

## The Knight Light

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

PO Box 1151, East Northport, NY 11731

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#### The Grand Knight's Message March, 2017

#### Brothers and Members of the Fr. Judge Council Family,

March 1<sup>st</sup> is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption. Ashes are administer during Mass and services throughout the day. For Catholics the ashes are a visible symbol of penance. All are invited to accept ashes, even non-Christians and the excommunicated are welcome to receive the ashes. The ashes are made from blessed palm branches, taken from the previous year's Palm Sunday Mass.

Our Lenten journey continues for six weeks. Lent is a wonderful time for us to do a "self-examine" of our own lives and seek forgiveness through the sacrament of reconciliation. There so many other ways we can prepare ourselves during Lent for the Passion and Resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Things to consider participating in are daily Mass and receiving Eucharist, parish mission, Stations of the Cross, observing fasting guidelines and even inviting fellow Catholics who may have drifted away from the church to come back and experience the love and peace of Christ.

February was filed with highlights for our council. Two standout events were the Superbowl party and the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. The Superbowl Party was a sensational hit! Approximately 70 people were in attendance including the largest population of women we ever had at a Superbowl Party. The steaks were prepared to perfection, service from our volunteer crew was excellent and appreciated by the guests, bar service and products received no complaints and the extra touches of John Hnath's chili and wings topped off a great event. Oh yes, there a football game also. An exciting game that saw the Patriots pull-off the greatest comeback in Superbowl history.

Our council received its charter on February 17, 1977. To the day we celebrated our  $40^{\rm th}$  anniversary. It was another wonderful event enjoyed by all in attendance. Thank you to Carl and Debbie Finke for arranging for and handling the food portion of the event and to the Simonelli family for helping out with set-up, clean-up and assisting Carl and Debbie. The evening comprised of a cocktail hour with plenty of conversations, dinner with light easy listening background music and a program that told our council's history through the Past Grand Knights in attendance and those who could not be there but sent in their commentaries. There were also many presentations throughout the night by the dignitaries in attendance.

Other highlights in February included a return of Soup and Sandwich night, the district Free Throw competition, a 1<sup>st</sup> degree held on our social meeting night, cooking for the veterans and a 2<sup>nd</sup> Super Sunday for the month. The month started with Superbowl Sunday but finished with SUPER SUNDAY. And what a super day it was.

Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> was a Super Sunday. The day started with a Squires breakfast held at our hall. Organized by Dr. Ray and prepared by Mike Simonelli (there's that name again) approximately 10 Squires, several adult advisors, and the Grand Knight enjoyed a simple breakfast. The Group was joined by New York Chairman for Squires Mike Hardy. After breakfast everyone attended the monthly Knights of Columbus Mass at St. Anthony of Padua.

We have been holding our monthly Mass for 6 months now and this was our best turn out. Even Father Joe noticed the exceptional turn out. Our section of the church was crowded. As Grand Knight I am so proud of "our family" and the growth of the monthly Mass. Let's keep working to better and better attendance. The repast following Mass in the lower church was also well attended. Not too many left overs for Bob and Ann Dabkowski to clean-up. Bob and Ann have been organizing the repast each month - Thank you Bob and Ann.

The Squires went right back to work after Mass setting up the hall for a dinner for families with autistic children. About 20

families were in attendance. They enjoyed a family friendly dinner, music from the DJ and activities for the children. The children were very attentive and inquisitive. Many asked me questions about my Grand Knight Jewel, my council jacket and the pins on my jacket. The families in attendance were very much appreciative and thanked our council for hosting the dinner. A huge thank you needs to go out Dr. Ray Mascolo for organizing the dinner for these great families. It really was a SUPER SUNDAY!

Brothers and Sisters, we are right back at in March. We start the month off on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> with our International Drink Night. Specially prepared drinks with an international theme from our "Mix Master" PGK John Hnath will be served to all guests in attendance. Some light appetizers will also be available. On Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> our Lenten dinners return. Please come out and support your council and share a Lenten meal with your fellow brothers and sisters in Columbianism. See the Knight Light for dates, times and menu.

Our major event for the month of March is a St. Patrick's Day Party on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall. This is a shared fundraiser with St. Anthony of Padua. A traditional Corned Beef Dinner, some Suds, Irish Soda Bread, dessert and entertainment will make for an enjoyable night for all. See Ed Schnepf, Carl Finke or Mike Simonelli for tickets. Invite your friends to come and join in the fun.

