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Council Elections

The election of Council Officers for the 2010-2011 fraternal year took place at the second meeting in May. The elected Knights are:

Grand Knight	Tom Zaegel
Deputy Grand Knight	Joe Wenderoth
Chancellor	Bob McGraw
Recorder	Bob Elliott
Treasurer	Harry Pippin
Advocate	Jim Schmidt, Sr., PGK
Warden	Tom Rowan
Inside Guard	Pete Stankoski
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Outside Guard	Bill Siebert
1 st Year Trustee	Bill Davison
2 nd Year Trustee	Bob Dee, PGK
3 rd Year Trustee	Jim Schmidt, Jr. PGK
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First Alternate	A. Paul Weber, PGK
Second Alternate	Mike Sallese, PGK

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Dear Brothers,

Congratulations to our Worthy Chaplain Father William Foley on the celebration of his 36th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on May 18. Father is a blessing to our Council and the Parish community of St. John the Evangelist. It is also wonderful to hear him speak openly and often about his love for this vocation and how gratified he is to have made this choice. Hopefully this will be enthusiastically noted by our youth and an encouragement to consider a vocation in the religious life.

The 112th State Convention was a huge success. We congratulate our State Deputy and Brother Council member, Dick Siejack, and the State Officers and Convention Committee for a fantastic event. Our District Hospitality room was also a huge success. Thanks to Joe Wenderoth for his leadership and creativity in this project, and to Cassie, Tom Rowan, Joanne Cross, and Chuck Bogdanowicz for their special efforts. Also we appreciate the efforts of the others who pitched in to help, and especially to our District Deputy, Brian OConnor, and the other District 1 Grand Knights and their council members who helped out. We did well among the Division B Councils in the awards Competition, receiving the following recognition and awards:

Plaque recognizing our participation in the Surge with Service Program

First Place plaque for best Lecturer Program

Second Place Certificate for Insurance results

Second Place Certificate for the Knights Ladies Auxiliary Programs

Third Place Certificate for Council Bulletin (Newsletter)

Third Place Certificate for Community Activities

Third Place Certificate for Council Activities

Third Place Certificate for Youth Activities

Framed Certificate Special Honor Award from State Deputy recognizing the Love, Support and Dedication provided by our Council

I am proud and grateful for all the hard work and efforts of the Program Directors and Project Leaders that resulted in not only these awards and recognition, but also for all the Projects throughout this past Fraternal Year. We have truly answered the call to serve.

We are on track to meet, and possibly exceed our membership quota for this year. Please do not let up though. There are 4 to 5 candidates waiting in the wings for interviews. I ask also that you all continue to solicit new members for our Council so that we can continue to grow with fresh new ideas and supporters.

Thanks to Jim Schmidt, Sr. and Tom Rowan for their leadership on a very successful Spring Fling Beer stand. We are also grateful for all who helped out throughout the weekend. We had record sales of over 9 half kegs of beer and contribution of \$2,468 to the Parish as a result.

We are contributing \$250 to the State Council Ultrasound Program and hope to conduct a fund raiser soon to go towards a further contribution.

At the request of Colleen Sisolak, SJE Youth Ministry Director, we are sponsoring Alter Servers so that they can attend the TIM annual trip to Cascade Lake. Our donation of \$375 will allow 15 Servers to attend as a thank you for their service to the parish this past year. The Knight support is being recognized in the invitations being sent to all alter servers.

Please support the Red Cross Blood drive on June 5th. Ray Deitz is organizing and coordinating this special semiannual program again. He can use your help with donor sign ups and solicitation, as well as your own donation if you are able.

Thanks for all that you do in answering the call to serve. And always remember to stay faithful and be grateful.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

Fr. Foley 410-592-6206



Dear Brother Knights,

The summer is here and I am sure you look forward to some time for rest and relaxation with your family. Congratulations to all of our fathers on "Father's Day" May God Bless for the wonderful example you show in the love and care of your sons and daughters.

Thanks so much to all of the Knights who contributed of their time to the annual "Spring Fling", and for the donation of the "Holy Water" that was dispensed to those who were thirsty. This years "Spring Fling" was the best ever: Good weather, good crowds and good profit for the parish.

Father Foley

SUPREME COUNCIL NEWS

My Brother's Keeper

Earlier this year at a conference for business leaders, I had the opportunity to listen to Nobel Peace Prize winner Muhammad Yunus argue for a new kind of capitalism.

