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Spring 2006



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights:

Spring is flying by here at Powell Council. In the past month alone we had a Membership Drive, a Living Rosary night, and our Knight at the Races.

At our Membership Drive, a few Catholic gentlemen expressed interest in joining us. Hopefully by this time next month they'll be Powell Council's newest members.

Our Living Rosary had a big boost from St. Martha's Rosary Society, who joined us in prayer for a rewarding evening. Our thanks to our Co-Chaplain Rev. Zachary Callahan, who led our service, and to PGK Winston Delpesh, who made the rosary beads, which were blessed by Fr. Callahan.

Our Knight at the Races had a far better showing than the last time, in part thanks to support from the American Legion and from the Uniondale Senior Center. All had a good time.

Robert W. Powell Council is trying to start a softball league, anyone interested please contact any officer.

We need good men to lead us in the upcoming Columbian year, so if you're interested in running for council office, please contact our Nominating Committee, PGK Ray Caluori, Tom Maddox, Sal Alaimo, or Michael Caluori.

Vivat Jesus,

William J. Murphy, Jr.

Council Calendar

4/5: Council Meeting, American Legion Hall
4/9: Palm Sunday
4/13: Holy Thursday 7:30 Mass, St. Martha's
4/16 Easter
4/17 Officers Meeting, West Hempstead F.D.
4/19 Social Meeting, American Legion Hall
4/21 Nassau Chapter Meeting, Floral Park Council
4/28 Third Degree Exemplification, St. Therese the Little Flower Council, Valley Stream
4/29 Nassau Chapter Charity Ball
5/19 Nassau Chapter Meeting, St. Vladimir's Parish Center, Uniondale

Batter up!

For the first time in years, Powell Council is going to field a softball team! Contact GK Bill Murphy for details.

Keep in touch with Powell Council!

If you're online, you don't have to wait until the next Powellite to keep up with your favorite council. Log into www.koc3488.com

And if you're online you can get Powell Council news e-mailed to members, widows, and former Ladies Auxiliary. Sign up at PowelliteEditor@koc3488.com

You can also hear and leave messages on the CouncilPhone (516) 481-2578.

If you're a St. Martha's parishioner, look for our weekly updates in the bulletin!

Nominating Committee

If you're interested in running for office for the 2006-2007 Columbian year, stop by the Legion on meeting nights beginning at 7 pm, or contact PGK Ray Caluori, Sal Alaimo, or Tom Maddox

This issue is a combination March-April issue. Send your articles to the above contacts!

-Mike

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Council officers 2005-2006

Rev. Zachary Callahan	Co-Chaplain
Msgr. Francis J, Caldwell	Co- Chaplain
William J. Murphy, Jr. DW	Grand Knight
Gerard J. Boettcher	Deputy Grand Knight
John G. D'Atri	Chancellor
William G. Ludewig	Warden
Raymond B. Caluori PGK	Financial Secretary
Luis R. Nieves	Treasurer
Frank C. Montalbano	Recorder
Thomas H. Maddox	Advocate
Joseph J. Munistieri	Lecturer
Robert Houston	Co-Inside Guard
Michael S. Caluori	Co-Inside Guard
John J. Gallo	Outside Guard
James G. Munson PGK	3-year Trustee
Winston Delpesh, PGK	2-year Trustee
Ronald E. Lopez PGK FDD	1-year Trustee

Committee Chairmen

Membership Chairman	John G, D'Atri
Church Activities	James G. Munson PGK
Fourth Degree Co-Chairs	Winston Delpesh PGK
	Mike Dragonetti
Benevolence	Thomas H. Maddox
Hospitality	William J. Murphy, Jr. GK,
Community Affairs	Mike Dragonetti
Family Activities	Robert W. Powell PGK
Chief Counsellor, Rev. John J. Byrne Circle #999	William G. Ludewig
Publicity	Mike Dragonetti

Columbian Club Officers

President	Robert W. Powell PGK
Vice President	Douglas G. Griffin
Secretary	John H. Knichel PGK
Treasurer	Robert Brzozowski PGK

Robert W. Powell Council meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 8:30 pm at the Uniondale American Legion Hall. Council Officers, meet the preceding Monday (in case of holiday, Tuesday) at 7:30 pm at the West Hempstead Fire Department

RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that the Knights of Columbus Robert W. Powell Council 3488 change the number people in a quorum from 25 to 15 This resolution is being submitted by Warden William Ludewig.

