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"IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR PRIESTS"

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

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Brother Knights,

All council members should have received a letter and response envelope in late September requesting your financial support for the State Charity Fund Program. Many thanks to Harry Pippin for preparing the letter and handling the distribution. I strongly encourage everyone to make some contribution (large or small) to this very worthwhile effort to help our brothers and their families in time of crisis. I would really like to see our council demonstrate outstanding leadership as part of District One and the home council of our State Deputy.

After a very disappointing lack of response, it was decided that we would not host the bull and oyster roast on Oct. 3. The leadership team will meet with the parish representatives to determine if we will try for another date.

After serving as treasurer for many years, and now as your Grand Knight, it has become very disturbing to witness the erosion of interest in our council and activities. Many of your fellow brothers have been, and are continuing, to give of their time and efforts to stimulate interest in old and new activities. It is becoming increasingly frustrating to receive poor responses in some of our major programs and events. And most disturbing of all is the lack of input and feedback. We are striving to improve our communications to all who are not able to attend our meetings through the internet web site, email, and of course the news letter. We want very much to receive your thoughts, feelings, and ideas so that we can reinvigorate interest in, and support for, our council.

As a reminder to those planning to attend the State Convention in May, reservations can be made for the Princess Royale Resort beginning at 9AM on November 2, 2009. This is an election year and many are running for office. So please plan ahead. We will also be managing the Hospitality Room this year, and will need your support to make an impressive showing as we typically do for these major events.

Our State Council invites all Knights, Their Ladies, and Widows to attend one or all of 4 Days of Recollection to be held at Loyola Retreat House in Faulkner, MD. The one-day retreats will be held on October 5, December 7, March 1 and March 22. Each one has a different theme and begins at 9AM. and concludes at 3PM. Anyone interested should please contact me for more details.

Lastly, we have our Membership Blitz coming up at all masses at St. John the Evangelist on October 24th & 25th. Please show your support by helping to solicit new members on these days. Recruitment of new members is critical to sustaining our council. Please reach out to any of your qualifying family and friends, and encourage them to be a part of our family and the practice of our faith.

Stay faithful and be grateful,
Tom Zaegel

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

Fr. Willie Franken; 410-592-6206; WFranken@archbalt.org



Dear Brother Knights,

Summer has gone, the Fall has arrived as we admire the colors of Fall around us. The month of October is a month to remember the Blessed Mother. She is called the Mother of God as a title, and also as a reality. Mary accepted God's plan for her. She said yes to God's invitation to be the mother of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Mary's "Yes" to God provides us with a model for discipleship. Throughout her life, Mary celebrated moments of joy, and endured a most difficult time as she stood at the foot of the cross. Mary's sole aim was to give glory to God and she can lead us to give glory to God as well. Mary is our intercessor at prayer. She is our spiritual mother who loves us.

May we pray the rosary and other Marian prayers to ask Mary to help us draw spiritually closer to Jesus Christ, her son.

SUPREME COUNCIL NEWS

The Knights of Columbus, one of the nation's most active volunteer service organizations – and the world's largest lay Catholic organization – aired a unique 60-second 9/11 tribute ad during NBC-TV's broadcast of the inaugural game of the NFL's 2009 season on Sept. 10.

The piece ran during the game between the Tennessee Titans and the Pittsburgh Steelers. The spot ran in New York, Washington, D.C., Los Angeles, and Dallas.

Recalling the heroism displayed on 9/11, the 60-second spot reminds Americans that "we can still see the best in humanity today," if we "give back." The spot directs viewers to www.servicetogether.org – a new Knights of Columbus Web site with resources for volunteers and volunteer organizations.

The importance of giving is captured in the commercial through the story of 9/11 hero Capt. Al Fuentes of the FDNY Marine Division. Capt. Fuentes, now retired, was buried in the rubble of World Trade Center for nearly two hours before being rescued by his fellow firefighters.