Yunus is one of the world's foremost "social entrepreneurs" – using the tools and skills of an entrepreneur to create positive change in society. He won the Nobel Prize in 2006 for his work in microbanking – making small loans to the poor.

What Yunus said struck me. He explained that it was important to offer "selfless capitalism" as an alternative to "selfish capitalism." Business leaders need to be offered that choice, he said.

But the more I thought about his words, the more I came to disagree with his question. We don't need to ask, "Should I be selfish or selfless?" Rather, the question is the one that comes from the first pages of Genesis: "Am I my brother's keeper?" (Gen 4:9)

We need to realize that the answer to that question is a resounding "Yes." And as Knights of Columbus, there is no other way for us to interpret the importance of charity, unity and fraternity except by answering "Yes."

In thinking about this, I thought about someone I consider to be one of the great social entrepreneurs of the 19th century – someone whose work we are all familiar with: Father Michael J. McGivney.

Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus because he understood that he was his brother's keeper. In understanding that, he established what has become a vibrant and successful business model, all because we continue to answer: "Yes, we are our brothers' keepers." We put our brother Knights – and the assets they entrust us to protect – before profit.

That commitment is what has kept the Knights of Columbus strong and profitable despite the enormous economic changes that have occurred over the past 128 years. Economic models change, but the success that comes with doing the right thing, and putting people first, does not. Our fraternal model, in which charity, unity and fraternity are our guiding principles, is not something that has value only in a Catholic organization. In fact, such a model is needed for a truly sustainable economic system. If the business community at large had embraced such a model in the past, we would not have felt the pain and turbulence of the past year and a half. The English poet John Donne once wrote: "No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main. ... Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind."

This is true in our families, in our parishes and in our councils, and it is especially true in what we do today at work, in the business decisions we make.

Unfortunately, those who still believe in the option of "selfish capitalism" have fostered the illusion that our society and economy can prosper on a sea of moral relativism.

The economic reality is that it cannot. For "no man is an island," and only when we realize that all of us are interconnected can we effectively build the safe harbor everyone is looking for.

When Pope Benedict XVI criticized the "dictatorship of relativism" shortly before his election in 2005, most people applied his words to social issues. Now, we know they have an even broader meaning. As the current economic crisis shows, the heavy hand of relativism is as much to blame in the realm of business as is the failure of economic models and forecasts.

Our task, then, is to realize that Christ gave us two commandments: to love God wholeheartedly, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. An authentic following of that first commandment must lead to the second. And in following the second commandment, we will live up to Christ's call to be known as Christians by the way we love one another.

This is the reason charity is the first principle of the Order. This is what makes the Knights of Columbus different and as relevant in 2010 as it was in 1882.

Vivat Jesus!

STATE REPORT

Maryland State Council Charity Fund

As mentioned last month donations to the Fund have drastically slowed up since the first of January but now applications for financial assistance have also slowed up. For the first six months of the fraternal year we typically received three or four donations a day. Now we're lucky to receive three or four donations a week. As for applications, we were receiving on the average about two requests a month for assistance. However, since last month's article was written we haven't received an application. Hopefully this is a sign that the economy is improving but it may be just a short term anomaly. Therefore we're still asking the District Deputies and Grand Knights to continue to support the Charity Fund by promoting the program within their districts and councils.

So far this fraternal year, from July 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010, \$22,392 has been granted to those in temporary financial need. During this time twenty-one applications for assistance were received. Twelve were approved, five were denied, three were withdrawn, and additional information is still needed on one of them. Payments have been made for medical bills, mortgages, utilities, rents, funerals, auto payments and insurance, loans and other services.



Complete details about the Fund and applications for financial assistance are available on the State Council website (www.kofc-md.org). Inquiries may also be made to Patrick E. Corcoran, 410-588-5880, or Patrick J. Cantwell, 301-952-8290.

Remember, Charity is the first principle of the Order.

