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May - 2010



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 20th – Nomination of Officers #4982, 8:00 pm
- May 22nd – 50th Anniversary Banquet
- May 31st - Memorial Day & Parade of Brothers
- Jun 3rd – Election of Officers #4982, 8:00 pm
- Jun 5th – State Golf Tourney – Oxford, MA
- Jun 6th – 50th Anniv. Family Day – **Postponed - TBA**
- Jun 18 – Joe Woods Golf Tourney – Windham CC
- July 2nd - 4th – Independence Day Weekend

• Council Meetings:

- Business: 1st Thursday of each month
- Lecturer: 3rd Thursday of each month

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations for Council 4982 Officers for the 2010 – 2011 Fraternal will be taken at the **May 20, 2010 meeting**. Any member wishing to run for a Council Office must make his intention known at this meeting. The election of Officers will be held on Thursday, June 3, 2010. Nominations will also be accepted prior to the election.

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the newest 3rd Degree members of our Council who completed their knighthood on Sunday, April 18th. The class, named in memory of John O'Leary, consisted of 19 members. This brings our total membership number to 539. The new and young members are the future of our Council. They will help us achieve another milestone anniversary. It is my fondest wish that these new Knights would continue to show the enthusiasm in the Council and at the Council activities that they demonstrated during their time as candidates.

We, as a valued asset to the Wilmington community, will be once again serving a dinner and breakfast on the common for 4th of July festivities. Our dinner is scheduled for July 2nd and breakfast for July 4th. I ask new and old members to help contribute your time to help serving the (cont.)

Wilmington community as well as giving us as an organization exposure to the public. The Nomination of officers for the Father Croke Council will be held on Thursday, May 20th, 2010. The Election of officers will be held on Thursday, June 3rd. If anyone is running for any of the Council offices, they may have their name presented for nomination at the June 3rd meeting; however, you must be present at this meeting to accept the nomination. The Grand Knights' Committee and the Floor Nominating Committee will come up with slates of officers for the fraternal year beginning July 1, 2010.

As this fraternal year draws to a close, I would like to thank my father and mother for all of their support during the past year. I would also like to thank my fellow officers, Michael Champoux, Joey "Little G" Gallarelli, Mike Carlson, Justin Strem, and Ryan O'Keefe for their help and support. I express my gratitude to Ken Lydon, Paul Beaton, Jim "Indeed" O'Leary, Jack Kavanaugh, Al MacMullin Jr, Bryan Syring, Lou Cimaglia, "Doc" Orndorff, Al O'Connor, and Raymond Mercuri Sr. for their encouragement and direction that you gave me as Grand Knight. Most of all, I thank you, my brother Knights, for the trust and consideration you gave me as leader of this Council on a milestone year. Whatever success the Father Croke Council has had over this past year was a result of hard work by each and every member. I thank you all.

Fraternally,

Raymond Mercuri Jr., Grand Knight

K of C Scholarship Applications Available

Scholarship applications are now available in the Members' Quarters. Please complete and return them as soon as possible. Contact Bud Callahan for more details.

50th Anniversary Family Day - POSTPONED

Family Day has been cancelled until further notice. A tentative date in August is being discussed – stay tuned!

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State Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 5th at the Pine Ridge Country Club in N. Oxford, MA. This tourney will be in Shotgun form, beginning at 12:00 p.m., Registration at 10:00 a.m. Donation is \$95.00 per person, including: greens fees, carts, and a post-game dinner. Contact the Grand Knight to register.

Joe Woods 15th Annual Golf Classic

June 18th at the Windham Country Club. \$125 per person. For more info contact: Tom Woods 978-657-5398, Dave Woods 978-604-7044, or Mike Woods 978-569-0864

K OF C State Cribbage Tourney a Success

The Massachusetts State Cribbage Tournament was held at Council 4982 for the 4th straight year on Saturday, April 24th. The double-elimination tournament consisted of 55 participants from 18 different Councils across the state. The win going to Sutton Council P.G.K. Al Weldon, 2nd and 3rd place finishers were Bill Nelson and Jim Murphy respectively, both from the Malden Council. Thanks to effort, help and support from Frank Sferrazza, Bob Ducey, Fran Romano, Lou Perry, Jim "indeed" O'Leary, Vinny T, George Peters, Dick Stosez, George Taylor, Michael "Woody" Woods, Jared "Thumbs" Costantino, and Master Chef Billy Dubois. If you interested in joining the league please contact Bob Ducey or Frank Sferrazza.

