



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 1

Grand Knights Message for June

Brothers and family members of our council.

As this is the end of my tenure serving as your Grand Knight, I am very proud to have been selected and yet humbled to be a Grand Knight in a long succession of GK's going back to the early 1960's. I now pass the baton on to our newly elected Grand Knight. I thank all our officers for continuing in their present positions as well as welcoming new officers and those who are moving up into new positions. I could not have done my job without all the help I received these past two years and especially PGK Frank Buczynski, our Financial Secretary, for all his help. Our council has run like a well-oiled machine due to Frank's expertise, and he has done an outstanding job these past 12 years. My thanks to Frank and all the other past GK's who have aided me as our council's Grand Knight.

By the time you receive this month's news letter, our council's delegation will have returned from the Wildwood Convention. Our Resolution as a tribute to PGK/FFN Philip F. Svoboda will be read at the Convention acknowledging Phil's past 83 years as a Knight. Thank you Phil and God Bless.

We had our annual "Intellectually Disabled" Charity Fund Drive this past April 24th and 25th at the Avenel Firehouse. Our brothers did an outstanding job collecting with great weather Friday and on a cold and rainy Saturday. Thanks to PGK Joe Kraus for running this charity event again this year. Thanks to all our brothers who came out both days and especially on that miserably cold and rainy Saturday.

We will be having our Corporate Communion at the 10 am mass Sunday, May 31st. Come out and join your fellow Knights even if you haven't before. If you normally go to a different mass, try and make the 10 am mass that Sunday. We will be seated in the first several rows on the right side of the main aisle.

We celebrate Fathers Day this coming June 21st. We also remember all our fathers this Memorial Day on May 25th who served our Country in the many conflicts, especially those who gave so much on the beaches of Normandy on June 6th, 1944.

I wish our new Grand Knight success in the coming Columbian Year and pray for him and our council to continue to grow and thrive.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus

GK Mike



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 2

Columbian Year 2025-2026

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 732-439-3594
Chancellor	PGK Tom Botti 908-930-1859
Financial Secretary	PGK Frank Buczynski 732-887-5501 pgkfrank@gmail.com
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 PGK Frank Buczynski

Chairman

Oasis	Cory Spillar 732-236-4501
-------	------------------------------

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	pgkfrank@gmail.com



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 3

Calendar of Events

June

- | | | |
|-----------|--|----------------------------------|
| 4 | Council Meeting
(Election of Officers) | 8pm |
| 4 | Columbian Club Biannual Mtg
(Election of Board Members) | After Council
Meeting |
| 14 | Display your Flag Day | |
| 18 | Officers Planning Meeting | 8pm |
| 21 | Fathers Day | |
| 25 | Board of Governors Meeting | 8pm |

July

- | | | |
|-----------|---|------------|
| 2 | Council Meeting | 8pm |
| 4 | Independence Day
(Fly your flag) | |
| 12 | Installation of Officers | 2pm |
| 16 | Officers Planning Meeting | 8pm |
| 30 | Board of Governors | 8pm |

Deceased Members for June

JOHN BASARAB	1967
JOSEPH DEO	1975
RAYMOND SZEMBORSKI	1979
H CHARLES PEDRAZA	1980
FRANK C. COMARATA	1989
PETER F. CONNELL, SR.	1991
LEON F. HIGGINS, JR.	1994
JACK CAPLETTE	1994
GEORGE E. MIRKOVICH	1996
EDWARD PAVLICK	1996
KENNETH L. KUCESERA	1997
FRANCIS X. HREHOCIK	2000
ROBERT MC CARTHY	2001
MICHAEL GOLEY	2002
JOSEPH RANDALL	2004
JOHN M. KOZAK, SR.	2006
FRANK G. PELZMAN	2006
ANTHONY WHITECAVAGH	2010
STEPHEN L. MESZAROS	2012
DAVID J. SCHERSHEN	2016
HENRY M KWASNIESKI	2017
CHARLES T GOETSCH	2019
EDWARD P REILLY	2021
MYRON MIHALOV	2023
FRANK A BLADT	2024



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 4

Happy Birthday to

Thomas J Kane	06/03
John Cholewa	06/04
Robert P Indyke	06/04
Charles F Svoboda	06/06
Henry P Haidacher III	06/07
Peter F Zazzarino	06/07
John J Lewis	06/10
Terrence E Moran	06/11
David Caplette	06/16
Steven Farese	06/17
Steven M Pinaha	06/17
Wayne R Kasnowski	06/18
Philip Saglimbeni	06/19
David J Kearney	06/23
Thomas G Fyfe	06/26
David G Shaffer	06/28

Fourth Degree News

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

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

For more information

Contact: PFN Mike Choma (732)259-3500
Or PFN Ken Egan (908) 720-8073

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.



