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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE Jim Brown, GK



Brothers

Another Columbian Year is upon us and our council has a full schedule of programs and activities already planned. I look forward to working with my fellow officers and Council Brothers to make this a very successful year for our council.

Although we did not conduct a council meeting July 22^{nd} and August 12^{th} our council officers have been busy putting our calendar together. Our Program Committee met and laid out a full schedule of programs and activities. Our membership committee met

and we have scheduled fall and spring membership drives and open houses. Please support these committees when called upon to assist.

In this edition of the Compass we have included our council calendar that covers the three month period from September to November 2014. We will be publishing the compass every three months which will include a three month calendar to help you plan to participate in council meetings, programs and activities.

A copy of our full calendar has been emailed to all Brothers that have provided our webmaster with an email address. Hard copies of our calendar will be available at the council hall. Should any Brother need a copy mailed to them please let me know.

Our Food Services Committee is all geared up for another year of cooking. Please support their great efforts and attend a community breakfast or a dinner. The food is great and this is one of the many ways you can support the fantastic work our council does..

We have a great and active council. Your support will enable our council to do better and bigger things. Let us join together and make this a fantastic Columbian year for our council.

Vivat Jesus

Jim Brown Grand Knight

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE - Father Ed Jawidzik

Sixty-nine years ago this month on September 2, 1945, following his acceptance of the Instrument of Surrender of the Empire of Japan and her allies aboard the U. S. S. Missouri, General Douglas Mac-Arthur made a radio address to a world wide audience. Notice that it sounds at times more like a prayer or a homily instead of a speech.

"Today the guns are silent. A great tragedy has ended. A great victory has been won.

As I look back upon the long torturous trail from those grim days or Bataan and Corregidor, when an entire world lived in fear, when democracy was on the defensive everywhere, when modern civilization trembled in the balance, I thank a merciful God that He has given us the faith, the courage and the power from which to mold victory.

We have known the bitterness of defeat and the exultation of triumph, and from both we have learned there could be no turning back. We must go forward to preserve in peace what we have won in war.

A new era is upon us. Even the lesson of victory itself brings with it profound concern, both for our future security and the survival of civilization. The destructiveness of the war potential through progressive advances in scientific discovery, has in fact now reached a point which revises the traditional concepts of war.

Men since the beginning of time have sought peace. Military alliances, balances of power, leagues of nations, all in turn failed, leaving the only path to be by way of the crucible of war. We have had our last chance. If we do not devise some greater and more equitable system, Armageddon will be at our door. The problem basically is theological and involves a spiritual recrudescence and improvement of human



character that will synchronize with our almost matchless advances in science, art, literature and all material and cultural development of the past two thousand years. It must be of the spirit if we are to save the flesh."

To all those who defended our liberties in World War II and lived we salute and say, "We are indebted to you. Thank you." To all who made the supreme sacrifice, We salute and say, like the late war correspondent Ernie Pyle, "Thanks Pal," and we pray:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - Tom Zakrzewski

As the year 2014 continues to unfold, we have 522 Joseph Martino, Robert Skehan, Douglas Tierney, members. We welcome bothers Louis respectively.

Cerrata and Arcangelo Valente transfers from St. Gabriel and St. Thomas the Apostle into Council 1672.

Our council has four new Honorary Life members, James Kane, Donald Mackay, James Slattery and Noel Troise. Best wishes on reaching milestones in the order.

We bid farewell to brothers John Lynch and Russell Zera, who transferred to other councils.

Please pray for our deceased brother Donald Bechamps who passed away in recent months. We extend our sympa-

thy to the family and friends.

We welcome into our council reinstated members, As always, if you have moved or have any other John Connelly, John Gierlowski, Stephen Gonzalez, changes in your status, please let me know.

MEMBERSHIP BULLETIN

Membership is an important part of any organization. Through increased membership and member's participation, our council will continue to grow and remain strong.

Membership involves a great deal of work. Our council has been fortunate enough to have individuals that have shouldered that burden in the past.

