



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

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Grand Knights Message:

Brothers, as we start the Lenten Season, let me update you on the various activities that have taken place since the last newsletter.

We had a very successful Men of St. Rose retreat. It was very well attended (Fifty of us). We heard the interesting story of Father Rick Hardy, from St. Peter's the Apostle Church of Parsippany. Father Rick told us of how he was married, lost his wife to cancer, has two-step children and at the age of 57, he entered the seminary to become a priest. He told us at times, that he was ready to quit, but by the power of our lord he continued to study and ultimately become a priest. It was a wonderful story. I would like to thank Deacon Vin, for arranging this and I would like to also thank Howard Doscher, Harry McCann, Jeff Doscher and Chris Virginio for their help in preparing and cooking our breakfast and of course for all that attended.

I would like to congratulate the winners of our Annual Spelling Bee, held on Saturday January 31st at the East Hanover Middle School. They are First Place winner, Eric Wien, who received a \$75.00 Gift card. Second Place winner Brianna Donofrio receiving a gift card of \$50.00 and Third Place winner Andrew Foo received a \$25.00 Gift Card From our Council. Brianna is the daughter of Brother Knight Greg Donofrio. Congratulations to everyone.

I would like to thank Larry Colasurdo for organizing and running the Spelling Bee. The County competition date has not been set yet. The Finals are March 22nd in Toms River. So watch for announcements on that.

We had a great Wives Appreciation Dinner on Saturday February 14th Valentine's Day. We had a nice attendance of brothers and those who attended had a great time. The staff at Ravello's did an excellent job. Everything from the Hot and Cold Hors d'oeuvres to the dessert table set up was excellent. Special thanks to Larry Colasurdo, Rich Truzzolino and Tony Giuliano for all their hard work on soliciting donations for our wives. Also, Dino, "The One Man Party Band," kept the evening going with songs that had mostly everyone on the dance floor.

Special congratulations go out to Chris Virginio, Barry Halloran, Joe Cusano, Neale Baxter, Joe Carvagno and Joe Pasquarosa for getting certified as a Second Degree Team by our District Deputy George Coppola and Carmine Blandino. Also thanks to Joe Ward, who also attended that certification.

I would also like to congratulate the 13 brothers (nine from our council) who took their second degree and participated in the maiden voyage of our Second Degree Team.

Congratulations to our new second degree knights, they are: Ron Corey, Michael DeSantis, Greg Donofrio, Bob Furlong, Andy Liebhauser, Clem Mandorlo, Peter Napoli, Bob Ventola and Frank Vilaflor.

Our next event is the St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance, this year it will be held on Saturday March 14th, in Fahey Hall at 7 PM. See the flyer in the newsletter for more details. Tony Giuliano will assist me in handling the tickets and decorations with John MacTaggart will be doing the cooking. We still need kitchen hands, a setup crew, serving crew and clean up crew so sign up at our next meeting.

Rich Truzzolino is chairing the Super 50/50, to be drawn at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner. The tickets are \$ 20.00 each. We have 400 to sell. This is the council's biggest fundraiser, so I expect each brother to buy at least one ticket. So that leaves roughly half of the remaining tickets to be sold to family and friends. Last year we sold 322, I know we can do better this year, and there's not that much time to do it. Please give Rich a call if you need more tickets.

On March 22nd, we will be hosting a Blood Drive from 7:30 AM to 1 PM, in Fahey Hall. Neale Baxter has agreed to co-chair with myself. We are looking for people to sign up and donate. Please give me or Neale a call.

The Handicapped Citizens Drive will be April 23rd to April 26th this year. Please mark your calendars.

As mentioned from our pulpit at St. Rose, Father Owen, spoke about the

Weekends of February 15th and 22nd as a special time to pray for all married couples and to promote the Sacrament of Marriage, a lifetime exclusive union of a man and a woman, as in the letter from the Catholic Diocesan Bishops. A few excerpts from that letter:

"Marriage not only is a call to holiness, it also is the foundation of the family and society. Marriage is the union of one man and one woman has its roots not only in human tradition and history, but also in natural law.

Unfortunately, our secular culture's preoccupation with personal autonomy and self fulfillment has led to fewer people marrying, increased divorce rates, increased cohabitation of unmarried adults and calls for same sex marriage.

In the face of these serious challenges, Catholics cannot stand silent. Our first responsibility is to pray.

We are asked to pray that the love of spouses for one another continues to grow steadfast and strong, for in strengthening marriage and families, we help to build up the Body of Christ, the Church.

Brothers let us continue to pray that marriage continues to be union of one man and one woman.

Here is this month's quote:

"Challenges are what makes life interesting; overcoming them is what makes life meaningful." *Joshua J. Marine*

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Ron

FROM THE PULPIT:

Deacon Bob Lang

I came across this little peace from an old e-mail and it makes a good point. The title is "God Won't Ask". The author is unknown.

God won't ask what kind of car you drove, but He will ask how many people you drove who had no transportation.

God won't ask the square footage of your home, but He will ask how many people you welcomed into your home.

God won't ask about the clothes in your closet, but He will ask how many others you clothed.

