THE KNIGHT LIFE

Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange June, 2013

GRAND KNIGHT P.J. HANLY 862-216-4900 **DEPUTY GK** DAVE LYON CHANCELLOR DAN FITZPATRICK RECORDER **ALEX LINKUS** WARDEN **TIMOTHY MURPHY FINANCIAL** SECRETARY JOE CAFARELLA **LECTURER** JOHN SOMMER TREASURER PAT MULLEN **ADVOCATE TONY DITRI INSIDE GUARD JACK CAVALIER** OUTSIDE GUARD GARY WILCZEWSKI **CHAPLAIN** FR. ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN ቍ MEETINGS 2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS OF THE MONTH 7:30 PM ቀ KOFC3632@AOL. СОМ ዮ www.kofc3632 .ORG

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 27	Regular Meeting @ SCS—Election of Officers
July 4	4th of July Parade in Montclair
July 11	Installation of Officers Mass @ SCS
July 13	Rosary For Life
July 25	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine's
August 10	Rosary For Life
August 15	Feast of the Assumption
August 22	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine's
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the June 27 regular meeting at the St. Catherine's, we will hold elections for officers for the 2013-2014 Columbian year. The proposed slate is as follows:

Grand Knight Deputy Grand Knight Chancellor Recorder Treasurer Warden Advocate Outside Guard Inside Guard Assigned: Chaplain Financial Secretary Lecturer Joe Cafarella Dave Lyon Dan Fitzpatrick Al Linkus Pat Mullen Tim Murphy Tony Ditri Gary Wilczewski Jack Cavalere Fr. Robert (Mac) Mc

Fr. Robert (Mac) McLaughlin P. J. Hanly John Sommer

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Any Brother who would like to run for any of the above offices, please contact Tony Morano @ 973-857-7122. The Installation of Officers Mass will be held Thursday, July 11, at St. Catherine of Siena Church at 7:30 PM

QUARTERLY 50/50

Enclosed with this issue of the Knight Life, you will find tickets for the July 50/50 with a return envelope. They are \$5 each. Fill out and send back the stubs with your check made out to K of C #3632. Our council winners for April were: Mary Ciccoti, Chuck Collins, Dave Lyon, Helen Sciaraffa, Charles Dimeck 2X, Claire Smith, Joe Shook, and Stan Osinski won the big \$500. Congratulations! There were three winning tickets sent out to our brother Knights who did not return their stubs. This is our council's only fundraiser to support our activities and charities. Please participate in this raffle. You never know, you may win.

If you would like more tickets, call PGK Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



June comes and we celebrate Father's Day! For many we can give thanks for our own Fathers, though we know there are others who have never known their own father. For one reason or another, it has happened that in the lives of some, others have been asked to take on the role of Father to young children. In reflecting on these situations, there are several thoughts that come to mind. For example one might ask: how does God create such horrible situations where children are left without a father? One might see God as a punishing God and absent from the suffering of people. Or, one can see that God has anticipated these horrible situations and placed other men in the path of these lives to be a father figure. I might push this

further and ask, to whom have you been a father figure for? Maybe you have your own children or maybe not? Maybe you have nieces or nephews? Maybe you have friends with children? In so many ways and in so many places, God has placed us in the path of other lives...why? How is God calling you to share the love of a father?

We call our God: Father. How do those without a father understand the goodness that God is as Father? And here we know that God is far more than a father. Instead, God is the best of all fathers. He is like those father figures who have stepped in to be there for us and show us the goodness of what fatherhood is. He has even offered His own Son, for our salvation. Holding nothing back, what else has He given you?

Another reflection we might ponder is the importance of fatherhood in the lives of young people. A father is a role totally separate and complimentary to a mother. Only by working together can they bring life to the world. With this gift of life comes great responsibility. In our society, many have tried to suggest that the role of either mother or father is unimportant and yet beyond the observation of natural law, study after study suggest that the best opportunity for a child is one that has an intact, married, and loving mother and father. The role of father is not assumable by the mother and although others may take on the role, a hole is always left where one's own father is missing. Knowing that children deserve all the best of what we can give them, this is an opportunity to remind us of the sanctity of marriage between a man and a woman. This does not come as judgment on so many men and women who for various reasons are forced to raise children without the help of the spouse. Instead it comes with encouragement that our goal and standard should be the best we can offer our children.

