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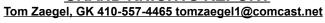
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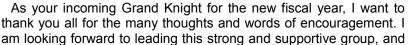
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"IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR PRIESTS"

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT



Brother Knights,



to reinvigorating the social and family aspects to lead to increased activities and stronger fraternal bonds.

Many thanks to Past Grand Knight Bob Dee for his efforts last year, and for his shining example of volunteerism. When we had major voids in the Deputy GK and baseball fund raiser positions, Bob stepped in and took charge of the situations. He toughed it out during some painful surgery and rehab, and family challenges. We are grateful to Bob and Peg for their efforts.

The leadership team met on June 4 to begin the planning for this new year approaching. Thanks to all who attended this extensive meeting. I refer to the leadership team as not only the officers, but the program directors and committee chairmen. Thanks to those who have volunteered to continue in their roles and for those new volunteers coming on board.

Please note in the articles inside that we need your support for the two baseball games in July and also note that we are picking up a main stand and beer portable at M&T Bank Stadium for the International Soccer tour game on July 24. This will be a sell out and so it should help to offset our significant income shortage from the Oriole games.

I hope to reschedule the second meeting in July to allow the officers and program directors to attend the State Programs meeting that night. This will be discussed and voted on at at the business meeting in July.

Thanks to Paul Weber for agreeing to lead our 25th Anniversary celebration planning committee. He will be forming his team, and I ask all to step up to support him and the numerous initiatives required to make this a huge success. We are currently targeting an affair for next spring.

I will elaborate more on our goals, objectives and plans for the coming year at our first meeting in July, as well as at the installation of officers on July 19. All members and their spouses are invited and encouraged to join us for the installation which will begin with the 11:15 Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church. The installation ceremony will start at 1PM, and a luncheon reception will follow in the church hall. All men attending are requested to dress in business suite. If you can join us, please RSVP to me by July 10 at tomzaegel1@comcast. net, or by phone at 410-557-4465. I know that all the officers would be very encouraged to see your show of support for us on this special day.

May the love of God shine forth in us all. Tom Zaegel

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

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

Dear Brother Knights,

July 4th is a day of celebration for us as a nation. Many families and friends gather to enjoy a cook out and may watch a parade nearby. This day commemorates our national independence, when the many colonies became independent from England and formed a single nation. Their motto, *e pluribus unum*, from many, one, identifies an essential aspect of our American life and our culture.

On this special day, we remember the beauty of our nation, and the freedoms that we enjoy as individuals. God has truly blessed all of us as we enjoy the sites, sounds, and tastes of our unique country. It would be appropriate to take some time for prayer and to thank God for all that God gives to us. Remember those who serve our country so that we may live in freedom.

Enjoy the summer! Fr. Willie

SUPREME COUNCIL NEWS

Christopher Dawson, who served as the first Chauncey Stillman Chair of Roman Catholic Studies at Harvard University more than 50 years ago, observed, "Human nature always retains its spiritual character.... If it were to lose this, it must lose itself and become the servant of lower powers, so that a secular civilization...inevitably leads to nihilism and to self-destruction." He continued, "If we look at the world today in isolation from the past and the future, the forces of secularism may seem triumphant. This, however, is but a moment in the life of humanity, and it does not possess the promise of stability and permanence" (Dawson, *The Formation of Christendom*, 37).

These words were written at the height of the Cold War, when the forces of militant atheism appeared in many ways to be gaining the upper hand.

They are worth recalling today, as we seem to be entering a new period of secularism. In an April 13 cover story titled "The End of Christian America," *Newsweek* magazine made much of a recent survey that found the percentage of self-identified Christians has fallen 10 points in the past two decades. Also notable, according to *Newsweek*, is that "fewer people now think of the United States as a 'Christian nation' than did so when George W. Bush was president (62 percent in 2009 versus 69 percent in 2008)."

