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Happy New Year everybody! I hope everybody had a wonderful Christmas season.

What a year 2013 was for our council! We continued our efforts to raise money and support the poor. We sponsored a child that lives in Kenya. Our council was recognized at the convention as best in the state of Maryland! We achieved the Star Council award for our 17th time! We had our very first golf tournament and Lenten seafood chowder sale. We also had a lot of fun!

I am most pleased with our continuing efforts to enhance the spiritual aspect of our council. Deacon Jim and Rich Sosna have been leading that effort at our council meetings. We recently had our first bilingual Rosary ceremony to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. Plus, we celebrated Mass together 3 times during the year. This is the heart of our order. We continue to become a stronger council with God at the center of it. As Carrie Underwood wrote, "Jesus Take the Wheel". In everything we do as Knights and Lady Knights, we pray that Jesus guide us in our efforts. If we continue to do that, we can do all things!

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 2014. 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 Christian family, be more involved in living your faith. I look forward to my final 6 months as your Grand Knight. I thank you for your trust in me to lead our council!

Happy New Year and

Vivat Jesus!

Keith Marchiano Grand Knight

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Associate Chaplain's Report

Deacon Jim Sullivan

Are You an Intentional Disciple?

Jesus always takes on the issues of discipleship. Those issues aren't much different than the issues of our day. Taking care of others, giving what we can, developing strong relationships both with our Lord and our neighbor, persistence, discretion, and humility are just a few these issues. The successful faith life can't be "all about us." It has to be about the other person. That is the message of Jesus and his public ministry.

Jesus is trying to make us understand how to enter into the world of intentional discipleship. The way to intentional discipleship is a closer relationship with God. The way to a closer relationship with God is to be in a closer relationship with Jesus. If we are to be in relationship with anyone, we must meet them and get to know them well. The way to meet Jesus is to try to be what the earthly Jesus was. Jesus was servant of the poor, the rejected, the people who stretched him, the people no one else wanted and the ones we run from every time we see them. These people are Jesus. These are graced moments. They are the way to salvation. God offers salvation to all of us. It is ours for the asking. We must, however, move from our comfort zone and embrace the challenge placed before us. We must strive to deepen our relationship with Jesus. We must find our Savior in those he has given us to serve. We must strive to enter the world of intentional discipleship!

It's a brand new year. You can become a brand new intentional disciple. Why not start today?

Peace and All Good, Deacon Jim

Ladies Auxiliary

Annie Arndt

We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas! The ladies Christmas Project this year involved the local homeless shelter in Belcamp. We assembled gift bags for the 31 residents of the Homeless Shelter. These bags included scarves, mittens, warm socks, and lip balm and gift cards to McDonald's. We also collected and delivered a wide assortment of paper products to the Shelter.

We will not be having a January Meeting next month so that we may support and attend the Parkinson's event and dinner being sponsored by the Myers Family and the Knights of Columbus Council 11372 on January 20th in Kilduff Hall.

Our next meeting will be February 18th at 7:30 PM in the Knight's Hall. All women of the parish are welcome and invited to attend!

Families of the Month



October – Lee Eder and Family



November – Ray Traube and Family

Program Director's Report

Greg Ward

What's Going-on in Our Council

Wow, this council continues to do some great things for our parish and our community. I want to thank all of those who continue to step up and support our activity directors with these wonderful events and ask you to get involved in one of our upcoming events.

Jeff Gutowski - Council - Contact- 410-925-1762

Saturday, January 11th our council will have a pot luck Christmas party at Kilduff Hall. Bring a meal to share. Spouses and kids are more than welcome to attend. Please contact Jeff to let him know if you will be attending and what you can bring. Also, Monday, January 20th at 6:30pm we will be having a dinner to raise money for Parkinson's. There will be no meeting, just this social. Goodwill donations will be accepted and there will be items to bid on to raise money for this good cause.

Bruce Miller – Youth – Contact – 410-913-7268

Bruce is starting to plan our kids' bingo for Saturday, February 8th. Looks like the grand prize will be tablet! Stay tuned for more details.

Jeff Lawson – Church – Contact – 410-322-5028

Jeff is planning our 3rd quarter church activity. We also have a pancake breakfast scheduled for February 9th.

Paul Bartha – Family –Contact- 248-872-2063

Paul is working with Diane Lewis to sponsor Ice Skating on Saturday, January 4th. It will take place at Ice World from 6-8pm. Cost is \$3 for skate rentals and donation of non-perishable items for our local Outreach ministry.

Jerry Connolly - Community – Contact 443-693-3233

Our next community activity is the Polar Bear Plunge taking place on Saturday, January 25th. Please go to our website, www.kofc11372.org to make a donation.

