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Knights in Action

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TESTIMONIAL DINNER FOR PGK JOHN MIKLITSCH

On Saturday February 24, in spite of the usual minor and unexpected complications that seem to always find their way to the surface in the planning of these events, the Testimonial Dinner for John Miklitsch, managed to become yet another successful event for Council 7479. State Deputy Anthony L. Preziosi was in attendance along with many other dignitaries and officials from the Knights of Columbus. In introducing the Guest of Honor, our own Deputy Grand Knight, Louis Colacicco thanked John for his dedication and commitment to service and leadership to our Council and District and went on to complement him for "exemplifying the virtues of Columbianism" and asked him to continue his "commitment to Catholic Knighthood". The dinner was made possible with the help of several of our Brother Knights.



COUNCIL FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

Our Council Free Throw Championship was held and became yet another success to be listed along with all of the other events that is handled by our Council. All involved in this years Free Throw deserve our thanks.

Council Calendar

MARCH 2, 3 & 4

K of C Retreat at Bishop Molloy Jamaica Estates, Queens, NY

MARCH 11

St. Matthews Basketball Reception All Hands Needed for help with Basketball Activities as well as Squires Recruitment being held during the Reception.

MARCH 13

Officer's Meeting 7PM
General Council Meeting 8PM

MARCH 17

St. Joseph & St. Patrick's Dance

MARCH 23

Pasta & Bingo Night 6PM

MARCH 27

Council Social Meeting 8PM

APRIL 8

Easter Sunday

APRIL 10

Officer's Meeting 7PM
General Council Meeting 8PM

APRIL 20

3rd. Degree Bishop McGann

APRIL 21

Knight at the Races 7:00pm

APRIL 24

Council Social Meeting 8:00pm

SUPER BOWL PARTY

Our Super Bowl Party was not only a great time for all those that attended but was also one of our most successful. To all of those that helped in making this year another winner deserve a round of thanks and appreciation for making this event possible.

NEW COUNCIL WEB SITE

Our new and greatly improved council web site (www.kofc7479.org) has been completely revamped and taken into the 21st century by our own Anthony DeLosa. The new Web site provides for a wealth of information related to all that is going on in our council as well as an instantaneous means to communicate updated information. We all owe Tony a huge bit of thanks for the outstanding job he has accomplished in an extremely short period of time.



Council News & Events

Help Needed for Basketball Reception

Our Council has been asked to provide assistance during the St. Matthew's Basketball Reception being held on Sunday 3-11, after the 12:15 Mass. We will also be manning a Squires recruitment table during the Reception. Anyone available to assist with the Basketball activities please contact Lou Colacicco at 631-423-3584 or 917-751-6698. Anyone who is available and wishes to help with the Squires recruitment and may be available to speak at one of the masses please contact Frank Scotti at 917-567-9829

Squires Update

We are finally getting the Squires program off the ground and have planned for our "Investiture" sometime in late March. We are planning to have a speaker at Mass on Sunday 3-11 and we will be at the Basketball Reception afterward looking to sign up new members. I have agreed to hold our Investiture along with the St. Regis Council in Lake Ronkonoma, but I sincerely think that we will have enough boys to hold it locally at St. Matthews. I have spoken to Kenny Latham Jr., State Squires Director, and he has agreed to come and help with our first investiture, if we wish. Anyone interested in becoming a counselor in our new Squires program, please contact Frank Scotti at either 917-567-9829 or email at fscotti@balcoalarm.com.

St. Joseph & St. Patricks Dance

Be sure not to miss our annual St. Joseph & St. Patrick's Dance on March 17, 8:00pm \$35.00 per person includes a choice of either Corned Beef or Pasta Dinner
Pasta & Bingo Night
On Friday 3-23 we will hold another Pasta & Bingo night at 6:00pm. \$13.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children under 8.

Night at the Races

We will be hosting another Night at the Races on April 21 at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$10.00 each.

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights

Time is going very fast and I have to write to my brother's once again. I have good news about our Super Bowl party thanks to Don Mallon and his crew we made the most money since we started, thanks Don.

In the next month we should try to support St. Patrick/St. Joseph dance. Since all the money we make goes to contributions and we should try to make this our most giving year. Also we are going to set our sites on our Annual Golf Outing which is our biggest fundraiser hope to see our membership participation surpass last year.

I would like to thank our Financial Secretary, John Miklitsch, for all his hard work and I hope that he had a good time at his testimonial party and a thank you to our Deputy Grand Knight for taking over while I was absent. Make sure you check our Web sight for all up dates for meeting and socials.

Arch Bishop Sheen quote this month is "The wrong way ... which many unhappy people take today ... is to make the self seem better, sins, and all by detracting from someone else. The individual who has injured someone he loves often discovers that the act has turned his love to hate: he can now appear innocent in his own eyes only if he accuses the other of grave faults to justify the injury done him. To pass thus from love to hatred is all too easy; but to turn hatred into love is hard, for it can be done only if the self-deception is punctured, the injury confessed."

Let us remember the Lenten season and do a little extra to show our faith. I want to wish a Blessed Easter to you and your families.

May God bless you,

Joseph Costello, GK



From the Desk of Deacon Jim Hanly

Now that we have started our Lenten observation and look forward to the coming of Christ's and our resurrection at Easter, it is time for us to examine in detail our lives and how they reflect the love and peace of God. St. Paul tells us in his first letter to the Thessalonians, "May the God of peace himself make you perfectly holy and may you entirely, spirit, soul, and body, be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." [1 Th 5:23] Isn't this the true meaning of Lenten experience?

Every jigsaw puzzle is made up of many small and individual parts. Only after the puzzle has been put together and is complete, do we see the entire picture displayed for us. Our lives are much the same. Each of our lives is made up of many different and complex parts: family life, occupation, hobbies, physical health, emotional state, present circumstances, past experiences, hopes for the future, as well as our relationship with God. For some of us, we feel that our lives are fragmented, much in the same way like the

unconnected pieces of a puzzle that do not seem to fit. But that is not the way we are designed.

In God's infinite wisdom, we have been designed as whole and complete. Each part of our lives interconnects with God's love and plan. This is not something that happens overnight or automatically. That is why St. Paul prays for the people of Thessalonica to God to continue their movement closer to wholeness in their lives. St. Paul recognizes that the power of God must be present.

As we continue our journey toward God, let us ask him to pull the pieces of our lives together according to his original design.

When we elect to keep God as the center of our lives, we will find our own uniqueness and we will begin to see the true and unique picture that God is asking us to present to Him when we finally see Him in Heaven. Let us never forget that our job, relationships and dreams all work together

and are linked to each other because they are each solidly linked to God.

When we reflect during Lent, let us ask God to have St. Paul's prayer make us more aware of the big picture behind what is going on in our lives. We will only be able to get the big picture of what God expects our lives to be as we begin to trust more in the power of God. May your Lent be profitable and your Easter glorious.





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