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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Gino Iacovella GK



Dear Brothers,

Summer is here! The St Rose of Lima Carnival has just ended and the 4th of July is just around the corner!

The Freehold 1672 Knight of Columbus just ended their 105th Columbian Year!

It has been a honor to be your Grand Knight for the past year and another honor to be elected a second term! Thank you for trusting me to be your Grand Knight for another Columbian Year (July 1, 2018 to June 30th, 2018)

This past year we had very successful fund raisers from our can drive in April & September, to our "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnet sale, tree, wreath and grave blanket sale in December to our Palm Cross sales in March, our council raised enough money to support all of our local charities. Thanks to all the Brothers that participated in all these fund raisers especially John Favorito who supplied the trees, wreaths and palm crosses at his cost from his Staten Island nursery! Without these fund raisers we couldn't have donated over \$15,000!

I would also like to thank Father Dan Gowen as our Chaplain this past year. We wish him the best as pastor of his new parish in Burlington NJ.

Special thanks to Nick Fugaro and Spence Purdum for their years of support as Treasurer and Recorder of our council.

I would also like to congratulate Brian Barrett as our 2017-2018 Knight of the Year! Brian, as our Chancellor and membership director supported all of our charitable causes, helped recruit new members, chaired our Kids Free Throw contest for the council and all of Monmouth County! Brian is now our Deputy Grand Knight!

I need your support for the coming year!

We currently have over 400 members in our council. Of these members we have over 300 members who pay their dues annually. But only 30 members or so actively participate in meetings, fund raisers and other events.

WHY BE A KNIGHT?

Our first oath as a Knight of Columbus is CHARITY. if you don't help with Charity work, again why be a Knight? Our second and third oath is UNITY and FRATERNITY. Have you greeted a fellow knight at church, helped a brother knight come to a meeting, or participated in an event or even cleaned or sweep the council hall? We are all volunteers, unity & fraternity are signs of friendship & goodwill. PATRIOTISM is the oath of our 4th degree. Have you pledged to the flag recently? Flown the flag on FLAG DAY? Marched in the Freehold Memorial Day parade? WHY BE A KNIGHT if you don't participate in some form or another.

Please contact me or any officers in our council. We always need your help in fund raisers, cooking breakfasts, painting the council, plumbing etc. BE PROUD TO BE A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS and join over 1.9 million brother knights worldwide!

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE - Deacon Drew Luhman

PERSERVERANCE

Know and accept that the closer we are to our Heavenly Father, the harder the evil one will work to pull us away. He will attempt to do this by the use of what I call roadblocks: temptations and/or outright lies and promises. I want to share with you the true story of a single parent of two young elementary school aged children living in Baltimore. These events took place since the advent of the MRI diagnostic machine. This single mother was a full time employee who worked Monday through Friday. After work on Fridays she would stop at her local hospital for a weekly examination to evaluate the progression of the cancer she was burdened with. After the MRI on one Friday her doctor told her that her cancer was beginning to spread and that she would have to be admitted to the hospital for follow up work on

the following Monday. This poor soul spent the entire weekend praying to God asking for His help. Sleeping little and eating even less the hours dragged on with prayerful requests pouring forth from her heart. That Monday she was taken to the "MRI room" and underwent the follow up of Friday's MRI. The doctors were dumbfounded by what they saw on Monday's MRI: surely the MRI machine had to be broken. A second MRI was ordered and was administered on a different MRI machine. Again the results were the same: the cancer was completely gone!

God hears each and everyone of our prayers. He answers each one in His time and in the manner He knows is best for us. Have faith and trust in the Lord for He is always with us, caring for and loving us. Amen!

COUNCIL EVENTS - Jeff Yoder, DGK

MEMBER NEWS

Well, the New Columbian Year is upon us. Thanks to all of you Brothers that have been actively involved, the Council had a very successful Columbian Year. I want to express my Thanks for allowing me to serve as the Deputy Grand Knight. Due to the fact that Mary and I spend almost two months in

Florida, it did not seem fair to the Council to advance to Grand Knight. I have been nominated to take the position of Chancellor for this Columbian Year and will strive to increase our Membership and assist the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight to the best of my abilities. Hope to see you all in the upcoming months at our events.

