



May, 2007 Newsletter

Knights of Columbus
John Paul the Great Council #486
Middletown, New York

The Shipwright

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Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

May is the month in which we honor Mary, the Mother of God. She is our Mother also, the one who has nurtured and watched over all of us. And like our earthly mother, she has always been there when we needed her comfort and protection. The Rosary is one of our most powerful prayers, where we can ask for her intercession while meditating on the sacred mysteries of Jesus' life. As Catholics, and as Brother Knights, we are called upon to pray the Rosary as often as possible. In turn, we will reap numerous blessings from Mary.

As we begin to wind down our Columbian Year, we are finalizing plans for our yearly Communion Breakfast, scheduled for Sunday, May 20th. It will begin with Mass at Saint Joseph's Church at 8:30AM. The 4th degree Color Corp is invited to attend. The Mass will be followed by a buffet breakfast at Kuhl's Highland House. For more information and to purchase tickets, please contact Louis Scarano.

Please, remember to keep our Council, families, and our clergy in your prayers.

Vivat Jesus! Rich Trapani

Congratulations Fifty-Year Members!

Congratulations to three Brother Knights, **William Myers, Anthony Leo, and Kenneth Bowen**, who are celebrating 50 Years with the Knights of Columbus this year.

Pray for our Sick Brothers

Tom Shormis PGK	Joseph Olinski	Vincent Panetta
Anthony Leo	Daniel Bellotto	Joseph Szela
Anthony Parenti	Joseph Gallo	Thomas Colligan
Ralph Turi		

If you know of a member who is ill or in need of pastoral care, please contact our sick committee chairman **Deacon Richard Trapani** at 342-7188, or notify any officer.

Chapter Meeting in Middletown

On Friday, April 27th, our Council will be hosting the monthly Hudson Valley Chapter/Conference Meeting. The meeting will begin at 8:00PM at our regular meeting place, where our Columbian Squires from around the Chapter will be recognized for their accomplishments. Refreshments will be provided. 3rd Degree members are invited to attend and are encouraged to do so.

New Third Degree Members

Congratulations and God's Blessings to 7 Brother Knights who made their 3rd Degree at Sacred Heart Parish in Monroe on Sunday, April 15.

Matthew Guertin
Louis Destefano III
James Lounsbury
Douglas Linguanti

Michael Bell
Edwin Diaz
Daniel Burke

Money Club Tickets

If you have not purchased your money club tickets yet, it's still not too late to do so. We will be selling tickets at the Sunday Masses at Saint Joseph's and Mount Carmel Churches within the next few weeks. Or you may mail a check to: **Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 323, Middletown, NY 10940**. Put "money club" in the memo section of your check and we will promptly mail your ticket stub. The cost of a ticket is \$10 or 2 for \$15. Prize amounts will be determined on the number of ticket sales. The drawing will be at our annual Communion Breakfast (the winner need not be present). Thank you for all your support to this great Council.

Nominating Committee

A nominating committee has been selected to oversee the nomination of officer candidates for the 2007-08 Columbian Year. The election will take place in June. The members of the committee are **Matthew Enering PGK, Michael Mingolla, and Carl Williams PGK**. The list of candidates will be read at all meetings beginning in May and will be mailed with the June newsletter to the membership for consideration.



Council Officers

Chaplain

Rev. Dennis Nikolic
343-6013

Grand Knight

Richard Trapani
956-6383

Deputy Grand Knight

Gregory Sillen
343-7343

Chancellor

Eugene Avidano
733-4601

Warden

Michael Biondi
343-1285

Recorder

Paul Dickinson
692-0938

Financial Secretary

Jim Higgins
692-6486

Treasurer

Larry Bedosky
343-0180

Advocate

John O'Connor PGK
343-7164

Inside Guard

Joseph Torre

Outside Guard

Christopher Pratti
342-5188

Trustee 1st Year

Joseph Hartmann PGK
744-3795

Trustee 2nd Year

Matthew Enering PGK
692-2720

Trustee 3rd Year

Carl Williams PGK
342-8740

Lecturer

Deacon Richard Trapani, Sr.
344-1087

Insurance Agent

William Schimpf
427-2957



Insurance Agent's Corner

In the days of "Ozzie and Harriet", most families fit one description. Fathers worked full-time, while mothers remained home, raising the kids and taking care of the house. Nowadays, some families do still fall into the traditional, one paycheck category. Yet others must rely on two incomes to make ends meet - even if one parent works part-time or from home. As your agent, I can do a "needs" analysis for both of you. I'll take into consideration the amount and the sources of income and suggest different ways to provide sufficient life insurance coverage for you and your family.

With Life Insurance, your family will be protected from financial disaster. In the event of your death your family can live, as you would want them to live. Please contact me for an appointment at 427-2957.

God Bless, William Schimpf

Local Child Traveling to Lourdes

Congratulations and best wishes to **Dominique Tresch**, who was selected by the Hudson Valley Chapter to travel to Lourdes, France this July. Thank you to the Hudson Valley Knights of Columbus for affording her family this unique opportunity.

Phone Tree Update

Due to the constant change in membership, we are updating our phone tree continuously. However, we can notify you of updates by e-mail. This will save the time of our officers who take part in the phone tree. If you would like this option, please provide us with your e-mail address by contacting Rich Trapani at 956-6383, or you may e-mail at rtrapani@warwick.net. We will add you to our database. Thank you.

Calendar of Events

May

Thursday, May 3	Council Officers' Meeting	7:30PM
Thursday, May 3 to Saturday, May 5	New York State Council Convention Nevele Grande, Ellenville	
Thursday, May 10	Council Business Meeting	8:00PM
Friday, May 11	Chapter Meeting - Wappingers Council	8:00PM
Thursday, May 17	4th Degree Assembly Meeting	8:00PM
Sunday, May 20	Annual Communion Breakfast	8:30AM
Thursday, May 24	Council Social Meeting	8:00PM
Thursday, May 31	Open Date	

June

Sunday, June 3	3 rd Degree - Beacon Council	1:00PM
Thursday, June 7	Council Officers' Meeting	7:30PM
Friday, June 8	Chapter Meeting - Wappingers Council	8:00PM
Thursday, June 14	Council Business Meeting	8:00PM
Friday, June 15	Annual Charity Ball	7:00PM
Thursday, June 21	4th Degree Assembly Meeting	8:00PM
Thursday, June 28	Council Social Meeting	8:00PM
Saturday, June 30	End of Columbian Year	