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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brothers:

On September 21, 2013, our council had a table on Main Street for the St. James Street Fair and I wanted to thank Ed Kuchie, Ray Bober, Frank Goldblatt, John Brower, Jim Matits and Kevin Mal for working the table and promoting our Pasta Benefit

Speaking about the Pasta Benefit, our council sponsored a Pasta Benefit Dinner for Jayme Behrens on Saturday, September 28, 2013. It has been brought to my attention that this was a HUGE SUCCESS, I want to thank Frank Sokloski, Jim Jones and Jim Matits for their assistance in making this happen. Additionally, on behalf of our council I would personally like to express my thanks to all those who attended, worked and promoted the event.

Our next council event is the annual **Past Grand Knight's Dinner**. This event will take place on Saturday, **October 19, 2013 from 7:00 pm till?** The doors open at 6:30, the cost of this event is \$30.00 per person and includes open bar, dinner, dessert and coffee/tea. There will also be a 50/50 to defray the cost of the dinner. If you haven't received tickets for this special event please contact Deputy Grand Knight, Bob Paul at 908-565-4002 or via e-mail at bp352@yahoo.com.

As you may have heard Jim Sullivan, PGK, FN has stepped down as Community Chairman. However, Edward Kuchie has stepped up and offered to take on this important role, I would like to thank Ed for offering his time and look forward to having him as part of the team. I'm sure that the transition from Jim to Ed will be seamless.

Vivat Jesus!

ED EISMONT

Grand Knight, Council# 857

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Editor's Note:

The **Council Compass** is published monthly, except August. Any member wishing to submit an article or notice for publication may e-mail it to Ed Eismont, the newsletter editor, at gk@woodbridgekofc.org, no later than **20 (twenty) days** before the end of the month. All inclusions are subject to approval by the Grand Knight.

If you are planning on moving, please notify the council with your new address so you don't miss any issues of the newsletter.

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
OCTOBER 2013**

BOB PAUL, DGK

Our Knight of the Month for October is Bob Paul, DGK. Bob organized the "Knight" at Monmouth Park Raceway held on September 14th. Additionally, he has stepped up and is chairing the coordination of the council's upcoming PGK Dinner.

URGENT: ST. JAMES FOOD PANTRY

As always, our support of the food drive is greatly appreciated by Msgr. Cicerale and the St. James Food Pantry.

Items needed: pancake mix & syrup, canned meat, pasta sauce, jelly, baked beans, boxed potatoes, canned ravioli, canned meatballs, canned pasta, spaghetti O's, coffee, tea, and cereal.

Feel free to drop off any items when you come down for any meeting or event as the food pantry goes through quite a bit of food on a regular basis and each item helps serve others.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! OCTOBER!

George Miller	10/1	Anthony Peterson	10/18
Fran Bobel	10/4	John Francisco	10/19
James Jones, PGK	10/5	Robert Goodman	10/20
Michael Tedesco	10/5	William Kober	10/20
Robert Browne	10/6	Charles Kenny, PGK	10/21
Timothy Mannion	10/6	Joseph Travistano	10/22
Wayne Egan	10/7	Robert Kukoly	10/23
Joseph Golden	10/8	Ronal Lukach	10/24
Kevin Harth	10/8	Raymond Deacon	10/24
Mathew Lubas	10/8	Leo Caffrey	10/25
Edward Barcellona	10/9	Donald Miller, Jr.	10/26
Patrick Andriola	10/12	Roger Lebeda	10/26
Gregory Cannonie	10/13	Joe Cardello, PGK	10/27
Christopher Modeszto	10/14	Richard Tomasheski	10/27
Carl Gargano, PGK	10/14	Michael Boyle	10/27
Rev. Sebastian Puthenkandam	10/14	Joseph Van Nest, PGK	10/28
Frank Zilai, PGK	10/15	Richard Gould	10/29
Stephen Estok	10/16	Eugene O'Neill	10/30
William Korzeb	10/17		

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Janelle Iannitto	Pat Keenan
Jayne Behner	

Soldiers, both near and abroad

All Aborted Babies

Victims of the Naval Yard Shooting

Colorado Victims

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the aforementioned and their families

If you know a Brother Knight or member of a Knight's family who is sick or in distress, contact the Knights of Columbus at 732-634-6783

If you know of a Brother Knight who has passed away, please contact GK Ed Eismont at 732-754-4433

NEED A RIDE?

If any member needs a ride to a meeting or one of our affairs, please call one of the Officers listed on page 1. We will make every effort to accommodate your needs.