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 5

Columbian Club Corner

To start off, I need to make a correction on last month's bulletin. Not only was the small hall stripped and waxed, but our large hall (banquet hall) was also done.

I want to thank Al Favale for jumping in and taking care of our stove. Whenever I call upon him, he is always there to lend a helping hand.

You should take a ride down to the council to see the landscaping around the building. It looks fantastic. Once again, thank you to the Senior Center and the Township. Special thanks to Hank Haidacher and Bill Unger for initiating the project.

I want to wish all the fathers a Happy Father's Day.

God bless.

Jimmy Farese



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 6

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

ESSAY CONTEST

The Scholarship Committee of St. Andrew's Council #5088 is currently conducting an essay contest open to all children and grandchildren of living or deceased members of our Council #5088 who are continuing their education beyond high school (High School seniors and older.)

This year's contest will be based on a 250-word composition entitled:

"How UNITY strengthens families, schools, and nations"

Anyone interested in applying for this scholarship should send their composition to: Grand Knight Mike Daley, 109 Morrissey Ave., Avenel, NJ 07001. The entries must be RECEIVED by June 8, 2026, and will be judged anonymously on originality and content. Please include your name, phone number, and relation to a St. Andrew's K of C member on a SEPARATE sheet. DO NOT type or sign your name to the essay so we may ensure the anonymity of your composition. A total of \$1,000.00 will be set aside for this contest from the Thomas G. Kunigonis Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Any questions may be directed to PGK Frank Pelzman (732)855-1184



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 7

Knights of Columbus Slate of Officers 2026-2027

St Andrew Council 5088 Nominating Committee for the years 2026-2027 are proposing the following slate of Council Officers:

Grand Knight - Pete Orazi

Deputy Grand Knight - Pat Costello

Chancellor – PGK Tom Botti

Recording Secretary – PGK John Hugelmeyer

Treasurer – PGK Joe Kraus

Advocate – PGK Frank Pelzman

Warden - Gary Sutphen

Guards - Mike Caracappa

Javier Huerta

Trustee - 3 Year PGK Curtis (Mike) Daley

The following are automatic since they were voted into these positions in prior elections.

Trustee - 2 Year PGK Eric Potyrala

Trustee – 1 Year PGK Al Favale

Financial Secretary – PGK Frank Buczynski (Appointed by Supreme)

Submitted by PGK Jimmy Farese, PGK Frank Panzino, PGK Eric Potyrala, and PGK Al Favale.

This will be voted on June 4th at our Council Meeting.



Knights News Line

www.kofc5088.org

Vol. 25 Issue 12

St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus

Page 8

Columbian Club Slate of Officers

2026-2027

The Columbian Club Nominating Committee for the Columbian Year 2026-2027 is proposing the following slate of Board Members for the coming year.

President	PGK Jim Farese
Vice President	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt
Treasurer	Robert Indyke
Secretary	PGK Al Favale
Past Grand Knights	PGK Dennis Rinaldi PGK Joe Gornicz PGK Frank Panzino
Trustees:	3 Year Andy Curry
Third Degree	Mark Haidacher Anthony Joe Jesse DeLuca Bill Unger
Grand Knight	Pete Orazi (Automatic)
Deputy Grand Knight	Pat Costello (Automatic)
Trustees	2 Year PGK Anthony Fazioli (Automatic) 1 Year PGK Carmine Farese (Automatic)

This will be voted on at the June 4th Biannual Meeting

Submitted by PGK Carmine Farese, Pat Costello, PGK Dennis Rinaldi

COLUMBIAN

— CLUB OF AVENEL —

The Perfect Place
FOR LIFE'S BEST MOMENTS!

**HALL & CATERING
AVAILABLE**

ALL AFFAIRS, EVENTS & OCCASIONS



WEDDINGS



BIRTHDAYS



CORPORATE
EVENTS



GRADUATIONS



AND MORE!

NO PARTY TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL

SIT DOWN CAPACITY UP TO 200 PEOPLE



CALL US TODAY
(732)636-9696
OPTION 1



ALL FOODS PREPARED
BY HOUSE CATERER —
Choice of Menus

— 109 Morrissey Ave • Avenel, NJ 07001 —