DISTRICT DEPUTY MESSAGE

Every Council a Star Council numbers as of 5/19/2010

Council No	New Members	Dropped Members	Net Membership Increase	Net Insurance Increase
8736	9	0	9	5*
9815	6	3	3	3*
10100	6	5	1	0
11372	14	0	14	6*
District Total	35	5	27/90%	14/127%

Star District Goals 30 New Members; 11 Insurance Members * Meets Quota

What a convention!!!! Let me start first by thanking all the councils attending for their help with the hospitality room. Each council that attended received awards Saturday morning. Long Green & Fr Maurice J Wolfe Councils both won several program awards. Of particular note, Fr. Wolfe 1st degree ceremonial team won the 1st place award as best team in the State of Maryland. Finally the Ladies of Mason Dixon Council who won 2 awards for their programs. But as our State Deputy said the real winners are the parishes, organizations and the people (adults and children) who benefited from the programs and the charitable works of our councils.

A few key dates, to remember: 1st Degrees June 8th at Long Green and June 21st at Fr Wolfe. A 2nd degree will be held at Fr Wolfe on June 2nd. Finally the incoming Grand Knights are scheduled to attend the GK College at Washington College in Chestertown on June 25-27

As you all know this will be my last message as the District Deputy. On July 1, 2010, Jim Cross will become the new DD and Ron Perzinski will become the new District Warden. I would ask that you give them your full support as you have given to both Norm and me.

On a personal note I want to say that without exception every council in this District has shown both Norm and I the true meaning of fraternity and always made us and our spouses feel welcome; Thank You!!! We have had a great opportunity to meet new people, make new friends, and strengthen our relationships with old friends; once again; Thank You!! I hope that we will be able continue to maintain those relationships in the coming years and have the opportunity to come back to each council in support of your programs, events or just to say hi. On behalf of Norm, Charlotte, Anne and myself I want to wish nothing but happiness and good fortune to the councils and members of District 1. Vivat Jesus!

Brian O'Connor, District Deputy

Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights News

The Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights will hold our June meeting at the home of Cardinal Gibbons Council #2521 (Columbus Gardens in Fullerton). The meeting will be held on our normal 2nd Thursday of the month – June 10. The meeting will begin at 8:00 PM.

This month we will hold elections for Chapter Officers. The elected positions are Marshal, Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President and President. Each council is allowed two votes. The council voters are the Grand Knight and the most immediate Past Grand Knight. Should the Grand Knight not be present, then the next most immediate Past Grand Knight will have a vote. Please make plans to have your council represented.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

Archbishop John Carroll Assembly 2378; Faithful Navigator Leonard Windsor



The June meeting will be held at Fr. Wolfe Council in Abingdon at the usual time. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the June meeting.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

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

There will be a First Degree Exemplification on June 8 in place of the usual Business meeting as the Business and Social Meetings are exchanged for June. We are planning on there being 4 or 5 new members to be received so please plan to attend to help welcome these new members into the Council.

June starts the summer season of barbeques, picnics and family get-togethers. This can be a good place to approach Catholic men to join our Council.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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

The adult refreshment stand was once again a big hit at the Spring Fling, and the addition of the premium Blue Moon was much heralded. As a result we went through over 9 half kegs, a majority of it on Friday night. It was like working a Yankee game at Camden Yards, with no let up and even lines at some points. Last year we went through 8 half kegs. Of course we are thankful for the great weather that encouraged attendance, although the Saturday crowd was hindered by the high winds all day and chilly temperatures at sundown. Unofficially, we had net receipts of about \$3,085 which would result in approximately \$2,468 for the Parish. This also includes over \$250 of costs not covered, which is our contribution to the Parish.

In addition, Brother Eric Schumacher once again handled the roving 50/50 raffles which brought in another \$900 or more. Another great performance and results. Thanks to all of the Brothers who stopped by to help out. Special thanks to Jim Schmidt, Sr. who was our leader and the coordinator with the parish, and also to Jim Jr. and Tom Rowan for their help with the set up and/or tear down/clean up. Others who spent time and helped out include John Caine, Bob Dee, Chris Phillips, Bob McGraw, Larry Polk, Pete Stankoski, Keith Kruse, and Tom Zaegel. Thanks also to Brothers Jim Hoch, Bob McGraw and John Caine for covering the night shift campus guard duties. A special acknowledgement to our future Knight, Tommy Rowan, for his help and support and for co-chairing the entire Parish event with Martha Schumacher, wife of Brother Eric.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

Mark your calendars for the June Community Blood Drive. It will be held on Saturday, June 5th from 7am to 1pm @St, John The Evangelist Parish Hall. This is an opportunity to participate in an activity, and help the community. It will only take an hour or so of your time and is one of the most important activities you could take part in. Your wife, family, neighbors and any children at least 18 years old are encouraged to give. We will also be looking for help with the set up and registration.

