

The Knight Light

Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council 6893, District 9 Suffolk Chapter "We Are Family"

PO Box 1151, East Northport, NY 11731



The Grand Knight's Message March, 2016

Dear Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, and friends,

"By Dying He destroyed our death and by rising He restored our life." We begin the month of March by continuing our Lenten journey towards commemorating the Passion and celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As members of the Knights of Columbus, we live the Easter message. Charity, Unity, and Fraternity are the principles we live by. As we prepare for our Easter celebrations, please take a minute to reflect on the following passage from the 2015 Easter message of our Holy Father Pope Francis on the aspect of love and the Risen Christ.

"That is why we tell everyone: "Come and see!" In every human situation, marked by frailty, sin and death, the Good News is no mere matter of words, but a testimony to unconditional and faithful love: it is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others, being close to those crushed by life's troubles, sharing with the needy, standing at the side of the sick, elderly and the outcast... "Come and see!" Love is more powerful, love gives life, love makes hope blossom in the wilderness.

With this joyful certainty in our hearts, today we turn to you, risen Lord!"

Our March Social Meeting has been moved to Tuesday, March 22nd, due to the Suffolk County Columbiettes Chapter meeting being held at the FTAJ Hall on Monday, March 21st. At this meeting will have a St. Patrick's Day Family Dinner Celebration, Families Welcome! Free Will Donations will be accepted and appreciated to help off-set the cost of the dinner.

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month	Certificate of Appreciation
2015 October	Scott Schneider	Debbie & Carl H. Finke	
2015 November	Richard R. Ronde	Mary & Michael S. Simonelli	James K. Reichert
2015 December	Richard F. Fitzgerald	Agatha & John E. Piropato, PGK, FDD	James Petriccione
2016 January	Jerome M. Dano	Cory & Bruce Mulvey	Jackie & John W. Piropato, FTAJ Columbiettes

Congratulations to our Knights and Families of the month announced at our Honors Night.

Also, congratulations to all our Brother Knights with 25 + years of service with the Knights of Columbus who were recognized and honored at our Honors Night. Also, a special thank you to the Brothers who shared a memorable story about our Council.

This month I am highlighting three of our upcoming events. The first is our Membership Recruitment Drive at St. Anthony of Padua after all masses during the weekend of March 5th and 6th. Your help is needed to make this a successful Recruitment Drive. The second event will be held on March 12th, our St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance Honoring Sr. Jeanette. Please join us to honor and thank Sr. Jeanette for her many years of service to our Parish, Parish school, and Catholic education. In addition, help is needed with this event's Planning, Set-up, Decorating, Bartending, Serving, Raffles, Clean-up, and Break-down. Our Lenten Dinners are the third event I am highlighting. We will be serving a Lenten Dinner on the following Fridays during Lent, March 4th and 18th. Please join us.

See the "Upcoming Events" article in this Knight Light for additional March and future Fr. Judge Council events.

"Founder's Day - On Founder's Day this March 29th, we celebrate the 134th anniversary of the Knights of Columbus.

On March 29, 1882, the Connecticut state legislature officially chartered the Knights of Columbus, a fraternal benefit society founded by Father Michael J. McGivney with a group of parishioners in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven. Still true to its founding principles of charity, unity, and fraternity 134 years later, the Knights of Columbus has grown to the largest lay Catholic organization in the world with more than more than 15,100 councils and 1.9 million members.

Throughout its history, the Knights of Columbus has been an effective advocate and defender of civil and religious rights for all. The organization has also contributed billions of dollars and millions of hours of volunteer service to charity.

As we celebrate the legacy of the Venerable Michael McGivney and the contributions of our Brother Knights since 1882, we also prepare for an even greater future as we live out the vision of our founder."

We have a GREAT COUNCIL and great deal to offer new Brothers. I encourage all Brother Knights to try and recruit new members. A strong and active membership leads to a strong and prosperous Council.

I also continue to encourage my Brother Knights to reach out to our fellow Brothers who you haven't seen at meetings or events recently and invite them to join you at a Council meeting or event. Remember – We Are Family.

Brothers Knights, Sisters Columbiettes, and friends please remember the sick and deceased members of our Fr. Judge Family in your prayers.

A very Happy St. Patrick's Day and a very Happy St. Joseph's Day! Smooth sailings and good times to all those cruising on the Norwegian Breakaway to the Bahamas on our Council Fundraiser.

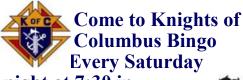
Thea and I wish you and your loved ones a very meaningful and Blessed Easter!

Peace and God Bless.

