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Hi Everyone,

It's September already, where did the summer go?

September will be a busy month for our council though that is no different then any other month

With the draw down of summer our two main fun raisers, Bingo and the Raven's stand, are in full gear. Please try to give them your support in any way you can.

The Car Raffle Tickets are off to a great start. This program is very important to the State Council and Father Wolfe Council. If you need more tickets, please contact Bill Hengemihle or John Young.

We will also have a St. Vincent de Paul food drive and a Blood and Beef blood drive this month. During the blood drive the members will be setting up, cooking pit beef for the participants and cleaning up afterwards.

MEMBERSHIP!!! If you were the sponsor of a brother that you have not seen for some time, please take the time to give him a call to make sure all is well. Staying in touch with our brothers and their families is very important.

When you see Brother Bob Roddy, please thank him for the nice job he did once again with the Iron Birds Base Ball Game.

With school back in session, please be especially aware of our loved ones crossing streets and roads throughout your neighborhood

God bless all of you.

MEMBERSHIP

Bill Hengemihle
410-569-5253

For The Record.....8.17.09
Honorary Life/Hon.....5
Founders Award (6).....6

Total Membership.....234
Fr. McGivney Award (11).....16
Surge With Service.....0

Retention of members is still our main goal. We must not let our membership drop due to non payment of dues. Please if you are behind in your dues, LETS TALK ABOUT IT..

To earn our sixteenth Star Council Award we will need sixteen (16) new members. This is a 33 percent increase in the number of new members we will need to attain the award this year. With patience and hard work we can get it done. Let's find and sign those new members today!

Persistence and Prayer

How do we know what God wants for us? Should we ask God for everything? How often should we ask? These are the questions of daily life. These are the questions of the spiritual journey. Where God wants us to go is up to him, how we get there is entirely up to us.

In the book of Genesis we are told about Abraham's persistence in prayer. We are struck by God's justice, his patience with Abraham, his tolerance of the people of Sodom. Abraham bargains with God relentlessly. He is pushing God to the limit, yet he is humble and never arrogant. He repeatedly asks God for one more favor, one more concession. Abraham is not annoying to God. He is simply asking God how far his compassion goes. We see by the result of the story that if we ask in humble prayer and often enough, God will respond. The answer may not be exactly as we wanted, that is one of the mysteries of God, but God will answer and grant what is best for all concerned.

Why do we have to be so persistent? Perhaps God wants us to be sure we really want what we are asking for. Have you ever heard the saying, "be careful what you ask for?" How many times do we change our mind?. Maybe God wants us to be sure. Have we really discerned how our request might affect another person? What if our request would not be good for us? If we pray enough, these mysteries might be revealed to us.

How do we pray? The disciples of Jesus wanted to know and this question has been asked thousands of times since. Jesus gives us the perfect prayer – The Our Father. The Our Father is not only a prayer, but a formula for prayer that can be used every time we pray.

The Our Father begins by praising God. Then we ask God for what we physically need and for our spiritual life as we ask for forgiveness. Next we pardon those who have hurt, cheated, or slighted us. Lastly we ask God to be with us until the end. This is an excellent way to form all of our prayers. We praise, ask for what we need, try our best to forgive, and ask God to walk with us forever.

Let's really think about what we are saying and why we are saying it. Let our voices ring out our praise, petitions, and forgiveness. Let us humbly ask God to be with us always. Let this be the day that our prayer life changes. Let this be the beginning of learning to ask and ask until we fully understand why we pray. Let this be the day that starts the journey that will end in union with God!

Ladies Report

Carol Roddy

K of C LADIES MEETING

August 17, 202009

Dinner Bingo is being planned for Friday, October 2, 2009. Cindy Rock is chairing this event. Tickets are \$25 and are printed and ready for purchase. Carol Martin, Phyllis Pahutski, and Mary Frances Tocci are collecting door prizes. Ladies are asked to donate 2-liter bottles of soda and/or desserts.

Parish picnic is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2009 from 1p – 4p. The Ladies have been asked to assist in collecting food as it is brought in. See Carol Roddy to volunteer.

"Rolling in the Dough" – a program sponsored APG Federal Credit Union for 6th – 8th grade students which teaches how to stay within a budget, write checks, etc. Program is free. It was voted that Carol Roddy pursue this and possibly coordinate with Diane Lewis. A donation of canned goods for St. Vincent de Paul would be requested. Light refreshments would be served.

Diane Lewis and the Youth Group are sponsoring a **Bake Sale** on October 4th. Donations of baked goods and support would be greatly appreciated.

Movie Night at St Francis is being organized by Blanche Stine. The movie, "Fireproof" will be shown. The parish would be invited and possibly child care would be provided. Snacks (popcorn, chips & pretzels) and drinks would be provided. Admission price: Goodwill Donation. Blanche has reserved Saturday, October 17th for the showing.

Bake Sale at Craft Bazaar (November 21st & 22nd) is being chaired by Diane Traube.

Program Director's Report

Dan Briggs

My Brother Knights

Please aid our council by supporting our activity directors.

Daniel Samis – Council – Contact – 410-569-3423 or daniel.samis@verizon.net
Stay tuned for coming attractions. Suggestions warmly welcomed.

Mark Hopkins – Youth

Mark is looking for some ideas for a first quarter activity. The mini camp that was scheduled for August was unfortunately cancelled. If you have any ideas of how we can support the youth of our parish and community please pass those ideas our way. Thanks!

