



Knights of Columbus  
St. Barnabas Council # 8603  
Bayville, NJ 08721

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**2011-2012**

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**September 2011**

**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

Brother Knights;

I can't believe it's September already. It seems like the summer has flown by.

We had another very successful Summer Concert Series, even with the one evening when the weather didn't fully cooperate. My sincere thanks to all the brothers who worked so hard setting up, buying and prepping food, cooking, cleaning up etc. We had great turnouts for all the concerts. As many as 17 members showed up to work. Without your help it would have been impossible for the season to have been as successful as it was.

Our fall calendar is quickly filling up. We will have the John B. Taylor Memorial Pancake Breakfast after all Masses On Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Plans are already under way, and help will be needed that day. It would also be a good time to do some recruiting.

Another very important date to put on your calendar is Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, when we will honor PGK Jim Mlodgenski for the great job he did as our Grand Knight last year. See the enclosed flyer for full details.

The weekend of November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> is our Stewardship Weekend in Fr. Brennan Hall and will also be our fall Membership Blitz. This will be an opportune time to recruit new members. We will need your help after all Masses that weekend.

I think we've gotten off to a good start this year, and have kept up the momentum that was started last year, thanks to all your efforts. If you haven't been to a meeting lately, come back and attend one, and see how things have changed.

Vivat Jesus,

Ronald J. Pikor  
Grand Knight

“Today is the oldest you've ever been, yet the youngest you'll ever be, so enjoy this day while it lasts”

Anonymous

**Meetings**

Meetings - 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds. of each month at St. Barnabas Church in Fr. Brennan Hall. All meetings start promptly at 8 PM. Officers Meeting- 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

**UP COMING EVENTS!!!**

<b>Wednesday, Sept 21</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>
Wednesday, Oct 2	John B. Taylor Memorial Pancake Breakfast
<b>Wednesday, Oct 5</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>
Sat-Sun, Oct 15 & 16	Right To Life Rose Sale after all Masses
<b>Wednesday, Oct 19</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>
Wednesday, Oct 28	PGK Dinner, Captain's Inn (See enclosed flier)
<b>Wednesday, Nov 2</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>
Sat-Sun, Nov 12 & 13	K of C Ministry Weekend in Fr. Brennan Hall
<b>Wednesday, Nov 16</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>
<b>Wednesday, Dec 7</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>
<b>Wednesday, Dec 21</b>	<b>Meeting 8 PM Fr. Brennan Hall</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Pardo Spedaliere PGK  
Edward Mlodzienski  
Peggy Pikor  
Tim Lynch PGK, PFN

Herman “Bud” Cooper PGK  
Emmit Worthy Jr. PGK  
Al Kessler PGK  
Mike Masucci

Joe Mockapetris PGK  
John Sutor PGK, PFN  
Margaret Kessler  
All The Troops



**RECENTLY DEPARTED**

John Taylor



## E-Mail Addresses!!!

We are asking all members to update their E-Mail address. This way we can keep everyone up to date on the affairs of the Council. In the future everyone with an E-Mail address will receive the News Letter by E-Mail. By doing this we can save the Council the cost of printing and sending the News Letter through the mail. Also the News Letter will be posted on our web site for all to read. To update your E-Mail address just send an E-Mail to **8603@comcast.net** Thank you.

## Baptism Procedure

- 1- All babies receive gifts at the first Sunday mass.
- 2- Members of K of C St. Barnabas Council #8603 and their immediate families who have a baptism at the St. Barnabas Church, Bayville, NJ in a private ceremony will receive gifts at the ceremony provided that the Brother Knight gives the Council two weeks' notice. Should the Brother Knight fail to give the Council two weeks' notice the gifts will not be presented at the ceremony but can be picked up at the Parish Office when they are ready.
- 3- Members of K of C St. Barnabas Council #8603 and their immediate families who have a baptism at a church other than the St. Barnabas Church, Bayville, NJ can pick up their gifts at the Parish Office provided that the Brother Knight gives the Council two weeks' notice.

## Hospitalized Brothers

If you know of a Brother Knight from Council # 8603 who has been hospitalized for three days or more, please contact George Vogt at 732-269-2916 so we can present him with our Council 8603 robe.

## Need a Notary Public

If you are in need of a Notary Public we have two Brother Knights who are offering their services to all Brother Knights at no cost. To take them up on this offer please contact:

**Brother Carmen Amato at 732-915-5068 or  
Brother SK Mike Masucci at 732-330-3412**

Thanks Carmen and Mike for your service!



# St. Barnabas Council #8603

## PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S DINNER

In Honor of

**SK James H. Mlodgenski**

**When: Friday, October 28, 2011**

**Where: The Captain's Inn**

**East Lacey Road**

**Forked River**

**Time: 7:30 PM until 11:00 PM**

**Price: \$35.00/Person**

**Dinner includes:**

**Traditional dinner buffet, including salad, hot entrees, dessert,  
coffee, tea and soda (Cash bar available)**

**Live music for your listening and dancing pleasure will be provided by Piper's Alley.**

## PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S DINNER

**Yes, I'd/we'd like to attend:**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_**

**No. People \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed**

**Mail Coupon and Check (payable to St. Barnabas Council #8603) before October 24, 2011 to:**

**Ronald J. Pikor, Grand Knight**

**18 Medford Road**

**Whiting, NJ 08759**

**For More Information Call Ron at 732-849-0770**



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STRONG AS EVER

Recent action taken by Standard & Poor's to downgrade the United States has led to a downgrade in their rating of all 'AAA' rated insurance companies, including the Knights of Columbus. Their rationale for this action taken is that no insurer domiciled in a country can be rated higher than the country. We continue to have the highest rating possible from A.M. Best (A++) and the highest rating S&P is able to give to any insurance company based in the United States (AA+).

