



# THE POWELLITE

"Together we aspire, together we achieve"

February 2004



## Grand Knight's Message

Fraternal Brothers:

Now that the clang and the clamor and all the gaiety of Christmas are but a distant memory we turn our heads to the winter months. But do not be saddened with that aspect, think about the people who look to the winter for their livelihood. While we are talking about Christmas and the snow a standing ovation is in order for Past Grand Knight Bob Powell and Carol of the American Legion. They did a marvelous job; despite the effort of the Grinch who tried to steal the Children's Christmas Party with a snow storm. It was well attended by Brother Knights and American Legion families

Let us hope that all the resolutions made for the coming year can be kept.

Jesus said "You shall be like a tree planted by the river bearing fruit in its own season." It's the same with winter. This is its time and it has been a fruitful this year.

We are now approaching the Lenten season let us prepares ourselves as catholic gentlemen. Our lord and master went into the wilderness to be cleansed. Should we do any less?

We have an interesting year slated. First up this month is the Insurance benefits night. We have been promoting this for some time. Then in March we have our St. Patrick's Dinner on March 6<sup>th</sup>, our Fraternal Weekend at Split Rock, and New York State Council prayer rally in Albany.

## Council Calendar

- 2/7 Nocturnal Adoration: A Global village Uniondale High 2pm, officers training 9-12 at Floral Park Council, District free throw at St Raphael Gym, East Meadow 1pm.
- 2/10 DD meeting, Reilly Council
- 2/13 K of C Kafe
- 2/18 Social Meeting- Benefits Night insurance
- 2/20 Nassau Chapter Meeting St Mary's Council Lynbrook
- 2/25 Ash Wednesday
- 2/27 3rd Degree New Hyde Park council
- 3/3 Business Meeting
- 3/6 St Patrick's Dinner 5-8 PM, St. Martin de Porres
- 3/7 First Sunday Mass
- 3/9 DD meeting Hempstead Council
- 3/12 K of C Kafe
- 3/12-3/14 Fraternal Weekend
- 3/17 Social meeting
- 3/19 Nassau Chapter meeting New Hyde Park council
- 3/26 3rd Degree Memorare Council, Seaford
- 3/30 NYS Council Prayer Rally, Albany

In April we'll have a membership drive. In May on Mother's Day we'll have the dedication of the statue of the Blessed Mother. The statue was donated by the council to the parish of St. Martha.

One final word: elections are coming up. If you are interested in running for office please contacts the Nominating Committee.

May the Lord continue to keep us in his good grace.

"My grace is enough to suffice you"

Fraternally

*Winston Delpesh GK*

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Council officers 2002-2003

Rev. Zachary Callahan	Chaplain
Rev. Edward C. Fitzpatrick	Assistant Chaplain
Rev. Edward Sullivan	Assistant Chaplain
Winston Delpesh	Grand Knight
William J. Murphy, Jr. DW	Deputy Grand Knight
Herman K. "Ernie" McGee	Chancellor
John G. D'Atri	Warden
Raymond B. Caluori PGK	Financial Secretary
Gerard P. Boettcher	Treasurer
Frank C. Montalbano	Recorder
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Frank C. Marando	Lecturer
Michael S. Caluori	Co-Inside Guard
William G. Ludewig	Co-Inside Guard
John J. Gallo	Outside Guard
Ronald E. Lopez PGK FDD	3-year Trustee
Frank C. Marando	2-year Trustee
James G. Munson PGK	1-year Trustee
Thomas J. Donovan PGK	District Deputy

### Committee chairmen

Membership Chairman	Herman K. "Ernie" McGee
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### Columbian Club Officers

President	John H. Knichel PGK
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Robert W. Powell Council meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 8:30 pm at the Uniondale American Legion Hall. Council Officers, Trustees, and Committee chairmen meet the preceding Monday (in case of holiday, Tuesday) at 7:30 pm at St. Martin De Porres School in Uniondale

Condolences to John Gallo on the passing of his brother William

Get well soon, PGK Pat Thompson

A fond farewell to PGK Bill Brown and thanks for all his efforts in Robert W. Powell Council and St. Martha's parish. "The happiest man in Powell Council" will be sorely missed, and hopefully will be our newest South Carolina correspondent.

