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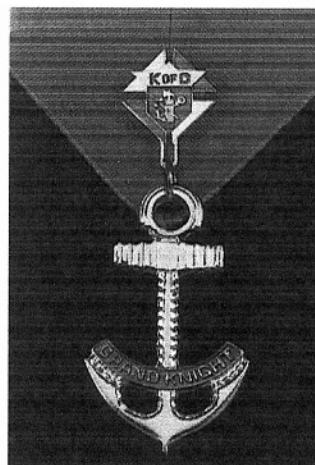
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## Grand Knight's Message by Stan J. Buraczynski, GK

"Time flies when you are having fun." It just seems like yesterday that we were getting started for the new year and here we are with only one month left before the end of the 2008-2009 Columbian Year. The Council has had a very exciting and busy year and I would like to thank all my Brother Knights and their families for helping out with all our activities, both as workers and supporters. I would especially like to thank our "Kitchen Crew" for their support at the Community Breakfast and with the Special Dinners that we hosted during the year. It was good to see so many people participating in these functions helping us celebrate fraternity and unity.



We are not done yet, I hope to see most of our Brothers and their families at the Council Picnic on June 28 at Michael J. Tighe Park and our golfers at the Council Golf Outing on June 30 at Knob Hill Golf Course.

Thanks for a good year, have a safe summer and I am looking forward to seeing you in September.

## Election of Officers by Patrick G. McCobb, PGK

The election of officers for the 2009-2010 Columbian Year will be held at the Council meeting of June 9, 2009. The nominating committee has placed the following slate of officers into nomination:

Grand Knight	Stan J. Buraczynski, Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight	Rick Scott
Chancellor	Joseph Virgilio, Jr.
Recorder	Peter Weber
Treasurer	Jerry Ham, PGK
Advocate	Daniel W. Foley, PGK, FDD
Warden	Thomas N. Shenko
Inside Guards	John B. Favorito, Joseph Luongo

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## Election of Officers, continued

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Outside Guard William H. Conover  
Trustee, 3 yrs Henry T. Debski, PGK,  
FDD

Nominations from the floor will be accepted

during the election meeting.

My thanks to my fellow committee members, PGK's Tom Boyle, Henry Debski, Dan Foley, Bill Maxwell and Spence Purdum .

## The Breakfast Team by Stan Buraczynski, GK

As this issue of the Compass goes to press we are preparing for our last Community Breakfast of this Columbian Year. Thanks to the help of our Brother Knights and their wives and family members who helped out with the cooking and service, we enjoyed a banner year. The overall attendance has surpassed our previous year and we were able to increase the donation to the Charity

Fund.

An even bigger thanks to all Brothers, families and friends who supported our efforts by coming to the monthly breakfasts. We are taking the summer off and will be back on Sunday, September 27 with our first Community Breakfast for the 2009-2010 Columbian Year.

## From the Field Agent's Office by Robert J. Karaczun, FA



Brother Knights, the Freehold council is on the verge on making history!

It's been 19 years (1990) since the Freehold council has made "STAR COUNCIL AWARD". We are within striking distance of

making Star Council, which on average five to ten percent of the councils make each year. There are three categories

that each council has to meet or exceed to obtain Star Council Award. These categories are in charitable activities, recruitment of new members, and first time buyers of any of our AAA rated insurance products.

The Freehold council only needs one more associate member to purchase any product from the Knights of Columbus to become an insured member, and help the Council reach its insurance quota. Help your council and help your family by becoming an insured member.

## Financial Secretary's Report by Michael Petrisin, PGK

The Columbian Year will be coming to a close at the end of this month. We still have 81 members unpaid. 59 owe \$40.00 for 2009, and 22 owe \$70.00 for 2008 and 2009. It will be greatly appreciated if payment can be made. We pledged \$5,000 to St. Rose of Lima Church for restorations to the Church and Chapel. Five dollars of

each dues payment is being set aside for this project.

