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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Secaucus Knightly News

Council No. 12769

Secaucus, New Jersey

May 6, 2016

Reverend Fathers & Brother Knights,

May, the month for Mary and for moms, is here. During the month try to pray the Rosary to The Blessed Mother for your mom, grandmother and for our council, so that we as a united, fraternal group can continue our many works of charity. This month in councils throughout the order a new slate of officers has to be proposed and voted on before the last meeting in June, which is the end of the Columbian year. Our new slate is listed below.

I thank all the outgoing officers for their help and support. I welcome all the new officers coming in and I hope they and myself, if I am elected, can continue the great works this council has done over the past fifteen years. A great year can also only happen if you, my brother knights, continue to support our events and fundraisers. Sadly, at this point in time, five months into the 2016 year, a number of knights have not sent in their yearly dues, which means no activity from them. I ask all the knights that regularly attend the council meetings to invite a knight you see at a Saturday or Sunday mass to come to the next meeting or go one step further by calling a guy who has not attended a meeting in a while to come down to the next one with you.

I will close on a high note and hope it pushes all to achieve a little more for this council in the coming year. As I and three other knights go to the State Convention on the second weekend of May to represent the council, Council No. 12769 will be recognized for our work with The Seminarian Letter Program and having the best CCD Teacher, Senior and EMS in the

state. We have four months till the end of our fifteenth anniversary in August, so let's try to bring some new men and some new ideas into the council.

NEAL MCGARRITY

LIST OF OFFICERS FOR THE 2016-2017 COLUMBIAN YEAR:

GRAND KNIGHT NEAL M. MCGARRITY
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT ANTHONY REALE
CHANCELLOR BRIAN BECKMEYER
WARDEN BRIAN MARMORA
RECORDER MARIO BUSSANICH
TREASURER CHARLES CHURCHILL III
INSIDE GUARD MICHAEL MATERA
OUTSIDE GUARD JOSEPH CAPOZIO AND MICHAEL WERNICKI
ADVOCATE ANGELO ANDRIANI
TRUSTEE THREE YEAR RICHARD STEFFENS

Not voted on:

CHAPLAIN REVEREND FATHER VICTOR KENNEDY
FINANCIAL SECRETARY RICHARD MARRERO
LECTURER CHARLES SCHUMACHER
TRUSTEE TWO YEAR JAMES CANNON
TRUSTEE ONE YEAR SALVATORE MANENTE

PAST EVENTS

Stations of the Cross: On Good Friday Pastor and Chaplain of Council 12769 Father Vic Kennedy led the second annual Outdoor Stations of the Cross around the property of Immaculate Conception Church. A thanks to all in the council and those in Assembly 1543

who came out an assisted or just came out and walked with us (*Photos below*).



Bishop Knight: On March 29th The Knights of Columbus Bergen Federation held Bishop Knight. It is an evening where the Regional Bishop of Bergen County, currently the Most Reverend John Walter Flesey, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, is honored. Councils, federations, assemblies, chapter and the state council are asked to make a donation in his name so he can send to his favorite charities. Thanks to the council approving a donation at our last meeting, Brother John C presented the check to him. In the photo below is Bishop Flesey with John Wolf Jr., a member of assembly 1543 which serves Secaucus.



New Knight: On March 30th The Secaucus Knights Degree Team along with District Deputy Paul Pinkman (*below left*) welcomed new member James Cuozzo



Third Degree: Brother Calixto took the third degree at the Ramsey Council in April.

Below: Calixto on the right with State Secretary Robert Hatler



Altar Server Appreciation: On April 4th Father Chris, pastor at St Francis and second degree knight in our council, with the help from Council No. 12769 held an Altar Server Appreciation lunch after the 12:15 mass. All the servers received a certificate and enjoyed some pizza.



Shake the Can: On April 15th and 16th more than two dozen knights came out for an hour or two to shake a can for the Intellectually Disabled.

Below: Brother Roger and Guido at Farmer's Market



Below: Brothers Luis, Rajiv and Stanley



Below: The whole Francisco family came out to take a two hour time slot outside the Bagel Buffet on the 16th. The little guy in front beat his dad Brother Jose in donations. I would say ten times higher than what dad collected.



Mass for the Unborn: Members of Council 12769 and Assembly 1543 participated in the annual Queen of Peace Council Mass for the Unborn.



Below is the monument of Rachel Weeping in Holy Cross Cemetery in North Arlington that is shown in the picture above with the fourth degree. The monument was donated by the Knights of Columbus Councils in the Archdiocese of Newark for Rachel is a blessed symbol of the Church, weeping for the millions upon millions of children lost through abortion and miscarriages. Continue to pray for life at all stages.



The Rachel Monument

UPCOMING EVENTS:**MAY EVENTS:**

Council Meeting: May 4th at 8 PM.

Third Degree: May 6th Third Degree in Washington Township.

Mother's Day Flowers: May 7th and 8th council will hand out a flower to all mothers after the masses at Immaculate Conception Church in Secaucus.

Annual Awards Night: May 18th is the council annual awards night. This is a social meeting so all are welcome.

Memorial Day Parade: May 21st Secaucus Memorial Parade. Come with your family and march behind the council banner showing your pride for our country and those that have served.

Third Degree: May 25th Third Degree in North Arlington.

Ordination: May 28th Transitional Deacon Bogamil ordination to the priesthood in Newark.

JUNE EVENTS:

Council Meeting: June 1st at 8 PM

For those that cannot make it to a meeting in Secaucus maybe you will consider coming out to one of the other meeting spots where we hold open houses on a monthly basis Our Lady of Victories round table on Kennedy and Ege Ave meets on the third Tuesday at 7:30 in the rectory meeting room-enter by the side door.

St Rocco's meets on the fourth Monday on Kennedy and 42nd street at 7:30 in the lower church.

St. Peter & Paul and St Lawrence is on hold right now.

Also Our Lady of Fatima Council on 80th street and Kennedy Blvd in North Bergen meets on the fourth Tuesday. Bring your membership card for their meeting.

The Council wishes the following men born this month a Happy Birthday:

JAMES R. ARTHUR
JOHN J. CARRARO
ROBERT GWINNETT
CHARLES LOMBARDI
ERIC C. LOW
ANTHONY M. NAPIERSKI
ROBERT W. O'HARA
CHARLES L. SCHUMACHER
MANU M. SEBASTIAN
RAYMOND J. SPELLMEYER
MICHAEL W. WERNICKI

Please keep in your prayers,

Please keep in your prayers: soon to be Father Bogamil and our brother knight soon to be Deacon Douglas on June 4th.

Those that are sick: Brothers Angelo Andriani, Frank Niznik, Edward Rumplach, Gennaro "Jerry" Casale.

Those who have passed: Arturo Martinez, a good friend of the Grand Knight.

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The Council is always looking volunteers for our events or for ideas for new events. *If you want to volunteer or help to organize an event, send an e-mail to mcgarritye@aol.com or call 201-575-9984*