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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

I don't know about all of you, but boy I love the feel of the warm spring air. The sun feels warmer and the breezes are magnificent! I think after the winter of 2013-2014 that would just not end, this spring is going to feel that much more refreshing to us!

It is not coincidence that we celebrate Easter this month. I mean let's think about and reflect on this for a minute. The Son of God comes to us as a man. He teaches us what God is like. He heals the sick. He raises the dead. He makes people, even the persecuted, feel alive and full of hope. Then this same man is brutally tortured, nailed to a cross to bleed out, and dies. He dies, for you and me- sinners! People He never met, but certainly knew. We fall SO short of God's glory on a daily basis, however this wonderful man died for me, he died for you. I cannot even think about this without tearing up. When I watch "The Passion of the Christ" I cry. God loves us so much that He sends his only Son to die so that we may live!



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His resurrection is what I think about every spring morning! It is the rebirth of life. God: defeating death, defeating Satan, giving us new life. This is our spring! During the rest of your Lenten journey, and as the warm spring air moves in, I ask you to reflect on this article I wrote. Instead of giving something up, how about we pray daily. Pray for someone who is sick. Pray for someone who lost a loved one. Pray for someone who needs work. Pray for one another! Jesus died for you and me so that we may live and spread His love and message to others.

On behalf of Beth, Emma, and Josh, I want to wish each member of Father Wolfe Council a very Happy Easter! May the peace of the Risen Christ be with you this Easter!

Keith Marchiano Grand Knight

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KNIGHTWORKS NEWS



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After many years of service, Brother Ed Petrovic has certainly earned a break. I'd like to thank Ed for his efforts over the years in preparing the newsletter, wrangling content from the contributors and managing the migration from paper to digital. I know it's not easy to put this together every month but Ed has done so faithfully for as long as I can remember. Thank you Ed!

Over the next few months, my job will be to not only produce the newsletter but also to prepare it for judging for the 2014-2015 year. While much of the content is already included in the newsletter as you see it now, there are two additions you can look forward to seeing in the coming months: information from the state council, and information directly from supreme.

The newsletter will also be undergoing some changes in style as well. One of the changes you'll notice is the inclusion of each contributor's picture along with their contact information. My goal is to put our contributors front and center to make it easier to find contact information and to give a face to the name for our new members.

My time editing the newsletter will be short as worth Grand Knight Keith Marchiano will be taking the reins from me in July after his term is over. Until then, if you have any comments or suggestions please let me know. I'm open to any and all suggestions!

ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT "A Lent Well Spent – Part II"

Well, here we are, one and a half weeks into Lent! The question is—how are we doing? We need to assess if our Lent has been successful so far. Have we begun to accomplish what we set out to do on Ash Wednesday? Are we kinder and gentler people, or are we just hungry? Will the sacrifices we make change our lives? Will we change or go back to being the same old people we were 10 days ago?

It's not too late! We still have a little over four weeks. If we don't think we can make our goals, then perhaps it is time to really get serious about our spiritual lives. We have many opportunities in our parish, in our community and in our families to change the way we live. It doesn't cost anything to be kind to someone who needs us or to give a little of ourselves when we're asked to help. It doesn't cost anything to say an extra prayer for someone who is in need or has hit the bottom rung. If everyone in our community said one prayer every day for one hurting person, can you imagine what we could accomplish? If everyone



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said a prayer for those who are hungry, thirsty or without a friend, imagine what a great place this world would be. The best thing about all this is that we benefit more than the people we pray for, give to or encourage.

This can still be "A Lent Well Spent." It won't be easy, and time is short! But it's not too short to make a difference in our lives and the lives of those who need us.

Peace and All Good Deacon Jim

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"What's Going-on in Our Council"

Snow, Rain, Sun, Snow, Rain, Sun, Warm Weather.....Will it make up its mind? Even if the weather can't make-up its mind the Council will be focused and busy in the next 2 months. Brothers I ask you to get involved and have some fun with your fellow Knights. There is a lot going on in our Council... take a look:

Church – Jeff Lawson (410-322-5028 or jeff-lawson@comcast.net)

The Annual Golf Tournament to be held on May 9th at the Wetlands Golf Course. This activity is held to raise funds for the Church, the Council and our charitable good deeds. If you don't play I encourage you to get a four-some together, help with the event or show-up for the luncheon. Sponsors are also needed

Council – Jeff Gutowski (410-925-1762 or jgutowskiwtsb@gmail.com)

We are putting on a CPR Class. Upon completion and a passing grade you will be certified by the Red Cross. Classes are forming and are scheduled for April 28th.



