



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**EAST YORK, PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL #6353**

## **Grand Knight Newsletter May/ June 2017**

The value of our time, talent and treasures derive from using them well. The effect is multiplied for us who are Knights of Columbus because we accomplish more than we could alone. We share our treasure as a blessing to others. Our mission is not to accumulate financial treasure. Our mission is to be strong and faithful supporters of the values of the Order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism.

Lately the lyrics of Frank Sinatra's of "My Way" keep entering my thoughts as my term of office as St. Joseph Church Council's Grand Knight draws to a close " and now the end is near". So much has taken place yet so much more remains to be done before we change the chairs and "draw the curtains". I write this not only to thank my brother Knights and others who made all of our events happen but to keep alive the memories of what makes our great Council #6353 it is. Since this message is for a two month period and I have many people to thank, I will keep it short. Thanks and God Bless all.

I will close with a request. Think about what we are doing and what is missing. What changes would you like to see? We are part-time volunteers and it only takes a couple of hours per month to represent the Knights and make your mark as a coordinator. As I write this letter a slate of officers will be selected for the June election, and the next Grand Knight will be lining up his team of program directors and coordinators. You are needed!

As we continue to put our efforts into all our events, let us follow the advice in Corinthians as we work together in the spirit of unity and fraternity: "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."

Vivat Jesus  
Bill Schreiber  
Grand Knight 6353

Council Officers  
7/01/2017 to 6/30/2018

Grand Knight  
Deputy Grand Knight  
Financial Secretary

Jonathan Gnau  
Frank Kibler  
Wayne Kurek



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Chancellor	Michael R Jones
Recorder	Pat Workinger
Treasurer	William K Fullerton
Warden	Dick Lyko
Lecturer	Charles J Krause
Advocate	Donald M Desseyn
Inside Guard	Gerald Hanson
Outside Guard	Mark Jackson
Chaplain	Fr. Jim Menkhus, OFM, Cap
Trustee (3)	Lawrence Macek
Trustee (2)	George Jahn
Trustee (1)	Paul Shellenberger

Special Note: This is a proposed list for our new year. Anyone wishing to serve as an officer may contact the GK Bill Schreiber or come to the May General meeting to have your name on the voting roster. Financial Secretary and Chaplain are appointed positions and are not voted on.

## Duties Of The Council Officers

Since a more informed member will most likely prove to be a more active and involved member, every new Knight should be introduced to council officers and Service Program directors as soon after his First Degree as possible, and a brief description of the office or position should be made at this time.

To be a council officer, a Knight must be a Third Degree member of the Order.

## GRAND KNIGHT

The grand knight is responsible for the overall welfare of the council. Elected annually by the council membership, the grand knight must provide thoughtful and inspired leadership to the council officers, the Service Program directors, chairmen and members of the council.

More specifically, his duties include: presiding over council meetings; acting as an ex officio member of all committees; appointing the membership and program directors and working with them on the selection of Service Program activities chairmen and membership recruitment teams and retention chairmen; convening officers for a monthly meeting; appointing special



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committees not mandated by the laws of the council; overseeing the proper exemplification of the First Degree; and, finally, making sure that all reports and reporting forms required by the state or Supreme Council offices are submitted on time.

The grand knight also interacts with the financial secretary and treasurer to ensure the council is meeting its financial obligations to the Supreme and state councils, and others. The grand knight countersigns all orders drawn and signed by the financial secretary and all checks drawn and signed by the treasurer. He also reads the vouchers from the financial secretary of moneys paid to the treasurer and from the treasurer of moneys deposited in the bank. By these procedures, the grand knight monitors the performance of the financial secretary and treasurer, working with them to help the council meet its financial obligations.

The grand knight is a member of the Advisory Board charged with general supervision of a Columbian Squires circle sponsored by his council.

Finally, the grand knight, together with the deputy grand knight and trustees, is responsible for recommending a chaplain to the ordinary of the diocese for his appointment. He also appoints a lecturer.

### **DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT**

The deputy grand knight is the second in command in the local council. He is also elected annually, assists the grand knight in the operation of council affairs and is responsible for any duties assigned to him by the grand knight. In the absence of the grand knight, the deputy grand knight presides at council meetings and functions as the grand knight would. The deputy grand knight is a member of the Advisory Board charged with general supervision of a Columbian Squires circle sponsored by his council. It is suggested that the deputy grand knight and the board of trustees serve on the council's retention committee.