Our Fraternal Benefits Counselor, Brother Knight Richard Kramer will be speaking at our February social meeting. All are invited to attend!

If you have news of note to share with your brother Knights, feel free to send them to the contact below.

### Greetings:

I need your help (again). Due to work and other obligations I'm unable to attend council functions. However I'm still creating the Powellite and the council Website ([www.koc3488.com](http://www.koc3488.com)), so anything you'd like to share with your fellow Powell Council members, by all means e-mail me at [Powellcouncil@koc3488.com](mailto:Powellcouncil@koc3488.com) or snail-mail me at 496 Greengrove Avenue, Uniondale, NY, 11553-2131. You can also leave a message on the council's phone number (516) 481-1578. Thanks!

*Mike Dragonetti*

## Powellighting

As the saying goes, if you want something done, ask a busy man. During my years as an active member of Powell Council, it seemed as if any-time I had to give up a job, two or more would fall into my lap.

Seems as if some things never change. As soon as my year ended as Grand Knight (and for our Fourth Degree Sir Knights, Faithful Pilot, too), my college's (New York Institute of Technology) Alumni Federation snapped me up and put me on an advisory committee. That's where I'm spending my time these days (in addition to a new job.) From 1978-1980 I was active with the campus radio station, and after several years of non-existence, current NYIT students were trying to resuscitate WNYT.

So at the beginning of January, they had a fundraiser, and invited many of us back to do on-air shifts. It had been almost ten years since I'd spoken into a microphone while playing songs simultaneously, but like my time at Powell Council, I wasn't going to let a little thing like lack of experience stop me. I went ahead and had a blast, and I get the impression there may be more such endeavors in the future. We'll see.

So to the current active members who haven't already done so, why not lend a helping hand to your favorite council? The current group of officers are trying hard to keep the Council going, and they could really use the help. If there's something you'd like to see the council do, why not suggest it to the officers. And maybe even join in. You'll be helping the many people Powell Council serves, and also enjoy the company of a great bunch of guys. Stop by on a meeting night, or feel free to get a hold of us through the contacts on Page Two.

Regards,

*Mike Dragonetti*

## Navy 34, Army 6.

To all of those brothers that braved the blizzard to help make this day a memorable one I congratulate you. I'd caught a severe cold and touch of bronchitis and I heard that Jerry Boettcher had pneumonia. It was bitterly cold and windy, as well as snowy and wet!!!

For the first time in a few years we had some decent seats. Our favorite driver Fred did an outstanding job in getting us there, and back, safe and sound. I'm sure God was watching over us, especially since Fr. Callahan started us off with prayers. We had about 10 late cancellations due to the inclement weather.

My sincerest thanks go out to Jerry Boettcher who so ever graciously allowed us to meet and cook all the food at the West Hempstead Fire Department, and without the help of PGK Bob Powell this trip would be very hard to manage. He was a great help in driving all over town with me for 2 days buying all the supplies for the game, upon which we donated the hot-dogs and burgers for the Children's Christmas party. This was one of the first years where everyone wanted to cook! The fire was flaring and kept us all warm!

Our movie selections were top notch. Our feature was "A few good men!" I look forward to next year and maybe we will get a warm day. Being a Floridian I can say that it was really too cold for my comfort. LOL!!! Next year will mark Powell Council's 10th anniversary of going to the game. To all those great cooks and cleaners, thank you for helping to make this years game a successful one!!

Fraternally yours,

*Capt James Gardner PGK.*

# Knights of Columbus



Robert W. Powell Council 3488



## March 6th is **St. Patrick's** Day Dinner Cornbeef & Cabbage

St. Martin de Porres School

James Collins Hall

5pm to 8pm

Tickets \$8.00 In Advance

\$10.00 at the Door

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