



From the Grand Knight



Upcoming Events:

34th Anniversary Dinner Dance



Honoring

Mike Alliksen, PGK

Sunday Afternoon, June 1, 2008

Manor East in Massapequa

Details to follow soon.....

***....However, PLEASE Mark Your Calendars
and Reserve the Date!!!***



Pasta with the Pastor

Saturday, April 12, 2008 at 6:00pm

Parish Center Auditorium

We'll need plenty of...



Brothers,

I hope you all had a most enjoyable Christmas season. May the New Year be filled with many blessings for ourselves and our Council. I would like to thank those who made the Christmas season special for our Council. This includes the brothers who set up and took down the outdoor Nativity scene. A special thank you to Advocate Ralph Matragrano, PGK and Trustee Charlie Buonocore, PGK for their lead role in this effort. Thank you, too, to the scouts for their help in this event.

Another Council event was our annual Christmas Party. Thank you to Chancellor Peter Coleman and to all those who helped to make this event a success.

Next was our **Keep Christ in Christmas** poster contest. This was also a success with 96 young people in different grade levels taking part in it. What a great way to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas! My thanks to Dick Campbell, PGK, our chairman and to DGK George Winkler, our co-chairman.

Finally, our sale of Christmas Nativity car magnets proved very successful. It enabled us to raise money for the support of our Seminarians. My thanks to Trustee Mike Alliksen, PGK for his help in this event.

May our successes continue in the New Year. We have already begun the work on the Journal. Thanks to Trustee Charlie Buonocore, PGK and his committee, this effort us well under way. We will be having "Pasta with the Pastor" on April 12th and our Anniversary Dinner Dance on June 1st. Your help will be needed and very much appreciated. Hope to see you soon and best wishes to all.

Sincerely,
Charles Dawson
Grand Knight

From Our Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

The final thing for me to do prior to departure was to set my destination on my GPS. It is a newer model, I just need to punch in my planned arrival point and the computer does the rest. All the things needed were packed, I had a full tank (and belly) plenty of sustaining goodies and beverages were readily within arms reach. And so was God. I was certain to have God in His rightful, comfortable, neat little place. I started my engine and carefully began to punch in my destination. I typed "C"

Christmas – what a glorious celebration. Inside and outside my home was all ablaze with cheerful, colorful, joyful decorations; many depicting the Birth of Jesus Christ in the simplicity of a stable. Gifts abound, stockings hung, the air filled with anxious anticipation and wonderful wonderment. Cards and presents were sent, aromas sweet and intoxicating swirled from the kitchen and fire crackled from the very place where Santa would soon land, feet – first, somehow. All is prepared – I hope my heart is!

I typed "A"

Ash Wednesday – how soon it comes up! I stop to have a thumb, first pressed into a bowl of ashes, then smeared on my forehead in the symbol of a cross. Saint Matthews Gospel resonates in my brain. Do not parade around thinking look at me – I got ashes – I am good – I believe. But rather begin in private and change my course of travel. That is what the Father will reward. Yes, my forehead was road – marked; the question is have I allowed my soul to be road – marked?

I typed "P"

Palm Sunday – another great stop along the way. Is this something else to add to my collection? Palm woven into the shape of a cross? A rose? A ribbon? Is it something to be displayed? Have I or will I allow Jesus to enter into me triumphantly as He did into Jerusalem? By triumphant I mean do I allow Him to take me, do I put my faith in Him, do I trust Him?

I typed "E"

Easter is the culmination of the journey. From His simple birth, through His life and ministry and horrid, gruesome death on the cross – it all makes sense with the resurrection! Jesus' unconditional love for each

and every one of us is manifest in how He came to live with us / as one of us; how He lived; how He died and how He rose from the dead. Easter is not a destination – but rather - Easter is a way of life. Every Lent we journey through presents the opportunity for us to arrive there. I typed **CAPE CATHOLIC** into my GPS.

It seemed like a great destination.

Unfortunately when I arrived, it never quite lived up to my expectations. I can not do it with God packed up in what I thought was a nice little comfortable place.

Even if I try, He will not stay there anyhow. God is not to be collected. He is not going to stay in what we may think is His rightful place. God's rightful place is in each and every one of us. He is our GPS for life.

CAPE CATHOLIC, as I found out from my GPS is not a destination at all. I will not get anywhere just choosing what is collectible, easiest or most convenient.

The journey is full time. Jesus is our journeying partner. He is our destination. He is our perfect GPS.

Have a good Lenten Journey,

**Deacon Bob
Chaplain**

A Note from the Editor & Webmaster

Brother All:

I wanted to let you all know that the Council Web-sight (www.kofc6526.org) has been updated and includes all the Chatters from to the end of 2007 and this Chatter also.

