



## GEORGE W. HUDSON COUNCIL #3701

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Dear Brother, Knights, Families, and Friends,

As we begin a new fraternal year, we have many things to say. To begin with, I ask each of you to remain active and engaged in the life of our council. Our success depends on the participation and dedication of our members. Whether it is attending meetings, volunteering at events, supporting fundraisers, or helping with parish activities, every contribution makes a difference.

We have many things to say. I took some time to review our archived materials, one of which contained a very important message I would like to share with all of you. We have now officially begun our C&B program for our new fraternal year. The document I came across, dated 2017, was written by our beloved PGK Mike Reddington. I couldn't help but feel nostalgic, but more importantly, to see the gravity and importance of this program. It's fair to say this program has a lot of history attached to it. We all know that charity is the first principle of our order. George W. Hudson has been blessed for 74 years by the kindness and generosity of our members and their families. I hope this inspires you to become more involved in this year's C&B program. With that being said, this year's cost of books is 2 chances for \$10.00. The QuickStart program is on July 19th at Villa Roma, and the Early Bird drawing will be held on September 19th at St. Augustine in Ossining, N.Y. The final drawing will be held at Villa Roma once again on December 5th. Please continue to support our C&B Program, one of our important charitable initiatives. Your participation helps us continue the good works of the Order and serve those in need.

As we enjoy the summer months, we also begin a historic year as our nation celebrates the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the United States of America. This milestone gives us an opportunity to reflect on the blessings of liberty, faith, and community that have shaped our country for two and a half centuries. As Knights of Columbus, we are called to be examples of patriotism, charity, unity, and **fraternity in our families, parish, and community.**

Membership growth remains one of our highest priorities. Each of us knows a Catholic gentleman who would make a good Knight. I encourage you to invite a friend, family member, or fellow parishioner to learn more about our council and the many benefits of membership.

I also welcome your ideas and suggestions. Fresh perspectives help our council grow stronger and ensure that we continue to offer meaningful programs for our members, families, and community. Thank you for your **continued commitment** to Hudson Council #3701. Together, through service, faith, and solidarity, we can make this another successful year for our council.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the council *for* re-electing all of the Officers. Your confidence in us will be an inspiration as we move forward into the next Columbian Year.

As we start this new Columbian Year, I would like to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude for the confidence you have shown in re-electing me as your Grand Knight for another term. I know that with the help of God and your continued support, we can strive for and win new goals in the coming year.

I want to wish all of you and your families a very Happy and Safe Summer!

Faternally yours,

*Gilbert A. Gonzalez*

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