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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"VOLUNTEER- TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE"

To my Brother Knights:

It is indeed a pleasure and an honor to serve you as Grand Knight of the Father Maurice J Wolfe Council. It is also an honor to follow so many noteworthy knights who have preceded me as the Council's Grand Knights especially Ed Colvin our Council's 1st Grand Knight. This council has a very noteworthy and distinguished past and I am confident that it has a bright future ahead of it. There are many activities planned for the 2017 -2018 Fraternal Year and I am sure our Council will benefit from your active involvement. I realize the time commitment it takes to participate in the activities of the Council as we all have active lives within our families, church and communities. I pray that we can continue to find time to participate in at least one of our Council's activities in the coming year.

A big thank you to all of the officers for their efforts and sacrifices in assuring the Council ran properly this past year. It is very important to any organization that people step up to take leadership roles and our Council has been blessed with dedicated men who have given of their time to insure our success.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Larry Shannahan for his dedication and leadership this past year. Larry, you have finally reached the title many of us strive for, Past Grand Knight – Congratulations!

Vivat Jesus

J. Michael Novak **Grand Knight**

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INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE Edward A. O'Keefe CLU, ChF

Associate Chaplain's Report It's a Good Day

As I look through the Bible for ideas for articles, I am drawn to Genesis 2:18 to 24. This reading comes from the end of the story about God creating the earth and all that is on it. God offers Adam numerous partners, birds, wild animals, and cattle to be partners for him. None of the things God made so far made Adam happy. It wasn't until God made woman that Adam was truly satisfied. Perhaps it was because the woman God gave Adam was very much like him. Maybe it was because Adam could speak to Eve and truly relate to her and she to him. Maybe it was because Adam could



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be with his new wife and she could be with him. Perhaps for Adam and Eve this was the first example of God's love for them and his people. I guess we won't know (until we get to heaven) how Adam and Eve felt when they found each other for the first time.

Today might be a good day to say to someone close to us how much we appreciate them and whatever they do for us. It could be a husband or wife, or someone we are close to; it could be a good friend, a brother or sister, a mom or dad or anyone we have a relationship with. Today might be a good day to thank God for the gift he gave us of each other; as it is in each other that we find God and the love he has given to each one of us.

Peace and All Good! Deacon Jim

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"What's Going-on in Our Council"

Another Autumn is upon us. School begins September 5th and we are looking at some new activities. I am still getting familiar with my duties and responsibilities and I promise to get more details in the future. The council supported a successful parish picnic on August 27th Saturday, September 30th -- the Family Fitness and Nutrition Seminar will be hosted by Keith Marchiano, PGK. We will have some Octoberfest fun on October 14th to support Coats for Kids. Additionally, we are starting sales for Pit Beef, turkey and ham for Ravens' games beginning September 10th. Grab a hearty sandwich to eat as you watch the game on TV. Please come and join us at our Bingos every 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month.

Steven Herpel-Program Director

Activity Chairs

Church Larry Shannahan 443-928-9393 Ishannahan@comcast.net.

We will be having our Pancakes for Priesthood event on Sunday, September 17th from 8am to 11am. Bring the family out for breakfast after mass or come help us serve to the Church!

Culture of Life Currently Vacant. If you feel encouraged to support Pro Life causes, please let us know if you

would be interested in leading this activity.

A fundraiser dinner is scheduled for September 9th with proceeds tentatively targeted for Supreme's Culture of Life Fund or the State Sonogram Program.

Community Charlie Gill 410-679-3703 sfmanager@archbalt.org

We treated the seniors at Abingdon Gardens Catholic Charities Residence to an Ice Cream social and musical entertainment in August. Good time was had and the seniors really enjoyed us coming by! Great job organizing this by Charlie!

Family Steve Budddenbohn 443-895-0374 sbuddenbohn@aol.com

The next big family event will be Family Health & Fitness Day on September 30th. See

information in this newsletter.

Youth Jeff Gutowski 410-925-1762 gutowskijr@gmail.com

Jeff is planning future events- stay tuned for details!

Council Rob Hardy, 410-459-6132 rob@robhardy.net

On Monday, August 21st, we held our Father Wolfe Charity Golf Tournament. It was a beautiful day and

fun was had by all. We raised some good money to benefit our scholarship program, St. Francis'

Outreach, and John Archer School.

