



Msgr. Francis X. Coyle Springfield Council #5560



Dear Brother Knights,

I hope all the Holidays went well. It is now the Lenten Season, we all should be reflecting on our lives. It has been over 4 months since Super Storm Sandy hit the Tri-state area and has been a difficult time for a lot of people. We have donated time and money to the most affected areas and will keep them in our prayers. I would like to take this time to thank all the people who donated to our 2013 newsletter: Rosina Angelo, (1-855-247-LAW HELP), Thomas Della Piazza, (Coldwell Banker), Phil Angelo, (La Pasteria), Peter B. Quinn, (Certified Public Accountant), Lou Sellers, (Mountainview Roofing), St. Teresa Mausoleum, Madison Plaza Bowling Lanes, Justin Buteau, (K of C Insurance Field Agent), Joe Accorsy, (J. Accorsy Builders), Sam Romano, DMD.

*Ben Russo,
Grand Knight*

January 9, 2013 Meeting

Grand Knights Report: Newsletters cannot be sent with dues notice or ads through bulk mail. A phone chain needs to be started to communicate with the Council, especially those without e-mail. Directors were named for the following: Program Director, Dave Merola and Ernie Della Sala volunteered to monitor all events. Respect for Life Chair Vincent Candello, Fund Drive, (Disabilities) Herman Piraneo in April 2013. The Grand Knight also asked for a moment of silence for the passing of our Brother Knight, Tony Graziano.

Entertainment Committees: Golf Outing (Sal Sellers), Super Bowl (Sal Sellers and Ben Russo), Columbian Club Report (John Buscaino)

New Business: Balance of Columbian Club loan was asked to be forgiven by the Knights. Motion was made by John Buscaino and seconded by Sal Sellers, passed by the majority. Columbian Club reported on Club's growth from 2009 – 2012. A motion was made by Sal Sellers to add money to the Golf Outing for gifts to be auctioned for the event. Seconded by Herman Piraneo, motion passed. Columbian Club paid \$500.00 up front money for Galloping Hill.

Lecturer Report: Video presented "The One True Faith"

District Deputy Report: Read the report on "State of Knights"

Looking for more members, make an extra effort to bring in one new member, per Council, per month. Wednesday, May 1st at the Fiesta in Woodbridge, Free Throw Youth contest by 01/31/13 and Spelling Bee (Secaucus) 03/10/13

Joe Caron: Reported on an e-mail sign-up to those who have internet access. Would like to send Newsletter electronically, to save money and those that don't have e-mail will still get the Newsletter by mail. Joe Caron made the motion and was passed (notice @ 1st Qtr. 2013). The collection of membership dues was discussed. Currently we have 49 members from 2012 that have yet to pay. We have 355 members of which 216 are Associates, 100 insurance, 39 in-active, 92 life members. One member transferred to Council 5730. The 3rd Degree that was to be held @ Hasbrook Heights was cancelled.

February 13, 2013

Grand Knights Report

On Tuesday, January 29th, I participated in a Spelling Bee contest held at St. James School Auditorium. (Certificates were issued from Barnes & Noble.) A motion was made to pick up a prize, motion was passed, and money is to be reimbursed to the Rahway Council.

New Business

Pride in Priests dinner to donate \$25.00 no reservations after 04/19/2013. Anyone who attends must pay \$40.00. Name of Priests and guests must be turned in. A motion was made to pay \$25.00 and was passed. A resolution to approve Dr. Dan Rossi as NJ Supreme Director of K of C for NJ was read. A motion was made to donate the hall @\$325.00 from the Charity Account was passed. A motion was made to sponsor a Little League baseball team from Summit Jr. Baseball for \$350.00 was passed. A bus trip to Atlantic City is being planned for Sunday, April 7 @ \$35.00 per person.

Lecturer Report

Vinnie Candella reported on January's "March for Life", discussed ultrasound. A motion was made to donate \$200.00 to the Right to Life and was passed. A video about confession, Lenten activities and a Peace Retreat on 03/22/13 – 03/24/2013 in Mendham were discussed. A pray the rosary is conducted for anyone interested at the council hall the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30pm. Contact Patty Dougherty if you are interested in coming.