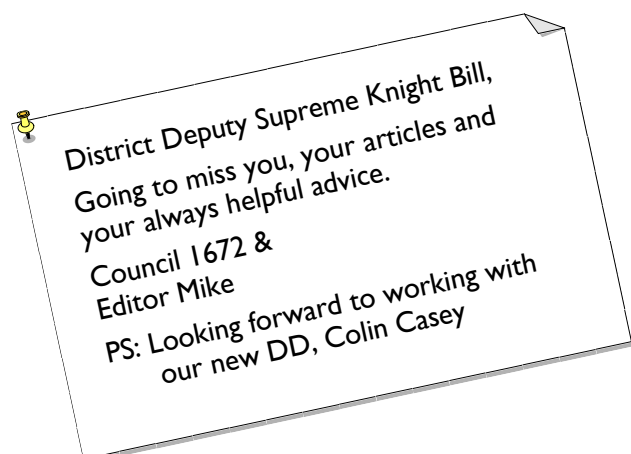
DISTRICT DEPUTY SUPREME KNIGHT - William Horton, Jr.

Brother Knights:

It's been a year since I filled in as your District Deputy Supreme Knight. It's been a great experience to work with all of you and see what great things the council is doing in your area as well as for the order.

It's been an honor to serve my last year in this position with you and how everyone welcomed me when I took over. Until then.

Vivat Jesus!



CULTURE OF LIFE - Roger Zurro

Supreme Court Takes the Cake

The U.S. Supreme Court affirmed the principle of religious freedom in its recent *Masterpiece Cakeshop* decision - but its narrow ruling in the case left unanswered the question of whether wedding vendors and other businesses can legally decline services for homosexuals and same-sex couples.

The high court's 7-2 ruling June 4 in favor of Jack Phillips, the owner of Masterpiece Cakeshop in Lakewood, CO, did not address the First Amendment free-speech issues that Phillips' lawyers from Alliance Defending Freedom and others litigated while the case was pending. That question was left for the court to decide on another day. Legal analysts say that the *Masterpiece* decision may not have addressed the free-speech claims directly, but it puts states and federal regulators on notice that they cannot discriminate against a business owner's religious beliefs. "The court strongly reaffirmed the free exercise of religion as a fundamental right, constitutionally enshrined, and I think that's really important, especially with this cultural shift away from appreciation for and approval of one of the core founding values of our country," said Joan Mannix, special counsel with the Thomas More Society.

Anti-Religious Bias - The dispute arose in 2012 when Phillips offered to sell the same-sex couple a premade cake or any other baked good in his shop, but not a personally created wedding cake. Instead, the couple stormed out of the shop and later filed a sexual-orientation-discrimination complaint with the Colorado Civil Rights Commission, even though same-sex "marriage" was not legal in Colorado at the time. One Colorado commissioner who voted to order Phillips to design custom wedding cakes for same-sex couples claimed that freedom of religion had been used to "justify all kinds of discrimination throughout history, whether it be slavery, whether it be the Holocaust." "The neutral and respectful consideration to which Phillips was entitled was compromised here," said Justice Kennedy, a swing vote in many of the high court's close decisions. Earlier, he included a plea for tolerance and respect for religious beliefs that echoed the 2015 majority opinion he wrote in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, which recognized a constitutional right to same-sex "marriage." "Finally, it must be emphasized that religions, and those who adhere to religious doctrines, may continue to advocate with utmost, sincere conviction that, by divine precepts, same-sex marriage should not be condoned," Kennedy asserted in the landmark 2015 decision. "The First Amendment ensures that religious organizations and persons are given proper protection as they seek to teach the principles that are so fulfilling and so central to their lives and faiths and to their own deep aspirations to continue the family structure they have long revered."

More Guidance Needed - But in the consensus view of legal analysts, the Supreme Court's *Masterpiece* decision failed to clarify how broadly First Amendment protections apply in cases involving the provision of services for same-sex wedding ceremonies. "The court's preference, I suspect, would be that people find ways to compromise and that people wouldn't file lawsuits over this issue," said Richard Garnett, a law professor and director of the Notre Dame Program on Church, State & Society at the University of Notre Dame. In *Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission*, the Supreme Court essentially "kicked the can down the road," said Gerard Bradley, a professor who teaches constitutional law at the University of Notre Dame. Bradley said that "The Supreme Court agreed to decide this case of its choice, but it turns out that they did not really know what to do - at least not yet - about redeeming the promise it made three years ago in the *Obergefell* same-sex 'marriage' decision, to make effective room for the decent and honorable beliefs of those who hold that marriage is between man and woman

