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Worthy Brothers,

This month we celebrate Thanksgiving. While we have many things to be thankful for, one of the things I am thankful about is being part of this council. I was never more proud to be a Knight than I was when we helped Bob and Carol Roddy in their mourning for their son David. Your turnout at the viewing and the funeral was absolutely outstanding. At the viewing, when I asked you to join me up front to say the rosary, I wondered if the Knights coming forward would ever stop. The number of you who showed up surprised everyone. One lady there was heard to say "there are so many of them." The turnout on Saturday was equally impressive. We were there to support Bob and Carol and to make sure no one interrupted the ceremony. We had Knights from across the state there to help us. These two sad events showed what it means to be a brother in our order. I had tears of pride in my eyes when I saw all of you. I'm sure Bob and Carol were very honored by your support. You showed what I talked about at my installation - the comradeship and sense of brotherhood of our organization. I am proud of every one of you.

On November 20th, we will have two special events and that I hope you all can turn out for. First, Immediate Past State Deputy Ron White will be at our meeting to present Past Grand Knight Mike Mall with the Star Council Award. I ask all Knights that can turn out for this honor to be there to give recognition for the leadership Mike provided during his term in office.

The second event, which will occur after the meeting is closed, is a presentation by Brother Pat Perkins on the importance of having a will, a living will, and/or power of attorney and how these documents differ. This part of the meeting will be open to spouses. It is important that we all have these documents as they govern what happens after we die. Having these documents will reduce the stress and anguish our families will go through. Please plan on attending this discussion.

Vivat Jesus,
Dan Samis, GK

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<h2>Membership</h2>	<i>From Bill Hengemihle</i> 410-569-5253
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For the record.....as of 10/16/06	Total Membership.....211
Honorary Life/Hon.....7	Fr. McGivney Award (15)... 0%
Founders Award (5).....0 %	Surge With Service.....33%

October showed some growth in our membership. John VanDereedt was readmitted as a third degree member. Godwin Ilonoh transferred into our council. William Kessler is our newest first degree member taking his first degree on October 16th. We welcome these new faces and congratulate them in belonging to a great council. Please make them all feel welcome.

Associate Chaplain's Message

DEACONS CORNER

Last month I started to talk about our gift from God that gave us the freedom to decide for good or for evil. When we understand this mystery of human freedom, that an all powerful and loving God allows us to use or abuse our world, it helps explain the problem of evil in this world and the one aspect of one human being's inhumanity to another. In the face of world or local tragedies that are going on in this world today, people sometimes ask, "**How could God do this to me, or why does God let this happen?**".

Let us look at a couple of examples that happen in peoples lives. There's a family who has an alcoholic family member with a diseased liver. Or the family that's torn apart because of a sexual abuse or families of victims killed or maimed by terrorist actions. They sometimes ask "**Why Lord?**".

What do you think the response from God would be? God just might say "I don't like or want those evils that people do to others. But I don't exercise my power to prevent them. For me to act otherwise would take away human freedom, because if humanity is free to do only good, then you are not truly free". However I believe that God's promise is that He will always keep working these bad things around in our lives and eventually bring good out of them

I think that we know that all that glitters isn't gold. That old saying applies to our every human action. What seems to be very attractive at first can sometimes prove to be very destructive in the long run. After the passion runs it's course or the dust has finally settled, many times we discover that the bad choices that we think will bring us true happiness, don't not free us at all but rather tend to

enslave us and cause us sorrow.

Don't we sometimes eat excessively & poorly and eventually we hear the doctor tell us about blood problems or emerging heart conditions? We drink too much to escape the challenges of life only to discover that alcohol doesn't solve anything and only creates more stress. God has a plan for us that will lead us to true freedom and real happiness. At the start that road may strike us as very restrictive and not much pleasure, but in time if we follow God's plan, that plan will actually free us and increase our joys of life. So what are the things that help us that God has given us? God has given us our conscience and especially the Church to guide us down this road of life. We will continue this in January 2007

Deacon Dick Stine

Insurance

Ed O'Keefe, Insurance Agent
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For Brother Knights, by Brother Knights

We all know and appreciate the good work the Knights of Columbus does for the Church and charitable causes. But did you know that our insurance program is an essential part of the Order, and has been from the very beginning.

Protecting families from economic adversity has been a key part of the Knights of Columbus mission since its founding in 1882. Our founders "passed the hat" to support the widows and children of brother Knights who had died. We've grown into one of the largest individual life insurers in North America – with more than \$50 billion of individual life insurance in force.

Moreover, contrary to some misconceptions, our insurance program is not directed in any way by a "separate company" and never has been. Our insurance is available exclusively to members, their wives, and their dependent children. All field agents – including me – are themselves brother Knights. We all work full-time for the Order, serving the needs of you and your family and answering your questions.

