
THE KNIGHT LIFE

Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange March, 2010

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 19	St. Joseph's Day
Mar. 25	Social Meeting/St. Patrick's Day Celebration @ St Catherine of Siena
Mar. 25	Feast of the Annunciation/Day of the Unborn
Mar. 28	Palm Sunday
Mar. 29	K of C Founders Day
Apr. 4	Easter Sunday
Apr. 10-11	Special Citizens Drive—Kings
Apr. 16-18	Special Citizens Drive—Foodtown
Apr. 24-25	Special Citizens Drive—St. Catherine of Siena
Apr. 23-25	Special Citizens Drive—Shop-Rite
Apr. 28	Pride In Priests Dinner
May 13-16	K of C NJ State Convention—Wildwood
Jun. 12	Jerry O'Connor Special Citizen's Picnic
Jun. 15	Golf Outing

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

I don't know about you, but I've just about had enough of this foul weather. Now, I know what they mean by "hope springs eternal." Let's hope April is dry and warm. Because if you look above under Upcoming Events, you will see lots of dates and venues for the Special Citizens Drive.

Did you know that, over the past decade, our council has collected in excess of \$10,000 for the Special Citizens Drive eight times, falling short of our annual goal in only 2001 and 2006. That's over \$100,000 (\$100,761 to be exact)!

You know, if you can't make the regular meetings, that's ok. If you don't join us for our social events, what are ya going to do? If you can't march in the parades with us, we'll do the best we can without you. But the Special Citizens Drive, is why you become a Knight: Doing charitable work. You won't get that by going to church on Sundays. You won't get that by attending a retreat or cornerstone. Those are the places we learn about our faith. It's here that we put our faith into action.

So, volunteer and put on those yellow aprons. Let no time slot be unfilled. Let no church door be unattended. And you can volunteer for more than just one spot (last year we had a brother volunteer 5 times). See page 3 for details. I have faith that this great council will once again rise up and achieve its lofty goals.

Vivat Jesus,
Chuck Collins, GK

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



As we progress through Lent, on our way to celebrate the Easter miracle, I am reminded of a story that sums up our Christian pilgrimage.

A bridge collapsed and some eighty people were plunged to their deaths in the turbulent waters below. One of the bodies dredged up during the grappling operations was that of a man still clutching a dollar bill, a symbol of all that man had yet to give, all that he might have done if time had not run out for him.

It should be one of our nagging fears that we may die that way; with our riches yet unspent, with our talents, our skills untried and unused in the service of God and neighbor. We should not be caught short but give while there is still time to give. Thus, when our day comes to stand before God let it be our desire to appear before him with empty hands, with our opportunities for doing good all exploited, with our resources for making men happy all depleted.

Another way of saying, perhaps, that our Christian pilgrimage must be one grand spending spree, keeping nothing for ourselves, but all for our Lord and the things He calls us to.

God bless,
Fr. Bryan

ASK FATHER BRYAN

Fr. Bryan would like to entertain your questions regarding the Church or our faith. He will incorporate them into his Chaplain's Corner article. To submit your question, simply send it to the council's email address (kofc3632@aol.com) and it will be forwarded to Fr. Bryan.

NEW MEETING DAYS AND LOCATION

Beginning in January 2010, our meeting nights were changed to the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

The new locations are:

2nd Thursday	OLL School Library
4th Thursday	St. Catherine's Church basement

QUARTERLY 50/50—APRIL

Enclosed with this issue of the Knight Life, you will find tickets for the April 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 January were: Clay Rice, Tom Powell, Brian Rodgers, George Thomas, George Hectus, Donald Vincent, and the big \$500 winner was Phil DeRitis. Congratulations! There would have been six more winning brothers but they didn't return their ticket stubs.

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

ST. PATRICK'S DAY MEETING/PARTY

Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us at our March 25 meeting to be held at St. Catherine of Siena. There will be a very short business meeting followed by Irish fare, refreshment, and music. Spouses, family, and friends are all welcome. Recommended attire is green and required attitude should be rebellious. Irish jokes are encouraged. Please let us know if you are coming via council email or call Chuck Collins at 973-857-9124, so we know how many "Irishmen" will be attending.

GOLF OUTING - JUNE 15, 2010

The date has been set for our council's second annual golf outing. So mark the date—Tuesday, June 15. Tell your boss NOW that you won't be in that day. If you are your own boss, tell your employees you won't be in that day. If you are a stay-at-home dad, tell your wife you are taking the day off.

It will once again be held at Black Bear. More details to come as to cost, etc. Remember this fundraiser benefits the youth groups at Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – APRIL 10

Witness the power of prayer! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, April 10, 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.