Rinky Dink Winners

John Brower 10 Points

Attendance Pool

Fred Johler 15 Points

Not Present

Knights of Columbus Degree Updates

Degrees are offered throughout the Columbian year (except during the summer months). If you are a 1st or 2nd degree member and want to continue your journey to Knighthood, please contact **Robert Golden, PGK** at **732-596-2115** or e-mail **RobertGolden@topproducer.com**. Every effort is made to coordinate degrees with members and candidates, please make every effort to keep scheduled appointments.

Columbian Club Report

Brothers:

As mentioned in the last newsletter, I am hoping to have "New and Improved" Hall Rental Guidelines instituted in November.

We have been working in tandem with our hall chairman Ed Lenart and the Columbian Club Officers to develop guidelines that will be beneficial to all.

I am hopeful that by the next newsletter I will be in a position to roll out these "New" guidelines and welcome any input.

Additionally, we will be installing a radio transmitter for the fire alarm, which after some research, appears to be the best course of action and in the best interest of the club.

Lastly, I would just like to re-iterate that when hanging around the club, please be diligent and help keep the club/bar area clean. It's "our" club and we should be proud of it. So let's make a concerted effort in keeping it clean/organized.

Fraternally,
ED EISMONT
Columbian Club President

Columbian Club Bar Hours

Monday–Thursday:..... 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM
Friday:..... 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM
Saturday: 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM
Sunday:..... 12:00 PM to 11:00 PM

All guests must sign in
(Required by the ABC to maintain our liquor license)

RIGHT TO LIFE

Please Join Us in Prayer Each Week

Every **Saturday from 9am–11am**, local Right to Life supporters, including fellow Knights of Columbus, pray the rosary for an end to abortion at 228 Main Street, Woodbridge NJ. Come down and show your support!

Knights of Columbus – Benefits of Membership

Being a member of the Knights of Columbus is an opportunity to be part of the largest Catholic lay organization in the world. Being an insured member means you've taken full advantage of the benefits of membership. Avail yourself and your family of our full line of life insurance, retirement and long-term care products and you'll help chart a course to safe waters in your financial future.

In addition to our strong, secure products; there are Family Fraternal Benefits that can help our members facing unique needs. Many of these benefits are unique to the Knights of Columbus and our members. Some of these benefits include: guaranteed life insurance benefits for uninsurable children, death benefits available for stillborn or miscarried children, orphan benefits and member/spouse accidental death benefits.

To learn more about these benefits, please make an appointment with our Field Agent, Brother James Fischetti.

Mr. James Fischetti 1-917-573-9751

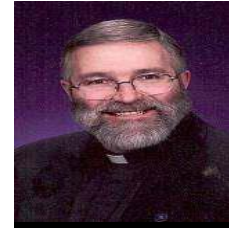
Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry

The mission of the Ministry is to expand the scope of the Knights of Columbus exposure to the community, expand our charitable works by organizing motorcycle rides and participating in other organizations' rides, and to get our Brother Knights out on their bikes socially. The Ministry follows the Knights of Columbus ideals: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. For more information, or to join this branch of our organization (a motorcycle is NOT required to join), please feel free to contact **Ed Eismont** at **732-754-4433** or e-mail **eeismont22@verizon.net**.

Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree

The Fourth Degree is the degree of Patriotism. The color corp makes this degree the most visible of our order. If you wish to continue your journey as a Knight of Columbus and join the Fourth Degree, please feel free to contact the current Faithful Navigator **Mr. James K. Sullivan, PGK, FN** at 732-423-3020 or e-mail **jim@repcat.com**.

FROM OUR WORTHY CHAPLAIN . . . MSGR. CHARLES CICERALE



Dear People of Faith,

“Rejoice with me because I found my lost sheep...the coin that I lost...because your brother was lost and has been found.”
Luke 15:1-32 (or 15:1-10)

Running after Kyle

Rachel had just begun a new job teaching children with severe learning and emotional difficulties in an inner-city school. The job was draining, often bringing her to tears, but she prayed each day that she could make a breakthrough to one broken soul. Her most difficult charge was ten year old, Kyle, the son of a drug addicted mother, a boy with permanent scars along the side of his left arm from a beating with an extension cord when he was three. Kyle was prone to angry, violent outbursts and running away. Rachel and another teacher had planned a field trip for their students. But because of his behavior issues, Kyle would have to remain at school. Kyle few into a range screaming, cursing, spitting and swinging at anything within striking distance. And then he did what he had done at other schools, at home and once at a juvenile detention center; he ran.

