



The Shipwright

Knights of Columbus
Middletown Council #486

June, 1999



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Matthew J Endering
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Nicholas Damiano Jr

Outside Guard

George Sears

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Russell Cortese

Financial Secretary

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Advocate

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Steven Maleike PGK

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Grand Knights Report

Brothers,

We are now in our final month of the Columbian year. It has been an exciting year for me as well as the council. Before I proceed to the GK Report, allow me to thank those brothers who actively took part in the councils business and events. All my fellow officers were motivated throughout the year and assisted me in whatever endeavor that came before the council. There were many other brothers who stepped forward to assist also, too many to list. We also had a few sad loses this year. Father Hansen's passing away shook the members of this council. He will always be remembered as a priest, brother Knight and friend.

The new slate of officers are also very motivated. DGK Paul Silipino has been selected by the nominating committee to become Grand Knight. Paul has in fact been my right hand man, always being there for me, stepping forward to take committees when no one else would, but most of all for the many times I was lost going to degrees, he was there to correct me. Thank you Paul. My personal thanks to PGK Steve Maleike and his wife Betty for getting this letter out throughout the year. If not for them, Nick and Russ Cortese, and Lou Scarano the letter would never have been published.

A slate of officers appears elsewhere in this letter. The new officers will be voted on at the regular business meeting on June 10th. We still have a few vacancies that need to be filled. Please step up and take one of the chairs.

Again I thank all the members for the confidence they had in me during this past Columbian year and only hope that they will give the same to the incoming Grand Knight.

VIVAT JESUS

Matt

Slate of Officers for Columbian Year



GK	Paul Silipino
DGK.....	Vacant
Chancellor.....	Brian Powers
Warden.....	George Sears
Treasurer.....	Russ Cortese
Recording Secretary...	PGK Lou Scarano
Inside Guard.....	Nick Damiano Jr
Outside.....	Vacant
Trustee.....	Ang Sisco
Advocate.....	Tony Gross

RESPECT LIFE

Please Return Lourdes raffle tickets by June 10, 1999. Thanks to all who participated.

Please remember our sick and deceased Brothers and their families in your prayers.

Council Calendar

Thursday, June 10
Thursday, June 24

Regular Meeting
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St. Joseph 8:00 pm
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DID YOU KNOW?

The Knights of Columbus . . .

- Underwrote completely the renovation of the entire facade of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, the most famous church in the world, the statues of Sts. Peter and Paul in St. Peter's Square, and the historic Rooms of the Architects in the Basilica proper.
- Created the \$20 million "Knights of Columbus Vicarius Christi" fund the earnings from which are conveyed annually to the Holy Father for His personal charitable purposes. Since its inception this fund has generated more than \$20 million for the Pope's good works.
- Bring the Pope to the world at least three times a year by providing the uplink cost for the televising of papal ceremonies, especially at Christmas and during Holy Week - and the downlink in poor mission countries.
- Presented a mobile television production unit to the Vatican Television Center for the taping, recording and transmission of Vatican ceremonies at a cost of \$600,000; and fund a world wide production of videocassettes of the Pope's weekly audience messages.
- Established a North American campus of the Lateran University's Pope John Paul II Institute for Study of Marriage and the Family in Washington, D.C.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Knights of Columbus . . .

- Was founded in New Haven and chartered in Connecticut on March 29, 1882. In the basement of St. Mary's Church, a young priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, and a handful of parishioners formed the Catholic, family, fraternal, service organization known as the K of C.
- Today has over 1.5 million dues-paying members who belong to over 10,000 local units throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Philippines and the Caribbean. Including wives and children of members, the K of C extended family totals nearly six million people.
- Last year alone, contributed more than 105 million to charitable causes and almost 50 million volunteer hours of community service. Knights sponsor programs to feed hungry people, aid the elderly, shelter those who are homeless, guide young people, assist individuals with mental and physical handicaps and much more.



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The Knights of Columbus . . .

- Provided \$14.8 million of direct assistance to 25,157 individual seminarians and postulants, with rebates of \$3.2 million from the Supreme Council to councils which participated in the Refund Support Vocations Programs (RSVP) since 1981.
- Provide the entire budget of the Natural Family Planning offices of the U.S. and Canadian Bishops, and assist the NFP office of the Mexican Bishops.
- Sponsor daily Mass for deceased Brother Knights at St. Mary's Church in New Haven and enable widows of Knights to receive COLUMBIA magazine each month.
- Have distributed millions of special Knights of Columbus rosaries at the rate of some 10,000 per month, especially to new members, and now to former members who are readmitted.
- Erected the Knight's Tower and carillon of bells at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, completely renovated it recently, and raised a \$500,000 memorial fund in honor of Past Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart to promote Marian devotion at the Shrine and to preserve the Shrine in perpetuity.



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