In this day and age, personal attention has become rare – but in the Knights of Columbus, we specialize in it. In fact, it's our job to get to know you and your family, and to make ourselves available to you for assistance. We are different from other insurers – and that difference greatly benefits our members. Give me a call to find out more about how the Knights of Columbus has been "Making a Difference for Life" for 123 years.



3-Month Planner

NOVEMBER

Wed	1	Begin Registration 109 th State Convention	n/a
Thu	2	2 nd Degree Exemplification, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Sat	4	Memorial Mass, Stone Chapel	8:30am
Sun	5	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Sun	5	KoC at Ravens/Cincinnati (1pm), KoC Hall	8:30am
Mon	6	Council Mtg, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Fri	10	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Fri	10	3 rd Degree Exemplification, Mason Dixon	7:00pm
Sat	11	KoC Atlantic City Bus Trip	9am-9pm
Mon	13	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Thu	16	4 th Degree Meeting, TBD	8:00pm
Sat	18	Holiday Craft Bazaar, Kilduff Hall	8:00am-3:00pm
Sun	19	Holiday Craft Bazaar, Kilduff Hall	8:00am-1:00pm
Sun	19	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Sun	19	KoC at Ravens/Atlanta (1pm), KoC Hall	8:30am
Mon	20	Council Mtg, Social (Pat Perkins), Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	20	KoC Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	23	Thanksgiving Day	!!!
Fri	24	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Sun	26	KoC at Ravens/Pittsburgh (1pm), KoC Hall	8:30am

DECEMBER

Sun	3	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	4	Council Mtg, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Thu	7	2 nd Degree Exemplification, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Fri	8	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Sat	9	KoC Childrens Christmas Party, Kilduff Hall	11:30am
Sat	9	State Christmas Party, Cardinal Gibbons Council	TBD
Mon	11	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Sun	17	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Sun	17	KoC at Ravens/Cleveland (1pm), KoC Hall	8:30am
Mon	18	1 st Degree, Council Mtg, Social, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Mon	18	KoC Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	21	4 th Degree Meeting, TBD	8:00pm
Fri	22	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm

Mon	25	Christmas Day	!!!
Sun	31	KoC at Ravens/Buffalo (1pm), KoC Hall	8:30am
JANUARY			
Mon	1	Council Mtg, Kilduff Hall	TBD
Sun	7	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	8	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	12	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Mon	15	Council Mtg, Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	15	KoC Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	18	4 th Degree Meeting, TBD	8:00pm
Sun	20	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Fri	26	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Sat	13/20	KoC Holiday Party, 13 th or 20 th to be determined	TBD

Holiday Craft Bazaar



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- St. Francis de Sales 6th Annual Holiday Craft Bazaar
- 1450 Abingdon Rd, Abingdon MD 21009
- Kilduff Hall
- Saturday November 18, 2006, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Sunday November 19, 2006, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- All proceeds benefit St. Francis de Sales Church
- Many New Crafters and Vendors will be Available for you to purchase all your Holiday Needs!
- **BAKE SALE** – sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary – To donate your baked goods call M.C. Eder 410-538-4433
- **PIT BEEF STAND** - sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #11372 (Out front of the Knights of Columbus Hall)
- **MIDNIGHT JEWELS** – sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #11372 (a portion of profits will be donated to the SVDP Christmas Program) (Tom@midnightsjewels.com)
- **POINSETTIA SALE** – sponsored by the Boy Scouts Troop # 810 Any questions please contact Betty Burlin at 410-676-3554 ext: 32
- **VICKY'S ATTIC** – Contact Vicky at 410-734-7762 to drop off your valuable donations to be sold at Vicky's Attic, all proceeds benefit SFDS Church (This year Vicky's Attic will be located in the Knights of Columbus Hall)
- **GREAT FOOD WILL BE SOLD ON PREMISES!**
- Anyone interested in volunteering in the Kitchen, Pit Beef Stand, Bake Sale or Vicky's Attic, Please call Connie 410-515-7771

District Deputy Report

Ed Colvin, District Deputy

Greetings Brothers,

Congratulations to the new members of the Order who took their First Degree on the 16th at Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council. **What a deal I have for you.** On November 2nd there will be a Second Degree at Fr. Wolfe and on November 10th there will be a Third Degree at Mason-Dixon Council in Pylesville. Candidates **must** arrive NLT 7:30 PM.

I would like to express my thanks to all who came out and supported the Roddy Family as they mourned the loss of David. The outpouring of love and patriotism was overwhelming. Thank you and God Bless You.

Election day is just around the corner. I hope you will exercise your Right to Vote and follow your conscience. We as Catholics need to stand up and be counted.