This year, I am trying something different. I have established a membership committee that consists of nine Brothers including myself. Brother Rick Scott has stepped up to be our Membership Director and will coordinate the committee's efforts but the responsibilities of membership have been distributed so no one person is overburdened.

A membership drive has been scheduled at St. Robert Bellamine's Parish for the weekend of October 11 and 12th. A membership drive has been scheduled for St. Rose of Lima's Parish for

the weekend of October 18th and 19th. An Open House has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 21st at our council hall.

Remember, recruiting new members can be done at any time not just at a membership drive. Please reach out to family and friends and encourage them to become members of the Knights of Columbus.

I wish to thank Brothers Juan Caez, Paul Dwyer, George Ferriso, Nick Fugaro, Gino lacovella, Tom Nevenglosky, Rick Scott and Roger Zurro, the members of this committee for their hard work and continued support. Please contact me should you wish to be a part of this committee.

Fraternally,

Jim Brown Grand Knight

PRO - LIFE REPORT - Roger Zurro

Cardinal O'Malley Welcomes Supreme Court Decision Affirming Freedom of Speech for Pro-Life Americans

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Supreme Court upheld freedom of speech for pro-life Americans this past June 26th. In the case of *McCullen v. Coakley*, the Court unanimously declared unconstitutional a Massachusetts law barring pro-life advocates from public sidewalks near abortion facilities. Cardinal Sean P. O'Malley of Boston, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, issued the following statement:

"Today the Supreme Court found unconstitutional a Massachusetts law imposing criminal penalties on pro-life Americans who peacefully pray for and offer alternatives to pregnant women approaching abortion clinics. This discriminatory law barred these citizens from gathering on nearby public sidewalks, while exempting 'clinic escorts' trained to expedite women into the facility. Clearly this was an attack on pro-life Americans' freedom of speech, and we welcome the Court's decision to overturn the law.

"This now overturned legislation reflects an ominous trend in our society. Abortion supporters, having long denied that unborn children have a right to life, would deny that their fellow Americans who seek to protect the unborn have the



same rights as other Americans – the right to freedom of speech and freedom of association; the right to participate in the public square and serve the vulnerable in accord with our moral convictions.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops had joined with other religious groups in a "friend of the court" brief urging this result. The brief can be found online at: www.usccb.org/about/general-counsel/amicus-briefs/upload/cls-amicus-brieffiled.pdf

(Excerpted from USCCB, Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities)

PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES REPORT - Tom Nevenglosky

COMPASS

As the summer winds down, our fall activities program is getting underway. As with anything you do, you will get much more out of being a Knight if you participate in our activities. The friendships that are created by working together are the mortar that keeps our Council going. Council programs are social, church and family oriented; wherever your interests lie, we have something for you! Fall events/activities:

- Parish picnics...St Roberts is scheduled for **September 14** and St Rose is set for **September 21**. Remember to wear K of C shirts or pins so that other parishioners will see us participating.
- October 18...is the date for Threepeat PGK Rick Scott's past Grand Knight's Dinner.
- © October 26...Come celebrate the 150th anniversary of St Rose Parish with Mass, Dinner and Dancing!
 - November 4...is the Council Mass for departed Brothers. This is not a business meeting, so all are welcome.
 - November 29 and 30...are the scheduled dates for the Keep Christ in Christmas fundraiser at St Roberts. Assistance will be greatly appreciated!



FOOD SERVICE REPORT - Peter Weber



As Many of you know Stan has retired from running the Food Service Committee. I would personally like to thank Stan for his years of services.

We are in need of volunteers (Knights, wives and children) to help

make our events a success this year.

Please consider giving some of your time to help us out. We can use you even if you only have a couple of hours to give. We need folks early to help setup the room and prep food. Then to serve at the buffets and help clean up after. The more hands the more fun we will have and the quicker we will get done.

Our upcoming events are as follows:

The first monthly community breakfast is

scheduled for Sunday September 28th. Breakfast is served from 8AM till Noon. The breakfasts are on the 4th Sunday of every month.

