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And Community

## THE JOURNAL

November – December 2017

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### Philadelphia Chapter Mission Statement

The object is to bring closer in spirit and fact the Councils of the Philadelphia area for the planning of unified action to promote the good of the order and uphold rightful civil power in the nation, state and community; and to also form a better understanding of the principles and practices of the Roman Catholic faith. This statement was taken from the Catholic Standard and Times dated Thursday, March 25, 1982.

### The Philadelphia Chapter is comprised of the following Councils:

Santa Maria #263	Regina Mundi #4052
San Salvador #283	Cor Mariae #4100
De Soto #315	St. Jude #4273
Commodore Barry #578	St. Charles Borromeo #4279
Pinzon #904	Our Lady of Lourdes #4546
La Rabida #1191	Regina Coeli #4921
St. Leo's #1294	Rev. John P. McHugh #4935
Fr. Thomas Ryan #5036	San Rafael #7125
Charles Carroll #1364	St. Benedict de Moor #8252
Madonna #3932	Mary Queen of Angels#12384
Immaculata #3933	Pokrova #13561
St. Katharine Drexel #3938	St. Helena's # 15687

***Editor's Note: If you have an email address, please share it with me. You'll receive an enhanced copy of the Journal much faster than you would going through the U.S. mail. Several hard copies are returned for inaccurate mailing addresses. It would also allow the Chapter to use the savings to promote our charitable work. If you have internet access, please contact me at [donodan3@gmail.com](mailto:donodan3@gmail.com) or call on 215-292-2365. You'd be doing both yourself and the Chapter a tremendous service. Thank you.***

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## Philadelphia Chapter Upcoming Meetings

The meeting schedule for the 2017-2018 Fraternal Year is listed below. Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at Roman Catholic High School unless otherwise indicated.

### Meeting Times: Trustees - 7:30 PM / Chapter Business – 8:00 PM

Friday, September 22, 2017	Friday, February 23, 2018
Friday, October 27, 2017	Friday, March 23, 2018
Friday, November 17, 2017	Friday, April 27, 2018
December Trustees Dinner: (TBA)	Friday, May 25, 2018
Friday, January 26, 2018	June 2018, Elections, date and location TBA

**\* Please remember to bring a Brother Knight from your Council to a Chapter Meeting!**

## Chapter Officers 2017 – 2018

### President

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Vacant

### Secretary, PP

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Michael Innamarito

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Wiley Redding  
Jim Smith  
Dan Sipp  
Hassan Mitchell  
Ray Hill

Bob Conrad  
Vince McBride  
John Carroll  
L.T. Johnson  
Bob Watson

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## President Nick Marcantonio

Brothers,

Our Columbus Dinner Dance was a success!! I want to thank Jack Stanczak, Dan McPeake(IPP), Vice President Dan Donovan and Pat Corey for a job WELL DONE! I also want to thank Rich Konstance who takes care of our program book, ads and more. Photos from the affair are attached below. Our dates for St. John's Hospice are Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, (Thanksgiving) and Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> (Christmas). Report time is 10:15 AM. St. Johns is located at 1221 Race St. The date for the Trustee's Dinner in December will be announced at the October 27th.

## Vice-President Dan Donovan

Brothers all,

We had an excellent turnout for the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter meeting of the fraternal year in September and I'm hopeful we'll have another next Friday at Roman Catholic High. Our 2017 Woman of the Year, Dr. Monique Ruberu, will be there to speak about her involvement with the Pro-Life movement, including the downtown 40 Days for Life Vigils and her recently published book, "Rising with Roses". It promises to be a very informative evening. Also, all 2017 Trustees should have received an email from me concerning re-instituting the monthly Trustee meetings. I've only received feedback from Brothers Bob Watson and Ray Hill. If you're a Trustee and not attending the meeting next Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>, please email me and let me know what days work best for you. I'm trying to be fair to all regarding meeting times and locations. Thank you and hope to see you soon.

## Chapter Secretary Pat Corey

I want to thank all member councils that have responded to 2017 Per-capita drive. We are approaching 100 percent participation. I **also need your delegates for the Chapter and emails of same. We are only successful if we communicate with each other.** Having said that, I am asking all of you do you receive the Journal? If not email me. I wish to thank all out Past Presidents for their help to the Chapter and we look forward to working with them in this Fraternal year. I want to extend an invite to all our member Council District Deputies. Since by your office you are extended a vote as a Board member please come to our meetings.

Many thanks to DD # 1 John DeFeo, DD# 5 Donald Wells, DD #7 Frank Kane and DD # 8 Nick Milillo, State Advocate Mike Kish and Board of District Deputies Chairman Joe Paoletti for their support. Let's make this a great year.

## Warden Mickey Kelly: Pro Life/Charity Drive Report

### Charity Drive

To date, we have received more than \$20,000 in contributions for the 2017 Drive. Thank you to all brothers who have helped make this one of the most successful drives in years. Consider doubling your efforts in 2018.

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## Pro-Life

The Chapter honored Dr. Monique Ruberu, a pro-life OBGYN at the 116<sup>th</sup> Dinner and Dance on October 1<sup>st</sup>. She credited God for the work she has done to cultivate the pro-life message.

The Chapter will be present at the annual Stand Up for Life Dinner on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Pray that Catholic men will be inspired by the example of Father McGivney to join our order.

Details are coming for the bus trip for the March for Life on Friday January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Also, special thanks to Pro-Life Coordinator Steve Jackson from Regina Mundi Council for coordinating coverage for the 40 Days for Life vigil at the Planned Parenthood facility on Comly Road. Thanks to Steve and fellow Knights Howard Walton (St. Leo); Mike McMonagle (Regina Mundi); Rich Gathercole (Regina Mundi); Fred May (Regina Mundi); Steve Harnish (Regina Mundi); Gregory Baraniecki (Regina Mundi); Joseph Patrick McGlynn and Worthy Grand Knight Michael Arment, there was at least one person present at the vigil for every hour.

