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State Deputy's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

At our State Convention in May you provided me with the humbling honor of becoming the State Deputy of the New Jersey State Council for a second year. It is truly an honor to be placed in this position and to represent all of you throughout the State.

Let me first say THANK YOU to the Past State Deputies who have again shown their confidence in me to place my name in nomination and to the delegates throughout the State for electing me to this position! This past year has proven to me, more than ever, YOU, the local councils and its members are the STATE COUNCIL. Your hard work all of last year was gratifying to see and hear about as I traveled throughout the State.

To the new and returning Grand Knights, District Deputies and all the local council officers, I offer my congratulations as you assume this position. I pledge mine and the other State officers' assistance to you whenever needed. We are here to make your year in office a successful one!

Once again I say to all of you, my brother knights, we have a very big task ahead of us in the upcoming year – TO GROW THE ORDER IN NEW JERSEY! We are a State council with over 62,000 members but as each year passes we get older! We need to continue to direct our attention to bringing in younger members to fill in behind us! In order to attract new members, councils need to BE ATTRACTIVE! WE, the current members of our local councils, must show others what we do and that we are "Anchored in Our Charity and Fraternity" under the emblem of the Knights of Columbus! As Catholic men we must help others in our Church, Community and Councils and by doing this we will grow our Order!

There are many programs for each member to become involved in within your local Council and to assist in the growth of the Order. We start a new "Faith in Action" program this year that has so many activities available to all men, knights and prospective knights that can be accomplished right in our own parishes and communities. Please get involved! Reach out to the Grand Knight and offer to assist in the many worthwhile council programs. Any amount of time you may have, big or small, will help others and show them that we do great things.

I wish you all a peaceful and fruitful summer but we must be active 24/7 in spreading the news of the Knights and showing the good we do for others.

VIVAT JESUS, Bob Hatler, State Deputy

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Highlighted Program of the Month

THE SILVER ROSE

How did the Running of the Rose start? The Running of the Rose started with the Squires wanting to do an event for Our Lady of Guadalupe. They conceived of the idea to carry a rose, a symbol of Our Lady, from Ontario, Canada, through the United States, to Monterrey, Mexico. The first run was completed on December 12, 1960. This has been an annual event since then.

How is the Silver Rose significant? The rose is a symbol of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Juan Diego was showered with roses during an apparition. At the same site in Monterrey, Mexico, amazing roses still grow. The original run of the Running of the Rose used a real rose. From 1961 to the present, a silver rose was crafted specifically for this event. The Silver Rose is made from silver mined from Mexico.

How is the Running of the Rose run presently? Since the significance of this program has expanded, there are 6 identical Silver Roses travelling 6 routes through Canada, through the Western, Eastern, and Central parts of the United States, to Texas. From Texas, the Roses cross the border to finish at the basilica in Monterrey. Thousands of prayer services are held along the way, making this powerful symbol available for the faithful. How is the Running of the Rose significant for the Knights of Columbus? The Running of the Rose represents the unity and fraternity in our Order. This unity supersedes national borders and binds Circles, Councils, and Assemblies together. Each state only has a few weeks with the Silver Rose before transferring to the next. Cooperation and unity are essential for any successful annual run. Utmost, the Running of the Rose and the Silver Rose represents the patron saint of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe. What can we not do with Mary at our side?

Who is the Contact person for the Running of the Rose for the NJ Knights of Columbus?

Former District Deputy Michael Choma is the State Chairman for the program. FDD Choma has successfully run the program in the past and plans to do so again this year.

When is the Rose available in New Jersey?

The Silver Rose will be traveling through NJ between September 3 and October 8, 2017.

Are there prayer booklets available with the Silver

Rose? Prayer booklets are available for the Silver Rose program, just as there are for the Marian Icons traveling the state

How can you arrange to have the Rose in your area?

