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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Edward Hudak GK

I am writing this article in the middle of September. Though not technically official, in most minds summer is over and we have moved on to autumn. The summer of 2022 will be remembered as a hot and DRY one! I have been your Grand Knight for 2 and a half months now and I'm still getting me feet wet. As I told those in attendance at the meeting when we held our Council elections, I would never had agreed to take this job if I couldn't count on all of the Brothers who offered me their support. At the top of this list are our last two PGK's, Brian Barrett and Gino Iacovella. The three of us share many group texts behind the scenes and they are a wealth of knowledge and information. I truly appreciate their mentorship and cherish their friendship.

Coming from my background in law enforcement, I am also very aware that the rank and file play an important role in the making of any successful organization. If the officers who were elected along with me do not do their jobs to the best of their ability, the entire organization will suffer. I am confident that the officers that you elected to support me and the Council, led by my Worthy DGK Chris Barnett, are all up to the task at hand. Last and certainly not least, there are all of you, the Brothers. Frequently called the "worker bees". This Council will only be as strong, as vibrant, and as successful as you make it. The Grand Knight, the Council Officers, and all the PGK's cannot accomplish everything we desire to accomplish by themselves. It takes you; our Brothers to make each event, each fund raiser, each membership drive a success. Please don't ever forget how important you are to this Council.

These past 2 plus months have been very busy for #1672. In July we had the Breakfast/Mass and Installation of the State Officers at SRB on the 9th and we did a Coffee And... at SRB on the 24th. In August we participated at Olde Freehold Days on the 6th, held a farewell luncheon for PGK Rick Scott and his wife Maureen on the 12th, and attended a Mass for Blessed Father McGivney at SRL on the 13th. September 10th was our Second Annual Car Show and Blessing of the Autos at SRB. We couldn't have asked for nicer weather and our numbers blew last year's numbers out of the water. God only knows what next year's will bring! We might have to think about parking Brothers cars over at Michael Tighe Park in order to free up some parking spaces!

The next 3 months will prove to be our busiest months of the year. Please look at the calendar at the end of the Compass and pick out something you can help out on. If you can't make a meeting to sign up, call me or text me at 908-839-2160. Get to know your fellow Brothers. The best way to do this is by spending some time with them during one of our events. Trust me on this.

VIVAT JESUS!

THANKSGIVING DAY READING

Lk 17:11-19

As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee.

As he was entering a village, ten persons with leprosy met him.

They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying,

"Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!"

And when he saw them, he said,

"Go show yourselves to the priests."

As they were going they were cleansed.

And one of them, realizing he had been healed,

returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him.

He was a Samaritan.

Jesus said in reply,

"Ten were cleansed, were they not?

Where are the other nine?

Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"

Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - George Ferriso

Autumn is here and the leaves are beginning to change color and the days are becoming shorter and colder. What does this mean? It means this is the last issue of the Compass for the calendar year 2022, I wish you and your families a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year. I hope you and your families are all in Good Health and enjoy the upcoming Holiday Season.

It also means this is the time of the year where I remind all of you that Dues Invoices will be sent out the 1st or 2nd week of December. Dues remain the same this year, \$60.00 (or \$0.16.4 per day!), and must be received by January 27, 2023. AFTER January 27, Dues will be \$65.00 to defray the cost of the extra invoice, postage and paperwork involved in collecting the dues. You can also pay multiple years if you want! Prices are rising on everything so get the dues into me and avoid the \$5.00 Fee.

The dues can be paid to me directly at a meeting, sent to my Home address at 361 Colgate Way Freehold NJ 07728 Or VENMO, by using the following email address: KOFC1672FS@gmail.com. For those of you that are skeptical about Venmo, for the 2022 dues collection period, 65 members used Venmo or about 23%. I have also received many donations, payment for Palm Crosses and Christmas blankets and wreaths via the Venmo Account. If you need directions on how to use Venmo, please contact me.