Other Activities:

Volunteers are always needed for Bingo held on the second and Fourth Fridays of the month.

Call Steve Herpel, Program Director, with questions or to volunteer. Cell: 410-987-5621 olmchsoccer@yahoo.com

Family Health & Fitness Fun Day

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Looking for healthy tips to provide for your busy family

When: Saturday, September 30th 1-3pm

Where: St. Francis de Sales Kilduff Hall

Cost: Free with non-perishable can food donation for Outreach program

This will be fun for the entire family!

You will:

- Learn tips for making healthy meals that are easy to make for the busiest of parents and that the kids will eat!
- Learn tips to lose weight and eating healthier.
- And will do a LIVE 30-minute dance workout that is for kids and adults, for beginners or experts, and wear clothes you can workout in!
- Get FREE giveaways and recipes!

For more information and to RSVP, Contact Keith Marchiano keith@marchianohealth.com or 410-937-4890.

Father Wolfe Charity Golf Tournament





Golfers are Ready!



Winners!



We even had a solar eclipse!





Ladies Auxiliary

On Saturday, August 12, 2017, the Ladies visited the Little Sister's of the Poor at their St. Martin's Home in Catonsville. We had a wonderful time today! 6 ladies participated. We started out with Mass and then they divided us in to three groups of two and we helped serve lunch in all three halls as well as serve sundaes immediately following lunch. We then had lunch ourselves (provided by LSP) and a short break. Then we played a few rounds of Bingo (with prizes) and then board games!

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Special thanks to Liana who shepherded us around. It was a wonderful day! And Sr Lourdes was very appreciative of our donation :-)

The residents had such a great time, they want us back :-) Our next meeting will be Monday September 18, 2017 at 7:30 at the Knight's hall. As always we welcome all ladies of the Parish. Join us as we serve the Church, Community, Youth, Council and Family. Hope to see you there!

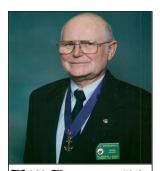
April Holdun, Secretary, aprholdun@icloud.com

Little Sisters of the Poor St. Martin's Baltimore



Saturday, August 12, 2017

August Membership Report



Will Hengemihle with the with

At our Admission Degree on August 14th three new members we inducted into our Council. Daniel Cajigas (Lee Eder), Daniel Valez (Lee Eder), and Paul Konshak (Keith Marchiano) were the members inducted and we welcome them into our Council. We now have 290 members.

Going forward from this point we will need to enlist 21 new members by June 30, 2018 to reach Star Council status.

This will not be an easy task.....Let's give it an earnest effort. All you need to do is get 1 new member to make a difference!

Bill Hengemihle

Membership Director

District Deputy's Report

My brothers all, I bring you greetings from our Worthy State Deputy Steven M. Cohen.

Please participate in the Tootsie Roll program, it's a great cause.

Vivat Jesus! Mike Georgulas, District Deputy



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INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

The Sandwich Generation
Edward O'Keefe, CLU, ChFC, CASL, FICF, LUTCF

How Much Will You Need for Retirement?

Social Security alone is unlikely to provide sufficient income for your retirement, unless you plan a fairly meager existence. To retire comfortably, one rule of thumb suggests that you will want 70-80% of your preretirement income to maintain your current lifestyle.

How can I calculate the amount of savings I'll need?

First: Write down your family's current yearly income and multiply it by 80%.

Second: Determine your monthly Social Security benefit and multiply it by 12 (to convert it to a yearly amount), and then subtract that from the first step. Don't forget to add your spouse's benefit if you are married. You can find your estimated Social Security benefit at https://www.ssa.gov/retire/estimator.html.

Third: Take the amount you determined above and divide it by .04.* This will reveal the suggested amount you need at retirement.

Fourth: Compare this savings amount to your current savings. Are you on track to meet your suggested amount or do you need to make contribution adjustments?

Don't take this calculation too lightly and don't wait too long to pay attention. If you're under-prepared with little time left, your options may not look bright. It's better to over-prepare than to get caught short.

Want to request information on up-to-date strategies for saving? Just ask for our information on possible options to create wealth before retirement.

State news and Events



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My Brothers All,

The Maryland State Council had the distinct honor and pleasure to reactivate the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Council # 1 3073 on August 23rd. Twenty-three men stepped up and have brought this council back to life. Fifteen of these men were new members, and ten of those entered the Order through the e-membership program. This council still has men interested in joining and by now because they are already active probably have a few more.

