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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Gino Iacovella GK

Dear Brothers,

On June 11th, we held our elections for the next Columbian Year (2019-2020).

I am very happy to announce our new officers effective July 1st as follows:

Freehold Council 1672

- ♦ Grand Knight - **Brian Barrett**
- ♦ Deputy Grand Knight - **Ed Hudak**
- ♦ Chancellor - **Jeff Yoder**
- ♦ Warden - **William Butch**
- ♦ Treasurer - **John Belbol**
- ♦ Advocate - **Gus Vang**
- ♦ Recorder - **Chris Barnett**
- ♦ Inside Guards - **Dan Dawidowicz & Irving Cruz**
- ♦ Outside Guards - **Fred Trotter & Frank Musto**
- ♦ Financial Secretary - **George Ferriso** - (Second year of three year term)
- ♦ 3 Year Trustee - **Gino Iacovella**
- ♦ 2 Year Trustee - **Tom Nevenglosky**
- ♦ 1 Year Trustee - **Stan Buraczynski**

Columbian Club of Freehold

- ♦ President - **John Favorito**
- ♦ Treasurer - **Gus Vang**

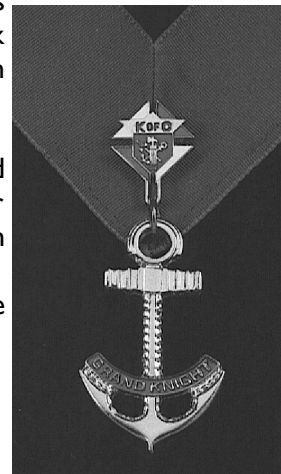
May God Bless our new officers and guide them to follow the traditions of our founder, Father Mike McGivney.

I will end my reign as Grand Knight on June 30th, 2019. Over the last 5 years, I have been your Grand Knight for two years, your Deputy Grand Knight, your Chancellor and your Outside Guard. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as an officer of this wonderful organization. I personally want to thank all the Past Grand Knights that have molded me and I want to especially thank my two Deputy Grand Knights, Jeff Yoder and Brian Barrett who assisted me over these last two years.

Please continue to support your newly elected Grand Knight, Brian Barrett and all the officers for the upcoming 2019 - 2020 Columbian year, which begins on July 1st, 2019.

Give back to your community and support the Knights of Columbus Freehold Council 1672!

Proud to be a Knight of Columbus!
Vivat Jesus!



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE - Andrew Luhman, Deacon

Pentecost and the Season of Easter is about our Lord's sacrifice so that we, His children, could be SAVED from the stain of original sin which afforded us with the opportunity to potentially spend life eternal with our Creator in Heaven.

The following was taken from a book of daily readings entitled, In the Presence of God, ISBN 978-1-86920-659-8.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved, (Acts 2:21)

From the day that David was anointed as king, the Spirit of the Lord came upon him in power. And from the day that the believers were anointed by the Spirit with tongues of fire, the kingdom of God - which David had been a forerunner - started to become mainstream. God was on His way and His plan involved His entire world.

At Pentecost, Peter stood up and guided by the Holy Spirit, outlined God's plan to the people. And the message was: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord Will Be Saved."

Throughout the ages, people have added extra "qualifications" to become a Christian, or have some taken away. During the 16th century, the Pope sold letters of indulgence to ostensibly help souls on their way to heaven. During the 18th century of enlightenment, salvation was not deemed necessary, and Christ was seen merely as a prophet, as is the case today in some

circles.

There are people who think that a Christian who has been "saved" is one who does good deeds, adheres to every commandment, or is a pleasant, happy-go-lucky sort of person. Peter does not mention any of these things. He says Jesus is the Lord and everyone who calls on Him (in truth) will be saved, or become God's child.

Therefore: a Christian is someone who constantly calls on Someone. A Christian is someone who is on his way, and who has something in his heart indicating the direction (determined every day by the One called upon). A Christian feels uneasy outside this Presence, he knows a name and constantly ask for direction. He knows that, one day - or in a moment of eternity - all will result in a face-to-face encounter with his Traveling Companion.

It is important to remember that Christians are not necessarily "better" than others. They are simply better informed, they know a Name; a Name that they use in love, distress and worship.