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Community – Jerry Connolly (443-693-3233 or jaconnol@comcast.net)

Once again we will be helping the John Archer School on their May Day Festival, May 3rd starting at 9am.

Family – Paul Bartha (248-872-2063 or pzbartha50@gmail.com)

Touch-a-Truck will be Saturday April 5th from 10 AM to 2 PM. Various trucks will be available for the kids to climb on and learn about. Last year this event was LARGELY attended, come join the fun! The Knights will be cooking-up their world famous pit beef and dogs.

Culture-of-Life – John Schmidt (443-686-2441 or johnrschmidt@catholic.org)

Marigolds Prep is set for May 9th; distribution will be on Mother's day May 11th. John could use some help on Friday to get all the flowers arranged and planted! Pull up a chair and help transplant some marigolds.

Youth – Bruce Miller (410-913-7268 or <u>bmille45@jhu.edu</u>)

Our annual Jerry Meany Fishing Tournament will be held on either June 21st or June 28th. Details will be forthcoming as to the exact date and time.

Benches are being made for Catholic Charities off of Singer Road; we are in the final stages in staining and assembling for a May delivery. Most work is done on Saturdays; if you like to help contact Greg Ward at 443-243-1333 or watch for emails for dates and time.

Brothers, this only the tip of iceberg for getting involved and having fun! Don't forget our twice a month bingos, the upcoming spaghetti dinner, fishing tournament for kids, the convention, chowder sales and crab feast raffle. TONS OF STUFF, TONS OF FUN, JOIN US!!!!!

Greg Ward Chancellor and Program Director

FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE

Sir Knights,

The next John Carroll Assembly Meeting will be pushed back a week due to Holy Thursday. We will meet at St Ignatius Council of Forest Hill, MD on Thursday, April 24th 2014 at 8pm.

Please consider Knighthood to the fullest by joining the Color Corps.

Call or email me for directions or more info.

God Bless,

Lee Eder Faithful Navigator John Carroll Assembly #2378



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LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT



ANNIE ARNDT annie.arndt@yahoo.com 410-420-0074 The Ladies would like to thank everyone who helped make our Birthright Baby Shower and Donut Sunday such a wonderful success. The parish was very generous and the ladies were able to collect an entire SUV full of donations of baby items as well as monetary donations to help this worthwhile organization. It is our plan to have this as a recurring annual event.

We are now in the process of several Easter/Spring projects reaching out to The Little Sisters of the Poor, Lorien, and Parish Outreach to name just a few.

You may have noticed many of the ladies sporting new mint green polo shirts with the 20th anniversary logo. We chose mint green to coordinate with the men in their green shirts.

We are continuing to grow as an organization and this month we again added several new members: Barbara Arnold, Monica Harkins, Sandra Hernandez and Laura Miller. Welcome, ladies, we are so happy you have joined us!

Mark your calendars for our Installation Dinner which will again be held at Bellissimo Restaurant in Bel Air on Monday evening, June 16, 2014.

Our next meeting will be April 21, 2014 at 7:30pm in the Knight's Hall. As always, all women of the parish are welcome to join.

Annie Arndt Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Dear Brothers,

On Saturday, March 29th, The Knights of Columbus celebrated the 132nd anniversary of our founding. We have grown from 1 council at St. Mary Church to over 15,000 councils around the world with close to 2 million members. On Divine Mercy Sunday (April 27, 2014) Pope John Paul the II will be canonized in Rome. Pope John Paul II was one of our Order's greatest supporters. Please be sure to read this month's Columbia magazine for a series of articles on Pope John Paul and Pope John XXIII who will also be canonized on April 27th. Please keep these holy men and their newest pontifical brother in your prayers.

