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## Grand Knights Message for July

Brothers and family members of our council,

As we start the summer season, we also begin the new Columbian Year of 2025-26. It's been an honor and privilege to have served our council this past year. With the election of our officers on June 5<sup>th</sup>, I want to thank those officers and program directors for continuing another year in their present positions. I also want to thank and welcome our new brother officers for filling positions for the first time. Brothers Pete Orazi and Pat Costello will be filling the Deputy GK and Warden for the first time. Let's welcome them to their new posts. Thanks Pete and Pat. I want thank Bill Unger for having served as our DGK this past year.

Our Installation of Officers will take place on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm at the council hall.

As we celebrate Independence Day, I would like to remind all our Brothers to fly the flag on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

I will continue to serve our council another year as Grand Knight. I look forward to another Columbian year ahead with the help of all our Brothers who make our council a successful one.

I wish all our Brothers and family a wonderful summer.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus

GK Mike



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## Columbian Year 2024-2025

### Council Officers

Grand Knight	Curtis (Mike) Daley 732-388-6050 908-227-9277
Chaplain	Fr David Kosmoski 732-634-4355
Deputy Grand Knight	Pete Orazi
Chancellor	PGK Tom Botti 908-930-1859
Financial Secretary	PGK Frank Buczynski 732-887-5501 <a href="mailto:pgkfrank@gmail.com">pgkfrank@gmail.com</a>
Recording Secretary	PGK John Hugelmeyer
Treasurer	PGK Joe Kraus
Advocate	PGK Frank Pelzman
Warden	Pat Costello
Guards	Michael Caracappa Javier Huerta Dave Kearney
Trustees	3yr PGK Eric Potyrala 2yr PGK Al Favale 1yr PGK Frank Panzino

### Council Directors

Membership	PGK Tom Botti
Program	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt
Church Activities	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt
Lecturer	PGK Dennis Rinaldi
Family	PGK Tom Botti
Fraternal Activities	PGK Eric Potyrala 732-634-8620
Community	PGK Frank Pelzman

### Remember to Call

Death of Member or Member's Family	PGK Jim Farese 732-331-5651 or GK Mike Daley
Sick or Hospitalized Member	PGK Eric Potyrala

### Board of Governors

President	PGK Jim Farese 732-331-5651
Vice President	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt 732-397-4907
Treasurer	Robert Indyke
Secretary	PGK Al Favale
Past Grand Knights	PGK Joe Gornicz PGK Frank Panzino PGK Dennis Rinaldi
Trustees	3yr PGK Anthony Fazioli 2yr PGK Carmine Farese 1yr Pat Costello
Third Degree	Bill Unger Mark Haidacher Anthony Joe Jesse DeLuca Andrew Curry
Grand Knight	Mike Daley
Deputy Grand Knight	Pete Orazi
Honorary Members	PGK/PFN Phil Svoboda PGK Hank Werte

### Chairman

Oasis	Cory Spillar 732-236-4501
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Payroll Chairman
Building Maintenance

### Important Phone Numbers

Council Home	732-636-9696
Booking Agent	732-675-1173
Insurance Agent Office	732-955-6730
Jim Fischetti Cell No.	917-573-9751
Bulletin	FDD/PGK John Scioscia 732-221-3436 <a href="mailto:Jscioscia913@gmail.com">Jscioscia913@gmail.com</a>



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## Calendar of Events

### July

<b>3 Council Meeting</b>	<b>8pm</b>
<b>4 Independence Day</b> <b>(Fly your flag)</b>	
<b>13 Installation of Officers</b> <b>(At Council Home)</b>	<b>2pm</b>
<b>17 Officers Planning Meeting</b>	<b>8pm</b>
<b>31 Board of Governors Meeting</b>	<b>8pm</b>

### August

<b>7 Council Meeting</b>	<b>8pm</b>
<b>15 Feast of the Assumption</b>	
<b>16 Beef &amp; Brew</b>	<b>5-10pm</b>
<b>21 Officers Planning Meeting</b>	<b>8pm</b>
<b>28 Board of Governors Meeting</b>	<b>8pm</b>

## Deceased Members for July

H SIGMUND STACHELSKI	1962
JOAQUIN YANGA	1965
MATTHEW QUINLAN	1970
MICHAEL DINO	1972
JOHN CHIGOS	1977
ORLANDO COPPOLA	1979
PAUL C. CUSMANO	1989
LAWRENCE J. FOCHT	1999
STEPHEN J (BUTCH) COHORSKY, JR	2002
ALFRED G. OLSON	2005
DONALD J. GRANAT	2007
ALPHONSO MILANO	2008
NICHOLAS TAMBURRI	2009
RUDOLPH C. FISCHER	2010
VINCENT J. HOEFLING	2010
FRANK J. VITALE	2012
JOHN J. CLARK	2015
DONALD (BUDDY) E PHILLIPS	2017
FREDRICK S QUARTUCCIO	2017
ALOYSIUS (AL) G. WEIS	2018
THEODORE R VIATER	2020
ROBERT STROMICK	2022
WENDELL J UBELHOER, PGK PCCP	2022



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## Happy Birthday to

Zachary T Hasslebrink	07/03
Thomas M Donlon	07/05
Joseph H Jacob	07/05
Frank J Strain	07/07
Stanley J Szymanik	07/08
Craig W Carell Sr	07/11
Neil J Goodheart	07/11
Joseph Di Bernardo	07/13
James P Duffy	07/13
Christopher Blash	07/17
Gerald T Connell Jr	07/17
Rev Andrew J Huhtanen	07/20
Ernest F Marczi	07/21
Robert A Pirnik	07/21
Anthony A Cursi PGK	07/22
Sean Lacko	07/23
Jose Morell	07/25
R Keith Wentura	07/29
William A White III	07/29

## Fourth Degree News

Meeting Fourth Tuesday of the Month  
Check with Faithful Navigator for Meeting  
time and place

3' by 5' Flag kits with pole are available for  
\$15.00

Contact: PFN Phil Svoboda (732)634-5820

Or PFN Mike Choma (732)259-3500

Or FN Ken Egan (908) 720-8073

Membership: The Fourth Degree is open to any  
Third Degree member in good standing who is a  
citizen of the United States.

