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Well, the first quarter of our fraternal year has ended. Thank you to all the brothers who volunteered to make this a great start to our year. The kids are back to school, St. Francis de Sales has a lot going on, and Father Wolfe Council is leading the charge.

Next month, we will all hopefully be exercising our right as free Americans and a democracy by electing representative who we pray will do the will of the people. We always remember those who have fought and continue to fight for our freedoms, which include the right to vote. This election is important because some of our freedoms are under attack. It is important as Catholics and Christians that we always fight for our religious freedoms. This is one of the reasons Father Michael J. McGivney started the Knights of Columbus, which is another reason to invite other Catholic men who are not already Knights of Columbus to do so!

In 2011, Pope Benedict XVI's world day of peace message called religious freedom the "path to peace". The Pope stated "When religious freedom is acknowledged, the dignity of the human person is respected at its root" and also commented, "whenever religious freedom is denied, and attempts are made to hinder people from professing their religion or faith and living accordingly, human dignity is offended, with a resulting threat to justice and peace."

Since then, the Catholic Church has been targeted, the word God taken out of the speech of some of our leaders, our Christian definition of marriage re-interpreted, and our religious freedoms judged. There are many issues on the ballot here in the State of Maryland that go against what we believe and we also get to decide who represents us in Congress and the White House. These decisions should not be taken lightly.

If you are uncertain about the position of the Catholic Church and want to know the belief or stance of a particular politician, there are some resources available to you. Some of those include, www.usccb.org (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) and www.mdccathcon.org (Maryland Catholic Conference). There are others available but the two of these provide information based solely on our beliefs as Catholics. Please take the time to review them prior to voting in November and please do vote on November 6th!

Vivat Jesus!

Keith Marchiano - Grand Knight

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Holiness

One of the pursuits we should never give up on is the pursuit of holiness. As most of you know, Francis of Assisi, whose feast day is October 4th, never gave up on his pursuit of holiness. Thomas of Celano in his first biography of St. Francis said, "Francis of Assisi was always occupied with Jesus: Jesus he bore in his heart, mouth, eyes, ears, and in his entire body: Jesus." You might be thinking, "That's Francis of Assisi! I'm not Francis of Assisi and never will be."

Did you know that Francis was at one time quite the playboy? He was known to carouse around Assisi waking up residents and partying until the wee hours of the morning. Does this sound a little more human to you? There was a time in Francis' life when he was just a regular person, growing up in Assisi, learning to be a cloth merchant from his father, and doing all the things teenage boys and young adults do. In the midst of all his worldly attractions, God tugged at his soul. Little by little Francis began to live the quote from Thomas of Celano.

It wasn't easy for Francis and it's not easy for us either. One thing is for sure. God is tugging at each one of our souls, asking, encouraging and inviting us to become holier every day. If the rabblousing Francis can answer God's call, I'm sure you can too. It doesn't matter how old or young you are or if you are male or female. God wants you as his friend, and he wants to be a part of you. Francis answered the call of Jesus. When he did, Jesus and he became one. All you have to do is answer the call God places before you and do your best to be holy just like Francis.

*Peace and All Good,
Deacon Jim*

Ladies Auxiliary

Annie Arndt

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus is busy with the final preparations for the upcoming Wine and Beer Tasting and Silent Auction to be held Saturday, October 6th 2012 from 6pm-9pm. We have already had several of the Knight's sign up to help us, thank you. Please consider attending this beautiful, fun event...you won't be disappointed! Ticket sales will be limited so don't delay. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$35 or at the door for \$40. Contact Mary Celeste Eder for tickets at 410-538-4433.

The Ladies will have a table of baked goods at the annual Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale being held in Kilduff Hall. This year the event will be one day only, Saturday November 17th from 8am-5pm. Don't forget to stop by and purchase a yummy dessert for the holidays.

Many of the Ladies enjoyed a lovely Dinner Social that was hosted by the Knight's in Kilduff Hall before our September meeting. The dinner was delicious...thank you to the Knight's for coordinating this event.

Just a reminder, the Ladies will not have a November meeting and the December meeting has been changed to December 3rd in Kilduff Hall. Our next meeting will be October 15th at 8pm in the Knight's Hall. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Activities Reports

First and Foremost: Now that the First Quarter of our fraternal years comes to a close, I'm happy to report that ALL of the Activity Directors are off to a great start; so much so that they will now be known as our very own "A Team".

Would you like to be a member of the "A Team"? You can, the Council is in need of a Youth Activity Director! This is a fun and rewarding position working with the Youth in and around our Parish Community. Contact Greg Ward for details, gjward63@comcast.net or call 443-243-1333.

