

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREEHOLD COUNCIL 1672

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE Tom Nevenglosky, GK

My Brothers of Freehold Council 1672

First of all, I wish to thank you for your confidence shown in choosing myself as Grand Knight and the rest of our team of officers for their positions. You may trust that I will do my best to deserve this honor which you have conferred upon me.

As you can imagine I will be standing on the shoulders and accomplishments of all previous GK's, especially Rick Scott and Jim Brown who together have led our Council for 5 of the past 6 years. The planning, efforts and programming innovations will certainly make my job much more manageable.

I will also be asking for your help, either as members of committees or chairmen of the same. The various committees are the backbone of the Council, running most of the Fraternal, Charitable and Social work that we accomplish. While we are not asking anyone to do it all, we are asking every Brother to do something! Getting involved in an activity or program which involves an interest or talent of yours that will not only be good for the Council, Parish or Community, but through the work you will meet and befriend other Brothers with the same interests as yourself.

Coming up on July 17, we will be holding our Council Family picnic at the Quail Hill Scout camp from I lam to 4pm. The picnic is especially directed to your children and grandchildren; we have also invited the various youth groups (altar servers and teen groups) of the parishes. There will NOT be a fee for the picnic; we are instead expressing our gratitude to our members and their families as well as to the parish youth for their efforts on behalf of the Church. With pool access, burgers and dogs, lake fishing, a monkey bridge, games and other contests, all attending are guaranteed a good time!

In closing, I once again urge your involvement and commitment to our Council; you will get much more out of your membership if you are an active participant.



Thank You

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE - Father Ed Jawidzik

Almighty and eternal God,

You have revealed Your glory to all nations. God of power and might, wisdom and justice, Through You authority is rightly administered, Laws are enacted, and judgement is decreed.

We commend to Your unbounded mercy all citizens of the United States, that we may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of Your holy law. May we be preserved in union and in that peace Which the world cannot give, and, after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal. We pray to You, Who are Lord and God, forever and ever.

Amen

Prayer composed by Archbishop John Carroll, first Bishop of the United States, in 1789

Have a Blessed Independence Day !



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE - Gino lacovella

Membership

July & Summer is here!

July 1st also marks the beginning of our new Columbian Year for the Knights of Columbus! I would like to congratulate Gus Vang to the office of Chancellor and Membership Director for our new 2016 / 2017 new year.

I also would like to THANK our worthy GRAND KNIGHT Jim Brown for the hard work & great job he has done these past two years. We will surely miss him!

I would also like to congratulate Tom Nevenglosky as our new GRAND KNIGHT! He has tough shoes to fill!

It was a pleasure being your Chancellor and Membership Director this past year and I look forward on being your Deputy Grand Knight for 2016 / 2017!

During the past year we added 15 new members to our Council. Some of new members were added on April 19th as they did their 1st Degree. These 5 new members were:

> Irving Cruz Robert Korongy Daniel Mako

John McNamura

James Klechinsky Robert Korongy, Irving Cruz and Daniel Mako have already completed their 2nd and 3rd Degrees as well!

Please welcome these new members to our Freehold Council 1672!

Upcoming Degrees

This year the <u>4th Degree</u> will be held in Cherry Hill, New Jersey on Sunday, November 13th. Please let me or our Grand Knight know if you would like to be knighted to the Knights of Columbus highest honor-Patriotism.

Please remember that new members can be added at any time. I ask each brother to please reach out to family and friends and encourage them to become members of the Knights of Columbus. Overall we are 1.9 million members strong and are the largest men's Catholic organization in the world and an organization that started in 1882 by Father McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut with 14,000 councils across the globe.

Be Proud and Encourage others to be a Knight of Columbus!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - George Ferriso

By the time you read this, another Columbian year will have come to a close. We THANK our PGK Jim Brown for all he has contributed to our council in the last two years to make it better and welcome our NEW Grand Knight Tommy Nevenglosky. I have no qualms that Tommy can fill Jim's shoes. Also congratulations to all our new officers, may you enjoy your new roles as you move up in our council.

With the ending of our Columbian year we completed this year's billing cycle reaching 97% of membership paid. Our current membership stands at 463 active members + 33 inactive or a total of 496 members. Of the 463 members, 18 are Honorary, 86 are Honorary Life and 85 are 4th degree members.