This month, we also celebrate St. Anthony of Padua. St. Anthony reminds us to contemplate the Nativity of the Child Jesus. In meditating on the goodness of God to manifest himself as a person like one of us, as a child, has shown us a great gift. Not only that He offers His own Son, but that He gives us the opportunity to care for the child as a divine gift. Let us be so thankful for our Fathers and for all those Father figures in our lives.

Before closing, let me also express my personal gratitude for all those Knights and wives and volunteers who took part in the work of the Golf Outing on June 10. The money raised will directly benefit the young people of St. Catherine's and Our Lady of the Lake. I thank you for effort and for helping to care for the children. May God reward your kindness and generosity.

Happy Father's Day and May God Bless You All,

May God Bless You All, Fr. Mac

JERRY O'CONNOR MEMORIAL K OF C SPECIAL CITIZENS PICNIC

The O'Connor family did an outstanding job running this picnic. Jack Cavalere, Chairman, and Beryl O'Connor, once again out did themselves. The weather looked threatening but the rain held off. There was good food for the estimated 200 people who attended. The two clowns were busy entertaining and giving out gifts. Verona mayor and brother Knight Frank Sapienza was in attendance. Grand Knight PJ Hanly and John Sommer helped out with the purchasing of food and PJ with his 4 Runner carted the tables back and forth from St. Catherine of Siena church. Everyone appreciated the thought and effort of the O'Connor family and the Knights to arrange this wonderful outing. We ran out of food but PJ came to the rescue.



WEST POINT/ARMY FOOTBALL OUTING

It is never too early to plan for an Army football game with family and friends at historic West Point. We plan to have our great tailgate site again for our 3rd annual outing. Save September 21st for a 12 PM game with Wake Forest. More info to follow. Call Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684 or Pat Mullen @ 974-571-0056.

GOLF OUTING - JUNE 10, 2013



The council's 5th annual Golf Outing to benefit the youth groups of Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena parishes turned out to be a successful event, despite the rainy weather. 86 golfers teed up for the shotgun start at Glen Ridge Country club. Lot's of contests on the par three's including one for \$25,000 kept the wet golfers competing. A putting contest for \$2500 had one qualifier, brother Mike Barone, but he couldn't cash in. He did win a nice Ping putter for his effort. Winners for longest drive, closest to the pin, and best foursome score, earned prizes from the Pro Shop. A BBQ lunch and raffle with great prizes rounded out the day.

The council extends it's thanks to committee members, Dave & Lori Lyon, PJ Hanly, Tony Morano, John Sommer, Pat Mullen, Dan Fitzpatrick, Lori Downs, Dick Camp, Fr. Mac, Larry Dillon, and Chuck Collins, for their hard work and commitment. Thanks to Nansie Salls who sat at the hole-one–contest green all day in the rain, Al Linkus who got drenched at the cigar hole, and Judy Sommer and Barbara Camp for their help at the event.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – JULY 13 & AUGUST 10

Spare A Prayer

"Morning after" pills available over the counter for young teens without question...Abortion doctors killing babies born alive....Dozens of babies aborted every week right down on Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair.....

Where does it end? What are we doing? Join a group on the above dates across from the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic in Montclair any time between 8:45 and 10 AM to pray one Hail Mary, or one decade of the rosary, or even a whole rosary for life...whatever time you can spare for a prayer.

EVERYONE LOVES A PARADE

Memorial Day Parade in Verona

We had a nice turnout for this parade and a beautiful day. Our council marchers were GK PJ Hanly, James Miserendino, Bill Spooner, Tony Ditri, Pat Hanley, Paul Soderman, Dave & Lori Lyon & daughters with friends, John & Judy Sommer, and Tim Murphy. We also had the honor of the 4th Degree Color Corp, Joe Cafarella, John Colby, Jerry Hrycychyn, leading our marchers

Our brother Knight, Verona Mayor Frank Sapienza gave a wonderful and inspiring speech. It was a great day to remember our service men and woman who gave their lives for our country.