After over 8 years of doing this I STILL get notified by our membership that they

did not receive any notification of dues. The procedure has NOT changed in 8 years!

If you are having any kind of difficulties, money, health or whatever else please notify us, we can make arrangements. If we have an **email address** on file for you, **please check your email the first or second week of December. (If you have changed your email since last year and have not notified me, please do so ASAP.)** You will receive an Electronic Invoice with the Subject line "Dues Notice for Council 1672". **PLEASE CHECK YOUR SPAM FOLDER!** If we have no email address on file please check your mail box around the same time, you will receive a paper invoice via the Post Office.

As always we are STILL missing or have incorrect phone numbers from a lot of members. I find out about changes of address by accident when the mail comes back. Please notify me of a change of address, email or phone number. 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 and let me hear from you! Lastly, as a "Catholic Gentleman" I am not sure why I cannot get a response from someone even after I send out a SSAE. Can anyone answer this question? This is the 4th year I have asked and I still have not gotten any responses!

God Bless and please be safe out there!

CULTURE OF LIFE - Roger Zurro, Director

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court denied a request from pro-abortion Democrat Gov. Tom Wolf to stop Senate Bill 106, which would introduce several proposed amendments to the state constitution, including one that says there is no constitutional right to abortion or guarantee for taxpayer-funded abortion. In an order delivered last Monday, the court stated that it rejected Wolf's request to exercise its King's Bench power, or a power that asserts the court could hear a case notwithstanding any dispute in a lower court.

Wolf sued the state legislature in July in response to the passage of the bill with party-line majorities in both houses of the state legislature. He argued that the state legislature could not propose more than one constitutional amendment in a single piece of legislation under Article XI of the Pennsylvania constitution, and that because the amendments were included in one bill, voters would not be able to know which amendments their representatives support. Wolf further argued that the proposed pro-life amendment would violate the right to privacy under the Pennsylvania constitution, which he contends includes the ability to procure abortions.

Senate Bill 106, introduced in January 2021, proposes several amendments to the Pennsylvania constitution that would appear as referenda on Pennsylvania ballots, including the one on abortion. According to the Pennsylvania constitution, the amendments face another approval vote from the state legislature in the next session, which begins in January. If passed, the proposed amendments could appear on ballots as five different

referenda as early as May 16, 2023, when Pennsylvanians will vote in primary elections. The amendments do not need Wolf's signature to become law.

In June, the U.S. Supreme Court issued a ruling which overturned *Roe v. Wade*, the previous ruling which said that there was a Constitutionally-guaranteed right to abortion. Since the June ruling, several states have introduced trigger laws that severely limit or ban abortion, though some are currently facing legal challenges. Currently, Pennsylvania allows for abortion up to 24 weeks into pregnancy and for abortion up to the moment of birth if the mother's health or life is in danger.

Pennsylvania would not be the first state to vote on pro-life amendments to its state constitution after the *Dobbs* ruling. In August, Kansas rejected an amendment to its state constitution in a referendum that stated there was not a constitutional right to an abortion or for taxpayer-funded abortion under the Kansas constitution. Fifty-nine percent of Kansas voters rejected the pro-life amendment.

State Senator Doug Mastriano, the Republican candidate for governor who has defended the right to life in the past, has said he would sign a proposed heartbeat bill. He has also stated that he is in favor of a total ban of abortion from the moment of conception without the possibility of exception. Pennsylvania Attorney General Josh Shapiro, the Democratic candidate for governor, has attended pro-abortion rallies during the campaign and said he would fight to keep abortion legal in the state.

(Life Site News, 2022)

**To all Brothers and their families,
from myself and the
Freehold Council 1672 Officers
Thank You! For such an outstanding 2022
Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

Grand Knight, Edward Hudak Vivat Jesus!



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S VIEWS - Chris Barnett

Fellow Knights, Summer has ended quickly. In some ways, I am happy that cooler temperatures are already in place, yet in other ways, it appears the darkness following the sunsets are shortening our days. The good news is that our Council is now back in full swing with a lengthy list of activities for our Autumn.

