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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of my Brother Knights for electing me to be your Grand Knight for the upcoming year. It is a great honor to be Grand Knight of the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe council and I feel proud to know that you my Brother Knights have the confidence in me to lead our council. I will give the council nothing less than 100% of myself to ensure that we continue to grow and have the successes that we have had in the past. With your continuing support I know we will be successful in the future

Over the last couple of years, I had the privilege and great pleasure of working closely with our Past Grand Knight Keith Marchiano; his leadership bought our Council to a higher level of achievement and service to others. Our success is not only depicted in the awards we have earned under his tenure but in following in his actions, in his openness to love in God, his lead-by-example attitude and putting his fellow brothers first. Brothers please join me in thanking Keith and his family for all their time, effort and hard work in giving to the Fr. Wolfe Council.

I also owe a debt of gratitude to Rob Hardy for giving me the opportunity to be Grand Knight. His priorities to family-first should be an inspiration to us all. With Rob and Pam expecting their second child, Rob asked me to step up and run for the Grand Knight position while he continues his efforts as Deputy Grand Knight. On behalf of our Council, we wish mother and child well in the coming months and congratulations to the entire Hardy family. God Bless You All!

Now, as we move forward in growing our Council I'd like to challenge every one of my Brother Knights, I challenge you to attend at least one meeting with in the next 6 months and one social event this coming fraternal year. We focus so much on bringing in new members, and that in itself is very important and will continue, but when I think of all the great members in our Council that I haven't seen in such a long time I personally want to invite and welcome you back to our Council.

In asking for His Blessing and His help, know that here on earth God's work must truly be our own, help us continue the good works of our Order!

God Bless,

Gregory J. Ward
Grand Knight



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KNIGHTWORKS NEWS



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First and foremost, I'd like to thank Greg for stepping up and carrying the torch as Grand Knight. As I've said to many of you, there's no way I can step up as your Grand Knight and have a baby born within weeks of each other. It's wouldn't be fair to the council or my family. But whether Greg runs for one term or two you can expect I'll be ready to run to be your Grand Knight at the conclusion of Greg's tenure.

That said – it's another new year and time for a new set of goals. This month marks the fifth anniversary of our website. Though we took the first place award in the state for the website contest, I'm by no means content with the look. I'm in the process of upgrading the website and cleaning up the look in the process. This upgrade will enable a LOT of new features and abilities. I'm hoping to finally get our photo gallery up and integrate it with Facebook a little better. The construction site is <http://beta.kofc11372.org>. If anyone is interested in helping in any capacity I would welcome help with open arms.

The newsletter has also undergone a few more changes to get it ready for competition. This issue will be the first we submit for competition. The main changes from past issues include: the newsletter MUST be distributed ON OR BEFORE the start of the month, an article with information regarding the Supreme Council will be included, and an article regarding information on the State Council will be included. Where the last two areas are concerned, if any Brother Knight comes across an article they feel should be featured please send it my way.

Vivat Jesus!
Rob Hardy

ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

"Hazy Lazy Crazy Days of Summer"

Isn't summer great! Freezing weather, snow, ice, freezing rain and heating bills beyond belief are now gone. It's time to lay back, take a deep breath, relax and enjoy the beautiful sunshine and warm days God gives us. It's time for vacations, cookouts, lemonade, straw hats and maybe even a dip in the ocean or a nice swimming pool.

What about our relationship with God? Will God take second place to all the wonderful things we experience in the warm summer months? Will we skip Mass while we're on vacation? Will our Rosary be forgotten until the kids go back to school? Will the latest summer read take the place of our Scripture study? Will there be time to say hello to God to remember that everything we have (even summer) comes from him?

It is so easy during the laid-back times of summer to put our prayer life on hold. Actually this is the time we need to pray more than ever. It's a time when we are tempted to partake of things we normally don't have to face. There are parties, special drinks, special food and God knows what else drawing us away from our relationship with him.

Yes, we can enjoy the summer; it is God's gift to us. It's a time to rest, to open up new relationships and to marvel at a God that is can turn barren brown trees to beautiful pieces of art, green with life itself. It's a time to enjoy the flowers he gives us. To listen to the beautiful song our winged friends give us each morning and evening.

I encourage all of you to enjoy the summer, but please remember where the summer comes from and do not forget to thank God every day for this beautiful time of year. After all it's one of his nicest gifts!



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Peace and All Good
Deacon Jim

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"What's Going-on in Our Council"

In 2014 the Father Wolfe Council of the Knights of Columbus again set a mark of excellence for all of the Councils in the State of Maryland. As your newly elected Chancellor, I first want to thank the outgoing leaders for their dedication and outstanding leadership to our Catholic organization. Each year, since our formation over 20 years ago, this Council has faithfully embraced the mission established by Fr. Michael J. McGivney in 1882. Our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism are embodied in each and every program sponsored by The Father Wolfe Council. Congratulations for another year of outstanding service.



