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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"OUR BEST IS YET TO COME"

My Brothers All,

It appears that October will be coming in like a roaring lion, threats of an incoming hurricane is right around the corner! Do your part, plan accordingly and prepare for the worst; your family just might thank you!

Like the weather coming upon us so is a month of activities and events! October will keep us busy and loaded with fun. Please help and support your fellow brothers your participation is needed with the following activities: Tootsie Roll Drive and Fund Raiser benefiting the intellectually handicapped children at the John Archer school, we also need help with the twice a month bingo events. Or sign-up and work the tankard stand at the only home game the Ravens have this month; experience the sights and sounds of some of the most diehard fans. And once you are done selling all your raffle tickets, buying a gift card for expecting mothers at Birthright or attending a Council meeting RELAX AND ENJOY the upcoming bull and oyster roast or take the family on a hay ride and run through the corn maze at Brad's Farm. Pick your pumpkin too!

Our Lady Knights have always supported us in many of our activities, it's time for a little payback. Help out and spread the word, the "Brush and Brunch" will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10th from 10:30 to 12:30 pm. Just think of the artistic treasury that could be hanging in your home or attic! No matter the end result, please assist the Ladies in their upcoming activity!

Finally, the State has arranged a deal and is putting on a tailgate event at the Maryland/Penn State football game to be held at M&T Bank Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 24th, see the State website for details. It's All Good and All Fun!

To highlight, in the coming months discussions and decisions will be made regarding the changes and improvements to our bingo events; your ideas and opinions are needed please attend a Council meeting of your choice.

Remember to keep all your brothers who are in need or distress in your prayers. Keep Cliff Wendell and his family in your prayers too, Cliff is scheduled to return home from Afghanistan sometime this month.

Brothers with all you do and all you have done, I believe, Our Best is Yet to Come! Let's live our Faith through charity and good deeds!

Vivat Jesus,

Gregory J. Ward
Grand Knight



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ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

"FRANCIS AND HOLINESS"

One of the pursuits we should never give up on is the pursuit of holiness. As most of you know, Francis of Assisi, whose feast day is October 4th, never gave up on his pursuit of holiness. Thomas of Celano in his first biography of St. Francis said, "Francis of Assisi was always occupied with Jesus: Jesus he bore in his heart, mouth, eyes, ears, and in his entire body: Jesus." You might be thinking, "That's Francis of Assisi! I'm not Francis of Assisi and never will be."

Did you know that Francis was at one time quite the playboy? He was known to carouse around Assisi waking up residents and partying until the wee hours of the morning. Does this sound a little more human to you? There was a time in Francis' life when he was just a regular person, growing up in Assisi, learning to be a cloth merchant from his father, and doing all the things teenage boys and young adults do. In the midst of all his worldly attractions, God tugged at his soul. Little by little Francis began to live the quote from Thomas of Celano.

It wasn't easy for Francis and it's not easy for us either. One thing is for sure. God is tugging at each one of our souls, asking, encouraging and inviting us to become holier every day. If the rabblerous Francis can answer God's call, I'm sure you can too. It doesn't matter how old or young you are or if you are male or female. God wants you as his friend, and he wants to be a part of you. Francis answered the call of Jesus. When he did, Jesus and he became one. All you have to do is answer the call God places before you and do your best to be holy just like Francis.

Peace and All Good
Deacon Jim



**Deacon Jim
Sullivan**

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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Worthy Brothers All,

October is Fall Recruitment Drive Month. Please make a special effort to ask that Catholic gentleman you see at work, school or in your neighborhood, that you know would be a great Knight of Columbus. Just think back in time of all the wonderful things we as Knights do for our Church, Parish and Community, that make you proud to be part of this Brotherhood. Sometimes just asking someone to join is the hard part.

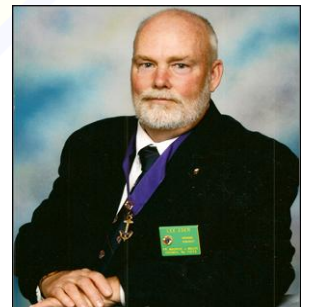
Please get your car raffle money and stubs ready to turn in.

Please submit your Special Olympics report to John Durbin.

Thank You and God Bless,

Lee Eder, PGK, PFN

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PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"WHAT'S GOING-ON IN OUR COUNCIL"



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Although our Council has completed many activities this fall, we still have a very busy calendar remaining. With Advent and Christmas just around the corner and Halloween already here, we need all of our brother Knights to support at least one program this fall. This season gives each one of us an opportunity to be of service to our Lord and Savior as well as our neighbors here in Harford County. Thanks again for all that you do.

