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Brothers,

As the first quarter of the fraternal year comes to an end, I want to thank the officers, activity directors and brothers of the council for their hard work and dedication. In these past few months, I've had the pleasure of seeing so many of you dedicate your time and talents to the work of the Order, and, for that, I am profoundly grateful. As we begin the second quarter and await the arrival of fall, we can look ahead to a busy calendar of events. Ravens and Bingo remain in full swing. Our car raffle is coming to an end, and tootsie rolls are right around the corner. Please support Brother Bob Roddy, who has been kind enough to coordinate this important effort. If you can give a little time to this project, please let him know. The students of John Archer School look to us to help. Let's not let them down.

I also want to take a moment and thank the Ladies of the Auxiliary for all that they do for our council. Please be sure to support their Bingo in October. Like us, all they do is for the benefit of charity and church.

Please also take some time to look over the calendar of upcoming events and the reports of the activity directors. Get involved!! Our council lives and breathes by the participation of its members. If you know a Catholic gentleman with whom you'd like to share the experience of being a Knight, extend a hand and invite them to join. With each new member, our council grows and gets better. I would like to welcome our first new recruit of the fraternal year, John K. Elliott. I can't begin to tell you how proud I am to have signed my father's Form 100. I hope to sign many more in the future!!

As always, if you have any questions or just want to share an idea or concern, feel free to contact me 410-838-9893 or [kofcsanta@yahoo.com](mailto:kofcsanta@yahoo.com).

Bill Elliott – Grand Knight

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Bill Hengemihle</b> <b>410-569-5253</b>
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<b>For The Record</b>	<b>10.01.08</b>	<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>226</b>
<b>Honorary Life/Hon.....6</b>		<b>Fr. McGivney Award (11).....0%</b>	
<b>Founders Award (6).....0%</b>		<b>Surge With Service.....0%</b>	

**15 YEAR MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL.** To celebrate our 15<sup>th</sup> year, for the entire year, all new members will not be charged the normal \$10.00 initiation fee. In addition, should the new member bring in a new member, the council will pay \$30.00 toward the sponsoring members dues. This could be a benefit of \$40.00 for each new member. Talk to the membership chairman about details. We need new members now!!!!

## *Program Director's Report*

*Dan Briggs*

My Brother Knights,

Let me begin by expressing my appreciation and admiration for all the members of the council. It has been a busy couple of weeks for our council, we as a group of people have risen to the occasion time after time and accomplished a great deal of activities. (While having a lot of fun!) Now on to the Events.

Tom Scaruzzi – Council – Contact – 443-510-8615 or [tscaruzzi@comcast.net](mailto:tscaruzzi@comcast.net)

Tom recently completed his first quarter activity with a cruise on the Lantern Queen in Havre De Grace. The trip was attended by over 50 people with good food and sights! Tom is eager to try new things with the membership. It is important for us to branch out and try new things! If you have any ideas that may be new/innovative then please let Tom know.

Keith Marchiano – Youth – Contact 410-568-7253 or [kmarch52@verizon.net](mailto:kmarch52@verizon.net)

Keith is checking interest in an event to take place on November 1<sup>st</sup> called Trunk or Treat. The event will be for the youth of the parish and will take place just after Thanksgiving. More details to follow soon!

Mike Brown – Church – Contact – 410-538-7447 or [mikeobrown@msn.com](mailto:mikeobrown@msn.com)

Mike will be coordinating the Memorial Mass for our council in just a little over a month. The date will be later this year so please mark the change on your calendars. The date for the Memorial Mass this year will be November 15<sup>th</sup> and will be held in the Stone Chapel at 9:00AM. If you know of any widows of brothers in the area who we may not have contact info for please let Mike Brown or Dan Briggs know.

Godwin Ilonoh – Family – Contact 301-455-6534 or [Goddyilonoh@yahoo.com](mailto:Goddyilonoh@yahoo.com)

CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE! Well not really, however it is getting close! Godwin will be hosting the Children's Christmas Party and you can expect more information soon.

Steve O'Connor – Community – Contact 410-679-9591 or [SoCal9@yahoo.com](mailto:SoCal9@yahoo.com)

Steve just recently completed the food drive for St. Vincent De Paul, but that will be after I have composed this newsletter page. We will include stats about the food drive in the next newsletter. Steve's next two activities include Light the Nights, at the Equestrian Center, and the Polar Bear Plunge. (I will give you time to get excited about that last one!)