E-membership is alive and well. We are doing our part in the pilot program to make this a very worthwhile tool in the area of membership. We are

averaging about one sign up per day and all have designated a local council they wish to join.

At our Program and Membership Seminar on August 22nd, a new Charitable Outreach program was introduced, "The Box of Joy " Program. We are partnering with Cross Catholic Outreach on this program and again have the opportunity to reach out to the peripheries and help someone in need. Along with this, you will soon receive a letter signed by both the Archbishop and myself asking to join the Archdiocese of Baltimore and the Maryland State Council in rebuilding the town in Iraq, demolished by ISIS. Our Worthy Supreme Knight has pledged that the Knights will rebuild the entire town. Our Pennies From Heaven Campaign will continue all year to raise money for our Scholarship, Ultrasound and Charity Funds.

Now is the time to start planning where you will be to celebrate Columbus Day. Here are just a few ideas, see the details elsewhere in this newsletter. Our Annual Ball at the BWI Marriott is our premier social event, please come and join us. More importantly, your presence is needed at the Columbus Day Parade in Baltimore and the DC Celebration at Union Station. We need to be out in force at these events showing that we are followers of the Great Christopher Columbus. Wear your council shirts, hats and jackets and march with us in the parade. Bring your council banners. Others will be there to tear down our namesake, we need to be there to build him up.

Vivat Jesus!
Stephen M. Cohen
More information about the state council can be found at: http://kofc-md.org/

Supreme News and Events

THE WITNESS OF FRATERNAL COMMUNION

by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson



IN MY COLUMN last month, I discussed some of the ideas I proposed in my keynote address to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops sponsored Convocation of Catholic Leaders. I would like to follow up in this column with some additional thoughts.

In July, approximately 3,000 Catholic leaders from organizations and dioceses around the country met on the topic of "The Joy of the Gospel in America." The convocation was inspired by the apostolic exhortation of Pope Francis titled *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel).

There were many impressive aspects of the convocation. But to me, one of the most important was the evidence that the Knights of Columbus in every diocese throughout the country is already bringing the "joy of the Gospel" to millions of our fellow Catholics and to those outside our Church through our works of charity.

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis calls Catholics to be "an evangelizing community" that is "filled with joy" (24), a community that is "permanently in a state of mission" (25), and a community that practices a "fraternal communion and missionary fruitfulness" (89).

We don't often think of our local councils in precisely these terms. But if we do, we can see how our councils meet these criteria in so many different ways.

Elsewhere in *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis urges Catholics to "live in fraternity" (91) and to share "a fraternal love capable of seeing the sacred grandeur of our neighbor, of finding God in every human being" (92).

He writes: "I especially ask Christians in communities throughout the world to offer a radiant and attractive witness of fraternal communion. Let everyone admire how you care for one another, and how you encourage and accompany one another" (99).

Last month, I wrote that this is a special responsibility for every Knights of Columbus council throughout the world.

It is a special responsibility in two ways.

First, the pope's words are a good way for us to measure how our councils are living up to our principles of charity, unity and fraternity. We should ask ourselves just how our councils offer "a radiant and attractive witness of fraternal communion" and how we care for each other as brother Knights and for our families. Many of our councils offer such a witness, but for others there may be room for improvement. In any event, every Knight should take these words of Pope Francis to heart as he approaches the work of his local council.

Second, we must make a greater effort to demonstrate within our parishes how the Knights of Columbus offers an authentic model of fraternal communion. We can offer a witness of fraternity to show how all of us as Catholics can do a better job of caring for one another and how we can encourage and accompany one another in our parishes.