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

The Culture of Life Committee raised over \$400 to purchase gift cards from Klein's ShopRite. 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. Thanks to Bill Hengemihle for spearheading this activity.

The last Sunday in November will be set aside for a presentation on the benefits of sonograms during pregnancy. The State Chapter of the Knights of Columbus has been funding the purchase of ultrasound machines and placing them with organizations that support the rights of the unborn. Our Council has decided to support this program in hopes that it will reduce the number of abortions.

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

The Silver Rose prayer service will be held in the Stone Chapel on Wednesday, September 21st at 7 pm. This is a program started by the Knights of Columbus to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please plan to attend this very inspirational celebration.

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)

We will be holding a family bowling night at Forest Hill Lanes November 13th at 7:00 PM. We're looking to have at least 20 people come out. If you're interested in coming please check ahead with Larry Shannahan so we can get you on the list!

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

The ceramic tiles painted by our youth organizations have been installed in the 2nd floor hallway of the education building. Please stop by and see our youths' handiwork!

We will again be supporting the Trunk or Treat. This year it will be held on Friday, October 30th on the church parking lot. We need at least 8 brothers to assist with this activity. Please mark your calendar.

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

Kudos to Larry O'Toole and his team of volunteers. We served close to 200 pancake breakfasts on September 13th. The breakfast raised over \$350 to support the Special Olympics in the State of Maryland. Great job!



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. (410) 937-4890



Larry Shannahan
Chancellor and Program Director

FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE

Sir Knights,

The Color Corps is the most recognized part of the Knights of Columbus and we are always looking for new Color Corps members. If you are a 4th Degree Knight and have wondered what they do or are interested in becoming a Color Corp member, contact Mike Georgulas or Lee Eder, our Color Corps Commanders.

If you are not a 4th Degree Knight and are interested in becoming a Color Corps member, contact Mike Georgulas, Lee Eder, Keith Arndt or John Young and they will help you with becoming a 4th Degree Knight.

Our next Assembly meeting will be on Thursday, October 15, at the Father Maurice J. Wolfe Council. It will be our annual Crab Night, the cost is \$18 per person. A short meeting starts at 7:30 PM with crabs after the meeting. If you plan to attend the meeting and stay for the crabs, let me know by October 11 so we know how many crabs to buy.



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Vivat Jesus,
John Young

Faithful Navigator, John Carroll Assembly #2378

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



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THREE HUNDRED (300).... with the addition of Father Garcia to our membership we have reached a significant milestone. Please congratulate Father Garcia when you greet him.

We have lots of work to do with the retention of existing members. Please brothers if you are behind in your yearly dues and are having some financial problems just give me a telephone call. We can help.

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

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT



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Goodbye summer and hello autumn! On Saturday, November 22nd, we are sponsoring a **Holiday Luncheon Bingo** in Kilduff Hall. We will have fantastic door prizes and baskets to raffle. Please contact Connie Piotrowski for tickets before we sell out ☺! We hope you can support our fundraiser that will help us serve our parish and many other groups!

Our next meeting will be on **October 19th** 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.



Holiday Luncheon



Sponsored by the K of C Ladies #11372

Saturday, November 21, 2015

St. Francis de Sales Church ♡ 1450 Abingdon Road, Abingdon, MD 21009
Doors Open 11:30am ♡ Lunch served from 12 noon to 1:00pm

\$25.00 Admission includes lunch & the following:
Jackpot \$500.00
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For tickets, contact Connie at (cell 410-370-4104) or cpiotrowski2@comcast.net



Cynthia Santiago
Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary

INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

"THE PITFALLS OF REPLACING COVERAGE"

You know the old saying, "the grass seems greener on the other side of the fence," but we all know that it rarely is. The same holds true when it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company. Perceptions are deceiving. A move to the "greener" grass on the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less *green* in your wallet — in some cases, a lot less. That's why it pays to remember another old adage, "Read the fine print."

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. I'll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here — pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a *contestability period*, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period — typically two years — after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage.

Second, it's unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you'll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you're older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There's no way around that. And you have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors can affect the amount of coverage you'll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace — or worse, drop — your existing coverage, please call me. I'll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.



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STATE NEWS AND EVENTS



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September was a very busy month for us all. At the forefront, was Special Olympics Week. I hope all Councils participated in some way. Prince Georges Council again held third 1K run/walk, which again raised lots of money for Special Olympics. Please get your report into John Durbin stating what you did and how much you raised.

