

THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange Ju

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jun. 23	4th Degree Installation Mass @ Salvatorian Monastery 7:30 PM
Jun. 24	Social Meeting @ St. Catherine—Election of Officers
Jul. 5	Independence Day Parade in Montclair
Jul. 8	Installation of Officers Mass @ Salvatorian Monastery
Jul. 10	Rosary For Life
Jul. 15	NJ Jackals Game
Jul. 22	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine of Siena
Aug. 7	Knights of Columbus Family Week
Aug. 14	Rosary For Life
Aug. 15	Feast of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother
Aug. 27	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine of Siena

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

Well, these two years have gone by remarkably fast. So for my final Grand Knight's message, I have nothing inspiring to say, but rather would just like to thank all those brothers who did so much of the work.

As most of you know, Grand Knights become trustees for three years. Our three trustees for the past two years, Larry Dillon, John Sommer, and Dave Lyon, continued to volunteer and run the programs that have made our council so successful. I didn't have to do a thing. Our Deputy Grand Knight Kevin Brown had an idea three years ago about a golf outing. Once he developed a plan, we gave him the ball and he ran with it. I just sat back and watched. Our Treasurer PJ Hanly and Financial Secretary Joe Cafarella handled the council's finances and I never had to worry about anything. Our Lecturer, Bob Rodgers, always supplied the refreshments for the meetings. He is permanently retiring from that position, so the incoming GK may have to bring his own. I guess I'm getting out just in time. And I could go on with a bunch of guys who always stepped up and did the work: Gary, Al, Tom, Fitz, Tony M, Tim, Tony D, and of course Jack.

So what I'm saying is I had a hell of a lot of help from a bunch of great guys and I thank you. This Chuck Collins signing off.

Vivat Jesus, Chuck Collins, GK

SUMMER MEETING DAYS AND LOCATION

As is customary, we will only be meeting once a month in July and August. The meetings will be the 4th Thursday of those months, both being held at St. Catherine of Siena below the church.

NJ JACKALS BASEBALL OUTING

Our annual outing to Yogi Berra Stadium on the campus of Montclair State University to see the New Jersey Jackals baseball club will be on Tuesday, July 15, 2010. The Jackals will host the Brocton Rox, with first pitch at 7:05 PM. It will be St. Patrick's Night at Yogi Berra Stadium that night. All drinks are \$1. Tickets are \$10 for box seats. Mark your calendars and enjoy a night at the ballgame with your brother Knights and their families. Call Chuck Collins @ 973-857-9124 and tell him how many tickets you want.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CARNIVAL

The carnival was held June 3-6. Again, our council sponsored and manned a game booth. Council members who worked the booth his year included Tim Murphy, Dave Lyon, Angelo Berardi, Tony LoRusso, Larry Dillon, Kevin Brown, John Sommer, Phil DeRitis, and—Clocking in four-hour shifts each night of the carnival— Tom DeFrancisi.

ESSAY CONTEST

The theme of this years essay contest, presented to the eighth graders at Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena schools who will be going on to Catholic high schools, was: In this "Year of the Priest" what do you most appreciate about what our priests do for us?

The winners were Kelly Malanga from OLL, who will be attending Mt. St. Dominic Academy next year, and Jeremy Ahn from SCS, who will attending Seton Hall Prep. Congratulations to the winners, and thank-you to our judges, George Hectus, Larry Dillon, Dan Fitzpatrick, and Tony Morano.

QUARTERLY 50/50

Enclosed with this issue of *The Knight Life* you will find tickets for our July 50/50 with a return envelope. They are \$5 each. Return the stubs with your check made out to K of C #3632. Council winners in April were: Tony LoRusso, Tony Miloscia, Dave Lyon, Bill Van Houten, Chuck Pritchard, Tom Finn, Tom Cavalere (Jack's brother), Judith Gibbons (Fr. John's sister), Jim Kiernan (brother Knight from Belleville).

Please return the stubs. Their were 5 brothers who did not send in their winning tickets in April. This is one of our four 50/50 fundraisers we have each year to help support our council activities and charities. Thanks for your support.

WE DID IT!

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

Congratulations to our council. We did it again! We just reached our goal of \$10,000. We sent the check to the NJ State council made out to the NJKC Intellectual Fund. Seems they keep changing the name of this drive.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

This event will once again be held at the Salvatorian Monastery beginning at 7:30PM on Thursday, July 8. The ceremony is preceded by a Mass. Officers should arrive at 7 PM in jacket and tie. Refreshments and light fare will be served immediately following.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the June 24 regular meeting at the Salvatorian Monastery, we will hold elections for officers for the 2010-2011 Columbian year. The proposed slate is as follows:

Grand Knight Kevin Brown
Deputy Grand Knight Tony Morano
Chancellor Dan Fitzpatrick
Recorder Al Linkus
Treasurer P. J. Hanly
Warden Tim Murphy

Outside Guard Gary Wilczewski Inside Guard Jack Cavalere

Assigned:

Advocate

Chaplain Fr. Bryan Page Financial Secretary Joe Cafarella

Lecturer Open

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

Tony Ditri

We collect \$1 from each member at every meeting and if a member's name is drawn and he is in attendance, he wins. If he is not present, the money is rolled over to the next meeting, and so the pot grows. It pays to attend meetings. Ronald Weathermon's name was drawn last meeting. And guess what? The pot just grew to \$121!