'Broader Implications' - While the court's decision in *Masterpiece* is narrow in terms of its impact on free-speech claims, the ruling has "broader implications," said Douglas Laycock, a professor at the University of Virginia School of Law who studies and writes on religious liberty cases. Laycock said that plaintiffs in future cases "will have to do their homework and prepare their cases well" and be ready to disprove the "phony rationalizations" offered by regulators who decide cases where business owners with biblical beliefs are challenged under state public-accommodation laws. Laycock, who filed an amicus brief in Phillips' favor, also said the court's *Masterpiece* decision is "huge" because if it had not sided with Phillips, then the court would have undercut other religious liberty claims made under state constitutions and state Religious Freedom Restoration Acts, as well as other legislative efforts to grant exemptions for religious objectors. In cases without "smoking gun" expressions of hostility toward religion, as in the *Masterpiece* case, Laycock said religious objectors will need evidence of inconsistent treatment of other cases.

And in *Masterpiece*, the high court was also presented with evidence that the Colorado Civil Rights Commission had acted inconsistently in cases involving opponents of same-sex "marriage." Kennedy wrote that the commission concluded "on at least three occasions that a baker acted lawfully in declining to create cakes with decorations that demeaned gay persons or gay marriages."

See **Supreme Court**

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - George Ferriso

Another Columbian year for 2017 -2018 has come to a close! Elections for the New Year 2018 – 2019 were held on June 12th. Our current GK Gino Iacovella will continue for another year and our Chancellor Brian Barrett will change positions and become our new DGK. Jeff Yoder our Current DGK will assume the Chancellor position again. Nick Fugaro has decided to relax and step down from being Treasurer for the past 5 years and John Belbol will assume that position. John was our Warden and Bill Butch will assume that position. Spence Purdum our Recorder for so many years has also decided to relax and step down with Chris Barnett assuming that position. Inside Guards Irving Cruz and Dan Dawidowicz, Outside Guards Ed Hudak and Frank Musto. I have also signed on for another 3 year term as your Financial Secretary. Rick Scott PGK 1 year Trustee, Tom Nevenglosky PGK 2 year Trustee and Stan Buraczynski, Jr. PGK FDD our 3 year Trustee. If you have ANY questions about your new position, I can probably answer them or get an answer for you.

For this Compass, I like to inform the membership of the current years billing cycle and the “stats” for the council. We completed this year’s billing cycle at 95% of membership paid. Current membership numbers stand at 425 + 34 Inactive members *(Inactive members are members that have been*

suspended or removed from the council, but need to stay on the Roster due to them having KofC insurance) for a total of 459. Of these 459, 12 are Honorary members, *(at least 65 years old and 25 continuous years of service)* 90 are Honorary Life members, *(at least 70 years old and 25 continuous years of service)* and 81 are 4th degree members. Remember too, that if you are a 4th degree member and are suspended from the council you are also suspended from the 4th degree regardless if your dues are paid in the 4th degree.

We are STILL missing or have incorrect phone numbers from a lot of members. I still get NO replies from any request that I send out. Is it so hard to write a couple of phone numbers and an email address and shove it in the mailbox? I asked before for someone, anyone, to please let me know what the problem is! Like the SSAE, I have gotten no answers. 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 (70 E. Main St. Freehold NJ 07728-2223) and put “George F” on it. I will get the information! Please get me your changes! I hope you all have a Safe & Happy Summer of 2018 and I look forward to our new Columbian year!

AWARDING PHOTOS



Grand Knight, Gino Iacovella presenting Chancellor, Brian Barrett with the “Knight of the Year” Award.

Treasurer & PGK, Nick Fugaro, receives Appreciation Award from GK Gino



ADVOCATES MESSAGE - Joseph Virgilio

Charity Eligibility Tax Status

The Knights of Columbus, from its founding in 1882, charity has been its first principle as envisioned by Father Michael J. McGivney mutual benefit society vision. The Knights of Columbus Supreme Headquarters in New Haven CT is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as a tax exempt organization under the tax charity code Section 501(c) (3).

In line with Supremes' tax exemption, the IRS additionally recognizes all "Councils" in the United States as "Fraternal Lodges" and Subordinate Units of "Supreme" and are also subject to tax code Section 501(c).

