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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"OUR BEST IS YET TO COME"

My Brothers All,

To me, September seems to become a "pivot point" in the calendar year. It fosters an ending point, a starting point and also a point in time that signals the beginning of the end. As September arrives, so leaves the summer months, thunderstorms, baseball games, swim meets, sailing regattas, playing golf and a lot of other outdoor fun! As a kid, it also marked the beginning of the school year. Back to a more normal routine, back to reading writing, arithmetic and spelling tests (thank God for "Spell-check" – where was Spell-check went I had Sr. Clare Anthony for that subject). As a parent, it also marks the beginning of the school year and of carpooling, homework, upcoming projects, attending numerous school activities and going to three Saturday soccer games in a two hour period. September also signals a point to start thinking about the final months of the year that bring Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve.



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As Grand Knight, September means the start of many activities, reaching out to others and living our faith. We have faith that school starts and the house is quiet again; it is even more quieter now that all OUR kids are away or have all gone to college. But seriously, it does signal that our Council will get very busy very fast with the many activities scheduled in the coming months. For starters, the Car Raffle Tickets sales are off to a good start headed by Bob Muhl. Please give Bob a show of great support by not only selling your tickets but selling even more. Remember Brothers, the Council gets 60% of the funds sold through these sales. Two big fund raising activities are also in full swing: the bimonthly Bingo games and the Raven's concession stand. And don't forget the Tootsie Roll fund raiser and gift cards for expecting mothers, these activities continue through November.

Brothers, your support is VITAL to the success of these activities. Approximately 85% of all funds raised are given to The St. Francis de Sales Parish and the needy in our community. Just a few hours of your time makes a HUGE difference! Ask your wife to help participate in these fund raisers, together "you just might have some fun," not to mention you are helping others.

We have done so well in the past, I believe....."Our Best is Yet to Come; Our Best is Yet to Be Given!"

Vivat Jesus,

Gregory J. Ward
Grand Knight

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ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

"DEACON LAWRENCE AND HIS TREASURES"

There is a legend about St. Lawrence, a deacon in Rome around the middle of the third century. The story says that Lawrence was responsible for the material wealth and goods of the Church and the distribution of alms to the poor. When he knew he was going to be arrested, he gathered all the widows, orphans, and poor people he could find and proceeded to give them all the money and valuables he had on hand. When the Prefect of Rome heard this, he imagined that the Christians must have a great deal of treasure. He had Lawrence brought before him and told him that Christians should render all the Church's material goods to Caesar. Lawrence's reaction was a classic. He told the Prefect that the church was indeed rich and offered to show the Prefect how rich but needed time to prepare an inventory and gather all the wealth. It took three days, and when Lawrence was done, he had gathered all the poor, the widows, the orphans, the lame, the lepers, all the outcasts he could find. When the Prefect arrived to claim his treasure, Lawrence stood in front of the multitude of poor and said, "These are the treasures of the Church." The Prefect was so angry he ordered Lawrence to be barbecued. Lawrence, after cooking a while supposedly said "It is well done. Turn it over and eat it!"



**Deacon Jim
Sullivan**

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We often hear about the Kingdom of God. We are told it is here, it is now. We might think the Kingdom is in some faraway place, almost unattainable. Yet we hear about Lawrence, Jesus and so many others who believed the Kingdom of God was present in their daily lives. People who believed the Kingdom of God was the greatest treasure on earth.

We too can find the treasure of the Kingdom. It's right here before us. It's not a treasure we can sell or dig up. It's not a treasure that will line the coffers of our bank accounts. It's more than that! It is a treasure that can make our lives more livable. It is a treasure that can bring us peace and hope and love. It's a treasure money can't buy. It's the greatest treasure of all. It's the treasure of each other!

Peace and All Good

Deacon Jim

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Worthy Brothers All,

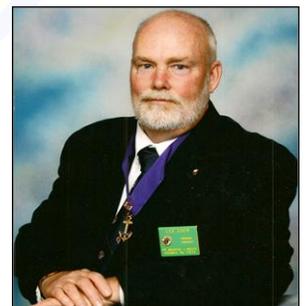
I bring you greeting from our State Deputy Steve Cohen.

As you have heard by now, **State Deputy Stephen J. Adamczyk has resigned from his position.** Please keep Steve and his family in your prayers.

Steve Cohen has filled the State Deputy Job. The State Council is strong and moving forward.

As we go about our busy days, please let us keep focus on what is important in life. God, Church and your family are number one.

Sometimes we all get pushed to do this or volunteer to take on this task. Before you over load yourself please remember what is number one.



