



WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

Grand Knight's Message

Thomas Hudak

It seems as if it were just yesterday that I wrote my first GK message, and wow now it is time to write my 3rd message. Where has the time gone??? Time, is a very interesting word to reflect upon, for example Psalm 90:12 sheds some light on time, "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart."

Since being installed as Grand Knight my days require attention to Council and personal details. In doing so I have been blessed to be surrounded by my family, and Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes.

As the Columbian year moves forward and as we collectively accomplish our goals thru implementation of various programs I can certainly use one of my favorite quotes from Henry Ford to summarize our results to date:

"Coming together is a beginning;
Keeping together is progress;
Working together is success."

Coming together, Keeping together and Working together was evidenced on Monday Oct. 16th when Knights and Columbiettes worked side by side to prepare for and serve meals at the Migrant Ministry Dinner.

As October draws to a close with the Council 7784 Family Bowling Day on Oct. 22, a fundraising event for prostate cancer research, and Oct. 29th Fifth Sunday Rosary, we must look forward to November and the celebration of All Saints Day,

All Souls Day, Mass for Deceased Members (Nov. 12), Christmas Wreath Making (Nov. 13-17), Respect Life Mass (Nov. 18), Pride in Priests Dinner (Nov.20); Distribution of Coats for Kids (TBA) and yes Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 23). November is the month where time once again is a factor, we turn the clocks back on Nov. 5th and look at all that needs to be accomplished.

In closing I would like to share a prayer taken from my Daily Catholic Prayers and Devotions; "Dear Jesus, help us do today the things that matter, not to waste the time we have. Yes, the moments we have are precious, Lord, see that we count them dear. Teach us to number our days aright. Fill us this day with your kindness, that we may be glad and rejoice all the days of our life."

Fraternally,

SK Tom Hudak, GK Council 7784

President's Message

Miriam Montagne

Dear Sister Columbiettes,

Giving thanks . . . Blessings surround us every day.

What are some of the things to be thankful for? Some of the simplest abilities are breathing, walking, talking, hearing, seeing and the list goes on. These are all gifts that have been given to us by God without any effort or earning on our part. "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good."

Psalm 136:1

We should all be grateful that through your efforts in having the Beefsteak raffle dinner we will be able to donate money to the Department of Persons with Disabilities. Those of us present witnessed the joy on the faces of Billy, Kayleigh, Scott and Doreen (clients of DPD). They were happy to play a role at the Beefsteak and it was your generosity that made them feel special. How rewarding is that?

At the migrant ministry dinner hosted by the Knights of Columbus in the St. Joseph Community Center we were thanked by the migrants for the food we served them. They were genuinely appreciative for our fellowship. Again, the simplest task goes a long way.

So, as the holiday season approaches and we feel stressed because of the cooking, cleaning, shopping, and socials that will fill our already jammed packed schedules, remember that we need to do God's work here on earth. We should take time for worship and time for family. Make time for community service. Some things you can do are: wreath making at St. Paul's Abbey, caroling at the nursing homes, volunteering at a soup kitchen, paying it forward for someone and random acts of kindness.

Remember the acronym JOY: Jesus first, Others second and You last.

The truth is, we have all been given abilities and talents that we should appreciate and celebrate over. We may think we should have something more, but perhaps we've been given precisely what we need.

Wishing you and your family a bounty of Thanksgiving blessings,

Miriam

"Use the gifts you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you." St. Therese of Lisieux

A Message from George Parichuk

Thank You to everyone who volunteered at the 2017 Sussex County Farm and Horse Show Columbian Fair Food Booth. The Food Booth is the largest source of charitable donations. Without your help and commitment this would not be possible. Thank You and may You and Your Family have a Happy **Thanksgiving**, a Merry **Christmas**, and a Happy and Healthy New Year.



COLUMBIETTES—DID YOU KNOW?

How many degrees are needed to become an Officer?

- First and Major Degree
- First only
- Major only
- None of the above

Correct answer is: a. First and Major Degree

Did you know that Memorial Fund cards are available for the deceased, get well wishes, thinking of you, thank you, birthdays, anniversaries, congratulations and any occasion? The money from this project supports our seminarians and postulants. If you are interested, send Kathleen Jessen an email, kjessen5@optonline.net, and let her know which card(s) you want sent on your behalf. A suggested donation of \$5.00 is requested and can be mailed to 5 Singleton Street, South Amboy, NJ 08879. Make check payable to NJSCC.