Finally one note from our Raven's team:

Each week that we work a Ravens Game we will be highlighting the MVP's from our stand! Our first MVP's are:

1. Bill Hengemhile 8-16-2008
2. Cindy Rock (Rookie) 8-28-2008
3. Jim DiMaggio 9-07-2008
4. Tom Scaruzzi 9-21-2008

Thanks to all who help out this very important fundraiser. Hope to see you all on that MVP list one day!

**FRATERNAL BENEFITS*****“Why Permanent Life Insurance”***

I get asked the question quite often about why someone would need life insurance after they retire. There are many responses to this question – here is one real life example.

I received a phone call from a Brother Knight who wanted to “cash in” his life insurance policy. This policy was a number of years old and was generating a dividend that almost equaled the premium amount. I asked him why he wanted to cash in the policy, since it was performing so well. He said that he needed money for a “stair lift”. We talked about how much he would need to pay for the stair lift and came to the conclusion that he could borrow the money from his insurance policy and still keep it in force.

Why does someone need permanent life insurance after they retire? In this case it provided the needed funds to pay for the stair lift. The Brother Knight did not have to go the bank, use a credit card or worry about getting the stair lift company to finance the project. All he had to do was call the Knights of Columbus.

Our whole life insurance products can be tailored to your needs as well. They can serve more than one need. Give me a call and I will be glad to discuss all the wonderful benefits our whole life insurance can provide.

***Deacon's Report******Deacon Jim Sullivan***

*We welcome Deacon Jim Sullivan to our KnightsWork newsletter. Deacon Stine is finally getting a break after writing the “Deacon’s Report” for many years. I’m sure Deacon Jim will continue to inspire us as we go about each day trying to live our faith in a way that is pleasing to our Lord. – The Editor*

**DOES YOUR GUINEA PIG BITE?**

Last summer St Francis de Sales hosted a Vacation Bible School. The children came to “school” from 9 AM until early afternoon. The theme this year was Jerusalem at the time of Jesus’ passion and resurrection. There were mini plays, Roman soldiers, a temple and even a Rabbi. Many of the adult supervisors were dressed in period costumes. Every child was assigned to one of the ancient tribes of Israel. It was quite a production and the children loved it. Many were sorry when it ended; they wished it could go on all summer. One of the most

moving and gratifying features of the week was the Western Wall. The Western Wall was a place where the children and adults could place their prayer intentions every day.

Many of the prayer intentions were everyday intentions. You know, sick grandparents, coaches going on trips, a family where Mom and Dad are not getting along too well and, of course, prayers for those on their way to be with our Father. I don’t know why but one of these intentions jumped out at me. It was simple and the letters were kind of crooked, but it was such a statement of faith that I was stopped in my tracks. It said “Dear God, please help my guinea pig not to bite me anymore.”

Now on the surface this may seem just a child’s prayer. Perhaps this request is a bit too simple .... or is it? This child’s faith is a shining example of what our faith should be. This young person, this special child, trusts that God will do his best to help with a very pressing problem: the biting guinea pig! I have a feeling nothing will stand in the way of this little one’s relationship with God!

I wish we adults could be so simple, loving and trusting. We are much too busy trying to gain control, be noticed and doing the important things that need to be done. Think about what this child teaches us – to trust in God. This is the challenge before us. Are we ready to answer that challenge or are we content to let it pass by? Pray for this child and the guinea pig too. Pray that soon our guinea pigs (whatever or whoever they are) will bite us and we’ll realize that God is waiting to help us! He’s waiting for us to trust!

Peace and All Good!

Deacon Jim

**HIGHLIGHTS – LADIES’ MEETING – September 15, 2008**

The K of C Ladies are holding a Dinner Bingo instead of our usual Basket Bingo on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tickets are \$25.00 which includes Bingo and Dinner. Call Connie Piotrowski, Debbie Sosna or Cindy Rock for tickets and information.

A Yard Sale is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of November 8<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in reserving a place, call Mary Celeste Eder or Karen Georgulas.

Birthright has sent an invitation to their 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary Magdalene Mission. If interested, let Carol Roddy know by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Dinner donation is \$10.00.