March 29<sup>th</sup> is Founders Day. This year we celebrate 135 years of the founding of the Order by Father Michael J. McGivney at Saint Mary's Church in New Haven Connecticut. Father McGivney had originally conceived of the name "Sons of Columbus" but James T. Mullen, who would become the first Supreme Knight, successfully suggested that "Knights of Columbus" would better capture the ritualistic nature of the new organization. Columbus was a hero to many American Catholics, and naming him as patron was partly an attempt to bridge the division between the Irish-Catholic founders of the Order and Catholic immigrants of other nationalities living in Connecticut.

To our Fr. Judge Family, please make every attempt to use the season of Lent to reflect on your life and

prepare yourself for Our Saviors Pasion, Death and Rise to Glory on Easter Sunday. Six weeks seems like a long time but it will sneak up on you very quickly. Spend some time each day during Lent preparing yourself.

Fraternally,

Richard R. Ronde Grand Knight





## Father Thomas A. Judge Hall



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#### **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 which rotate in time and a non rotating band that always begins at 10:00 PM. 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.

BAND SCHEDULE—Mar-Jun, 2017				
<b>BANDS</b>	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
NON-ROTATING BAND is always at 10:00 PM				
FOUR	2:00 AM	3:00 AM	4:00 AM	5:00AM AM
FIVE	3:00 AM	4:00 AM	5:00 AM	6:00AM

#### Pictures at Council Events (George Morrish)

You should want pictures and story for the Knight Light for an event you are running and this 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 to the editor, Bob Spera (631-680-1702) photos that you really like and submit with an idea of what you want to say about the picture! 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 & 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.

#### **Columbiettes (Karen Sheehan) President** 516-353-1820

March 20, 2017, The Suffolk Chapter Columbiettes meet at Fr. Judge Hall

March 23 2017 (6:30-9:30 PM), the Columbiettes will be hosting a Charitable Sewing Event. We will be sewing dresses for underprivileged girls. If you would like to participate or have questions, please call: Agatha Piropato 631-499-7138.

April 2, 2017- Mad Hatter Tea Party- (1:00-4:00) PM. \$20.00 per person. Price includes 1 Bingo pack (8 games), tea, finger sandwiches, cookies and cakes! Wear your best hat to win prizes. Contact Susan Hurd at 516-650-0527 for tickets

April 9, 2017- Palm Sunday- Easter Plant Sale following all masses at St. Anthony of Padua Church.

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 President Karen Sheehan, for information at kandk1111@verizon.net or call her at 516-353-1820.

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#### **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 the two page ad on pages 2 and 3 and then Call Bob Mahon at 631-262-1891. You can email Bob at RAM725@aol.com

#### Knights of Columbus Insurance Timothy O'Keefe Greetings Father Judge Council, Ways to Pay for Whole Life

We live in a world of options and we are constantly bombarded by choices. Some of these make our lives more complicated, but many of these choices are created with our satisfaction in mind.

At the Knights of Columbus, every product we offer has been designed solely for the benefit of our members and their families. When I present an option to you, it's because a team of experts has discussed it at length to be certain it serves your best interest.

We have a few options on how you can provide and pay for the whole life coverage that your family needs. Many whole life policies call for premiums to be paid for your entire life or to age 100. But we also offer permanent life coverage with guaranteed cash values (and the potential to earn dividends, which are not guaranteed) through policies that offer a limited period of premium payments. First, we offer "10 Pay Life" and "20 Pay Life." Consider paying premiums for 10 or 20 years, and never having to pay for the coverage again. The plan is "paid up" and no more premiums are due. The plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

A plan with similar benefits is "Life Paid Up at 65." The difference over 10 or 20 Pay Life plans is that this permanent product requires you to pay premiums until age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance — permanent life insurance — and only paying one single premium? It's possible.

To learn more about these products, our long-term care insurance, disability income or retirement products, please call me today.

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

## 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.

#### Cruisers, Mark your calendars -

This year's Fr. Judge Cruise will be aboard the Royal Caribbean Allure of the Seas sailing out of Ft. Lauderdale on June 4, 2017. Contact Mary Ronde at 631-754-4084 or email Mary at <a href="mailto:mronde@cruiseone.com">mronde@cruiseone.com</a>) for details and to make your reservation. The time to get the best pricing and cabin availability is now. See flyer on page 21 for more details but call now! 631-754-4084

#### Help Wanted, Volunteers Needed

#### Drivers

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.