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Church – Your Name Here! – Currently Open

The Church Program Director's position is currently open. If any Brother would like to volunteer for this leadership role he will not be alone in supporting this position. There are many plans already in place for Church Activities for this current year.

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

We conducted our annual Leo Bernt and John Myers Horseshoe Tournament on June 21st. The winning team in 2014 is Ward² (Greg & Andrew Ward). Lee & Mike were dethroned forever, maybe. A great time with food and drink were had by all and oh yes, the horseshoes were fun as well. The next Council activity will be our Officer's Installation held on July 19th after the 5 PM mass.



Community – Larry O'Toole (2301patricia@comcast.net)

This year we will once again honor our military heroes that are being treated at the Veterans Administration Hospital on Lochraven Blvd. This visit will take place on July 4; we salute these men and women who put their lives on the line in defense of our individual freedoms. Our Christian faith is one such freedom that is under attack daily. Thank you for your service.

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

Again this quarter we will be conducting our family night event at Churchville Miniature Golf. It will be in August with a date to be determined. Maybe we can keep Luke Hardy from doing a “stroll-in-one” through the golf maze and under the fountain. It certainly was great entertainment for kids, parents and anyone who wants to hone their golfing skills.

Culture-of-Life – Cliff Wendell (cewendel1@gmail.com)

Many from our council learned about wood bench making from our new Grand Knight Greg Ward as well as our new Lecturer, John Schmidt. These benches were given to the seniors living in Abingdon Gardens, a Catholic Charities senior community in Abingdon. Plans are in place to visit with this senior community in August or September. We are planning an ice cream social where we can just sit and chat and learn about the “Old Times”. We are not sure who will have more fun at this event, the Knights or our senior neighbors!

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

The annual Jerry Meany Fishing Tournament was held on June 28th at the Fish-in Barrel in Whitehall, MD. The children as well as the parents in our parish took home many BIG fish stories from this wonderful activity.

Mark your calendars for our annual youth pool party. It will be August 23rd at the Box Hill North Swimming Pool.



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!!!!

Larry Shannahan
Chancellor and Program Director

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Dear Brothers,

I bring you greetings from our State Deputy Stephen J. Adamczyk.

I am very excited to serve as District Deputy for District #27. District Warden Mike Georgulas and I will be there to support the Father Maurice Wolfe council in any way we can. Under the leadership of Grand Knight Gregory Ward and his officers, I know the Father Wolfe council will continue to run like a finely tuned machine. I wish great success to a great council. I hope to see you at the next Council meeting.

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District Deputy #27



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FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE



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Sir Knights,

The newly elected officers for the forthcoming fraternal year are: Faithful Navigator, Keith Arndt; Faithful Captain, John Young; Faithful Admiral, Lee Eder and, Faithful Pilot, Bob Renshaw (Long Green Valley Council). The Installation of Officers will be held here at St. Francis de Sales on Saturday, August 23rd. Mass will be celebrated by our Faithful Friar, Fr. Bob Wojtek. The District Master of the fourth Degree, Steve Thomas will preside at the Installation which will immediately follow 5:00 Mass and, in turn, be followed by a dinner in Kilduff Hall. All Sir Knights and their guests are invited to attend.

Once again this year on the Fourth of July, the Assembly will have a contingent helping to cook and serve a BBQ to veteran patients and staff at Loch Raven VA Medical Center in Baltimore. In May the Assembly held an essay contest at St. Margaret's Middle School in Bel Air. The subject of the essays was to be "What Patriotism Means to Me." Forty-five 8th Grade students participated. Lee Eder, Keith Arndt and John Young presented awards totaling \$600 to the winners at a school assembly.

Keith Arndt
Faithful Navigator
John Carroll Assembly #2378

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Before we start the new fraternal year – our 21st – maybe we should just sit back and chill just a little bit before we attack our new quota. Enjoy the moment!!!!

Our membership and financial status are sound and the commitment to succeed is prevalent throughout the council. Enjoy the moment!!!!

Think about Your Faith, Your God and turn off that radio a little bit.

Bill Hengemihle
Membership Director



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FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our family of the month for the month of June is Mike and Janet Novak. Brother Mike is starting his third term as our financial secretary and Janet is a saint for putting up with him taking on that role for **nine** years. Thanks for everything you do Novak family!



INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

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

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*

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT



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On June 16th, the Ladies had their Installation of Officers and dinner at Bellissimo's Restaurant in Bel Air. We had a very successful turnout of over 35 ladies! The officers for the 2014-2015 year are: President – Karen Georgulas, Vice President – Annie Arndt, Secretary – Cynthia Santiago, and Treasurer – Martine Uveges. We would like to give a special thank you to the men for their constant support of this event and to our outgoing officers, Diane Traube and Vi Herpel for their hard work and commitment. We are excited about the upcoming year and look forward to continuing our annual events, as well as creating new activities.

Our "road trip" to the Little Sisters of the Poor in Catonsville is coming up on June 28th. We are thrilled to spend some time with the residents and host an Ice Cream social. And, are proud to share that we are listed on their calendar:

<http://www.littlesistersofthepoorbaltimore.org/more-about-joomla>.

Our next meeting will be on July 21st in the Knight's Hall at 7:30pm. As always, we welcome all ladies of the parish. Join us as we serve the Church, Community, Youth, Council, and Family. Hope you have a blessed and safe summer!

[Photo courtesy of Connie Piotrowski]



June 16,
2014

K of C
Ladies

Cynthia Santiago
Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary

SUPREME NEWS AND EVENTS

"FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM"

The third annual Fortnight for Freedom will be held this year from June 21 to July 4, Independence Day.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) asks the nation's Catholics, and even non-Catholics, to participate in this period of prayer, fasting and advocacy to respond to the many threats to religious liberty our country now faces.

A Fortnight for Freedom opening Mass, celebrated by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori, will be held at 5:30 p.m. on June 21 at the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore. Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the closing Mass on July 4 at noon at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Both Masses will be televised live on EWTN.



Source courtesy of: <http://www.kofc.org/en/news/releases/detail/fortnight-for-freedom-2014619.html>

STATE NEWS AND EVENTS

"SUPREME CHAPLAIN URGES STATE DEPUTIES TO LEAD KNIGHTS TO CHRIST"



Celebrating the Mass at which newly-elected state deputies received their jewel of office, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori urged the K of C leaders to accept the honors of their position as "a challenge to bear witness" to Jesus Christ.

He told both re-elected and newly-elected state deputies who attended the Mass with their wives that their mission is "to help our members find the Lord in their lives." In this way, he added, they will become "better disciples, husbands and fathers."

Archbishop Lori, who is head of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, remembered in a special way the two priest members of the Knights of Columbus who were attacked at a Catholic mission in Phoenix, Ariz. Father Kenneth Walker was killed in an apparent robbery attempt and Father Joseph Terra was seriously injured. Both belong to the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter. During the Prayer of the Faithful, Laurence Becker, state deputy-elect of Arizona, offered an intention for the two priests.

The Mass was celebrated Friday, June 13, in New Haven's St. Mary's Church, where the Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. The remains of Father McGivney, whose cause for canonization is being studied by the Vatican, are sealed in a sarcophagus by the entrance to the church.

Read more at <http://www.kofc.org/en/news/releases/detail/lori-bear-witness-6-13-2014.html>

THREE MONTH PLANNER



JULY 2014			
Fri.	4	Happy 4 th of July	All Day
Fri.	4	Serving Lunch at the VA	10:00am - 2pm
Mon.	7	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	11	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	14	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Tues.	15	State Program and Activity Director Seminar	7:00 - 10:00pm
Wed.	16	Installation Practice - Narthex	7:00 - 8:00pm
Sat.	19	Knights of Columbus Installation	6:30pm
Mon.	21	Council Meeting and Social	7:30pm
Fri.	25	Bingo	6:00pm
AUGUST 2014			
Mon.	4	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	7	Ravens vs. 49ers Preseason Game	3:00 - 11:45pm
Fri.	8	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	11	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Mon.	18	Council Meeting, 1 st Degree Ceremonial & Social	7:30pm
Thurs.	21	Youth Activity – Ironbirds Game	7:05 pm
Fri.	22	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat	23	Tentative – Ravens vs. Redskins Preseason Game	3:00 - 11:45pm
Sat	23	Pool Party	8:15pm
Sun	24	Church Activity – Parish Picnic	12:30 - 3:00pm
TBD	TBD	Family Putt Putt	
SEPTEMBER 2014			
Mon.	1	No Meeting – Happy Labor Day	All Day
Sun.	7	Ravens vs. Bengals Fundraiser	8:30a - 5:00p
Mon.	8	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	11	Ravens vs. Steelers Fundraiser	4:00 - 11:45pm
Fri.	12	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	14	Community Activity – Pancake Breakfast	6:30 - 11:30am
Mon.	15	Council Meeting & Social	7:30pm
Fri.	26	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	28	Ravens vs. Panthers Fundraiser	8:30a - 5:00p

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

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