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Thank You and God Bless,

Lee Eder, PGK, PFN

District Deputy #27

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"WHAT'S GOING-ON IN OUR COUNCIL"



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Fall is just around the corner; the kids have gone back to school and for most of us, our vacations are done. However, our council remained active throughout the summer and we thank all the Knights that supported the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe's many activities.

However, the fall is the season during which most of our activities are scheduled. So, once again, we are looking for your support. Please see if you can assist with just one program and, with your help, we will have a very successful 2nd quarter.

Culture-of-Life – Bill Hengemihle (410-569-5253 or wjhengemihle@verizon.net)

The Culture of Life leadership team started off the year with a great activity. On August 30th the Associate Chaplain, Jim Sullivan, rededicated the monument recognizing the unborn in our community. This dedication was followed by a reception in the Knight's hall. Bill Hengemihle discussed the benefits that Birthright brings to expecting mothers.



Later this month and in October, the Culture of Life Committee will be seeking donations. The money received will be used to fund Shop Right gift cards. The cards will be given to Birthright of Bel Air. The staff at Birthright will distribute the donated cards to needy expecting mothers visiting their clinic. Each card will cost \$10. See Bill Hengemihle to purchase your cards for donation.

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

Our Memorial Mass is scheduled for November 7th. The mass will be followed by a small reception. This is an activity that we should not miss. It is very meaningful and only takes an hour of your time.

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

The August ice cream social at the Abingdon Senior Living Apartments was great fun. Both the Knights and the residents had a wonderful afternoon.

Our day at Brads will be on the schedule again. We are planning to do this on October 10 but this date is flexible based upon Brad's availability.

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

Throughout the summer our elementary children painter beautiful 4X4 ceramic tiles that will be installed in the Education Building and serve as a chair rail on the second floor hall. The tiles will be installed by our Brother Knights. We are planning this activity for a Saturday in September. Stay tuned for the news flash within a week or so.



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

Believe it or not, our pancake breakfast is just around the corner. The date is set for Sep 13th. This is an all hands on board event so PLEASE mark your calendar.

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

The council’s charity corporation is sponsoring a bull/oyster roast on October 17th at 6:30 PM. It will be held in the Joppa fire hall. Contact Keith Marchiano for further details at (410) 937-4890.

Larry Shannahan
Chancellor and Program Director

FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE

Sir Knights,

The Archbishop John Carroll Assembly Installation of Officers was held on Saturday, August 29 at St Francis De Sales Catholic Church. Dinner was served after the installation in Kilduff Hall. We had an excellent turnout of about 55 fellow Sir Knights, wives and family.

Our Color Corps has been busy this month with Council and Assembly Installation of Officers.

If you are a Third Degree Knight and would like to become a Fourth Degree Knight, there is a Fourth Degree Exemplification on Saturday, September 12 in Annapolis, Maryland. Please let me know if you are interested in attending.

Our next Assembly meeting will be on Thursday, September 17, at Mason-Dixon Council in Pylesville, Maryland. The meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

Vivat Jesus,
John Young

Faithful Navigator, John Carroll Assembly #2378



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT



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Our membership still remains at 299. Long time member Bob Roddy has transferred to a council in North Carolina. We all will miss Bob very much he is a good friend to all.

Please welcome new member Paul Donnelly who transferred into our council last month.

Bill Hengemihle
Membership Director
One Member – Per Council – Per Month

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT



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The Ladies are busy preparing for our upcoming fundraisers this fall. Please see below for the details of our 'Brush and Brunch' on October 10th. It's early in the day and you can still have the rest of your Saturday to enjoy! We look forward to your support ☺

Mark your calendars: Holiday Luncheon Bingo, Saturday, November 21st.

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

Brush and Brunch fundraiser

Hosted by Knights of Columbus Ladies 11372



- When:** Saturday, October 10, 2015
- Time:** 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- Where:** Kilduff Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church,
1450 Abingdon Road, Abingdon MD 21009
- Cost:** \$40 per ticket; limited seats available

Ticket price includes light brunch fare, mimosas, supplies for painting, and professional instruction from *Spirited Sisters Studios*.

Contact Beth Marchiano at 410-688-3433 or marchianofamily@verizon.net for more information and to order tickets.

Featured painting at this event: *Autumn Greetings*



Cynthia Santiago
Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary

INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

"LTC IS AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF THE PUZZLE"

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection. While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me.

Remember, long-term care policies are underwritten based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.



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STATE NEWS AND EVENTS



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On August 31, 2015 the State Officers met and voted, as prescribed by the By-Laws of the Order and with Supreme Council guidance, concerning the State Officer positions for the next ten months of the fraternal year. At that time, in accordance with the State By-Laws our regular elections will be held.

