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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

My Brothers All,

As our fraternal year comes to a close it is always good to take time and reflect on our accomplishments, things we have learned and things we hope to do in the future.

Being in close relationship with our Activity Director, Larry Shannahan, who has done a wonderful job in fulfilling his duties during the 2015 – 2016 year! I could go down the list and recite all we have done as a Council. But a long list of award winning accomplishments might be a bit boring. We know what we have done and are proud of those activities but most of us know our best is yet to come!

I could also list all the things I have learned in the past year as Grand Knight. Some lessons learned came from the school of hard knocks and other lessons came from easy street. But the lessons I have learned being in the Knights of Columbus and in the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council have made me a better person in working with others and in my relationship with the Church and with God.

A lot has changed in our Parish and in the Council in the last two months; things that will springboard us into the next fraternal year. And what a year I intend it to be! For starters Fr. Jack Ward has put new wind in our sails in his strong support for our Council. His attitude toward our works and inspiration will definitely lead us forward. Secondly, as one of the founding principles of the Knights of Columbus, *Fraternity*, we look to grow our Council again this year in new members and we must not forget our existing brothers who have created our Council's firm foundation. I am exploring new events and activities to bring back to the fold some of our "long-lost" members. Finally, I also plan to have at least one meeting a quarter with the majority of the time spent re-educating ourselves on the teachings of Christ, our doctrine and on our church's position on issues.

Brothers, I ask for your support in continuing our great works in a great Council. Our best is yet to come!

Gregory J. Ward
Grand Knight



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ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

"TO TELL THE TRUTH?"

There were many prophets in both the Old and New Testaments. Many were beaten and some like Jesus were killed. Jesus was one of the greatest prophets. He and many like him were treated harshly because they told the truth. That's what prophets do, they tell the truth. Many people don't like to hear the truth because they don't want to know the truth. When the truth was a challenge to change their way of living, they became angry and took offense. It's safe to say that a prophesy might be a warning that a change in life is needed.

How can we recognize these prophets in day-to-day living? How can we become prophets to the world around us? Jesus tells us that we must love God more than mother, father, son or daughter. These are pretty harsh words. Jesus is trying to say that God must come first in our lives. We must learn to love as God loves. We must develop a relationship with God. If we do then the people in our lives will experience the love of God through us. We begin to see things as God sees them and we recognize the prophets God sends us. We learn to become prophets and lose our fear of sharing the gifts God has given us. We begin to live out our baptismal promise to spread the Gospel of Jesus wherever we are.

We allow God to be first in our lives. We slowly begin to recognize the prophets of our day and see the truth they speak! We realize that we are prophets too! We receive the gifts God gives us through the prophets, and we share them with those around us!

Peace and All Good

Deacon Jim

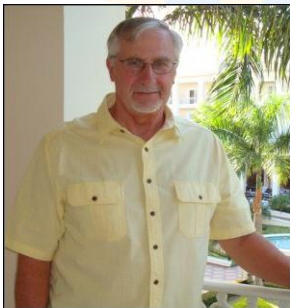


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PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"WHAT'S GOING-ON IN OUR COUNCIL"



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Happy summer Brothers all!! The month of June marks a transition in our fraternal year. As it relates to programs, we look back to the many friends that we have made, the many people that we have served and our continued devotion to our God and Savior, Jesus Christ. We also look forward to another year of fun and service to our Council, the best in the State.

Once again the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council Brothers were recognized by the State Council for the hard work that we completed in our six activity areas. We received three 1st place plaques and two 2nd place certificates in recognition of our outstanding program accomplishments. I'd like to give thanks to every brother in the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council for a job well done.

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

Get your baseball glove, children and wife and come to Ripken Stadium on June 28th. Bruce Miller has additional details on this event.

Culture-of-Life – Larry Shannahan (443-928-9393 or lshannahan@comcast.net)

An Ice Cream Social will be held in August for the residents of the Catholic Charities Senior Housing Center on Singer Road. Stay tuned for the date.