Our economy has caused many of us to cut back and many of us are having a hard time keeping up financially. Please, if you are having a problem, call me at (732) 303-

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## Financial Secretary's Report, continued

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9720 and a payment plan can be made. All information will be kept confidential between the two of us.

On April 21, we inducted twelve new members into our order and on April 28 and May 8, the second and third degrees were held. Listed below are the names of all the brothers who took one or more of the degrees, and the degrees taken:

Jonathan Bosa	1st
Paul Brandimanto	1st, 2nd, 3rd
Anthony Colonna	1st, 2nd, 3rd
John Connelly	1st, 2nd
Brian Dorsey	1st, 2nd, 3rd
Salvatore Iacono	1st
Gino Iacovella	1st, 2nd
Patrick Muldering	1st, 2nd

Robert Sanchez	1st, 2nd, 3rd
David Shaw	1st, 2nd, 3rd
Michael Studer	1st, 2nd, 3rd
Thomas Zakrzewski	1st, 2nd, 3rd
Richard Diaz	2nd, 3rd
Joseph Luongo	2nd, 3rd
John Oleksak	2nd, 3rd
David Ritchie	2nd, 3rd
Daniel Hart	3rd
Patrick Hart	3rd

We welcome these new Brothers and congratulate them.

We mourn the passing of Brothers Raymond Ryan, PGK, Michael Scotto and George Sauerwein.

Welcome back to Council 1672, William Lawler, Burnett Schaeffer and Douglas Tierney.

## Chaplain's Study by Fr. Edward M. Jawidzik

Priesthood

By Charles de Foucauld

To a friend preparing for Ordination:

"The priest is something transcendent; through baptism he brings souls to birth, through the sacrament of penance he purifies them, through communion he gives us Our Lord's Body as He Himself did at the Last Supper, and at their death he gives

them their final forgiveness and the supreme strength.

"Every single day of his life, a priest does what Jesus did during the three years of His ministry. He teaches men how to know, love and serve their good Master.

"What a vocation!"



## Columbian Club News by Rich Morano

### Election of Trustees and Approval of Bylaws:

The General Meeting of the Columbian Club will be held immediately following the Council meeting of June 9. There will be two principal orders of business.

The first matter is the election of four Columbian Club Trustees. The terms of Mike Sweet, Rich Morano and Dan Foley will expire on June 30 of this year. Also, Jerry Ham has resigned as a trustee; his term expires on June 30, 2011. So, one two-year and three three-year trustees will be

elected that night.

The second matter is the approval of a new set of bylaws. A copy of the proposed bylaws is available at the Club.

**Renovations to the Lounge:** Work has begun on the downstairs area of the Council Home. Changes will be made to the side room and to the bar, and the Council office will be relocated. Stop down and take a look at the work; and look forward to a grand reopening in the late summer or early fall.

## Fourth Degree News by Ed Butler, FN

The next meeting of the Monsignor Kivelitz Assembly will be held at Prince of Peace Council in English-town on Wednesday, June 3 at 8:00 p.m. All fourth degree members are invited to attend. Voting for the new slate of officers will take place at this meeting. A slate of officers has been proposed by the Nominating Committee, but nominations will be accepted from the floor.



Please encourage Brother Knights to join the Fourth Degree. The Exemplification for new members will take place on Sunday,, November 8 at the Sheraton Hotel in Eatontown.

Also, if you know of any Sir Knight or family member who is sick or in distress, please contact me at (732) 446-6534 or at

shastaae6ejb@aol.com.

## Wanted! by Jerry Ham, PGK

The Columbian Club needs an older IBM laptop computer in working condition. We need it to update the Council's electronic sign.

Please contact me at (732) 780-1342 if you have one that we can use.

## From the Program Director by Rick Scott, DGK

**Kids' Day:** On Saturday, February 21, we hosted our third annual Kids' Day. We entertained about 55 children with Hoe Depot sponsored projects, other activities, food and a magic show.