We are the sheep of God's pasture, His children have been commanded to love one another as we love ourselves. To love someone unconditionally means to put their wants and needs before our own. Think about this: ISN'T THIS WHAT THE LORD DID FOR US WHEN HE SPREAD HIS ARMS OUTWARDS ON THE CROSS?

MARCHING FOR LIFE & REWARDING



Ed Hudak, Mike La Rosa, John Belbol, Roger Zurro, COL Dir., Brian Barrett, Fred Trotter (From left to right)



GK Gino awarding Christine & Peter Weber for outstanding service of working our Community Breakfasts for over 10 years.

HELPFUL HAND - Gino Iacovella, GK

On June 10th Brian Barrett and myself delivered a check for \$2,889.80 to Monmouth Arc of Tinton Falls, New Jersey.

We collected this money at our Can Drive back on April 13th as 16 Brother Knights helped collect nickels, dime and quarters outside our council hall for 4 hours!

Monmouth Arc is a school that supports the mentally challenged to teach them to support themselves.

In the last twenty years, our council along with the councils in Monmouth County has raised over \$491,000 to this worthy cause.



John Flynn, Vp of Mon. Co. Chapter KofC - Gino Iacovella, GK - VP of Monmouth Arc - John Grass, Pres. of Mon. Co. Chapter KofC - Brian Barrett, DKG (from left to right)

CULTURE OF LIFE - Roger Zurro, Director

Worthy Brothers: I recently gave a verbal summary of how various States stand on their support of life. The article below lays out clearly which States support life or promote the Culture of Death.. As Michael says, it's up to us **NOW** to make the strongest possible case for life.

On pro-life vs. pro-abortion, the United States are more divided than ever By Michael L. Brown, LifeSiteNews, 6/7/19

I recently wrote about the coming civil war over the issue of abortion, and day by day, state by state, the divide is getting more pronounced and more extreme.

Let's take a look at a map of America to see where things stand at the moment.

As broken down by NBC News, the states of Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia - forming a chain - along with Utah have passed strong pro-life bills. **(In the vocabulary of NBC, of course, these are "anti-abortion" laws.)**

Of interest is the fact that in most of these states, the bill passed with overwhelming approval in each of the legislative houses. For example, the Alabama bill, prohibiting most abortions, with severe penalties for abortion practitioners, passed by a vote of 74-3 in the House and 25-6 in the Senate. That's what you call decisive.

In Missouri, where most abortions after 8 weeks were prohibited, the bill passed by a margin of 110-44 in the House and 24-10 in the Senate.

In Louisiana, which prohibits most abortions once the baby's heartbeat is detected **(one of 5 states to pass this law)**, the vote was 79-23 in the House and 31-5 in the Senate. This bill is also noteworthy in that it was signed into a law by a Democrat governor.

And there are 6 more states which have considered **(or are considering)** new pro-life legislation **(Florida, South Carolina, Minnesota, West Virginia, and Tennessee; a pro-life bill did not succeed in Maryland)**. Grouping these on the map along with the 8 states that have already passed pro-life bills makes for a solid bloc, especially in the Southeastern United States.

If we add in Texas, where a very strong pro-life bill failed to pass in April, that bloc becomes even bigger. A battle is also taking place in North Carolina **(again, adding to this significant bloc of states)**, where legislators are trying to override Gov. Roy Cooper's veto of the Born Alive Protection Act.

It's also significant that there are presently 6 states with only one abortion clinic **(North and South Dakota, Missouri, Mississippi, Kentucky, and West Virginia)**, with Missouri poised to close its last clinic until stopped by a federal judge.

Without question, major strides are being taken by pro-lifers, and sooner or later, one of these state laws will be appealed all the way to the Supreme Court, potentially leading to the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*.

On the flip side, New York, Virginia, Kansas, and now Illinois have passed **(or proposed)** new bills that are the most extreme pro-abortion laws in our

country's history. And in California, Governor Gavin Newsom is inviting women to come to California to abort their babies. **(Is this not utterly macabre)?**

As for the new law in Chicago, Liberty Counsel explains that it "is even more extreme than New York's infanticide law. The 'Reproductive Health Act' repeals the state's ban on partial-birth abortion, allowing abortions through nine months, and requires insurance companies to provide coverage."

