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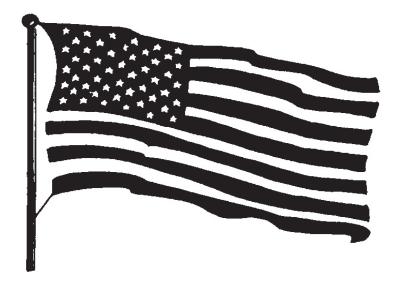
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### GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT



Yonel Verna, Grand Knight

As our fraternal year winds down I take the opportunity to thank all my brothers Knight for their works to keep Westbury Council Knights of Columbus 1012 alive. We felt on same capacities because of lack of participation from some brothers. I do believe if we work together, do what can as Knights we could achieve great things. Let us reevaluate the year and make resolutions for our next fraternal year.

I can't imagine that brother Charles Churck is no longer with us. Let us remember him in our prayer also let us pray for Jack Renison who is in hospital. Brothers on may 31st. We will remember all our veterans, those from the past and fighting for our country.

I would like to thank Ed Lopez for his leadership on conducting the good drive for the needed. I would like to thank also D-Bruce Malito for a job well done. And all brothers who have a specific duty thank you all.

VIVAT JESUS

## Supreme Website gets a new look

When you get a moment, take a look at the revamped Supreme K of C web site. Many new features and an exciting new look will greet you when you load up the web site. For those ready to surf the link to the website is http://www.kofc.org/index.cfm.

## Knights Defend 'under God' in Pledge

12/23/2003

NEW HAVEN, CT — Stating that the fundamental self-understanding of the United States — from the Declaration of Independence through everyday practices by Congress and the president — is in jeopardy, the Knights of Columbus, which led the effort to persuade President Dwight D. Eisenhower and the U.S. Congress in the 1950s to add the words "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance, has filed a friend of the court brief before the U.S. Supreme Court in the case of United States of America v. Newdow. In that case, a divided panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals declared mandatory recitation of the pledge unconstitutional because of the words "under God."

The opinion of the 9th Circuit Court, the Knights argue, "threatens not only one patriotic rite and one particular federal statute." The opinion "challenges the American principle that fundamental rights are inalienable by the State because they exist prior to the State," the Knights said in their brief.

If reciting the Pledge of Allegiance is unconstitutional because it refers to a nation "under God," the brief continues, "then reciting the Declaration of Independence, which refers to the Creator as the source of rights, is surely cast in doubt." The nation's "self-understanding," the brief concludes, would then be called into question.

The Knights' brief notes that in prior judgments the court has affirmed the role of religion in American life without establishing or endorsing a state religion. Presidents, too, the brief states, have enjoined God in inaugural addresses and other public speeches.

Calling the 9th Circuit Court's decision "at war" with tradition, the brief argues that the Supreme Court should overturn the appeals court's ruling.

The brief was signed by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, who holds a law degree and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, and Supreme Advocate Paul R. Devin, along with Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law Professor Robert Destro. The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty filed the brief on behalf of the Knights.

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## Getting Ready for the 100th -What can we do as members?

By Chester Barkan, Deputy Grand Knight

**S**eptember 21st, 2005 is not as far away as one would think. Before, we know it we will be gathering together and enjoying what everyone hopes will be an exciting fun evening.

In the next year, much preparation needs to be completed in order to insure that the 100th anniversary is a success. The Jubilee Committee is off to a great start. Plans are well underway for the location of the event, the entertainment and even the journal is beginning to come to pass.

I cannot stress, how important this event is to all of us as a Council. Few councils can share the distinction of 100 years of success. However, this is a not a project that is handled by a committee alone. The members of the council and their families need to support this venture. While the costs have not been finalized, it is hoped that each of us will be prepared to accept the invitation and join us for this event. In addition, we hope that we will sell many ads to our community.

We need your help. Make a committment for you and your family to attend the event. Buy an ad in the journal.

You can be apart of the history of the council and share in its glory.

In the next issue, we will feature a page that will enable you to make your commitment to attend the party. We have 237 members including associates, insurance and honorary

members. I would love nothing more than to call the Westbury Manor and let them know we have 300 people attending. Wow! What an event.. We will go down in history for this one brothers. Be apart of the celebration.

Fraternally yours,

Chester Barkan, DGK

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#### **RECOLLECTIONS:**

As we approach the 100th as a council, I would like to publish stories, reflections, thoughts of the past years. While we probably do not have any recollections from the 100 year mark, we have many brothers that could write stories about the last 50 years. If you are interested in writing such a reflection, please send it to my attention or email me at cbarkan@mac.com

#### KUDOS TO OUR BROTHER KNIGHT

By Chester Barkan, Deputy Grand Knight

Once again the Brothers of Westbury Council 1012 have given of their time to assist the communities of St. Brigid's and Our Lady of Hope. This past Christmas season, our brothers helped decorate the church, set up the creches, put up the Keep Christ in Christmas signs and much much more. We continue to give back to our community with our food drives, days and evenings at the races and our many special programs such as the Christmas Party, St. Patricks Night and Italian Knights. Since many events have occurred since the last newsletter, we want to acknowledge the efforts the each of our brothers who have given of their time during this past holiday season. The honor roll includes:

Edward Lopez
Fred Fennel
Bill Waters
John Doherty
Al Ehrsam
Yonel Verna
Jim Kennedy
Jim Gallagher
Denis Sullivan
Jack Renison
Bill Cloonan
Al Posilloco
Tony Alisio
Tom Oftsring

Chris Carol



#### HE SEVEN DEADLY SINS

We should not be satisfied merely to keep the commandments of God, but should always be ready to do good deeds, even when they are not commanded. The commandments of God state the minimum requirements for salvation. They should be kept not merely according to the letter, but also according to the spirit, which obliges us to strive for greater perfection.

