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Wow, it is hard to believe that it is 2013 already. Time flies when you get old! I hope everybody had a wonderful Christmas season.

A new year usually brings with it new goals and "resolutions" for each of us. It may be to live healthier, lose weight, go to Church more often, setting business goals, live a more faith based life, and other things.

As Knights of Columbus members, we have a golden opportunity to serve God in many ways and live a life of faith. I encourage you to make this a goal for 2013. In the December edition of Knightline you received in the mail, there is a wonderful article on page 2. It discusses the Knights of Columbus and the year of faith. There are some great helpful hints as to ways you can live a more faith based life such as, reading the Supreme Chaplain's monthly column in the Columbia magazine, coordinate an activity where we host a clergy appreciation dinner, or go on a pilgrimage. As members of Father Wolfe Council, we always have many opportunities to live your faith, and many points the article makes, we are already doing, such as, giving food/money to St. Vincent de Paul, designating a Sunday for our council to celebrate Mass together, praying consistently at our meetings/events, and focusing our efforts on those who need our help the most.

The main thing I took from the article is that as a Knight, Catholic, and Christian, we should profess our faith! If you are limited with your time, as all of us are, make it an effort this year to attend a council meeting or do a couple activities. I assure you; by doing so and getting involved you will feel closer to God, because this council excels at doing great things for those that need it most. Evangelization is a big part of professing our faith. Asking and bringing other Catholics to Mass or inviting a Catholic man to join our order and his wife to join our Lady's Auxiliary is a wonderful way to help another person come closer to God and develop a closer relationship with Him.

As your Grand Knight I will continue to focus our efforts around bringing more men into our order and helping you, my brothers, be more involved in living your faith.

Happy New Year!  
Vivat Jesus!

Keith Marchiano - Grand Knight

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***For the Love of God – Happy New Year!***

*Another year has passed, and a new year begins. It might be a good time for us to think about the resolutions we set last year. I'm sure we all had new weight goals, lower fat diets, even giving up a vice. All of these things are very important. God wants us to take care of our bodies so that we will be strong and healthy to do his work. If we weren't successful with fulfilling our resolutions from last year, why not try again?*

*I would like to suggest another resolution and that is to deepen our relationship with and our love for God. The first group of resolutions is to strengthen our bodies and that is very important. But our relationship with God is what strengthens our soul, our will, and our relationships with those around us. I think we can all agree that we all need some work in those areas. God gives us everything we have. That might be hard for us to understand as it's difficult to picture God as living with us in our daily lives. But think about it this way: if God did not give humans the ability to find plastic and steel, among other things, there wouldn't be cars and the other material things we need. So, God then creates all things.*

*If we have a strong and loving relationship with our Lord, every gift he gives us will be used for his glory and the good of all people. Suddenly, our relationship with God takes on a new importance, doesn't it? Maybe our resolution to improve our love for God should be at the top of the list. If we do that, we might find the other resolutions easier to attain. It is my prayer that this year we all meet our resolutions, especially to be closer and more in love with God. What do you think?*

*Peace and All Good,  
Deacon Jim*

**Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary December 2012**

The Ladies had a very successful Bake Sale at the annual Craft Sale this year and want to thank all who supported us and stopped by to purchase our homemade goodies. This year our Christmas project was for the local Homeless Shelter. We put together gift bags for the residents that included hats, gloves, socks and a gift card to McDonald's. We also donated paper products which is an ongoing need at the shelter.

January is our month to support Birthright, and a Birthright representative will be at our meeting. Please bring any of the following items to our January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting:

- New or Glass Bottles (no used bottles)
- New Pacifiers
- Diaper Rash Ointment/Baby Wash
- Newborn Undershirts and Socks
- Newborn Sleepers (for Girls especially)
- Receiving Blankets
- Hooded Bath Towels
- Diapers – newborn but also the larger sizes
- Baby Cereal or Food or Formula

We have some fun events in the planning stage for this spring. Our next meeting will be January 21<sup>st</sup> at 8pm in the Knight's Hall. All Ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

## December's Activities Report

### **Ron Gutowski – Community Activity Director**

Spearheaded by Ron and Bill H, our Council was able to raise \$2,500 for the Parkinson's Disease Foundation (PDF). This event also gave us the opportunity to re-commission and rename our annual horse shoe tournament award to the Leo Bernt/John Myers Award. (See photographs in Decembers's KnightWorks)

Our guest speaker for that night's event was Cliff Ishmael, Cliff will attend our "pre-Council meeting" 30 minutes before our regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Jan 7, 2013 to receive our donation. Come early for the presentation.