Yes, the bill "strips all rights from unborn children" - this is done quite explicitly, stating that the fertilized egg or embryo or fetus has **no rights** - and it "changes the definition of viability, and legalizes abortions through all nine months of pregnancy, up to the moment of birth, for any reason. The bill eliminates the 'Abortion Performance Refusal Act' so that medical professionals will be forced to recommend, perform or assist in abortion procedures. This legislation also compels insurance plans to provide 'coverage for abortion care,' and all licensing requirements for abortion facilities would be removed."

So, while state after state is choosing life, other states are choosing death, even allowing for things as barbaric as partial-birth abortion, along with refusing to guarantee medical care for babies who survive abortions.

Surely these grotesque and obscene bills will ultimately be overturned. Surely Americans will wake up to their defense of the indefensible. Surely the tide will turn - at least, that is my fervent prayer and hope.

As for the impending **(and already growing)** civil war over abortion, Axios quotes these representative, polar-opposite positions.

According to Sue Liebel, Mississippi director for the pro-life Susan B. Anthony List, "For pro-life folks, these are huge victories. And I think they're indicative of the momentum and excitement and the hope that's happening with changes in the Supreme Court and having such a pro-life president."

In contrast, according to NARAL Pro-Choice America's Kristin Ford, "The gloves are off" **(among abortion opponents)**. "They feel like they have the wind at their backs and they don't have to dance around their true intentions anymore."

Indeed, we do feel the wind at our backs, but it is the wind of life, of esteem for every person, no matter of how fragile, of love for both the mother and her child.

It's up to us, now, to seize the moment, to continue to change hearts and minds through every godly means at our disposal, to make the case for life.

The opposition will be fierce, but we're gaining ground every day, and with a concerted, nationwide effort, bathed in prayer and fasting, we could witness a glorious, transformative pro-life revolution. And the more vehement the hatred that comes our way, the more determined we must be to "overcome evil with good" (*Romans 12:21*).

Let's do it for the sake of the little ones.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - George Ferriso

The Columbian year 2018 – 2019 dues collection has finally come to an end. Unfortunately we have lost some brothers who have chosen not to continue in our order. We will survive with new members coming in all the time.

Here are the “stats” for the council. We completed this year’s billing cycle at 93% of membership paid. Current membership numbers stand at 404 + 36 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 440. Of these 440, 12 are Honorary members, (*at least 65 years old and 25 continuous years of service*) 91 are Honorary Life members, (*at least 70 years old and 25 continuous years of service*) and 78 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. In addition, and an interesting fact is we now have 16 Brothers that are nonagenarian’s (*men that are 90 – 99 years of age.*) May God bless them!! Since the last

Compass, we lost two long time brothers: George Drescher who had 37 years with the council and was an Honorary Life member, and Emile Surgent who had 72 years with our council and was also an Honorary Life Member. Our Condolences to the family.

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!

Hope you all have a Safe & Happy Summer of 2019 and I look forward to our new Columbian year!

COUNCIL PRAISE - Tom Nevenglosky, PGK

Brothers of Freehold Council 1672.

Once again I want to thank you for your efforts in regards to the 40 cans for Lent program. This, our 3rd year of participation, was a great success, with more donations than ever before. Open Door is appreciative of our foodstuffs as many people are not thinking of the less fortunate away from the holidays, so these are timely addition to their stocks.

As the Council delegate to the State Knights of Columbus convention, I have to commend my Brothers for the many mentions that we received in regards to our involvement in the programs of the Supreme Council and State Association. Also, congratulations are in order to chairman Larry Slawson and GK Gino Iacovella along with the plaque for the “Keep Christ In Christmas” program sales. We have a right to be proud of Council 1672 and the leadership of the same.

“GRAND” MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



Brian Barrett
Deputy Grand Knight



Gino Iacovella
Grand Knight



Past Grand Knights, Sal Castillone,
and Patrick McCobb
with Tony Santoriello, driver

MEMBERSHIP - Jeff Yoder, Chancellor

By now, we are in the new Columbian Year, 2019-2020. I want to thank everyone for the continued support that has been given to this Council and for the participation in all of the great activities. We also want to welcome our Officer's for this Columbian Year, with Brian Barrett at the helm.

I would like to welcome the new Brothers that have joined our Council last Quarter: Michael Phillips, Arthur Haszcz, Joseph Ardenetti, Edward Nowak II, Nicholas Nowak, and John Annetta. We are pleased to have you as Brother's.

