



Christopher Council, No. 3182

Meetings Held on the First and Third Tuesdays of each Month at 8 PM

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights and Families:

It has been a very productive and successful past couple of months. Thanks to so many of you who continue to support our many activities and programs.

Our annual St. Patrick's Day Party held on March 12 was a rousing success. Chairman, **PGK Jack Buckley** and his committee provided excellent planning and execution for this Irish celebration. **PGK Carl Colantuono** headed up the kitchen crew in preparing and serving the Irish menu. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. Also, **PGK Brian Dennis** chaired another successful Shrimp Feast for the I.B.E.W. on April 9. This event requires a lot of advance planning and much effort on the day of the event. **PSD Mike Panfile** led the kitchen crew on this occasion, and we had many members on hand to assure the program's success. Both this Shrimp Feast and St. Patrick's Day party are major fund raisers for the council. Many thanks ... your support is greatly appreciated.



Rick Johnson, Grand Knight

Christopher Council is blessed with a large number of experienced chefs and kitchen support crew who are always on standby to prepare pancake breakfasts at St. Helena or Holy Rosary or more involved menus like St. Patrick's Day, Italian Feasts or catering seafood smorgasbords as we did last month. Even the food prepared for our monthly meetings is well done.

As the warm days of Spring appear on our calendar, we once again begin our carnival season. Christopher Council has for many years played an important role in supporting parish carnivals at both St. Helena and Holy

Rosary. More details are included in this newsletter. Please try to help out with these worthwhile efforts even if it is only for a night or two. Your help is appreciated.

Council Membership Director, **Dominic DiChristopher** reports that we have a good chance of achieving another Star Council Award, if we don't let down our guard. We are hosting a First Degree in June and will plan more if needed. The "Father/Deacon Wants You" program went well at Holy Rosary and will get better as we go forward. Again, I would ask that each officer and active member sign up just one new applicant and bring him to a First Degree.

A nominating committee has been appointed, and any member who would like to serve as an officer should quickly make his intentions known to **Jack Buckley, Jim Vandergast** or **Bill Northey**. Nominating recommendations will be presented in May, and the election of officers for the upcoming year will be held on June 7, 2011.

On the weekend of May 6-8, I will have the privilege of representing Christopher Council at the Annual State Meeting of Delaware State Council in Rehoboth Beach. **PGK Brian Dennis**, elected as the other delegate, and I will vote on any and all matters to come before the assembly on Saturday morning. A full report will be forthcoming upon our return.

We recently learned that the American Diabetes Association is a vocal advocate for embryonic stem cell research. While we all would like to see a cure for diabetes, the Knights of Columbus have been a leader in the fight to stop embryonic stem cell research that destroys human life. To this end we have immediately stopped our endorsement and support of previous events planned in this regard. Those directly involved with

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events, as well as Council Officers, were completely unaware of these circumstances. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this misunderstanding.

At our meeting in April, a motion was made to consider a request by Father Russell to purchase items for Masci Hall. Included in this request are food trays, dishes and help in defraying the cost of a new freezer for Dougherty Hall. Since this is not included as a budget item and the motion involves an expenditure over \$100, the membership is hereby notified, and a vote will be taken at our business meeting in June. As Grand Knight, I would hope that the membership will support this motion since St. Helena has always been generous to us over the years in making their facilities available to us.

It is with great sadness we learn that my friend and neighbor, our fellow Brother Knight, and Immediate Past Grand Knight of Christopher Council, **Francis P. Pedelini** passed away. He gave so much of his time to our council and both churches. I was fortunate to have taken all four degrees with Frank and to spend many hours working and socializing side by side with him.

Again, I want to thank all my Brother Knights and their families for their support during this Columbian Year. God bless!

Fraternally yours,



Richard S. Johnson
Grand Knight

Vivat Jesus!