"What I have been given is another chance," Fuentes recounts in the piece. "I need to, and I will, give back: that is what the Knights of Columbus have always shown me for 38 years." The Knights of Columbus produced the ad as a tribute to those who lost their lives in the 9/11 attacks and as a reminder of the importance of keeping their heroic spirit of service alive.

The spot concludes by listing www.servicetogether.org, which was set up by the Knights to help volunteers find organizations that can put their talents to good use, and includes resources to help volunteer organizations work more effectively with the volunteers they have.

"We will never forget the tragedy of September 11, 2001," said Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus. "But we also must not lose sight of the heroic giving spirit of that motivated the heroes of 9/11 and those who volunteered in its aftermath. The problems we face today are different from those of 2001, but the need for service to our neighbor remains the same: It is truly, 'the best of humanity.'"

STATE REPORT



The State Council Memorial Mass will be held on Sunday November 15, 2009 at St. Mary Seminary in Baltimore. Mass will begin at 3:00 PM. Please make plans to attend this Mass as well as your council Memorial Mass to honor those Brother Knights who have gone before you.

The Maryland State Council is sponsoring a 12 night Caribbean Cruise from January 11 to the 23, 2010. The cruise leaves from Baltimore on the Celebrity – Mercury. Cost per person, depending upon stateroom location is between \$1,075.30 and \$1,535.30. This is based upon double occupancy and includes cruise fare, government fees, taxes and a \$50 contribution to the State Council scholarship fund. A deposit of \$450 per person is required at time of booking and final payment is due by October 20, 2009. All cancellations must be in writing.

For more information contact Mary Ann Caguin of World Travel Service at 410-527-9077 extension 120 or Ron White, Supreme Director at 410-795-0862

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Every Council a Star Council		REPORT AS OF 09/18/09		
Council No	New Members	Dropped Members	Net Membership Increase	Net Insurance Increase
8736	3	0	3	0
9815	0	0	0	1
10100	0	0	0	0
11372	1	0	1	2
District Total	4	0	4	3

Star District Goals Net 30 New Members; 11New Insurance Members

Believe it or not the fraternal year is already 25% over and Christmas and the 50% mark are only 12 short weeks away. It's time to take inventory of our progress to date. If your Council has not reached at least 25% of its membership and insurance goals it is behind schedule and you need to get busy now if you are to achieve you goals. If you have reached your goals congratulations on work well done but it is important to keep the momentum going for the remainder of the year. **New members bring in their friends and new ideas! They can also breathe in new life into your council.** There is a first degree on October 19th, at Council 11372. Let's have each council be represented and fill the hall with new members.

All the councils should be wrapping up their car raffle and are conducting the Tootsie Roll program. I cannot encourage you enough to participate in the Tootsie Roll as it will give you supreme satisfaction in seeing people's generosity and in the knowledge that you will be helping God's special people. This is also a time to ask other men to join the Knights of Columbus so make sure you have a form 100's with you.

With all that being said this has been an extremely busy time for the councils in District 1 with not only these events but baseball & football games, golf tournaments and chicken dinners and I want to THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME and serving as we have been called to do. Many of the councils and Ladies groups are sponsoring events; such as the charity Bingos at Councils 10100 & 11372, on October 3rd. I

would ask you please to support them. I'm sure you'll find a listing of them in this newsletter.

The Columbus Day parade is October 13th. Families are strongly encouraged to attend; the State Council has made shuttle buses and food available. One final note: it's time for registration for the Convention. Hotel reservations may be made no sooner than 9AM on November 2, 2009.

Jesus I trust in you!!!!
Brian O'Connor
District Deputy

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

Archbishop John Carroll Assembly 2378; Faithful Navigator Leonard Windsor

The Archbishop John Carroll Assembly meets every third thursday of each month.

INSURANCE MATTERS **FRATERNAL BENEFITS**

"I'd rather be stuck down here than stuck up there."