*The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the  
spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship  
with a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective  
countries through active membership in local Fourth  
Degree groups called "Assemblies". Fourth Degree  
members must retain their membership as a Third-Degree  
member in their local council in order to remain in good  
standing.*

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Brother Cory Spillar is the Councilman for  
the Third Ward. Any Brother in the Third  
Ward should feel free to contact him on  
community matters at (732)236-4501.  
Please feel free to pass this information  
on the any residents who are in the Third  
Ward.



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## Columbian Club Corner

I want to give thanks to our outgoing Columbian Club board members Joe Jacob and Tom Botti. Thank you for your service and the time you gave us all. Joe Jacob, a big thank you for all the years you served on this board and things you have done to help make our council better.

I would like to welcome our new CC board members. I'm looking forward to working with you and having a productive year ahead.

The Maple Tree senior center (Township) purchased new tables for us. Thanks to Hank Haidacher for doing the foot work. Of course, I can't forget all the regulars who help me every month.

Thanks to Hank Werte for opening up the building for elections.

I want to welcome all the new Knights of Columbus officers and let's keep working together. We are a tight-knit group. We aren't just a brotherhood; we are a family.

God bless you all,  
Jimmy Farese

## INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE

On Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, the St. Andrews Council held their annual Intellectual Disabilities Drive. The drive was held on Avenel Street by the Firehouse. The drive was very successful as we collected \$1,867.73. This is the most collected in many years. The money will be distributed to agencies supporting Intellectual Disabilities. In the past the money has been donated to the following:

1. One on One
2. The ARC of Middlesex County
3. New Jersey Institute for Disabilities
4. Buddy Ball

We want to thank all the brothers who participated in the drive, and the brothers and their families who donated. We were recognized by the State Council for our efforts.

Thanks, PGK Joe Kraus



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Affair	Advance up to	Net Profit or Loss
Family Picnic	\$2,500.00	\$1,000.00
State Convention	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
PGK Dinner	\$5,000.00	\$500.00
Memorial Bowling Tournament	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
AC Bus Trip (Per Occurrence)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Fish Fry	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00

Donations	Amount
Corporate Communion (Per Occurrence)	\$200.00
Installation of Officer's	\$300.00
Thomas Kunigonis Scholarship	up to \$2,500
John B. DeLuca Scholarship	up to \$500
Birthday Night (Per Occurrence)	\$100.00
Delegates Stipend for Convention & Registration Fee	\$620.00
Christmas - Church	\$250.00
Easter - Church	\$250.00
Special Olympics	\$500.00
Thanksgiving Baskets	\$250.00
Shield Awards and Breakfast	\$800.00
Intellectually Disabled Drive (Recipients to be determined later)	up to \$3,000.00, based on amount collected
Bishop's Annual Appeal	\$100.00
Bishop Chapter Meeting Donation	\$50.00

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Expenses	Amount
Insurance	\$700.00
Rental Agreement (\$700 per month)	\$8,400.00
Attendance Award	\$100.00
Birthday & Sympathy Cards, etc.	\$600.00
Postage for Cards	\$300.00
Bulletin (Supplies & Postage)	\$700.00
Chapter 4 Dues	\$85.00
Refreshments for meetings	\$1,000.00
Member Billing (for yearly dues)	\$500.00
Awards & Plaques	\$500.00
Mass Cards for Deceased Members / Families	\$200.00
Masses at Church	\$50.00
State Per Capita	\$1,300.00
Supreme Per Capita	\$1,000.00
Council Supplies	\$250.00
Roses for Deceased Members Mass	\$100.00
Candy for Intellectually challenged drive	\$100.00
Raffle License for NJ	\$100.00
Line of Credit for Columbian Club	\$5,000.00

**To be voted on at the July 3rd Meeting**





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## BEEF & BREW



**AUGUST 16, 2025**

**5 PM – 10 PM**

**DOORS OPEN 4:30PM**

**\$35 steak**

**\$25 chicken**

Dinner includes choice of steak or chicken with baked potato and vegetable, beer, wine, soda & dessert

**Dinner 5pm**

**Dancing 6pm-10pm**

**\*\*PLEASE SPECIFY STEAK OR CHICKEN WHEN ORDERING TICKETS\*\***

For tickets call: (deadline for tickets Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>)

Frank @ (732) 407-6216

Eric @ (908) 380-8312

**\*\*Cash or check only\*\***



# **Columbian Club of Avenel**

**Hall & Catering Available  
All Affairs, Events & Occasions**

**No Party Too Big or Too Small  
Sit Down Capacity Up to 201 People**

**Call us (732)636-9696 Option 1**

**All foods prepared by House Caterer – Choice of Menus**