Blood Drive chairman Ray Dietz is striving for 100 donors. Spread the word. Any questions kindly call Ray Dietz @ 410-790-7484 or email craytrek@comcast.net

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Fort McHenry Visit Planned

Save the date of Saturday, June 12 for a visit to Fort McHenry for an early celebration of the 223rd anniversary of our nation's flag. (Flag Day is actually June 14, but the Fort is not available to us on either June 13 or 14.) Plan to join your brother Knights and friends, and hopefully some of our Boy Scouts, at the Fort at 10:00AM on June 12.

Tentative plans include a 15 minute introductory film, a guided tour/talk on one of the seminal events in our nation's history - the British attack on Baltimore in 1814 and its consequences, a flag talk on the parade ground with a full size replica of the "First" Star Spangled Banner (weather permitting), and a brief review of some of the more interesting facts about the history of our National Colors. There is an admission fee of \$7.00 for those 16 and over. However, anyone who happens to have a National Park Service pass will be admitted free with up to 3 other people.

Normally there is no food available at the Fort, but we are hoping their small snack stand will be open by June 12. Anyone interested in staying for the afternoon performance of the Fort McHenry Guard is welcome to stay at the Fort for as long as they wish. The Guard is a group of 1814 enthusiasts portraying the various types of troops that defended the Fort and Baltimore in 1814 including a band of musicians playing 1814 style instruments (again, weather permitting).

If you are interested in joining the group on June 12, please contact Bob Cyphers after May 23 by e-mail at rejcy@aol.com indicating "K of C Ft McHenry" in the subject, or phone him at 410-592-6374. Further details will be provided after we have an idea of how many are interested in attending this event. There will also be a sign up sheet available at the Council meetings on May 25 and June 8.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

jmtrn@aol.com

Brothers, August may seem far, far away but August 1st is our annual crab and council picnic. Mark your calendars for this day because it will be here before you know it. The picnic will be held at the 4-H camp near Rock State Park. If you are interested leave me an email and I will add your name. I will not need any money until July. Prices will be determined soon. If you have any questions send me an email or you can ask me at the council meetings.

PRO LIFE

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

Many thanks to everyone who participated in mother's Day Mary-Gold Program which from all indications was a great hit in our Parish. At each of the Masses on Mother's Day, members of the Council presented about 325 Mothers with a potted Marigold flower for planting along with our good wishes.

We are continuing to work with and support the Parish Respect Life Committee.

LECTURER'S REPORT

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

The May Lecturer program was devoted to showing images from the 25th Anniversary Gala and also from the 1st District Hospitality Room at the Ocean City Convention. As always, please advise me of any requests that you may have for Lecturer Programs.

We have several Lecturer programs queued up for the summer, depending on the equipment that is available. These include a web site demonstration, obtaining a free email account instructions, bee keeping and more. June's first meeting is devoted to a First Degree Exemplification and will be considered a social meeting, deferring the business meeting to the fourth Tuesday of June.

Last puzzle answer to the Animal Head puzzle is Fox to Ox. The puzzle was "What animal's name beginning with the letter F, becomes the name of another animal if you drop the first letter? I apologize that the automatic lecturer email link (lecturer@kofc8736.org) was not working. Use joew03@hughes.net until it is fixed.

The puzzle for May follows. You can email (preferred) or snail mail answers to the Lecturer. The Knight's Ladies are also invited to compete as usual this month. The Knight's Ladies responses have been lagging badly.

June Puzzle. It's Elementary: Think of a two syllable word that means "elementary". Reverse the two syllables phonetically and get a common two-word phrase meaning "a hospital on board a ship." What are the words?

Good Luck.

