

**Council Officers****Chaplain**

Fr. Robert Hansen
344-2220

Grand Knight

Matthew J. Eninger
692-2720

Deputy Grand Knight

Michael Amodio
342-6913

Chancellor

James Applegate
294-8514

Recorder

Louis Scarano PGK
342-3471

Treasurer

Russell Cortese
343-4501

Financial Secretary

Alan Michels PGK
692-6541

Advocate

Edward Carey PGK
343-3426

Warden

Cyrus White
343-8171

Inside Guard

Charles Semmeles
692-8687

Trustees

Angelo Sisco Jr.
733-5742
Nick Damiano
342-3697
Ralph Russo PGK
343-6563

Committee Chairman**Sick**

Michael Mingola
342-2275
Daniel Bellotto
342-0795

Evangelism

Phil LaPlante
692-5927

Admission

James Applegate
294-8514

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

DGK Mike Amodio, William Baxter, PGK Ed Carey, John Cielewicz, Tom Colligan, Charles Czochanski, Rev. John Fleming, Rev. Pious Gagnon, Daniel Hallinan, Dennis Hayden, Johyn Lacenere, Como Lo Sardo, Anthony Parenti, Albert Petak, Louis Pingotti, Walter Roche, Vinny Simoni

Brothers - We are now in our last month of the Columbian year. It is time again to select those brothers YOU feel will lead our council through the next year. Elections will take place on Thursday June 8th at our regular meeting at St. Joseph's hall. If you truly are interested please make every effort to attend. The nominating committee's slate of officers appears elsewhere in this letter. The highlight of the past month was the N.Y. State Knights of Columbus 100th Annual Convention. PGK Nick Cortese and I attended with our wives and we would like to thank the council for the opportunity to represent 486. The new State Deputy was elected from our ranks in the Hudson Valley. Jimmy Foy now has the reigns and will lead us in the near future. Unfortunately for our council several brothers have passed away. Rev. Raymond Hyland, Antonio Reda, PGK Bill Griffin, PGK Seamus Murphy and Micky Picollo. Their passing leaves a tremendous hole in our ranks. Please keep them in your prayers. I would like to thank all the brothers who assisted me in the past year in making my term as Grand Knight a rewarding experience. A special thanks to all my brother officers, without their support and wisdom this council would have remained stagnant. Along with the usual yearly events we had several milestones which I feel need mentioning. The Memorial for the Unborn at St. Joseph's Cemetery thanks to the efforts of PGK Nick Cortese, our first blood drive in many years thanks to our Inside Guard Charlie Semmeles and the Altar Server Recognition pizza party thanks to John O'Dea are but to name a few. Our financial status was greatly enhanced by our investment committee headed by DGK Mike Amodio. Mentioning these events in no way diminishes the importance of all the other committees outstanding efforts, thank you one and all. The incoming Grand Knight will need the help and guidance of every member to succeed in his term. We all need to make every effort to keep our council moving in a positive direction by getting involved with the new Grand Knight's course of action. Again, my thanks to one and all and especially Father Hansen for his prayers.

V I V A T J E S U S ! ! !

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1 June	Officers Mtng	7:30 P.M.	St. Joseph's
8 June	Reg Mtng	8:00 P.M.	St. Joseph's
8 June	(Election of Officers)		
8 June	1st Degree Exemp.	8:00 P.M.	Chester
14 June	Flag Day		
15 June	4th Dgree Mtng	8:00 P.M.	St. Joseph's
19 June	Father's Day		
22 June	Reg Mtng	8:00 P.M.	St. Joseph's
23 June	H.V. Elections	8:00 P.M.	Port Jervis
24 June	H.V. Charity Ball		Meadowbrook Lodge

A BYTE FROM THE CHAPLAIN

THE GOODNESS OF GOD

The entrance antiphon in today's Mass tell us that "the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord." Surely, that is true but people often fail to link God's goodness to the blessings in their lives. Instead, all too often, they question His goodness whenever some disaster, such as the bombing in Oklahoma, brings widespread suffering. The mind of God is beyond our total understanding but we can with conviction believe in His goodness despite our ability to understand the reason behind life's happenings. Fr. Kenneth E. Grabner, a Holy Cross Priest and author, notes that there is a constant flow of positives and negatives in our lives - that sometimes we succeed in getting what we think will be good for us only to have it turn out to be a disaster and that sometimes apparent disaster turns out to bring some great good. This time of year especially abounds with reminders of God's goodness. We have just observed Easter with its promise of resurrection and we can see in nature the promise of new life as trees bud and flowers come into bloom. Spring is a joyful season, beckoning us to look at the wonders of God's creation. Accept God's invitation to recognize His presence in the signs of the season, in the happiness of our friendships, in the love of our families, in our successes which are rooted in the abilities and talents He has given us. There definitely is goodness in the world, and it is a sign of God's presence but we need to increase our awareness of the signs, to be thankful for His gifts to us, and to look for ways to share these gifts with others. Each new day is a gift from God. Do we appreciate it? Are we making the most of it?

FINANCIAL SECRETARY SOUGHT

Unfortunately for our council our Financial Secretary PGK Alan Michels is resigning his position. Due to personal matters he has requested a new brother be found to assume the duties. Since becoming F.S. Alan has put the financial paperwork in the proper working order. Together with our Treasurer Russ Cortese, they have streamlined required forms making audits quick and efficient. Alan, along with all our brother Knights I thank you for your tremendous sacrifice of time and effort you have given to our council both as F.S. and assisting in many of our programs. In as such it will be relatively easy for a brother to pick up the job where it stands. The job is not as difficult as it may seem, it just takes commitment. If you are interested or know of a member that would fit the bill please contact our Grand Knight or Deputy Grand Knight. We can not afford to let this important position be vacant for any length of time.

LOURDES RAFFLE STILL RUNNING

To date there are fifty Lourdes raffle books turned in. If you have not done so please send them in as soon as possible. We are running about twenty-five per cent turn in, which in itself is an excellent rate but considering there are about one hundred fifty books out there it is a poor response. Our council has run three raffles this past Columbian year. This is the only one that will assist in sending a child to Lourdes France. Books will be accepted up until the second meeting of the month held on June 22nd.

Slate of Officers 95-96 Columbian Year

Grand Knight:
Michael Amodio
Deputy Grand Knight:
Vacant
Chancellor:
James Applegate
Warden:
Cyrus White
Treasurer:
Russ Cortese
Recording Secretary:
PGK Lou Scarano
Inside Guard:
Vacant
Outside Guard:
Vacant
Advocate:
PGK Ed Carey
Trustees:
PGK Ralph Russo
Ang Sisco
Nick Damiano
Other nominations will be accepted from the floor during the June 8th regular meeting at St. Joseph's hall. This is the single most important event of the year. Please make every effort to attend and let your voice be heard.

CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

The result of the resolutions presented at the 100th Annual State Convention were as follows:
To suggest to the New York Catholic Archdiocese to make a day of morning for the unborn a non school day - passed.
To have the symbol of our order worn only by those who have taken the third degree exemplification - not passed.
To suggest the New York Catholic Archdiocese to have the term "born and unborn" added to the Pledge of Allegiance recited at Catholic schools - not passed.

SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER

When was the last time you introduced a new member into our order? In order to make this council grow new brothers are needed. Several members have passed away and we need new men to take their places. New blood means new ideas!!!