Powellighting

Okay, Brothers, show of hands:
How many of you are online?

And how many of you would like to receive the
Powellite online?

For those who receive it through the traditional snail mail, you'll still continue to receive it as always. For those who are online, and would prefer to receive the Powellite in that fashion, you'll be able to download and print the Powellite, either from the website or your e-mail. As long as I have your e-mail address. So you can get your Powellite much sooner, and the council saves money on printing and mailing costs. Again, this doesn't apply to those who choose to receive it through snail-mail. Would you like to receive the Powellite online? Also, if you're a member of Pope John XXIII Assembly, this applies to you, too. Make sure I have your e-mail address! Mine's

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Thank you from Doug Griffin

Brothers and Friends,

My family and I extend our deepest gratitude for your generosity in our call for help to assist my sister, Marie, and my 12 year old niece, Lizzy, in their time of need.

Last July, Lizzy was operated on for a brain tumor. As a result of the operation, my niece is now totally blind. Words cannot describe what Lizzy and our family have suffered. Lizzy asked me to say thank you to all her friends, whom she calls her new adopted family. She is now home making the necessary adjustments. She is a real trooper. She has a positive attitude and is moving forward with her daily life.

Thanks everyone and please continue to keep her in your prayers.

Doug Griffin

OCFCU – are you a part of it?

Less than enthralled with the latest savings rates? Why not put your money into the Knights of Columbus? Powell Council is a member of Oceanside Christophers Federal Credit Union. You'll be amazed how much more you'll earn on your savings and CDs, and how much less you'll pay in finance charges on your credit card, loan, or your mortgage. Your money is under the watchful eye of the Knights of Columbus. If you're a Third Degree member, you and your whole family can join. Give them a call at (516) 678-3481, or stop by and say hi! They're at 45 Atlantic Avenue, Oceanside, half a block west of Long Beach Road.

March birthdays for our brother Knights!

Salvatore J. Alaimo, Richard H. Banks, Jerry S. Bobins, Robert J. Burns, Michael J. Clavin, Paul R. Delle, John A. Elliott, John P. Galvin, Peter F. Loglisci, Kenneth Michalski, James P. O'Keefe, Anthony Ortado, Joseph Ortado, Patrick Reilly, Maurice G. Richardson, Joseph E. Rohan, Michael J. Sackman, Edward J. Sparkowski, Charles T. Suker, Eugene J. Sullivan, Thomas A. Toscano, Michael M. Walsh, Robert P. Ziminski

March Anniversaries for the following brother Knights, who joined the order in:

Francis J. Brennan (1952), Jeremiah F. Hartnett (1952), Philip C. Steiner (1952), John J. Campbell (1954), Angelo A. Masino (1954), Victor Taravella (1958), Robert G. Kopczynski (1965), Donald R. Fearman (1966), John E. Brown III (1976), Robert J. Houston (1977), William Conlin (1981), Jerry S. Bobins (1981), Rodrigo Diaz (1981), Charles P. Drossler (1983), Joseph F. Bosch (1986), Gerard McKenna (1986), Michael M. Walsh (1986), Thomas H. Maddox (1989), Thomas G. Maddox (1990), Robert Brzozowski (1991), Thomas W. McClinchy (1996), Emmanuel Anthonypillai (2001)

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April Birthdays

Rev. John Britto, Richard C. Cargen, James A. Espey, Sr., Ralph Esposito, Stephen E. Fitzpatrick, William F. Holtje, Jr. Louis V. Lucchi, Thomas J. Mackey, Frank V. Majewicz, Thomas V. McClinchy, Charles C. Reidlinger, John G. Trapani

April Anniversaries

for the following brother Knights, who joined the order in:

Robert M. Carragher (1954), Carmine E. De Luca (1957), Gerard P. Hesse (1958), Michael Ricigliano (1959), Robert P. Ziminski (1959), John O'Shea Jr. (1961), Michael E. Russo (1963), Thomas J. Mackey (1963), Edward J. Sparkowski (1964), Richard Helm (1966), Alfred R. Rooney (1966), Peter G. Gardner (1976), Edmund Brzozowski (1979), Peter F. Loglisci (1983), Msgr. Frank J. Caldwell (1983), Vincent R. Celantano (1983)

Powell Council doings are also available on the web:
www.koc3488.com (Powell Council Website)
www.11553.com (Uniondale town website)
www.saintmartha.org (St. Martha's website)
And for Fourth degree, www.kofca730.org

Spring Dance is cancelled

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the Spring Dance due to lack of responses.