Mike

Michael G. Norton Grand Knight

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night at 7:30 in Saint Anthony's Bingo Hall below the Church.



Announcements and Committee Reports Committee Chairmen in Parentheses

Nocturnal Adoration (Bob Slingo, PGK)

Father Judge Council Nocturnal Adoration at Saint Anthony's Parish covers three bands. These are bands 4 and 5 and a non rotating band that always begins at 10:00 PM.

BAND SCHEDULE January – June 2016

BANDS	<u>MAR 4-5</u>	<u>APR 1-2</u>	<u>MAY 6-7</u>	<u>JUN 3-4</u>	
NON-ROTATING BAND is always at 10:00 PM					
FOUR	5:00 AM	11:00 PM	12 MID	1:00 AM	
FIVE	11:00 PM	12 MID	1:00 AM	2:00 AM	

Adoration is a good way to take time to relax and pray before the Blessed Sacrament in the solitude of our Church. If you would like to participate, call Bob Slingo at 631-486-2875.

Pictures at Council Events (George Morrish)

If you want pictures for the *Knight Light* for an event you are running, it should be a topic at your planning meetings. The best way to cover this is to ask someone to take your pictures; you will be too busy. Ask your photographer to take pictures of people in action and having fun. Recommend photos that you really like! If you want a staff photographer, ask Bob Spera in advance (631-680-1702) or email George Morrish at PiperNCPD@aol.com.

Membership and Degrees (Ed Perillo and Jerry Dano)

If you have a potential member, please contact Ed Perillo at 631-754-8606. You can email Jerry Dano at jeromedano@yahoo.com. If you email Jerry, enter "KofC membership" on the subject line. For questions on KofC degrees call Carlo at 631-261-1253.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

Frank Collins, PGK—(631-499-9022)

Red GOLF SHIRTS Please order as soon as you can --- at the next council meeting (Monday - March 7th) --- or e-mail: <u>FJ259@aol.com</u>. Give me the size and name to be affixed --- (\$20 each). Sweatshirts (\$18) and fleece jackets (\$30) are still available.

Need a ride to a meeting? (Don Maltby, PGK)

If you need a ride to a Council meeting or any event for any reason, call Don at 631-368-6657. He will get a ride for you if possible. If you would like to help a Brother who needs a ride, call Don.

6893 Corporation (Danny Flinn)

The Corporation meets on the 2nd Monday of every month. Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 8 at 7:30PM at Father Judge Hall. You may email President Danny Flinn at dflinn79@gmail.com.

Super Bowl Party (Don Maltby, PGK & John Hnath, PGK) Nice Job. 45 Brothers, Sisters, friends and family had a blast. See page 10 for pictures and story.

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Columbiettes (Karen Sheehan, President)

If you are a Catholic female who is 17 years old or older and are interested in making a difference in your community through your faith, join the Columbiettes. Please email Karen for information at kandk1111@verizon.net. You can call me at 516-353-1820.

Basketball Free Throw Competition (Jerry Dano)

Six players advanced to the County Playoffs. They are Jack Herzlich Emma Kelly, Kelly Kropp Molly Miller who in 2015 advanced to West Point Madison Mullman ('15 LI champ) and Daniel Brown Good luck to all Father Judge shooters in the county finals. See the full story on this event on page 8.

Knights of Columbus Insurance Timothy O'Keefe

Greetings Father Judge Council,

I would like to introduce myself as your new field agent. My name is Tim O'Keefe and I am very excited to take on this role. The Knights of Columbus have truly carried on Father Michael McGivney's vision. The charity and unity of great Catholic families mix together with a top rated Catholic insurance company to form a unique group that is second to none. I am proud to be a part of this organization as I am sure all of you are. Thank you to all who welcomed me at the first meeting of the year. Recently moving to Smithtown has made Northport very close by. I look forward to meeting you all and becoming very involved with your Council. If there is something that I can do to help please let me know.

Every Brother Knight and their family members should know a field agent can provide professional insight regarding your life insurance plan. This service is afforded to you by the Knights of Columbus. I meet with members and their families mornings, afternoons, and evenings. Let's make a mutually convenient appointment to take advantage of this fraternal benefit. I promise that an insurance review meeting with me will be painless and time well spent. I can act as a second set of eyes for your protection.

