



Knights of Columbus Council #6526



Chantal Chatter

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May 2013



PASTA FOR THE PASTOR

A 40th Jubilee Celebration

Saturday, June 8th

This is our largest event of the year!!

HELP will be needed for many things!!

Tickets will be sold after all masses the weekends of
May 4 & 5, 11 & 12

HELP is needed to sell tickets!!

Contact John Casella - (516) 785-1663

HELP is needed for the event!!

Seating, Kitchen, Serving, Cleanup!!

Coordination Meeting after General Meeting
on May 27th

Assembly of Place Settings and Cookie Plates on
Friday June 7th at the Council Hall!!

Raffle Prizes are needed!!!

This is a 400 plate Dinner!! Help! Help! Help!

Need a Place for a Party, Function, or Meeting?

Our Council Hall is Available for Rental!!!

Will seat up to 80 people comfortably, and catering & bar facilities available.

K of C Members – Please ask about member rates!!!

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brothers & Friends,

The end of the Columbian year is coming up fast and there is still a lot to do.

As you see on the front page of this Chatter, we are holding **PASTA FOR THE PASTOR** on Saturday, June 8th in the parish auditorium celebrating Fr. Greg's 40th Jubilee as a priest. This is our largest event of the year and much help is needed. This is a good time for our newer members to pitch in. Please consider helping out. This is not only a fundraiser for the parish; it is a fundraiser for the Council.

In order to have more activities and social gathering opportunities for the membership and their guests the Council Hall is now open every Wednesday. We have obtained a shuffleboard table and a dart board and we are trying to get a dart and shuffleboard league off the ground. The bar will be open for beer & other refreshments at favorable prices (We still need to pay the bills folks!) and food items will be added as attendance increases. I want to thank our Worthy Deputy Grand Knight, Joe Dalto & Chancellor, John Casella for coordinating this effort. Don't let this opportunity slip away and their efforts be wasted.

Finally, we close the year with the Memorial Day Parade on May 27th, the Election of Officers at the Business Meeting on June 10th, and Awards Night on June 24th. All these events are listed on the new Calendar of Events on the homepage of www.kofc6526.org. Please also note that the Vacation Bible School will be returning this summer and help will be needed for the Hot Dog Lunches the first two Fridays in August.

Vivat Jesu,

Kevin Hoffman

Grand Knight

Calendar of Events

May 2013

- Wed, May 1 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Mon, May 6 – **Officers Meeting** – 7:30pm
- Wed, May 8 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Mon, May 13 – **Business Meeting** – 7:30pm
- Tue, May 14 – DD Meeting – 8:00pm
- Wed, May 15 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Mon, May 20 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm
- Wed, May 23 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Mon, May 27 – **Memorial Day Parade** – 9:30am
- Mon, May 27 – **General Meeting** – 7:30pm
- Wed, May 29 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm

June 2013

- Mon, Jun 3 – **Officers Meeting** – 7:30pm
- Wed, Jun 5 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Sat, Jun 8 – **PASTA FOR THE PASTOR**
A 40th Jubilee Celebration
- Mon, Jun 10 – **Business Meeting - Elections** – 7:30pm
- Tue, Jun 11 – DD Meeting – 8:00pm
- Wed, Jun 12 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Mon, Jun 17 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm
- Wed, Jun 19 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm
- Mon, Jun 24 – **Awards Night** – 7:30pm
- Wed, Jun 26 – *Activities Night* – 7:30pm

Something New to Look At

*The Website KofC6526.org
has a new look!*

New Home Page with a new Calendar of Events!

New Knightly Updates!

New Menu System!

Go take a look!!!

300 Club Update

On April 22nd we began the 3rd Round with the lucky winners and we congratulate the 5 members whose numbers were drawn. They were:

# 121	K. McSweeney	\$25
# 7	M. Parmese	\$25
# 135	M. Casella	\$50
# 126	A. McCauley	\$50
# 115	A. Brymen	\$100

I am happy to report that we are moving in the right direction. We began the 300 Club a little more than one year ago with good intentions, lots of enthusiasm, realistic goals and an early membership of 5 Brother Knights. As of today we have 188 active members and our goal is to reach the 200 mark by September 28th – the date that we set aside for our 3rd Round Party that will be held in the Church auditorium. It will be an evening of celebration!

You are an integral part of this forthcoming event because with your support, we – all 188 members of the “300 Club” - have contributed to the successful fulfillment of our commitment to charity. To keep you informed, some of the contributions we make are to the following: Birthright, ATM Children of Hope, East Meadow Challenger Baseball League for the disabled, Telecare, High School Scholarship Fund and our support of Seminarians through the Knights of Columbus RSVP program. We thank you for your kind generosity and act of charity.

Let us know if you have any ideas for reaching our membership goal of 200.