There continues to be no more highly rated insurer in the United States than the Knights of Columbus. Our members can continue to have the highest confidence in our performance as a company and in the safety of the money that they have entrusted to us. The Knights of Columbus is as strong as ever.

For any questions or to schedule a review, please contact me at 732-606-1616

**Fraternally,**  
**James Castrovilly, Field Agent**

## No Prayers Allowed at Vets Burials

From September 2011 VFW Magazine

Allegations of religious censorship at a Houston cemetery prompted VFW's Commander-in-Chief to issue a statement in July expressing the organization's outrage that veterans constitutional rights are possibly being violated.

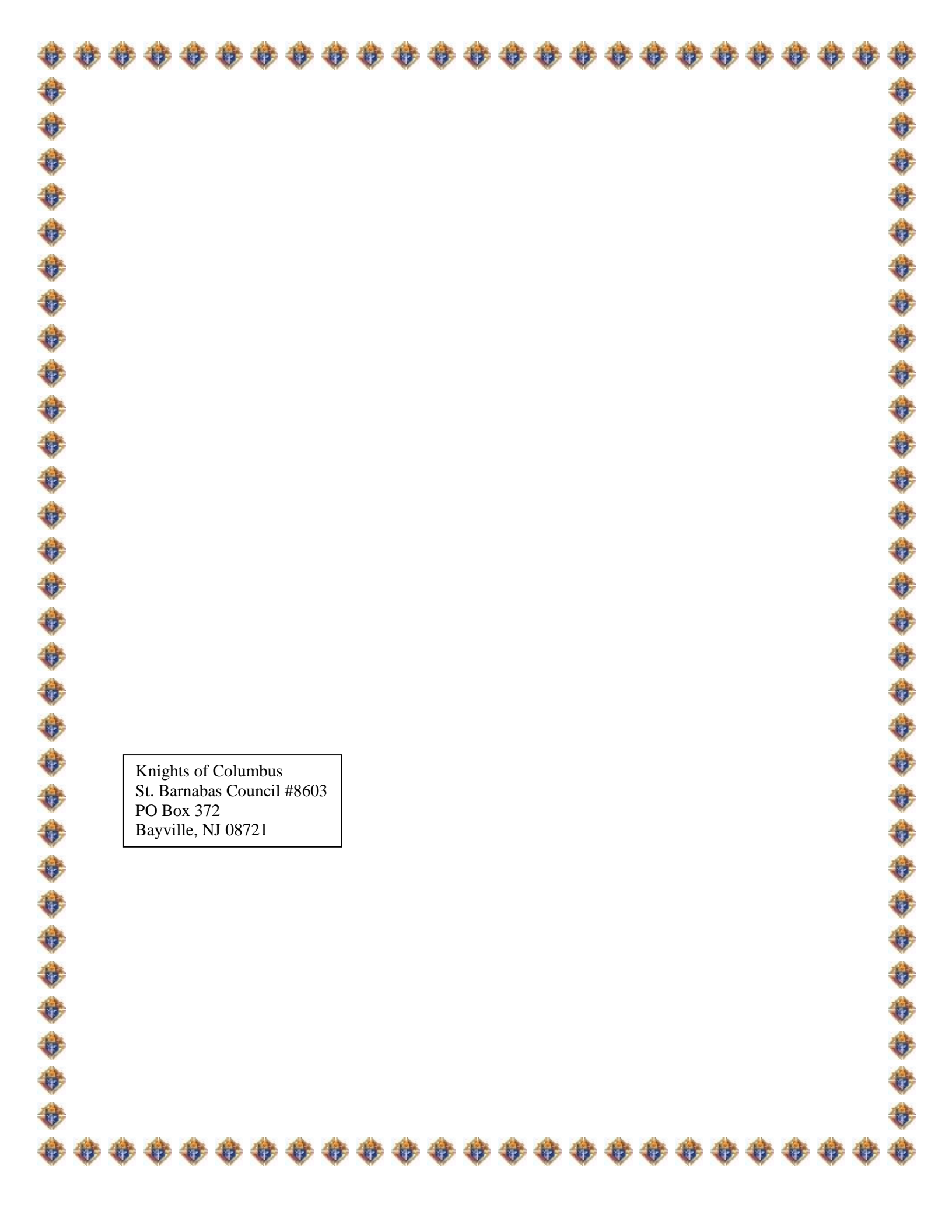
"Generations of patriotic Americans have fought, bled and died to help defend the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees fundamental rights of religious expression and freedom of speech," VFW Commander-in-Chief Richard L. Eubank said. "Those basic tenets are clearly being violated at the cemetery."

According to the Texasbased Liberty Institute, VA and the director of VA's Houston National Cemetery, Arleen Ocasio, have engaged in "religious viewpoint discrimination" in violation of the First Amendment and the *Religious Freedom Restoration Act*.

"They've told VFW and the American Legion that they cannot have prayer during the burial services of our veterans, unless the family requests it in writing and submits the prayer for pre-approval," said Jeff Mateer, Liberty Institute's general counsel.

Liberty Institute has filed suit against VA and Ocasio on behalf of VFW, the American Legion and The National Memorial Ladies. VA says it "values and respects" veterans and their families rights to a burial service "that honors their faith tradition." Ocasio has issued no comment, despite repeated requests.

"This is a classic case of a bureaucrat running amok," Eubank said. "In spite of VA policy, the cemetery director is making up her own rules and has imposed hurtful, unilateral restrictions of her own choosing."

A decorative border of Knights of Columbus emblems surrounds the page. Each emblem features a blue shield with a white cross, a golden crown on top, and a golden base. The emblems are arranged in a rectangular frame.

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