To host the Silver Rose and hold a prayer service at your Parish, contact the State Chairman, Mike Choma via email at <u>mikechoma826@gmail.com</u>.

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Upcoming Events:

* PLEASE NOTE – <u>ALL MONTHLY REPORTS ARE DUE</u> AT THE STATE COUNCIL OFFICE ON THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH

Be sure to make a note of the activities that are scheduled for the next several months. Click the specific activity [hyperlink] 🗹 to obtain more information, details and forms. Log-in required

<u>2018</u>

- Aug 1 Form 365 due at Supreme Aug 7, 8, 9 – Supreme Convention – Baltimore, Md Aug 12 – Birthday of Father McGivney Aug 14 – Anniversary of Fr McGivney's Passing Aug 15 – Semi-Annual Audit due Aug 15 - Soccer Challenge Kits Order Form due Sept 1 – Essay and Substance Abuse Order Form Sept 3 – Labor Day – FLY YOUR FLAG Sept 5 - Membership Meeting – Araneo Chapter Sept 11 - Day of Rememberance – FLY YOUR FLAG Sept 15 – Free Throw Order Form Due Sept 15 - Membership Meeting – Paterson Diocese Sept 15 - Membership Meeting – Metuchen Diocese Sept 18 - Membership Meeting – Trenton Diocese Sept 26 – Membership Meeting – St John Paul II Chapter Sept 29 – Membership Meeting – Newark Archdiocese Oct 1 – Rosary Rally – Mt Laurel – Section 6.1 GK Manual Oct 8 - Columbus Day Oct 13 – FS Training – Council 3428, North Arlington Oct 14 - Rosary Rally – Clifton – Section 6.1.1 GK Manual
- Oct 19 /21 State Council Retreat

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Quarterly Calendar



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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Dear Brothers:

As announced at the 2018 State Convention, Membership Awards were not presented to local councils as we wanted to give all councils the entire Columbian Year to attain their membership goals. Now that the Columbian Year has come to an end, the State Council and the State Membership Team proudly recognize the following councils for attaining 100% or more of their membership goal:

2017-2018 Columbian Year Membership Awards, Father McGivney Award

Council Name	Number	Location	Quota	YTD Gain	Percent
Father Juan Perez	262	Passaic	6	8	133.30%
George Washington	359	Morristown	23	75	326.00%
Madonna	520	Englewood	5	6	120.00%
St. James & St. Anthony of Padua	525	Red Bank	4	10	250.00%
Princeton	636	Princeton	10	12	120.00%
Coronation	1863	Fort Lee	5	5	100.00%
Dr. McDowell	2248	Madison	13	16	123.00%
Lyndhurst	2396	Lyndhurst	10	12	120.00%
Vineland	2531	Vineland	10	140	140.00%
Sacred Heart	2842	Rochelle Park	15	15	100.00%
Msgr. Joseph F. Loreti	3240	Roselle Park	9	9	100.00%
St. Francis of Assisi	3272	Metuchen	10	11	110.00%
St. Joseph	3402	Keyport	22	30	136.30%
Archbishop Walsh	3550	Palisades Park	10	11	110.00%
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	3644	Wallington	14	19	135.70%
Union	4504	Union	35	35	100.00%
Msgr. Francis X. Coyle	5560	Springfield	21	27	128.50%
Our Lady Queen of Peace	6139	West Milford	8	8	100.00%
Cherry Hill	6173	Cherry Hill	9	10	111.10%
Rev. Mitchell Cetkowski	6201	Jackson	35	41	117.10%
St. Ambrose	6424	Old Bridge	11	19	172.70%
Msgr. James A. Bulfin	6513	Malaga	4	4	100.00%
St. Mary of the Lakes	6520	Medford	15	30	200.00%
St. Jude	6551	Berlin Gibbsboro	10	10	100.00%
Saint John XXIII	6621	East Vineland	5	5	100.00%
Eucharistic	6760	Cherry Hill	4	4	100.00%
Brigantine	7020	Brigantine	11	11	100.00%
St. John Neumann	7032	Glassboro	11	12	109.00%
St. Cecilia	7046	Monmouth Jct	11	11	100.00%
Our Lady of Fatima	7108	Passaic	4	5	125.00%
Christo Redentor	7814	Mount Holly	4	5	125.00%
St. Martha	7926	Point Pleasant	18	24	133.30%

