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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

My Brothers and Ladies All,

It's hard to believe it's September already. 8 months down, 4 to go, and to most the summer is all but a memory?

As the kids ramp-up for a new school so does our Council ramp-up in the new fraternal year! September will be a busy but as I think about it when do we really have a slow month?

This is the time of the year that we all must do our best to raise the funds needed to carry out our mission of charity. I ask that we all please give generously of your time to help us achieve the objectives we sent out to do! All of our biggest fund raisers continue through September:

- The Raven's stand is in full gear. Please try to give them your support by either patronizing the stand or in helping man the event.
- The Car Raffle tickets are off to a good start. This program is very important to the State Council and the Father Wolfe Council. If you need more tickets, please contact Bill Hengemihle or me.
- Keith Arndt continues the Tootsie-Roll Campaign
- And as always Bingo requires your help as well!

MEMBERSHIP AND FRATERNITY: if you have sponsored a brother that you have not seen for some time, please take a moment and give him a call, make sure all is well.

Staying in touch with our brothers and their families is very important. Also "invite" them back to the Council for a meeting or an event. Every activity is an opportunity for acquiring new members and strengthening our existing membership. Keep in mind our goal for this year is 19.

Take Care and God Bless You All,

Gregory J. Ward
Grand Knight



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ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

"JUST WAGES?"

I'm sure you remember the parable Jesus told about workers going to a landowner's vineyard at various times of the day. In case you want to read the story, it is Matthew 20: 1-16.

There was a landowner who went to town early in the morning and found people who wanted to work. He hired them to go into his vineyard and harvest the crop. I guess he didn't get enough workers the first time around so he went out a little later and found more. He hired them too. A little later the same thing happened. Finally, he went out around 5 o'clock and found more people to put to work.

When it came time to pay wages at the end of the day, the landowner told his steward to pay everyone the same amount of money. As you can imagine, the people who worked all day thought they would get paid more than those who started just an hour before the end of the workday. Matthew says they "grumbled" against the landowner. The landowner explained to them that it was his money, and he could spend it anyway he wanted. It really shouldn't matter to them what he paid anyone else as long as they received a just wage.

This is a difficult parable to understand. I have heard some different ideas about how we might look at it. The first explanation is that this parable could be compared to having three children. One is nine years old, another is six, and one is three. If you are a good and loving parent, you couldn't possibly love one child more than another just because he's older, could you? Of course not! We love our children equally. Maybe each in their own way, but certainly not one more than another. God loves us all equally – the good, the bad, and those in between.

The second explanation I heard was that this parable could be compared to giving people what they need. Maybe the people who went to work at 5 o'clock needed the same amount of money as those who went to work at 9 o'clock in the morning. Wouldn't that be just like God to give us what we need rather than what we want?

We spend a tremendous amount of time worrying about what other people have and what we don't. Maybe Jesus is trying to tell us that we need to be concerned about what we need and not what we want. Perhaps Jesus is trying to tell us that our relationship with him should be the most important thing in our lives. It really doesn't matter what anyone else has as long as we keep working to be more like Jesus every day.

Peace and All Good

Deacon Jim



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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*

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"What's Going-on in Our Council"

We are entering one of the most important seasons of the church year, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Once again our Council will be very busy supporting the needs of the family, church, community and council throughout this season. I know that it is very challenging to schedule your support of every council event but let's have every member at least attempt to attend one of quarterly activities. See you soon. Vivat Jesus!

Church – Steve Herpel (443-987-5621 or olmchssoccer@yahoo.com)

The pancake breakfast is coming up on September 14th in Kilduff Hall from 6:30 am until 11:00 am. Many volunteers will be needed for cooking, serving, cleaning, and various other activities. Please mark your calendar!!

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

Jeff is finalizing his plans for this quarter's activity so stay tuned to future newsletters for details.

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

Once again, the Knights will be hosting a "Shred-It" day on our church's campus. Volunteers will be needed to direct traffic and discard the people's papers and old computers. Stay tuned for the date.

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

The Miniature Golf evening was lightly attended but those participating all had a great time. Thanks to Paul for coordinating this event.

Culture-of-Life – Cliff Wendell (cewendell1@gmail.com)

Six Knights and one Lady Knight attended the Abingdon Gardens Senior Support Day on August 10th. There were about 45 seniors enjoying the ice cream sundays, cookies and cake. Best of all however was the music provided by Ray Sanchez. Ray had every senior singing and some even dancing. Great job!!