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

It had to happen eventually. Dave Lyon, who attends meetings on a regular basis, decided to stay home on March 11. You guessed it, his name was drawn for the raffle. If it was any consolation, the ante was only \$19 since the previous meeting was cancelled due to the snow. 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.

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

Dates for our drive are as follows:

April 10-11	Kings—Verona
April 16-18	Foodtown—Cedar Grove
April 24-25	St. Catherine of Siena
April 23-25	Shop Rite—West Orange

Do your duty and volunteer. Call Deputy Grand Knight Kevin Brown @ 973-239-4446 and tell him when and where you are available. Or when he calls you, help fill any empty time slots available.

PRIDE IN PRIESTS DINNER

Come and join about 400 of your brother Knights and priests at the annual Pride in Priests Dinner, Wednesday, April 28, held at the Fiesta Banquet Hall on Rte 17 in Wood Ridge, NJ. Festivities start with a open bar cocktail hour from 6:30-7:30, followed by dinner with a cash bar. Our council is trying to get a table of ten. So if you would like to join us, call Grand Knight Chuck Collins at 973-857-9124. Bring along your wife or a friend if you wish. Cost is \$40/person. Proceeds of the event go to a fund set up for the Archbishop.

INSURANCE

IT TAKES MORE THAN MONEY

Most commodities can be bought provided you 1) have the money, 2) can find a willing seller, and 3) can agree on a satisfactory price. In like manner, most investments - real estate, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, bank accounts - require only an arm's length agreement and a deal is struck. All it takes is money. There is one notable exception to the above statements. The purchase of life insurance. When the purchase of life insurance is considered in addition to setting aside dollars, the prospective insured must prove that he is in good health. If a man is deemed to be "uninsurable," no amount of money will make this commodity available to him.

The ability to qualify for life insurance is an asset that is temporary at best. Without warning, your health can fail, and you may never be able to add to your life insurance program. Other hazards may prevent you from qualifying - occupation, character, even old age. What would happen if you suddenly woke up and decided to buy life insurance, but had lost your ability to qualify for it? Ever think about that?

I can tell you about our quarantine purchase option. Think of that! The ability to secure additional insurance, depending on the amount of your option, on a quarantine basis - without necessarily being in good health. This option can be added at issue of a new certificate through age 37. Find out at your convenience how little it costs to guarantee the right to increase your protection.

Call me, Brian Honsberger, your K of C council field agent, at (973) 998-4229, today and let's talk about life insurance for your family.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

Gabriel Bercovici, Alice Garcia, Mary Lou Rapuano, Ian Stryker, 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 Duely, William Robertson, Jane and Andy C., Diane Barton, Dick Meehan, Julie Alvarez, Stephanie Herbert, Kevin Carr, Donna Murphy, Judy Sommer, Roslyn Warmoth, Charles Hasslacher, and Suzanne Flood.

- 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 March

Peter Fryer	Patrick Dufficy	John Sommer	Steve Rappaport
Henry Koryan	Al Maccia	Fr. John Gibbons	Fr. Jerome Arthasseril
Andrew Burger	Fr. Tadeusz Majcher	Fred Mahn	Clay Rice
Eric Watkins	Robert Phillips	Fr. Bryan Page	Michael Birmingham
Charles Maccia	Gary Wilczewski	Michael Pescatore	

AROUND THE FEDERATION

As Brother Knights bound in charity, unity, and fraternity, we try to support each other's council events. Besides helping out other councils, they are nice events that you and your spouse may enjoy. Here is a listing of some of those events:

Livingston Council—Every Friday during lent they have a Lenten Fish Fry beginning at 6 p.m. and runs most of the evening.

—Pasta Dinner—every fourth Sunday @ 4 p.m.

St. Mary's Council, Nutley—Saturday March 27, Oldies Night" Beef Steak Dinner with beer, wine, and soda. \$40. Call Stan Novak 201-513-4992 for tickets.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood, NJ—May 13-16, 2010

It is not too late if you are interested in attending the NJ K of C State Convention next spring in Wildwood. Contact Chuck Collins @ 973-857-9124. We will be staying at the Port Royal Hotel. Reservation deposit is \$90 (\$70 for room, \$20 for hospitality room). You must reserve for three nights (Thur, Fri, & Sat). Plan on having a mini-vacation in the beautiful month of May. The Port Royal Hotel is on the beach in Wildwood Crest.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Do not examine whether what you do is little or much, good or ill, provided it is not sin, and provided that in good faith you will do it for God.

- Saint Francis de Sales (1567-1622), Bishop and Doctor of the Church