We welcome the following new members: William Butch, John Nahaczewski, James Higgins, Irving Cruz, James Kleschinsky, Robert Korongy, Daniel Mako, John McNamara, James Gallagher a readmission, Andrew O' Sullivan a transfer from Vermont, Francisco DeLeon a transfer from Clifton, and Robert Nadramia III a transfer from Old Bridge. Congratulations to Irving Cruz, Robert Korongy, and Daniel Mako who advanced to 3rd degree on June 10th at the Jackson Council. We bid farewell to Joseph Bretreton who transferred to Bricktown, and Anthony Balto who transferred to Staten Island.

We extend our most sincere condolences to the families of the following long time members Jack Cullen (45 years) Deceased 5/2/16 and Bernard Tierney (34 years) deceased 5/13/16.

Finally, as I said in the past, we are missing or have incorrect phone numbers from a lot of members. I have sent out a few letters to members requesting corrections on their information with a stamped selfaddressed envelope and got NO reply back except for ONE member. Is it so hard to write a couple of phone numbers and an email address and shove it in the mailbox? Someone please let me know what the problem is! I can be reached at 732 780-4815, gfgman@gmail.com if you have a computer or 361 Colgate Way Freehold. In addition you could also drop a note in the mailbox in the front of the council and put "George F" on it. I will get the information! Please get me your changes!

CULTURE OF LIFE - Roger Zurro

USCCB President Reacts to Supreme Court HHS Mandate

Last month, the U.S. Supreme Court issued a per curiam opinion in the case of Zubik v. Burwell, in which Catholic and other religious organizations are challenging the HHS mandate requiring them to facilitate health insurance coverage of sterilization, contraception, and drugs and devices that may cause abortions.

The Court unanimously vacated the decisions before it, remanding the cases to the lower courts with instructions to afford the parties the opportunity to work out an alternative approach to the mandate. In the meantime, the Court forbade the government from imposing taxes or penalties on the organizations for failure to provide the required "notice" and "certification" or otherwise to trigger the "accommodation."

Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, offered the following statement in response:

I am encouraged by today's unanimous decision of the Supreme Court. It wipes away the bad decisions that so many of our charitable ministries were appealing, it maintains hope that we might resolve this dispute finally and favorably sometime in the future, and in the meantime, it prevents the Administration from issuing crippling fines against those who object.

I take this occasion to reiterate the unity and resolve that the bishops of the United States have expressed repeatedly in opposition to the HHS mandate, such as in their Special Message from 2013 and their statement "United for Religious Freedom" from 2012. I also recall the encouragement that we have received from Pope Francis in this regard during his recent apostolic visit to the United States, first by his remarks at the White House, and then by his personal visit to the Little Sisters of the Poor.

Speaking about religious liberty from the White House in September, Pope Francis said "that freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it."

In light of this, USCCB will continue its opposition to the HHS mandate in all three branches of government. We are grateful to the Supreme Court for the opportunity to continue that effort. We remain convinced that, as a nation, we do not wish to push people of faith and their ministries out of charitable work – under threat of severe government fines – or leave freedom of religion protected only in private worship.

PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE - Jim Brown, GK

Dear Brothers:

I wish to thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving our council as your Grand Knight for the past two years.

As I think back upon what has transpired during these two years, I am not only proud but amazed of what we have accomplished.

- Our Charity Committee has done a fantastic job in raising money so we could donate money and services to the many worthy organizations we support. This year our council donated close to \$16,000.00. One of the neatest things that happened was our council received a picture of Baby Leah. An expecting single mother, left alone to fend for herself turned to Planned Parenthood for assistance, and the best they would offer her was to get an abortion. She stood firm with her decision to have her baby. Fortunately, she found Rachael's House, and organization we support that provides assistance to mothers who have nowhere to turn and want to have their baby. Rachael's House not only took her in, made sure the mother and the unborn baby received the care they needed, provided a place to live, and after the baby was born, Rachael's House assisted this mother find work so she would be able to care for her baby and herself. We do make a difference one life at a time.
- Our Communication Committee is coming along and getting the word out about our council. More work needs to be done, but it is off to a good start.
- Our Culture of Life Committee has done an outstanding job is keeping our council informed of important life issues we support. Birthright, 40 hours of Life, March for Life and many more. At our council meetings we pray together as Brother Knights hoping to make this world a better place to live. My sincere thanks to our Culture of Life Director Roger Zurro for his dedication and great work.
- Our Programs Committee has hosted numerous activities for our council and community. Freehold Council 1672 is known as an organization that gets things done. Thanks to

the hard work of this committee the word is getting out about the good works we do. Our Deputy Grand Knight, Tom Nevenglosky has been hard at work getting things together for our council picnic in July, please do your best to attend and enjoy a good time.