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

A Spaghetti Dinner will be held on June 20th at 6 pm. This revenue received from this dinner will offset some of the expenses incurred this past winter for snow removal. Please plan on attending as well as possibly assisting.

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

The Jerry Meany Children fishing tournament will be held on June 13th.

We will be helping the youth of our parish defray some of their cost of their annual convention by preparing and selling food during the Youth's Yard Sale. This will be held on the church grounds on June 13th. We will need about 6 Knights to support this activity.



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

The Leo Burnt & John Myers Horseshoe Tournament will be postponed. A rain date will be set soon and announced. This is a fun event for all members of the family. Lunch is served.

Community – Larry O'Toole (443-619-6976 or 2301patricia@comcast.net)

Be proud Brothers! Our Parkinson's Awareness dinner brought in \$3000 which was donated to John's Hopkins Parkinson's Center. The speaker was great, the event was well attended, and the food was excellent. Thanks to Larry Shannahan and Jeff Gutowski for arranging everything so that this event could go off without a hitch.



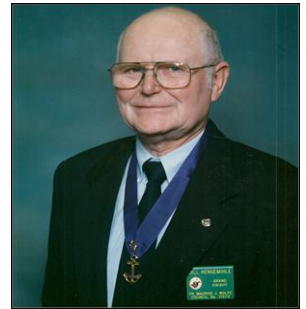
DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

On June 6th and 7th we'll be holding a recruitment drive. Father Jack will focus his homily towards recruitment with the Knights of Columbus. We'll need people in the Narthex and in the Hall to help bring guys over. On Saturday and Sunday nights there will be wine and cheese down in Knights Hall and after Masses on Sunday we'll have our donut social in conjunction with the recruitment drive.

Our final degree for the year will be held on June 15, starting at 7:30 PM.

Let's have a great turnout for this event. We will be inducting our 300th member as well reaching Star Council for the 3rd straight year. We still have work to do. Let's get it done.

Bill Hengemihle
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FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE



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Sir Knights,

The Assembly Color Corps was busy in May beginning with participation in the procession and Mass at the State Convention in Ocean City on May 2nd. On May 13-14 they participated in viewings and Mass for Msgr. Jack Collopy at St. Johns in Hydes with Archbishop Lori celebrating the Mass. The Color Corps also supported the special service for the icon of the Immaculate Conception held on May 16th in the Stone Chapel and will be present at all Masses the weekend of June 6-7. The Assembly's essay contest held at St. Margaret's Middle School concluded with the presentation of certificates and cash awards totaling \$600.00 at a school assembly on May 27th. The annual Shrimp Night will be held on June 18th at Mason-Dixon Council in Pylesville, beginning at our new start time of 7:30 pm. Dress is casual.

The Assembly has participated the past several years in the Fourth of July BBQ held for veteran patients and staff at the Loch Raven VA Medical Center in Baltimore. The long time benefactor and leader of the event, retired Army Sgt Tom Turner, unfortunately passed away this year. The Assembly is stepping forward to ensure this important event is continued. Donations will be solicited to facilitate this recognition of our veterans.

Vivat Jesus,
Keith Arndt

Faithful Navigator, John Carroll Assembly #2378

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Worthy Brothers All,

As we get ready to close out this KofC fraternal year, I want to thank the Fr Wolfe Council for all of their hard work with membership and the great programs you do.

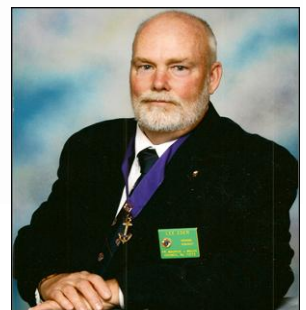
As District Deputy, I am very proud to be part of this council. With all the friends that have been made and all the fun that has been done, it has truly been a great year.

I hope as your DD and DW, Mike Georgulas and I have been of good service to your council.

