



# Knight Works



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## "The Gift of Membership"

### Ladies and Brothers-

Another holiday season is upon where we have the opportunity to give thanks and celebrate the birth of Jesus. We thank God for our family, our country, our church and the freedoms that we have and sometimes take for granted.

This is also the time when we reflect on those less fortunate than us and work together to provide them with food and funds to make their holidays special.

This is also a time to be thankful for the relationships that we have--with God, our family, friends, and our council. I am very grateful to know all of you as brothers and sisters, as friends, and as my extended family. I am so thankful to have joined the Knights of Columbus and to be able to share the message with others of our fraternity, our family, and our faith.

On behalf of Sally, Jacob, Ava, and I, we want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I ask everyone to reach out to another brother and sister who is not a member, ask them to join our council family, and give them the gift of membership.

Merry Christmas,  
Dan Trout - Grand Knight



## MEMBERSHIP

**Bill Hengemihle**  
**410-569-5253**

The first half of our membership year was not a great success. We reached 11% of our total membership goal and 0% of our insurance quota. It is not too late to turn this trend around – we have several new prospects for membership and if we all try just a little harder I am sure we can reach our goal...a 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive STAR COUNCIL.

*Have You Seen God Lately?*

*Why is it so important for us to see God in everyday life? Why is it even more important during times like fall when we are so busy preparing for the holidays? We turn to the Gospel for some insight. The Gospel tells us we are to prepare for the coming of Jesus. Notice that the emphasis is on the second coming. This is because as good Christians we need to look ahead to what Jesus first coming did. It prepared the way for his second coming. In order for us to fully prepare for union with God at the end of time, we need to be aware of how he works in our everyday lives. We must be aware of God every day. We must try our best to see his work in the things that happen and the things that don't happen. We look for God in each other and those who are really hard to love. We don't need special circumstances or appearances or even to feel loved. We just need to love God and those around us.*

*We do not know when Jesus will come again. That is up to God alone. We do know God is with us and will not desert us. He did not leave those who came before us and he will not leave us either. God has entered our lives and the challenge of the Gospel is to respond to that call, looking for his presence wherever we are and whatever we are doing. We look in everyday life, in ordinary circumstances and hope we'll have the courage to respond as Jesus would want us to.*

*We hopefully watch, wait and love as much as we can so when the world as we know it is passing away we'll be ready! We'll be well prepared. After all we've been waiting with Jesus all along and we'll have already seen how the mystery unfolds. We will have seen him in everyday life and he will have taught us how to live and most of all, he'll have taught us how to love. He'll have taught us to give as he has given, asking nothing in return.*

*Peace and All Good!*  
*Deacon Jim*

*A Note From Father Jack Bogacz*

*Life as a Priest these past 17 months has been wonderful as well as challenging. There is still much to do and learn but I trust that the good Lord will continue to guide and care for me to minister effectively to everyone here in my parish of St. Justin the Martyr in Toms River, New Jersey.*

*The people are great just as I found there at St. Francis de Sales and I do miss you all especially the Knights. Do give my best to all the men and their families letting them know that you are all in my prayers across the miles. Hopefully there will be the opportunity for me to celebrate Mass with you the Knights again at the parish when ever you'd like me to come down. I am most flexible to travel on Monday & Tuesdays.*

*For now, may the good Lord continue to bless all of you with His love, hope joy and peace!  
May you all enjoy a beautiful autumn and a wonderful Thanksgiving!*

*Quote of the Month*

*I'm a congenital, not a born-again Christian, raised in the Roman Catholic faith. Although I've met clergy and religious who were less than perfect, it's always been to me a matter of not the singer but the song."*

*William F. Buckley Jr.*

## ***Program Director's Report***

***Keith Marchiano***

My Brother Knights, this is my favorite time of the year. We get to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The cold air, Christmas lights, and the celebration of Advent leading up to that glorious day, is why I love December. I want to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas! Here are some of the great programs you can get involved with.

**Tom Scarruzzi – Council – Contact- 443-512-8615 or [tscaruzzi@comcast.net](mailto:tscaruzzi@comcast.net)**

Tom is hard at work planning our council holiday party. See the details in this newsletter

**Lee Eder – Youth – Contact – 410-591-1948 or [salebylee@comcast.net](mailto:salebylee@comcast.net)**

Lee is working on the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. Winners will be judged at our annual Kids' Christmas party. A new activity, a free throw contest for kids, will take place in January. Stay tuned!