Have you ever been on an airplane flight that was loaded for takeoff and then the pilot announced that there were some "minor" technical difficulties? You might have found yourself delayed for just a few minutes or maybe even a few hours. Such was the case this summer when I was coming back from a meeting in Dallas. It was a full flight and we were delayed on the ground for almost two hours. You could see the disposition of the passengers go down hill quickly. The temperature in the cabin was getting hot and the people were noticeably upset. The nice lady next to me was going to a family reunion in Boston and was just as calm as could be. We struck up a conversation and she eventually said to me, "you know, as bad as this seems, I'd much rather be stuck down here than stuck up there."

And so it is with life insurance and long term care insurance. Isn't it better to have it and not need it than to not have it and find out that you need it or can't get it?

That's the story of life. Those that prepare and plan have an advantage over those who don't. Not planning is also making a choice. Fr. McGivney saw a need in his community and decided to act. I believe he wanted all of his Knights to act. He didn't want us to be "stuck up there" and he certainly didn't want our families or survivors to be in an awkward situation. Let the Knights of Columbus help you plan for a solid future. You'll feel great once you do.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Jim Schmidt, Sr, PGK; 410-592-8891; snstrngjim@msn.com

On October 24 and 25 the council will have it's membership blitz. We need speakers at all Masses. We would like to get some of our younger members to tell why they joined our council and what they hope to get out their involvement. We also need brothers to hand out literature and to answer question. PLEASE sign up.

We have 12 members, most of whom are relatively new members, who are in need of their Second and Third Degrees. They have been notified of upcoming degree ceremonies, the next of which will be the Second Degree on October 5 at Belair Council. Please contact Jim Schmidt, Sr. at 410 592 8891 if you can make it, or to schedule any future Ceremonies.

During the Car Raffle appearance at all Masses on September 20, we generated one prospective member.

RETENTION

There are several Brothers whom have not paid their dues for this fraternal year, and some still owe from last year. Numerous letters have been sent from the Financial Secretary and the Grand Knight. We have had no response from the following. It is requested that if any of them are your neighbors, relatives, or friends, please make an effort, on behalf of them and your council, to contact them and let them know that we miss them and want them to continue to be a part of our special family. We do not want to lose them, and hope to make every effort to keep them in our organization.

They should contact Paul Weber at 410 879 0558.

Salvatore Bollino	J. Gary Bowers, II	Edward Cooper	Bernard D'Aleo
Charles Grebe	John Jancuk	Buddy Johnson	Martin Salisbury
James Szivos	James Ulman	John Vendetti	Vincent Wheeler
Timothy Whitehurst			

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Randy Keiser; mostincorporated@yahoo.com 410-491-6407

The Catechist's breakfast was held on September 13th. The attendance was low bringing in eight people for breakfast. Raffle tickets and Christmas cards were sold.

Special thanks to Jim Schmidt Sr. and Jim Schmidt Jr. for all their efforts and donation of Cinnabuns, muffins and bagels.

With the help of Eric Schumacher, Josh Pippin, Rob Vacek, Matt Lewis, and Gavin Still(non member) we have completed the following:

1. Removal of Lilies of the Valley from the front of the Church.
2. Removal of shrubs on both sides of the Chapel.
3. Removal of burning bushes along side the Chapel.
4. Removal of dead branches from pine trees by the parking lot.
5. Sprayed weed killer on sidewalks around the Chapel.
6. Trimmed shrubs weeded and mulched garden in front of the School.
7. Painted The Youth Activity rooms and hallways in the Conference Center.

We will be participating in the St. Johns Family Fun Night Oktoberfest coming up on Oct. 24th. We will be

preparing and serving the food for the "free will donation" program that follows the 5PM Mass on that Saturday evening. Please plan to attend and help us with the serving and preparing of the food.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Mike Naumann 410-592-4884 mike.n@pioneernetwork.com



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE



Our annual Tootsie Roll Drive is off and running. It funds our donations to organizations that assist people with intellectual disabilities like Camp Glow and the Special Olympics. This is an easy activity to get involved in. Co-chairman George Landefeld and I are looking for help (a 2 hour shift) on Fridays and Saturdays on the dates shown below. Please consider volunteering for just one shift. Contact me(410 592 4884)for the Jacksonville Safeway, or George (410-561-4877) to volunteer at the Hunt Valley Giant.