**Peter Coleman
Editor & Webmaster**

A Note from the Deputy Grand Knight

Brothers All:

If your wish to be notified of the death of a fellow brother, please call me at 516-221-4890 or email us at grandknight@kofc6526.org.

**George Winkler
Deputy Grand Knight**

Calendar of Events

February 2008

Mon, Feb 4 - Officers Meeting – 7:30pm

Tue, Feb 5 - DD Meeting – Memorare – 8:00pm

Wed, Feb 6 – Ash Wednesday

Sat, Feb 9 – District Level Free Throw Contest

Mon, Feb 11 - Business Mtg. – 7:30pm

Mon, Feb 18 - 6526 Club Meeting – 7:30pm

Mon, Feb 25 – Bus. & Social Meeting – 7:30pm

March 2008

Mon, Mar 3 - Officers Meeting – 7:30pm

Tue, Mar 4 - DD Meeting – Bellmore – 8:00pm

Mon, Mar 10 - Business Mtg. – 7:30pm

Mon, Mar 17 - 6526 Club Meeting – 7:30pm

Mon, Mar 24 – Bus. & Social Meeting – 7:30pm

April 2008

Sat, Apr 12 – Pasta with the Pastor

May 2008

Tue, May 13 – New Date – Albany Prayer Rally

June 2008

Sun, Jun 1 – 37th Anniversary Dinner Dance

2008 Officers for the 6526 Club:

The 6526 Club, Inc. held its annual meeting on Monday, Jan, 21, 2008. Elections were held and the following officers were elected:

President – Ed Ciulla

Vice President – Ralph Matragrano

Treasurer – Tom Casey

Secretary – Joe Galati

Comptroller – Anthony Giardina

In addition, Tim Woods was reappointed as Treasurer of Catering and Paul DeLuccio was also reappointed Catering Manager. We are happy to report that 2007 was a banner year for the Catering operation.

Important Notice:

The following resolution had been brought before the Council at the meeting of January 28, 2008 and will be voted on at the Council meeting of February 25, 2008:

Resolution

Natures Classroom Donation to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School

WHEREAS a letter was received by the Grand Knight from a student on behalf of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School, the regional catholic school for our home Parish of St. Frances de Chantal, requesting a donation to help defray the cost of the students trip to “Nature’s Classroom.”

WHEREAS The Grand Knight has recommended that a donation of \$250.00 be given to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School for this said event.

BE IT RESOLVED that a donation of \$250.00 will be given to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School to help defray the student’s costs for their upcoming trip to “Natures Classroom.”

Important Notice:

Enclosed in this edition of the Chantal Chatter is a copy of the Budget for the 2007-08 Columbian Year. This budget will be voted on at the Council meeting of February 25, 2008.

Those in Need of Our Prayers

Submitted During the Month of January

Sick or in Distress:

Connie Mazzeo	Josephine Locasio	Ed Scheihing
Capt. Tim Hendrickson	Frank Marchetti	Jimmy DeVito
Fr. Steve Hannafin	Ann Kennedy	Joseph Denton
Bob Pettucci	Joseph Hauk	Sharon McQuillian
Rose Milone	Carl Tagariello	Joanne Rochfort
John Casey	Lisa Killanicos	Don Mooney
Doris Aufiero	Nick Risucci	Mary Ellen Coleman
Larry Schroeder	Angela Smith	Jerry Roselli
Sharon Pierce	Armed Forces Wounded in Afghanistan and Iraq	

Deceased and their Families:

Anthony Ciccotto, PGK	Aldo Scavino, PGK	John Sawula, PGK
Mike Affilitto, PGK	Patrick Kitson, PGK	Patrick Hennessey PGK
Albert Alliksen	Harry Eggholt	Edward Wengler
Natale Genduso	Anthony Genduso	Paquale Matragrano
Nenita Palad	Alice Mueller	Alice Dawson
Leonard Miller	William Galati	Louise Mineo
Larry Sarica	Fran Troffa	Mike Barra
Angelo Rangone	Ralph Rehn	Judy Haun
Joan Stincone	Karen Cerragone	Lou Holtzwager
Ann Weigant	Emily Schelit	Shirley Graven
Brenda Siegler	Ann Plakis	Anthony Pellagaino
Pat Rhatigan – (wife of Nassau Conerence Secretary Jim Rhatigan)		
Pat Tuzzollo (Cherrywood Pizza)		Mike Menette, PGK
Andy Chiasera, PGK (Bellmore)		Mike & Bridget Recchia
Four Children that died being thrown from a bridge in Alabama		
The Unborn	Armed Forces Killed in Afghanistan and Iraq	

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