### **CHANCELLOR**

The chancellor is elected annually to serve the council in a variety of ways. Primarily, he assists the grand knight and deputy grand knight in the execution of their duties and takes charge of the council during the incapacity or extended absence of both.

With the cooperation and support of the grand knight, the chancellor has the important duty of strengthening the members' interest in council activities. It is recommended that the chancellor serve as the chairman of the council's Admission Committee.



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The chancellor is also a member of the council's Columbian Squires circle ceremonial team.

## **RECORDER**

The recorder is responsible for keeping a true record of all the actions of the council and maintains all correspondence of the council. He should use the "Recorder's Minute Book" to record the minutes of all council meetings.

## **FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

The financial secretary's important role is underscored by the fact that he is not elected by the membership but, his appointment – upon the recommendation of the grand knight and trustees – is approved by the supreme knight for a period of three years. His work has a direct effect on council members, his fellow officers, the state council and the Supreme Council.

Basically, the financial secretary's duties revolve around two key areas of council activities: financial records and membership records. The financial secretary collects and receives all moneys that come into the council from any source. He then turns that money over to the treasurer for deposit in the council account.

One main function of the financial secretary is to collect money, in the form of dues, from members. He sends out billing notices before the start of the billing period and initiates retention measures to prevent members from being suspended for nonpayment of dues.

The compilation of membership records is another of the financial secretary's important roles. He must ensure that new members sign the constitutional roll of membership at the time of their First Degree. The financial secretary also applies to the Supreme Council office for honorary and honorary life membership cards for qualified members.

Besides these two major responsibilities, the financial secretary has several others. They include: handling supply orders for members with the Supreme Council Supply Department; filing the "Report of Officers" with the Supreme Council office; and reporting all membership/insurance transactions to the Supreme Council office in a timely and correct manner.

The Supreme Council also makes available personal computer software and associated reports and supplies to assist financial secretaries to automate record keeping/billing tasks. Information



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on hardware requirements and ordering information for the software and supplies may be obtained by contacting the Supply Department or the Department of Membership Records.

## **TREASURER**

The treasurer is the elected official in charge of handling all council funds. He receives money from the financial secretary and issues a receipt for such. He is also responsible for depositing all money in the proper council accounts and providing a voucher or certificate of deposit to the grand knight for each transaction.

The treasurer is also responsible for issuing payments to the Supreme Council on all assessments made by it to the council and for all orders of the council.

Finally, the treasurer is responsible for keeping accurate accounts of the monies in the general expense fund of the council and the amount of money in any special funds established by the council. He must be able to provide up to-date records on these accounts to the grand knight, financial secretary or board of trustees.

## **LECTURER**

The lecturer is appointed by the grand knight to provide suitable educational and entertaining programs under the "Good of the Order" section of the council meeting. The "Good of the Order" may include such items as speakers, presentations on special topics, etc. The lecturer is responsible for presenting the "Good of the Order" section at council meetings. The lecturer must be knowledgeable of all aspects of council programming in order to provide members with informative and entertaining programs. If the meetings have been conducted in accordance with the ceremonials and the agenda, there will be ample time at each meeting for the lecturer to present a worthwhile program that will help build meeting attendance and provide benefits to the membership that is present.

## **ADVOCATE**

The advocate is the parliamentarian for the council. He need not be a member of the legal profession; however, he should be thoroughly familiar with all of the laws of the Order as stated in the "Charter, Constitution and Laws" and with the council by-laws. When a by-law is to be revised, the advocate serves as chairman of the revision committee.



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The advocate should also have a working knowledge of “Robert’s Rules of Order,” and the Supreme Council flyer, “Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting”. An understanding of both of these will help keep meetings on track.

When needed, the advocate shall seek legal assistance from the state advocate. In matters of trial of council members, the advocate shall prosecute the charges on behalf of the council.

### **WARDEN**

The warden is responsible for supervising and maintaining all council property, except that which belongs to the financial secretary.

He sets up the council chambers for meetings and degrees and appoints and supervises guards for ceremonial exemplifications. The warden should also oversee the inside and outside guards and make sure they are fulfilling the duties assigned to them.

