemplification. If you wish to make it, meet Tom Skelly in front of the Parish Center no later than 7:15 PM. **As a reminder, don't forget your membership card.**

AWARDS DINNER

On May 21st, at 7:00 PM, we celebrated our successes of the past Columbian Year with our Annual Awards Dinner. The dinner was well attended and all those who attended enjoyed a fine dinner and the pleasant company of Brother Knights and families. The highlight of the evening was the announcement of the Knight of the Year and our Family of the Year. We are pleased to report our Knight of the Year is John Gandolfo. Our Family of the Year is Rich Calabrese and family. Both selections were well deserved and set a positive example for the rest of the Council.

CAMPAIGN FOR CITIZENS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

During the weekend of April 26-28, our Council participated in the annual Knights of Columbus fund raising drive for People with Intellectual Disabilities. Thanks to the efforts of our Co-chairmen, Tim Ferrell and Sal Arena Jr. and your participation, we collected \$1,373. These funds will

now be sent to the State Council and then returned to our Council, less 10% for the State drive, and then distributed to our local facilities.

MOTHER'S DAY CARNATION SALE

On Mother's Day we carnations/donations fund raiser to support Pro-Life. Thanks to your participation and the efforts and direction of Jeff Lilley, we collected \$593. These funds will be donated to the National Life Center to help support women who choose the pro-life alternative.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Jesus states clearly that He is the vine and we are the branches. The real chosen people of God are all those who are firmly attached to the Vine, which today is identified with Christ. As long as we remain attached to the Vine, we shall receive all the nourishment we need to make us strong and healthy, and productive of the finest fruit. But if we sin, and thus reject the source of our strength and vitality, we become withered, unproductive branches which should be picked up and thrown into the fire to be burned. Yes, you and I and every faithful follower of Christ make up the new chosen People of God. And men will recognize us for what we are by the way we live.

SAVE THE DATE

The "Bob Stefano Memorial Golf Tournament", June 14th, 2013. Our Committee requests that all Knights attempt to sell a tee ad and/or obtain a door prize. More information will follow. The Council will donate 10% of the profits to the 3 facilities for Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities to whom we normally contribute.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our Council elections will take place at our June 13th business meeting. Our Grand Knight, Frank Brandis, has appointed a nominating committee that included Dan Tumolo and John Gandolfo, to prepare a slate of candidates. Here are the candidates: Grand Knight-Frank Brandis, Deputy Grand Knight-Bob Galasso, Chancellor-Tom Skelly, Warden-Tom Roy, Treasurer-Jim

McGovern, Advocate-John Gandolfo, Recorder-Joe Pettineo Jr., Outside Guard-Jack Wolnski, Inside Guard-Al Tucci Trustee 3yr-Steve Thomas. 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.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER

We congratulate Barry Start on the occasion of becoming an Honorary Life Member in the Knights of Columbus.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

I am a dedicated Knight, as are all of you who read this column. As the insurance agent for your Council, my role as a Knight is somewhat different than yours. My goal is to meet with each of my assigned members at least once a year to make sure their insurance needs are covered. In addition to this, I have a number of smaller goals that help me accomplish my main one. Among these is the need to recruit new members. I want to help this Council achieve the coveted Star Council Award. I want all the eligible Catholic males in the area to become Knights so that they and their can be part of this great Order. To that end, I am here to help this Council with its recruiting efforts. Remember, most men who could join but haven't yet are merely waiting to be asked. It is our job to ask them and tell them that with minimal commitment, they too could be Knights. I make my living and support my family by talking about the Order and the benefits of membership. I would be more than happy to speak with any potential candidates, especially those who may be right under your nose. To fulfill Father McGivney's vision is our goal. Growing the Order and educating all members about the benefits of being an insured member is the way to do it.

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FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

The next Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Our Lady of Hope Chapel on First Friday, June 7th, after the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:00 PM, and close with Benediction. Try to stop in to spend time with the Lord.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

Join us for a bus trip to see Noah, June 20th. Enjoy lunch at the popular Shady Maple Restaurant and see the production at Sight & Sound Theater, Lancaster. Cost P/P \$99 adults, \$80 teens 11-18, children 3-10 \$65. Contact Barry Start (384-5884) or bstart711@comcast.net.

All 3rd degree knights are invited to take their 4th degree, Nov. 23&24, Crown Plaza Hotel, Cherry Hill. Contact Barry Start or Harry Bocchino (609-335-0737).

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the 3rd Wednesday in the Parish Center.