The parish is holding a retreat, “Lighten Up”, on October 27<sup>th</sup> and October 28<sup>th</sup>. Carol Roddy is chair of hospitality. She needs volunteers for greeters and for helping with the reception after the retreat. Volunteer sign up will be at our next meeting.

Our next meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2008.

**District Deputy Message October 2008****REACHING FOR THE STARS**

Council No	New Members	Dropped Members	Net Membership Increase	Net Insurance Increase
8736	4	0	4	1
9815	1	0	1	1
10100	0	0	0	1
11372	0	0	0	0
District Total	5	0	5	3
Star District Goal			21	11

REPORT AS OF 9/01/08

As each one of you is a member of the State/District membership team, it is important that know the status of our progress so this table will be in my report each month. You will notice how it will probably go down in the next few months as the drop of members will be reflected. THAT'S WHY IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO GET AHEAD OF THE CURVE NOW. Waiting makes it that much harder to reach star council and district later. New members bring in their friends and new ideas! They can also breathe in new life into your council. THERE IS A FIRST DEGREE ON OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, AT COUNCIL 11372. LET'S HAVE EACH COUNCIL BE REPRESENTED AND FILL THE HALL WITH NEW MEMBERS

All the councils should be wrapping up their car raffle and are conducting the Tootsie Roll program. I cannot encourage you enough to participate in the Tootsie Roll as it will give you supreme satisfaction in seeing people's generosity and in the knowledge that you will be helping God's special people. This is also a time to ask other men to join the Knights of Columbus make sure you have a form 100's with you.

With all that being said this has been an extremely busy time for the councils in District 1 with not only these events but baseball & football games, golf tournaments and chicken dinners and I want to THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME and serving as we have been called to do Many of the councils and Ladies groups are sponsoring events I would ask you please to support them. I'm sure you'll find a listing of them in this newsletter.

Some final notes, the Gabriel Project which saves lives by helping pregnant women get through pregnancy and birth is in extreme financial distress. I am asking if you can find it in your heart to please send them a donation; any amount will be appreciated. The Columbus Day parade is October 12<sup>th</sup>, families are strongly encouraged to attend; the State Council has made shuttle buses and food available. The election is in early November – VOTE PRO-LIFE.

Jesus I trust in you!

Brian O'Connor  
District Deputy

## NEWS YOU CAN USE

### **Knights of Columbus Launch News and Information Site for Catholics**

The Knights of Columbus has launched a brand-new Internet-based news and information service for Catholics everywhere – [Headline Bistro](#). The new Web site provides a quick digest of daily news of interest to Catholics. Whether it relates to world affairs, politics or news specifically about the Catholic Church, you'll find links to the original sources here. You'll also find video clips, detailed state-by-state information about voting and public policy, and recommended books. The Web address is [headlinebistro.com](http://headlinebistro.com).



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# THREE MONTH PLANNER

<b>October</b>			
Sun	5	Ravens Game	1:00pm
Mon	6	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	10	Bingo, Kilduff Hall	5:00pm
Sat	11	Columbus Day Ball, TBD	8:00pm
Mon	13	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Mon	20	Council Meeting, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	20	Ladies Aux Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	24	Bingo, Kilduff Hall	5:00pm
Sun	26	Ravens Game	1:00pm
Mon	27	Charity Corp. Meeting, Room 205	7:30pm
<b>November</b>			
Mon	3	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Mon	10	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	14	Bingo, Kilduff Hall	5:00pm
Sat	15	Memorial Mass	10:00am
Sat	15	Navy/Notre Dame	12:00pm
Mon	17	Council Meeting, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	17	Ladies Aux Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	20	Second Degree, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Sun	23	Ravens Game (Flex Schedue)	1:00pm
Sun	23	Christmas Bazaar	9:00am
Mon	24	Charity Corp Meeting	7:30pm
Fri	28	Bingo, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
<b>December</b>			
Mon	1	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Sun	7	Ravens Game (Flex)	1:00pm
Mon	8	Officers Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	12	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sat	13	Children's Christmas Party	11:00am
Sun	14	Ravens Game (Flex)	1:00pm
Mon	15	Council Meeting, Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	15	Ladies Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Thu	18	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting	8:00pm
Thu	25	Christmas Parking	TBD
Sun	28	Ravens Game (Flex)	1:00pm



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