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Council Name	Number	Town	Quota	YTD Gain	Percent
St. Barnabas	8603	Bayville	23	23	100.00%
Msgr. James J. Zegers	9113	Marmora	12	14	116.60%
Holy Crusaders	9193	Blackwood	22	23	104.50%
Our Lady of the Pines	9852	Whiting	10	10	100.00%
St. Francis of Assisi	10994	Fort Dix	5	6	120.00%
Piscataway	11017	Piscataway	7	7	100.00%
Our Lady of Peace	11378	North Brunswick	8	8	100.00%
St. Monica	11529	Jackson Twp	12	13	108.30%
St. Anthony	11585	Wood-Ridge	7	9	128.50%
Rev. Joseph J. Donnelly	11660	Highlands	5	11	220.00%
Jesus the Lord	12232	Keyport	6	11	183.30%
St. Jude	12430	Blairstown	8	8	100.00%
St. Margaret	13259	Woodbury Hts	15	15	100.00%
St. Elizabeth of Hungary	13678	Wyckoff	7	8	114.20%
Saint Padre Pio	14191	Hammonton	4	4	100.00%
Our Lady of the Magnificat	14493	Kinnelon	10	10	100.00%
Holy Family	14712	Nutley	4	5	125.00%
St. John Paul II	15808	Linden	4	8	200.00%
Our Lady of Fatima	15958	North Bergen	4	5	125.00%
Bishop John C. Reiss	15964	Marlboro	13	14	107.69%
St. Kuriakose Chavro	16596	Somerset	4	6	150.00%

The state officers will be presenting the Membership Awards to the local councils at upcoming Chapter and Federation meetings in the Fall of 2018. Thank you for all that you do to build our Order here in the State of New Jersey and we look forward to continued growth in the 2018-2019 Columbian Year.

VIVAT JESUS! Russell D. Petrocelli, MFD State Membership Director

PROGRAM CORNER

Brother Knights,

Greetings from the concrete jungle of the Newark Archdiocese! (My homage to my friend SA Ray Sands.) Waiting for summer to arrive seemed like an eternity. Now it's come and will be gone before we know it. It's hard to believe it's been three months since the election of our State Officers for this Fraternal Year. Tempus Fugit!! "Don't blink" as our State Deputy says.

Coming up in the next month or two are a variety of Programs in **Council** Activities. Please consider getting involved in some—if not all—of these. The phrase "You must be in it to win it" applies to the Family and Knight of the Month programs so please send your forms to the Chairman, John Rokicki, at <u>JGROKICKI@AOL.COM</u>. Additionally, please have your new Knights at all degrees fill out the forms for the McGivney Guild (also in Council Activities). These are available from Supreme

For **Church** activities, please note that the Family Rosary is coming up in October. In the South it will be October 1st and in the North it will be October 21st. The SILVER ROSE program will be starting on September 9 and will run for five weeks until October 10. Please contact Mike Choma at <u>maleman73@comcast.net</u> to have the Rose visit your area. Get charged up in your Faith by joining our State Officers at the NJ State Retreat on October 19-21 at the St. Alonso Retreat House.

Our **Community** activities address those less fortunate. Participation must be given careful consideration as the weather gets chilly to these worthwhile and very important charities. We must start ordering our Coats for Kids and planning the collections for Food for the Hungry and Eyes for the Needy.