3RD DEGREE

Congratulations to Charlie and Michael Collins who made their 3rd Degree on June 4 at Livingston Council. They are the sons of Grand Knight Chuck Collins. The boys are the fourth generation of 3rd Degree Knights in the Collins family.

MEMORAL DAY PARADE

We had 15 marchers in this years parade in Verona: Jim Miserindino, Pat Hanly, Tony Ditri, Paul Soderman, Bill Spooner, Joe Cafarella, Tim Murphy, Judy & John Sommer, Dave & Lori Lyon and their two daughters and friend.

Our brother Knight, Deputy Mayor Joe Sapienza, was in charge of the presentation and gave one of the best Memorial Day speeches we have heard in a long time.

GOLF OUTING

Our council's 2nd annual golf outing was once again a success. We had 72 paid golfers (21 more than last year). The weather was absolutely perfect. Chairman Kevin Brown once again did fantastic job organizing this event. The final numbers are not in yet, so more details will be in next month's Knight Life along with kudos for all those who worked so hard to pull this off. By that time, we will have made a substantial donation to the Youth Groups of St. Catherine's and Our Lady of the Lake.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – JUNE 12

Witness the power of prayer! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, June 12, from 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair, in front of the Social Security building, opposite the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic where they perform 100 abortions a week. We gather to pray the rosary that mothers will not abort their babies. We meet the second Saturday of every month. Come spend as much time as you have. Your prayers and presence will and have saved baby's lives! Bring your families. Our Chaplain, F. Bryan Page, joined us for the 6th Anniversary of the Rosary For Life.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



Your prayers are needed for our brother Knights and all those listed below:

Gabriel Bercovici, Alice Garcia, Mary Lou Rapuano, John D. Coyne Jr., William Foley, Regina Soboti, Richie Weber, Paul Maria, Joe Musynske, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family, baby girl Hanlon, Eric M, Thomas Flood, Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Stella & Jerry Votta, Christine Maccia, Marie Cole, John DeSimone, Steve Rappaport, Nicole Greco, Daniel Fischer, Fr. Frank McGowan, Paul Coleman, Beth Duelly, William Robertson, Jane and Andy C., Dick Meehan, Julie Alvarez, Stephanie Herbert, Kevin Carr, Frank Testa, Roslyn Warmoth, Betty Ferrari.

- Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families.
- Pray for our seminarians, especially the ones we support, Julius Lucero and Richard Di Brasi
- Pray for peace in our world especially in the Middle East and for the safety of all our military men and women.
- Special prayers for our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI.
- Say the rosary daily with your family for your own personal intentions, for the Good of the Order, and for the end of abortions.
- Pray for all our parish priests, deacons and religious, that the Holy Spirit will come and strengthen and enlighten them to carry out Christ's work. Also pray for vocations to the religious life.

If there are any Knights or their family members who are sick, in need of prayers, would like visitors, or would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact John Sommer at 973-857-1370 and he will make arrangements.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of June:

James Miserendino Pat Hynes Gary Karpinski Wieslaw Strzadala Krzysztof Szczotka Dan Donovan Bud MacFarlane Kevin Glenn Paul Soderman Dave Lyon Michael Collins John LoCoco

NJ STATE K OF C CONVENTION

It was a wonderful weekend, good for flying kites, swimming, golfing, and going to the convention meetings. Our Grand Knight, Chuck Collins, accepted two plaques. One was for the Alzheimer's Drive (\$4400-second highest in the state). The second plaque was for last year's contribution of \$10,250 to the Mentally Handicapped/Special Citizens Drive. Only 10 out of 340 councils in NJ collected over \$10,000.

Nine members of our council were at the convention in Wildwood: Jack Cavalere, Ron Blaha, PJ Hanly, Bob and Madge Rodgers, George and Judy Hectus, Nick and Jean Munning, Judy and John Sommer, Torrey and Betsy Mathisen, and Chuck Collins. Once again we stayed at the beautifully updated Port Royal Hotel in Wildwood Crest right on the huge beach. PJ Hanly won the 50/50 on Friday night and John Sommer on Saturday at the hospitality room.

INSURANCE

One of my fellow field agents recently called on a Brother Knight who allowed his Knights of Columbus insurance policy to lapse by not paying his premiums. This field agent simply called to ask if he would please return the lapsed policy. Because the member considered the policy to be worthless now, he asked the agent why he wanted it back.

The field agent replied that when the member died, he wanted to avoid the unpleasant task of explaining to his widow and children that the policy was worthless. He wanted to avoid the excitement the widow would feel when she found out what she thought was a life insurance policy, only to become further depressed when she found it was useless and belonged in the wastebasket.

Fortunately, this story has a happy ending. The member in question was able to conserve this valuable protection for his loved ones by reinstating his insurance.

Call our **Field** Agent Brian Honsberger at (973) 998-4229 today for an appointment