The Summer ended back on September 10th with our very successful 2nd Annual Blessing of the Autos Car Show and the next weekend we held our semi-annual Canning Drive with proceeds going to Coats for Kids. Last year we were able to buy hundreds of coats and I hope this year we can purchase even more. There was a good turn out of Brothers this year which is crucial for higher collection totals since the more Brothers at street corners means more street corners being covered. The following weekend on Saturday, September 24th, the NJ State Council and Trenton Diocesan Federation had planned their "Send a Hero Home for the Holidays" - 10th Anniversary Dinner at our Freehold Columbian Club Building. Unfortunately it had to be canceled. Then on the 27th of September, we had our annual installation of officers which as always was well attended.

Starting off on October 1st, we have the Soccer Challenge at 3pm in Opatut Park and we begin the two days of our Fall 2022 Membership Drive at both Churches. On Tuesday, October 4th, we will then have our Open House for all the men who signed up at the Drives and then we will host a CUF Degree at our Council on October 28th. So, you can see that our Council is in full swing for the Fall of 2022. Please mark your calendars, come to our Council Meetings, and participate with your fellow Brothers.

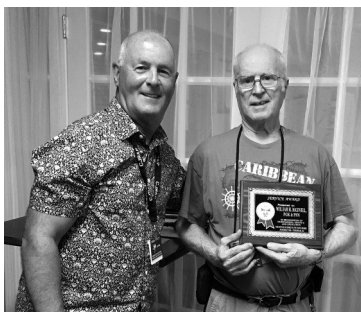
Lastly, I close with a short prayer for our Council and our Columbian Club as we move away from the dark days of COVID to days of being with each other and celebrating life. Lord, thank you for watching over us and please comfort those who were touched by Covid and may have either lost family or friends or in any way were affected. Thank you for helping us persevere for new days in which we can continue to help not only each other, but all members of our communities who may benefit directly or indirectly from our charitable actions.

Vivat Jesus!

PRIZED PICTURES



4th DEGREE OFFICERS (left-right) John Dzikowicz PGK/PFN, Eddie Quadrello, Al Normandia, Brian Barrett, Nebil Toutounchi, Jeff Yoder, Nick Fugaro, Paul Gioguardi, Gino Iacovella



4th DEGREE 50 YR. HONOR AWARD (left-right) Brian Barrett FN, William Maxwell PRG/PFN



RICK SCOTT FAREWELL (left-right) Dan Pasquinnucci, Dan Dawidowitz, Rick Scott, GK Ed Hudak, Janos Major, Spence Purdum, Pat Facchini, Nick Fugaro

COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS - Dan Dawidowicz, Pres.

Worthy Brothers, I did not fully realize what becoming President of the Columbian Club would mean, but in these few short months I have learned much. I want to thank Past President John Favorito for his many years of leadership, for his continuing commitment and outpouring of knowledge for me. Also, all present and past officers and trustees for their support.

As to the financial stability of the building, we have trimmed some of our monthly bills, television, trash and electric. But as all homeowners know, there is always hidden expenses for the upkeep of your home, roofs, driveways, painting, appliance repair, etc. The Knights of Columbus Council 1672 home is no different. Our problem is we must try every idea to build our funds to cover all the hidden expenses as they arise. If you have any new ideas how to raise funds, reach out to me. We also welcome all donations for our building fund. In the immediate future we are looking to fund the crumbling parking lot and refinish the ballroom floor that has no shine to it anymore.

The good news is that party rental bookings are up (thanks to some advertising and the

House Committee for their commitment). We need a few more bartenders and security men to sign up for the parties. (Training is provided and these are paid positions.) The Club Bar is open every Wednesday and Friday night, 6 pm to 10 pm. Please come and join your fellow Knights for camaraderie, maybe bring your dinner, watch Jeopardy or your favorite sports team. The bar proceeds go directly to support the building.

