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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ST. JAMES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (#6336)

DECEMBER 2010

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Steve Mechkowski, GK
732-718-8365

I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year from my family to yours.

I would like to thank Jerry on a job well done on the 50/50 cash raffle and all who helped support him.

I would also like to thank our Chaplain Father Stanley for having us at Holy Trinity for the Deceased Members Mass.

Finally, I would like to thank Matt Collura for all of his efforts on our 2nd Annual Tricky Tray. It was a huge success. Great job!!

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN



Rev. Stanley Jarosz
732-521-0172

Advent is a time to put aside our doubts and proclaim to ourselves that Jesus came into the world to rescue us from sin. God invites us to "prepare the way for the Lord" by recalling and reliving the miraculous events that led up to the birth of Christ.

What a glorious day filled with the unexpected! No one thought a virgin could become pregnant. No one expected a little Baby to turn the world upside down. No one thought that the young son of a carpenter would be remembered many centuries after. Later no one thought that this man who stood against the rich and religious elite could possibly be the Messiah who preached forgiveness and the loving enemies.

As we extend ourselves greetings of Merry Christmas let us remember to give glory and praise to the Lord Jesus, and remember His glory prevailed over the wisdom of this world. Enjoy the Day of Christmas and be ready to embrace the new events of the New Year.

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2nd ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY



On December 3, 2010, the St James Knights of Columbus held our 2nd Annual Tricky Tray. The event was a huge success and a lot of fun. Special thanks to Matt Collura for organizing the event. It is a tremendous amount of work and we greatly appreciate it. Thanks!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY – DECEMBER 18, 2010

The Children's Christmas Party will be held on December 18th from 11-1PM. The event is open to all children and grandchildren (12 and under) of Knights of Columbus and Columbiettes members (\$5 per child). Pizza, Chicken Fingers, Fries, Juice and Ice Cream will be served. Please RSVP to Pat and Kim Smith (732-521-4194) or via email at patrick.smith08828@comcast.net. Please RSVP by 12/11/10.



50/50 Cash Raffle

The drawing was held on November 24, 2010. More than \$1700 in cash prizes were distributed. Congratulations to the following winners:

- 1st Place: Pat Harrity
- 2nd Place: John Mechkowski
- 3rd Place: Alfred Vigliano




 
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REST HOME PARTY – DECEMBER 19, 2010

Our Annual Rest Home Party will be held on Sunday December 19th from 12 noon to 4pm. This is a huge charitable event that we run every year. Please come out and support this event. We will be setting up around 8am that morning and need volunteers throughout the day. Please contact Pat Harrity for info (732-521-2218).

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – DECEMBER 12, 2010

On Sunday December 12, 2010, the Knights of Columbus held a pancake breakfast. Special thanks to all those that came out to help. We are looking to run another Pancake Breakfast in February 2011. Stay tuned for details early next year.



2011 DUES MAILING

The 2011 Dues Notice will be going out in the mail over the next couple of weeks. The prompt payment of your dues is greatly appreciated. Please provide an updated email address with your dues payment so that we can keep you informed of our council activities.

NOTE: In 2011, we will be discussing an increase in our dues for the 2012 Calendar Year. This dues adjustment will require a modification to our bylaws. Stay tuned for details next year.



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UPCOMING SECOND DEGREE MEETING

Second Degree Ceremony – December 17, 2010

Location: Freehold 01672, 70 East Main Street, Freehold, NJ 07728

Sign In: 7:00PM

Degree Start Time: 8 PM

Contact: District Deputy Stan Buraczynski, 917-586-7349, email: dd23@njkofc.org

Important Note: Candidates must have current first degree membership card, AND completed second degree card upon arrival. Candidates should be confirmed within one week of the degree. You need to submit the following: Council number; Council name; Financial Secretary's name; Financial Secretary's phone; Candidate name (first and last) for each candidate. This information will speed the registration process upon your arrival and help to insure the degree begins on time.

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COUNCIL CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 6 Columbian Club Meeting 7:00 PM
- 6 Council Meeting 8:00 PM
- 20 Columbian Club Meeting 7:00 PM
- 20 Council Meeting 8:00 PM
- 27 4th Degree Meeting / Jamesburg

UPCOMING DEGREE CEREMONIES

12/17/10 – 2nd Degree Ceremony

Location: Freehold, NJ
70 East Main Street

Contact: District Deputy Stan Buraczynski, 917-586-7349, email: dd23@njkofc.org

4/26/11 – 1st Degree Ceremony

Location: Freehold, NJ
70 East Main Street

Contact: Grand Knight Rick Scott, 732 761 1902, email: gk1672@njkofc.org



HALL FOR RENT: Our council hall is available for weddings, parties, christenings, graduations, anniversaries and funeral repasts. Active Council members and Columbiettes receive a special discount for themselves and their immediate families. For further information and hall availability, please call 732-521-3366 and leave a message. Someone will return your call.