Owning a Knights of Columbus catholic insurance product can benefit you and your family in a multitude of ways. Did you also know that it can help the council as well? The Star Council Award is not only one of the most prestigious council achievements but it also provides monetary reward to your council. With the right number of new members and new insurance members we can achieve this goal. See how you can help your family while simultaneously fundraising for your council. Call me to find out more about this win win. God bless and be well.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Tim O'Keefe 631-655-3971 Timothy.O'Keefe@KofC.org

Bingo (Ron Smith, PGK)

As a result of an increase in Bingo players, more Bingo workers are needed. If you can help, call one of the following captains:

Ron Smith, PGK
 Rich Fitzgerald
 Don Maltby, PGK
 Joe Buscarello
 269-4575
 368-2584
 368-6657
 478-5993

If you want to help and cannot join a team, please come to the Bingo Hall at 6:30 PM on Saturdays to help sell; help is always needed for the first hour.

Little Knights (Cinthia and John Mahon)

The Little Knights meet on selected Saturdays throughout the year. The meetings are announced in the Knight Light in this space and on the calendar on page four (4). If you would like to join the Little Knights please contact John Mahon at 631-368-0872. In the coming months we will be working on the following projects:

March 12th at 10:30 a.m. at Council Hall

Preparation of Easter baskets for children in our parish.

April Preparing a food basket of individually wrapped items for family members to eat while visiting loved ones that are in hospice care.

May Prepare raffle baskets for Sunrise Fund Spaghetti Dinner.

June End of the year celebration. Farewell to our high school graduates.

We hope that you will be available to attend these meetings to lend a hand and to support those less fortunate then ourselves.

Help Wanted; Volunteers Needed (Bob Spera) We need:

· Bingo workers

We always need Bingo Workers. See page 3 for team leaders or call Ron Smith, PGK at 269-4575

• <u>Driver</u>

Drivers are always needed for Brothers having no transportation to meetings, etc. Please call Don at 631-368-6657.

• Knight Light Reporter/Assistant Editor

Call Bob at 631-680-1702 to volunteer for anything in this announcement. Better would be to email Bob at bobspera@optonline.net.

Lenten Dinners Schedule

(Rich Ronde, DGK)

March 4 Risotto
March 11 No Dinner
March 18 Shrimp Scampi

Each evening meal will include complete dinner, soft drinks and dessert & coffee.

The donation schedule is \$12 for adults and \$5 for each child under 12, There a single charge of \$30 for families

(More important Announcements are continued on page 5)

	March 2016					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
February 28	February 29	1	2	2nd Degree 8PM hosted by Fr. Judge	A Nocturnal Adoration page 2 Lenten Family Dinner Night 6:30 PM	5 Adoration see p-2 Recruitment Drive at St. Anthony's after 5:00PM Mass Bingo Team 4
6 Recruitment Drive at St. Anthony's after all Masses	7 Council Business Meeting, repast 7:30 PM, meeting 8:00 PM.	8 6893 Corporation Meeting 7:30 PM	9	10	Suffolk Chapter KofC Meeting At St. Joseph's Council	Sr. Jeanette Testimonial (St. Patrick's Party) Bingo Team 1
13 St. Baldrick's shaving at Miller's LI Ale House	14	15 8:00 PM, DD Meeting at FTAJ	16	19	18 Lenten Family Dinner Night 6:30 PM	19 Bingo Team 2
20	21 Suffolk Chapter Columbiettes Meeting at FTAJ	22 Patrick's Day, Family Celebration, Families Welcome	23	24	25 Good Friday	26 No bingo Defensive Driving course See page 5 9:00 AM
Have A very Happy and Blessed Easter	28 Feast Meeting 7:30 PM at the Council Hall	29 Founder's Day - the Anniversary of the KofC Officers Meeting, 7:30	30	31	April 1 Nocturnal Adoration page 2	4/2 Bingo Team 3 Nocturnal see p. 2 Fr. Vian Fundraiser Council Hall 3 rd Degree at St. Jude's Rocky Pt.
April 3 Nocturnal Adoration see p. 2	April 4 First Degree 7:30 Council Business Meeting 8:00 Then Repast	April 5	April 6	April 7	April 8 Suffolk Chapter Meeting	April 9 Bingo Team 4



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Annual Communion Breakfast (Mike Norton, GK)

Mark your calendar. The annual communion breakfast is set for June 12 at St. Anthony's at the 9:00 Mass. Breakfast will follow immediately in Council Hall.

Membership Dues and Maintenance (John Piropato Jr., Financial Secretary)

Brothers, our new Columbian year began on July 1 and with that day came the assessment of the 2015-2016 dues in the amount of \$44.00 for regular members and \$10.00 for honorary or student members. Please mail your check, payable to Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council to:

JOHN W. PIROPATO, FS Father Thomas A. Judge Council 6893 P.O. Box 1151 East Northport, NY 11731

Fr. O'Leary Testimonial

On Saturday, July 16, we will be celebrating the 60th Anniversary of Father Lawrence O'Leary's Priesthood. Details will follow.