Francis P. Pedelini, PGK (March 14, 2011)

Frank took his First Degree at Christopher Council in August 2001. He was quickly elected as a council officer and served as Guard, Chancellor and Warden. He served two terms as Deputy Grand Knight and Council Program Director from 2007-2009. He was elected as Grand Knight for the 2009-10 term of office. Although he was perhaps one of our oldest serving Grand Knights, his leadership enabled the Council to win prestigious Star Council Award, the first in several years. He was an active parishioner at St. Helena Church and



IN MEMORIAM

Edward L. Nolan (February 5, 2011)

Ed was an Honorary Life Member and had been a member of Christopher Council for 27 years. He and his family were parishioners at Holy Rosary Church where Ed attended daily Mass. Ed was a US Marine veteran serving in the South Pacific during World War II. Years ago he always worked our casino nights, and assisted Tony Bolin with the sorting and mailing of the Delaware Knight. His son is Father Timothy Nolan, Pastor of Holy Spirit Church in New Castle.

Edward J. Ashby (February 10, 2011)

Ed was an honorary life member having received his first degree in 1953. He resided in nearby Marcus Hook and was a Fourth Degree member of Cardinal Dougherty Assembly in Philadelphia. He was a veteran of the US Army having served in Italy during World War II. His son, Michael Ashby, and grandson, Jordan Ashby, are both members of Christopher Council.

Raymond J. Yesville (February 25, 2011)

Ray joined our Order in April of 1980. Over the years he was a strong supporter of Christopher Council and the Brandywine Club. He was retired from DuPont and volunteered for years with the LPGA when held at the DuPont Country Club. His smile and friendly spirit will be missed. His brothers, Dennis and Michael, are mem-

served as parish liaison with the council for many years. He was also an active supporter of their annual parish carnival.

Frank received the honor of Fourth Degree membership in June 2002 when PSD Mike Panfile was Master of the Fourth Degree. As a active member of Bishop Mardaga Assembly he held chair offices as Sentinel and Pilot. He was serving his second term as Captain at his death. Frank was an active participant in the Color Corps and always on hand when needed.

We extend our sympathy to his widow, Millie, and his grandson, "Monty", who resided with him.

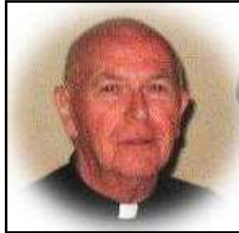
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Chaplain's Message
from **Father Oscar H. Frundt**

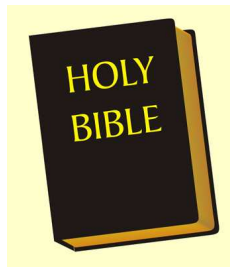
GOOD NEWS !

The good news contained in our gospel readings keep us going each day.

- It is good news that Jesus, the Son of God, entered our world and taught us about His heavenly Father.
- It is good news that Jesus lived among us in gospel times in a flesh and blood body like our own.
- It is good news that Jesus continues to live among us today as a mystical body, the church on earth.
- It is good news that we celebrate in our Eucharist each day.
- It is good news that we proclaim to the world as we gather in the Lord's name about the Lord's table to eat the Lord's supper.



As we move toward Pentecost Sunday let us ask the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity, to give us more knowledge, understanding and faith in the Lord.



We the members of Christopher Council hope that all our members are in good health. We will include in our daily prayers each other and all our deceased members. May God bless you and keep you. May His face shine upon you and may the peace of God remain in your home and hearts. Amen.

God bless you and your families!

Father Frundt

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PRO-LIFE UPDATE

Pro-Life Director, **James B. Vandergast**, PGK

We are happy to learn that the Atlantic Women's Medical Center operating at 2809 Baynard Boulevard in Wilmington has been closed down, and the property is up for sale. This is good news and the answer to our prayers.

The News Journal reports that Dr. Gosnell who worked at this abortion clinic has been charged with more than a dozen felonies, including murder, by Philadelphia prosecutors, who allege Gosnell and his staff killed infants that were delivered alive during abortion procedures at his Philadelphia clinic

The first Saturday pro-life vigils will now be redirected to the abortion clinic located at 625 North Shipley Street, Wilmington from 7:30 to 11:00 AM. This is where the 40 Days for Life have been holding their vigils.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please remember the following brothers in your daily prayers for a speedy and full return to health:

**Jim Mc Clellan, Barry Collins, Tony Bolin,
Maria Rivera and Jim Wilson**



ST. HELENA'S CARNIVAL

May 2 - May 7

HOLY ROSARY CARNIVAL

May 30 - June 4

CLAYMONT GREEN DAY

June 11

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

July	Joeseph and Rose Zecca
August	John and Helen Jingeleski
September	Barry and Marion Collins
October	Paul and Ellen Coulston
November	Mike and Judy Panfile
December	Bill and Kathy Northey
January	Dennis and Karla Harris
February	Patrick and Eileen MacCormac
March	Paul and Ernesta Molitor
April	Dom and Roberta DiChristopher