Mark your Calendar: The Fr. Wolfe Council Christmas Party is set for Saturday, January 19, from 6:00pm to 10 pm at Bellissimo's Restaurant in Bel Air. In addition to some great food, Elvis has promised to be in the building and sing songs from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Blue suede shoes are optional. Ticket price is \$25 per person and must be paid in advance, bring payment to our next council meeting or mail it to Ron Gutowski, 2436 Grand Oaks Court, Abingdon, MD 21009. Questions, call Ron at 443-922-7861.

### **Shaun Harper - Family Activity Director**

Shaun, who put on the annual Knights of Columbus Children's Christmas Party on Dec. 8th for the families in our parish community, did a wonderful job organizing all the details that went into such successful event. All great time was had by all who attend! (See accompanying photographs)

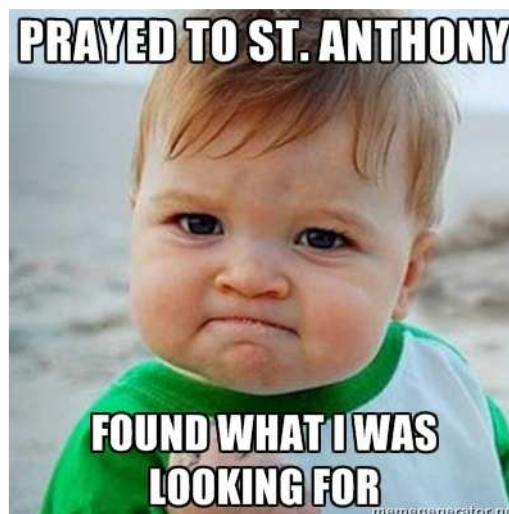
A magician put on a very entertaining show for the kids!

Santa even took time out of his busy schedule and stopped in for a visit. Amazing how much he resembles Brother and PGK Bill Elliott. Presents were given to all and Fr. Chuck played a fun game with the children before opening their gifts.

Great KoC food (chicken nuggets and hot dogs) was provided with the help of fellow Knights and high school kids fulfilling their Confirmation requirements volunteered their time.

### **Keith Arndt – Culture of Life Activity Director**

Keith did a fabulous job conducting our Councils first Baby Bottle Boomerang Project, we can say Keith really took the bottle and ran with it. Fellow Knights handed out baby bottles to parishioners and members of our community with instructions to fill them with spare change then returned (boomerang) to the parish at specific collection points. 100% of the funds raised were then donated to Birthright of Harford County. To date the Fr, Wolfe Council has donated over \$1,524.93.



## **Council Activities – Mark Your Calendars from Ron Gutkowski**

Parkinson's Awareness Night – Monday, Nov. 19 – 6:30 to 9:30 PM

Bill Hengemihle and I would like to express our sincerest thanks to all who helped with this activity. Because of this activity we were able to raise \$2,500 to donate to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation (PDF). In addition, this event gave us the opportunity to rename our horse shoe tournament award to the Leo Bernt/John Myers Award. We all know what these two men mean or meant to our council. Our guest speaker, Cliff Ishmael, will be at our facility half hour before our meeting Council Meeting on Jan 7, 2013 to receive our donation. This will be a photo opportunity and a way for us to thank our speaker. Come by early for the presentation.

Christmas Party – Saturday, January 19, 2013 – 6 to 10 pm at Bellissimo's

This years Christmas Party is scheduled for Bellissimos. In addition to providing some great food, Elvis has promised to be in the buiding to sing songs from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Blue suede shoes are optional. Ticket price is \$25 per person and can be paid for at our next council meeting or mailed to Ron Gutowski, 2436 Grand Oaks Court, Abingdon, MD 21009. Call Ron at 443-922-7861 if you have any questions.

Wellness Fair – Sunday, March 10, 2013 – 6:30 am to 1:30 pm in Kilduff Hall

We know how important our health is. This Wellness Fair is designed to provide you with information to sustain a healthy life style. We have contacted several health suppliers in our area – all have been enthusiastic and are willing to participate. Brian Nelson and Bill Queale have volunteered to co-chair this program. We will need some volunteers to help with set up and greeting. In addition, if anyone has suggestions for topics that should be included in our Wellness Fair please let us know.