Knight at the Races (Dr. Ray Moscolo)

On Friday, April 22, there will be a Knight at the Races to benefit the Cpl. Christopher G. Scherer Semper Fi Fund and the FTAJ Charities. More details will follow.

St. Baldrick's Foundation (Bob Slingo PGK)

Exciting news from the East Northport St. Baldrick's staff ... Once again we will be back at Miller's LI Ale House in Commack on Sunday, March 13th for the big head-shaving event to raise more money to help find a cure for childhood cancer!

We're looking forward to seeing you all again at Miller's Long Island Ale House, 88 Veterans Memorial Highway (Target Shopping Ctr.) in Commack on Sunday, March 13, 2016.

For more information, join our team or to make a donation, please visit our website at

http://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/FrJudgeKofC2016

Council Hall Rental (Bob Mahon)

Please rent our beautiful Hall if possible. Talk it up; tell your friends. Father Judge Hall specializes in family oriented events. We do Sweet Sixteen parties, Christenings, Birthday parties, Bar Mitzvah, Bat (Bas) Mitzvah, Confirmations and even Weddings! For details on rental costs, see ad on page 11 or just Call Bob. Mahon at 631-262-1891.

Defensive Driving Course (John Hnath, PGK)

The Father Thomas A. Judge Council of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Defensive Driving Course at the Council Hall in Hewett Square on 03/26/2016. The Course is open to Brother Knights, family and friends. The Course will begin promptly at 9am and run for 6 hours. The cost of the Course is \$35.00 per person. After attending the Course you will receive a certificate of completion for the Course which you can submit to your insurance company for a minimum of 10% reduction of your automobile liability and collision insurance premiums each year for three years.

There is no test. You will refresh your driving knowledge with a review of time tested driving tips and an overview of todays vehicle and traffic laws. Also, you may be eligible to reduce as many as four (4) points on your driving record.

Please contact John Hnath at 516-526-6558 for additional information and to book your seat in the course. No walk in's accepted.

St. Anthony's Family Feast & Festival (Fred Leonardo)

Monday, March 28 is the first Feast Meeting at 7:30 PM at Council Hall. The dates of the Feast are set. This year it will run from June 29th through July 3rd 2016.

Volunteer Sign-up dates are Thursday June 9th and Tuesday June 14th at K of C Hall starting at 7:30 PM.

All Council members, friends & family are invited to participate including teenagers 14 years of age and older.

In addition to signing up for specific committees and scheduling your hours, all 2015 Feast ID cards will be validated for 2016. If you are interested in being a volunteer worker, you must attend at least one of these meetings. For more information please call.



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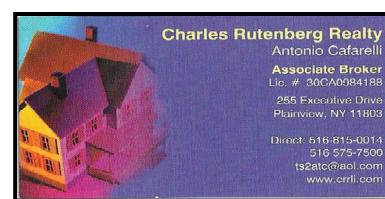
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Fr. Judge Month in Review (Mike Norton, GK)

A great time was had by all at our Annual Super Bowl Party. As in past years, Brother Knight Don Maltby did a FANTASTIC job of organizing the party – thank you Don. Also, a big thank you to Brother Knight John Hnath for providing his delicious chili and Buffalo hot wings.

Thank you to all the other Brother Knights (especially Rich Fitzgerald, Dan Flinn, Carl Finke, and Joe Buscarello) who helped with the cooking, bar tendering, setup, and cleanup.

Thank you Brother Jerry Dano for leading the effort as the Fr. Judge Council hosted the District 9 Free Throw event. Also, thank you to all the other Brother Knights who helped at the competition with the setup, administration, and breakdown.

Thank you to the Brother Knights for their help at our Honors Night Celebration! Although the weather didn't cooperate, and attendance was limited, it appeared all who attended were appreciative of the recognition bestowed on our Brother Knights with 25 + years of service to the Knights of Columbus.