The Newsweek article focused mainly on the concerns of evangelical Christians, which it said "have long believed that the United States should be a nation whose political life is based upon and governed by their interpretation of biblical and theological principles." The magazine also quoted several evangelical leaders who now refer to a post-Christian America.

To say that Catholics historically have never felt entirely comfortable with the evangelical idea of a Christian America would be an understatement. But if Dawson is correct that secularism cannot provide a stable foundation for society, and American society appears to be rejecting Protestantism as a foundation, what now is to be done?



STATE REPORT

On July 5 through July 26, 2009 The Maryland State Council will be host to the Silver Rose, one of three silver roses traveling through the United States on its way to Mexico. We will be making the rose available to councils, assemblies and districts that want to hold a Mass and prayer service in honor of the Silver Rose and the Pro-Life message it carries. We ask that councils and assemblies work together so that a 4th degree honor guard is present during Mass and prayer services. PSD Edgar D. Haynes is chairing the tour through Maryland. If your council is interested in hosting the Silver Rose,

please contact him. The Silver Rose was used by PSD Haynes in his logo during his tenure as State Deputy. We will pass the Silver Rose to the Virginia State Council for its programs.

The Annual Running of the Silver Rose

The Silver Rose program is held yearly. It features a sculpted silver rose carried by Knights from Canada, through the United States, to Mexico, bringing the Culture of Life message on its journey. The silver rose is received at councils and parishes along its way and Masses and prayer services are offered. Special border ceremonies with Fourth Degree honor guards are held when the rose is transferred from one state to another. The Silver Rose program is a sign of the Order's unity on life issues.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Brian O'Connor; District Deputy 1

REACHING FOR THE STARS

REPORT AS OF 06/15/09

Council No.	New	Dropped	Net	Net Insurance
	Members	Members	Membership	Increase
			Increase	
8736	7	5	2	3
9815	3	1	2	0
10100*	7	0	7*	4**
11372	14	2	12*	4***
District Total	31	8	23	11

Star District Goals: Net 21 New Members; 11 Insurance Members

Wow what a month!!! We started the month with an outside chance of meeting Star District as we were 6 short of our Insurance goal. It was reported to me tonight that we may have reached that goal. If this is true I am both humbled and amazed by this accomplishment. Very, very few Districts order- wide reach this pinnacle and it is a testament to each and every council in District 1. You are truly the number 1 District in the State of Maryland. I would also like to congratulate Fr. Wolfe Council 11372 for meeting its membership goal at the 1st degree this evening.

I would like to congratulate all the new Grand Knights and their officers recently elected. All the councils have new Grand Knights. I wish them luck and pledge my support to help them have a successful year. I also ask for your support of your new council officers. They have responded to the State Deputy's mission statement that we are called to serve. Join them and make your parish, council and community better.

Vivat Jesus!

^{*} Meeting Star Council Membership & Insurance requirements

^{**} Meeting Star District Membership Goals

^{***}As reported by Membership Director on 6/15

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

Archbishop John Carroll Assembly 2378; Faithful Navigator Leonard Windsor

My Brother Knights:

Fourth Degree Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month.

I would like to thank all assembly members for voting me in as Faithful Navigator for this year. I encourage all Sir Knights to try to make as many meetings as possible. I also encourage your Grand Knight to please let me know of any up coming activities so I can get them in the news letter. Please remember that our next meeting will be at Long Green Valley Council home July 16, 2009 starting time 8:00. I look forward to seeing many of you at the meeting.

Mary Queen of the Knights Bless you all.



INSURANCE MATTERS

Jeff Roemer, 410 825-0004, Jeffrey.roemer@kofc.org

FRATERNAL BENEFITS

"Do you own a business?"

If so, there are some unique planning issues to consider that a non-business owner doesn't have to worry about.

- (1) If you die, how will the business pay your family an income?
- (2) If you have children that will eventually take over your business, how will they buy you out?
- (3) How will you equalize the inheritances between your children who work in the business and those that don't?
 - (4) Have you set up a guaranteed buyer for your business when you die?