If you know a Catholic Gentleman who does not yet belong to the Knights, Get him to join and take his 1st Degree on April 7 at Father Maurice J. Wolfe Council, or on May 27, 2014 at Long Green Valley Council. For those brothers who are ready to take the 2nd Degree, the District team will hold a 2nd Degree on Tuesday April 22 at



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Long Green Valley Council. The Degree begins at 8:00 PM; candidates must be there by 7:30 PM. A 3rd Degree will be held at Westminster Council #1393 on Friday May 16, 2014. The degree begins at 7:30 PM and candidates must be there by 7:00 PM. We have 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications for any Catholic Gentleman or Brother Knight.

Each Council will hold election of officers in May or June. A nominating committee will be established to prepare a slate of officers for the election. If you are asked to stand for election for an officer's position, please give it serious thought and consider the opportunity presented to serve your brother Knights in the Council. There is no bylaw stating that only one man can stand for election for any office. Your Council and our Order need your leadership qualities.

I hope to see you at the next Council meeting.

Vivat Jesus! Mike Sallese

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



Richard Drexler has been reinstated as a new member of our council and we have a transfer by the name of Larry Keener. We now have 285 members. A first degree will be held on April 21st; please get your prospect signed up with a form 100 ASAP. We are very close to earning STAR council one more time!

Bill Hengemihle Membership Director

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INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

"Types of funds you can rollover/transfer to the Knights of Columbus"



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Many Brother Knights are finding tremendous peace of mind by rolling over or transferring existing accounts to the Knights of Columbus. I'd like to highlight the types of funds you and your wife can safeguard with the Order:

- IRA Roth IRA 401k 403b 457 TSP (Thrift Savings Program)
- Cash balance pension funds, Simple IRA, SEP, Keogh Plans
- Any type of regular savings account, CD or mutual funds

The process is simple and the products are safe. Last year the Order took in almost \$700,000,000 on behalf of our members in retirement plans alone. We currently have \$93 Billion of insurance in force and \$20 Billion of assets under management. "Let's talk and see if the Knights of Columbus can help you with your retirement and savings plans.

Edward O'Keefe, CLU, ChFC, CASL, FICF, LUTCF

THREE MONTH PLANNER



		APRIL 2014	
Thurs	3	Seafood Chowder Preparation	9:00a - 12:00p
Fri.	4	Seafood Chowder Pick-up – Pre-orders only	5:00 - 7:00pm
Sat.	5	Family Event – Touch a Truck	10:00a - 2:00p
Mon.	7	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	11	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	14	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	18	Good Friday	
Sun.	20	Easter	
Mon.	21	Council Meeting, 1 st Degree Ceremonial & Social	7:30pm
Mon.	21	Lady Knight's Meeting	7 <mark>:30</mark> pm
Fri.	25	Bingo	6:00pm
		MAY 2014	
Thurs	1-4	Kof <mark>C State Convention</mark> , Ocean City, MD	All Weekend
Sat.	3	John Archer May Day	9:00am
Mon.	5	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	9	Council's Annual Golf Outing	7:00am
Fri.	9	Bingo	6:00pm
Fri.	9	Marigold Prep	TBD
S <mark>un</mark> .	11	Marigolds for Mother's Day (handouts after all masses)	
Mon.	12	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Sat.	17	St. Francis de Sales Spaghetti Dinner	<mark>4:00 - 8:00</mark> pm
Mo <mark>n.</mark>	19	Council Meeting and Social	7:3 <mark>0p</mark> m
Mon.	19	Lady Knight's Meeting	7: <mark>30</mark> pm
Fri.	23	Bingo	<mark>6:00</mark> pm
Mon.	26	Memorial Day	
Sat.	<mark>31</mark>	Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council's 20 th Anniversary Celebration	6:30-10:30pm
		JUNE 2014	
Mon.	2	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Mon.	9	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	13	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	15	Father's Day	
Mon.	16	Council Meeting, 1 st Degree Ceremonial & Social	7:30pm
Mon.	16	Ladies Auxiliary Installation - Bellissimo	
Sat.	21	Council – Leo Bernt and John Myers Horseshoe Tourney	12:00 - 4:00pm
Fri.	27	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat	21/28	Youth – Jerry Meany Fishing Tournament	TBD
Sun.	29	Church Activity – 5 th Sunday Group Mass	9:00am

Check out <u>http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar-date</u> for a full listing of our events!

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