We have tentatively reserved the Saturday, October 4th for German Night dinner. If you can help at this dinner please call me 732-598-7416.

September 14th St Robert Bellarmine will be having their annual picnic on their church grounds. They have requested that the Knights man the grill at this event as we have in the past. If you can volunteer time for this event please contact Jim Brown at jbrown 1672@gmail.com.

September 21st is the St Rose of Lima Picnic at Michael J Tighe Park. As usual the Knights have been asked to cook and serve. We will need volunteers to help load supplies at the council in the morning and get them to the park as well. If you are able to volunteer any time to this event please contact me 732-598-7416.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

September			
1	Labor Day		
3	4th Degree Meeting	TBD	8PM
9	Installation of Council Officers	Council Hall	8PM
14	St. Robert's Picnic	Parish Grounds	12NOON
17	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Council	8PM
21	St Rose's Picnic	Michael Tighe Park	12NOON
23	Council Business Meeting	Council Hall	8PM
28	Community Breakfast	Council Hall	8AM-NOON
October			
1	4th Degree Meeting	TBD	8PM
3	3rd Degree Exemplification	St. Clements	8PM
4	German Nite - Council Dinner	Council Hall	6PM
11-12	Membership Drive - St. Robert's Parish	St. Robert's Church	All Masses
13	Columbus Day Observed		
14	Council Business Meeting	Council Hall	8PM
15	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Council	8PM
18	Past Grand Knights Dinner	Council Hall	7:30PM
18-19	Membership Drive - St. Rose Parish	St. Rose Church & Chapel	All Masses
21	Open House	Council Hall	8PM
26	Community Breakfast	Council Hall	8AM - 12 NOON
26	St. Rose 150th Anniversary Mass & Din.	St. Rose Church/So. Gate	3РМ
28	Council Business/1st Degree Exempli.	Council Hall	8PM
November			
1	All Saints Day		
2	All Souls Day		
2	4th Degree Exemplification	Sheraton -Eatontown	1PM
4	Election Day	MAKE SURE YOU VOTE	
4	Council Mass for Departed Brothers	Council Hall	8:00pm
5	4th Degree Meeting	TBD	8PM
11	Veteran's Day		
11	Council Business Meeting	Council Hall	8PM
18	2nd Degree Exemplification	Council Hall	8PM
19	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room-Council	8PM
22-23	Community Breakfast	Council Hall	8AM-12NOON
27	Thanksgiving Day		
29-30	Keep Christ in Xmas Sale	St. Rose Parish	All Masses
30	Decorate Council Hall for Xmas	Council Hall	AM
30	First Sunday of Advent		

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Mike LaRosa **Editor**

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"EDITOR EMERITUS" - Spence Purdum, PGK, FDD

I had intended to write this message in our May Compass, but did not have the space to do so. That was my last Compass. I have been editor for eleven years now (this time around - I was also editor from 1978 to 1986.) It is time, though, to let someone else take over. I am heavily involved in St. Rose's 150th anniversary as parish historian, and I am still working on Freehold Council's history, even though our 100th anniversary is long past.

I'm happy to know that the newsletter will go into the capable hands of Mike LaRosa; and I thank our Grand Knight for getting him involved. Mike is a 41 year honorary member of the Council. I worked with him at Monmouth County for about ten years, after I moved to Freehold in 1974.

Being editor was always a rewarding experience for me; and of course it folded well into my work as historian. I thank the many Grand Knights, officers and committee chairmen who helped me produce our quarterly newsletters. I would especially like to thank Father Ed Jawidzik, our Chaplain since 2004, for his unflagging support for the council and its newsletter.

My best wishes to all of you.

It's good to be active again in Council 1672. Thanks to Spence for his assistance with my first edition of the Compass. I hope to do at least half as good a job as he did as editor. Please bear with me because it will take me awhile to get comfortable with this new task.

Mike La Rosa