Jeff Lawson has put together a Lecture Series detailing the life and times of St. Francis de Sales. This lecture series will be given by Father Paul Henry, who is an expert on the subject and has studied St. Francis de Sales in detail. The series starts on Tuesday Oct. 2nd at 7:00 to 8:00pm and will run for 4 consecutive Tuesdays in October. Each Tuesday will highlight a unique facet of St Francis' life, therefore come to one or all of them but if you miss one come to the next for the previous lecture doesn't build-on the next.

Shawn Harper has just completed the first Family Movie Night to a huge success and will probably schedule another during the winter months. And how can he top that.....how about a hayride and pumpkin picking! This will be held at Brad's Produce on October 20th at 3:00pm. Buy your pumpkins there and have fun with your Brother Knights. Don't forget the apple cider.

Ron Gutowski has done a marvelous job with Council activities, he has conducted a dinner and social prior to the Sept. 17th meeting. Steamed shrimp, meatballs, sausage hotdogs were in unlimited supply. All who attended had a great time and gained a few pounds.

Dinner Theater at Toby's – O'Donnell St. Location, on Nov 3 2012

Join the Knights and spouses for a night of great food and a musical performance of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. This is a lively upbeat musical featuring a Biblical Story set to music of all types. Ticket price is \$60 per person and is being coordinated by fellow Knight, Mike Yuran. Dinner is served from 6 -7:30 and show starts at 8PM. Payment is due no later then Sept 29 and may be mailed to:

Knights of Columbus Council 11372, 27Huxley Circle, Abingdon, MD 21009

Addition information may be obtained by contacting Mike at 410 569 9168

Keith Arndt is putting together his next event; "Baby Bottle Boomerang" on Oct 20th after all masses. The Knights will be handing-out baby bottles asking all parishioners to fill the bottle with spare change and return it the following Sunday. All proceeds will go the Birthrite to assist them in buying baby supplies for the needy. Everyone's help is highly appreciated.

The first pancake breakfast for this fraternal year was very successful. Food and fun was had by all. A little bit of money was raised for the needy but more importantly this breakfast as well as the many other breakfasts allowed our church community to come together and share their time and fellowship.

As always, Brothers, thanks for all you do, please continue to help all our fundraising events either in attendance or in participation. Bingo is always in need of help, contact Bill Orlosky to volunteer your time. We can also use your help working at the Ravens games, contact Lee Eder to volunteer during a home game.

Membership

Bill Hengemihle 410-569-5252

A quick shout out to those members who may have missed keeping their dues current. We need your support even though you cannot get to a meeting. Please send in your dues and help keep our council financially strong.

The first degree is Monday October 15th. Please let your prospects know this is their opportunity to get on board.



The Ladies' **2nd International Wine and Beer Tasting** is fast approaching:

**Saturday, October 6th
6 to 9 p.m.**

As with last year, we are partnering with Friendship Wine & Liquors and will have wine from several countries and samples of beer as well. Your souvenir wine or beer glass is included in the cost of the ticket. The Hall will be beautifully transformed as well, and it will truly be an elegant evening.

Our gourmet lite fare won rave reviews last year, and we are planning on much the same this year. We have lots and lots of silent auction and raffle items, including Ravens baskets, Wine baskets, a Family Planning package, Gift Cards, Food and Spice baskets, gifts for the home, and more!

Please support the Ladies in this fundraiser – and bring your friends! It is our primary fundraiser for the year and enables us to continue our support of groups at St. Francis de Sales and in our community. *Thank you!*

Tickets:

Tickets are \$35 per person in advance; \$40 at the door.

Contact:

Mary Celeste Eder, Event Chair
410-538-4433; maryceder@comcast.net

Diane Traube, KC Ladies President
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Quote of the Month

The best revenge is to be unlike him who performed the injury.