March 13, 2013

Grand Knights Report

The Grand Knight stated that Lent was almost over, the fact that we have a new Pope. St James spelling bee winner is moving on to the next level by taking 4th place. A request was made by the Graziano family to have a scholarship in his name a motion was made to table it until the next meeting.

Committee Report

A motion was made to offer two scholarships for 2013, \$750.00 for a student in 8th grade and \$1000.00 one student in 12th grade moving to a Catholic High School and Catholic College.

Unfinished Business

The pasta dinner is to take place on March 14th 2013, 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Rudy Reino and Chris Tarashuk are to team up to make linguini and clams, linguini and shrimp and pasta marinara.

New Business

K of C Annual Convention in Wildwood is to take place on May 17-18. The Council approved a \$300.00 payment for the Grand Knight to represent the Council. Joe Caron, Columbian Club president reported on the rules of the Club. He stated that club hours are till 2:00am. The front door locks at midnight, drinks are to be cleaned up by 1am and no one should be in the building after 2am. A member is allowed to have only nine guests and the front door must be locked from the inside at all times. Rudy Reino is in charge of the signature book. In June, the council will be selecting a nominating committee for the upcoming election. John Buscaino discussed the following Columbian Club update: dishwasher has to be replaced; they are considering a 2nd hand dishwasher at a cost of \$4800.00. The water heaters need to be purchased and replaced. The Club is taking bids The Heater/AC unit about the bar area has been replaced at a cost of \$9900.00. A motion was made to replace the other two Heater/AC units in the hall area as they become defective, motion passed

Lecturer Report

Two weeks remain in Lent, strengthen our resolve through sacrifice. Help us to share in Christ's sacrifice. Help us to show our love for God. A video about the five parts to Christ's passion was shown which included: The Agony in the Garden, The Scourging at the Pillar, The Crowning with Thorns, The Carrying the Cross and The Crucifixion.

Insurance Field Agent Report

Interest rates are low, think about locking in an interest rate @ 10.5% a percent rate for annuities, long term care accounts, prices are going up.



COLUMBIAN CLUB MEMBER BUILDING

ACCESS RULES

Hours:

The Club shall be open to members from 11:00 AM until Midnight, Monday through Sunday but will remain open until 2:00 AM should patronage warrant.

Any Member who seeks admission to the building during regular hours of operation will be required to have a valid door access card to enter the building.

The bar area will close promptly at 1:30 AM, all days of operation. The building must be vacated no later than 2:00 AM.

Members and Guests:

Only paid up members in good standing can use the club facilities. No dropped or delinquent member can be signed in as a guest.

Club facilities are open to members and their guests. All guests must leave at the same time the sponsor leaves the building. A sponsoring member can have a maximum of 9 Guests (Mandated by ABC Regulations).

The sponsoring member must register guests in the Sign-in Book, located to the left of the bar area. The sponsoring member is responsible for the conduct of his/her guests. Members and guests must conduct themselves with decorum and must dress appropriately.

No employee or contractor of the club may sign in guests while on duty, regardless if he or she is a member.

Columbian Club Semi-Annual Meeting: The semi-annual meeting will be held immediately following the council meeting on April 10th 2013. This meeting will be open to the general membership. Elections will be held at the General council meeting on 10/09/2013 for three (3) directors for a term of three (3) years.

Columbian Club Elections: Two (2) members from the general membership will be chosen to be on the nominating committee by the Columbian Club President prior to the June Council meeting on 06/12/2013. Any member who is interested in becoming a member of the nominating committee must be in good standing and shall not be a candidate for nomination. Please notify the Columbian Club President, Joseph Caron if you're interested in being a member of the nominating committee.

From the Financial Secretary: Please make sure your dues are paid to avoid suspension. If you do not intend to maintain an active membership, please withdraw by forwarding a letter to Brother Joseph Caron, Financial Secretary or Grand Knight, Ben Russo at P.O. Box 251, Springfield, N.J. 07081.

Brothers,

Nominations for Officers are due May 15 with elections on June 15. Nominations will be taken from the floor. There is a need for a nominations committee for these offices. All the Officers are up for re-election, all are one year terms.