#### 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 2016-2017 dues in the amount of \$50.00 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 305 LYNN AVE. EAST NORTHPORT, N.Y. 11731

If the payment of your dues would cause undo hardships or they cannot be paid for any other reasons, please do not hesitate to contact the Grand Knight so that other arrangements may be made. Any discussions and requests are always held in the strictest confidence.

If you are not required to pay annual dues because of your membership status please consider making a contribution to your Council by sending a payment to the Financial Secretary at the address above.

(More important Announcements are continued on page 7)

<b>March 2017</b>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
February 26 K of C Mass 10:30 AM Mass St. Anthony Downs Syndrome Dinner12:00noon Fr. Judge Hall	February 27 Officers Meeting 7:30 PM Fr. Judge Hall	February 28	Ash Wednesday Lent	2 Lent	3 International Drink Night 7:30 PM Fr. Judge Hall Be Temperate. It's Lent	4 Lent
5 Lent	6 Council Business Meeting, repast 7:30 PM, meeting 8:00 PM Lent	7 Lent	8 Lent	9 Lent	Lent Lenten Family Dinner Night	11 Lent
Lent Daylight Savings Begins St Baldrick's shaving at 3:00 PM, Miller's Commack Ale House	Lent Corporation Meeting7:30 PM Fr. Judge Hall	14 Lent	15 Lent	16 Lent	17 Lent St. Patrick's Day St. Patrick's Day Dinner/ Dance	18 Lent
19 Lent	Lent Lent First day of spring Suffolk Chapter Columbiettes	Lent Council Social Meeting 8:00pm Fr. Judge Hall	Lent	23 Lent	Lent Cooking for Vets	25 Lent
26 Lent Council Monthly Mass 10:30am Mass St. Anthony of Padua	27 Officers Meeting 7:30pm Fr. Judge Hall	Lent Feast Meeting Also 4/25 and 5/30 ALL AT 7:30	KofC Founder's Day Lent	30 Lent	Lent Lenten Family Dinner Night	April 1 Lent
April 2 Lent Next Sunday is Palm Sunday Columbiettes Tea	April 3 Lent	April 4 Lent	April 5 Lent	April 6 Lent	April 7 Lenten Family Dinner Night	April 8 Lent

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## Ads in the Knight Light (Joe DiPenta) If you want to advertise in the Knight Light, contact me, at 631-499-7792.

You can email Joe at jdpenta@hotmail.com.

Ads in the in Knight Light are \$100.00 for 11 issues for a business card style ad. A double ad is \$200.00. The fee for all larger ads are roughly proportional to the size of the sponsorship and are negotiable. Small \$50.00 ads are no longer offered or sold. Existing \$50.00 ads will be continued.

Free ads are offered to significant sponsors (\$500.00 or more) of any Father Judge Council event. Events include the Annual Feast, the Sam Russo Golf Classic and the Squires Steak House dinner. Free ads are provided for any event run by the Father Judge KofC Council, the Columbiettes, Squires or Little Knights.

Free ads are provided to all charitable programs of local parishes provided all proceeds go to charity. Free ads are provided for any charitable purpose when presented by a Knight and approved at the Council leadership meeting. We all thank Joe for managing this important function.

#### PASTA DINNER Fundraiser (see also page 13)

Our Council is partnering with Parish Outreach, the Catholic Daughters and the Columbiettes for this event. Complete details of this event are in the joint flyer shown on Page 13. There will be music by three bands. The date is Friday, June 23 and the time is 7:00pm to 10:00pm. This will happen in the Parish Hall. The cost is \$15.00 per person and the menu is:

#### Pasta and Meatball Dinner Soda, Coffee and Dessert Beer and Wine

There will be Raffle Baskets and a 50-50 raffle. For Tickets Call:

Jackie Piropato-PCP 516-318-5809 Anne Viggiano-Regent CDA 631 368-7645 John E Piropato-PGK FDD 631-499-7138 Karen Sheehan-President 516-353-1820

No tickets will be sold at the door.