HUNT VALLEY GIANT 10/09 & 10/10
FRIDAY 10AM – 12 NOON, 12 Noon - 2PM, 4PM – 6PM
SATURDAY 10AM – 12 NOON, 12 NOON – 2PM

JACKSONVILLE SAFEWAY 10/02&10/03, 10/16&10/17
FRIDAY 10AM – 12 NOON, 12 Noon - 2PM, 4PM – 6PM
SATURDAY 10AM – 12 NOON, 12 NOON – 2PM

Our annual Apple Project headed by Carroll McComas will also be taking place in October. At the time of printing, the date has not been announced. If interested, call Mike or Carroll(410-879-2615).

BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 21st 2009 7AM to 1PM. Our goal is 100 donors. All members are urged to participate. If you are unable to personally give please make a commitment to be a promoter and get others to sign-up. My email is craytrek@comcast.net. My home phone is 410-592-5377. I would also appreciate volunteers to help make reminder calls which will begin in mid-October. Giving our blood is vital to our community's health and provides an even greater reward to the donor in knowing that you are directly helping to save someone's life. We can meet our 100 pint goal on November 21st 2009. I am very grateful for your commitments.

Thank-you, Ray Dietz

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Jim Schmidt Jr. 410-592-8891

COUNCIL MEMORIAL MASS

We will conduct our annual Memorial Mass on Friday evening, November, 13 at 7:30pm at St. John the Evangelist Chapel. Our Chaplain, Father Willie Franken, will preside at the service, and we will honor the memory of our beloved deceased members and Knights Ladies. As is our custom, there will be a reception in the council hall following the ceremony. We hope that all brother Knights and their families will join us for this special service.

With regret, we have canceled the proposed pool league that has been discussed. There has not been enough interest in a league.

A “KNIGHTS NIGHT” AT MaGERKS AND COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

Brothers,

We have two potential upcoming social events that we need to get feedback on as soon as possible.

A “Knights Night” at MaGerks Pub in Bel Air would be a social event to bring us together with our families for an evening of good food and good friendship. As an added bonus, MaGerks has graciously offered to return a percentage of what we spend that night to the council provided we have enough of a turnout. So.....we get to eat, drink and enjoy each others company while raising money for the council without lifting a finger; (well, except for lifting a beer or two)! We need to know as soon as possible how many people would be interested in this council activity as we have to reserve the room at MaGerks and decide on the arrangements for the food. We can order directly from the menu or possibly have a buffet depending on how many attend.

The second event is the council Christmas Party. MaGerks has two rooms available for us to reserve depending on the number attending. The Fireplace Bar holds up to 50 people and the Stage Bar holds from 50 to 300 people. I know it seems like a long way off but available dates for the Christmas season are filling up quickly. Please let us know as soon as possible if you would be interested in attending a council Christmas Party and how many you would likely bring with you.

Thank you and God Bless!
Tom Rowan, Warden, 443-299-6143

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Chris Phillips – Director

Soccer Shoot-Out

We are currently looking for someone who has information of contacts for a soccer recreation league. If your children are on a team, we would like to talk to their coach about holding a soccer shoot-out for the league. It could help replace a practice session as it includes shots at goal, longest throw-in, and longest kick. Please call Chris at 410-592-5337.

Keep Christ In Christmas Poster

The Knights are preparing to sponsor a poster contest for the children of St. John’s. We will start the contest in mid-November, with judging needed to be completed in early December to be eligible for State Awards.