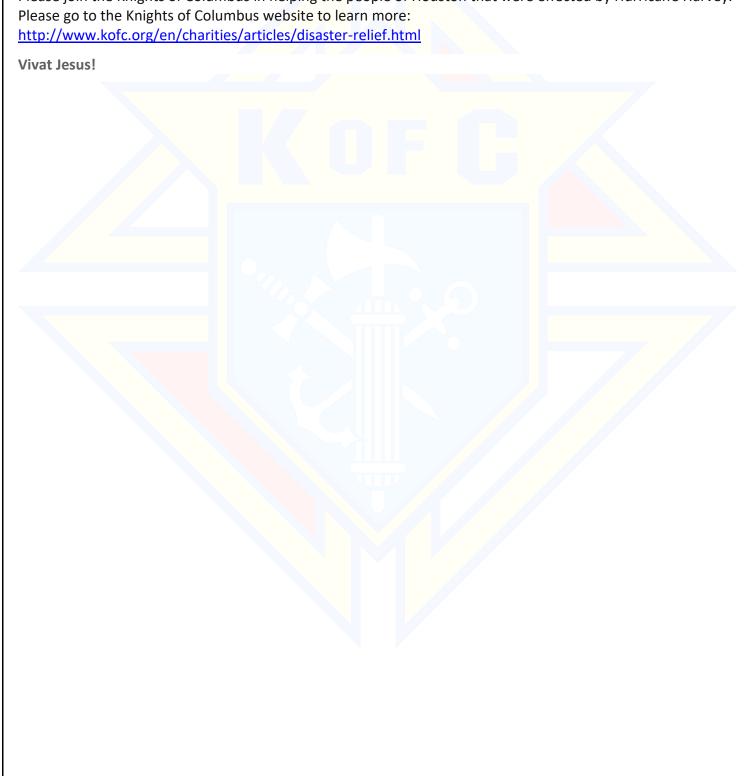
It might be too much to say that Knights of Columbus are experts in building fraternal communities, but for more than 135 years, Knights have experienced a fraternal communion based upon the principles of charity, unity and fraternity.

The insights of Evangelii Gaudium can help us live those principles as brother Knights in a more profound and authentic way.

The convocation was a historic opportunity given to us by our bishops to respond to the pope's call for "a new chapter of evangelization." But its lasting importance will only be realized if enough Catholics respond to this opportunity and write a new page in the history of Catholicism.

Let each of us do our part in the days ahead.

Please join the Knights of Columbus in helping the people of Houston that were effected by Hurricane Harvey.





Special Intentions September 2017

Keep in your prayers the following Brothers and family members:

Will and Pat Glassman
Cooper Young
Eric Young
Mallory O'Keefe
Patricia O'Connor (Brian's mother)
Rob and Pam Hardy and Pam's mother
Al and Walt Novak, Mike's brothers
Mercez Garcia (Fr. Jaime's mother)
Steve Herpel's brother, David, and mother, Mildred
Chuck Hoppe's son Ryan
Rich Wolfe

Pray for all our country's peace keepers and first responders, especially the police officers. We pray that they may always be safe while protecting us in service to our country, state and county's citizens.

THREE MONTH PLANNER

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

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		September 2017	
Mon	4	Labor Day Holiday - No General Meeting	N/A
Fri	8	Bingo	6:00 pm
			10:30-
Sun	10	Raven Game Day Pit Beef Sales	12:30pm
Mon	11	Officers' Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 pm
Sun	17	Pancake Breakfast (Pancakes for Priests)	1:00pm
Sun	17	Ravens Game Day Pit Beef Sales	10:30-12:30pm
Mon	18	K of C General Meeting	7:30pm
Mon	18	K of C Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30pm
Fri	22	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat	30	Family Fitness & Nutrition Seminar	1:00pm
		October 2017	
Sun	1	Ravens Game Day Pit Beef Sales	10:30-12:30pm
Mon	2	K of C General Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 pm
Mon	9	K of C Officers' Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 pm
Fri	13	Bingo	6:00 pm
Sat	14	K of C Octoberfest (Benefits Coats for Kids)	6:30 pm
		K of C General Meeting and Admissions Degree, Kilduff	
Mon	16	Hall	7:30 pm
Mon	16	K of C Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting	7:30 pm
Mon	16	Council Meeting- Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
Fri	27	Bingo	6:00 pm
Sat	28	Trunk or Treat- St. Francis de Sales	6:30pm
		November 2017	
Sat	4	K of C Memorial Mass	9:00 am
Mon	6	K of C General Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 pm
Fri	10	Bingo	6:00 pm
Mon	13	K of C Officers' Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 pm
Sat	18	Ladies Bingo Fundraiser, Knights Halls	11:00am
Mon	20	K of C General Meeting, Kilduff Hall	7:30 pm
Mon	20	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 pm
Thu	23	Thanksgiving Holiday	N/A
Fri	24	Bingo	6:00 pm

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