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

Over 25 tickets were sold for the Ironbirds game on August 21st. Those attending had a great experience but unfortunately did not see the home team victorious. The Touch-a-truck day at St. Francis de Sales will be occurring in October. Also our Trunk or treat will be happening again this year in November. The dates will be firmed up by our next newsletter, so stay tuned.

Larry Shannahan

Chancellor and Program Director

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



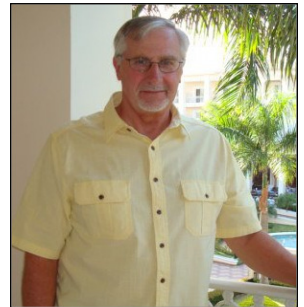
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Brother Dick Stine has officially transferred his membership to a council located in Florida. We all wish Dick and Blanche a long happy retirement.

Brother Robert Muhl is the newest member of our council. Bob took his first degree on Monday, August 18th. Good luck Bob.....you have joined a great organization.

Please continue to sell the car raffle tickets. Tickets are available at the hall.

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FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE



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Sir Knights,

Archbishop John Carroll Assembly #2378 held its annual Installation of Officers at St. Francis de Sales on Saturday, August 23rd. A Mass preceding the Installation was celebrated by our Faithful Friar, Rev. Robert Wojtek, C.Ss.R. Father Wojtek and our own Deacon Jim Sullivan also participated in the Installation ceremony. The Installing Officers were Maryland District Master R. Steven Thomas and District Marshals Dave Bellistri and Fritz Leach. Brother Steve Herpel was Cantor for the Installation. Included in the 2014-2015 Assembly officers are the following Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Brothers:

- Keith Arndt – Faithful Navigator
- John Young – Faithful Captain
- Lee Eder – Faithful Admiral
- Mike Novak – Faithful Purser
- Ray Bloom and Paul Bartha – Faithful Sentinels
- Mike Georgulas – Faithful Trustee.

Following the Installation a dinner was held in Kilduff Hall. MC for the dinner events was Brother Larry Shannahan. Below is a photo of the immediate Past Faithful Navigator, Lee Eder being presented a sword engraved with his name by the new Faithful Navigator, Keith Arndt.



Keith Arndt

*Faithful Navigator
John Carroll Assembly #2378*

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Dear Brothers. I bring you greetings from our State Deputy, Stephen J. Adamczyk,
As the summer draws to an end, we should be gearing up for a great successful year.
Let's make it A Gold Star Council Year.

Some dates to remember!

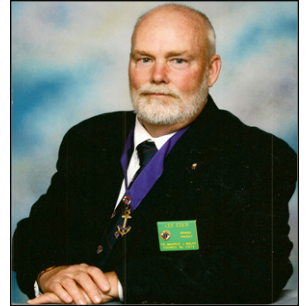
- September 15th – State programs reports are due.
- September 27th – Some kind of fund raiser for the Special Olympics. This is a state wide event.
- October 5th – Columbus Day Parade. This is the oldest parade in the country, please come out and show your support.
- October 10th – Annual Columbus Ball. What a great opportunity to share a nice evening out with a group of your friends.

Please call for more information if needed.

Thank you & God Bless,

Lee Eder, PGK, PFN
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One Member – Per Council – Per Month



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KNIGHTWORKS NEWS



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What can I say? Kids bring life as we know it to a screeching halt. But would we have it any other way? Caleb Daniel Hardy was born to us on August 13th at a healthy weight of 9 lbs, 9 ounces. He's a healthy happy baby boy and his big brother Luke is completely enamored with him. Pam and I count ourselves as truly blessed and I look forward to getting back into the swing of things this coming month. I hope to see you all soon!



Vivat Jesus!
Rob Hardy

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT



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The Ladies are busy preparing for the upcoming year and helping in and out of the parish as we can. From our visit to the Little Sisters of the Poor St. Martin's home, we were interviewed to be featured on their blog. Check us out: <http://www.littlesistersofthepoorbaltimore.org/blog-new>. We have also been invited to participate in the inaugural Nun Run [5K and 1 mile fun run/walk] taking place on Saturday, September 13th at The Cathedral of Mary our Queen. All proceeds benefit the residents of St. Martin's Home.

For November, we are planning our 4th Annual Beer and Wine Tasting and will have a date confirmed soon. We look forward to your support at our biggest event and fundraiser of the year!

Our next meeting will be on September 15th 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 are enjoying the last days of summer!

AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL!
Monday, 04 August 2014 15:40

The Knights of Columbus Ladies of Council 11372 at St. Francis de Sales Church in Abingdon, MD recently hosted an "Ice Cream Social" at St. Martin's. Council members assisted the Residents with lunch by preparing their plates and serving the meals and drinks. After lunch, the ladies served ice cream with all the toppings – a treat on a hot summer day!

The Council met the Little Sisters at a church collection. Cynthia Santiago, Secretary, said they wanted to volunteer outside their immediate parish and serve the community and elderly. They decided St. Martin's would be a perfect fit. Cynthia said, "The Residents were very welcoming and appreciative of the ice cream as well as the time we spent talking with them. One of the gentlemen was a Knight and very eager to talk about his past with the K of C. Another Resident was the mother of two fourth degree Knights... what a small world we live in!" One Council volunteer said having conversations with the Residents sparked memories of her own parents and loved ones.

[Courtesy of <http://www.littlesistersofthepoorbaltimore.org/blog-new>]

Cynthia Santiago
Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary

SUPREME NEWS AND EVENTS

"SUPREME KNIGHT REPORTS ON RECORD GROWTH IN CHARITY AND MEMBERSHIP"

The Knights of Columbus has set a new record in charitable giving, is continuing to experience membership growth, and has established a new council in South Korea, said the organization's supreme knight in his annual report to the Knights' 132nd annual international convention in Orlando.

"Florida is a fitting place for us to remember the great Catholic contribution to our hemisphere," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson as he opened his report. "Before the colonies of Jamestown and Plymouth, the first permanent European settlement was here in Florida, and it was Catholic."

The supreme knight spoke to an audience of nearly 90 archbishops and bishops, including 11 cardinals, scores of clergy and approximately 2,000 members of the Knights and their families from throughout North and Central America, the Caribbean, Africa, Asia and Europe.



The theme of the annual convention -- ***"You Will All Be Brothers: Our Vocation to Fraternity"*** — was drawn from the message of Pope Francis for the World Day of Peace, in which the Holy Father observed: "Without fraternity it is impossible to build a just society."

"This sense of fraternity is at the foundation of our call," said Anderson. "Our charitable activity is all the more effective because it is supported by our fraternal brotherhood."

For the 14th consecutive year, Anderson reported, the Knights set a new record in charitable giving, with over \$170 million and 70.5 million hours of voluntary service given during 2013. According to independent sector, the time donated by Knights to charity was worth more than \$1.6 billion.

In addition, "During the fraternal year ending June 30, our membership grew for the 42nd consecutive year," said Anderson. The Knights now has more than 1.8 million members.

Read more at: http://www.kofc.org/un/en/news/releases/detail/sk_report_20140805.html

STATE NEWS AND EVENTS

"STATE SPECIAL OLYMPICS DAY"

The state council is asking that all councils in the state donate to the Special Olympics of Maryland (<http://www.somd.org/>) on September 27th. This donation can take the form of a monetary donation or one of time. The goal is for the state council to present \$150,000 to SOMD.

Donations of money can take many forms. Some ideas suggested by the state are:

- Put a tip jar at the council bars for the month of September
- Donate your Tootsie Roll Proceeds to SOMD
- Rock Jar 50/50 – Sell chances to guess the amount of rocks in the jar. Winner gets 50% of the proceeds
- Enter a boat into the 2014 Rockfish Open – <http://www.rockfishopen.com>
- Attend the Hubcaps Concert

More information about the state council can be found at <http://www.kofc-md.org>

THREE MONTH PLANNER



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

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
Tues.	9	Second Degree Ceremony	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
Thurs.	18	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting – Mason Dixon Council	8:00pm
Fri.	26	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	28	Ravens vs. Panthers Fundraiser	8:30a – 5:00p
OCTOBER 2014			
Mon.	6	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	10	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	13	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	16	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting – Fr. Wolfe Council	8:00pm
Sun.	19	Ravens vs. Falcons Fundraiser	4:00 – 11:45pm
Mon.	20	Council Meeting & First Degree	7:30pm
Fri.	26	Bingo	6:00pm
November 2014			
Sat.	1	Trunk or Treat	7:00pm
Mon.	3	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Sat.	8	Church Activity – Memorial Mass	9:00am
Mon.	10	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	14	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	15	Ladies 4 th Annual Wine and Beer Tasting	6:00pm
Mon.	17	Council Meeting & Social	7:30pm
Thurs.	27	Happy Thanksgiving!	All Day
Fri.	28	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	30	Ravens vs. Chargers Fundraiser	8:30a – 5:00p

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