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Brothers,

In January, the council officers had to make the decision to cancel our traditional holiday party. We had to cancel the party because we only had 31 individuals sign-up to attend it. When we realized the Ravens playoff game was the same day, the number dropped to 20. The minimum number of attendees we needed to have the party was 36. Some of the comments we received was that some brothers thought the price, \$30 per individual, was too high. Some were committed to working the Ravens' game. In addition, some brothers just have lost interest in this annual event.

What happened to this event and to some of our other events has me very concerned. Over the last seven months, there has been a lack of participation in many of our events. For example, of the 44 individuals who took the bus trip to Atlantic City – only 18 of them were from the Knights. Our Community Activities has seen a drop off in all of its events. We are having a hard time finding enough Knights to run the Bingos.

The vitality of this organization depends on the participation of its members. Without this participation, our organization cannot grow and we cannot perform the services we want to do. Part of the problem may be that we are repeating some events so often that you are tiring of them. If that is the case, then we need to find new things to do. We need your input to do this. Many of you know of worthwhile projects that you feel we could or should do; but, if you do not tell us about them, we will not know about them. We do not know or hear about all of the good projects that may be available. We need your help to learn about them.

Most of us joined the Knights of Columbus because we wanted to contribute back to our parish and our community, to Live our Faith. This requires that we all come out to help on projects and events when our busy lives allow us to, or it may require we make time to help. We have several projects happening over the next couple of months that I hope you will join us on. In February we have a Ice Skating event at Ice World on the 3rd for families to have fun and to fill the St Vincent de Paul Pantry and we have the Kids Bingo on the 17th, which the kids love and it also raises funds for Juvenile Diabetes. In March we will be installing benches and arbor for a meditation area behind the Stone Chapel, we will be participating in a Habitat for Humanity event to help build a home, and we are planning a March Madness party/social. We also are running Bingos all through the year. All of these events need your help and participation. Please, come out and join us as we Live our Faith.

Dan Samis
Grand Knight

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Membership	<i>From Bill Hengemihle</i> 410-569-5253
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For the record.....as of 1/1/07	Total Membership..... 212
Honorary Life/Hon.....7	Fr. McGivney Award (15)... ..-1
Founders Award (5).....1	Surge With Service.....66%

Congratulations to our new first degree members Bill Winkelman and Don Mathis. These brothers received the honors of the first degree at our December 18th meeting. The council now needs eleven new members to reach our 13th consecutive Star Council Award. I know we can get it done.....Please do all you can to sign up that new prospect as soon as possible.

Associate Chaplain's Message

DEACONS CORNER

This month we will continue to look at how the Church helps us to form a good conscience and guides us to use good judgments. The Catholic Church represents the living Christ living in the world today, and carries on the teachings of Jesus and his saving mission in the world. Where does the church get the information to do this important job that was left to us? It's pretty obvious that the church looks to the words of Jesus first to set the standards for our moral conduct. We can summarize the teachings of Jesus in the two great commandments which have their roots in the Jewish scriptures. I think that we're all familiar with the story about the lawyer who came to Jesus and asked him "Teacher, which commandment of the law is the greatest?" As we know, Jesus quoted from the Jewish scriptures, "You shall love the lord your God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself". On these two commandments the whole law is based, and the prophets as well. (Matt 22:36-40) During the ministry of Jesus, he made it very clear some of the implications that arise from those two great commandments. Jesus tells us to see Christ in those burdened people that we meet who need food or clothes or maybe confined at home. He says we must be able to forgive those who may have hurt us; and it means believing, praying and trusting; and it means having pure hearts and doing good deeds. Jesus in his teachings was also very clear about eternal life. If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments. That is why the Church likewise stresses the Ten Commandments with all that they imply as additional standards of our moral behavior. The two great commandments and the Ten Commandments, plus the scriptural teachings of Jesus give us the necessary guidance if we want to seriously follow in the footsteps of Christ. We should be aware also that there have been and are now, and probably always will be, particular and complex moral issues for which our consciences require more direction and information.