If you cannot attend you can make Direct Donations to the Veterans Charities or to Parish Outreach. Details for doing this are in the flyer on page 13

## Father Judge Council 300 Club 2016 (Don Maltby, PGK)

Our Council thanks all who participated in all the 300 Clubs. We donated over \$50,000 to various charitable causes over the years. Our <u>eleventh</u> 300 Club has begun.

To join, compete and mail the form below. The winner of the first drawing for \$600.00 is

Brother Knight Jim Soria.

Father Ju	dge 300 Club 2016			
To join please fill in the following	g: (Print)			
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E-mail Address:				
Council Member? Check one.				
List in order of preference you 1. 2. 3.	ur membership number from 001 - 300.			
If all the numbers you requested are already taken the Council				
will pick a number at rande	om for you.			
Mail this form and a check for \$30 for each number. Make check payable to '				
Father. Thomas A. Judge Council #6893'				
Mail to Don Maltby				
408 4th Avenue				
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#### **Affinity Program (Bill O'Donnell)**

631-239-5640 or cell 516-885-4547 Our Council is part of the Affinity program at TD Bank We will receive <u>cash credits</u> if you affiliate your accounts with the Father Judge account at TD Bank. This holds true for new

and existing accounts. More details will follow in future Knight Lights and emails from our council. You can Call Bill at 631-239-5640 or cell 516-885-4547 You

can email our Treasurer Bill at (wcod@optonline.net).

#### **Promotional Items (George Morrish)**

George Morrish has taken over the duties of Brother Frank Collins relative to the sale and distribution of Knights of Columbus promotional items. These are items such as shirts, jackets, ties, etc. George has all Council inventory in his possession. There is a new haberdasher in town. Details will follow in future issues of the Knight Light. (continued on page 10)



#### Father Judge Council Selects Free Throw Champions

Once again we had a great event and sent nine players to the next level. These players competed at the District level on Monday February 13 at Saint Anthony/Trinity School gym. Those winners will then ad-

vance to compete in Deer Park for the right to compete for the Long Island championship. After that is the Southern NY competition that includes the boroughs of NYC. From there the finalists go on to compete to be State Champion for their age group. This contest will be held at the US Military Academy at West Point. At the Academy they will be hosted by the West Point cadets' Knights of Columbus Council. In addition to the free throw contest they typically get a wonderful introduction to the beauty and history of West Point.

On this page we have the roster of winners who advanced to the District shootout.

We all thank Brother Knight Jerry Dano for managing another successful Father Thomas Judge Council Shoot-out. We thank Brother George Morrish, Council Photographer for the Pictures

We had 22 candidates this year competing in the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. Nine moved on to the district level in the New York competition. Father Thomas A. Judge K of C Council 6893 sponsored the local competition at Trinity Regional School in East Northport. All youngsters ages 9 to 14 were eligible to participate.

- In the 9 year old Boys' group Evan Flanagan was selected as the boys' division champ. Evan is in the lower left hand corner of the opposite page. Standing with Evan and with every shooter is this program's strongest supporter, our worthy Grand Knight Richard Ronde.
  - In the picture to Evan's right, another competitor who did not move on to the next level but the whose shot had a lot of height!
- In the upper left corner is Gregory Lindsay, from Trinity Regional. He was the 10th grade boys winner
- To the right of Greg, is Anthony Schieble, The 12th grade boys winner from Elwood Middle School.
- Then further to the right is Emma Kelly, the 11 year-old winner from East Northport Middle School.

Free throw winners and their schools				
Age	Gen	Name	School	
9	Boys	Evan Flanagan	Dogwood Elementary	
10	Boys	Gregory Lindsay	Trinity Regional	
	Girls	Alexa Kassan	Bellerose	
11	Boys	Jack Herzlich	Elwood Middle	
	Girls	Emma Kelly	East Northport MS	
12	Boys	Anthony Schieble	Elwood Middle	
	Girls	Katelyn Bahr	Commack Middle	
14	Boys	Daniel Brown	John Glenn HS	
	Girls	Madison Mullman	John Glenn HS	

- Beginning the second row just below Greg is Alexa Kassan, the 10 year old winner from Bellerose Elementary
- To the right of Alexa is Daniel Brown, the 14 year old winner from John Glenn High School.
- Kaitlyn Bahr in the upper right corner is the 12 year old girls' champ
- Madison Mullman, just below Kaitlyn is a repeat winner and the 14 year-old Girls champ.
- Finally in the middle is Danial Brown, the 14 year old Boys' winner.