Let us always show the world by our actions that we are indeed "Living Our Faith".

Vivat Jesus

Editor's Note

As many of you know, I took over the editing of the Knight Works from Ray Traube on July 1. Now that I'm over the "hump" of the learning curve, I want to try to add a little "pizzaz", for want of a better term. I've changed the masthead (top of page 1) to a font that is more "knightly." You will also see more variety in fonts. Please let me know if you like or don't like the changes you see as the newsletter should reflect your preferences, not mine.

I also want to apologize for recent delays in getting the newsletter to you in a timely manner. This was caused by issues with our printer which I believe have now been corrected. I still urge you to sign up for email delivery, however. This will ensure timely reception in case of problems in the future and saves the Council money.

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Programs Update

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My Brothers All,

One of the toughest parts about being Programs Director is thanking all the individuals who direct, volunteer, and participate in our council programs and activities. It is an absolute privilege to be able to serve this council and be a part of the charitable contributions of our brothers, ladies, their families, and our fellow parishioners!

Our council dinner with Fr. Wible was on October 2 at the Bull on the Beach. Thank you to Rich Sosna for coordinating this night of fellowship with our new pastor and for the wonderful buffet style dinner! We held our annual College Night on Tuesday October 10 to instruct and advise parents and students about the necessary planning to apply and attend college. Thanks to Mike Brown and Bill Elliott for this informative seminar! Thank you to all of our brothers who assisted the KofC Ladies on October 6 with the annual Ladies Basket Bingo! Saturday October 7 was the annual Light the Night Walk for Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Many thanks to Dan Briggs, Roy Franta, and family for coordinating the KofC participation for this event and raising over \$400! During the weekend masses of October 1, the Knights participated with a Promote the Vote campaign to encourage and facilitate voter registration. Many thanks to Joe Vichot for coordinating this state event for our local council! Thank you to Bill Hengemihle, Bob Hoguet, and Dan Briggs for coordinating and working so much for our annual car raffle ticket collections. Another special thanks to Mike Novak and Tom Pahutski for coordinating our Tootsie Roll campaign outside of Wal-Mart.

Church (Ed Petrovic 410.679.4179) – Saturday November 4 will be our annual Memorial Mass. The Mass is at 9:00 AM in the Stone Chapel and all Brothers and their families are invited to attend. Afterwards we will retire to Vitali's Restaurant (at the Invitation Inn) for breakfast. All are invited. The all inclusive cost for the breakfast buffet will be \$12.33 per person. Please contact Ed to reserve your spot at Vitali's.

Family (Tom Pahutski 410.569.0005) – The planning for our Childrens' Christmas Party on December 9 is under way, and many volunteers are needed! If you can volunteer for this event, please contact Tom.

Youth (Mike Brown 410.538.7447) – Mike Brown is currently working on the "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest, and additional youth activities for next year. Please see Mike today to see how you can help our youth programs!

Council (Mike Novak 410.515.6867) – Atlantic City! Atlantic City! November 11th will be our bus trip to Atlantic City! The bus will depart St. Francis at 9am and return by 9pm. The cost is \$25 per person, contact Mike as soon as possible to register!

Community (Dan Briggs 443.299.8446) – We will have a roadside cleanup for our KofC sponsored Box Hill South Parkway on Saturday October 28. Contact Dan Briggs today to maintain the beauty and dignity of our community!

Ravens (Lee Eder 410.538.4433) – The Knights continue to work the Ravens home games to raise funds for our council. Many thanks to Lee Eder and Mike Brown for all of their efforts! Contact Lee today to volunteer for the next home game!

Bingo (Bob Hoguet 443.512.8829) – Bingo is held every 2nd and 4th Friday at Kilduff Hall to raise funds for our council and the parish. Volunteers are always needed to work at Bingo. Contact Bob today to volunteer!

Christmas Cards – Christmas cards are being sold after each mass. Please contact George Hemelt to volunteer and assist him with this effort.

Annual Craft Bazaar – Our annual craft bazaar is here again with all proceeds to benefit St. Francis de Sales Church- Saturday November 18 from 8am to 3pm, and Sunday November 19 from 8am to 1pm. **Bake Sale** – sponsored by the KofC Ladies – To donate your baked goods call M.C. Eder 410.538.4433.

Pit Beef Stand - sponsored by the KofC brothers (Out front of the KofC Hall). **Midnight Jewels** – sponsored by brother Tom Scaruzzi (a portion of profits will be donated to the SVDP Christmas Program) Tom@midnightsjewels.com. Anyone interested in volunteering, please call Mel and Connie at 410.515.7771.

Many thanks to all of our brothers, the ladies, their families, and our fellow parishioners for all the participation and volunteering for our programs!

Fraternally yours - Dan Trout