In most cases ... you are the main motivating force behind your business. It won't run without you. Allow the K of C with our unique product advantages to help you fashion a plan that helps you, your family and your business.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

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

In the next couple of weeks the Council will have a new member; Josh Pippin's brother Harry will join us. Wouldn't it be great if we, the Council, could revive our old degree team and welcome him in. We only need 2 or 3 people to do this. If any actors out there would step forward it can be done.

Thank you.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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

The church has started a new garden club and would like to invite everyone to help beautify the church grounds. I met with the Chairman of the Garden Club, Mary Duffy, and she has already started planting flowers and cultivating the gardens. Mary needs help with removing and replanting certain shrubs and flowers. I will have a sign up sheet for volunteers at the next meeting. Please plan to support this activity to help avoid costs to SJE Parish and increase our visibility in support of the church.

We have also been contacted by the Parish staff to help with painting in one of the rooms of the Parish Center. We will be making plans to support this activity in the mid July time-frame. Again please volunteer your support at one of our next meetings.

The 5th Sunday Mass and Breakfast has had dwindling participation. We have discussed some options on how to increase attendance. Please let us know what you think.

Bishop Newman's Silver Anniversary

The clergy and staff of St. John Parish cordially invite you to a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate Bishop Newman's 25 years as a bishop on Sunday, July 12, at 11:15am. There will be a reception immediately following Mass in the church hall. Please RSVP for the reception by July 6th by contacting the parish office (410-592-6206 or siehydes@siehydes.org). All are welcome!

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

BLOOD DRIVE

We had another successful blood drive on June 6th., a total of 69 showed, 67 presented, 5 were first timers and 5 were double reds for a total of 55 units.

I wish to personally thank everyone who contributed to the blood drive's success. A particular huge note of gratitude to Tom Zaegel who has chaired this drive for many years. I am appreciative of all his hard work and of his teaching me "the ropes" of getting this job done. I know we can do even better the next time. Mark your calendars: Next blood drive Saturday, November 21, 2009 from 7AM to 1PM.

Gratefully, Ray Dietz

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Jim Schmidt Jr. 410-592-8891

Soccer Game:

The World Tour Soccer is coming to Baltimore on Friday the 24 of July. It will be at M&T Bank stadium. We will have a full stand and a portable one, just like at the baseball games. The stadium is already sold out. We will need about 18 members to man these stands. Please call me to sign up. The game starts at 8:00 PM, and as usual, we will be arriving earlier, if we can starting at 4:00PM, to set up etc.. Parking is free. Since the ball games are not bringing in the revenue that we expected, we need this game. PLEASE HELP. Thank you.

The council will once again have a crab feast / picnic. It will be at the 4 H camp in Rocks State Park. We will have an enclosed building with a full kitchen. There are walking trails, ball diamonds and a swimming pool. The date is Aug. 23. The cost will be \$5 general admission, \$20 if you eat crabs, or \$35/couple for crabs.

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PRO-LIFE

The Couples for Christ: Foundation for Family and Life is holding a Pro-Life Summit this Friday, July 3, from noon-8pm, at the BWI Marriott. Admission if free, but pre-registration is required. Call 571-332-0362 of visit their web site at http://www.cfcffl.com/prolifesummit09/confad.pdf for more information.

LECTURER'S REPORT

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

The Lecturer program took a vacation in June at the social meeting. Please advise me of any requests that you may have for Lecturer Programs for 2009-2010.

As usual, the winner of the puzzle contest will be randomly selected from the pile of correct entries received. Answers will be available at the next meeting for those still befuddled.

The answer to the June Match This puzzle is IV = VI - II which can be achieved by moving just one match stick from the false equation IV - VI = II.

The puzzle for July 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 lately and the men are beginning to dominate.

<u>July Puzzle.</u> On the Double – Take the word SURE. If we asked you to add two pairs of doubled letters to it to make an eight letter word, you would add P's and S's to make SUPPRESS. Can you add two pairs of doubled letters to RATE to make it a common eight letter word?