In response to that need, the Church over the years has built up, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, a very large and detailed body of principles that help us to form a correct conscience. We will continue next month on that subject.

Deacon Dick Stine

Insurance

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Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the beneficiary originally designated to receive the proceeds from that policy needs to be updated. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since been married, that could be updated to reflect your spouse, and even your children.

Most people list a primary beneficiary – that person is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary – an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

I routinely call all of our policyholders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that I'll discuss during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

I look forward to meeting with each of you.



3-Month Planner

FEBRUARY

Sat	3	Family Ice Skating – Ice World Abingdon	5:45-7:45pm
Sun	4	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	5	Council Mtg, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Fri	9	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Sat	10	Second Degree Practice, Kilduff Hall	9:00am
Sun	11	Knights Pancake Breakfast, Kilduff Hall	6:00am-1:00pm
Mon	12	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Thu	15	4 th Degree Meeting, TBD	8:00pm
Sat	17	Second Degree Practice, Kilduff Hall	9:00am
Sat	17	Kid's Bingo, Kilduff Hall (doors open 6:30pm)	7:00pm
Sun	18	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	19	1 st Degree, Council Mtg, Social, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Mon	19	KoC Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	22	Second Degree Exemplification (J), Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Fri	23	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm

MARCH

Sun	4	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	5	Council Mtg, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Tue	7	Habitat for Humanity Training (Knights Hall)	7:00pm
Fri	9	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Fri	9-11	Malvern Retreat, King of Prussia PA	TBD
Mon	12	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Thu	15	4 th Degree Meeting, TBD	8:00pm
Sat	17	St. Patrick's Day	!!!
Sun	18	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Sun	18	Founder's Day Mass & Reception (State) – Nat'l Cathedral	TBD
Mon	19	1 st Degree (J), Council Mtg, Social, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Mon	19	KoC Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Wed	21	Ash Wednesday	!!!
Fri	23	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Sat	24	Habitat for Humanity Work Day	TBD
Sat	31	4 th Degree Exemplification - Hagerstown	8:00am

APRIL

Sun	1	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	2	Council Mtg, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Sun	8	Easter Sunday	!!!
Mon	9	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	13	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Sun	15	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30am-12:30pm
Mon	16	1 st Degree (J), Council Mtg, Social, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Mon	16	KoC Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	19	Second Degree Exemplification	TBD
Thu	19	4 th Degree Meeting, TBD	8:00pm
Fri	27	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6:00pm

Programs Update

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My Brothers All,

On Saturday, January 13th, several brothers participated in the annual Baltimore Right to Life Walk. PGK Rich Sosna, PGK Bob Hoguet, and FN Brian O'Connor and their families participated in the walk on Bel Air Road followed by mass at St. Joseph Church in Fullerton. Brothers Ken Reed and George Jones coordinated a senior citizen essay contest entitled "Living our faith". Our council's two entries submitted for this state event were essays written by Edna Buettner and Mildred Kroneberger. Brothers Tom Pahutski and Mike Novak hand delivered a check to John Archer School for the funds raised from our Tootsie Roll Campaign last fall. The Malvern Retreat will be March 9 through 11. Please contact Bob Hoguet if you would like to attend this traditional men's retreat and spiritual experience.

For 2007, I encourage all of our brothers to volunteer for our activities. We have a lot of new members that have participated in our traditional activities, and a lot of new ideas from existing members that have expanded our programs. Try to volunteer for one more activity than you usually do, and maybe in an area that you have not participated before. For our new members, explore all of our programs, and get involved. And we absolutely need everyone's feedback and ideas for improving existing activities and creating new ones. We need everyone's support!

Church (Ed Petrovic 410.679.4179) – Ed is planning to construct a 'meditation area' on the parish grounds including benches and an arbor. We will need volunteers on March 17th at 9:00 AM.

Family (Tom Pahutski 410.569.0005) – Our annual Family Ice Skating event will be Saturday February 3rd at Ice World Abingdon. The rink is open to us from 5:45pm to 7:45pm, which includes a skating instructor as well. Admission for entry is a non-perishable food donation for SVDP. Skate rentals should you need them are \$3.00 each. RSVP to Tom as soon as you can for this wonderful winter event!