Lee Eder, PGK, PFN

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One Member – Per Council – Per Month



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LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT



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The Knights of Columbus Maryland State Council's 117th Annual State Convention took place the weekend of May 1st. Our council won several awards. The Ladies won 2nd place for the "Best New Activity" award category to recognize our Holiday Luncheon Bingo success. Kudos to us all and all that support our endeavors ☺

A parish-wide Yard Sale will be taking place on Saturday, **June 13th** from 8am-2pm. The ladies have been asked to assist with the Bake Sale at the Yard Sale by providing baked goods and/or working the Bake Sale. The proceeds of the Bake Sale will help Outreach. Come visit us!

On Monday, **June 15th** at 7pm, come mingle with your favorite Ladies and greet the officers for 2015-2016 as they are officially welcomed at our annual Installation Dinner. It will take place at the Steelefish Grille restaurant in Bel Air. The cost is \$15

and payment should be given to Martine Uveges at muveges@jhmi.edu. Dinner selections must be made by Friday, June 5th to Debbie Sosna at sosna@verizon.net.

As always, we welcome all ladies of the parish. Join us as we serve the Church, Community, Youth, Council, and Family.



Cynthia Santiago
Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary

INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

"ONLY HAVING INSURANCE 'THROUGH WORK' DOESN'T WORK"

Do you know anyone whose life or career has drastically changed during these years of economic downturn? It's very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty. Maybe there's a possibility that you (or your spouse) could lose your job or change employers.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary.

But only having "through work" insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family's actual needs. In fact, a detailed needs analysis that evaluates your specific situation, will likely show that any employer-provided coverage falls short.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. At the very least, it will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you'll know exactly where you stand.



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STATE NEWS AND EVENTS

"LIFE CHAIN PARTICIPANTS IN ST. MARY'S COUNTY"



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Well it's coming to the end of a Great Fraternal Year, and I want to thank all the Grand Knights and Council Members who made it a banner year for the Maryland State Council. You have made it enjoyable for me and all the State Family and the SUCSESSES we have achieved are from your hard work and attention to detail. The "FACT" that we hold the distinction of 100% in the submittal of our Fraternal Surveys, is something to be proud of. Each council should take pride in their achievements of the past year.

Congratulate the membership and your Council Family on my behalf. My directors and chairman will remain the same, with few exceptions, and are anxious to meet the incoming class of Grand Knights at the June Leadership Seminar in Frederick, Maryland.

We have sharpened our presentations, renewed our invigoration and motivational skills, replaced a number of the jokes that failed over the year, and are ready to present new and improved ideas, and concepts to fulfill our promises of furthering the principles of Father McGivney and the Knights of Columbus. Please encourage the incoming Grand Knights to attend, be open minded, and receptive to new perceptions of promoting the Order. It is our "Moral Obligation to offer membership in the Order to all eligible Catholic males over the age of eighteen years of age", as our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson has stated on many occasions.

To the Grand Knights wives, who have been so supportive of their husband's works and the works of the Order, I thank you all. It has been a pleasure to get to know you over the past year, and a privilege to witness your dedication to your husbands and the Order. May God Bless You, and Keep you Always.

There is still a great deal of work for us to accomplish, for our Church, our Councils, and our Order. Never lose sight of our Solidarity with Our Priests and Religious, and our commitment to leave this world in a better shape than we found it, through one council at a time. I par for you all and ask the same from you to guide our State Family to God's Greater Glory.

Pray your Rosary!

Stephen J. Adamczyk

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

SUPREME NEWS AND EVENTS

"BROTHER SERVING BROTHER"

Few men who served in the Civil War had experiences quite like those of Father Peter Whelan.

Born in Ireland, Whelan came to America and studied for the priesthood in Charleston, S.C. Ordained in 1830, he ministered throughout the South, eventually settling in Savannah, Ga.

