



COMPASS

JUNE, 2013

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Advocate	Tom Boyle, PGK
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Grand Knight's Message, by Nick Fugaro, GK



I have so many Brothers to thank as I conclude my term as Grand Knight. First I would like to thank all of my officers and trustees for the assistance they have given me during this Columbian Year. In particular, I would like to thank Brother Rick Scott, PGK, DW for all of his advice and guidance this year. Without his direction, it would have been a difficult year. I would particularly like to thank our Financial Secretary and his assistant, Brothers Tom Zakrzewski and George Ferriso, respectively, for all their hard work and the many hours spent on getting our roster in order. A special thanks goes to our Trustees, Rick Scott, Carlos Maldonado and Bill Maxwell for an outstanding job in bring our delinquent members current in their dues. Their efforts have saved the council in excess of \$2,000 annually in Supreme and State assessments! I would be remiss if I did not thank our Chaplin, Fr. Ed, for his participation in all of our business meetings. Despite his busy schedule, Fr. Ed always has time for our council.

Having served as Chancellor and Membership Director for a number of years, I know too well all what goes into that job. Brother Paul Dwyer has done a magnificent job in bringing in 11 new members as well as coordinating all of our Degree ceremonies. Thanks again, Paul, for all you do for our council. A special thank you goes to our General Agent, Brother Joe Polacci, in stepping in for our council until a Field Agent is found to cover Council #1672. To date, we have 4 additional insurance members this Columbia Year.

As you know, our breakfasts and dinners account for a substantial portion of the funds we give to charity. All this would not be possible without the efforts of Stan Buraczynski and his crew. As long as we are speaking about Brother Stan, another special thanks goes out to him

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Grand Knight's Message, Continued

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and his Centennial Committee for a job well done! Thank you also to Brothers Rich Diaz, Peter Weber and Andrew Merola for picking up where Stan has left off as Food Services Chair. Brother Stan keeps reminding me that it took three of our Brothers to replace him!

I would also like to thank Brother Spence Purdum for his work on the Compass for the past several years and stepping in as Recorder when our Recorder was absent. I would be remiss if I did not thank our Worthy Treasurer, Jerry Ham, for keeping our financials in order for as long as I can remember. We will sure miss Jerry in that role next Columbian Year. Thank you also to Brothers Steve Kedulich and Gus Vang for being my "go to guys". They were always there when I needed help. Thank you also for all those who turned out on a moment's notice to help with the unloading of trucks for the Hurricane Sandy Relief Effort at St. Robert. You exemplified what the Knights are all about.

In addition to our food events including the parish picnics for St. Rose and St. Robert, we continued to run a number of our signature programs including Eyes for the Needy, First Born on Columbus Day, Kids Day, Blood Drive, "Tootsie Roll Drive", Keep Christ In Christmas Campaign, Christmas Tree Sale and Right To Life. Thanks to Bob Cardone, Mike Dzergoski, Michael Wheary, Rick Scott, Mike Tubridy, Paul Dwyer, John Favorito

and Roger Zurro for chairing these programs. A special thanks also goes to our Worthy Deputy Grand Knight and Program Director, Jim Brown, for all of his help on the Free Throw Contest as well as being there whenever I needed him. Brother Jim has never let me down! I would like to give special recognition to our new Brothers Russ Zera and Andrew Merola for stepping up and actively partaking in the Relay for Life and Food Services Committee, respectively. These Brothers exemplify the meaning of you get out of this organization what you put into it. As of this writing there are still a number of events and programs to take place. Please look through this newsletter and you will see a number of opportunities for you to get involved.

As I leave office, I am pleased to report that the council is in good financial strength with both our operating and charitable reserve accounts in strong financial positions

On June 11th we will be electing our officers who will take us into the next Columbian Year. I urge you to come out to the meeting and show your support for our council by voting and perhaps taking a position as an officer.

In closing, I would like to thank you, my Brothers, for allowing me to serve as your Grand Knight in this our Centennial Year! This has truly been an honor for which I will ever be grateful. May God Bless all of you and your families!

Nominating Committee by Pat McCobb, PGK

The following is the slate proposed by the nominating committee. We worked hard on this slate, but were still unable to come up with a viable name for the position of Grand Knight. We are hoping that at the meeting

on June 11 someone will step up and be able to take on the responsibilities.