Holy Thursday at St. Martha's

We're needed for security after the 7:30 Mass

The birth of the Knights of Columbus, and Robert W. Powell Council.

For Knights of Columbus in Uniondale, the month of March holds special meaning; March is the anniversary of the Order, plus it's the anniversary of Robert W. Powell Council, which has served St. Martha's since 1952.

We're the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization. 1.7 million members in 12,600 councils in 11 countries. Make that 12 Countries-as of June 6, 1999, Yokosuka Council #12488 began operations, making it the First Council in Japan. The Knights have also received the go-ahead to begin operations in Poland. The Knights serve the Catholic Church, the local communities, and our respective countries with the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

In the early 1880s Reverend Michael J. McGivney called together a small group of Catholic men to organize a Catholic, fraternal society. The group had initially three purposes: to help Catholic men remain steadfast in their faith through mutual encouragement; to promote closer ties of fraternity among them; and to set up an insurance system so that widows and children of group members who would die would not find themselves in dire straits. Because he wanted to tie Catholicism and Americanism together, Fr. McGivney suggested "Sons of Columbus" to honor Christopher Columbus. (continued on back page)

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But many of the men in the group were Irish-Americans who fought in the Civil War. They wanted a name that would symbolize Knightly ideals of spirituality and service to the Church, country, and fellowmen.

Thus on March 29, 1882, the Connecticut legislature granted a charter to the Knights of Columbus, formally establishing it as a legal corporation. Fr. McGivney himself installed the first officers, and council number One, San Salvador (which was chosen because it was the first land in the New World which Christopher Columbus saw), was established in May 1882. Fr. McGivney also served as Supreme Chaplain. His younger brothers, Monsignors Patrick and John McGivney, also served as Supreme Chaplains. The Knights are currently pursuing sainthood for Fr. McGivney.

You can read more about Fr. McGivney in the newly released book, "Parish Priest," available at bookstores and through Amazon.com. Later this spring, another book will be published titled, "By their works," which will be based on Knights who made a difference. Knights to be featured in the book include Babe Ruth, Ray Flynn, John F. Kennedy, Ron Guidry, R. Sargent Shriver, Connie Mack, Vince Lombardi, and Alfred E. Smith.

And in the early 1950s, eighteen Uniondale residents, who were members of Hempstead Council #1241, saw the need for a council of their own to represent both their rapidly growing community, and their brand-new parish, St. Martha's. The Uniondale Formation Committee consisted of seventeen gentlemen who became the council's initial slate of officers. They named their council after the eighteenth gentleman on the committee, Robert W. Powell, who passed away on September 1951.

Their dream became a reality on March 9th, 1952, when Robert W. Powell Council #3488 was officially born. Ninety-nine members joined Powell Council on that day. March 9th, 1952, was the first day of a tradition of service to Uniondale, St. Martha's Parish, and the Knights of Columbus. That tradition continues today as Uniondale's finest Catholic gentlemen live out the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism as the right arm of the Catholic Church.

In the month of March, we'll be looking for more of Uniondale's finest Catholic gentlemen to join Robert W. Powell Council. In the month to come we'll be hosting a membership drive, a Living Rosary night, a dinner at our K of C Kafe, and we have a monthly repast on the first Sunday of every month after the 11:00 Mass for all St. Martha's Parishioners.

You can find out more about the Knights of Columbus, and Robert W. Powell Council, by visiting their website, www.koc3488.com, by calling (516) 481-2578, or by reading the K of C Korner every week in St. Martha's bulletin.
(this was taken from St. Martha's March Newsletter)