We must salute all our competitors, the athletes below, who supported this tournament. While the 9 winners will move on, we hope the rest will be sinking baskets in the 2018 Father Thomas A Judge KofC Basketball Shoot-out!





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#### Fr. Judge Dinner Club (Alex Short 631-754-3248 or doctoral21@gmail.com John Hnath 516-526-6558 hnathj@optonline.net)

Brothers, one idea to help replace our lost Bingo revenue was to start a Dinner Club at our council. The Dinner Club offers members of the club a chance to go to dinner up to six times during a calendar year for less than half the cost of going to a restaurant. Dinners would be scheduled on Friday nights during the year and the schedule would be pre-published.

Below is how the Father Judge Dinner Club would work.

- 1. To join the Father Judge Dinner Club potential members would be required to purchase a minimum of six (6) shares. Shares would cost ~\$25 \$30 (exact price would be predetermined) each and would need to be prepaid. *Example*: If the share cost was \$30, it would cost a member a minimum of \$180 (purchasing the minimum 6 shares) to join the club.
- 2. Each share would be good for one (1) person to attend one (1) dinner. *Example*: A member to attend all six dinners during the year by himself or attend three of the dinners during the year with a guest.
- 3. The prepaid shares are non-refundable but can be transferred to others.
- 4. A member would need to make a reservation by Tuesday of the week the dinner is scheduled for to participate in that particular dinner.
- 5. Dinners would consist of a salad, an entrée (beef, chicken, or pasta) with sides and dessert.
- Members could purchase additional shares when they initially join the club.

The Father Judge Dinner Club will be marketed as "Dinner and ....". The "and...." is an entertainment component that brings added value to the event. It might be a movie on our big screen TV, music for dancing, karaoke, or a magic act.

Participating in the Fr. Judge Dinner Club gives the member a night out for a reasonable cost, helps the council raise funds, and increases the utilization of our hall. For more information on the Fr. Judge Dinner Club contact Alex Short 631-754-3248 or <a href="doctoral21@gmail.com">doctoral21@gmail.com</a> or PGK John Hnath 516-526-6558 or hnathj@optonline.net

We are looking for 40 members to start the dinner club and holding our first dinner in the month of March.

## St. Anthony's Annual Feast and Festival (Fred Leonardo)

These are the **updated** dates for the chairpersons **2017** Feast meetings.

Tuesday March 28th Tuesday April 25th Tuesday May 30th

All meeting are at the hall at 7:30 pm. The 26<sup>th</sup> annual Feast runs

June 28th - July 2nd

#### Father O'Leary Update

For the past several weeks Fr. O'Leary has been being treated for pneumonia. After a brief hospital stay at the end of December he has been recovering at his residence. During this time Fr. O'Leary has made the decision to retire after 60 years of active service to the priesthood.

Fr. O'Leary is still not 100% recovered from his illness and is now residing in a retirement home for priests in Amityville. His contact information is:

Fr. Lawrence O'Leary c/o Dominican Village 565 Albany Avenue Amityville, NY 11701

Fr. O'Leary is in the Providence Building #595 His private phone number is 631 608-0630. He would welcome phone calls and cards and

letters. Please keep Fr. O'Leary in

**your prayers.** Watch for plans on how we plan to honor Fr. O'Leary on his retirement.

#### **International Drink Night**

Join Us on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> for a Fun Filled Night. We've done Martini Night, Craft Beer Night, Margarita Night.....now we are taking it INTERNATIONAL!

Who knows what surprises our mix master will come up with for us? Each idea will have an International feel or foreign flavor. Cost will be \$22/person and four (4) drinks will be prepared, explained and served. If you have attended any of our other events, you know how much fun they are. Contact Grand Knight Rich Ronde to reserve your place -email <u>rronde@verizon.net</u> or call GK at 631-889-3026.