The State Council also held its Annual Family Picnic. Thanks to Bob Heverly for chairing this event and Prince Georges Council for hosting us. Remember this picnic is for the entire State not just the State team. Please plan to attend next year.

The day after the picnic marked our first ever Star Knight Gala. The Gala included pictures on the Red Carpet, Champagne, Dinner and the presentation of Awards. Look for pictures elsewhere in this issue. My thanks to Dale and Linda Trott for being the Host and Hostess for this event and for all the hard work that they put in to make this a success. Our thanks also, to Columbus Gardens for catering the event.

On September 21, 2015 we instituted a brand new council, St. Clement I in Lansdowne became our newest council. Thanks to the hard work of District Deputy Rich Boehm, New Council Development Chairman and General Agent Bob Marlow and Field Agent Mike Hurley about thirty new members joined our order. Please welcome our newest council.

Seeing the Holy Father, Pope Francis, at the Papal Mass in Washington was truly the highlight of my month. Please continue to pray for him as he continues to shepherd our flock.

October is when we honor our patron, Christopher Columbus. The State will not only be hosting the Annual Ball, but will participate in the Wreath laying in Little Italy, the Columbus Day Parade, and the DC Celebration. We hope to see everyone at these events. For more information please contact the chairmen listed in the State Directory.

Please continue to keep the Power of One in the forefront of all we do. One Member per Council per Month and One First Degree per District per Month. We need new and younger members to keep Father McGivney's dream alive ASK someone TODAY to join our honored order.

As always, the STATE TEAM is here to assist, all you have to do is ask.

Vivatn Jesus!

Stephen M. Cohen

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

SUPREME NEWS AND EVENTS

"SUPREME KNIGHTS ADDRESSES AND PRESENTS COUNCIL AWARDS FOR COLLEGE KNIGHTS FOLLOWING CELEBRATION OF MASS."

When you, as a young Catholic on a college campus and as a member of the Knights of Columbus lead with charity you will show others that Catholics are different and that Catholics have much to offer, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson told attendees of the 50th anniversary College Conferences Awards Banquet.

"There are two items that I hope you take away from tonight," Supreme Knight Anderson said in his keynote address. "First, that you are the brand of the Knights of Columbus on your college campus. And second to lead with charity."

He told the attending college students that although many people will tell them that they are the future of the Catholic Church, in reality they are the now of the Catholic Church, that the decisions they make at this point in their lives will potentially be more important than those they make later in their lives, and that they are the visual brand of the Knights of Columbus on their campus and how they act is a reflection on the Order and on Catholicism.

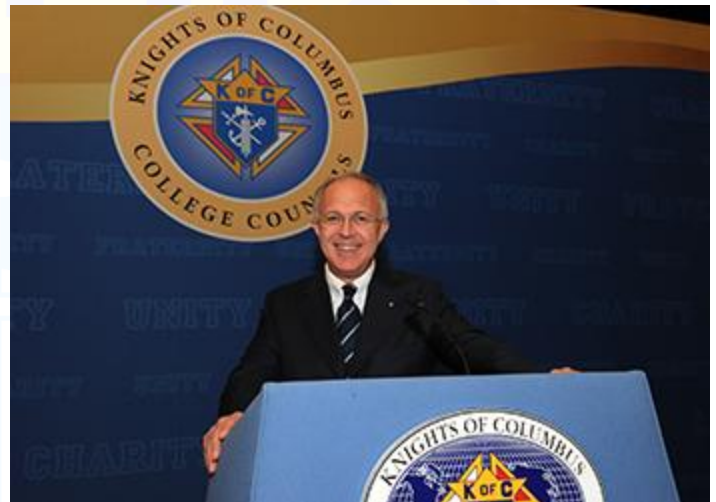
"That's a shared responsibility that we all as lay leaders have," he added. In regards to the recent visit by Pope Francis to the United States, the supreme knight said that Catholicism in the United States is not different than it was two weeks ago, and that they, as college Knights and as Catholic lay leaders need to ascertain what that means them on a personal level and on a leadership level.

He ended his remarks by encouraging the young Knights to become engaged in the Knights of Columbus Christians at Risk relief efforts for persecuted Catholics in the Middle East, to plan (if possible) a council pilgrimage to the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C., and to show the film A Man for All Seasons (a DVD that was distributed to all attendees) in their council and on their campus and have a discussion on St. Thomas More.

"If you begin with charity, authenticity and joy at being a Christian, people will see the difference in how you act, and many will want to become a part of that," he said.