The results are as follows:

- State Deputy Stephen M. Cohen
- State Secretary Anthony Salvemini
- State Treasurer Dale W. Trott
- State Advocate Vince Grauso
- State Warden Christopher L. Powers
- Immediate Past State Deputy William C. Kuchmas III

Tony Salvemini understands that this election to State Secretary in no way constitutes that he will be elected to the office of State Deputy, and in fact will not be running for that position.

I am pleased to announce that Father Milton Jordan has agreed to stay on as our State Chaplain for this period. In addition, the Executive Staff and the Program Team have also committed to remaining part of the Team.

It is also a pleasure to announce at this time that Thom Partenope has been appointed and accepted the position of Membership Director. I am asking that all members of the State Team remain in their current positions and continue to do the great work of our Order.

The entire State Family thanks Steve for his dedication, leadership and support. We wish only the best for him and his family.

Our State Family Mass on August 30th was a success. Over 200 people attended. A special thanks to our Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori and Father Bianco. Also, to Father Tizzio the Pastor of Saint John Nuemann Parish for allowing

us to use his facility. The combined Color Corps of the Maryland District and the AWD for their participation. Thank you also goes to the Baltimore and McNamara Chapters for serving as ushers. I would truly like to thank and acknowledge our State Family of the Year, the Adelyde Family for presenting the gifts during the mass. We look forward to an even larger crowd next year. Lots of pictures can be seen on the Maryland State Council Facebook page.

We have another reason to celebrate now. Our Food for Families Program has done some tremendous things. This past fraternal year, \$22,704.00 was donated to this cause. This represents a \$10,100,00 increase. 100,158 pounds of food was donated, an increase of 56,000 pounds over the previous year. The hours associated with this project also increase by 3,000 hours. I want to thank Director Dan Ward, the District Deputies, the Grand knights and all of the Councils which participated in this program.

Remember always, We are the Knights of Columbus, We are a People of Life, For Life, Building a Civilization of Love.

Vivat Jesus!

Stephen M. Cohen

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

SUPREME NEWS AND EVENTS

"K OF C FUNDS MONTH'S SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR IRAQI CHRISTIANS"

As September begins, the Knights of Columbus simultaneously unveils a new television commercial and starts financing the delivery of one month's supply of food to more than 13,500 displaced families from Mosul and the Nineveh Plains who fled to the Erbil area in Kurdistan.

Part of the Order's multimillion-dollar initiative to aid displaced Christian families and other persecuted religious communities in the Middle East, this latest food donation brings the Knights of Columbus assistance in the Middle East to more than \$4 million overall.



Each one-month food package typically contains 10 kg of rice, 5 kg of sugar, 4 liters of cooking oil, 1200 g of tomato sauce, 4 kg of beans, 10 kg of wheat, 1 kg of pasta, 6 packets of cheese, 5 tins of fish, 5 tins of meat, and 1 kg of tea. The cost of \$60 per package includes transportation and packaging for a total cost of \$810,000.

At the same time, the Knights of Columbus will also begin airing a TV commercial that features an Iraqi priest who now runs a refugee camp near Erbil, and who previously was kidnapped and tortured by extremists.

In the commercial Father Douglas Bazi begs viewers to "pray for my people, help my people, and save my people," and adds "I believe you can." He also notes that "genocide is the easy word for what is happening to my people." The commercial will air nationally this month and can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YHegSk2omdE>

"Christians in the Middle East face persecution and extinction simply for their belief in the one who taught us to love one another," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "Despite the genocidal persecution against them, they have continued to be an inspiration to the power of their faith, and to the love of God and neighbor. They need our solidarity and support, and we are pleased to help provide it."

Chaldean Archbishop Bashar Warda of Erbil attended the Knights of Columbus international convention in Philadelphia in August, as did Melkite Archbishop Jean Clement Jeanbart of Aleppo, Syria. At the convention Supreme Knight Carl Anderson announced that the Knights would redouble its efforts on behalf of Middle Eastern Christians.

Those wishing to assist with the relief efforts can donate by visiting www.christiansatrisk.org or by sending checks or money orders payable to Knights of Columbus Charities at P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT 06509-1966. The memo portion should indicate that the check is for Christian Refugee Relief.

One hundred percent of all donations directly supports humanitarian assistance and raising awareness for persecuted Christians and other religious minorities, especially in the Middle East. Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., is recognized by the IRS as a charitable organization under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Knights of Columbus has a long history of providing humanitarian relief, including efforts following the 9/11 terrorist attacks; the 2013 typhoons in the Philippines; hurricanes Katrina and Sandy; and tsunamis in Indonesia and Japan. The Knights also provided humanitarian assistance and created international awareness of the persecution of the Catholic Church in Mexico during the 1920s.