Grand Knight

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Deputy Grand Knight	James Brown
Chancellor	Paul Dwyer
Recording Secretary	Tri Nguyen
Treasurer	Nick Fugaro, PGK
Advocate	Spencer Purdum, PGK, PFN, FDD
Warden	Steve Kedulich
Inside Guards	George Ferriso, Russell Zera
Outside Guards	Gus Vang, Roger Zurro
3 Year Trustee	Henry Debski, PGK, PFN, FDD

Please brothers, when the Nominating Committee talks to you about becoming an officer in the council, think about your decision. This is not a one year commitment. We are looking for people who intend to stay and become Grand Knight.

I would like to thank the following Past Grand Knights who also served on the committee: Rick Scott, Spencer Purdum, Henry Debski, and Carlos Maldonado.

Chaplain's Study by Fr Ed Jawidzik

Priestly Dignity by Bishop Anthony T. Logo

The ministerial priesthood was instituted by Jesus to be of service of the common priesthood of the believers. Like Christ the High Priest, the ministerial priest stands between God and the people of God as, 'minister of the sanctuary,' *Hebrews 8:2*, and 'mediator of the New Covenant,' *Hebrews 9:15*. The ministerial

priesthood has a two fold task towards God and toward man: 'To stand in My presence and minister God-ward and then to go out and bless in My name man-ward. In the Heavenly sanctuary, Jesus is intercessor. 'He lives to pray unceasingly.' *Hebrews 7:25*.



Centennial Committee by Stan Buraczynski, PGK, DD

The work of the Centennial Committee has been completed. We had an excellent Centennial Year which culminated with our Gala Centennial Celebration on February 23, 2013. The event was attended by over 100 guests including dignitaries from Supreme, State and the local Communities. Financially, we had a surplus at the end which was distributed as follows: Donations to St Rose and St. Robert for the purchase of



Chalices for both parishes, a commemorative wall to be erected in the Council Home and the remainder was turned over to the Charity Committee for distribution to local charities. I would like to thank all the Committee Members who worked so hard on this project and all the Brothers who supported our Centennial Events.

Financial Secretary's Report by Tom Zakrzewski, FS

On April 9, Vincent Naimo was inducted into the First Degree of our order. On April 23, he took his Second Degree.

On May 21, Zachary Fox took his Second Degree at Freehold.

On May 28, Richard Berger, Juan Caez, Gerry Gorman, Andrew Merola, Eduardo Mungiglio, Vincent Naimo, John Newman, Rafael Solares and Russell Zera took their Third Degrees.

We welcome Brother Joseph Vulpis, PGK, an honorary life member who has recently transferred into our Council

We bid farewell to brothers Dan Foley, PGK, FDD and Michael Liberatore, who have transferred to other councils, and to Jairo Estaban, who has withdrawn from the order.

Our sympathies go out to the families and

friends of Brothers Donald Cowie, Nicholas Parella and Rosario Salvaggio, who have passed away in recent months. And also to the family of William J. Kelly, who passed away about three years ago. We were not notified at the time.

Congratulations to our newest honorary members, Spence Purdum, PGK, FDD and Thomas Weaver; and to new honorary life members Stan Buraczynski, PGK, FDD, Joseph Hayes, Charles Potochar and Joseph Vulpis, PGK.

On May 16, form 100's were submitted to Supreme for the suspension of numerous members who were delinquent in their dues, many for two or more years.

As always, if you have moved or have any other changes in your status, please let me know.

District Deputy's Corner by Stan Buraczynski, PGK, DD

Well, another Columbian Year is drawing to a rapid close and I would like to thank the Officers and my fellow Brothers of the Freehold Council for a successful year. It is good to see the many faces of our new members attending our meetings and getting involved in our activities. The Charity Committee has been hard at work spreading the fruits of our labors to

deserving local organizations.

This will be my last report to you as your District Deputy. I have served three years of my four year term and Julie and I have decided to spend more time with our fifteen grandkids. Thank you for all your support over the past three years. Have a holy and safe summer.