Independence Day Parade in Montclair

We will once again be joining the Montclair council for the 4th of July parade. They will supply post parade lunch and refreshments at Madonna Hall in Immaculate Conception Church in Montclair. We would like the Knights to have a big representation in the parade. Please call PJ Hanly at 862-216-4900 if you can possibly make it. He has to let Montclair council know how many are coming so they can make they proper food arrangements.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers for the 2013-2014 Columbian year will be held at the second meeting in June. We are asking brothers to step up to the plate and volunteer your time and leadership for some of the positions in the coming year. Elected positions are Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Warden, Recorder, Treasurer, Advocate, Inside Guard, Outside Guard. Contact PGK Tony Morano @ 973-857-7122.

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

Our council has reached the \$10K plateau 10 out of the last 11 years, for a total exceeding \$110,000. This year's total was \$10,225. It is quite an accomplishment, considering our council's relatively small size, the economic climate, and especially since Kings of Verona and Shop Rite of West Orange will no longer let us collect in front of their stores. Great work by all who participated in collecting and/or donating.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

The weather in Wildwood was lovely for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Sunday we had heavy rain for the drive home. We had only three brothers from our council participate this year, PJ Hanly, John Sommer, and Joe Cafarella. This is down from 9-12 brothers. It is a shame for it is a lovely little vacation get away. We stay at the Port Royal Hotel right on the beach in Wildwood Crest. The rooms are lovely and they improve the hotel every year.

At the convention, our council was awarded two plaques. The first one was for collecting \$5500 for the Alzheimer's respite program. This garnered us the distinction of #1 in the state. The second plaque was for the Special Citizens Drive. There are 360 councils in NJ and only 215 collected for this. From these councils only 12 collected over \$10,000 and we were one of them. Congratulations to our council and to all our brothers who participated.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

John D. Coyne Jr., Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family,

Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Christine Maccia, Stephanie Herbert, Barbara Shea, Mark, Gustafo & Eduardo Chiappara, Brenda Benvenuti (lung disease), Bill Frazee, Christine Collins, Claire Tomeo, Stella & Jerry Votta, Baby Brooke, Tony LoRusso, Barbara

Fergenson, Maureen Flynn, Jake Hasslacher, Victor Zuniga, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Cindy Breeze, Mary Ciccotti, Fr. Jerome Arthasseril, and Karen Reynolds.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families, especially PGK A. Donald Sillaro.

Pray for our seminarians, especially the ones we support, Thomas Quinn & Antonio Sarento.

Pat Hynes

Dave Lyon

Bud MacFarlane

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 Emeritus, Pope Benedict XVI & Pope Francis.

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 Dan Donovan Paul Soderman Gary Karpinski Kevin Glenn Michael Collins

INSURANCE

You have it pretty good right now, don't you? Some minor worries but nothing you can't handle. You and your family are enjoying life. But how long will these carefree days last?

Your wife and family are your responsibility. Have you done anything to secure their future? Have you made any provisions to insure that they are taken care of when you die? I realize that you are healthy today and you feel there is no hurry to get life insurance. You can always buy it some other time, right? Wrong. You may not be insurable tomorrow.

What if something happens to you? You are left with nothing. Even worse, your family is left with nothing. Buy life insurance today and protect your family's tomorrow.

Call our K of C insurance agent, Brian Baird at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org today for an appointment.

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

The attendance raffle kitty started up again after Jim Miserindino's big win last Month. Don O'Dea's name was drawn but he lives in Florida now. The ante is up to \$59 so come to the next meeting.

We collect \$1 from each member at every meeting. We randomly draw a members name and if 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. Remember, you need to be at the meeting to win.

ANTHONY DONALD SILLARO 1930-2013

Anthony Donald Sillaro, 82, of Lakewood, passed away on Thursday June 13, 2013 at the Van Dyke Hospice at Community Medical Center in Toms River. "Don" was a Past Grand Knight of our council 1986-87, Former District Deputy, and Past Faithful Navigator of St. Issac Jogues Assembly. I am sure the many of us who knew him all have a story to share. Rest in peace, big guy.