Prior to the banquet, the conference attendees toured the Supreme Council office and then joined the Supreme Officers for the celebration of Mass at St. Mary's Church, the Order's birthplace

Father John Paul Walker, O.P., was the main celebrant and homilist for the event.



In his homily he said he believed if Father Michael McGivney were here today he would send the Knights to reach out to those who have lost their faith, or have no joy in the faith. "Let them see in you a life transformed by Christ's faith," Father Walker said.

"Go forth boldly and have the courage to live a transformed life," he continued. "And look for the need and the outcast in your life, and reach out to them."

Following Mass, the Knights gathered at Father McGivney's tomb in the back of the church, to pray for his canonization.

After the Supreme Knight's remarks at the **Awards Banquet** following Mass, honors were presented to councils for achievements in membership, insurance promotion and programming.

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:

- John Young's Son and Grandson
- Jim Elliott's family
- Francis Jersey
- Cliff Wendell – May be home now
- Jack Kreiner - had valve replaced and came home early August
- John Schmidt – Heart surgery and is recovering at home
- Theresa Hemelt – back surgery – was scheduled to be relocated to Lorient in Bel Air last week
- Connie Piotrowski's mom – heart problems
- Ed Colvin
- Dick Stein – home and recovering
- Bryan O'Connor
- Mike Georgoulas' brother
- Jack Goldstein – son passed away
- Steve Herpel's son – car accident
- Norm Martin

Pray for our Chaplain 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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Are you looking for ways to help out around the council? Looking for something you can do on your own time? How about helping out with the newsletter or the website. Right now it's a one man show over here and we can get a lot more done with just a little bit of help.

The newsletter doesn't take too much more work than copying a few items in each month and hassling Greg. The website doesn't take much more than keeping events up to date. These things would take a lot off of my shoulders to work on the more difficult stuff and maybe even give the website the facelift it deserves. Think about it!

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!

OCTOBER 2015			
Sat.	3	Tootsie Rolls	10:00am-4:00pm
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
Sun.	11	Ravens vs. Browns	1:00pm
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
Wed.	21	Church Activity - Silver Rose of Our Lady of Guadalupe	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
Fri.	30	Trunk or Treat	7:00pm
NOVEMBER 2015			
Sun.	1	Ravens vs. Chargers	1:00pm
Mon.	2	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	6	Third Degree Ceremony - St. Joan of Arc in Aberdeen	7:30pm
Sat.	7	Memorial Mass	9:00am
Mon.	9	Officers' Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	13	Bingo	6:00pm
Fri.	13	Family Activity - Bowling at Forest Hill Lanes	7:00pm
Sun.	15	Ravens vs. Jaguars	1:00pm
Mon.	16	Council Meeting and Social	7:30pm
Sat.	21	Ladies - Holiday Luncheon Bingo	12:00pm
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
DECEMBER 2015			
Sat.	5	Youth Activity - Kids Christmas Party	12:00pm-2:00pm
Mon.	7	Monthly Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	11	Christmas Bingo!	5:00pm
Sun.	13	Ravens vs. Seahawks Beer Stand	8:30pm
Mon.	14	Monthly Officers Meeting	7:30pm
Sun.	20	Ravens vs. Chiefs Beer Stand	1:00pm
Mon.	21	First Degree?!? or Meeting?	TBD
Fri.	25	Merry Christmas	All Day
Sun.	27	Ravens vs. Steelers Beer Stand	8:30pm

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Knights of Columbus Charity Corporation Bull & Oyster Roast



Date: Saturday, October 17, 2015

Time: 6:30-10:30pm

Location: Joppa Magnolia Fire Hall, 1403 Old Mountain Road S. 2nd Floor Joppa, MD 21085

Cost: \$40 per person- tables of 8 available

Music, Dancing, Big Wheels, Raffles, Food, and Fun!

Music Presented by DJ Krop

----- Menu -----

- **Maryland Crab Soup**
- **Salad**
- **Pit Beef**
- **Pit Ham**
- **Italian Sausage**
- **Oysters on the Half Shell**
- **Mac & Cheese**
- **Garlic Mashed Potatoes**
- **Green Beans**
- **Beer, wine, coffee, tea, and sodas (legal drinking age will be enforced)**

Catering provided by Three Phat Guys

Tickets may be ordered by contacting: Keith Marchiano: 410-937-4890 or kmarch52@verizon.net

Checks should be made payable to Father Wolfe Charity Corporation

All proceeds made from this event will be donated to St. Francis de Sales Outreach Program and the Father Wolfe Charity Corporation scholarship program