Rob Hardy – Church – Contact – 410-459-6132 or RobHardy@gmail.com

Rob is organizing the annual Memorial Mass. This event is an opportunity to remember those members and friends of the council who have passed on to new life in the Lord. The mass will be held on Saturday, November, 7th at 10:00am in the Stone Chapel. In the past, we have had breakfast at a local restaurant. As a change of pace and to provide a more intimate setting we will be having a light reception in Killduff Hall. This reception will follow the Mass. Another activity Rob is beginning to organize is in celebration of the Year of the Priest. Rob is looking to honor our local area Priests. Stay tuned for more information.

Godwin Ilonoh – Family – Contact 301-455-6534 or Goddyilonoh@yahoo.com

Thanks to all who attended Godwin's potluck dinner. About fifty brothers and their family members brought food and fellowship to Killduff Hall. We shared food and recipes, so that we may enjoy the wonderful dishes at another time. We hope to have another opportunity to share one another's talents in the kitchen.

Steve O'Connor – Community – Contact 410-679-9591 or SoCal9@yahoo.com

Steve is coordinating a new and exciting event that helps our community and doesn't hurt the stomach either. In conjunction with the church's blood drive, the Knights of Columbus will be providing pit beef sandwiches to those who donate blood. The program is titled Beef for Blood and will take place on September 19th in Killduff Hall. The activity will last from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Come on out and help a worthy cause. Feed the stomach too.

A pancake breakfast is coming! On Sunday, October 11th, we will host a pancake breakfast for the parish. Help will be needed in all areas - cooking, serving, and of course recruiting new Knights. The event will begin at 6:00am and last until 11:00am. Thanks for whatever support you can give.

If you have further questions please feel free to contact me - Daniel Briggs - with any questions at Dbriggs419@mac.com or 443-299-8446

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Wanted

Your worthy facilities staff at St. Francis is constantly running around the parish moving supplies and tools in order to keep the campus running efficiently. It would be a great help if they could procure a retired golf cart to help in their duties.

If you know of one that might be available to be donated, please contact Ed Petrovic or Lee Eder at the parish office at 410-676-5119 Extension 118

District Deputy Message September 2009

Every Council a Star Council REPORT AS OF 07/14/09

Council No	New Members	Dropped Members	Net Membership Increase	Net Insurance Increase
8736	3	0	3	0
9815	0	0	0	1
10100	0	0	0	0
11372	1	0	1	1
District Total	4	0	4	2

Star District Goals Net 7% increase New Members; 3.5% Insurance Members

I wish to begin by thanking all those councils Anne and I have had to visit during their installations. Your hospitality was wonderful and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves at each and every one

I just received the membership report for July, 2008 and I wish to congratulate Long Green Valley Council for recruiting 3 new members and Fr. Maurice Wolfe Council for recruiting 1 new member and obtaining 1 new insurance member.

All the councils should be well underway selling car raffle tickets and are gearing up for the Tootsie Roll program. This is the one time of the year you get a chance to meet other Catholics one on one and using this opportunity to ask them to join the Knights of Columbus. There should be form 100's available for the sellers, both men and ladies, to use when selling tickets or giving out Tootsie Rolls.

This should be true at any event where Catholic men will be available - such as parish picnics, youth events such as soccer shootouts or fishing tournaments (parents are always prime candidates), Doughnut Sundays, etc.. Don't let an opportunity pass by and suddenly arrive at the end of the year searching for those 1 or 2 new members you need for Star Council

While the councils in our District do a good job at telling ourselves what a good job we do; we still don't publicize it well in our parishes and the community. There are many Catholic families in our parishes looking for an oasis where they can share the values of faith and family, as well as a place where they can socialize with other people with common interests. **Our organization is that oasis.** All you need to do is to help them see and understand that this is true and ask them to join

Brian O'Connor
District Deputy



Charity Dinner Bingo



Sponsored by

Maurice J. Wolfe Council #11372 Ladies Auxiliary

Friday, October 2, 2009

St Francis de Sales Church * 1450 Abingdon Road, Abingdon, MD

Doors Open 6:00PM * Dinner Served From 6:00PM to 7:20PM

Bingo Starts at 7:30PM Sharp

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So ... you can imagine my dismay when we visit with a brother knight’s widow and she is in poor economic shape. I strongly urge all of our members to spend some of that “family time” doing some preplanning.

A former State Chaplain once told me that being a husband and father was one of the highest vocations a man could have. Isn’t it appropriate to make sure your wife will truly be okay if something happens to you? Call me, your council advisor. Get the peace of mind that doing the right thing brings.

**Ed O’Keefe, CLU, ChFC, CASL, FICF
410 569-6141 - edward.okeefe@kof.org**



THREE MONTH PLANNER

September			
Mon	7	NO MEETING LABOR DAY	NO MEETING
Fri	11	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sat	12	Parish Picnic	12:00pm
Sun	13	RAVENS!	1:00pm
Mon	14	Officer Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	18	Texas Holdem Tourney	7:30pm
Sat	19	Beef for Blood	8:00am
Mon	21	Council Meeting Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Fri	25	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sat	26	5k Fun Run, Sykesville	10:00am
Sun	27	RAVENS!	1:00pm
October			
Mon	5	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	9	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sat	10	Columbus Day Ball,	8:00pm
Sun	11	RAVENS!	1:00pm
Sun	11	Pancake Breakfast	6:00am
Mon	12	Officers Meeting, Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Mon	19	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	23	Bingo!	5:00pm
November			
Sun	1	RAVENS!	1:00pm
Mon	2	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Sat	7	Memorial Mass, Stone Chapel	10:00am
Mon	9	Officer Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	13	Bingo!	5:00pm
Mon	16	Council Meeting Kilduff Hall	8:00am
Sun	22	RAVENS!	1:00pm
Fri	27	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sun	29	RAVENS!	8:30pm

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