



Knights of Columbus Council #6526



# Chantal Chatter

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March 2009

## Re-Modeled Council Hall

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## Thank You!!



*For all those who participated in this effort the officers of the Council and the officers and directors of the 6526 Columbus Club extend their deepest gratitude!!*

### **Need a Place for a Party, Function, or Meeting?**

**Our Newly Re-modeled Council Hall is Available for Rental!!!**

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## From the Grand Knight

### **Brothers,**

LENT is here! Our Squires Pancake Breakfast and our Lenten Soup Supper are "a-go". Let all of us get involved in doing what we can to make this Lent more meaningful to ourselves and others. We can do this through Prayer, Fasting, and doing Charitable works. A big Thank You goes to all who have helped to make our Council Hall a better place to gather for meetings both business and social, for parties, and fraternal activities (such as card nights and sports nights). Also, thanks for creating a much nicer room for rentals of outside group meetings and parties for birthdays, Communion, and other occasions. Come see for yourself! You'll be glad you did (and we will be happy to see you). Brothers, I look forward to seeing you and your families at our Lenten Soup Supper on Wednesday night March 25<sup>th</sup>. I wish all brothers and their families a very blessed Easter.

**George Winkler III**  
**Grand Knight**

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## From Our Chaplain

### **Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

#### Renovation and Change – a theme for Lent!

A sobbing little girl stood near a small church from which she had been turned away because it was "too crowded."

"I can't go to Sunday School," she sobbed to the pastor as he walked by. Seeing her shabby, unkempt appearance, the pastor guessed the reason and, taking her by the hand, took her inside and found a place for her in the Sunday School class. The child was so happy that they found room for her, that she went to bed that night thinking of the children who have no place to worship Jesus. Some two years later, this same child lay dead in one of Philadelphia's poor tenement buildings. Her parents called for the kind-hearted pastor who had befriended their daughter to handle the final arrangements. As her poor little body was being moved, a worn and crumpled red purse was found which seemed to have been rummaged from some trash dump. Inside was found \$.57 cents and a note, scribbled in childish handwriting, which read: "This is to help build the little church bigger so more children can go to Sunday School." For two years she had saved for this offering of love. When the pastor tearfully read that note, he knew instantly what he would do. Carrying this note and the

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cracked, red pocketbook to the pulpit, he told the story of her unselfish love and devotion. He challenged his parish to get busy and raise enough money for a larger building. But the story does not end there...

A newspaper learned of the story and published it. It was read by a wealthy realtor who offered them a parcel of land worth many thousands of dollars. When told that the church could not pay so much, he offered to sell it to the little church for \$.57 cents. Church members made large donations. Checks came from far and wide. Within five years the little girl's gift had increased to \$250,000.00--a huge sum for that time (near the turn of the century). Her unselfish love and devotion to Jesus had paid large dividends. When you are in the city of Philadelphia, look up Temple Baptist Church, it has a seating capacity of 3,300. And be sure to visit Temple University, where thousands of students are educated. Have a look, too, at the Good Samaritan Hospital and at a Sunday School building which houses hundreds of beautiful children, built so that no child in the area will ever need to be left outside during Sunday School time. In one of the rooms of this building may be seen the picture of the sweet face of the little girl whose \$.57 cents, so sacrificially saved, made such remarkable change. Alongside of it is a portrait of her kind pastor, Dr. Russell H. Conwell, author of the book, "Acres of Diamonds" This is a true story, which goes to show what God can do with our sacrifice of \$.57 cents.

To step inside our Council's hall is akin to stepping inside one's own soul. When there is a will – there is a way. Renovation and change is a product of a willingness to change and being shown the way by an openness of heart. Our Lenten journey is just that. It is the ability to look inside our soul and to see that which keeps us from the loving unconditionally and feeling loved unconditionally by God. Once recognized, God gives us the grace to change. It is then up to ourselves to avail ourselves of that grace. The same is true with our Council Hall. Renovation and change came from that same ability to recognize and take action.

Take courage and example from the little girl in the true story above. Take strength from the pastor who did not turn his back. Take hope from the generosity of many. Take joy from the army of volunteers who transformed our humble space. Renovation and change starts from the inside and move out; from the heart and soul to the world surrounding us. We are on the journey together. May the renovation and change of our Lenten journey joyfully prepare ourselves for the unbridled joy of Easter.

