



The Star



Star of the Sea Council #371

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January / February 2011

Grand Knight's Message:

Brother Knights, 2010 has come to a close, and reflecting back, we have a lot to be grateful for. As an Organization we have had another successful year full of charity and fraternity. We, the officers, are most grateful to each of you, our membership, for your dedication and tireless efforts in helping to keep this Organization a shining example of family, brotherhood and Catholicism in this community. We hope and trust that this tradition will continue in the coming year and that 2011 will bring nothing but health, happiness and prosperity to each of you and your families.

Each new year brings with it the opportunity for a fresh start, a chance to begin anew on all those things that we may have set out to accomplish in the past, but may have fell short on time or focus to see them come to fruition. Embarking upon this new year gives us that chance all over again to set our course on a path toward success and the achievement of those ambitions. At this time of year, we all make resolutions and solemn promises within our own hearts. Those may be for personal or professional development, or may be directed toward the betterment of family, church or community. Whatever your heart has set upon to do, we wish you the dedication, strength and resolve to see it through.

We, the officers, have collectively resolved to make this coming year more entertaining and beneficial to our membership and their families, and to attract those in our community who would be great additions to our ranks. With your support, together we can meet this goal. There are First Degree ceremonies in the works which we hope will bring in new individuals and their respective talents to add to our own, as well as Second and Third Degree ceremonies for our existing members to continue their journey toward Knighthood.

Some brief words of thanks to those among us who have excelled this past year in conducting our core events, the most recent of which have been: Toys For Tots Drive, Keep Christ in Christmas Essay Contest, Rite to Life Drive, Football Trip and Bobby Byrne show. For the new year, we look forward to the following events and thank each of those individuals conducting them for their leadership and responsibility: Pancake Breakfast, Parade Committee, Wake Committee, NHL Hockey Trip, Free Throw Contest, Spelling Bee, Bowling League, Operation Cardiac Arrest, Membership Drive, State Convention, our Annual Communion Breakfast, and we are also working together with the Columbian Holding Co. to arrange for the rebirth of a Members Room in the near future. Each of these team leaders will need your help and support in ensuring that each event will be run properly and will end successfully.

As always, we seek and depend upon your involvement. This Organization does a tremendous amount of goods works for this community. Any time that you can offer to those causes will certainly be time well spent, and by participating, I am certain that you will feel satisfied in your heart that you have done well for your fellow man. This Organization also gives back to you in many ways. It is a place for you to socialize with your brother Knights, a place to bring your family for events, and continues to offer one of the best Fraternal Insurance benefits in the world. Please consider lending your assistance where possible, and remember to avail yourselves of the benefits we offer in return.

Vivat Jesus,
Michael Lipari Grand Knight

Calendar of Events:

January:

- 3rd Monday Council Meeting 8PM.
- 17th Monday - Council Meeting 8:00 PM.
- 20th Columbian Holding Co. Meeting 7:00PM.
- 26th Wednesday - 4th Degree Officers 7:30 PM.
Meeting 8PM.
- 31st Monday - Council Officers Meeting 7:30PM.

February:

- 5th Saturday -Annual Free Throw at
Bayonne ice rink gym.
- 7th Monday - Council Meeting 8:00 PM.
- 17th Thursday - Columbian Holding Co
Meeting 7:00PM.
- 18th Friday - Hockey Trip- Devils / Rangers 7:00PM.
- 21st Monday- Council Meeting 8:00PM.
- 23rd Wednesday -4th Degree Officers 7:30 PM.
Meeting 8:PM.
- 26th Saturday - Comedy Night 7:30PM.
Scholarship Exam 9:00AM.
- 28th Monday - Council Officers Meeting 7:30PM.



Happy & Healthy
New Year

Dues are being collected, if you haven't sent in your payment please do so. Thank You

Please submit any information for The Star to Pat Pecoraro, PGK 201-436 3162 / E-Mail papecoraro@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus

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Meetings



First & Third Monday
of each month



Meets on the Fourth
Wednesday of each month

<p>Non-Profit Org. U.S. Postage Paid Newark, N.J. Permit No. 7007</p>

Eyes for the Needy: We will be collecting old eyeglasses again, for information call Ted Hojnowski, FS at the Council office 201-436-1492.