**Rob Hardy – Church – Contact – 410-459-6132 or [RobHardy@gmail.com](mailto:RobHardy@gmail.com)**

Great job to Rob for organizing our annual Memorial Mass. The Mass was beautiful and is always a wonderful way for us to remember those council members who are no longer with us. Rob is working on activities for 2011.

**Marc Bolden – Family –Contact- 443-528-4964 or [Mbolden509@me.com](mailto:Mbolden509@me.com)**

Marc's next event will be the Kids' Christmas Party on Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-2:30. We need help cooking lunch, handing out gifts, and helping Santa get to Kilduff Hall. Bring your kids and grandkids to enjoy this fun event and see Santa. This is always a great event. Please contact Marc to let him know if you can volunteer. Also, on January 8<sup>th</sup>, Marc will need help with our Family Ice Skating Party. Brothers will be needed to collect can goods and transport them back to St. Francis.

**Charles Duke - Community – Contact 410-879-4312 or [charldk@aol.com](mailto:charldk@aol.com)**

Charlie did a wonderful job in organizing a road side cleanup on November 13<sup>th</sup>. He coordinated brother knights, as well as, some Cub Scouts in cleaning up Box Hill South Parkway. For a November day, the weather was wonderful and our road is now clean. Please help Charlie with this activity since he coordinates this every quarter.

**Ed Petrovic- Pro Life – Contact 410-679-4179 or [e.petrovic@verizon.net](mailto:e.petrovic@verizon.net)**

The painting of Birthright is complete and the building looks great! See details under the Respect Life section.

### ***Patriotic Quote of the Month***

The true soldier fights not because he hates what is in front of him,  
but because he loves what is behind him." **G.K. Chesterton**



# RESPECT LIFE

Sometimes what we do is more relevant than what we say. Four Knights from Father Wolfe Council recently spent a day at Birthright in Bel Air. Your Knights in action painting the handicap ramp and porch.



Ed Petrovic painting the railing on the ramp



John Schmidt (left) and Keith Arndt (right) painting the railing for the ramp





PGK Lee Eder painting the porch at Birthright.

## **Fraternal Benefits**

**Ed O'Keefe**

### **An Added Benefit of LTC Insurance:**

As life expectancy increases, the number of people in need of long-term care whether in their homes or in outside facilities has grown also. Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long term care (LTC) insurance has provided the Order with an excellent opportunity to further serve Knights and their families. Since 2005, every Knights of Columbus long term care policy comes with an added value.

That added value is in the form of a service called "Provider Pathway" ... a program offering access to a network of long term care providers at discounted rates. The network covers home health care, personal emergency response systems, adult day care, assisted living, skilled nursing facilities and durable medical equipment.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you are not currently a LTC policyholder, I suggest that we schedule some time together so that I can provide additional information on how you can avail yourself of this significant value-added benefit.

**Ed O'Keefe, CLU, ChFC, FICF, LUTCF**  
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# **Your Council in Action**

**What a busy and productive month!!!!**

Our Knights team up with Cub Scout Pack 810 to conduct another roadside cleanup



George Hemelt, Keith Marchiano, Dan Trout and the Cub Scouts of Pack 810  
Busy taking the picture – Charles Duke

**November also saw our Annual Memorial Mass for our departed brothers and ladies**







## Our Departed Brothers and Ladies

George Alsfeld  
 Arnold Bands  
 Leo Berndt  
 Ed Bialek  
 Frank Brands  
 John Coleman  
 Ed Cozzolino  
 Jerry Day  
 Ralph DeBlasi  
 Vicky DeBlasi  
 Roy Franta  
 Rick Ferrigno

Ed Gall  
 Hank Gebhardt  
 Robert Greensfelder  
 Al Guarino  
 Pat Hengemihle  
 Joseph Hess  
 Albert Jackson  
 Iris Jackson  
 John Liberto  
 John Kohles  
 Mr Norm Martin Sr.  
 Mrs Norm Martin Sr.

Karen McKenna  
 Jerry Meany  
 John Miller  
 Harry Metcalf  
 Jack Meyer  
 Frank O'Connor  
 Howard Pfeiffer  
 Mary Pfeiffer  
 Anna Piotrowski  
 Mel Piotrowski  
 David Roddy  
 Bill Rogers

Jack Rohde  
 Frank Rose  
 Paul Russell  
 Jack Satterfield  
 E Schochow  
 Marty Sears  
 Ed Shimek  
 Dominic Tachetti  
 Jim Warren  
 Bob Williams

**Trunk or Treat (in conjunction with the St. Francis de Sales Religious Education Group) this year showed the largest turnout ever.**



PGK Rich Sosna and Greg Ward prior to being mummified and the mummified result



A good time was had by all



## And then there was the Craft Fair



Mel Piotrowski and Steve Herpel baking cookies.