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:

Pop Stritzinger
John Robinson
Gene Messenger
John Stansfield
Ted Burns

Relations:

Dorothy Foley, mother of Chaplain Father William Foley.
William Snowden, Brother in Law of Brother Charles Valle

Mary Renshaw, Wife of Brother Robert Renshaw
 Gertrude Gibson, Mother of Brother Sam Gibson
 Stanley Gibson, Brother of Brother Sam Gibson
 Catherine, Daughter of Brother Jason Lanham
 Kathy Gutberlet, Wife of Brother Matt Gutberlet
 Phyllis Rowan, Mother of Brother Thomas Rowan
 Doris Duncan, Mother in Law of Brother Thomas Rowan
 Tory Robinson, Wife of Brother John Robinson
 Jane Sallese, Wife of Brother Mike Sallese
 William Schmidt Jr., Brother of Jim Schmidt

Deceased

Tony Ventura, Brother of Brother John Ventura

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.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Ed Cooper	7	David DiGiorgio	8
Willie Schammel	12	Charles McLeod	14
Bob Grill	20	John Mayni	27
Joe Owens	27	Tom Rowan	27
Mike Stritzinger	27	Msgr. Jack Collopy	29
Bernie D'Aleo	30		

BASEBALL GAMES

We have three games scheduled for the month of June and two games per month thereafter. Although Oriole attendance is not what we enjoyed in previous years, we still need an adequate number of volunteers to staff the stand. The more help that we have, the easier it will be on everyone working. We should be able to take periodic breaks and actually enjoy the activity. Baseball is still a major source of funding of our Council budget and helps us avoid the aggravation of many smaller fund raisers.

Please review the remaining schedule and choose the games that you can work. If you have not signed up at a meeting or been called by one of the callers, contact me, Bob Renshaw at 410-592-8406 or Jim Schmidt at 410-592-8891. You can email me at baltobob@comcast.net.

06/04/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Boston
06/11/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Mets
06/25/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Washington
07/16/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Toronto
07/23/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Twins
08/06/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Chicago
08/20/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Rangers
09/02/2010	7:05 PM	Thur	Red Sox
09/17/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	New York
10/01/2010	7:05 PM	Fri	Tigers

DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
JUNE				
01	Tues.	7:00 PM	First Degree Team Practice	Council Home
02	Wed.	7:30 PM	2 nd Degree Exemplification	Fr. Wolfe Council
03	Thurs.	7:00 PM	Officers Meeting	Council Home
04	Fri.	7:05 PM	Baseball Game-Boston	Camden Yards
05	Sat.	7 AM-1PM	Blood Drive	Parish Hall
05	Sat.	12:00 PM	Knights Ladies Luncheon	Mountain Branch Grill
05	Sat.		BCGK Picnic	Stella Maris
08	Tues.	8:00 PM	Social Meeting and 1st Exemplification	Council Home
10	Thurs.	8:00 PM	BCGK Meeting	
11	Fri.	7:05 PM	Baseball Game Mets	Camden Yards
12	Sat.	10:00 AM	Flag Day Celebration	Fort McHenry
17	Thurs.	8:00 PM	ABJC Meeting	Fr. Wolfe Council
18	Fri.	8:00 PM	Council Activities Night	Council Home
20	Sun.		Fathers Day	
22	Tues.	8:00 PM	Business Meeting	Council Home
25	Fri.	7:05 PM	Baseball Game-Washington	Camden Yards
28	Mon.	7:00 PM	July Officers Meeting	Council Home

JULY

1	Thurs.	7:00 PM	<u>Officers Meeting Changed to June 28</u>	
8	Thurs.	7:00 PM	BCGK Meeting	
13	Tues.	8:00 PM	Business Meeting	Council Home
15	Thurs.	8:00 PM	ABJC Meeting	
16	Fri.	7:05 PM	Baseball game-Blue Jays	Camden yards
22	Thurs.	7:00 PM	Officers Installation Rehearsal	St. Johns Church
23	Fri.	7:05 PM	Baseball game-Twins	Camden yards
24	Sat.	6:30 PM	Officers Installation	St. Johns Church
26	Mon.	8:00 PM	Membership & Programs Seminar	St. Joseph's Fullerton
27	Tues.	8:00 PM	Council Social Meeting	Council Home



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Knights Ladies of Long Green

Ladies

The Knights Ladies will hold their End-Of-Year Luncheon on Saturday, June 5 at 12PM at the Mountain Branch Grill and Pub. I hope to see many of you there to celebrate our very successful year. It was culminated at the Knights State Convention in Ocean City last month when we won the Second Place Certificate for the Knights Ladies Auxiliary Programs! Many thanks to all members who helped us gain that recognition, and for all of our successes during the past year..