

John Paul the Great Council #486
Middletown Assembly #762
Middletown, New York

December 2009



THE SHIPWRIGHT

Upcoming Meeting and Special Event Schedule

Tuesday, December 1 – 7:45PM

Light up for Christ
Saint Joseph's Church

Thursday, December 3 – 7:30PM

Council Officers' Meeting

Thursday, December 10 – 8:00PM

Annual Past Grand Knights Business Meeting

Thursday, December 17

4th Degree Assembly Meeting
Cancelled

Thursday, December 24

Council Social Meeting Cancelled

Friday, December 25

Christmas Day

Friday, January 1

Happy New Year

Thursday, January 7 – 7:30PM

Council Officers' Meeting

Thursday, January 14 – 8:00PM

Council Business Meeting

Thursday, January 21 – 8:00PM

4th Degree Assembly Meeting

Thursday, November 26

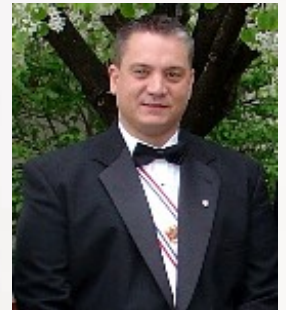
Council Social Meeting Cancelled
Happy Thanksgiving

Grand Knight's Message

Gregory Sillen

Brothers,

As we enter this great month of December, we as Knights and as Catholics have to unite to keep one message in mind. That is "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS". We see a lot of people celebrate the artificial holiday of Christmas and ignore the true meaning of CHRISTmas. Christ was always there, but, our commercial society has found a way to influence the holiday to be about sales and selfishness. We need to stand strong in our beliefs during these times.



On behalf of all the officers of our council, we wish you a very blessed Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. As always remember to pray for our clergy and for our troops thru out the world.

Merry Christmas!!

Vivat Jesus!!!

Greg

Please pray for those who are ill

Msgr. George Valastro
Henry Seiffert
Tom Shormis, PGK
Elfio Politi
Joseph Szela
Thomas Colligan
Jim Higgins
George Ellis PGK
John Ward



Sick Committee Chairman
Deacon Richard Trapani, Sr.
344-1087

Christmas Schedule Changes

Due to the upcoming Christmas, the 4th Degree Meeting, scheduled for December 17th, and the Council Social meeting, scheduled for December 24 have been cancelled. We wish everyone a Blessed and Holy Christmas!



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**Council Meetings held at Saint
Joseph's Parish Center Conference
Room**

Officers' Meeting - 1st Thursday 7:30PM
Business Meeting - 2nd Thursday 8:00PM
Social Meeting - 4th Thursday 8:00PM

**4th Degree Assembly Meetings held at
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
Center**

Assembly Meeting - 3rd Thursday 8:00PM

2009-10 Council Officers

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Gregory Sillen	343-7343
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Youth Director	
Sean Williams	342-8740
Council Director	
Gregory Sillen	343-7343
Pro-life Director	
Paul Dickinson	692-0938



Honoring our Past Grand Knights!!

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Michael Amodio	Paul Silipino	Burton Struble
Carl Williams	Michael F. Cummings	Richard J. Trapani, Jr.

*Deceased

+Served more than one term

Money Club

Congratulations to the winners of our money club at our first annual Oktoberfest dinner on Saturday, October 17.

George Zeigler	\$250.00
David Petrozak	\$150.00
Richard Guertin	\$100.00

November Shipwright

Due to computer difficulties, the November issue of the Shipwright was forever lost and not available for publishing. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused our members.

December Birthdays

John Guilfoyle December 1
Anthony Persina December 1
Albert A Barone December 2
Gregory Terlecky December 3
Clarence Fraser December 7
Darrell Dirr December 12
Kenneth Bowen December 18

Nick Damiano, Jr. December 21
Christopher Pratti December 23
John Peterson December 28
Daniel Nebus December 29
Joseph Szela December 29
Joseph Cantoli December 31
Adam Kless December 31

Faithful Navigator's Log

Richard Trapani, Jr.



Brother Sir Knights,

I continue to be pleased with the hard work of our Color Corps members at all of our recent events. For their efforts, I recognize the support that they continue to give this Assembly, and the Catholic Church. This is the busiest time of the year full of Confirmations and other events, and so I thank you.

We all are aware of the Advent Season now upon us.

It is a time of contemplation and renewal. We only have 4 short weeks to prepare for the birth of our Savior. And it is difficult to do with the noise we constantly hear from the rest of the world. I say this every year, "Jesus is the reason for the season." A cliché, but so applicable in today's secular society. Please open you hearts and receive Him, as only a little child would. Let this be your best CHRIST-mas ever.

On another note, our annual 4th Degree Exemplification will be upon us in a few short months. I am extremely proud to be a member of the 4th Degree. Please consider joining us. If you are interested, please contact any 4th Degree member. From my family to yours, please enjoy a blessed HOLY-day season.

God Bless,
Rich Trapani



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In Memoriam

Please pray for the soul of Sir Knight Peter J. Feeney who passed away on November 21 at the age of 49. A 30 year member of the Knights of Columbus, he was a member of Pine Bush Council #5329, and a 28 year member of Middletown 4th Degree Assembly #762. Our condolences go out to his family and loved ones.



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566-8790



May Christ be your guiding light this Christmas and always.

Council Lenten Fish Fries

A committee has been formed to plan and oversee our Lenten Council Fish Fries, tentatively scheduled for Friday February 19, and Friday March 26. All persons interested in helping should contact one of the following committee members

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Larry Bedosky	343-0180
Sean Williams	342-8740

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