As Chancellor, one of my jobs was to promote the activities. I have been somewhat lax in this position, but will strive to do better this next Columbian Year, if elected. No one wanted to step-up to assume the Chancellor Position, so I

volunteered to take this position once again. The Membership Drives only work with the support of all of the Brothers. There is supposed to be a "Membership Committee", which would greatly enhance the membership drives. Everyone should be looking for new members. Recruitment drives at the Churches are good, but they need the support of more Brothers. There are Catholic men out there that will join if asked, or advised, as to what we actually do for the Church, and Community. Recruitment should be a daily activity for all of us. Please carry one of our cards with the "join now" scan symbol. The cards are available in the bar area of the Council Hall, or you can just call or email me, and I will mail you some.

We are looking forward to a prosperous 2019-2020 Columbian Year.



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT - Brian Barrett

SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN and the Middletown KofC

Every 4th Wednesday in the cafeteria at St. Mary's school (538 Church St., Middletown, NJ, 7PM) a group of people meet to share, learn, discuss and support each other as they deal with the unique challenges involved with raising children with special needs.

The Vincent T. Lombardi Council 6552 of the Knights of Columbus hosts this group. Even if you don't have a child with special needs you most likely know someone who does. The support group leader is John Brandon, FDD/PGK and can be contacted at 732-787-0236.

I had the pleasure of attending their meeting this past April. In addition to parents and grandparents sharing ideas and experiences several guest speakers presented.

Dr. Ann Roth, a Developmental Pediatrician (diagnoses ADHD, autism, etc.) spoke on coping strategies, identifying underlying causes of behavior, and the need to provide positive management strategies. Some of these strategies included giving good feedback when there are NO problems, allowing more time to process information, avoiding sarcasm and many more.

Dr. Ann suggested parents, grandparents or caregivers make Story Boards. A particular example included a trip to the doctors office that might

present an opportunity for behavior problems. The story board might include a picture of the outside of the office, the reception area, the staff, the doctor, the exam room and so on. Your child's first visit might be to go but just spend a few minutes in the waiting room (*many have toys and coloring books to play with*). Story boards can be created for school and household routines.

Next to speak was Lana Strem. Lana is a parent of a special needs child and is finishing a degree in Occupational Therapy. Lana emphasized the importance of caregivers taking care of themselves. Exercise, sleep, diet and social activities are all very important. Lana also stressed the contributions a support group can offer.

Brother John Brandon offered advice on the importance early planning for these children regarding social security benefits, guardianships, life insurance, Medicaid, 529A's, ABLE accounts and on and on.

The resources that this group has available should be taken advantage of by anyone dealing with the special needs population. Why attempt to navigate it on your own when this group has been through it and can offer so much.

Ohhh, and by the way, the group also sponsors a Special Needs Bowling event and fishing outings.

Check them out.

THE FORTH DEGREE NEWS - Nick Fugaro, FN

Msgr. Kievelitz Assembly #650 Faithful Navigator

Worthy Sirs and Fellow Brothers:

As my term as Faithful Navigator comes to a close, I would like to thank all my Brother Officers and Trustees for their help, support and cooperation during this past Columbian Year. This Columbian Year has been marked with many call outs including parades, other civic events, confirmations, church and co-cathedral celebrations as well as wakes and funerals for our deceased Worthy Sirs. I ask that you keep our deceased Worthy Sirs and their families in your prayers as well as the members of our armed forces and first responders who defend, serve and protect our country and its citizens for this is the principle of the Fourth Degree: PATRIOTISM!

I would also extend my congratulations to our assembly's newly elected officers who will lead us into the Columbian Year 2019-2020:

Assembly Officers

Navigator	Douglas J. Walsh	6392
Captain	Albert B. Normandia	15964
Pilot	Paul Dioguardi	15964
Comptroller	Nebil J. Toutounchi	1672
Scribe	Gino Iacovella	1672
Purser	Tri K. Nguyen	1672
Inside Sentinel	Sal N. Castellonese	5903
Outer Sentinel	Richard L. Bilon	15964

Non Voting Positions

1 year Trustee	Raymond J. Thompson	5903
2 year Trustee	Donald P. Listing	6392
3 year Trustee	Dr. George E. Laubach	15964
Admiral	Nicholas M. Fugaro	1672
Friar	Deacon Keith J. Casey	5903

Vivat Jesus!

FISHING FUN - Emile Stefanacci

The Annual Fishing Trip this year is Tuesday, July 16th from 7am to 2:30pm.