With the World Cup just ending and all the excitement it brought to millions of people, it would be an excellent idea to join the SOCCER challenge which Councils run in September. This is an important part of our **Youth** activities. With school starting within the next few weeks, it is time to order the Child ID Kits. Although the theme from Supreme has not been revealed, The Supreme Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest is in its 2nd year and is run by my son, Harold. He can be reached at <u>hyroku19@gmail.com</u>.

Please contact me if you need more information on the new FAITH IN ACTION Programs. You should have already received your Fraternal Leadership Planner from Supreme and this will certainly be a help in your planning of programs. Working together, we can do our best to develop a calendar of programs by using the tools supplied by the State and Supreme.

Making sure your Council is "<u>ANCHORED IN CHARITY</u> <u>AND FRATERNITY</u>" can be achieved by doing your programs and teaching those Knights ready for advancement.

"<u>Tell me and I Forget. Teach me and I Remember. Involve</u> <u>me and I Learn.</u>" These truly are wise words from Ben Franklin. Remember we are all only a phone call or email away. <u>Harold Delaney, FDD</u>, NJ State Program Director

PATRIOTIC CORNER

Faithful Sir Knights All,

I trust your summer has been going well. If your Assembly has taken a break, it's time to start cranking back up. August is great month for an Officers meeting to make sure your team is on the same page! As we always say, recruitment is a 365 day job, however, it always seems to step up in the fall months heading towards our November Exemplification's. Both the 1st and 2nd Districts will hold Exemplifications in November again this year!

We are always looking for Patriots and it makes your life easier if you promote the 4th degree at your council meeting each month, don't wait to recruit. It is again that time of the year where we need to defend our flag, it is football season and we

wait to see how they will protest under our flag and try to explain why it has nothing to do with our flag. Then why do they kneel when our National Anthem is played and our Flag is unfurled? Why not other times? We need to support this and many other issues. Remember, we need to be informed Catholics so



we can defend our Faith, Church and Country! We are truly looking for a few great men. Ask someone you know and respect to join the 4th degree and make a difference as a true patriot!

Also, I would like to recognize my counterpart in the North, Master of the 1st NJ District **Russell Petrocelli**, on his time served as Master of his District. Russell is an exemplary Knight and served his office with dignity and respect. Being a Master is always a trying position but he was always up to the task and I thank him for his service, it was truly a pleasure to work with you over the last 2 years, I wish you well and know you will go far!

In closing let me say,

MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP Vivat Jesus,

Chris Tomasello,

Master Second New Jersey District



SPECIAL PROGRAMS CORNER

Brother Knights,

Please review the Special Programs section of the <u>Grand Knight's Handbook</u> for the many worthwhile programs within Special Programs. <u><<CLICK HERE</u> <u>FOR A SUMMARY!>>></u> Your donations are critically needed and advance planning of fundraisers will help immensely! These programs will also help you on your council's journey to achieving STAR COUNCIL!

Deborah Hospital performed their first open heart surgery in 1958 and is now the only Cardiac and Pulmonary Specialty Hospital in New Jersey. It is known worldwide for its outstanding programs in the treatment of heart and lung diseases and has helped numerous Knights and their families. Did you know that Deborah Hospital provides treatment at NO CHARGE to patients for those items that are not covered by insurance? Also, Knights and their families ALWAYS receive special consideration when applying for admission! Councils are asked to run a function and donate as much as possible, or even just write a council check or solicit personal checks for whatever you can afford. This year's goal is again \$30,000. Last year, thanks to the 63 councils that participated, we raised \$12,835 total, but now, WE'RE COUNTING ON ALL OF YOU TO HELP US SUCCESSFULLY EXCEED OUR GOAL! If only 150 councils were to donate at least \$200, we will easily achieve success! Please make checks payable to "Deborah Hospital" and send your donations to State Chairman Andrew Julia, FDD, 37 Hall St., Winslow, NJ 08095.