K of C Members Bowling League: Still in need of bowlers, and is open to all members and non-members, if interested. please call John Vida 201-858-4433

Wake Services: Members who want to attend prayer services, look in the paper for time and place. Men meet 7:30 PM. at funeral home on the last night.

MEMBERS: We are asking our members to come out and support on all events that the Knights hold at our building. These events are to raise funds for Scholarships, Right to Life, Free throw, Spelling Bee, Keep Christ in Christmas Essay, Special Citizens canister drive plus Degree's and other donations that we make all year. With out your help we can not keep these functions alive. Please show your support in the different fund raiser we hold. Paying your dues is not enough.

Annual 50 / 50 Raffle: Once again we will have our annual 50/50 raffle. The drawing will be held at our annual Palm Sunday Communion breakfast. Please support our scholarship fund. Tickets will be in our next mailing.

Please help us update our records, fill out and return it to the council office.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# _____ EMail _____

Dues Notice: A second notice went out to members who did not pay their dues for this year, please try and get up to date. Dues for the new year, will start in January 2011.

Comedy Night Returns, Saturday February 26, 7.30 PM. at the Star of the Sea Council Hall, 669 Avenue C, Bayonne. Last year was a fun night, a night out, good drinks, and plenty of laughs. Mark this date, come enjoy fun and laugh out loud.

Annual Free Throw: This is a call out to all members, come and get involved with this event, your help is needed. Last year we had an excellent turn out of members and it made it an easy event to run. The event is on February 5th, at the Bayonne ice rink, basketball gym. Please make an effort, to attend. You will have fun and the Knights of Columbus will look good.

Operation Cardiac Arrest

This event is a fundraiser to supply our building with a Cardiac Defibrillator and to benefit the Police Vest Fund and McCabe CPR Training Course. It is planned to take place this coming Spring. Participants from our Club and Community will pledge to raise a certain dollar amount for this cause. They will be voluntarily arrested and brought to our Columbian Lounge by the Bayonne Police Dept. where their bail will be set at the amount of pledge each has made. They must get on their phones and raise those funds from their friends and contacts. And for the duration of time it may take each to do so, we will offer food and beverage to make their prison stay as comfortable as possible. Anyone wishing to participate in this fundraiser, please contact the Grand Knight.



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Coming Events:

March on Washington : Monday January 24, 2011. Council 371 will not have a bus trip to DC.

Nationals Bowling Tournament - To be held in Buffalo NY. April 9-10

Annual Free Trow contest, on February 5th Bayonne ice rink gym. 10 am.

Annual Spelling Bee, in February.

High School Scholarship Exam: on February 26, 2011 - 9:00AM. see below for information.

Comedy Night: Feb. 26, 2011 - 7:30PM. more information to come.

Hockey - Feb. 18, NJ Devils vs NY Rangers, at the Prudential center, game starts 7PM

Pride in Priest Dinner.

Annual Communion Breakfast: Palm Sunday April 17, 2011

Annual 25 & 50 year Reunion April 4, 2011

NJ. State Convention. May

Annual Keep Christ in Christmas Essay Contest Winners:

The winners were selected out of dozens of letters sent to the committee for review. These are this years winners. 6th Grade - Nicole Birtwistle, All Saints Academy, 7th Grade - Philip Whitney, Saint Andrews CCD., 8th Grade - Megan Nilan, All Saints Academy. They all read their essays at the December 6, meeting, and they did their parents proud. They all received a plaque and a \$50.00 bond. Great Job.



*******Knights of Columbus Catholic High School Scholarship Exam*******

The test will be based upon academic achievement and examination, it is open to 8th grade students planning to attend a Catholic High School in September 2011, and who are children of member of Council #371 in good standing. Dues must be paid prior to the examination date. Applications must be sent to the Council to the attention of Thomas Zuber, PGK c/o Knights of Columbus, Star of the Sea Council #371, 669 Avenue C, Bayonne, NJ. 07002 by February 1, 2011

The Exam will be at 9:00AM. Saturday February 26, 2011 at Council #371.

Member's Name _____

Student's Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ **Current Grammar School** _____