Special thanks to our Deputy Grand Knight Rich Ronde, Mary, the other contributing members of our Fr. Judge Family and our Master Chef Tony Azic for the delicious, and successful, Lenten Family Dinner Nights. See below



Fr. Judge Upcoming Events (Mike Norton, GK)

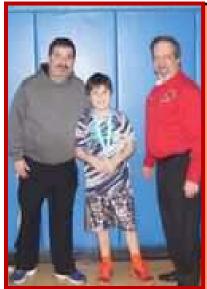
- 03-03-16 Thursday, Second Degree 8:00 PM Hosted by FTAJ
- 03-04-16 Friday, Lenten Family Dinner Night 6:30 PM, \$5.00/Child, \$12.00/PP or \$30.00/Family
- 03-05-16 Saturday, Recruitment Drive at St. Anthony's after the 5:00 PM Mass
- 03-06-16 Sunday, Recruitment Drive at St. Anthony's after all Masses
- 03-07-16 Monday, Council Business Meeting, repast 7:30 PM, meeting 8:00 PM
- 03-08-16 Tuesday, 6893 Corporation Meeting 7:30 PM
- 03-11-16 Friday, Suffolk Chapter KofC Meeting at St. Joseph's #4810 (Greenlawn)
- 03-12-16 Saturday, St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance Honoring Sr. Jeanette (Chairmen Carl Finke, Dan Flinn & Ed Schnepf)
- 03-13-16 Sunday, St Baldrick's event at noon, Miller's Commack Ale House
- 03-13-16 to 03-20-16 Council Fundraiser Join us aboard the Norwegian Breakaway for a 7 Night Bahamas Cruise
- 03-15-16 Tuesday, 8:00 PM, DD Meeting at FTAJ
- 03-18-16 Friday, Lenten Family Dinner Night 6:30 PM, \$5.00/Child, \$12.00/PP or \$30.00/Family
- 03-21-15 Monday, Suffolk Chapter Columbiettes Meeting at FTAJ
- 03-22-16 Tuesday, 7:30 PM St. Patrick's Day, Family Celebration, Families Welcome
- 03-26-16 Saturday, NO BINGO (not a bye)
- 03-26-16 Saturday, Defensive Driving Course contact John Hnath at 516-526-6558 for additional information
- 03-27-16 Sunday, A very Happy and Blessed Easter
- 03-28-16 Monday, Feast Meeting 7:30 PM at the Council Hall
- 03-29-16 Tuesday, Founder's Day (1882) the Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus
- 03-29-16 Tuesday, Officers Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 04-01-16 Friday, Fundraiser for Fr. Vian at Council Hall
- 04-01-16 Friday, Third Degree 8:00 PM at St. Jude Council, Rocky Point
- 04-02-16 Saturday, Long Island Free Throw at Chaminade High School
- 04-04-16 Monday, First Degree Exemplification at FTAJ 7:30 PM (prior to our Business Meeting)
- 04-04-16 Monday, Council Business Meeting, meeting 8:00 PM, repast following meeting

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2016 Free Throw Contest

Six shooters from our Council won the District Free Throw and will advance to the county finals to be held March fifth at Sts. Cyril and Methodius in Deer Park.

Finalist **Jack Herzlich** is shown in upper left. Below him is Emma Kelly. Below Emma in the lower left corner is **Kelly Kropp**.

In the upper right is **Daniel Brown.** Below him is Madison Mullman. In the lower right corner Molly Miller. All pictures include our District Deputy, Roger Sirangello.

In bottom middle are some of the Volunteers who helped us. Also helping us were GK Mike Norton and Paul Mullman. We apologize to any helpers that we may have missed. A special thanks to Joe DePenta who was our photographer.

Thanks to all the volunteers, parents, district officials, and the Supreme Council all of whom made this contest possible.

Good luck to all Father Judge shooters in the County Finals.



Free throw winners and their schools

Age	Gen	Name	School
10	Boys	Jack Herzlich	James Boyd
11	Girls	Emma Kelly	Pulaski School
12	Girls	Kelly Kropp	E, Northport Middle
13	Girls	Molly Miller who in 2015 advanced to West Point	Elwood Middle
13	Girls	Madison Mull- man ('15 LI champ)	Elwood Middle
14	Bovs	Daniel Brown	Elwood Middle















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Super Bowl Party

About 45 Brothers, Sisters, friends and family of the Fr. Judge Council attended our Super Bowl 50 Party.

At left we see our temporary chefs, well wrapped and ready to cook. From left to right they are Christian Schuchman, John Paul Stevenson, (Don Tripolone's grandson), friendly visitor, Mary Simonelli, Mike Simonelli and Don Maltby.

Immediately below, Kitchen workers get the fixins ready.





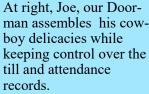
their boxes. Below GK Mike Norton is pleased at the attendance and fun.



At halftime (above) we were entertained with the rest of the USA by Beyoncé and Coldplay.

At left, Bob Biederman settles

At left, Bob Biederman settles down to enjoy the beginnings of a fantastic meal centered around barbequed steak.







At left, Brothers check their boxes and numbers. Below, Brothers, and friends enjoy a steadfest at the corner of the bar. Super Bowl 50 was a mammoth success for Fr. Judge Council.





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