At the outbreak of the "War Between the States" in 1861, Father Whelan volunteered to become chaplain for an Irish-American unit at Fort Pulaski, which guarded the port of Savannah. And at the end of the war four years later, he was able to claim the unique status of having ministered to prisoners from both the Union and Confederate armies.



As the United States commemorates the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War this spring, the [Knights of Columbus Museum](#) in New Haven, Conn., is featuring stories like Father Whelan's in a new exhibit titled "Answering the Call: Service & Charity in the Civil War." The exhibit, which runs through Sept. 20, centers on wartime struggles and hardships, as well as acts of bravery and compassion.

On both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line, priests, commissioned as chaplains, offered Mass in the field, heard the confessions of men about to do battle, and administered last rites to the fallen, even under fire. Meanwhile, hundreds of religious sisters used their training as nurses to ease the pain and suffering of the wounded in battlefield hospitals and prisons, while sharing in the adversities of those in uniform.

CHAPLAINS OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH

More than 70 Catholic priests officially served as chaplains for the North and South during the war, while some others served unofficially as part-time chaplains. Still, Catholic chaplains were spread thin compared to their Protestant counterparts, and some Catholic regiments were without the ministry of a priest.

Read more at: <http://kofc.org/un/en/columbia/detail/brother-serving-brother.html>

THREE MONTH PLANNER



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

JUNE 2015			
Mon.	1	Council Meeting	7:30pm
POSTPONED	N/A	POSTPONED – Leo Burnt and John Myers Horseshoe Tournament	POSTPONED
Sat.-Sun.	6-7	Membership Drive and Donut Social	5pm / 7am-12pm
Mon.	8	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Tues.	9	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Fri.	12	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	13	Yard sale Cookout Support	8:00am-12:00pm
Sat.	13	Youth Activity – Jerry Meany Fishing Tournament	8:00am
Mon.	15	Council Meeting & First Degree	7:30pm
Wed.	17	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Thurs.	18	4 th Degree Meeting and Elections – St. Mary's Pylesville	8:00pm
Sat.	20	Spaghetti Dinner	4:00-7:00pm
Thurs.	25	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Fri.	26	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	28	Family Activity – Ironbirds vs. Batavia	5:35pm
Mon.	1	Council Meeting	7:30pm
JULY 2015			
Sat.	4	Community – 4 th of July With Our Veterans	TBD
Mon.	6	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	9	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Fri.	10	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	13	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Tues.	14	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Sat.	18	Council – Installation of Officers	6:15pm
Mon.	20	Council Meeting & First Degree	7:30pm
Fri.	24	Christmas in July Bingo	6:00pm
Wed.	29	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
AUGUST 2015			
Mon.	3	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Wed.	5	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Mon.	10	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	14	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	17	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	20	Aramark/M&T Bank Stadium Team Training Session	6:00pm-9:00pm
Sun.	23	Church Activity - Parish Picnic	12:15pm
Fri.	28	Bingo	6:00pm

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All Proceeds Benefit

**St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church Snow Removal Expenses for
the winter of 2014-2015**

When: Saturday, June 20, 2015

Time: 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

**Advance Ticket Sales: \$10-Adults, \$9-Seniors (62+)
\$7-Children 5-12, Free-Children (4 & Below)**

**Day of Event Costs: \$12-Adults, \$11-Seniors, \$9-Children
Take-Out Available On Day of Dinner
(May be purchased in advance)**

All are welcome! Join us for Fellowship!

**To purchase tickets or volunteer to help contact: Steve Herpel
443-987-5621 or olmchssoccer@yahoo.com**

Tickets will be available at the Parish Office 10-5, Mon-Thu

Tickets will be sold after all Masses 6/7-6/8 & 6/13-6/14

Make Checks payable to: St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Dinner Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #11372 Includes:

Spaghetti with Homemade Sauce and Meatballs

Italian Bread, Salad & Dessert

Coffee, Tea and Sodas Included (DINE IN ONLY)

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