In anticipation of your Alzheimer's Fund Drive for Respite Care, APRONS for members collecting funds are available and they cost just \$16 each. Please add \$5 to the total for shipping. You can make checks for aprons payable to Neal McGarrity and mail to 814 9th St., Secaucus, NJ 07094. Email him with any additional questions and if you would also like to be added to the contact list for Alzheimer New Jersey education programs in your area. One final note: Although the Fund Drive for Intellectual Disabilities is usually held in April for most councils, those councils in the shore and resort areas should conduct fund raising activities NOW, while at the peak of YOUR season, and notify State Chairman Gary Seals, FDD of your results.

<u>Marty Boyle, FDD,</u> Director of Special Programs

CULTURE OF LIFE CORNER

Brothers:

If you have not already done so, please appoint a Respect Life Chairman and a Religious and Civil Rights Chairman for your council. Once you have, be sure to let us know, so that we can get e-mails and other information to them. This can be done easily by online form for <u>Respect Life</u> and <u>R&C</u>.

Catholic Advocacy is the key to our success going forward. At the Grand Knights Meeting in June, when talking about the opposition and propaganda that we face from the pro-abortion lobby, I asked those in attendance: What are you going to do about it? Well, now is the time to come up with an answer. In the 2018-2019 Columbian Year: What are you going to do about it?

Here, let me help you out with some suggestions:

- Recruit at least one letter writer in your council and <u>e-mail the name to Ron</u> <u>Prykanowski</u>. Then have him write at least one letter a month!
- Get one of those large, rewriteable "checks" and use them whenever you make a donation to a pregnancy care center. Take pictures of the presentation (or better have a local reporter do it) and have it printed in the local paper.
- Send out a press release announcing your large donation of diapers, wipes, formula and/or baby clothing. Be sure to include your diocesan newspaper, so that your membership prospects are reading about it!
- Plan something big for October to raise awareness in your parish, like a Diaper Drop, Spiritual Adoption, or Prayers for Babies!

There is a lot you can do, but you have to plan it, do it, **and then tell everyone about it!**

Good luck in your efforts, and Vivat Jesus!

Vivat Jesus!

<u>Steven J. Richardson, FM</u> Culture of Life Programs

INSURANCE MATTERS

Brothers,

Our Mission: Provide every Catholic man the opportunity to create a Financial Lifeboat for his family and a legacy for his family or his passion/charity through a financial program which respects our Catholic Beliefs.

Every Field Agent signs a contract when he becomes an agent for the Order. The one requirement that he has, as stipulated by Supreme is to contact every assigned member once a year, to offer him the opportunity to take part in our insurance program.

As General Agents we also ask our men to, when possible attend council meetings and functions, but their only duty as defined by Supreme is to see the members. Every time an agent goes to a meeting or to a council function he is not out seeing our members. Fr. McGivney's first dream was that no Catholic family would suffer financial devastation from the loss of a loved one. Everything else the Order has become is a happy byproduct of that shared protection.

The Knights of Columbus insurance department is the financial engine that allows our Order to make a difference around the world. If you were to compare the dues sent to the home office against the budget of the Order you would see that all the dues sent in barely covers the cost of printing and mailing Columbia magazine, (and there are a couple of cutouts for Respect life and Catholic Information Service included in those dues).

The work of the Order is underwritten from the profits of the insurance department. All salaries in the home office up to and including the Supreme Knight are paid by the insurance department. All expenses of Columbian Charities Inc. are paid by the profits of the insurance department, so that every dollar sent in by members in times of crisis and tragedy go directly to those in need.

When you participate in the insurance program available only to member of the Knights of Columbus and their families, you are not only taking care of your family, but you are contributing to important Catholic initiatives by the Order at home and abroad.

Additionally, over \$40 million dollars from the profits of the insurance department are donated to Charity each year. That makes the insurance department and the work of you council field agent and the General Agents in our state, the biggest contributors to the charitable works of the Order, year in and year out.