STATE CONVENTION

The Annual New Jersey Knights of Columbus State Convention was held in the Wildwood Convention Center during the weekend of May 17-19. The convention business featured the election of our Worthy State Officers: State Deputy-Andy Lipenta, State Secretary-Bruce DeMolli, State Treasurer-Bob Hatler, State Advocate-Vincent Tavormina, and State Warden-Jim Stoeber. The theme of the convention was membership and our continuing struggles with the moral issues of our day.

IMPORTANT DATES

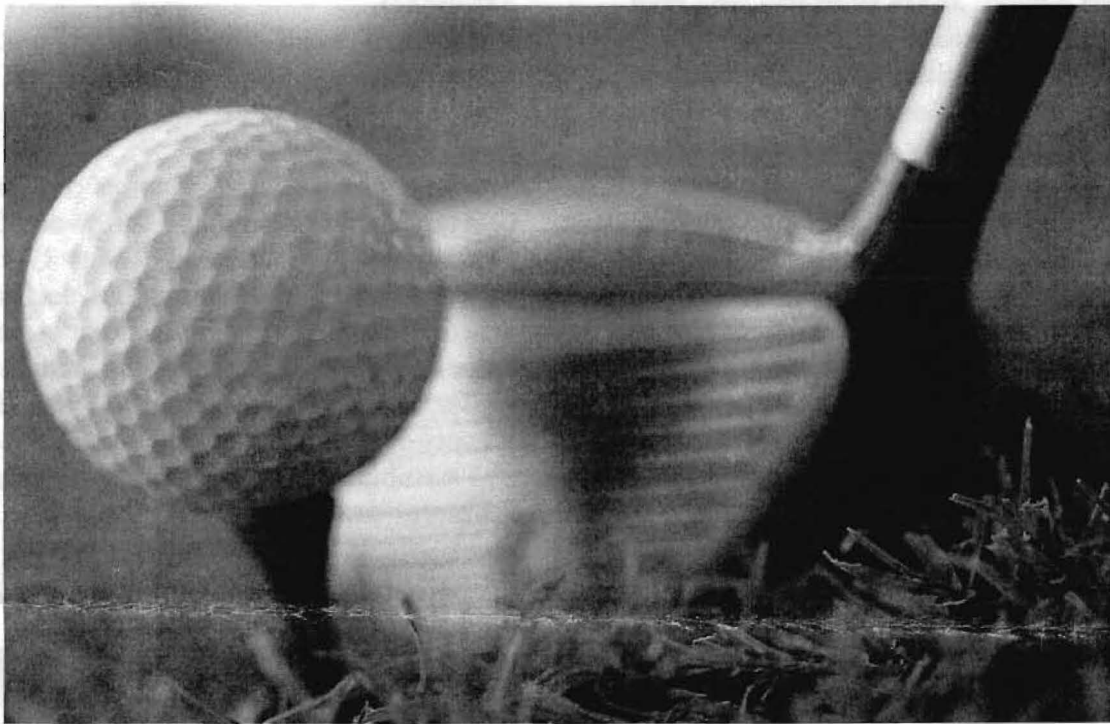
June 1 Gloucester Township Day
June 6 Officers Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
June 7 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
June 13 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
June 14 Golf Tournament (Valleybrook GC)
June 27 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
July 4 **No Officers Meeting**
July 5 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
July 11 Blood Drive (2-8 PM) Officers Meeting
(7 PM) Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
July 25 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following Knights or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month: John Amugo, George Badame, Frank Bailey, Ryan Belmont, Frank Calabrese, Tom Conway, Sr., Don DeNarie, Otto Heston, Erin Little, Rose Massaro, James McGovern, Judith Michalak, Russ Mogavero, Lisa Muldowney, Hugh Murray, Joe Patterson, Joe Pettineo Jr., Joe Riviello, Lucy Sirolli, Barry Lee Start, Mrs. Dolores Tucci, Gus Urbano, and Dennis Wirth.

The following members will celebrate their anniversaries: Mr.&Mrs. John Iovacchino, Mr.&Mrs. Andrew Rescinito, Mr.&Mrs. William Toner. CONGRATULATIONS. If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447).

GOLF TOURNAMENT FRIDAY, JUNE 14th, 2013 VALLEYBROOK COUNTRY CLUB



**ENJOY A FUN FILLED DAY OF GOLF, FOOD AND
REFRESHMENTS. REGISTRATION AND LUNCH
BEGINS AT 11:00 AM FOLLOWED BY A SHOTGUN
START AT 1:00 PM. CONTACT RICH CALABRESE
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REGISTER**