Upcoming fund raisers include a Texas Holdem Poker Tournament on Saturday, November 19 and the major fundraiser of the Columbian year, the 2023 St. Patrick's Day Raffle.

In closing I would like to express my gratitude to all the Knights who volunteer and support the Columbian Club anyway they can, from lawn maintenance, cleaning crew, small building and electrical repairs, dinner fundraiser staff and especially all who continue to donate money toward the building. And let's not forget the room full of Knights who came out one night for the chair seat cushion repair party (stay tuned for the next date). You all make me proud to be a Knight!

CHANCELLOR'S COMMENTS - Pat Facchini

Brothers, Summer has come to an end. I hope you all enjoyed the wonderful warm Summer weather, though August turned out to be exceptionally hot and dry with a lack of rain.

As Fall kicks off, we look forward to a lot of activities coming up for our council. October punts on with our Membership drive held at St. Rose of Lima Church and St. Roberts Co-Cathedral October 1st and 2nd. Your participation in supporting this event is crucial. Especially at St Rose of Lima which has nine masses scheduled between Saturday and Sunday. In addition to manning our membership table outside, we will need a Brother to say a few words at the end of each mass at St. Rose.

October 4th at 8pm is our Fall Open House to welcome and share with perspective new

Brothers the good work we do. I encourage all to attend.

October 28th our Council will host a CUF Degree ceremony.

I wish all of you a wonderful, safe and Blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas.



FOURTH DEGREE UPDATE - Brian Barrett, FN

I am honored to serve the 2022-2023 Columbian Year as the Faithful Navigator for Assembly 650. Joining me are Faithful Captain-Paul Lorenz, Faithful Pilot-Bill Maxwell, Faithful Scribe-Nebil Toutouchi, Faithful Comptroller-Paul DioGuardi, Faithful Purser-Jeff Yoder, Faithful Admiral-Gino Iacovella, Spiritual Advisor-Deacon Keith Casey, Outer Sentinel-Ed Quadgliariello, Inner Sentinel-Sal Castellonese, Color Corp Commander-Dave Ritchie, 1st Year Trustee-Al Normandia, 2nd Year Trustee-Doug Walsh and 3rd Year Trustee-Nick Fugaro. On August 18, 2022 our officers were officially installed by Master of the Second District, John Brandon at a ceremony in Hamilton, NJ at St. Gregory Church.

When the Knights of Columbus were founded in 1882 by Father Michael McGivney on the principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity many in the United States thought its members would

be more loyal to the church and the Pope. To demonstrate that Catholics could be loyal to God and country the Fourth Degree, founded on Patriotism, was established. To demonstrate this Patriotism the Fourth Degree makes special efforts to serve our veterans and active military. With that in mind it will be my goal to try and grow our order and to find a few new ways to serve our Veterans. Become a Fourth Degree member and help us.

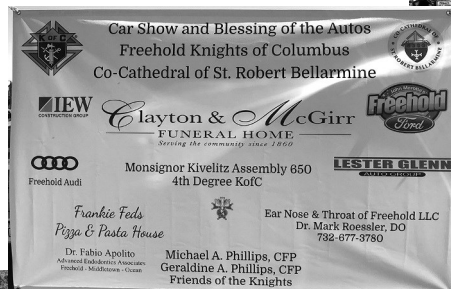
Our next veterans activity will be the annual Veterans Breakfast. This year it will be held at St. Gabriel church in Marlboro on November 6th at 10am. Please volunteer to help.

Our Assembly recently presented Sir Knight Bill Maxwell PRG/PFN, with a plaque to honor 50 YEARS of service as a 4th Degree member. Thank you Bill!

Looking forward to a great 2022-2023 and have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year !

2022 Blessed Car Show aka "The Holy Rollers"

(center)
Major Sponsors Banner
(top right)
Msgr. Sam blessing one of the
over 100 blessed vehicles
(bottom right)
People Choice Award Winner
(bottom left)
Grand Knight's Award Winner



MEMORABLE MEMBERS

I regret to inform you that we lost three devout and worthy Brothers since the last Compass Edition.