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

July	David Stepnowski
August	Francis Pucylowski
September	Mike Henderson
October	Jason Behl
November	Paul Coulston
December	Marcos Rivera
January	Mike Panfile
February	Dom DiChristopher
March	Jack Buckley
April	Brian Dennis

2011 ANNUAL DUES

Annual dues for 2011 are now being collected by the Council Financial Secretary. Payment of \$20 should be mailed at your earliest convenience to:

Michael F. Panfile, PSD
100 E. Parkway Avenue
Chester, Pennsylvania 19061
610 874-5064

Also, please keep Mike informed when a member is seriously sick, hospitalized or dies so that our entire membership can be notified.

Newsletter Editor: John M. Raughley

We welcome news from all members. Please forward information to jmraug@aol.com or contact by phone at 610 361-8402.

If you wish to receive this newsletter electronically, in addition to your mailed copy, send your email address to the editor.



COUNCIL POKER NIGHTS

Fourth Friday of Every Month

Friday, May 27, 2011

Friday, June 24, 2011

Friday, July 22, 2011

Great food and free beverage from 6:30-12 p.m. Our friendly games provide a community camaraderie and continue to provide Christopher Council with a major source of funds for charitable works.

We always need help with food preparation and card dealers. Please contact Chairman, **Brian R. Dennis**, at (302) 798-3008 if you are able to assist in this program.

HORSIN' AROUND

Saturday, May 21, 2011

Chis Leahan has announced that Christopher Council will host the 6th Annual Horsin' Around at the Brandywine Club on Saturday, May 21, 2011. In the past years we have had great times with this horse racing event which always coincides with the running of the Preakness at Pimlico Race Track.



The cost of admission is \$10.00 and will begin around 6:00 p.m. following the televised running of the Preakness. Reservations are a must by May 14. The evening will include hilarious fun, food, beer, cash and gifts prizes and the "heads and tails" game. Mark your calendar now and plan to join in the fun.

CARNIVAL WORKERS NEEDED

Your help is needed in support of carnivals held at St. Helena and Holy Rosary churches.

At St. Helena our help with the casino is needed beginning at 6:30 each night, rain or shine.

At Holy Rosary **GK Rick Johnson** will chair the poker/casino. Council members work in many areas, but our main contribution is the Back Food Alley. Anyone who is handy and can help build booths are needed from 9-11 in the school parking lot on Saturday mornings. Carnival meetings are held below the church each Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Please plan to contribute at least a night or two in this regard. Thank you.

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DELAWARE STATE CONVENTION

The Annual Meeting of Delaware State Council has been called for Saturday morning, May 7, 2011 in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. The delegation from Christopher Council will be led by **Grand Knight Rick Johnson** and **PGK Brian Dennis**. The alternates elected for this meeting are **PGK John Buckley** and **PGK Denny Harris**. All Third Degree members of Christopher Council are eligible to attend this meeting which will begin at 8:00 a.m. If interested, please contact the Grand Knight.

BINGO WORKERS NEEDED

2nd Tuesday of the Month

We are still looking for a few workers to help out with Bingo at Holy Rosary Church on the second Tuesday of each month. Father **John Gayton** in his effort to energize parish life at Holy Rosary has asked the council to support bingo gaming. This effort will involve only seven people, three in the kitchen and four on the playing floor. The kitchen help leaves around 7 p.m. with everybody gone by 10 p.m.

Wives and friends of council members are encouraged to help out as well. **Carlos Rivera** and **Bill and Kathy Northey** are currently holding down the fort. For additional information, please contact our council coordinator, **Bill Northey** at 798-8272.

NEW THIRD DEGREE

Sunday, May 1, 2011

A Third Degree is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, May 1, 2011 at Holy Child Church. Candidates should arrive by 1:15 p.m. with the ceremony beginning at 1:45 p.m. This is a new Third Degree that was introduced in Texas last month. Our State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman traveled to Dallas to witness and familiarize themselves with the new ceremony. Our Supreme Knight emphasized the fact that this is a 'new' degree, not a revised degree.