Monthly Donations

November - Laundry detergent items for St. Mother Teresa Food Pantry
December - Socks (white) any size for the nursing homes

October Meeting Highlights:

- Decision to donate from the raffle monies to support the Supreme Council Disaster Relief fund for Sisters affected in the hurricanes in Texas and Florida
- Decision to donate from the raffle monies to purchase ribbons and bows for the wreath making at St.. Paul's Abbey in November
- Decision to send Pat K. and Miriam M. to the State Past President (Lisa Roberts) Luncheon on November 5th
- Decision for the Christmas social to see Newsies a Disney Musical (from Broadway) at the Sitnik Theater in Lackland Center, Centenary College on Saturday, December 9th at 8 p.m. - Connie Pyne has details
- New members: Patricia Everswick, Rita A. Ippolito, Ginelle Veenhuizen- Welcome!

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KNIGHTS FUN FACT DID YOU KNOW TRIVIA?

What is the first principal of Columbian Knighthood?

- Charity
- Church
- Prayer
- Loyalty

Correct answer is: a. Charity



Happy Thanksgiving!

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
His love endures forever." [Psalm 136:1](#)

Daylight Savings Time Ends - November 5th



UPCOMING EVENTS

November

- 1st All Saints' Day
- 2nd All Souls' Day & Council Officers Meeting Sacred Heart Center 7:30pm
- 5th NJ State Past President (Lisa Roberts) Luncheon at Meadow Wood Manor, Randolph 12 p.m. \$65 per person
- 6th 7 p.m. Auxiliary Meeting (Retention month) Guest speaker, Fr ST Sutton
- 9th Council Meeting Sacred Heart Center 7PM Rosary /7:30 Meeting
- 12th Mass for Deceased Members—Good Shepherd 9am
- 13-17th Christmas Wreath Making—Abbey
- 17th 6 p.m. Pot luck and Wreath Making St Paul's Abbey
- 17th Paterson Federation Meeting St. Anthony's Council Butler 8PM
- 19th 1 pm Supreme Past President (Patricia Zellner) Testimonial Dinner at Grand Lake Chateau, Woodbridge, NJ \$67.50 per person
- 20th Pride in Priests Dinner, Hanover Manor, 6PM
- 22nd 4th Degree Meeting Sacred Heart Center 7:30PM
- Thursday, November 23—Thanksgiving Day

December

- 3rd Christmas Social (KofC), 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.—St. Joseph Community Center \$10 per person
- 4th 6:30 p.m. First Degree/7 p.m. Auxiliary Meeting
- 6th 7 p.m. Western Chapter St. Anthony, Butler
- Friday, December 8th-The solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
- 9th-8 p.m. Newsies (A Broadway Musical), Centenary College, Hackettstown
- 16th Caroling at the Nursing Homes
- Monday, December 25th Merry Christmas!
- Sunday, December 31st- Rosary at St Joseph Church-before 11:30 a.m. mass

January 2018

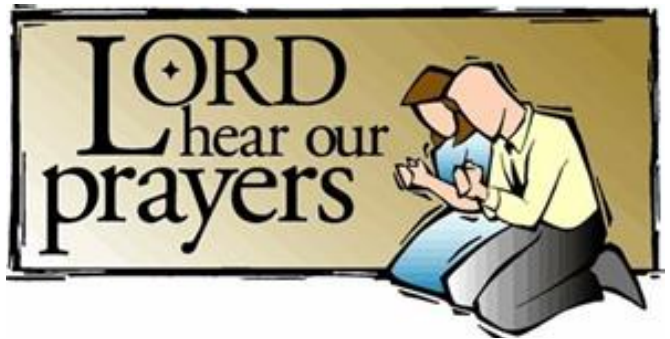
- Happy New Year!
- **No** Columbiette meeting in January

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SAVE THE DATE!!

NEWSIES, a Disney Musical (from Broadway)
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2017

8 PM

**SITNIK THEATER at LACKLAND CENTER,
 CENTENARY COLLEGE
 715 GRAND AVENUE, HACKETTSTOWN, NJ 07840**

Ticket money will be due to Connie Pyne at the November meeting or you may mail a check made payable to "Don Bosco Columbiettes" to Connie at: 4 Deer Run, Newton, NJ 07860

The ticket price will be \$26 if 50 or more tickets are sold.



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