Thanks to the following for assisting at the event: Peter Weber, John Favorito, GK Stan and Julie Buraczynski, Joe Nkwodimmah, Joe Luongo, Nick Fugaro, PGK Mike Petrisin, George Schnurr, PGK Mike Argen, PGK Carlitos Martinez. Thanks also to Joe Ciesnicki for the Barney costume.

Also participating at the event were Girl Scouts from Troops 1567 and 222, teenagers from the St. Rose Youth Group, Ted Freeman from the Monmouth County Sheriff's office and our magician, brother Randy Butters from the Mary Mother of God Council 13383 in Wrightstown.

As a result of online advertising we had a group of special needs folks from the ARC of Bergen and Passaic who came to see the Magic Show, which was a great addition. Everyone who helped out and all those in attendance had a great time.

**Charity Drive for People with Developmental Disabilities:** On Saturday, April 25, the

Knights collected \$1,558 at the busy intersections in front of the Council Hall. Proceeds will go to the ARC of Monmouth, a non-profit organization providing services and support for individuals who have cognitive and developmental disabilities and for their families.

Thanks to GK Stan Buraczynski, PGK Bob Crawford, PGK Mike Petrisin, Joe Luongo and Peter Weber for donating their time with me.

**Social Meetings:** On January 27, we held our first social meeting of the Columbian year. Our speakers were brother Vince Manning, Esq, of Manning, Caliendo & Thompson, who spoke to us about estate planning; and Bill Marshal, CPA, owner-operator of Holy Grounds in Howell, who told us his inspiring story of faith.

On February 24, we had a presentation on Reiki therapy by our Treasurer, Jerry Ham, PGK, PFN as well as a presentation on "Hints for Healthier Living" by Dr. Tim Rogers, fitness director for Retro Fitness in Freehold.

On March 24, we heard presentations from our field agent Bob Karaczun on K of C financial products and from Claude Blanc on his use of Catholic philosophies in his business

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## From the Program Director, continued

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coaching practice.

The Social meetings we had this year were quite well attended and I have received positive feedback after each one. We intend to continue with social meetings next year as the calendar allows. Any suggestions on topics should be forwarded to Stan Buraczynski or me.

**Relay for Life:** For the third year, Council 1672 has entered a team in the American

Cancer Society's Relay for Life which will take place at Freehold Raceway on June 20 and 21. By participating, you honor cancer survivors, pay tribute to the lives we've lost to the disease, and raise money to help fight it right here in our community. Anyone interested in joining the team or learning more about the event should contact me at (732) 996-6950 or check out the flyers posted at the bar.



## Essay Contest by Nick Fugaro

I'm proud to announce the winners of the 2009 Essay Contest, which was open to eighth grade students from St. Rose of Lima School. The subject of the essay was "The Responsibilities of a Catholic Citizen."

The winners are first place, Megan Crandall,

who gets a \$200 savings bond; second place, Mary Frances Prungo, a \$100 savings bond; and third place, Jaclyn Ferriso, a \$50 savings bond.

Thanks to the 32 students who participated, and to all who helped in the judging.

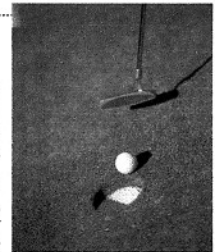
## Golf Outing by Stan Buraczynski, GK

The 2009 edition of the Council's Golf outing will be held on Tuesday, June 30 at the Knob Hill Golf Course.

Continental breakfast will be served from 7:00 a.m. and golf will begin with a shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. Prizes will be given for closest to the pin, longest drive and straightest drive. The day concludes with a 12:30 p.m. luncheon at the Knob Hill clubhouse. Each golfer will receive two drink tickets for

beer or wine.