All eligible Second Degree Knights are encouraged to take this new degree. All Third Degree members are encouraged to attend as well.

RIVER ROOM HALL RENTAL

Many members were surprised and happy to learn that the River Room located on the river-side of the Brandywine Club can be rented for small parties and get-togethers. We have had numerous inquires since the last newsletter. The River Room will comfortably accommodate groups of 75 or less and is ideal for family birthdays, anniversary parties, bridal or baby showers.

Pricing is very reasonable and arrangements for a bar and/or the use of kitchen facilities are optional. The room is air conditioned with plenty of parking.

More information, together with pricing, is available from the bartender or can be obtained from **Bill Northey** (798-8272) or **Denny Harris** (475-0728).

Consider the River Room for your next family outing. No need to clutter up the house. Rent the River Room and leave the clean-up behind.

CLAYMONT GREEN DAY

Saturday, June 11, 2011

Green Day activities are scheduled for Saturday, June 11, from 9 to 3 p.m. at the Claymont Community Center. Christopher Council will again host the food tent.

NOTICE OF COUNCIL ELECTION

An election to select council officers for the 2011-2012 Columbian Year for Christopher Council will be the first item addressed under new business at our business meeting on June 7, 2011 at 8 p.m.

A Nominating Committee has been appointed by the Grand Knight consisting of **PGK John Buckley**, **PGK Jim Vandergast** and **PGK Bill Northey**. Any third degree member is eligible for consideration to any office. Anyone interest in serving should make their intention known to a member of the committee.

The committee will report their recommendation at the meeting in May. When the election is conducted, anyone may place a name in nomination if not on the nomination slate.



BIRTHDAYS: May and June 2011

May 01 Joseph M. Cruz
 May 01 Norman Williamson, Jr.
 May 04 Alexander M. Satkowski
 May 06 Keith E. Roomet
 May 06 Evodio Perez
 May 07 James G. Horner
 May 07 Donald J. Cebolla
 May 07 Paul E. Rapposelli
 May 08 Thomas A. Bailey
 May 10 Bruce R. Woodruff
 May 10 William M. Greto, Jr.
 May 10 Donald A. Lewis, Jr.
 May 10 Vincent P. Episcopo
 May 11 Paul R. Andruzzi
 May 12 Francis X. Monagle
 May 14 David M. Puka
 May 14 Michael J. McGurk
 May 15 John J. Fare, Jr.
 May 20 George T. Milyo

May 23 Sean M. Leedy
 May 26 Anthony E. Bolin
 May 26 A. Michael Lang
 May 27 George C. Schaefer
 May 27 Jesus Estrada

 Jun 01 Emilio A. Aiello
 Jun 01 Edward T. Heaney
 Jun 01 John F. Fracek
 Jun 06 Deacon Richard J. Maichle
 Jun 10 Christopher L. Tusio
 Jun 11 Charles T. Rudolph
 Jun 12 John Klem
 Jun 14 Neal J. Potts
 Jun 16 John A. Roche
 Jun 17 Carrol D. Cochran
 Jun 17 George J. Cooper
 Jun 18 William W. Graffus, Jr.
 Jun 19 John P. McDermott, Jr.

Jun 20 William M. Gardner
 Jun 21 Joshua H. Coupe
 Jun 22 James M. McNulty
 Jun 22 Ronald L. Scarpitti, Jr.
 Jun 23 George J. Renulfi
 Jun 24 Robert W. McNulty
 Jun 24 Matthew C. Dunphy
 Jun 25 Joseph T. Fitzgerald
 Jun 25 John Buckley
 Jun 25 Scott D. Gambrell
 Jun 25 Dennis R. Harris, Jr.
 Jun 26 Gerald Brady
 Jun 26 Leon R. Clements
 Jun 26 Peter Hreczch
 Jun 29 Nando DiPasquale
 Jun 30 Thomas L. McDonough

MANY HAPPY RETURNS !**COMMUNITY CARE UPDATE**

In the last issue we reported that the Community Care Program that was conducted over the Christmas holiday had raised and distributed over \$3,300 to those families less fortunate in our community.

What we failed to mention was that over \$400 of that total was donated from the Buckley family in lieu of flowers. This was a generous gesture on the part of the Buckley family and one that other members may want to consider on the death of a loved one.

