



# NASSAU CHAPTER NEWS



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## *Chapter President's Message*

Happy New Year to my fellow brothers and sisters in Columbianism and their families. I hope that 2008 will bring the blessings of our Lord and God to all.

Our last Chapter meeting on December 21<sup>st</sup> featured a performance of Christmas hymns and carols by the choir of Sacred Heart Academy. Many of the members present commented to me that it was the perfect start to Christmas week. Based on the favorable reaction from the attendees, we are planning to repeat the performance next year. If you were unable to attend this year's meeting, plan to attend the Chapter meeting on December 19, 2008.

Our Chapter meetings for the next few months will offer program and events to promote Columbianism and our charitable works.

The January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, which will be hosted by Msgr. John Seidenschwang Council and held in the cafeteria of St. Anne's School on New Hyde Park Road in Garden City, will feature the Fraternal Assistance raffle, the awards for Catholic Grammar School and religious education grants, and our annual ball kick-off.

The February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting will honor the leadership of the Fourth Degree Assemblies in Nassau County. This meeting will be hosted by Memorare Council in Seaford.

The March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, hosted by New Hyde Park Council, will honor our State Deputy, Edward Castellazzi.

Other events that are planned for the winter season are:

- Islanders' hockey game on January 31<sup>st</sup>, see Steve Connelly for details.
- Atlantic City bus trip in early March, see Tom Kopetic for details.

Also remember the Pro-Life Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on January 20<sup>th</sup> and the March for Life in Washington on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

May all of you and your families have a happy and blessed New Year.

Vivat Jesu, *Jim Bellotti PGK. JDD*

## *Chapter Calendar*

Tuesday, January 15th Chapter Executive meeting, Corpus Christi Council

Friday, January 18th Chapter meeting, St. Anne's, Garden City (hosted by Msgr. Seidenschwang Council)

Sunday, January 20th New York State Council Pro-Life Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral

Tuesday, January 22nd March for Life, Washington DC

Tuesday, February 12th Chapter Executive Meeting, Floral Park Council

Friday, February 15th, Chapter Meeting, Memorare Council (Salute to the Fourth Degree)

Friday, March 14th Chapter Meeting, New Hyde Park Council (State Deputy Night)

Friday, April 18th Chapter Meeting, Floral Park Council

Tuesday, April 22nd New York State Prayer Rally, Albany

Saturday, April 26th Charity Ball, Memorare Council

Friday, May 16th, Chapter Meeting, Powell Council

Sunday, May 18th, Pilgrimage to Our Lady of The Island Shrine, Eastport

## *Pro-life Mass*

Sunday January 20th, 2008

10:15 Mass, celebrated by

S.K. Edward Cardinal Egan

St. Patrick's Cathedral, Manhattan



## *March for Life*

Tuesday January 22nd, 2008

Washington, D.C.

To find a bus leaving nearest you for either event, please call Pro-Life Chairman FN Ed. McKee, (516) 454-0993.

Pro-Life is everybody's business!

Get well wishes go out to Past Chapter President Ray Dalton, who's recovering from bypass surgery and resting comfortably.

### *Catholic High School Scholarships:*

Scholarships are awarded based upon the scholastic aptitude of the child and the child's activity within their Church and Community. The scholarships are awarded without consideration of financial need. The scholarships are awarded to incoming freshman whose scholarship, attendance, behavior and community service is far above standard. Scholarships will be awarded as follows: One scholarship of \$1000.00 payable directly to the school in two payments (usually in September and January).

Two one time scholarships of \$500.00 will be awarded to the second and third place students. Applications may be obtained at Chapter meetings or on line from the chapter website. All applications for the Catholic High School Scholarships are due **April 18 2008**. Mail application and supporting documents to:

**Salvatore A. Restivo, Scholarship Committee Chairman**

18 Quiet Lane Levittown, New York 11756

**Please be sure to follow the instructions carefully and supply the Scholarship chairman with all the required information. Incomplete applications will be disqualified.**

### *Chapter Publicity*

Happy New Year!

I'll be pinch-hitting on the bulletin until the permanent editor starts around Easter.

I'd also like to thank PGK Steve Driscoll for his work with the bulletin in the past. It's a big job keeping everyone informed, and he did it very well.

As I've mentioned at the meetings, I'd like to get the word out about all the good works the Nassau Chapter has done, and will do in the year to come. So if you chair a program or event for the Chapter, please send it to me, and I'll put it in. I'd also be happy to put in pictures of Chapter events if space permits.

This also goes for major council events. If you're running a big event, and we have the space, we'll mention it here. Also, feel free add the Chapter to your council's mailing list. We'd like to get the word out to as many brother Knights in Nassau as we can, through e-mail (preferred) or snail-mail. So if you haven't been getting the Chapter News, you may either e-mail to me, or see one of us at the next Chapter meeting. There's a lot going on at the Chapter that can supplement what your councils are doing, so we want to get the word out. And if you get the Nassau Chapter News through e-mail, the pictures will come out in color!

So for now, feel free to send me what's happening, and I'll get the word out. That's all, folks!

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