Carroll McKenna and grandson pay a visit to St. Nick who bears an uncanny resemblance to PGK Bill Elliott.





The infamous Pit Beef Stand crew. (which somehow managed to make \$1628 this year)



There wouldn't be a Craft Fair without the efforts of the ladies.  
Helen Bialek, Connie Piotrowski, and Connie Colvin

### **Archbishop John Carroll Assembly**

The Archbishop John Carroll Assembly will be holding our meeting/Christmas Party on December 16th at the Long Green Valley Council home. We are doing it a little different this year as Sir Knights and their ladies shall be in attendance and we are asking each Sir Knight to bring something this year. Officers should bring a bottle of wine. Sir Knights whose last name begins with A thru P bring an appetizer. Sir Knights whose name begins with a Q thru Z bring a dessert. Long Green Valley will provide the main entrees – finger foods – like meatballs or wings etc, We will be charging approximately \$10 per person to reimburse Long Green for the food and drinks. Please let Joe Stout know if you are coming. You can reach him at 410-472-0867 or stout.je@pg.com.

We are asking for donations of personal care items for Apostleship of the Sea or phone cards that we can send overseas to our servicemen & women. We will hold a raffle that will benefit a scholarship program.

If you can help with the set-up or kitchen help, please let Mike Sallese know at 443-852-1442.



## ***Knight of Columbus #11372 Holiday Party***

***When: 7:00 pm Friday January 21<sup>st</sup> 2011***

***Where: Bellisimo's Restaurant- 510 Market Place Drive  
Bel Air MD 21014***

***R.S.V.P. by 12/15/11 to: Tom Scaruzzi 443-512-8615, tscaruzzi@comcast.net  
Come and enjoy a bountiful Buffet Dinner including***

*Tossed Salad  
Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
Steamed Broccoli  
Roast Sirloin of Beef*

*Shrimp Diavolo  
Chicken Francaise  
Penne Pasta with Chicken*

*Includes bread & butter, Iced Tea, Coffee, Tea, and Dessert. Cash Bar*

***The cost is only \$20.00 per person.***



# NEWS FROM SUPREME



State deputies from jurisdictions around the world gathered in Baltimore, November 12-14, 2010, for their mid-year meeting, and an intensive two-day focus on membership growth and related issues.

The state deputies and their wives were greeted at a welcome dinner by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, who said, “We are here tonight to reaffirm what is essential about the Knights of Columbus and our contribution to society: our civil contribution, our charitable contribution, and our religious contribution.”

At the opening business session on Saturday morning, the supreme knight told the state deputies that councils will soon be given some flexibility in conducting First Degree ceremonies, in an effort to ensure that every council is able to hold such ceremonies frequently. “No prospective qualified candidate for admission into the Knights of Columbus should be frustrated from joining the Order because he cannot find, or we cannot offer, a First Degree that will allow him to come in a reasonable period of time,” the supreme knight declared.

State deputies focused heavily on membership growth during the meeting, and the Order’s new Senior Vice President for Membership Growth, Mike Durbin, reminded them that one very powerful motivation for inviting men to join the Knights is that it helps make us better Catholics.

## **Knights of Columbus wins second victory of 2010 in federal appellate courts**

For the second time this year, a federal appellate court has rejected a constitutional challenge to the Pledge of Allegiance after hearing arguments from attorneys for the Knights of Columbus. On Friday, November 12, 2010, the First U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston affirmed a lower court decision in New Hampshire dismissing a challenge by the Freedom from Religion Foundation.

As in an earlier Pledge case in California, the Knights of Columbus had joined the case as a “defendant intervenor,” and was represented by The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty in both written and oral arguments before the court. The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the constitutionality of the Pledge of Allegiance on March 11, 2010.

In its decision in **Freedom from Religion Foundation v. Hanover School District**, the First Circuit held that a New Hampshire law requiring that its public schools provide a period for the voluntary recitation of the Pledge does not violate the Establishment Clause, Free Exercise Clause, Equal Protection Clause, or the Due Process Clause of the U.S. Constitution.



# STATE NEWS



## Ultrasound Program to Save Innocent Babies

Thank you, thank you, thank you! With your continuing support the **Ultrasound Program to Save Innocent Babies** is doing very well. To date, we have received over \$65,000 in donations from you and your Parishes. We have partnered with Supreme Council, making a donation of \$42,000 to purchase and have received the First Ultrasound Machine in Southern, Maryland. Also, we are pursuing three pregnancy center locations throughout Maryland and with your continued prayers and monetary support we will continue this Pro-Life Activity.