### **Membership**

**Bill Hengemihle 410-569-5252**

We start rolling into 2013....Let's all hope that it's a lucky 13. Let's make the first degree which will be in February a memorable one. Lets go over the top with our membership quota. Please talk to that prospect NOW. We need your help.

Happy New Year to you and your family.

### **Quote of the Month**

**What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has the eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.**

**Saint Augustine**



# Christmas Greetings from Afghanistan

**From Brother Cliff Wendel**

Brother Knights,

Hope Christmas finds everyone well.

Hopefully will see a few of you at Mass in mid January when I am back for leave!

Vivat Jesus!

Go Ravens

Cliff





## Our Council Activities

The 2012 Children's Christmas Party is Now in the Record Books



**A magician entertains the crowd at the Kid's Christmas Party while Annie Arndt and grandson Tobin pay rapt attention**



**Santa Claus takes the time to talk to all our guests**

## With Our Youth We Take Time to Collect Funds for BirthRight



Kudos to Keith Arndt for a new and very successful way to raise funds for BirthRight.  
Wow! \$1524.95!! Outstanding job, Keith, by you and our youth.



## THANK YOU BROTHERS

Twice each year, on Christmas Eve and Easter, knights from Father Wolfe Council help deal with the large crowds trying to park. It is an interesting experience and takes real dedication to run around the parking lot on those days when the weather is cold.

Special thanks for Christmas Eve this year go to Lee Eder, Alex Eder, Mike Georgulas, Ray Traube, and John Esce. Well done brothers.



## Items for Free

Some time ago St. Francis de Sales parish replaced a bunch of wooden tables with plastic ones. We gave away most of the wooden ones to any knight who wanted them. We still have about 8 tables available to anyone who wants one or more tables. They are very solid folding tables, 8 feet long and excellent for family gatherings, BBQ's, etc. If you are interested, contact Ed Petrovic (410-679-4179) or Lee Eder (410-591-1948) at any meeting or any Mon., Tue., Thu., or Fri. morning at the parish.

We also have a brand new electric mower that has never been used. It only needs a battery to be fully serviceable. Contact Lee Eder if you are interested.





# THE MAURICE J. WOLFE COUNCIL



## THREE MONTH PLANNER

January 2013			
Tues	1	Happy New Year	8:00pm
Sat	5	Family Ice Skating at <i>Ice World</i>	5:30pm
Mon	7	Council Meeting	8:00pm
Fri	11	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon	14	Officers Meeting	7:30pm
Sat	19	First Degree Practice	9:00am
Sat	19	Council Christmas Party	6:00pm
Mon	21	Council Meeting & Social	8:00pm
Mon	21	K of C Ladies' Meeting	8:00pm
Fri	25	Bingo!	6:00pm
Sat	26	First Degree Practice	9:00am
Sat	26	Polar Bear Plunge	PM
Thur	31	Third Degree at Dundalk Council	TBD
February 2013			
Sat	2	Youth Activity – "Rolling-in-the-Dough"	9am – 12pm
Sun	3	Pancake Breakfast	8:00am
Mon	4	Council Meeting & First Degree Ceremony w/ Judging	8:00pm
Fri	8	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat	9	Children's Bingo	6:30pm
Mon	11	Officers' Meeting	7:00pm
Tues	12	Second Degree Ceremony w/ Judging	8:00pm
Fri	15	Fish Fry	3:00pm
Mon	18	Council Meeting & Social	8:00pm
Mon	18	K of C Ladies' Meeting	
Fri	22	Bingo	3:00pm
March 2013			
Fri	1	Fish Fry	3:00 - 7:00pm
Mon	4	Council Meeting	8:00pm
Fri	8	Bingo	6:00pm
Fri-Sun	8-10	Malvern Retreat, Pennsylvania	All Weekend
Sun	10	Wellness Fair	6:30am – 1:30pm
Mon	11	Officer's Meeting	7:00pm
Fri	15	Fish Fry	3:00 - 7:00pm
Mon	18	Council Meeting and Social – Kilduff Hall	8:00pm
Mon	18	Lady Knights Meeting – Knight's Hall	8:00pm
Fri	22	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun	24	Palm Sunday	
Fri	29	Good Friday	
Sun	31	EASTER	

**Lee Eder, PGK, Mary Celeste, Alex, and Bethany send wishes to all Ladies and Brothers for a peaceful and prosperous New Year**



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