#### **Friday Night Lenten Dinners** (Rich Ronde GK)

Wednesday, March 1st is Ash Wednesday, the start of the season of Lent. Below is a list of Friday Nights that we will be hosting a Lenten Dinner:

> Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> Fish Frv Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> Pasta Bar Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> Risotto

Each will be an appropriate meal for a Friday night in Lent. Doors will open at 6:30pm and we will begin service at 7:00pm. Complete meal includes soda, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$12/person or \$30/family. Come out and join us on Friday nights during Lent to enjoy a meal and relax with friends during this special time of the year as we prepare ourselves for the celebration of our Lord's Passion and Resurrection. Contact Grand Knight Rich Ronde by Wednesday of the related week to reserve your place: at RRonde@verizon.net 631-889-3026

#### St Patrick's Day Celebration Carl, Ed, and Mike S. -see below

We have joined with St. Anthony of Padua Parishto run a Parish Wide St. Patricks Day Celebration

Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm WHEN:

WHERE: Parish Hall



COST: \$35/person

We will be serving a traditional Corned Beef dinner with Beer, Wine & Soda and Coffee and Dessert.

Entertainment will also be provided.

We have received a Special Dispensation from Fr. Joe to eat Corned Beef on a Friday during Lent.

For more information contact:

Carl Finke 631 261-1358 631 757-3514 Ed Schnepf Mike Simonelli 631 520-8819

#### **Corporation News** Danny Flinn, 6893 Corp. President.

Elections for Board of Directors was held on February 6<sup>th</sup> and the six Brothers listed were elected as indicated.

Mike Simonelli (two year term)

Joseph Buscarello (two year term)

Donald Maltby (two year term)

Dan Flinn (three year term)

Fred Leonardo (three year term)

Clem Massaro (three year term)

At the next Corporation meeting, March 13<sup>th</sup>. election for officers of the corporation will be held

#### **Knight Light Publication and Distribution** (Bob Spera 631 689 1702)

The Knight Light (KL) is available to our subscribers in many ways. Most subscribers get their copies by email. This is changing slightly in 2017, due the increase in the technical size of our newsletter. The email bringing you the KL will contain a link to our website rather than a pdf attachment. You will click on the link instead of the pdf and you will see the same old KL. We will be using a similar approach in sending the KL to Loudon Minuteman Press, our

The KL is also available in FTAJ Council Hall behind the bar but within reach of any visitor. Copies not taken become available in the St. Anthony's vestibule.

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## St. Baldrick's Fund Raising Event (Bob Slingo)

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from adult cancers? It's true. And childhood cancer research is extremely underfunded. So please help to do something about it by making your donation in any amount!

See page 23 for picture and more details

#### Website http://www.frjudge.org (Mike Norton, PGK)

It's nice to read the Knight Light but as soon as you get it, it is out-of-date. Things change and we cannot magically update our newsletter. We can send emails if we have your email address. But these updates come in bits and pieces and it is too much for us to send an email for every change. If you have access to the web, you should visit our website frequently, at least once a week. During the month we add events and make other changes. We also inform you of important changes in our parish. You can visit our parish website by a direct link form our website. You can also go directly to:

- · Supreme Council
- . New York State Council
- Diocese of Rockville Centre

- · St. Anthony of Padua Church,
- Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
- . St. Francis of Assisi
- St. Philip Neri Parish, Northport, NY

There are over 20 direct links to Catholic websites and there will be more!

Also included are important messages from **Supreme Council** that request action that cannot wait until the next issue of the Knight Light.

Events change and you may not want to go to a dance and find out that the entertainment had to be changed or there is a new speaker at your next meeting. The website also has important information on Council History to include all our Past Grand Knights

All members of our family make changes to their events to include:

- Little Knights
- Squires
- Columbiettes
- Fourth Degree

We also have ongoing events that have changes or milestones. Here is just a selection of these changing programs or events:

- . Basketball Shootout
- . 300 Club
- · Dinner Club
- . Annual Cruise
- · Pasta Dinner

So, you can wait for an email or a call or just take your chances. If you want to know what's up **Bookmark** our Website and visit it at least weekly. The bookmark process is different for each browser. So use your council's website and know what's up!



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## Father Judge Council Super Bowl Party



In what could been the greatest Super Bowl ever for Ron Smith, PGK, the New England Patriots defeated the Atlanta Falcons by a score of 34–28. The Patriots overcame a 25-point deficit to win (they trailed 28–3 with 2:07 left in the third quarter) At far right are Brady and Belechek on vacation a day after the game.