Actual sin is any willful thought, desire, word, action or ommission forbidden by the law of God.

PRIDE Unrestrained appreciation of our own worth.

GREED Immoderate desire for earthly goods.

LUST Hankering for impure pleasures.

ANGER Inordinate desire for revenge.

GLUTTONY Unrestrained use of food and drink. ENVY Sorrow over another's good fortune.

SLOTH Laxity in keeping the Faith and the practice

of virtue, due to the effort involved.

#### THE FOUR SINS CRYING TO HEAVEN FOR VENGEANCE

Willful murder (including abortion)

The sin of Sodom. Oppression of the poor.

Defrauding laborers of their wages.

#### THE SIX SINS AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT

Presumption of God's mercy.

Despair.

Impugning the known truth. Envy at another's spiritual good.

Obstinacy in sin. Final impenitence.

#### NINE WAYS OF BEING ACCESSORY TO ANOTH-ER'S SIN

By counsel.

By command.

By consent.

By provocation.

By praise or flattery.

By concealment.

By partaking.

By silence.

By defense of the ill done

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## **Getting Ready for the 100th Anniversary**

by: Chester N. Barkan, Deputy Grand Knight

Where will you be the night of September 21, 2005?

The Westbury Council of the Knights of Columbus will celebrate its one hundredth year as a council. Few councils can make that claim and in fact the Westbury Council is the oldest council in Nassau County.

In the months to come you will receive a lot of information on the Anniversary. The most important of those items will be the invitation to the Anniversary Dinner Dance. It is the most important thing because it tells us that you want to come and join in on the celebration.

The event will be held at the beautiful Westbury Manor in Westbury New York on September 21st, 2005. A sumptuous cocktail hour featuring passed hor d'erves and several chafing dishes. Following the cocktail hour, a magnificent dinner will be served. At the moment that this article is being written, information about the cost or the menu has not been finalized, but we hope to offer our members the opportunity to prepay for the event thus alleviating the burden of the high cost.

In addition to the wonderful dinner, entertainment will be provided by the acclaimed M & M Twins.

Invitations will be extended to each of our brothers and their families. In addition, we will invite the other councils from Nassau and Suffolk County, New York City Councils, and State and Supreme Officers. In addition, the members of our clergy will be invited. We hope to honor our past grand knights and past chaplains.

In the weeks to come, fund raising events that will help offset the cost of the party, as well as raise funds for gifts. Journal information will be mailed out in the early part of 2005, followed by the invitations to the party.

More than any other event, we must all participate in preparing for this exciting event. This event will be the main event launching out 2005-2006 fraternal year. We need to hit the ground running with this event.

## 31st Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

1/22/2004

Statement on the 31st Anniversary of Roe v. Wade January 22, 2004

Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight, Knights of Columbus

"Each year on January 22nd we vividly remember the millions of unborn children whose lives were lost, and the millions of women whose lives have been damaged, because of Roe v. Wade.

"That Supreme Court decision 31 years ago has rightly been called one of the worst in our nation's history. It is a decision that ignores the truth: the truth about unborn children, about women, and most of all, about human life and human nature itself. Even Norma McCorvey – the "Roe" of Roe v. Wade – now rejects the decision and the culture of abortion on demand that it established.

"This past year saw the enactment of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban. Although it is being challenged in the courts, enactment of the ban marked the first time an abortion procedure has been banned since Roe v. Wade. Pro-life com-

mitment continues to grow among the American people, particularly with those who have grown up with Roe v. Wade but now reject its extreme violence and cynical view of women. According to a 2001 Gallup poll, those under 30 support greater protection for life in larger numbers than almost any other age group. Major restrictions on abortion were supported by 55 percent of adults under 30 years old — a higher figure than for any age group except those age 65 and over.

"Abortion is a sign of a failure to respect the lives and the dignity of women and children. The pro-life movement will always insist that a nation that proclaims as self-evident the inalienable right to life can and must do better than abortion."

### **Scholarships**

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# In Loving Memory to Brother Charles Churik Jr. A Prayer of Solace

May Christ support us all the day long, till the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over and our work is done.

Then in his mercy may he give us a safe lodging, and holy rest and peace at the last.

Amen.



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### SAVE THE DATE

SEPTEMBER 21, 2005 6:30 PM - 11:30 PM

100TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE AT THE WESTBURY MANOR, WESTBURY, NEW YORK

PLAN ON ATTENDING THIS HISTORIC EVENT IN HONOR OF OUR COUNCIL

MEET OLD FRIENDS, MAKE NEW FRIENDS

ENJOY A SUMPTUOUS DINNER AND DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY

LOOK TO FUTURE NEWSLETTERS ABOUT INFORMATION ON RESERVING YOUR TABLE AND MAKING PAYMENTS

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS - MAY - AUGUST 2004

	MAY 27, 2004	COUNCIL	BUSINESS MEETING
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**PRESENTATION** 

JUNE 5, 2004 FAREWELL PARTY FOR FR. GEORGE AND LEONARD

OLOH ST BRIGIDS SCHOOL PARKING LOT

3PM-7PM

JUNE 11, 2004 BUSINESS MEETING - ELECTIONS FOR 2004-2005 JUNE 21, 2004 KELLENBERG ASSEMBLY MEETING AT CORPUS

CHRISTI 8PM

JUNE 24, 2004 BOCCI BALL TOURNAMENT AT ANGELO CARRO'S

**HOME** 

JULY 8, 2004 PLANNING MEETING FOR 2004-2005

AUGUST 12, 2004 BUSINESS MEETING - LAST MEETING FOR FRATER

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