Kyle dashed out the door, straight into the heavy morning traffic.

And Rachel ran after him.

She had no idea what she would say or do once and if she caught up with him. But she ran after Kyle.

Kyle ran for several blocks, dodging cars like a professional athlete. He was fast, but Rachel managed to stay with him. Finally he stopped, near a trash compactor behind a dilapidated strip mall. Bent over with exhaustion, he looked up, surprised to see his teacher running toward him. But when he saw Rachel, he did not run. He stayed still as Rachel approached. He calmed down; his anger and fear subsided. Rachel and Kyle locked eyes. Rachel willed every ounce of compassion and understanding in her heart toward him.

Before either could say a word, the principal of the school arrived with Kyle’s speech therapist who know Kyle’s history and family situation. She placed her hand on Rachel’s shoulder and said, “Rachel, no one ever ran after him before. No one. They just let him go.”

Kyle eventually returned to school. He asked if he could return to Rachel’s class. As weeks passed, Kyle was glued to Rachel’s side, complying with instructions, attempting to do his work, once even smiling. For a child with deep attachment issues, it was amazing to see Kyle finally developing a bond with someone, someone who ran after him.

[From a story by Rachel Mary Stafford, handfreemama.com]

In today’s Gospel, note that when he catches sight of his son in the distance, the father runs – runs! – to greet and embrace him, and then welcomes him home before the chastened boy can even begin his carefully rehearsed speech. Both the father and Rachel welcome their “prodigal” son and student joyfully and completely, with no recriminations, no conditions, no rancor. That is the work of reconciliation that God call us to take on: to “run” to heal the brokenness and bridge the divisions that prevent us from realizing the love of God in our midst.

“Lord, heal the wounds, I have given and received.”

Blessings and Grace;
 Msgr. Charlie
 Pastor

* BULLETIN BOARD *

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL RETURNS

Monday Night Football (MNF) returns in the upcoming weeks to the council. A Half-time Buffett and a 50/50 along with the game make this a special night to enjoy. Not every Monday Night Game is hosted at the Knights, but you can catch the biggest games and team rivalries for less than a night out anywhere else. Watch our bulletin board for details of upcoming MNF games at our council.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – 10/5 – 10/6

We are always looking for men to join the Knights of Columbus. In order to increase our membership we hold annual membership drives. This is the first scheduled drive for this Columbian Year. If you're interested in helping out, please contact Ed Eismont, GK at 732-754-4433. We will be welcoming new members after mass and at our Columbus Day Breakfast

COLUMBUS DAY BREAKFAST – OCTOBER 6TH, 2013

Once again our Financial Secretary, Bob "Flapjack" Banasiak will be serving up his famous omelets as well as other breakfast staples from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. The cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$6.00 for seniors and \$4.00 for children ages 5 to 10. During the breakfast we will be holding an impromptu tour of our council, so if you know of any Catholic men 18 years of age and older who may be interested in joining the Knights of Columbus this would be a prime opportunity for them to come down to our hall, have a great breakfast, meet some brother Knights and find out what the Knights of Columbus are all about.

PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S DINNER – OCTOBER 19TH, 2013

This dinner will honor our latest Past Grand Knight, James J. Matits, Sr. as well as all Past Grand Knights. We invite our members, their families and friends to come out and join in the festivities. The doors will open at 6:30 pm with the event starting at 7:00 pm, the cost for this event is \$30.00 per person and will include; Open Bar, Dinner, Dessert and Coffee. As always, we will be having a 50/50 to defray the cost of the dinner, tickets are \$5.00 each. The winning ticket will be drawn at this event and the winner need not be present. For tickets to this dinner or additional 50/50 tickets please contact: Bob Paul DGK, at 908-565-4002 or bp352@yahoo.com.

KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY – OCTOBER 26TH, 2013

A kids Halloween party will be running on October 26th from 12-2 pm at our council. This is a fun event for the kids to have a great time in a safe, friendly environment. Food is served along with candy and entertainment.



Knights of Columbus Middlesex Council #857
130 Main Street, Woodbridge NJ 07095

PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S DINNER

This dinner will honor our latest Past Grand Knight

Mr. James J. Matits Sr, PGK
And all Past Grand Knights

This event will take place on Saturday October 19th 2013 at 7:00pm
(Doors Open at 6:30PM)

We invite our members, their families and friends to come and join in the festivities to honor Jim Matits

We especially invite and encourage ALL of our Past Grand Knights to attend this event.