I am proud to have been an agent and general agent for the Order for 16 years. I am proud that my work has helped hundreds of families in my assigned territory as an agent, and thousands of families in my agency. I am prouder still, that through those good works, I have also helped innumerable Catholics around the world in their time of need.

In the Gospel of Matthew Jesus said, "What you do for the least among you, you do for me". Charity is one of the four cornerstones of our Order. Our call to charity comes from our Savior himself. Our Founder calls us to take care of our families through the insurance program of our Order because he saw in the 1880's that government will not take of us. Taking part in our insurance program is a great way to help your family and help our Catholic faith. Taking care of you and your family is the mission of every man who takes up the call to be a field insurance agent for the Order.

WEBMASTER

In Good Company

On July 31st of each year we load the mail server for the State web-site with the e-mail addresses for all the new & returning Council Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries and Chaplains; Assembly Navigators, Comptrollers, Friars and Color Commanders; the Chapter Chairmen, Recorders and Chaplains; Federation Presidents, Secretaries and Chaplains; plus State Officers, Directors and Chairmen, Past and Former Officers and Chairmen also are on our mail server.

In addition, over 4,300 Brothers have



requested subscription to the State E-Newsletter. Many Councils forward our mail to their Council members.

All told, we reach over 20,000 members each month with this newsletter and other important broadcast blasts! If you are not yet receiving mail directly, and would like to, send an e-mail to

subscribe@njkofc.org. We protect your privacy, please observe the

following: **PRIVACY NOTICE:** By submitting your original registration, or accepting an officer or staff position, you agreed to recei-ve official New Jersey State Council Knights of Columbus e-mails from "Knights of Columbus State of New Jersey", webmaster@njkofc.org. Should you decide, at any time, not to receive official New Jersey State Council correspondence and notifications please click <u>Unsubscribe</u>. In the body section please provide your full name, member #, Council #, and the e-mail address we have on file. Please allow 72 hours for us to process your request. Thank you. **PLEASE:** Remember to notify us if you change phone numbers, addresses, or e-mail addresses as we also update the State Directory and the mail server.

Vivat Jesus!!! Bernard Ernst, FDD NJ State Council Webmaster

SQUIRES CORNER

Welcome brothers. The summer months are a time for preparation and execution of Knights Activities, but there are some things that need to be taken care of in July & August for the Health of you council. The officers of the council need to put together a budget for the year and have your two votes to approve by September, when the activities really kick in. I will ask you to consider budgeting funds for 3 state scholarships which benefit our youth;

- Father John F Murray Scholarship
- John Attardo Scholarship
- Bishop Dougherty Scholarships

Brothers, over the last several years working with our State Columbian Squires and Squire Roses, our Circles have been very active within our councils, and our state. They are participating in many activities and support their councils as well as partake in our State Wide Squire Retreat and Statewide Squire/Squire Rose team for the Annual Tank Pull.

The other positives that come from having Squire/Squire Roses are an immediate charge of new energy into you Council activities. They assist with council growth, retention and general vitality. Many of the Squires/Squire Roses are altar servers, sacristans and assist with CCD and serve in many other parish programs. The Squires/Squire Roses have a 70 - 80% participation rate at events and fundraisers – can your council say the same? Squires/Squire Roses serve many other community programs such as women's shelters, senior centers and charities. Our youth are the keys to the future of the Knights of Columbus.

This Fall our Squires/Squire Roses statewide will be very busy working food banks, attending retreats, and many miscellaneous projects assisting not only our council but our parishes and our community. In your preparation for this Columbian Year if you don't already have a Squire/Squire Rose Circle, you should consider one. Our current active Circles are extremely important to our communities. If you have a Squire Circle it meets a requirement for **Community** programs for the Columbian Award.