Last year’s participation had about 50 posters entered. Awards were given for grades 1-3, 4-6, and 7-8. Each grade level received cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. We awarded the prizes in the church during the school’s Christmas performance practice, and had some very excited children. All were very grateful to the Knights for conducting the contest – especially the ones who received checks.

PRO LIFE

Ed Gibbons PGibb1@aol.com 410-592-2750

Baucus Bill Would Offer Abortion Funding in Health Care.

Senator Max Baucus, D-Montana, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, has released a proposal for health care reform. It specifically allows for tax-payer funded abortions.

Six billion dollars would go for health insurance cooperatives, which would be permitted to cover abortion.

Abortions permitted under the Hyde Amendment (tax-payer funded abortions in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the mother) would be mandated under the minimum benefits package. And tax credits and cost-sharing credits could be relabeled to pay for abortions under private premiums. Please contact our Senators, and House member, to let them know how you feel on this issue.

LECTURER'S REPORT

Joe Wenderoth, (410) 491-5918, email lecturer@kofc8736.org

Chris Deaver, Director of Adult Faith Formation at SJE Church will make a presentation on Stem Cell Research and the Catholic Church at our October Social Meeting on October 27.. Chris has done a lot of study in this area and provides some very informative insight for all to capture. He has made a DVD from prior presentations that goes into greater detail. This is a great opportunity for us all to gain more insight on this ever-developing controversial topic. The presentation will follow our meeting and start at 8:45PM. It will be open to wives as well as SJE parishioners.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Bob McGraw, Work 410-887-1828, Cell/Text 443-299-7732, E-mail rsmcgraw@verizon.net

Feel free to contact me if you know of any brother or family member that is in need of prayers.

Please continue to pray for the following:

Brothers:

Marland Carlson
Joe Owens
Mike Sallese
Jim Cross

Brother Carlson is currently residing at Quail Run Assisted Living located at 9900 Walther Blvd 21234. He would welcome anyone who would like to visit him.

Relations:

Mary Jane Zaegel, Wife of Brother Tom Zaegel
Jerry Rowan, Uncle of Brother Thomas Rowan
Carolyn Thuman, Wife of Brother George Thuman
Kevin Landefeld, Son of Brother George Landefeld

NOTE: We have no system of routinely identifying those people whose health has improved to the point that they no longer need to be on the prayer list. Consequently, at the end of each quarter, we will delete all names that have been on the list for three or more months. Anyone with a request should contact the Chancellor, Bob McGraw, at either of the above addresses and they will be listed/reinstated on the prayer list.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

Vince Wheeler	5
Dan Kerins	6
Randy Keiser	8
Mike Sallese	11
Frank Gonce	13
William Kanotz	13
Josip Peruzovic	14
Mike North	15
Mike Karlinchak	18
Charles Elbert	24
Mat Lewis	27
Richard Knauer	31
Gene Messenger	31

RAVENS GAMES

The Council Officers approved a plan for us to work Ravens home games just like we do the Oriole games, except that we will only have a small beer stand selling Sam Adams beer. The stand is located on the Concourse level. We need about 5 people to work each game. We are doing this to make up for the lost revenue from the Oriole games.

For all the games that start at 1:00 pm we must be there by 10:00 am. Parking is free on the lot behind the old Montgomery Wards building. If you go down Washington Blvd. go past the railroad tracks and there is an enclosed lot for you to park. It's free; the shuttle will take you to the stadium; and after the game, it will take you back.

Please phone or email me if you can help. Thank you.
Jim Schmidt Sr. 410-592-8891; snstrngjim@msn.com

The schedule for the Ravens is:

- 9 /27 1:00 pm Browns
- 10 /11 1:00 pm Bengals
- 11 /1 1:00 pm Broncos
- 11 /22 1:00 pm Colts
- 11 /29 8:30 Pm Steelers
- 12 /13 1:00 pm Lions
- 12 /20 1:00 pm Bears

MARYLAND STATE COUNCIL CHARITY FUND

Brother Knights,

Recently, information was mailed out to our Council concerning the Maryland State Council Charity Fund. This is a critical charity which helps support Knights and their families in times of financial distress. Many families, including one in our own Council, have benefited from this program. Due to increased need over the past fiscal year, the Charity has distributed more than it has taken in. We are asking our members to help us make up this gap. As a Council, we are looking to receive 50 donations totaling \$1,500 or more to help this worthy cause.

