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Worthy Brothers, Ladies, and All;

As I start this fraternal year as your new Grand Knight I want to first thank all of you for the confidence that you have in me to be your Grand Knight. It is humbling. I pray that I will be able to justify the confidence you have in my leadership of this great council. Know that I fully understand that the greatness of our council comes from the hard work and dedication that you all have in living up to the ideals of the Knights of Columbus.

I also want to thank my best friend and wife Donna for the support and encouragement she has given me. Without her support, I would not have been able to be as active in the council as I have been and I would not have been able to accept this position. She encouraged me to join the Knights and to stick with it through the years.

Over the past several months, I have noticed a slow but steady decline in the number of brothers attending our meetings. One of my goals for the coming year is to reinvigorate the council, to increase the number of brothers at our meetings and events. I feel we must get more of our brothers involved to keep them active in our council and Knights of Columbus.

We all joined the Knights for different reasons, but I am sure one of those reasons was to be able to give back to our church and community. It is important therefore for us to make sure that we, the council leadership, provide you with the opportunities you want. We will strive to come up with new activities that will provide you not only the chance to give back to the community but also to fun within the council

The leadership has the responsibility to come up with the events, but please help us by letting anyone in the council leadership know about events that you think we could participate in. All of us hear about different opportunities but we all do not hear about all them. Let the activity directors, the council officers, or myself know about the events where we can give back to the community by charitable work.

*Dan Samis
Grand Knight*

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Membership

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For the record
... 06/01/06

Total Membership	212
Honorary Life/Hon	7
Fr. McGivney Awd(10)	0%
Founders Award (5)	0%
Surge With Service	0%

STARTING OVER!!!

Whatever it takes we must earn our 13th Star Council Award. Dan Samis has already worked hard enough to receive this award for the council. Now is the time to lock in that new member you have been "working on" Let's do it now. Let's do it for DAN!!!

Associate Chaplain's Message

Things have changed quite a lot since the Second Vatican Council, came into session many years ago. There was a very great effort to focus on community building and community participation in the mass. All of the ritual books that have been published since then, have called for the community to take an active part in the worship services that we experience throughout the year. I think that most all of the parishes have been quite faithful to the task of implementing those ideas and many have created many new ways of enhancing the communal aspect of parish life and worship. Some of the sacraments that we have celebrated like Baptism, Confirmation, and Anointing, are occasionally celebrated within the Sunday Mass to show us their relationship to the whole community. For example, Baptism is a welcoming into the total church, the entire Christian community, symbolized by

those that are present for that particular weekend Eucharist. Then there is Anointing within the Eucharistic celebration which calls the entire Church to pray and care for the sick. Many churches have been built and many renovated to provide better seating arrangements that allow a better physical and visual exchange between the people, which helps in raising the community spirit. Many parishes have greeters or hospitality people just like we have at St. Francis de sales, who welcome people to worship, and many times we are asked to introduce ourselves to those around us at the beginning of mass. There are parishes like ours, that have books for visitors to sign so that we can send them a letter later on to acknowledge their presence and thank them for joining us in our worship service. One of the best ways for socializing is the coffee and donut get togethers that many churches have,

following liturgies. There are also the increasing numbers of people that carry Communion to those that can't come to church. They bring the parish bulletin and news about what is going on in the parish and it's a reminder to those at mass our responsibility to reach out to those that are hurting. Most parishes today have some type of Christian service groups which work in different areas to help the poor or others that are in need. This ranges from local food pantries to collections for parishes that are poor, to alcoholism counseling to bereavement assistance. There are many more services that the church is involved in that could be mentioned, but all of these bring to our minds the importance of our efforts to building community. It follows what Jesus has asked us to do. Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it for me.
Deacon Dick Stine

Insurance

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What Happens to Them if You Can't Care for Yourself?

Raising a family is costly. For many of us, there's not much left over for long-term goals...such as saving for our children's education or for retirement. Ideally, caring for a sick parent wouldn't have to be part of the equation. Yet, as with many things in life, the reality can be quite different. Today, many people start families in their 30s and 40s - while their parents live well into their 70s, 80s, and 90s.

If one day you require skilled nursing care, you might have to ask your children for help - just when they're ready to send their own children off to college. This is, in fact, a common dilemma among middle-aged people today. Experts have even coined a term - "the sandwich generation" - to describe those who are squeezed between the conflicting financial obligations of caring for both parents and children.

Knights of Columbus Care - a long-term care insurance

plan - is the newest addition to the Order's portfolio of insurance products. It is available to members and their spouses ages 40 through 85 in the United States (35 through 80 in Canada), subject to underwriting requirements. You have a choice of nursing-home-only coverage, or comprehensive coverage - which also covers at-home and hospice care.

In addition, you choose your daily benefit amount, benefit duration, and elimination period. This flexibility allows you to determine both your coverage and the premium you will pay. I can furnish details.