Sincerely,
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ATTENTION

The Council Hall is Open on *Wednesday Nights* for **Shuffleboard, Darts, Cards, & Conversation!**

The Bar is **OPEN** for
Beer & Soft Drinks at
Favorable Prices

Please come down & bring friends!!!
Don't let this opportunity fail!!!

*We would like to establish a
Shuffleboard & Dart League!!*

Editor's Corner

Where Did Everybody Go?

Over the 9½ year I have been with this Council, we the members definitely embody the primary principle of the Order, **Charity**. When we need to get something done, we definitely embody the second principle, **Unity**. When our fellow Brother is in need we definitely embody the third principle,

Fraternity. However, there are a few places that we fall on our face. First, getting something new started and getting Brothers to take charge is something we are not great at. As you well know, the same people chair the same activities until they burn out. You know who they are. Secondly, we don't get to know one another especially our newer members. Yes, we have the Golf Club and the Bowling League and these people get to know each other. But how about those members out there who want more than attending Business Meetings? We had no Christmas Party and no Anniversary Dinner Dance this year and next year we celebrate 40 years as a Council. That was just plain sad!

Since I became Grand Knight 4 years ago there have been 30 new members, many of whom we don't see regularly. As Financial Secretary, I suspended 28 members, some of them recent members, for non-payment of dues and transferred a few, some who went to other local councils that have more than we offered. Yes, we know that there is a great many members who sign up, pay their dues and are never seen again. All councils have this problem. Some start coming to meetings and drop out. Why? Some are looking for more social interaction like you can get at Memorare, or Bellmore. Some receive no invitation from the seasoned members to come down. By the laws of the Order we have to have a Retention Chairman & Committee. This committee should be more that tracking down members who don't pay their dues. This committee should reach out to our newer members and invite them to participate. I request the next Grand Night to appoint a Retention Chairman to form a committee that will do just that.

Deputy Gran Knight Joe Dalto and Chancellor John Casella took the initiative to begin this process. They called the recent members and invited them to an Activities Night on Wednesday at the Hall. They sought out and acquired a shuffleboard table & dartboard and are trying to establish leagues for this. Memorare has a shuffleboard league that is so large they have to turn down new teams. The Hall is open every Wednesday so this can happen. This type of social opportunity has not happens at this Council for a long time. I commend them for their efforts to make something happen. However, turnout so far has been poor. I ask you, both the seasoned and newer members, to not let their effort fail! We need this to grow as a Council and attract new members. To the newer members, I ask you to voice your opinion, on what you want to see from the Council. We obviously are not perfect. Is the Activities Night on the wrong night for you? (We can't do weekends because that is when most of our rentals occur and we only have one space.) I ask you to drop me an email at editor@kofc6526.org or use the comment form on the Council Website at <http://www.kofc6526.org>. Be heard!!!

Pete Coleman, PGK

Editor

Six Great Reasons To Insure Your Children

1. Protect Their Insurability:

With a Guaranteed Purchase Option (GPO) rider attached, Knights of Columbus plans guarantee the child the opportunity to purchase more protection at various dates in their future without having to prove insurability. Our GPO rider allows children to increase their insurance up to seven times between the ages of 17 and 40, regardless of health. The GPO rider also enables them to get coverage with one of the top rated insurance companies in the world. They don't have to join the Knights or (in the case of a female) marry a Knight. They do it through your membership.

Life insurance for your child is truly a lasting gift.



It can become one of their most cherished assets.

3. Lock in Lower Rates: The rates will never be any better than they are right now. Plus, if you consider the amount of coverage that your children will likely need given inflation, a juvenile policy could literally save them thousands of dollars.

4. Encourage Saving: Knights of Columbus plans offer terrific cash and dividend values to help supplement cost of likely future expenses, such as the purchase of a home or a wedding. Plus, with more and more companies no longer offering pension programs, the cash values can help supplement the child's retirement.

2. Protect Your Finances: When we lose a loved one, especially a child, the financial loss is often not just the cost of a funeral. It's not uncommon for parents to lose time from work to care for a dying child and to lose even more time after the child's death because of a bereavement period. Many companies limit bereavement periods to three days. Also, medical expenses incurred during an illness oftentimes cause financial stress. Beyond paying funeral costs, a policy on a child can help to supplement income while loved ones deal with this devastating loss.

5. Qualify for Orphan Benefit: If the father is in good standing with his local council and at least one of the parents is insured with the Knights by a policy of at least \$5,000 permanent coverage (minimum coverage required may be higher for new plans) or \$150 annual premium, each insured child would receive a monthly benefit of \$80 to age 19 (age 23 if they attend college) if both parents were to die.

6. Create a Legacy: The plan is also in place to protect your child's future family — your grandkids!

Please contact me today to learn more:

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