God won't ask about your social class, but He will ask what kind of class you displayed.

God won't ask how many possessions you had, but He will ask if they dictated your life.

God won't ask what your highest salary was, but He will ask if you compromised your principles to obtain it.

God won't ask how much money you spent on yourself, but He will ask how much you gave back to him.

God won't ask how much overtime you worked, but He will ask if it was to benefit you or the good of your family.

God won't ask how many promotions you had, but He will ask how well you promoted others.

God won't ask what your job title was, but He will ask if you performed your job to the best of your ability.

God won't ask what you did to help yourself, but He will ask what you did to help others.

God won't ask how many friends you had, but He will ask how many people to whom you were a friend.

God won't ask what you did to protect your rights, but He will ask what you did to protect the rights of others.

God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived, but He will ask how you treated your neighbors.

God won't ask about the color of your skin, But He will ask about the content of your character.

God won't ask how many times your deeds matched your words, but He will ask how many times they didn't.

God won't ask if His son loved you, but he will ask if you loved his son.

We should be trying to prepare our answers now. I think this is a good exercise for all Christians, to look at where we stand in this world, so we know where we might stand in the next. Food for thought.

Our Field Agent Speaks:

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the person you originally selected as the beneficiary is no longer the person you would want to receive the policy proceeds. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since been married, that could be updated to reflect your spouse or your children.

Most people list a primary beneficiary – that person is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary – an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

I routinely call all of our policyholders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that I’ll discuss during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

I look forward to meeting with each of you.

I’m at 973-539-0109 or john.stabile@kofc.org. Call me – let’s talk.

Birthdays:

Happy Birthday! To all Brother Knights.

Joseph	Pasquarosa	2	2
Ron	Angelo	2	2
Daniel	O'Mullan	2	4
Celeste	Virginio	2	4
Peter	Grasman	2	8
Carmine	Sarno	2	12
Vincent	Immerso	2	12
Joseph	Verzi	2	16
John	Bongo	2	18

Anthony	Barisciano	2	18
Anthony	Blue	2	19
Cesare	Prosperi	2	21
George	Mitola	2	22
Grant	Scruggs	2	22
Werner	Tietjen	2	23
Thomas	Dougherty	2	27
Richard	Barton	2	28

IN NEED OF PRAYER:

Good of the Order:

Prayer does work so please pray for the following that are in need. Prayer does work!

Father Owens, Father – Lives in Ireland, Sister Ann, Past Grand Knight Larry Colasurdo mother Marie, Dolores Angelo Mother of Ron Angelo, Debbie Edson Daughter of Des and Ann Brennan has two babies Kayliegh , 3 Special Intentions, Tom Dougherty Jr. Anthony Stabile Brother of John Stabile, Nancy Stabile, Genny Malgeri, Diana Rickert, Kevin and Joan Gardiner, Jack Citarelli, and Marie Citarelli’s daughter Andria Ottaiano, Vivian Baxter Mother of Neal Baxter, Al Lasso, Doris Friedholm, Rick Friedholm Dad, Angie and Charlie Del Fava, PGK. Joe Larena, Henry Smolen, Father of Charlie Napoli, of C&L Towing, Karen Brown, Carmen Malgieri, Irene Holmes, Sheila Gallo and for baby Cara Guerine, Mike Ganinni, Ernie Esposito, Philip Esposito, Balnjina Fernandez, Chris Knapik and Rose Knapik wife of Andy Knapik, R. Barton PGK, Anthony Fiscetti, Linda Miele, Friend of Peter Esposito and Jean George Mannor, Micheal Tria, Terry Pizzano Dorthy Sikora John Hoffman, John Spain,

Angela Cavado, John Dunderman,
Special intentions. Barbera Gassner,
Joann Musso, Josephine Musso, Clara
Sodowski, Cora a friend of Barry
Halloran SA Special
Intention, Christopher McTagart, Don
Sherman a Friend of the Knights.

In Memorium:

**Beatrice M. Batwinas; Wife of
Our Brother Al Batwinas, May
the perpetual light of Jesus
shine upon her for ever.**

Pray for our troops that are in harms
and are protecting our way of life in
These United States. Pray that God
will grant them safe return to their
families. Pray for everyone's, "Special
Intentions" - **and we mean everyone.
God must be Infinite the proof is that
he does listen to each and everyone's
intentions and then with his unique
senses of each individuals need
handles all problems in ways we
could only hope to understand.**

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numbers on the back. Call Ron Angelo
to buy one There are 8 shirts available.
The cost of Shirts \$5.00 ea. These are a
real Bargain.



The East Hanover Knights of Columbus
 Council #6504
 presents our annual



"St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance"

Saturday, March 14, 2009

7:00pm-11:00pm

Fahey Hall (St. Rose of Lima Gym)

\$25.00 per person

\$10.00 per child

*Includes: Corned Beef, potatoes, coleslaw,
 rye bread, beer, wine, soda, dessert & coffee
 Music provided by "The Celtic Balladeers"*

For tickets, contact

Ron Angelo 973-884-7305

Anthony Giuliano 973-887-5355

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 PO Box 424
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