The Suzie Girl has been sold so we are fishing on a **bigger** boat this year, the **Royal Miss Belmar**. We will still leave from the same marina in Belmar.

Everything is included! Breakfast, Lunch, Refreshments, and rod rental (if needed). More details to come as we get closer.

Families and friends are welcome. It's a great day. Very kid friendly. Cost is just \$80 for adults and \$45 for kids under 18.

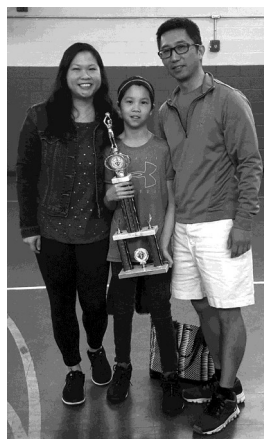
Please send an email to: estefanacci10@gmail.com with a count of adults and kids you will have and to hold your spots. Please send your money ASAP to:

Emil Stefanacci, 45 Havens Mill Rd., Freehold, NJ 07728

Feel free to email me with any questions or concerns. Tight Lines everyone!



BASKETBALL SHOOTER - Brian Barrett, DGK



STATE CHAMPION

After winning our Council #1672 Basketball Free Throw Championship, Evangeline Lueng went on to win the Districts and then the Diocesan levels. But on April 7, 2019 Evangeline even won the STATE CHAMPIONSHIP shooting 20 of 25 free throws. This is Evangeline's second consecutive State title. Way to go! Congratulations.

Evangeline Lueng, holding trophy,
with proud Parents

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	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
9	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
17	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
23	Council Meeting CANCELED	Council Main Hall	8 pm
AUGUST			
7	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
13	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
15	ASSUMPTION OF MARY		
21	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
27	Council Meeting CANCELED	Council Main Hall	8 pm
SEPTEMBER			
2	Labor Day		
4	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
8	St. Rose of Lima's Picnic	Michael J. Tighe Park	Noon - ?
10	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
15	St Robert Bellarmine's Picnic	Dentisi Hall	Noon - 5 pm
18	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
21	K of C Charities Canning Drive	Streets Near Council	9 am - 1 pm
22	Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am - 11:30 am
24	Installation of Officers	Council Main Hall	8 pm
24	Council Meeting CANCELED	Council Main Hall	8 pm

MEMORABLE MEMBER - Mike La Rosa, Editor

I regret to inform you that we lost a long time Brother recently.

Brother Emile V. Surgent, 96 years old, passed away on May 4, 2019, a Brother for 72 years all with our Council and an Honorary Life Member.

**Please remember him and his family
in your prayers**

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AFTER THOUGHTS - Mike La Rosa

WINNERS

The Knights of Columbus Essay Contest winners are, **Da Da Ta Daa!** 3rd Place went to Ava Johnson, 2nd Place went to Andrew Irizarry and 1st Place for best essay went to Benjamin Fernandez. The participants had a difficult topic to deal with year, "How Does Your Family Keep Its Catholic Faith In Action". If you've had any concerns about the younger generation in the past, you can rest easy because all the entrees were impressive. The 3 final judges, George Ferriso, Peter LaFrance and Spencer Purdum had a tough time selecting the best three essays and I commend them for their choices. I awarded the winners their certificates and prizes at the Council's May 27th Community Breakfast where they and their families enjoyed a fine meal as guests of the Knights.



Benjamin Fernandez - Ava Johnson -
Andrew Irizarry (From left to right)

THE LIVIN' IS EASY TIME

Well the season that we have all been waiting for is finally here. SUMMER! The days are longer and the nights are shorter. Things should slow down a bit. We can store away those heavy winter clothes, the beaches are now open for business you'll be able to take that much needed vacation (*hopefully*), go swimming and fishing, the kids don't have school to stress about for a couple of months...the list can go on and on.

While you are making your Summer plans, do yourself a favor and set aside time to just unwind. Even cell phones need their batteries recharged. We do too. Maybe take the family for some walks, enjoy a local park or the beach, delight in each other's company. How many times have you heard the words, "Life is too short" or "Take some time to smell the roses." Well now is the exact time to do just that. The days will soon get very hot so try to find yourselves a quiet, cool peaceful place, maybe a church. Go in and pause, and thank God for the roses that He has given to you. You'll be glad that you did.

Have a great peaceful and relaxing Summer.