Raymond Mercuri Jr., Grand Knight

K of C State Free Throw Finalist

Brian Cavanaugh represented the Fr. Croke Council quite well at the State Free Throw Finals. Shooting in the 12-yr. old category at Holy Cross College in early April, Brian finished fourth and just missed first place by two buckets! We will be looking for Brian to compete again next year. Nice job Brian!

Dick Hayden

Independence Day Weekend

Council 4982 "Dinner on the Common" is scheduled for July 2nd and "Breakfast on the Common" is scheduled for July 4th. All members, new and old, are encouraged to donate some time to assist in the setup, cooking, and cleanup for these events. Many hands make light work. Contributing some of your time to help serve the community is a part of what the Knights is all about.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE COUNCIL RAFFLE TIX

Each member will be receiving a book of 15 chances for the MA State Council's annual "P. Frank Fougere" State Raffle. For each \$15 book sold, \$9 goes to the State Council, \$5 goes to Fr. Croke Council, and \$1 goes to the seller or could be donated to our Council. Proceeds from the Council's share of the sales will be used to offset the costs of charitable activities and the 50th Anniversary Family Activities. The Drawing will be held at the State Convention in Sturbridge on May 15, 2010. The prizes are: (1) \$10,000 w/ a \$500 savings bond; (1) \$3,000 w/ a \$100 savings bond; (1) \$2,000 w/ a \$100 savings bond; (1) \$1,000 w/ a \$100 savings bond; (3) \$500 w/ a \$50 savings bond. (all Savings Bonds go to seller of ticket). FYI – Our Council has had winners in the past! Make all checks payable to Fr. Croke Council #4982. All checks and ticket stubs must be received in the envelope that you received with the chance books **by May 12, 2010.**

Support the KofC and sell as many as you can – we must give to receive!

400 CLUB NEWS

I would like to take this opportunity to again thank you for your continued participation in the 400 Club. The winning numbers for the recently completed 25 week cycle were: 275, 238, 168, 089, 352, 380, 328, 311, 390, 060, 381, 111, 263, 166, 201, 240, 269, 158, 176, 048, 092, 275, 378, 357, 270.

The 3 winning numbers for the \$100 Christmas Drawing were: 127, 114, 204; and the winning number for the *Paid-Up Members Special Drawing* was 365.

The winning numbers for the Grand Drawing on Saturday, April 24th were: \$1000 – 131; \$500 – 284; \$100 – 166, 289; \$50 - 016, 073, 185, 188, 387, 382

The next 25 week 400 Club starts on Thursday, May 6, 2010.

The final drawing will be Thursday, October 21, 2010, the Grand Drawing will be Saturday, October 23, 2010.

Paid-Up Members Special Drawing - all numbers paid in full by Thursday June 3, 2010, will be eligible for a drawing for a free number for this 400 Club drawing cycle, including the Grand Drawing on October 23, 2010. Double your chance of winning on Thursday, June 3, 2010, after the weekly drawing.

Open numbers are available for the next 400 Club Drawing Cycle. Anyone interested in obtaining a number is asked to contact Jim O'Leary (978) 658-3466.

Gratefully Yours,

Jim "INDEED" O'Leary

(Our Council K of C Insurance Agent) ↓

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50th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

on Saturday, MAY 22nd, 2010

Time is running out to purchase tickets for this gala event to celebrate the past 50 years of Fr. Croke Council #4982! Together, this will be a great time for all Brother Knights to renew old friendships, show our commitment to our Order, and celebrate this milestone event in the life of our Council.

*We will be honoring our eight (8) surviving Charter Members
and 31 Past Grand Knights.*

Other Guests of Honor include; State Deputy William Donovan, Selectman Michael Newhouse, Representative Jim Miceli, our Chaplain Rev. Phillip B. Early, and friends of Fr. Croke Council.

The evening will feature:

Champagne Fountain

Five-course Prime Rib Dinner

Live Music

Awards Presentation and Speaker Program

Complimentary Engraved Memorial Wine Glass

The donation for the event is \$50.00 per person. Tickets are available from:

PGK Al MacMullin (978) 663-4209, 4 Roberts Rd., Billerica MA 01821

PGK Ken Lydon (978) 657-7009, 12 Longview Rd., Wilmington, MA 01887

PGK Paul Beaton (978) 658-4742, 51 Mystic Ave., Tewksbury, MA 01876

***Credit Card Purchases can be made by sending an E-Mail request to Bill Liston
(bliston@wilmingtonkofc.com)*

(Yes, many things have changed in 50 years - come and join us!)



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