The price is \$99.00 per golfer, which includes breakfast, lunch, greens fees, cart and prizes. For information or reservations please contact me at (917) 586-7349 or [sjbchef@aol.com](mailto:sjbchef@aol.com); or Mike Cruz at (908) 492-0458 or [mcruz@saintpetersuh.com](mailto:mcruz@saintpetersuh.com)



## Good of the Order by Spence Purdum, PGK, FDD

Congratulations and best wishes to Father John Folchetti on his installation as Pastor of St. Leo the Great Parish in Lincroft. Bishop Smith performed the installation on Sunday, May 24.

Congratulations, too, to Mr. Andrew Luhman, of St. Rose of Lima, who was ordained a permanent deacon by Bishop Smith at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, May 9.

We note with sadness the death of Father Norman R. St. John, who passed away on

May 10.

We also note the passing of Joseph A. Luciano, KSG, KHS, Past State Deputy of New Jersey, last March. He headed the State Council from 1977 to 1979.

My thanks to Brother Jack Cullen, PGK Bob Crawford and his grandson Daniel, for their help in decorating the graves of over 230 of our late brothers prior to the Memorial Day weekend.

## Family Picnic by Stan Buraczynski, GK

Our annual Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 28 from 12:00 Noon to 5:00 p.m. at Michael J. Tighe Park. There will be games for the children and food for all. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for

children under twelve, with a maximum price of \$16.00 per family. For information or reservations, call me at (917) 586-7349 or [sjbcchef@aol.com](mailto:sjbcchef@aol.com).; or Rick Scott at (732) 996-6950.

## Council History by Spencer W. Purdum, PGK, FDD

In the early part of the twentieth century, a group of Catholic men banded together into an organization that would support their Catholicity. The Knights of Columbus? No. Eleven years before Freehold Council 1672 was chartered, sixteen or seventeen men formed the Freehold Catholic Club. Their first meeting was held on December 4, 1901. The Monmouth Democrat reported that "The Catholic young men of the town organized a social club Wednesday evening of last week..." And young they were: none, as best I can tell, was over forty, and one was as young as eighteen.

It's interesting to note that a Catholic club already existed: the Catholic Benevolent Legion, a fraternal benefit society formed in 1881 with chapters in six states. The officers' titles chosen by the Catholic Club were virtually identical to those of the Legion; and three of the Club's charter officers were also officers in the Legion.

I don't know where the Club's early meetings were held. They might well have been on church property, since the Rev. A. J. Quinlan, a parish curate, was one of the charter members. By late January of 1902, they had been offered rooms by David V. Perrine. Its location is not revealed in the Club's records, but it seems likely they were on South Street, probably in that wing of the former "Big Red Store" that stretched around the corner from West Main Street to South Street.

Much of the Club's early activities were devoted




to finding a suitable club room and furnishing it. They held a few social, fund raising functions and began to attract new membership. A euchre party in February, 1902 raised \$30, a not inconsiderable sum at that time.

But it is clear that things were not going well for the young Club as early as May, 1902. The treasury had to take a small loan from a member to pay current bills. The minutes show almost constant disputes with Mr. Perrine on the condition of their rooms. Despite a growing membership and a few successful events, the Club did not prosper, and many members fell into arrears. Their last meeting was apparently held on February 27, 1905.

A failure? Maybe, but in three years of existence, they attracted a membership of 67 men. More to the point, though, six of Freehold Council's charter members were members of the Club and nine more would later become Knights. Sixteen other club members were related to early Knights. The seeds sown by the Freehold Catholic Club perhaps sprouted with the help of the well organized recruiting and marketing efforts of the Knights of Columbus.

The Freehold Catholic Club documents are in the possession of Nolan Higgins, who had loaned them to Father Rich Milewski. Father Rich kindly let me view them at the rectory this past March. I thank them both for this opportunity to add some knowledge about the Knights' lineage.

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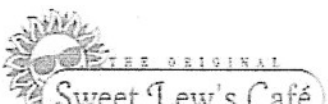
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