- Our Hospitality Committee is nothing short of amazing. To the food they prepare and serve for our meetings, degrees, breakfasts and dinners, our council has a reputation, if you need cooking done call the Knights. It is great being part of a bunch of Brothers who love to cook, are not master chefs, but have a lot of fun trying to be one. Brothers Tom Gaetano and Peter Weber co-chaired this committee and our council owes them a big "Thank You" for their hard work.
- Membership Committee has done an excellent job of recruiting new members. One of the proudest accomplishments of our council these past two years has not only been the ability to keep bringing in new members, but our ability to have many of these new members get involved in our council. It is a pleasure to see these new Brothers get involved in our meetings, fund raisers, breakfasts and many other activities. My congratulations to our Chancellor/Membership Director Gino lacovella for a job well done.
- Retention Committee deserves a big thank you. This is a thankless job and I sincerely appreciated their talents and patients in going above and beyond to get the job done. A special thanks to George Ferriso, our Worthy Financial Secretary for the outstanding job he does.
- I wish to thank the **Board of Trustees** of the Columbian Club of Freehold for their continued support of our council and providing a great place to meet and carry out our business that we call our council home.

By the time you read this message, our new council officers will be busy at work getting our council prepared for the 2016-2017 Columbian Year. I encourage all my Brother Knights to please continue to support our council and the new officers as we enter a new Columbian Year to make our council even better.

Vivat Jesus



The Knights of Columbus set a new all-time record last year for charitable donations and service hours with \$175,079,192 in donations and more than 73.5 million hours of service. The numbers were announced at the closing session of the annual Organizational Meeting of State Deputies in New Haven 6/12/2016.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	ltem	Location	Time
JULY			
4	Independence Day		
6	Fourth Degree Meeting	Freehold Council 1672	8 pm
12	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
17	Council Picnic	Quail Hill S. R.	II am - 4pm
13	Columbian Club Meeting	Council Side Room	8 pm
23	Olde Freehold Day	Lake Topanemus Park	9 am - 5 pm
26	Council Meeting CANCELED		
AUGUST			
3	Fourth Degree Meeting	Freehold Council 1672	8 pm
9	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
15	Assumption of Mary		
17	Columbian Club Meeting	Council Side Room	8 pm
23	Council Meeting CANCELED		
SEPTEMBER			
5	Labor Day		
7	Fourth Degree Meeting	Freehold Council 1672	8 pm
11	St. Robert Bellarmine's Picnic	St. Roberts Grounds	10 am
13	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
18	St. Rose of Lima Picnic	Michael J. Tighe Park	l l am
21	Columbian Club Meeting	Council Side Room	8 pm
25	Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am - 12 Noon
27	Installation of Officers	Council Main Hall	8 pm
TBD	K of C Charities Canning Drive	Freehold Borough	9 am - Ipm

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Thomas Nevenglosky Grand Knight

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AFTER THOUGHTS - Mike La Rosa

#1 - "Summertime and the living is easy, la, la, la", so they sing. But for me it's just the opposite. This is the season that we are on the go with vacations, yardwork, gardening, fire works, painting etc. All the things that you have to get done before the kids are back in school and the weather turns too cold and miserable to spend time outside. For me the easy living time is winter. With the harsh weather a person is almost forced to stay inside and live easy. Kick back and watch football in the warmth of our homes and feast on some snacks. Now that's what I call easy living. Before you all think that I've gone crazy, I do realize that no season is perfect. The freezing temperatures and shoveling



snow are real downers I must admit. When you're retired and don't have to work every day though, Winter doesn't look quite so bad. My motive and real purpose in writing this paragraph is to cool you off a bit from the hot Summer sun. Did it work ? **#2** - Hold onto your ballots Brothers. It looks as if this election season is going to be a wild ride to say the least. The political conventions are coming up soon and then get ready for the action to really start. This Summer will probably be dominated by who said



what, and who told that lie, and who is going to promise the most. Get prepared for a lot of political speeches. It will not be the Liberty Bell that you hear ringing in your ears but the constant noise of the candidate's voices. This however is the American way and it's been like this for a long time. My advice is to find refuge in a quiet place like a church (they don't seem to be as crowded this time of year) and pray that the right person gets elected.

#3 - I also want to echo the praise that has been given to Past Grand Knight, Jim Brown. He deserves it for all of his hard work. Tom Nevenglosky our new Grand Knight is another hard worker so he will do well I'm sure. I want to wish the best to all of our the new officers.