Youth (Mike Brown 410.538.7447) – Our annual Kid's Bingo will be Saturday February 17th, doors opening at 6:30pm. There will be several prizes including a grand prize – an iPod for one lucky winner! Proceeds from the Kid's Bingo will go towards Juvenile Diabetes. RSVP to Mike today for this enjoyable kid's event!

Council (Mike Novak 410.515.6867) – Mike is considering a March Madness evening for an upcoming meeting. Please contact Mike for additional ideas!

Community (Dan Briggs 443.299.8446) – Our future community plans include participation with Habitat for Humanity. Over a year ago, our council made a monetary donation to Habitat upon which the council sponsored a work trailer with a full size KofC #11372 logo posted on the trailer. Now we have the opportunity to work together as team with Habitat this spring. We will have a training session on Wednesday March 7th, and host the actual work day on a Saturday March 24th. We need as many volunteers as possible for this fantastic community activity! Contact Dan today to volunteer!

Ravens (Lee Eder 410.538.4433) – The Raven's stand raised more money than expected for our council! Many thanks to coach Lee Eder and coach Mike Brown for working every game this season, and to all our brothers who worked the games to raise funds for our council. Woouooooooooooh! (I hope I spelled that right!)

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. Many thanks to Bob Hoguet and Bill Hengemihle for all of their efforts! Volunteers are always needed to work at Bingo. Contact Bob today to volunteer!

Pancake Breakfast (Lee Eder & Mike Brown) – Our council will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday February 11. Please contact Mike and Lee today to volunteer for this fund raising activity!

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

District Deputy Report

Ed Colvin, District Deputy

I guess it's true. Time does indeed move faster the older you get. It's already mid January and we're into the 3rd quarter of the Fraternal Year. There's a lot of work to be done to make it a successful one for your council's and the district. Membership! Enough said!

Some deadlines:

- Council Fraternal Survey's were due on January 31, 2007
- Semiannual Council Audit Report. Your treasurer's should schedule the audit at the soonest possible date. The deadline for submitting this audit is February 15th.
- Founders Day, March 29th is the 125th Anniversary of the Order receiving it's Charter from the State of Connecticut.
- The Maryland Jurisdiction has a new council, #14189 in Centerville on the eastern shore.
- June 30th is the Star Council Deadline. All membership and insurance transactions must be received, processed and recorded at Supreme by this date. This year, because June 30th is on a Saturday, all transactions must be received, processed and recorded by 4:30PM Friday, June 29th.
- The Annual District Horseshoe Tournament will take place at Eden Mill on June 3rd (More to follow).

I pray that everyday, you have a chance to show the world that we are "Living Our Faith".

Vivat Jesus -
District Deputy Ed Colvin

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K of C Ladies

Debbie Sosna
President

Thank you for making our annual Baby Shower for Birthright a success. All your donations of clothing, diapers and baby products, along with all the monetary donations, will go to a worthy cause. As Teri shared with us, Birthright relies solely on donations and receives no state or federal funding. Please keep this important ministry in your continued prayers.

We have a very busy few months ahead of us so mark your calendars.

February 11, 2007: K of C Pancake Breakfast

February 17, 2007: K of C Kids Bingo to benefit Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF)

The Ladies will be donating an IPOD to the Knights to be used as a prize. Volunteers are needed, if you can help please speak with Mike Brown or Cindy Rock.

March 17, 2007: SFDS Parish St Patrick's Day Dance

March 31, 2007: 4th Degree Hagerstown

The Ladies are asked to bring a hand made gift to be shared as a door prize if attending. A donation of \$50 from our auxiliary will also be contributed.

April 21, 2007: SFDS Spaghetti Dinner

May (Date TBA): Plant Sale

May 5, 2007: K of C Ladies Jewelry Bingo featuring the jewelry of Tom Scaruzzi. If you would like to get involved please contact committee chairs, Connie Piotrowski or Mary Celeste Eder.

Our next meeting will be held Monday 2/19/07 See you t