The cost of nursing-home can lay waste to even the most carefully planned retirement nest-egg. This could force you to deplete assets or to rely on your family for help. Contact me to find out how long-term care insurance can give you peace of mind

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3-Month Planner

JULY			
Sun	2	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30 am-12:30pm
Mon	3	No Council meeting due to July 4 th Holiday	
Mon	10	Installation Practice, Worship Center	6:30 – 7p.m.
Mon	10	Council Officers meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 p.m.
Fri	14	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
Sat	15	Installation of Officers & Reception, Worship Center/Kilduff	6:30 – 11 p.m.
Sun	16	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30 am-12:30pm
Sun	16	Ironbirds Ballgame	?
Mon	17	Council Meeting and Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00 p.m.
Mon	17	KC Ladies Meeting – Knight's Hall / Social	8 p.m.
Fri	23	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
AUGUST			
Sun	6	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30 am-12:30pm
Mon	7	Council meeting, Knights Hall	8 p.m.
Fri	11	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
Mon	14	Council Officers meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 p.m.
Sun	20	Parish Picnic – No Donut Sunday	11 am-?
Mon	21	Council Meeting and Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00 p.m.
Mon	21	KC Ladies Meeting – Knight's Hall / Social	
Fri	25	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
SEPTEMBER			
Sun	3	Donut Sunday	7:30 am-12:30 pm
Mon	4	Council Meeting Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Fri	8	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Mon	11	Officers Meeting Knights Hall	7:30pm
Sun	17	Donut Sunday	7:30 am-12:30 pm
Mon	18	Council Meeting and Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	18	KC Ladies Meeting – Knight's Hall / Social	8 p.m.
Fri	22	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm

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the 15th of each month to:*

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Programs Update

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My Brothers All,

Our council has completed a lot of activities this past fraternal year, some of which are new and some which have become great traditions in our council. Many thanks to Dan Samis for guiding us through last year and for providing support to the activity directors and our council at large.

My goals as program director are simple: one, continue with our activities that have become a welcome tradition to our council as well as create and encourage new ideas and activities, and two, increase participation in these activities by our new

members. The success with our activities depends upon the entire council continuing to contribute.

Here we are off to a great start on a new fraternal year! Continuing in their positions from last year are Mike Brown for youth, and Dan Briggs for community. Our new activity directors are Ed Petrovic for church, Tom Pahutski for family, and Mike Novak for council. Many thanks for our returning activity directors, and welcome to our new activity directors! Our success depends upon all us continuing to work together as a council and to encourage new and creative ideas. Let's go do it!

District Deputy Report

Ed Colvin, District Deputy

All District Brothers,

It's hard to believe a new Fraternal Year is upon us. Congratulations to the newly elected officers. Thank you for stepping up to these important positions in **your** council. Together, we will work to assure success in all council activities. As you may already know, the new State Deputy is Edgar B. Haynes. His State Motto for this fraternal year is; "Live Our Faith". The State Color is Purple.

In case someone isn't aware, I am a member of Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council 11372 in Abingdon. I was the Charter Grand Knight and was also a Charter Officer in John Carroll Assembly in Hydes. I have been a Knight for 15 years and have enjoyed every minute of service to Church and Community. My duties as your District Deputy may curtail my volunteerism to a degree, but I'll be doing all I can.

My wife Connie and I look forward to meeting all of you.

By the time this article is published, some council's will have held their Installation's. I assure you, I am filled with pride at the thought of installing the officers of District 2. Yes, I said District 2. We became District 2 when State Treasurer Richard V. Siejack moved up to State Secretary on July 1, 2006. The State Deputy's home district is District 1.

As we move forward, let us show that we are followers of Christ by the way we "Live Our Faith". Thank you for all you do for the Knights of Columbus, your Church and your Community.

Vivat Jesus

Family Bingo



Family Bingo is held on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. We always have room for a few more players. We also have a need for EARLY kitchen help. Please let Bill Hengemihle know if you can help out in any way with this important fund raising activity.

RE M I N D E R OUR COUNCIL HAS A WEBSITE!

As a reminder, there's a Knights link on the left menu of the Parish website, and the direct address is <http://stfrancisabingdon.org/kofc/>. You can view the Newsletter on the site, as well as other information about the Council and the Knights of Columbus. Any suggestions are welcome!

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K of C Ladies

Debbie Sosna, President

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Our Ladies Auxiliary took first place at the K of C Awards Ceremony. Way to go ladies!

A special thank you to Connie Colvin, who led us as President for the 2005-2006 year. We appreciate all your hard work and dedication.

The Ladies Installation Dinner was held at The Old Philadelphia Inn on Monday June 19, 2006. Your officers for the upcoming 2006-2007 year are:

President: Debbie Sosna
Vice President: Connie Colvin
Secretary: Andrea Bendewald
Treasurer: Teri Brown

The Bake Sale was a great success bringing in approximately \$1500. A big thank you to all who volunteered by working, baking and making donations for the event.

The Men's Installation Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday 7/15/06 immediately following the 5:00pm mass. Please RSVP to Dan Samis (410-569-3423) by June 26, 2006 if you plan to attend the dinner reception.

The Basket Bingo, scheduled for this October, will be here before we know it. Please consider chairing this event. We will discuss details further at our next meeting but in the meantime we can start on getting those donations!!

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday July 17th. See you there!