



# Nassau Chapter Newsletter

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



THIS YEAR THE THEME FOR THE NASSAU CHAPTER'S ANNUAL BALL WILL BE THE HONORING OF OUR VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED OR ARE CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE MILITARY TO PROTECT OUR COUNTRY. THE FREEDOM WE ALL ARE NOW BLESSED WITH IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THEIR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE. NEEDLESS TO SAY, THIS EVENING SHOULD BE A STANDING ROOM ONLY EVENT. THE BALL WILL BE HELD AT THE PLATTDEUTSCHE PARK HALL ON APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2006. THE CHAIRMAN OF THIS AFFAIR IS ED BAUER PGK, AND HE IS DOING A GREAT JOB IN MAKING SURE ALL OF US HAVE A GREAT TIME. ED HAS INFORMED ME THAT HE HAS SOME PLEASANT SURPRISES IN STORE FOR ALL OF US ATTENDING. I ASK THAT YOU MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND AND SUPPORT THIS MAJOR FUNCTION. OUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY. NICK PENNACCHIO PGK, DD, IS CHAIRING THIS ACTIVITY. THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD IS OPEN TO ANY QUALIFIED CHILD ENTERING A CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL THIS SEPTEMBER 2006. THE \$1,000 ANNUAL AWARD WILL FOLLOW THE CHILD THROUGH THEIR HIGH SCHOOL CAREER PROVIDED THEY MAINTAIN THEIR GRADES. THIS IS A GREAT PROGRAM AND I HOPE THE WORD GETS OUT TO EVERY CHILD WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY. IT SHOULD BE MENTIONED THAT THE CHAPTER IS COMMITTED TO \$16,000 TO COVER THE CURRENT FOUR RECIPIENTS WHO HAVE WON THIS AWARD. I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT AS A RESULT OF THE SUPER BOWL POOL CHAIRED BY STEVE TOMMONY PGK, FDD, PNCP, WE WERE ABLE TO RAISE AN ADDITIONAL \$1,000 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS. THEREFORE, WE WILL BE AWARDING TWO (2) ONE TIME \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE RUNNER-UPS THIS YEAR. ALSO PLEASE ARRANGE YOUR CALENDARS TO SET ASIDE APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> SO THAT YOU ARE FREE TO ATTEND THE PRAYER RALLY IN ALBANY, NY. ON THIS OCCASION, CATHOLICS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LET OUR STATE LEGISLATORS KNOW EXACTLY WHAT OUR VALUES AND BELIEFS ARE. FINALLY, CONGRATULATIONS TO ST. MARY'S COUNCIL #2228 ON THEIR 85<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY. .

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Code of discipleship: LOVE AND UNITY.

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My beloved brother Knights, it is my pleasure to offer you some words of encouragement as we are again about to begin a very important journey in our faith life. My prayer is that my words be of help to all of us as we journey together towards the world of love in Christ.

In the beginning of his ministry, Jesus prayed to his Father, asking for wisdom to understand his mission. His mission was to bring all people back to his Father in heaven. For this to succeed he must unite all people in love, forming one single family of God. A family that will be known for their love for one another.

To show how important it is to live in love and unity, Jesus gave us a new law; John. 13:35, "**it is by your love for one another that everyone will recognize you are my disciples**".

Throughout his ministry, Jesus never failed to pray that all of us be united in love. We see him pray to his Father in John.17:12 "**keep those you have given me true to your name so that they may be one like us**" They only way we can be faithful disciples of Jesus is to be united in love with one another in Christ.

My brothers, as Catholic gentlemen united in our fraternity as brother Knights, we need to support one another on our faith journey. Jesus through our founder, Father Michael McGivney, gives us today the gift of our fraternity to challenge us, encourage us, and sustain us in our pilgrimage to know and love the Lord.

As Knights we do this through the nature of our fraternity which promotes above all, love of God and love of humanity. As our tradition we must always try to bring followers to Jesus and sustain those who are already in the family fold of our fraternity. This is why we must always ask ourselves the reason for becoming a member of this fraternity. We become a member of the worthy Knights of Columbus so that the love of Christ can be felt in all corners of the world. This is why we must be united in love and committed to continuously carry out this message to the whole world as a disciple of our Lord.

***BY FATHER INNOCENT MBAEGBU. (Chaplain Nassau Chapter Knights of Columbus).***

TO ALL MY BROTHER KNIGHTS

I wish to thank all for your attendance and support thru-out my term of office and that night. I was very impressed with the attendance and kind words. My family was very impressed and my granddaughter said "Grandpa you have a lot of friends." I was truly honored.

A special thanks to PCP Steve Tommony, his staff, the Worthy Chapter President and the current officers for making the evening special to me and my family

Ray Dalton PCP

## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NASSAU CHAPTER DINNER – DANCE

THE NASSAU CHAPTER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2006 SCHOLARSHIP FUND DINNER – DANCE IS APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>. BLACK-TIE IS OPTIONAL AND THIS AFFAIR IS ATTENDED BY OVER 300 EACH YEAR. THE CHAPTER REPRESENTS OVER 18,000 KNIGHTS RESIDING IN NASSAU COUNTY. THE COMMITTEE HAS OUTLINED AREAS IN WHICH NEIGHBORS, RETAILERS AND FELLOW KNIGHTS CAN PARTICIPATE.

THE AFFAIR IS AIMED AT BOTH HONORING THE AMERICAN VETERAN AND RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT OUR FOUR YEAR CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS THAT ARE AWARDED TO STUDENTS IN NASSAU COUNTY GOING TO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

TODAY WE HAVE MANY HIGHLY PUBLICIZED “HEROES”. FOR EXAMPLE, MOVIE STARS, SINGERS AND SPORTS PERFORMERS. BUT THE UNSUNG HERO, THE TRUE LIVING AMERICAN HERO, IS THE AMERICAN VETERAN WHO HAS ANSWERED THE CALL TO DEFEND OUR FREEDOM, TO AID OUR FRIENDS AND ALLIES AND TO TURN BACK AGGRESSORS.

IN VIEW OF THIS, WE ARE ASKING EACH OF THE 47 COUNCILS IN NASSAU COUNTY TO SPONSOR AT LEAST ONE RECENTLY RETURNED OVERSEAS VETERAN TO ATTEND OUR DINNER – DANCE AND WE ARE SEEKING THE SAME INVITATION OF SUPPORT TO THE VETERAN FROM OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESS LEADERS.

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS PAGE YOU WILL BE SHOWN HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THE NASSAU CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP FUND; THROUGH ADVERTISING IN THE JOURNAL, PERSONAL DONATION, HONOR THE RETURNING OVERSEAS VETERANS AND/OR ORDER TICKETS TO THE DINNER – DANCE

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