If you wish to help, make checks payable to: **SONOGRAM FUND OF SMC #1470 CHARITIES INC.**

Mail them to: Maryland State Council, C/O Pro-Life Chairman, Jim McFillin, 45383 Braway St., Great Mills, Maryland 20634. On the memo line be sure to write **Ultrasound Machine Program**. We're working with a dedicated 501c(3) organization at St. Mary's Council (#1470.)

## THE NEW MEMBER ANNUITY

Many Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries, and quite a few members have questions about the "new member annuity" on the back of the form 100. Here are some basic ins and outs to tell your prospective new members:

1. This is an offer only made to new members in the Order (and their wives).
2. The initial amount you can open a Knights of Columbus annuity with is \$300.00, but for the new member annuity, it is lowered to \$100.00
3. The annuity has a **guaranteed minimum lifetime rate** of 3% and once the account hits \$10,000 it increases to 3.25% (These are the current rates)
4. You can add subsequent deposits at your own pace

Or you can set it up electronically.

5. Your Council Benefits Advisor will need to contact You to fully explain all the ins and outs and to get a few additional forms required that the council doesn't handle.

6. You can wait until you meet with your Council Benefits Advisor to do this... it doesn't have to be done right now. That would be fine if you'd like to get the ball rolling... but no pressure either way.

We don't expect the councils to sell insurance products But we want to give all of you enough information so you can have a good conversation about the offering. As always, if we can help you in any way, don't hesitate to call.



Another successful Columbus Day Ball was celebrated on October 9 at La Fontaine Bleu in Glen Burnie. This years winner of the car raffle was drawn and notified by phone during the ball (Mrs. Bernie Wise of Mt. Airy)

A total of \$63,000 was raised to use for scholarships. Another great year and another great ball!



## District Deputy Message December 2010

Every Council a Star Council

numbers as of 9/20/2010

Council #/Goals	New Members	Dropped Members	Net Membership Increase	Net Insurance Increase
8736 / 14-5	1	6	-5	-1
9815 / 7-3	2	0	2	2
10100 / 7-3	0	0	0	1
11372 / 18-6	2	0	2	0
District Total	5	6	-2%	11.7%

Star District Goals 46 New Members; 17 Insurance Members

December is the month that we see Occasional Catholics at Mass. Make them feel welcome but missed and missing out on the spiritual and communal benefit of being a fully active member of the Catholic Church and maybe even the Knights of Columbus. That is a better gift than a tie or pair of socks.

The Mid Term Election changed a few faces in government. Pray that the newcomers and survivors will not just breathe a sigh of relief and continue business as usual.

A few key dates, to remember: First Degree December 6<sup>th</sup> at Fr. Wolfe and November 25<sup>rd</sup> at Long Green Valley. A 2<sup>nd</sup> degree will be held at Fr Wolfe on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Christmas Day, December 25.

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Cross  
District Deputy



## The Wisdom of Mother Theresa

In this life we cannot do great things.  
We can only do small things with great love





# FATHER MAURICE J. WOLFE COUNCIL

## THREE MONTH PLANNER



December			
Sun	5	Ravens versus Squeelers, Game #6	8:00pm
Mon	6	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	10	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sat	11	Family Activity- Kids' Christmas Party, Kilduff Hall	11:00am
Mon	13	Officer's Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Sun	19	Ravens versus Saints, Game #7	1:00pm
Mon	20	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Sat	25	Merry Christmas	12:00am
January			
Sun	2	Ravens versus Bengals, Game #8	1:00pm
Mon	3	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Sat	8	Family Activity- Skating Party Ice World	5:00pm
Mon	10	Officer's Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	14	Bingo!	5:00pm
Mon	17	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Sat	22	Kids' Free Throw Contest, John Carroll High School	9:00am
Fri	28	Bingo!	5:00pm
February			
Sun	6	Pancake Breakfast	6:30am
Mon	7	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	11	Bingo!	5:00pm
Sat	12	Kids' Bingo, Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Mon	14	Officer's Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Mon	21	Council Meeting, Knights Hall	8:00pm
Fri	25	Bingo!	5:00pm

**GOING TO CHURCH DOESN'T MAKE YOU A CHRISTIAN ANY MORE THAN STANDING IN A GARAGE MAKES YOU A CAR.**