## Chapter News

- ❖ The dates for the Special Olympic Bocce Ball Competition has been moved up. This year's events will be held on the dates and at the locations listed below. Brother Bob Conrad of Regina Mundi Council needs some Brother Knights to step up and donate their time serving as officials for these games. If interested, please email him at [RAC1375@msn.com](mailto:RAC1375@msn.com) or call on 215-801-8320

November 14 & 16	Bocce League Play 1A	Thomas Edison
	Bocce League Play 1B	Abraham Lincoln
December 12 & 14	Bocce League Play 2A	Hill Freedman WA
	Bocce League Play 2B	South Philadelphia
Tuesday, Jan. 23	Philadelphia Championship	Northeast High School

- ❖ District Deputy Nick Milillo and his wife hosted a very successful fund raiser for Libertae Halfway House for Women on October 11<sup>th</sup>. I was told the event was well attended and the food selections were exceptional. The District Deputy said there will be more fund raisers to come. You should make a point of attending if you can.

Anyone interested in donating to Libertae can send their checks to  
MEI Catering  
P.O. Box 401  
Trevose, PA 19053.

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- ❖ On Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> Regina Coeli Council # 4921 is hosting their annual Shrimp Night. The event is from 8:00 PM to midnight. Tickets are only \$30.00 for food, open bar and music all night long. Council members promise that an enjoyable time will be had by all. Family and friends are welcome. You don't have to be a KofC member to attend. Tickets can be purchased at the Council or call Mike Selinsky at 215-221-2508. They look forward to seeing you there.
- ❖ St. CHARLES BOROMEO COUNCIL # 4279 held a very successful “Cow Chip” bingo party on September 9<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for their Council mission and charity. It was a fun-filled family oriented event. GK Russell Branch as well as FS PDD Tom Foltz and their fellow Council members should be recognized for a job well done. Since the “star” of the show failed to live up to his contractual obligations, the \$5,000 grand prize was divided among four lucky ticket holders via a random drawing. It was a great event that I would recommend to anyone thinking of attending next year.
- ❖ The St. John Newman Assembly # 933 will be holding their annual Christmas Dinner and Testimonial on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Brookside Manor at Somerton Springs from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. This year's honoree is long time Assembly Comptroller and PFN, SK Thomas Finnegan. Tickets are \$45.00 each or \$85.00 per couple. To purchase tickets or entries for the Ad Book, contact Brother Rich Konstance at [rkonstance@aol.com](mailto:rkonstance@aol.com) or by U.S. mail at 3412 Amity Road, Phila. Pa 19154.
- ❖ In the last newsletter, I mentioned several Councils who either met or exceeded their Charity Fund donation goals. I was remiss in mentioning others, such as Santa Maria Council # 263, who have consistently provided financial support for our charitable endeavors. When we begin the drive, we have hopes of attaining the Chapter goals of receiving a minimum of \$10.00 per member. In reality, we're sincerely grateful for every dollar we receive that permits us to continue to carry on our charitable work. Support for the Annual Children's Outing, St. John's Hospice, the RSVP Program, Scholastic Aide, etc. would not be possible without the financial support received from every area Council. I can not adequately describe our appreciation for your on-going generosity.
- ❖ Finally, beginning in January 2018, I'll be taking over as Charity Drive Chairman. A mailing will be going out shortly once again seeking your Council's support and listing the many charitable endeavors your donations support. I want to thank Chapter Warden Mickey Kelly for the outstanding job he did as Drive Chairman over the last two years. Beginning with the next newsletter, I'll begin the transition of newsletter editor over to Brother Kelly. He'll eventually become the newsletter editor allowing me to focus on the Charity Fund and other duties. I can only aspire to be as successful as he has been over the last two years. In the meantime, if you have any newsletter items, you can either email them to me at [donodan3@gmail.com](mailto:donodan3@gmail.com) or to Warden Kelly at [mickeykelly96@gmail.com](mailto:mickeykelly96@gmail.com).

Thank you for your cooperation.

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## Philadelphia Chapter Councils Offer Affordable Facilities for That Special Event

The Councils listed offer a variety of professional services and accessible location for your special events:

- \* **Fr. John McHugh Council # 4935**, 5323 Oxford Avenue, Phila. PA 19124 Phone: 215-535-0849  
- special packages for large and small events, catering and self-catering options available
- \* **Lady of Lourdes Council # 4546**, 3401-07 Welsh Road, Phila. PA 19136; Phone: 215-331-2577  
- large banquet hall available for all types of occasions, catering and full beverages services also available
- \* **Regina Coeli # 4921**, 9617 James Street, Phila. PA 19135 Phone: 215-332-2517  
- flexible hall for large and small events, catering services and full-service bar options available
- \* **St. Charles Borromeo Council # 4279**, 1193 Gravel Pike, Bensalem PA 19020; Phone: 215-638-2202; offer ample parking and a variety of food and beverage packages to fit any occasion
- \* **St. Katharine Drexel Council # 3968**, 15000 Bustleton Avenue, Phila. PA 19116;  
Phone: 215-969-4470; banquet hall available for shower, birthdays and other events, catering and beverage services available
- \* **Twining Hall (M.E.I. Caterers)** 4900 East Street Road, Treose PA Phone: 215-364-2130  
- Knight owned business, available for large and small events, several caterings and beverage packages available

Please support our local Councils and remember to mention you're a Knights of Columbus member when you call.

If I missed you Council, please email me your information and I'll include it in next publication.

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2017 Chapter Honorees with the Chapter President and Vice-President



2017 Man & Woman of the Year