It should be noted that Section 501(c) of the IRC Tax Code establishes 28 different charity classifications of entities that may be exempted from federal income tax under charity status. The different categorizations of these entities are spelled out in the 501 (c) section and detailed requirements for them to take advantage of charity tax treatment

Local Councils of the Knights of Columbus fall under Section 501(c) (8) as "Fraternal Lodge" exempt entities, and may not, under any circumstances, establish themselves as 501(c) (3) tax exempt charitable corporation or charitable foundation.

Section 97 of Supremes' Laws of the Order, states that "Subordinate Councils" are unincorporated associations, which exist under their charters issued by The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council.

501(c) (8) entities are "fraternal beneficiary lodges, societies, orders, or associations operating under the lodge system and providing for the availability life, disability, or other benefits to the

members. (i.e. through an insurance program)

A fraternal benefit organization under this tax code is a group whose members are united through a shared charter and engage in common activities and consist of unifying characteristics or experiences. Activities may include ceremonies, rituals and significant community functions. This lodge system structure is composed of a parent organization (Supreme) and subordinate organizations, or lodges (Councils or Assemblies). To qualify for this 501(c) (8) exception under "Supreme" each Council must do the following:

- 1- Obtain its own Employer Identification Number (EIN) from the IRS and submit its own tax return to the IRS (Form 990) each year; and
- 2- Provide its EIN and written authorization to the Office of the Supreme Advocate in order for it to be recognized under the Order's group exemption and local council charter status.

A Columbian Club, is classified a Section 501(c) (7) charity; and is a separate and distinct entity from the Knights of Columbus. Known as a tax exempt social Club. Columbian Cubs can own land, buildings, and bank accounts. Income comes from membership dues, rent and rentals and is subject to federal taxation. In order for a 501(c) (7) tax-exempt club to abide by IRS requirements, a substantial amount of the club's activities must further the club's exempt purposes (i.e. Charity). Generally, no more than 35 percent of the club's revenues can come from non-member sources. Additionally, a 501(c) (7) club could be subject to tax penalty or lose its tax exempt status if it engages in business outside of its exempt purpose or if it receives too much income from non-members.

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Jonathan Scruggs, a senior counsel at Alliance Defending Freedom, the Christian public interest legal organization that represented Phillips pointed out that: "The actions the commission did are actually fairly common, in that you often have situations where there is unequal enforcement, and laws are applied with favoritism. He added that the *Masterpiece* ruling establishes "a firm rule" that government agencies cannot legitimately demonstrate hostility toward religious objectors. "They can't be equating people of faith with racists, discriminators or slave owners; that type of bias is improper...It's a significant win for people of faith everywhere; the government can't single them out and target their beliefs, especially in the con-

text of marriage. People of faith who have biblical beliefs about marriage can't be dismissed and excluded from the marketplace simply because of those beliefs."

Important Distinction - Emilie Kao, the director of the Heritage Foundation's DeVos Center for Religion and Civil Society noted that the distinction between unjust discrimination and religiously informed views on marriage that the high court recognized will be "very important moving forward...we think the hostility shown by the state of Colorado toward a person like Jack Phillips because of his views on marriage shows the need for legislation, both in Congress and at the state level, to protect people who have the same beliefs about marriage as Jack Phillips,"

-Edited from an article by Brian Fraga, National Catholic Register

PICTURE THESE AWARDS



Recorder, PGK, & Essay Judge, Spence Purdum receives
Appreciation Award from GK Gino Iacovella



2018 ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS
(From left to right) Genevieve Newman, 3rd Place - Mike La
Rosa,

? DID YOU KNOW THIS ? - Joseph Virgilio

Famous Knights of Columbus

James T. Mullen - From 1882 to 1886 he held the title of 1st Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. 1st Knight of Columbus who influenced Father Michael J. McGivney to change the name of the organization from Sons of Columbus to the Knights of Columbus right at the inception of the organization. Designed the emblem of the order, During the Civil War, he served in Company C of the 9th Regiment as Sergeant of the Company. To a large segment of American Catholics, Columbus was a hero, and James T. Mullen's suggestion of naming him as a patron was to some extent an effort to bridge the gap between the Irish Catholic founders of the Order and Catholic immigrants of other nationalities residing in Connecticut

John Fitzgerald 'Jack' Kennedy - A member of the Bunker Hill Council from Charlestown, Massachusetts, was the 35th President of the United States from January 20, 1961 to November 22, 1963. Assassinated in Dallas, Texas on November 22, 1963.

