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Grand Knight's Letter

Dear Brothers,

As we start our Columbian year let me thank you for granting me the opportunity to serve as your Grand Knight. With your help and support I will make every effort to make this a truly exceptional year.

First off: Our congratulations to Dr. Mario Loomis and his wife Donna. They have been chosen by Supreme Council as "International Family of the Year. They will be recognized at an awards ceremony during "Supremes " annual convention held in Quebec City later this month.

Related , our thanks to Wally Gantter, chair of the "Family of the Month" committee. Wally identified and prepared the nominating paperwork which eventually led to the Loomis's selection as Council family of the month; New York State Family of the Year; and finally selection to their current honor. Great job, as usual, Wally.

More good news: We have recently received word that St. John's Council has achieved double star council status. According to the notification we are one of only 501 councils worldwide to achieve Double Star recognition. My thanks to all who made this honor possible.

We had a great organizational meeting on August 4. I am grateful to all who came out with suggestions, advice and occasional criticisms. All were welcome and most helpful.

A summary of the results of this meeting is on Page 4, later on in this newsletter. Regarding the summary, please bear in mind two points; First that this is a paper, not stone, document. If any council member feels that an event/program should be added, modified or deleted please come to a meeting and present your view. Second: No program or event can succeed without your support. Please, pick something you can get behind, contact the chair or coordinator and get involved. You won't be disappointed.

I invite your attention to the "Resolution" on page 3 in this newsletter. I believe it is self explanatory. We will vote on this resolution at the September 8 meeting. Come out and voice your view.

Please keep in your prayers the sick of the Council and the parish. And also pray for the early and safe return of our men and women serving in the armed forces.

Sincerely,

John F. Carey, M.D.

Grand Knight

The Rabbiqator

Council Officers

Columbian year 2008-09

Grand Knight:	Dr. John Carey
Deputy Grand Knight:	Lidio Quaranta
Chancellor:	Joseph Giglio
Warden:	Dr. Joseph Napolitano
Recorder:	Jim Iaquinto
Treasurer:	Al Stipak
Lecturer:	Vin DeLuca
Advocate:	Wally Gantter
Inside Guard:	Iggy Kukelka
Outside Guard:	Jim Applegate
3 Yr Trustee:	Jack Cusack PGK
2Yr Trustee	Ben Matalucci PGK
1Yr Trustee	Rick Sloat PGK
<u>Appointed Positions:</u>	
Chaplain	Rev. Thomas Dicks
Financial Secretary	Dr. Jack Dermigny PGK

Meeting dates

Columbian Year 2008-09

Sep. 8 (*)	Feb. 2
Oct. 6	Mar. 2
Nov. 3	Apr. 6
Dec. 1 (**)	May 4
Jan. 4 2009	June 1

(*) Second Monday of Sep.

(**) Council Christmas party, Goshen Senior Center.

Meeting are held in the rectory meeting room and start at 7:30 p.m.

This and That

Update on the Great American Weekend. All in all it was a great learning experience. Financially we broke even, but considering it was a a first time effort not bad. We are optimistic that future events will be far more successful.

Later in July we participated in the "Catholic Conference" held at Monroe-Woodbury High School. There are indications of a financial reward.

After a lengthy "back order" we were finally able to present the memento wristwatch to Tom Byrnes honoring his selection as Knight of the Year" for Columbian Year 2007-08. He was joined at the presentation by his two daughters. A couple of photos are included on page three, marking the event.

Please note our "Kick off" event, the parish picnic . We need ticket sellers after each weekend Mass. Figure ten or fifteen minutes. Also, folks to help out on the picnic date (Sept 1 at Craigsville Park). If you can help out at all, even for a few minutes, please contact Wally Gantter.

We'll be mailing each member one C&B raffle book, cost \$12.00 This is a major fundraiser for us. Please be as generous as your means allow.

Degrees

1st Degree

Wednesday Aug 13

Cardinal Spellman Council No. 5800

(Candidates 7:30 degree starts at 8:00 p.m.)

No Second or Third Degrees are currently scheduled

Field agents corner

New officers & New Fraternal Year

A new fraternal year is upon us. Congratulations to the newly elected and appointed council leaders. I'm sure you have a list of things that you want to accomplish during the coming year. I'm eager to help.

One of these goals is likely the attainment of the Star Council-the most prestigious award the Order offers at the council level. I'm certainly committed to helping on the insurance side, but I'll be glad to help on the membership side as well.

If you know an eligible Catholic man who might be interested in joining the Order (and who among us doesn't), he's probably just waiting to be asked. I can help you, either by approaching him myself, or by "coaching" you-transferring sales skills that you can use to recruit him and other prospects. As always, I'm at your service.

What would be helpful to all of us would be an early start on those goals, rather than waiting until May or June.

Let's get an early start on award season this year.

Call me, **Alan Michels** at 469-7877, I'll be glad to meet with you both to discuss your options.

Resolution

Whereas: The parish of St. John the Evangelist has recently completed renovations on the building, formerly known as the convent, located on church property.

Whereas: Said renovations have allowed the creation of several multi purpose, meeting and/or classrooms.

Whereas: These multi purpose rooms require furniture and fixtures to complete their functionality.

Whereas: The pastor has requested financial assistance from parishioners and parish organizations.

Whereas: This council has long enjoyed the support, friendship and assistance from the pastor, staff and parishioners of St. John's.

Resolved: That a donation in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00)be made payable to the parish of St. John the Evangelist for the purposes as outlined above.



Tom receiving congratulations from Grand Knight John Carey, joined by PGK Jack Cusack



Tom with his two daughters (Get names) at the presentation

Events/Programs 2008-09

Program/Event	Planned Month	Chair/Coordinator
Parish Picnic	Sep 1	Wally Gattner
C&B Fund raiser	Sep-Dec	Rick Sloat
State membership blitz	Oct/Nov	Lee Quaranta/Alan Michels
Memorial Mass w/CWV	Nov 16	Jack Cusack
Past Grand Knights' Dinner	TBA	Rick Sloat
Thanksgiving gift basket	Nov	Tom Larkin
Keep Christ in Christmas awareness	Nov-Dec	Ben Matalucci
Children's Christmas Party	Dec	Under review
Christmas Party	Dec 1	John Carey GK
Poster Contest	Jan 2009	John Carey Jr.
Pro-Life March (Washington, D.C.)	Jan 22	Mike Grady/ Dr J. Dermigny
Free throw contest	Jan 09	Rex Donnelly
Pasta Follies Nite	Feb 09	Rick Sloat
Prayer Rally	April 09	Ben Matalucci
Blood Drive	May 09	Drs Carey & Dermigny
Priests Appreciation Day	Jun 09	Ben Matalucci
Fraternal Trip	May/June 09	John Carrey GK
Great American Weekend	Jul 4-5 09	Rick Sloat/Jack Cusack
Catholic Conference	July 09	Ben Matalucci
Squires Circle	Ongoing	Joe Giglio
Exemplification Ceremonies	Ongoing	Jack Cusack