Our Father Judge Super Bowl party did not revolve around chicken wings. We served the best steaks you ever tasted. We over-fed over seventy people to include twelve ladies who you can see at bottom left. See some of our cooks below. Among them is Dr. Ray enduring the weather at left. Going right, are Dan Flinn, Super Bowl Cook-in-Charge PGK, Don Maltby and Mike Simonelli.

We ran six BOX arrays to provide additional excitement as the scores changed in surprising ways.

This event was intended for the fun of the membership but our Council profit was over \$1000.00. Yea Don!



Above, you see Ernie Graf, the 5th Grand Knight of our Council with Bob Spera, former inside guard to his right and John Ciangetti, former Father Judge Council Insurance agent at Ernie's left. These guys were at a community Super Bowl party in Naples FL where John and Ernie live. Below GK Rich Ronde provides supervision and command presence at the Father Judge Super Bowl Party.









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There were about 100 people in attendance at this event. At right, a Town Of Huntington Proclamation is presented to GK Ronde by Town Councilman Mark Cuthbertson. At bottom, are PGK Mike Norton, Father Joe Mirro, and GK Rich Ronde. Above them, well known Brothers gab. At near right, PGK John Hnath gobbles a tidbit. Above right many visitors engulf the refreshment table.





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WHERE: Parish Hall COST: \$35/person

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We have received a Special Dispensation from Fr. Joe to eat Corned Beef on a Friday during Lent.

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#### Father Thomas A. Judge Council

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during Lent to enjoy a meal and relax with friends during this special time of the year as we prepare ourselves for the celebration of our Lord's Passion and Resurrection. Contact Grand Knight Rich Ronde as soon as possible to reserve your place.

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#### Knight Light Event Guidelines

To help keep producing a quality Knight Light, Brothers and Sisters need to think in advance of the coverage that they want. They should consider pictures and story. If they don't care, we will try to do what we can but it works best when the managers give attention to coverage. I would appreciate it if managers would copy me on their event correspondence and include me in meetings if I can attend.

Event managers should have event coverage as an agenda item at their event meetings. We will try to attend meetings to help with this but I am often away. It is best to have one person to take pictures and one person to cover the story and it is really good when they work as a team. George Morrish and Joe Dipenta are usually available for pictures and I am less available. Any Brother or Sister can take pictures. All you need is a cell phone. Thought should go into photography and we don't want to get every picture that is taken. All pictures require editing, reducing bit intensity and sizing and most need to be tossed. Very few people do this and I think I have to accept this.

If the event managers want a flyer, they need to work it up but we can help. We prefer 1/4 Page ads at least to start. Non Council religious events should be 1/4 page but we have been

accepting full page ads. Before ads appear, there should be lead-up. There should be an announcement in the KL as soon as an event is scheduled. This will set off an alarm for unanticipated conflicts. The announcement should be repeated and enhanced every month until the event happens. We will request a monthly update by email but it may not be necessary to change the announcement every month. Every announcement should be repeated or updated each month until the event happens.

I cannot use PDF for ads or articles in the KL. Submitting PDFs is a new and annoying phenomenon. I may be a cause of this problem because I send drafts in PDF as it is universally receivable. PDF conversion programs do not work well. The technology to convert is new and awful. Usually it is best to do a print screen but this yields a week result. I often have to reconstruct an ad from scratch if it is submitted in PDF format.

After the event, I need the pictures and story quickly especially toward the end of the month. Sometimes it is necessary to put off the coverage of an event until the following month.

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## Father Thomas A. Judge Council Monthly Recap February 2016



## Below is the recap of the events run by our council for February 2017.

#### February 3<sup>rd</sup> - Soup & Sandwich Night

It took three months to run a sequel to our first Soup and Sandwich night due to the hall being rented, Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays and other Knights of Columbus obligations. But on February 3<sup>rd</sup> Manhattan Clam Chowder and Beef Barley Soups were on the menu along with English Muffin Pizzas. Approximately 24 people enjoyed the evening and the simple pleasure of Soup and Sandwich.

#### February 5<sup>th</sup> - Super Bowl

Super bowl Sunday was an incredible success at Fr. Judge Council. A Great Steak Dinner, Chili – Not to Spicy but still with a Kick, Hot Wings at Half Time, Open Bar and a Game with Incredible Excitement. Can you ask for more from a Super bowl Party? A tremendous THANK YOU to Dan Maltby who directed the event, Mike Simonelli who grilled all the excellent steaks, Bob Sanicola who ran the boxes and all the other volunteers who worked the kitchen, staffed the bar, did other cooking, and helped with clean up. And finally......and this really hurts – Congratulations to Tom Brady and the New England Patriots.