Carl A. Anderson - Former Special Assistant to the President Ronald Reagan (1983–1987).

Current Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

Venerable Fulton John Sheen - American bishop of the Roman Catholic Church known for his preaching and especially his work on television and radio. His cause for canonization as a saint was officially opened in 2002. In June 2012, Pope Benedict XVI officially recognized a decree from the Congregation for the Causes of Saints stating that he lived a life of "heroic virtues"

Government

John Ellis "Jeb" Bush - American politician. He served as the 43rd Governor of Florida from 1999 to 2007. He is the second son of former President George H. W. Bush and the younger brother of former President George W. Bush.

Martin Patrick Durkin - U.S. Secretary of Labor.

Raymond Flynn - Former U.S. ambassador to the Holy See and former Democratic Mayor of Boston.

Sargent Shriver - U.S. ambassador to France and first director of the Peace Corps.

John Volpe - U.S. Secretary of Transportation and former Governor of Massachusetts (1961–1963 and 1965–1969).

Media

Steve Doocy - Journalist and anchor for Fox and Friends.

Joyce Kilmer - Famous journalist and poet.

Jerry Orbach - Jerome Bernard "Jerry" Orbach was an American actor and singer.

Sports

George Herman "Babe" Ruth, Jr. - American baseball outfielder and pitcher for the NY Yankees, who played 22 seasons in Major League Baseball from 1914 to 1935. He was one of the first five inductees into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1936.

Vince Lombardi - Coach of the Green Bay Packers

Connie Mack - Baseball player, manager, and team owner.

Floyd Patterson - Heavyweight boxing champion

SUMMER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Item	Location	Time
JULY			
3	Freehold Fireworks	Freehold Raceway	4 pm - 10 pm
4	INDEPENDENCE DAY		
4	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650 CANCELED	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
10	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
18	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
24	Council Business Meeting CANCELED	Council Main Hall	8 pm
AUGUST			
1	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
7	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
13	Monmouth County Chapter Meeting	Neptune, N. J.	8 pm
15	ASSUMPTION OF MARY		
15	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
28	Council Business Meeting CANCELED	Council Main Hall	8 pm
SEPTEMBER			
3	Labor Day		
5	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
9	St. Rose of Lima's Picnic	Michael J. Tighe Park	11 am - ?
10	Installation of Officers	Council Main Hall	8 pm
11	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
19	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
22	K of C Charities Canning Drive	Streets Near Council	9 am - 1 pm
23	Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am - 11:30 am
25	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm



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AFTER THOUGHTS - Mike La Rosa

I was thinking about the large number of surveys that are being taken by reputable companies & universities today. They all want to find out what we're thinking & show us what other people believe. Supposedly impartially. I often get political surveys in the mail. The results are usually aired in the media & on the internet. Some of the typical surveys are on gun rights, 1st amendment rights, capital punishment, abortion rights, building security, just to name a few. Practically everyday we hear about some horrendous incident that has occurred which will probably require another survey. With all the surveys you'll be surprised to learn that I think that we need a new survey to be taken, maybe by the Catholic Church or some other large religion. With all the love that is out there in the world today, is there any sin(s) or crime(s) that is being committed that is still unforgivable? Every murder, robbery, mass shooting, bombing, seems to be over analyzed by the media to explain that the offender/ offenders had a good reason for committing their terrible act. Today bullying is the popular reason.

I would like to know what Catholics think is the

most horrible sin? What do Protestants & Jews feel is the worst? Do atheists feel the same way? Maybe Catholics see abortion as the most tragic while atheists see water pollution is the most terrible. Who knows without a survey result of at least 500 people.

Once we know what this most horrific crime is then we have the BIG problem of what do we do to the people after they commit this most heinous act. Nothing is what we presently do. Well we psychoanalyze them & try to rehabilitate them. But there is no punishment to speak of. We just wait around I guess for God to punish them because we say that we love everyone.

We don't need a survey to figure out what God thinks is sinful & wrong though. He has given us the 10 Commandments. When He judges people He will not try to rehabilitate the offenders he will punish them I am told, maybe severely. We might even keep some people for going to hell if they were punished for their crimes while here on earth. I wonder what God thinks of our present justice system.