Peace and joy,

*Deacon Bob*

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## Calendar of Events

### March 2009

Mon, Mar 2 - **Officers Meeting** – 7:30pm

Tue, Mar 3 - **DD Meeting - OLI** – 7:30pm

Sun, Mar 8 - **Squires Pancake Breakfast**

Mon, Mar 9 – **General Meeting** – 7:30pm

Mon, Mar 16 - 6526 Club Meeting – 7:30pm

Fri, Mar 20 – Nassau Chapter Meeting – New Hyde Park – 8:30pm

Mon, Mar 23 - **General Meeting** – 7:30pm

Wed, Mar 25 – *Centen Soup & Bread Supper* – 4:00pm & 6:30pm

### April 2009

Mon, Apr 6 - **Officers Meeting** – 7:30pm

Tue, Apr 7 - **DD Meeting** – St. Frances – 7:30pm

Mon, Apr 13 – **General Meeting** – 7:30pm

Mon, Apr 13 – Nassau Conference Mtg. - Hartigan

Fri, Apr 17 – Nassau Chapter Meeting – Floral Park – 8:30pm

Sun, Apr 19 – 6526 Club **OPEN HOUSE** – 2:00-6:00pm

Mon, Apr 20 - 6526 Club Meeting – 7:30pm

Mon, Apr 27 – **General Meeting & 1<sup>st</sup> Degree** – 7:30pm

### May 2009

Sun, May 3 – *Annual Dinner Dance & P.G.K. Testimonial*

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### From Our Insurance Field Agent

#### **INSURING YOUR FUTURE**

Field Agent Christopher Barron

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Effective February 1, 2009, General Agent Charlie Lyon has appointed me as field agent. It is my goal to give the best service possible. I look forward to meeting all the members of the council and may be calling you in the coming weeks, to ask about a life insurance review. Remember insuring every Catholic family was Father McGivney's vision.

*Christopher Barron*

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Is having an

## ***OPEN HOUSE***

*Come view the newly Remodeled Council Hall*

**Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup> from 2-6PM**

Refreshments, Beer, Wine, Soda, Coffee & Cake

*No Charge*

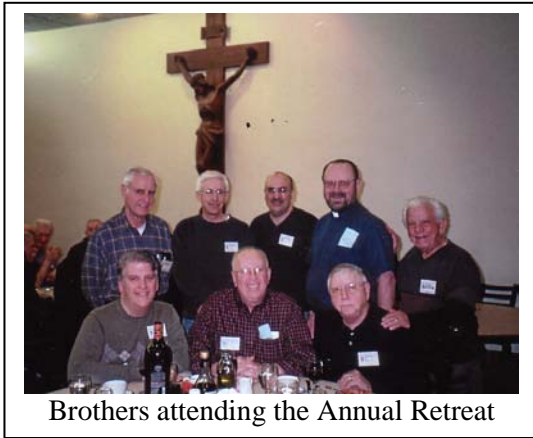
## ***Knights in Action***



Social Group Collects food for  
St. Frances Outreach Food Pantry



Grand Knight, George Winkler presents  
Seminarian Chris Woods with his  
RVSP Award check



Brothers attending the Annual Retreat

## ***THE NEW COUNCIL HALL***



***Those in Need of Our Prayers***  
***Submitted During the Month of February***

**Sick or in Distress:**

Deacon Bob O'Donovan	Carl Tagariello	Scott Hanson
Butch Young	Lisa Vignali	Josephine Locasio
Dorothy Jane Woods	Henry Dawson, Jr.	Ed Scheihing
Robert Hoffman		

Armed Forces Wounded in Afghanistan and Iraq

**Deceased and their Families:**

<b>Anthony Ciccotto, PGK</b>	<b>Aldo Scavino, PGK</b>	<b>John Sawula, PGK</b>
<b>Mike Affilitto, PGK</b>	<b>Patrick Kitson, PGK</b>	<b>Patrick Hennessey PGK</b>
Mike Barra	Antoinette Brust	Antoinette Genduso
Natale Genduso	Anthony Genduso	Alice Mueller
Tom Potter	Don Mooney	Dorothy Ruprecht
John Casey	George Gorman Sr.	Nenita Palad

The Unborn

Armed Forces Killed in Afghanistan and Iraq

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