John Schmidt- Pro Life – Contact 443-686-2441

John recently completed an Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary celebration. A time of prayer in fellowship across culture lines as it was a bilingual ceremony. Very well done John! John is putting together plans for a trip to DC on January 22nd for the annual March for Life rally. Please contact John if you wish to carpool to this event!

Fourth Degree News

Lee Eder FN

The next John Carroll Assembly meeting is Thursday January 16th .This is our Renewal of Obligations at Long Green Valley Council, St John's Hydes MD. Black Tuxedos for Officers and Business suits for all others.

If any Fr Wolfe Council 4th Degree member is not getting the 4th degree bi-monthly newsletter please let me know.

Happy New Year

Lee Eder Faithful Navigator John Carroll Assembly #2378

2013 Children's Christmas Part



The Ever Popular Magic Show



The Hardy Clan checking in with Santa



The Piotrowski Clan



Two of Santa's Most Ardent Fans



The Crew That Made It Happen

Christmas Bingo The final bingo of the 2013 season was a sellout. Many thanks to Bill Orlosky who was conducting his final bingo. You went out with a bang, Bill!



Shhhh! This is serious stuff!



Santa delights the crowd



You did an Outstanding Job Over the Years! Thanks, Bill

Message From the District Deputy

My dear Brothers,

The Fraternal year has come to the halfway mark. We are coming into the winter months when a lull falls over Council activities and we await the Spring. However there is much we can do indoors these months to strengthen our Councils. Get involved in planning Spring time activities. Have you recruited a new member? Families will be at home more often now allowing you to connect with a prospective member and explaining to him and his family what we are all about.

Soon each Grand Knight will appoint a Nominating Committee to establish a slate of Officers for the elections in May for the new fraternal year. If you are asked to stand for election, please give it some serious thought. God has given every man the ability to lead others. Not all of us have recognized this and therefore are willing to step back and allow others to lead the Councils. Please be willing to step forward and accept that mantle of leadership. No organization can survive when its members are unwilling to lead it and the existing leadership gets burned out and stops leading. Don't allow your Council to get to that point.

Congratulations to the members of the District 2nd Degree team for putting on a well done exemplification for 23 candidates in the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council Home. The number of candidates went from 8 – 10 to 23 quickly that Wednesday night. These men are now eligible to take their 3rd Degree on Thursday January 30, 2014 at Dundalk Council. Candidates must be there by 7:00 PM and the Degree begins at 7:30 PM.

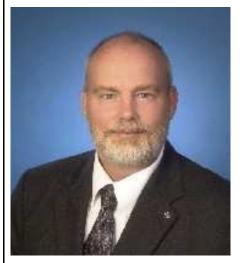
On behalf of my wife Jane and my District Warden John Schmidt, I wish you all a happy and blessed New Year and may 2014 be a better year than 2013 for all Council and Family endeavors.

FATHER MAURICE J. WOLFE COUNCIL THREE MONTH PLANNER



		JANUARY 2014	
Wed	1	Happy New Year	All Day
Sat.	4	Council Ice Skating at Ice World	6:30pm
Sat.	4	J. Carroll Assembly – Visiting VA Hospital in Perryville	11:00am
Mon.	6	Council Meeting - Knight's Hall	7:30pm
Fri.	10	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	11	Council's Potluck Christmas Party – Kilduff Hall	6:00pm
Mon.	13	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Sun.	19	Membership Recruitment Drive After all Masses	
Mon.	20	Parkinson's Awareness Dinner – No Council Meeting	6:30pm
Wed.	22	March-for-Life in Washington D.C.	All Day
Fri.	24	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	25	Polar Bear Plunge at Sandy Point State Park	1:00pm
		FEBRUARY 2014	
Mon.	3	Council Meeting & First Degree Ceremonial	7:30pm
Mon.	3	First Day to Sign-up for the MD State Convention	ТВА
Sat.	8	Children's Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	9	Pancake Breakfast	8:00am-11:00am
Mon.	10	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Fri	14	Bingo	6:00pm
Fri.	14	St. Valentine's Feast Day	All Day
Mon.	17	Council Meeting and Social	7:30pm
Mon.	17	Lady Knights' Meeting	7:30pm
Wed.	26	Second Degree Ceremony	7:30pm
		MARCH 2014	
Mon.	3	Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Fri.	7	Seafood Chowder Pick-up – Pre-orders only	4:30-5:30pm
Sun.	9	Daylight Savings Time	2:00am
Mon.	10	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	14	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	17	Council Meeting and Social – St. Patrick's Day	7:30pm to!
Mon.	17	Lady Knights' Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	21	Seafood Chowder Pick-up – Pre-orders only	4:30-5:30pm
Fri.	28	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	30	Fifth Sunday of the Month – Mass with Knights	9:00am

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