### **INSIDE & OUTSIDE GUARDS**

The guards attend the doors of the council chamber, checking on current membership cards before allowing entrance.

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The board of trustees consists of the grand knight and three members elected by the council. Trustees supervise all financial business of the council. They serve as auditors for the semiannual audits and oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer. The grand knight is the chairman of the board. It is suggested that the board of trustees and the deputy grand knight serve on the council’s retention committee.

Trustees are elected for terms of three years, two years and one year. At each regular election, the position of each trustee will be voted upon, and the current three and two year trustees move on to become two and one year trustees, respectively

### **Insurance For Our Brother Knights and Family Members**

The main purpose of our Knights' founder, Father Michael McGivney in 1882, was to provide for the families who lost the male breadwinner. Since that time the Knights have become one of



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the largest and most successful providers for families in need. Both the insurance and financial products that are offered provide this financial security.

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## Upcoming Degrees

Please Note: Degrees should be reported to the District Deputy who then sends them to the Regional Degree Coordinator who places them on a master sheet to be posted on the state web site.

New Degree Names: 1st- Admission Degree | 2nd- Formation | 3rd- Knighthood | 4th- Patriotic

Degree	Date	Report Start	DD	Cnsl	Location	RSVP Contact #1	RSVP Contact #2	Notes
Admission	Tuesday, May 9			6:30pm	7:00pm	65	1530	St Joseph, Dallastown School 251 E Main St, Thomasville Joe Griffin <a href="mailto:jfgriff@comcast.net">jfgriff@comcast.net</a>
Admission	Thursday, May 11			5:30	6:00pm	63	14081	6150 Allentown Blvd., Harrisburg Greg Schrum, FS <a href="mailto:gregschrum4301@comcast.net">gregschrum4301@comcast.net</a> (717) 540-7038
Admission	Tuesday, June 13			6:30pm	7:00pm	65	1530	St Joseph, Dallastown School 251 E Main St, Thomasville Joe Griffin <a href="mailto:jfgriff@comcast.net">jfgriff@comcast.net</a>
Formation	Thursday, June 15			7:00pm	7:30pm	61	2294	Columbia Council #2294 400 Maple St, Columbia 17512 Robert Tarantula, DD61



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Baptism's for May 20---- Charles Krause

June 17--- Jim Boyle

We also have Baptism's during weekend Masses. If you would like to get involved contact

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Adoration for May: 5/6 Luis Garcia, 5/15 Bert Grentz, 5/20 Andy Bria, 5/27 Joe Halza

June: 6/3 Orian Morgan, 6/10 Rob Bertuccio, 6/17 Shay Coll, 6/24 Jim Werth If you are unavailable get a sub and contact Tim Bair [tmb1329@verizon.net](mailto:tmb1329@verizon.net) Phone 717-757-2363

If you have not registered for the Mid May Malvern Retreat yet You may do so online or contact Pat Workinger [patworkinger@earthlink.net](mailto:patworkinger@earthlink.net) or Mike Jones [PsuJonesy@aol.com](mailto:PsuJonesy@aol.com)

Birthday's for May: Fred Anthony, James Boyle, Frank Burkhardt, Ron Daugherty, Mark Grandas, Christopher Hartinger, Ken Hartsock, Jim Lyter, James Smolko, Gerald Weiss, and Jim Werth

Birthday's for June: Anthony Anzalone, John Argento, Tom Bauer, Ray Bernadzikowski, Edward Colross, Don Crumbling. Bill Fullerton, Nick Glennon, Mike Jahn, Brother Mike Rubus, and Michael Scheib.

Please keep in Prayer:

All Priests of the Parish, Fr. Louis, Ed Bamberg, Gary Workinger, Don Crumbling, Louis Paoli, Joe Spangler, Fred and Prima Anthony, Wayne Freet, Tracey-Kondrasuk Brander, Susan Brander, Olga Petrolini, John Conaway, Jake Bath, Ron Olson, Thomas Trebatowski, Phyllis and Shawn Bennett, All Souls in Purgatory, Susan Alfano, Zee Libasci, Lenny Shiley, Amanda Weaver, Patty Bria, Steve Barnes, Axel Barragan , & Healing of our country.

Respectfully Submitted

Pat Workinger



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