#### **February 13<sup>th</sup> - District Free Throw**

Thank you to Bob Dabkowski and all the brothers that showed up to help with this year's District Free Throw Contest. The winners from Fr. Judge Council's Free Throw competition were joined by the winners from the other three councils in our district. Of the nine contestants from Fr. Judge Council three will advance to the regional competition. Congratulations to all the winners.

#### February 17<sup>th</sup> - 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

40 years is a long time. Our council celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on February 17<sup>th</sup>, the same day our charter was granted back in 1977. In attendance to celebrate were Knights, Columbiettes, Fr. Joe Mirro, Politicians, Knights of Columbus dignitaries, families and friends. The evening started with a cocktail hour followed by dinner and the evening's program. Grand Knight Richard Ronde hosted the program, a history of Fr. Judge Council as told by the Past Grand Knights. Nine PGKs were in attendance and all took part. Four other PGKs who could not attend sent in their thoughts which were read to the audience.

The evening was capped off with the presentation of letters, certificates, citations and proclamations by the dignitaries in attendance. It was a wonderful evening. Special thanks to Carl and Debbie Finke and the Simonelli family who ran the event and made it all work. Congratulations Father Thomas A. Judge Council on 40 years of service to our Priests, Parishes and Community.

#### February 20<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Degree

We held a  $1^{\rm st}$  degree at our social meeting in February. It is always challenging to get candidates to commit to a date and time and this degree was no different. The number of candidates varied from 0-5 over the entire weekend leading up to the degree. On the day of the degree we were up to 5 candidates including two from visiting councils. When the degree started there were two, both from Fr. Judge Council. Congratulations to new Brothers Tom Fitzgibbons and Frank Graci. Tom also took his  $2^{\rm nd}$  degree on Wednesday, February  $22^{\rm nd}$  in the  $8^{\rm th}$  district.

#### February 24<sup>th</sup> Cooking for Veterans Home

The beat goes on. Another month and another great meal prepared for our veterans in need. Even with several of the regulars in Florida for the winter Dr. Ray and his crew prepared and delivered dinner to the VA Hospital in Northport for our Veterans. Thank you to all the brothers who give their time to this worthy program.

#### February 26<sup>th</sup> Squires Breakfast

This would turn out to be a busy Sunday. The morning started with breakfast at the Fr. Judge Hall for our Squires. A late arriving crowd (I heard that's how Dr. Ray runs the Squires) enjoyed a breakfast of fresh fruit, muffins and waffles. About 10 Squires were in attendance for the breakfast hosted by Dr, Ray and prepared by Inside Guard Mike Simonelli.

#### February 26<sup>th</sup> Knights of Columbus Monthly Mass

A heartfelt *THANK YOU* to the Fr. Judge Family. When the pastor comes up to you after Mass and says "....a good turnout today, Rich." you can't help but feel proud. We have been holding our monthly Mass since September and this was our best attendance to date. Thank you to all who participated. Let's keep the momentum going and make March even bigger. Our next monthly Mass will be held on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30am Mass at St. Anthony of Padua. Looking forward to welcoming the Council family.

## February 26<sup>th</sup> Squires – Dinner for Families with Special Needs Children

All said it was a busy Sunday. To close out the day the Squires hosted a dinner at the Fr. Judge Hall in the afternoon for families with special needs children. Approximately 20 families attended the event which included dinner, a DJ and activities for the children. The Grand Knight received many questions from the children in attendance about Grand Knight jewel and why he wears it.

A very worthy event for a wonderful group of people. Thank you to the Squires who helped with the event, Mike Simonelli who prepared the food and Dr. Ray for putting it all together.

Look for stories throughout the Knight Light for additional information on these and other events.

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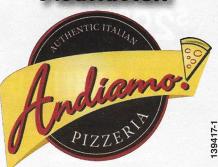
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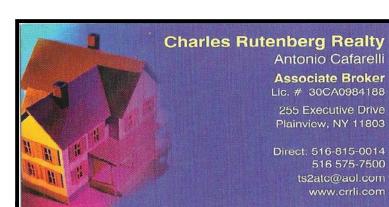
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