Donations may also be made through United Way type campaigns that run from September through February. If you are donating this way please make sure to use the following codes.

- (1) Combined Federal Campaign - 78166
- (2) United Way of Central MD or Private Sector Campaigns - 4632
- (3) Maryland Charity Campaign - 5834.

Even if a code is not listed be sure to include the Fund's name and address as shown below on your pledge card in the "Donor Option" section.

Maryland State Council Knights of Columbus Charity Fund, Inc.
10815 Stang Road
Owings Mills, MD 21117

If using the donation envelope mailed to you, please return your tax deductible donation no later than October 15, 2009. More information can be found on the Maryland State Knights of Columbus website at http://www.kofc-md.org/state/committees/charity_fund.asp. If you have any Council specific questions please contact Grand Knight Tom Zaegel at 410-557-4465 or by e-mail at gk@kofc8736.org.

Sincerely,
Harry R. Pippin
Council Charity Program Chairman

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u>				
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<u>October</u>				
1	Thurs	07:00 PM	Officers Meeting	Council Home
02/03	Fri./Sat.	10 am and 12 pm	Tootsie Roll Drive	Safeway, Jacksonville
5	Mon.	09:00 AM	State Day of Recollection	Loyola Univ.
6	Tues.	07:00 PM	Knights Ladies	Council Home
8	Thurs.	08:00 PM	BCGK Meeting	Patapsco Council
10	Fri.		Columbus Day Ball	La Fontaine Blue
11	Sun.	10:00 AM	Ravens Game Beer Stand	Ravens Stadium
13	Tues.	08:00 PM	Business Meeting	Council Home
15	Thurs.	08:00 PM	ABJC Meeting	
24	Sat.	06:00 PM	October Fest	St. Johns Hall
24/25	Sat./Sun	All Masses	Membership Blitz	St. Johns Church
27	Tues.	08:00 PM	Social Meeting	Council Home
<u>NOVEMBER</u>				
1	Sun.	01:00 PM	Ravens Game Beer Stand	Ravens Stadium
3	Tues.	07:00 PM	Knights' Ladies Meeting	Council Home
5	Thurs.	07:00 PM	Officers Meeting	Council Home
7/8	Sat./Sun	All Masses	Tootsie Roll Collection	St. Johns Church
10	Tues.	08:00 PM	Business Meeting	Council Home
12	Thurs.	08:00 PM	BCGK Meeting	Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Essex
13	Fri.	07:30 PM	Council Memorial Mass	St. Johns Chapel
14	Sat.	8 AM/12 PM	Parish Cleanup	St. Johns Church
19	Thurs.	08:00 PM	ABJC Meeting	Our Lady of Grace
21	Sat.	7 am/1pm	Blood Drive	St. Johns Church
22	Sun.	10:00 AM	Ravens Game Beer Stand	Ravens Stadium
24	Tues.	08:00 PM	Council Social Meeting	Council Home
29	Sun.	10:00 AM	Ravens Game Beer Stand	Ravens Stadium
29	Sun.	07:30 AM	Fifth Sunday Mass/Breakfast	St. Johns/Sunshine Grill



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c/o Michael Sallese
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Knights Ladies,

Join the Knights' Ladies on Tuesday evening, October 6th at 7 p.m. in the Knights' Hall for another informative talk on Genealogy. The wonderful speaker who spoke to us last year has agreed to help us even more in our ancestral search. Also, please mark your calendars for November 3 as we once again make our Blankets of Honor for our returning injured vets.