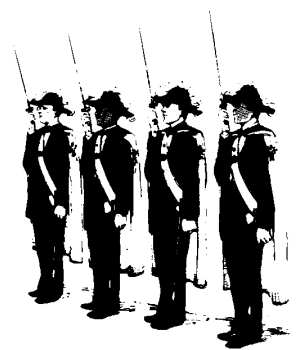
Christopher Council is most grateful to the members of the Brandywine Club, Christopher Council and the Buckley family for their generosity.

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22

Andrew M. Elisee, PSD, Master of the Fourth Degree, District of Delaware, has announced that a Fourth Degree Exemplification is slated for Sunday afternoon, May 22, 2011. The highest degree of our Order will be exemplified in the parish hall of St. Joseph Church, 371 East Main Street, Middletown. Candidates should be on hand by 1:15 p.m. for registration, and the ceremony will begin promptly at 2:00

Candidates and Sir Knights must wear formal attire (black tuxedo, pleated white shirt (*NO RUFFLES, WING COLLARS OR DOUBLE BREASTED JACKETS*), black bow tie and cummerbund, plain black socks and shoes. Attending Sir Knights should also wear their social baldric. Active duty military may wear their formal dress uniform. Those serving as policemen and firemen may wear their dress uniform as well.

The program for the day will be brief and less expensive. There will be no ladies' program or formal banquet, but a dinner will follow the degree. The fee for candidates is \$35.00 which includes dinner and a Fourth Degree pin and social baldric. The cost for dinner will be \$15.00 for attending Sir Knights.



Members of Christopher Council who are interested in taking their Fourth Degree can contact any Fourth Degree member for more information. Applications for candidates and dinner reservations should be coordinated with the Secretary to the Master, **Edward J. Lichman, PSD**, 409 Bluebird Haven, Middletown, Delaware 19709. Ed can be reached at 302 376-5558 (H), or 302 932-0850 ©

Schedule of Events

MAY 2011

1	Sunday	Third Degree	Holy Child Church (Candidates 1:15 PM)	1:45 PM
1	Sunday	First Degree	St. Pius X Council	7:00 PM
2-7	Mon-Sat	St. Helena's Family Carnival	St. Helena's Church Grounds	6:00 PM
3	Tuesday	Council Business Meeting	Council Home	8:00 PM
6-8	Fri-Sun	Annual State Convention	Atlantic Sands, Rehoboth Beach	
7	Saturday	Pro-Life Vigil	625 North Shipley Street, Wilmington	7:30 AM
8	Sunday	Mothers' Day	Happy Mother's Day !	
10	Tuesday	Holy Rosary Bingo Support	Holy Rosary School Hall	6:00 PM
17	Tuesday	Council Social Meeting	Council Home	8:00 PM
19	Thursday	Mardaga Assembly (Elections)	Council Home	8:00 PM
21	Saturday	6th Annual Horsin' Around	Brandywine Club (Audience Participation)	6:00 PM
22	Sunday	Fourth Degree Exemplification	St. Joseph Middletown	1:15 PM
27	Friday	Council Poker Night	Council Home	6:30 PM
30-6/4	Mon-Sat	Holy Rosary Family Carnival	Holy Rosary Church Grounds	6:00 PM

JUNE 2011

4	Saturday	Pro-Life Vigil	625 North Shipley Street, Wilmington	7:30 AM
5	Sunday	First Degree	St. Pius X Council	7:00 PM
7	Tuesday	Council Meeting (Elections)	Council Home	8:00 PM
9	Thursday	State Informational Meeting	St. Pius X Council Home (Dinner 6:30)	7:30 PM
11	Saturday	Green Day Claymont	Claymont Community Center	9-3 PM
14	Tuesday	Holy Rosary Bingo Support	Holy Rosary School Hall	6:00 PM
16	Thursday	Mardaga Assembly Meeting	Council Home	8:00 PM
19	Sunday	Fathers' Day	Happy Father's Day !	
21	Tuesday	Council Meeting (First Degree)	Council Home	8:00 PM
24	Friday	Council Poker Night	Council Home	6:30 PM

JULY 2011

5	Tuesday	Council Business Meeting	Council Home	8:00 PM
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UPCOMING EVENT

August 2 - 4, 2011

129th Annual Supreme Convention

Denver, Colorado



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