More at: <http://kofc.org/un/en/news/releases/detail/kofc-fund-iraqi-christian-food.html>

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Brothers, keep in your thoughts our Brothers and Family members of our Council who are in need our prayers, especially:

- Ed Colvin, PGK
- John Young's Grandson, Cooper
- Family of Jim Elliott
- Francis Jersey
- Cliff Wendell
- Charles Duke
- Jack Kreiner
- John Schmidt

Pray for our Chaplin and Pastor as they continue to guide our religious, administrative and outreach efforts here at St. Francis.

Pray for those protecting our country and localities from harm's way.

KNIGHTWORKS NOTES



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Just a general reminder to all of our readers: every month when I send out the newsletter I get 2-4 rejections that email addresses or other contact information is no longer valid. If you know of any of our Brother Knights who are not getting the newsletter on a regular basis, please call or email me and let me know. Please give me their email address or street address if they do not have email and I will make sure they are included on the list going forward. **Ladies**, this applies to you too.

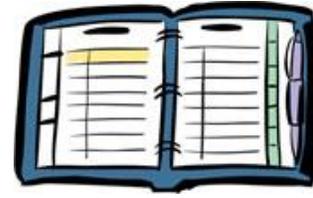
It's never our intention to leave folks out of the loop and you certainly aren't forgotten. I have little doubt that I'm the last thought you would ever have when switch from Comcast to Verizon or moving to a new home, but if you do need to update your contact information please keep me in mind.

Vivat Jesus,

Rob Hardy, DGK

THREE MONTH PLANNER

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



SEPTEMBER 2015			
Mon.	7	Labor Day – No Meeting!	N/A
Fri.	11	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Fri.	11	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	12	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Sun.	13	Pancake Breakfast	6:30am-11:15am
Mon.	14	Officers' Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	18	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Sat.	19	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Mon.	21	Council Meeting and Social	7:30pm
Fri.	25	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	27	Ravens vs. Bengals	1:00pm
OCTOBER 2015			
Sat.	3	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Sat.	3	Ravens vs. Browns	1:00pm
Sun.	4	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Mon.	5	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	9	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	10	Brush and Brunch - Ladies KofC Fundraiser	10:30am-12:30pm
Mon.	12	Officers' Meeting	7:30pm
Sat.	17	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Sat.	17	Bull and Oyster Roast	6:30pm
Mon.	19	Council Meeting and Social	7:30pm
Fri.	23	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat.	24	M&T Bank Stadium – Penn State vs. Maryland	TBD
Sat.	24	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
NOVEMBER 2015			
Sun.	1	Ravens vs. Chargers	1:00pm
Mon.	2	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Sat.	7	Memorial Mass	9:00am
Mon.	9	Officers' Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	13	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	15	Ravens vs. Jaguars	1:00pm
Mon.	16	Council Meeting and Social	7:30pm
Sun.	22	Ravens vs. Rams	1:00pm
Mon.	23	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Tues.	24	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Wed.	25	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
Thurs.	26	Happy Thanksgiving!	ALL DAY

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CULTURE OF LIFE
COLUMBIAN AWARD PROGRAM – 2ND QUARTER

**SUPPORT
BIRTHRIGHT OF BEL AIR**

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THIS YEAR OUR COUNCIL WILL CONTINUE THE YEARLY TRADITION OF SUPPORTING BIRTHRIGHT BY DONATING TEN DOLLAR (\$10.00) GIFT CARDS TO THE FACILITY. MS CAROL MAGLOU, DIRECTOR OF THE FACILITY HAS WELCOMED THIS IDEA AS A REAL POSITIVE AS SHE STRIVES TO DO ALL POSSIBLE FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO TAKE THEIR PREGNACY “FULL TERM”.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED. A TEN DOLLAR (\$10.00) DONATION WILL PURCHASE A **SHOPRITE** GIFT CARD TO BE USED BY AN EXPECTANT MOTHER. OUR GOAL IS 50 CARDS (\$500.00).

THE CARDS AND A LETTER WITH NAMES OF ALL DONORS WILL BE PRESENTED TO BIRTHRIGHT AFTER WE HAVE REACHED OUR GOAL.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO K OF C #11372 AND SEND TO BILL HENGEMIHLE AT 311 C LAUREL WOODS DRIVE, ABINGDON MARYLAND 21009.

THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR HELP,

BILL HENGEMIHLE
CULTURE OF LIFE CHAIRMAN

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