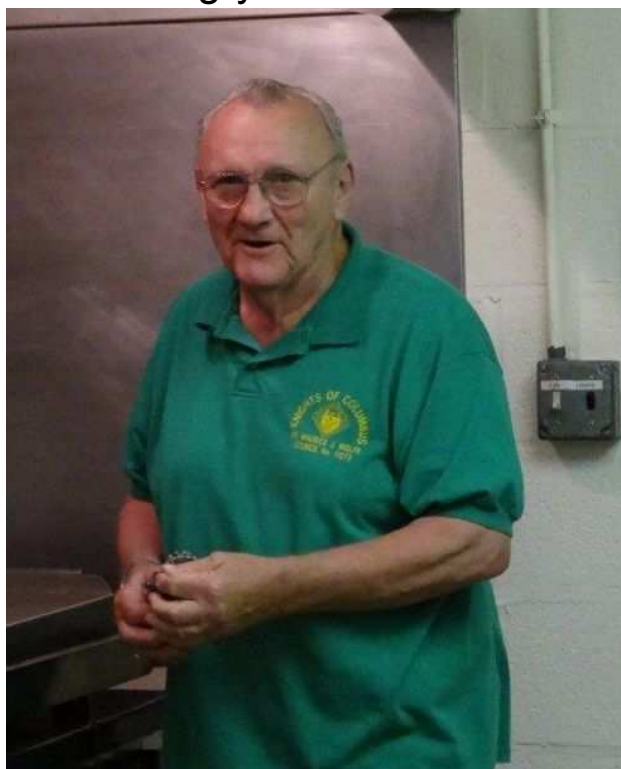
Marcus Aurelius

Another Successful Pancake Breakfast

Up at O Dark Thirty to feed the hungry hordes



Greg Ward and Bob Roddy



George Hemelt



Alex Eder and assistants



Hmmm...What's wrong with this picture? Why are the men doing all the cooking and the ladies are doing most of the eating?

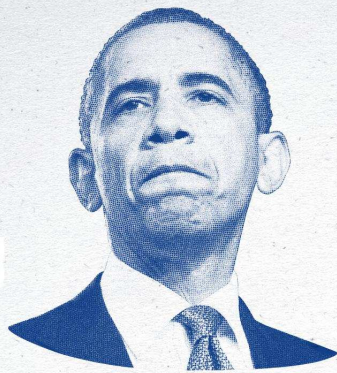
And we tried something new – a steamed shrimp dinner before the council meeting on September 17th.



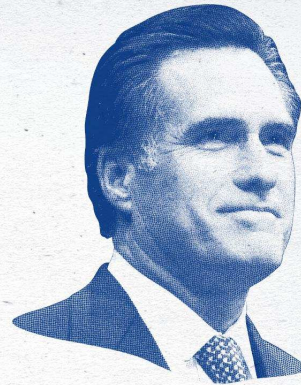
Start off with a little wine



Take the picture – I'm not stopping for anyone!



OBAMA



ROMNEY

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TOP 2012 ISSUES FOR CATHOLICS

Supports unlimited
abortion in all cases,
without restriction,
including partial birth.

1 ABORTION

Opposes Roe v. Wade.
Will end federal funding
of Planned Parenthood
and abortion.

Supports redefining
marriage, ordered his DoJ
to stop defending DOMA.

2 SAME-SEX "MARRIAGE"

Supports traditional
marriage, DOMA &
a Federal Marriage
Amendment.

Defends HHS mandate
forcing people of faith to
violate their conscience.

3 RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Pledges to repeal HHS
mandate and respect
the First Amendment.

Favors federal control of
K-8 education, opposed
school choice, Obamacare
fines Catholic schools

4 SCHOOL CHOICE

Believes in empowering
states to set education
policy & strongly
supports school choice

Promotes federal
takeovers of health care,
auto industry, college
loan market, etc.

5 SUBSIDIARITY

Supports free people,
free enterprise, free
association & respecting
autonomy of civil society

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THREE MONTH PLANNER



October 2012			
Mon	1	Council Meeting – Knights Hall	8:00PM
Tues.	2	Salesian Presentation – 1 of 4 (need not attend all 4)	7:00PM
Sat	6	Maryland State Columbus Ball and Car Raffle Drawing	8:00pm
Fri	5	St. Francis' Youth Benefit Bingo	
Sat	6	Lady Knight's Beer & Wine Tasting	
Mon	8	Officers' Meeting – Knights Hall	7:30PM
Tues.	9	Salesian Presentation – 2 of 4	7:00PM
Fri	12	Bingo!	5:00PM
Sat	13	Roadside Clean-up	9:00AM
Sun	14	Ravens Home Game vs. Cowboys	1:00PM
Mon	15	Council Meeting – Kilduff Hall	8:00PM
Tues.	16	Salesian Presentation – 3 of 4	7:00PM
Sun	20-21	Boomerang Bottle Handout	After All Masses
Tues.	23	Salesian Presentation – 4 of 4	7:00PM
Fri	26	Bingo!	5:00PM
Sat.	27	Trunk or Treat	6:30- 8:30PM
November 2012			
Mon	5	Council Meeting – Labor Day	8:00PM
Fri	9	Bingo!	5:00PM
Sat.	10	Memorial Mass with Reception	8:00-11:00AM
Sun	11	Raven's Game vs. Raiders	1:00PM
Mon	12	Officers' Meeting – Knights Hall	7:30PM
Sat	17	St. Francis de Sales Craft Fair	All Day
Mon	19	Council Meeting – Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Thurs	22	Happy Thanksgiving	
Fri	23	Bingo!	5:00pm
December 2012			
Sun	2	Ravens Home Game vs Steelers	4:14pm
Mon	3	Council Meeting	8:00pm
Fri	7	Drop and Shop	6:30-8pm
Sat.	8	Kids Christmas Party	10:00-3pm
Mon	10	Officers' Meeting – Knights Hall	7:30pm
Thurs	13	Feast Day for Our Lady of Guadalupe	

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