Elvin Giordano, Age 71, Served 13 years,
Died 7/18/22

Vincenzo Parascandolo, Age 66,
Served 24 years, Died 7/29/22

Domenick L. Panepinto, Age 93, Served 60 years, Honorary Life Member, Died 9/6/22

**Please remember them
and their families
in your prayers.**

2022 AUTUMN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Item	Location	Time
OCTOBER			
1	Soccer Challenge	Opatut Park	3 pm
1 & 2	Membership Drive	St. Rose / St. Roberts	All Masses
4	OPEN HOUSE - Social	Council Main Hall	8 pm
5	4th Degree Meeting - Assembly 650	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
10	Columbus Day Observed		
11	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
12	Columbus Day 1st Born Baby in Freehold	CentraState Hospital	Only God knows
15	Past Grand Knight's Dinner	Council Main Hall	TBD
19	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
25	Officers Planning Meeting - Guest Speaker	Council Main Hall	8 pm
28	C.U.F. Degree Ceremony	Council Main Hall	7:15 Sign-in/8pm
NOVEMBER			
1	All Saints Day	Holy Day of Obligation	
2	All Souls Day		
2	4th Degree Meeting - Assembly 650	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
5 & 6	Send a Hero Home - Holiday Bracelet Sale	St. Rose / St. Roberts	All Masses
8	Election Day		6 am - 8pm
8	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
11	Veterans Day		
16	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
18	Annual Council Mass for Departed Brothers	Council Main Hall	8 pm
22	Officers Planning Meeting - Guest Speaker	Council Main Hall	8 pm
24	Thanksgiving Day		
25	Black Friday		
26 & 27	Keep Christ in Christmas Magnet Sale	St. Rose / St. Roberts	All Masses
28	Council Hall Christmas Decorating	Council Main Hall	7 pm
29	Tree Lighting, Carol Singing & CDA Party	Council Main Hall	7:30 pm
DECEMBER			
3 & 4	Christmas Tree, Wreath & Grave Blanket Sale	Council Hall & St. R'bts	9 am - 3 pm
4	Blood Drive-Santa's Kids Party-Breakfast		
7	4th Degree Meeting - Assembly 650	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
8	Immaculate Conception	Holy Day of Obligation	
13	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
18	Coffee And....	St. Robert's	7:30 am - 12:30
21	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
25	Christmas Day	Holy Day of Obligation	
27	Officers Planning Meeting CANCELED Speaker	Council Main Hall	8 pm

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8:00 PM Sharp

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AFTER THOUGHTS - Mike La Rosa

Recently a friend and I took a day off to travel to Philadelphia. She wanted to relive some happy childhood memories and I just wanted to check it out, never have been to the "Old Town" district before. Not only did I find it interesting, but it is our heritage, the very beginning of our country's government. It's the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Betsy Ross House, Christ Church and much, much more. Too much for this small space. It is a place every American should visit.

The most amazing place that we saw that day was Christ Church. It's an Episcopal Church not a Catholic Church, very plain. We were told that every attendee of the First Continental Congress and signer of the Declaration of Independence has sat in the pews. Evidently, our founders took religion very seriously back then. Inside this sacred monument you'll find the Baptismal font in which William Penn was Christened, brought there from England's Tower of London. Exhibited also is the steeple bell that rang out in 1776. Surprisingly the Apostle's

Creed is displayed in the front near the altar, and it is word for word the same as we Catholics recite.

Our forefathers knew that they had to create a better government than the one that they were opposing. Clearly they were inspired by God, when they created a country that still today is the envy of the world. Even with the many faults that we now have, Brothers as you read this, unknown people are trying to illegally cross our borders into our beloved USA.

Let's not lose our freedom and our way of life, the magnets that draw these invaders here. Think carefully about what you're doing when you cast your ballot this November. **VOTE!!!**

**Happy
Thanksgivings Day**



Merry Christmas and Happy 2023!!!