Columbian Club News by John Favorito, President

As we continue our work, I would first like to report that the new columns for our front porch are finally up. We are currently working on the following projects: repairing the front steps and one of the emergency exit stairways. The handrails for both of the emergency exits will also be repaired. The floor in the ballroom will be touched up and new

coats of poly will be applied. We are also getting bids for the floor in the walk-in cooler to be replaced. Last month I worked on getting numbers on replacing the heating and air conditioning units. The costs for the total job would be \$50,000. We'll need to do more work and fact finding on that.

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Columbian Club News by John Favorito, President

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On a more personal note, I would like to thank everyone from the Trustees for all their hard work, to the members and their families for helping financially or volunteering their time. Thanks too to the bartenders for sticking with us during this time of change. When I joined the council several years ago I saw the potential our council had and with the help of everyone we've achieved it. You've made my job easy and I thank you.

Our yard sale will be held on Saturday, June 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Anyone interested should contact me at (917) 533-6568. Tables will cost \$15.00 each.

The Columbian Club nominating committee has recommended the following brothers for election to the board of trustees for three year terms. There are two open seats: John Favorito, Rich Morano and Gus Vang. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the election on Tuesday, June 11, immediately following the Council Meeting. My thanks to the Club's nominating committee of Stan Buraczynski, Rick Scott and Fred Trotter.

Council History by Spence Purdum, PGK, FDD

Here's a tidbit from some information I gathered while working on our history. It's not entirely up to date, but close.

In our hundred years, over 2,100 men have joined the ranks of Freehold Council. Of those, about 1,700 took their First Degrees here, and more than 400 transferred in.

Over 300 of these members died in good

standing, about 200 transferred out, over 500 were suspended, about 50 withdrew, and over 400 left by as yet unrecorded means.

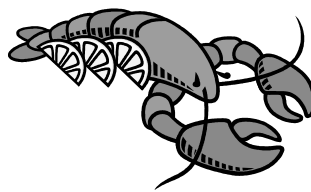
Our Council began with forty charter members and its growth has been fairly steady over the years. It stands today at about 561, though as our Financial Secretary has noted, numerous suspensions are in progress.

Food Committee by Stan Buraczynski, PGK, FDD

By the time you receive this Compass we will have completed our Breakfasts for this Columbian Year and we will have our New England Clam Bake on the immediate horizon (June 8, 2013).

If you are interested in coming to this last event please contact me (917) 586-7349 for reservations. Basic Buffet is \$16.00 and a 1 1/4 lb Lobster is an additional \$14.00.

Our attendance this year has been lower than last year and we were forced to cancel the Steak Dinner because of lack



of interest, or maybe bad scheduling. The Dinners and Breakfasts are only means of replenishing our Charity Fund so this year we are giving away less than past years. Hopefully the economy will get better next year and we can see more folks attending our events. This is my last year as Chairman of the Food Committee and I would like to thank all Brothers and their family members who worked so hard at our events., without you we could not have made all these events possible.

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Meetings

Second and Fourth Tuesday
8:00 PM Sharp

**Nick Fugaro
Grand Knight**

**Spencer W. Purdum, PGK, FDD
Editor**

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Calendar of Events (All events at Freehold Council unless otherwise noted)

Jun 8...Clam Bake, 6:00– 9:00 pm

Jun 9...Council Picnic, Michael J. Tighe
Park, 1:00 pm

Jun 11...Council meeting and election of
officers, 8:00 pm

Jun 11...Columbian Club meeting and
election of officers, immediately following

Jun 19-23...St. Rose of Lima Carnival at
church parking lot, various times

Jun 25...Council meeting 8:00 pm

July 3...Fourth Degree meeting,
Englishtown, 8:00 pm

July 4...Independence Day

July 9...Council meeting, 8:00 pm

July 17...Columbian Club meeting, 8:00 pm

Aug 7...Fourth Degree meeting, Marlboro,
8:00 pm

Aug. 13...Council meeting, 8:00 pm

Aug 15...Feast of the Assumption

Aug 21...Columbian Club meeting, 8:00 pm

Sep 2...Labor Day

Sep 4...Fourth Degree meeting, 8:00 pm

Sep 10...Council meeting, 8:00 pm

Sep 18...Columbian Club meeting, 8:00 pm

Sep 24...Council meeting, 8:00 pm