Brothers are you interested in starting a Circle Contact:

• Peter Briody, PGK Columbian Squires/Squire Rose Director – NJSquires@gmail.com

• Tom Rohe, DGK

Columbian Squire/Squire Rose Regional Chairman North - <u>trohe4@optonline.net</u>

• William McCartney, FDD Columbian Squire/Squire Rose Regional Chairman South- <u>MccartneyJr@lcloud.com</u>

Nick Cutrone, PGK
Columbian Squire/Squire Rose State Committee cutronekofc@gmail.com

Any of these Brothers can assist in starting a circle. Peter D Briody, PGK

Columbian Squires/Squire Rose Program Director

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

DEADLINES

I know, this is something we have all heard before, but it bears repeating. While they can be annoying, deadlines are set for very good reasons. If there were no deadlines, how would anything get accomplished? We have them in all phases of our life, in school there were reports due by certain dates. At our jobs, our employers would like things done by certain days. In my job as a contractor, they are called "completion dates". Your position as Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, District Deputy or State Chairman has dates that reports need to be in to the State Office and/or Supreme. Hopefully, you have sent in your List of Chosen Officers (185) and Chairmen (365) and Audits already. If not, it might be a good thing to get them in soon.

I, myself, have set certain deadlines; this publication has deadlines for the contributors to send their articles in, and the State Directory has deadlines to get the information in so we can get the book printed and distributed to the Councils, Assemblies, Chapters, Federations, and Chairmen by early September. When that deadline is not met, the book gets out late, as it might this year.

I, myself, have missed a deadline or 2 in my time. Most recently, this publication was due to be sent out by August 1st, but I missed my publication date and for that I must apologize to the State Deputy and to you for not making the deadline I set myself.

The month of August brings us the annual Supreme Convention, this year it is in Baltimore. I hope to see many of you there, even if you just come down for a day trip. The Supreme Convention is worthwhile coming to, you hear what the Order has done over the past year and make new friends.

August is also our last chance to enjoy the warmth of Summer, time with the kids and the rest of your family before they head out to school in a few weeks. I am sure you have already been inundated with "Back to School" sales pitches, they seem to start earlier every year. Enjoy these last few weeks and then we get back to the nonstop running around that is our lives the rest of the year. John A Gazis, FDD Crusader Editor THE CRUSADER

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<u>Council</u>	Name	Town	Charter Date	<u>Yrs</u>
<u>253</u>	<u>Elizabeth</u>	<u>Elizabeth</u>	<u>8/1/1897</u>	<u>121</u>
<u>11409</u>	<u>Fr James A Russell</u>	<u>Warren</u>	<u>8/1/1994</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>11415</u>	Millstone Valey	<u>Hillsborough</u>	<u>8/1/1994</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>5015</u>	<u>Msgr Eugene S Burke</u>	<u>River Edge</u>	<u>8/2/1960</u>	<u>58</u>
<u>12974</u>	<u>Msgr James Gacquin</u>	Layton	<u>8/5/2001</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>2393</u>	St Elizabeth	<u>Bernardsville</u>	<u>8/8/1922</u>	<u>96</u>
<u>6504</u>	East Hanover	East Hanover	<u>8/20/1973</u>	<u>45</u>
<u>12769</u>	Mary Immaculate	<u>Secaucus</u>	<u>8/23/2000</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>7648</u>	Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary	Jersey City	<u>8/28/1980</u>	<u>38</u>
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State Deputy Robert Hatler, along with the entire NJ State Council and the Newsletter Staff, would like to take this opportunity to wish **ALL** councils best wishes on their **Charter Anniversary**.

May your council continue to grow and do good deeds for many more years to come! Let's continue to grow our Order, expand our programs and continue to be "*Anchored in our Charity and Fraternity!*"

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[NOTE: Due to the large number of anniversaries in certain months, we may have to limit the publishing list to the names of councils celebrating their **25th**, **50th**, **75th** and **100th** Anniversary in some months. When there is adequate space for more, we will include more Councils]

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