The cost for this event is \$30.00 per person and will include...

Open Bar, Dinner, Dessert, and Coffee

We will also be having a 50/50 to help defray the cost of the dinner.

The winning ticket will be drawn at this event (winner need not be present)

50/50 Tickets are \$5.00 each

There will be 2 winners the night of the drawing.

The 2 winners will split the 50% of the proceeds as follows:

1st Place 75 % of Winnings

2nd Place 25% of Winnings

For tickets to this dinner or additional 50/50 tickets please contact:

Bob Paul DGK
33 Austin Street
Sewaren NJ 07077

COUNCIL #857 - UPCOMING EVENTS

October

1	Social Meeting – (Rosary at 7:30)	8:00 PM
3	Bishop Ahr Star Dinner	4:00 PM
6	Columbus Day Breakfast (Membership)	8:00 AM
7	MNF – NY Jets vs. Atlanta Falcons	8:00 PM
8	Officer's Meeting	8:00 PM
15	Business Meeting – (Rosary at 7:30)	8:00 PM
19	Past Grand Knight's Dinner	7:00 PM
21	MNF – Minnesota Vikings vs. NY Giants	8:00 PM
26	Kid's Halloween Party	12-2 PM

November

1	All Saints Day	
2	All Souls Day	
4	MNF – Chicago Bears vs. Green Bay Packers	8:00 PM
5	Social Meeting	8:00 PM
12	Officer's Meeting	8:00 PM
18	MNF – New England Patriots vs. Carolina Panthers	8:00 PM
25	MNF – San Francisco 49ers vs. Washington Redskins	8:00 PM
28	Thanksgiving Day Mass	9:00 AM

December

3	Social Meeting – Lighting of the Manger	7:00 PM
9	MNF – Dallas Cowboys vs. Chicago Bears	8:00 PM
10	Officer's Meeting	8:00 PM
17	Business Meeting	8:00 PM
21	Christmas Party	7:00 PM
25	Christmas Day	

October 2013							November 2013							December 2013						
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A NOTE OF THANKS FROM FRANK SOKLOSKI, PGK REGARDING THE CANCER PASTA BENEFIT DINNER HELD ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2013

“I, along with the Behrens family would like to pass on a personal “Thank You” to all who participated in, or attended Saturday’s Cancer benefit event.

The event was not only a well-attended financial success but it also gave Jayme and his family a strong emotional boost in letting them know that they are not alone in their struggle.

As chairman & primary organizer, I would like to extend a well-deserved handshake to Jack Keenan, Danny Langon, Jr. & his wife Jenn, Bob Paul, Kevin Mal, Ed Kuchie, Bob & Jules Sabo, John Brower, Jim Sullivan, Gerry Stamato, Jim Matits, Bob Banasiak & Pat Andriola for their hard work that day.

There are also those who went well above & beyond the call of duty. Jim Jones who prepared, cooked, delivered & served up to sixty pounds of meatballs. To Frank Goldblatt & Ray Bober who spent all day Saturday & half a day on Sunday selling tickets & soliciting donations, & especially my wife Judy, who sold tickets, solicited donations, decorated the hall, set-up & maintained the coffee and dessert table. I extend a special thanks.

Also, lets not forget Susan Bakes of ReMax 1st Advantage for her generous cash contribution. Tom Gatto of Dana Enterprises for his donation of food & cash. Pino’s Bakery for their food donation. They have always been staunch supporters of Council 857’s charity efforts and deserve our gratitude and thanks.”

Frank Sokloski, PGK

Congratulations to our Members who reached Milestones during the 3rd quarter of 2013

Honorary Member	John J. Fuery, Jr.	9/17/2013
Honorary Life Member	Chuck Bellanca	7/14/2013
	Robert Floersch	8/21/2013
	Donald Farley	8/24/2013
	Henry Lipp, PGK	9/8/2013
	Louis Estok	9/21/2013

God Bless all these men on their longevity as members of the Knights of Columbus # 857

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Council #857 is in the process of updating our database. In order to improve communication with the membership regarding upcoming events, degrees ceremonies, and members sick or in distress, etc., we find our mailing list is not as efficient or effective as we would like it to be. Please fill out the questionnaire below so we can update our files and fulfill our promise to keep you as updated as possible. You can mail this form back to the council home: 130 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095, or call our membership director **Robert Golden, PGK** at **732-596-2115** or send an e-mail to **RobertGolden@TopProducer.com**.

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