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 need of prayers.

Please continue to pray for the following:

Brothers:

Fr. Jack Collopy

Dick Spinner

Vince Wheeler

John Robinson

Norm Bronzert

William Seibert

Tim Calvert

Jack Lindung

Marland Carlson

Joe Owens

Mike Sallese

Relations:

Kim Schlee, Daughter of Brother John Schlee

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Leonard Scheno, Brother of Jim Scheno
Ann Hughes, Mother-in-Law of Brother Joe Wenderoth
Faith Rowland, Granddaughter of Brother Bill Loeffer
Mary Renshaw, Wife of Brother Bob Renshaw
Marilyn Carr, Wife of Brother Ronald Carr, Sr.
Stan Gibson, Brother of Brother Sam Gibson
Mary Jane Zaegel, Wife of Brother Tom Zaegel
Jerry Rowan, Uncle of Brother Thomas Rowan
Carolyn Thuman, wife of Brother George

Others

Emma Grzymski, mother of State Chaplain Fr. Donald

Deceased:

Norma Ventura, Wife of Brother John Ventura and Mother-In-Law of Brother Michael North

NOTE: We have no system of routinely identifying those people whose health has improved so they no longer need to be on the prayerlist. Consequently, at the end of each quarter, we will delete all names that have been on the list for three or more months. Then anyone can contact the Chancellor, Bob McGraw, at either of the above addresses to be reinstated on the list. We will start with next month's issue, and then follow the guarterly review, beginning in October.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Dr. Jason Lanham	2
Bob Renshaw	4
Fr. Willie Franken	5
Alan Woodman	5
Jim Billingslea	6
Mark Ewing	8
John Ventura	9
Buddy Johnson	10
Charles Meyer	16
Ed Pfister	18
Josh Pippin	19
Paul Oliphant	20
Mike Naumann	24
Tom Wagner	26
Eric Schumacher	27
Bill Seibert	31

DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY JULY	LOCATION	
02	Thurs	7:00 PM	Officers Meeting	Council Home	
09	Thurs.	8:00 PM	BCGK Meeting		
10	Wed.	7:05 PM	Baseball Game-Toronto	Camden Yards	
14	Tues.	8:00 PM	Business Meeting	Council Home	
16	Thurs.	8:00 PM	ABJC Meeting	Long Green Valley	
19	Sun.	1:00 PM	Installation of Officers	St. Johns Church	
24	Fri.	8:00 PM	International Soccer Game	M&T Stadium	
28	Tues.	8:00 PM	Council Social Meeting	Council Home	
28	Tues.		Program Chairman's Meeting NOTE: Social Meeting may be	Columbus Gardens e changed to facilitate the preceding.	
29	Thurs.	7:05PM	Baseball Game-Royals	Camden Yards	
AUGUST					
04	Tues.	NO KNIGHTS LADIES MEETING IN AUGUST			
06	Thurs	7:00 PM	Officers Meeting	Council Home	
11	Tues.	8:00 PM	Business Meeting	Council Home	
13	Thurs.	8:00 PM	BCGK Meeting	Fr. McGivney Council	
14	Fri.	7:05 PM	Baseball Game-LAA	Camden Yards	
20	Thurs.	8:00 PM	ABJC Meeting	Fr. M. Wolfe Council	
23	Sun.	1:00 PM	Council Family Picnic	4H Camp in Rocks State Park	
25	Tues.	8:00 PM	Social Meeting	Council Home	
30	Sun.	7:30 AM	Fifth Sunday Mass/Breakfast	St. Johns/Sunshine Grill	



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Long Green Valley Council No. 8736 c/o Michael Sallese 2701Chestnut Hill Road Forest Hill, MD 21050



Knights Ladies,

We have new officers for the upcoming 'year' (September).

President – Dana Rowan Vice President – Joyce Manocheh Secretary – Jo Ann Reed Treasurer – Janie Zaegel

Carol & Jo Ann