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You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: He has risen, He is not here. (Mk 16:6)

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

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Thank you to everyone who helped to make this month a success. We hosted or assisted at a myriad of activities this month highlighting all four principles of our order. We had five brothers raised to the fourth degree and several brothers participated in the exemplification as Honor Guards. Several brothers leant their strong backs and unique dancing skills to help the Colleens put on their second annual Seniors Prom. Our Lenten Dinners helped to feed the flock at St. Joseph's capped off by Peter's Famous Buffalo Fish Fry. And our ladies treated us to another great St. Patrick's Day Party. I thank our Council Brothers who attended the State Founder's Day Mass and Banquet to see our nominee awarded the State Law Enforcement Officer of the Year.

Far too few brothers attended our Squires Investiture and communion breakfast, but I'm hopeful that more of you will attend future events with our Squires Circle. I know how busy our lives can get, but isn't there just a little time left over to show these boys what it means to be part of a fraternal organization as great as ours?

As we begin our Spring cleaning and fixing things up around our homes, keep in mind that these same little projects need to be done

around the Council Home, Church and homes of our brother Knights and widows. If you have a bit of spare time, consider offering assistance where it is needed.

As we enjoy a small respite from our busy Council schedule this month, I hope to see many of you relaxing at our 50s-60s Social event or the Colleens Quartermania.

Shoulder to Shoulder in Service...

Rallying for what We Believe

My Brothers,

We have been talking for some time now about the Same Sex Marriage Bill that Governor O'Malley signed into law recently.

You've been asking "what can I do?" I now have your answer.

On the weekend of April 29th, St. Joseph's Catholic Community will conduct a petition signing drive after all Masses.

In order for the event to run smoothly and collect the maximum possible amount of signatures, I need the assistance of all of our members and their wives.

Before you can collect signatures, you must attend a short training session to guarantee that every signature you collect will count towards the 55,000 we need to bring the law up for referendum in November.

Once we start getting volunteers, we will set up the training sessions to be held at times to accommodate everyone. Please let Brother Al Grasley know what Mass you can help with and when you are available to attend a training session.

Email: AlGras@verizon.net

Thank you in advance for your help on this important matter.

Vivat Jesus

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

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The State and District calendars for the upcoming month are brief, but April always proves to be an interesting and event filled month. Be sure to inform yourselves regarding the candidates running for public office, and then vote your conscience in the upcoming election. Our State Deputy urges us to fully participate in the petition drive to Preserve Marriage in Maryland. We need trained advocates in every parish. If you haven't already done so, please meet with your pastor and initiate a petition drive in defense of marriage and in defense of our faith. I have petition forms from the Maryland Marriage Alliance and the documentation and guidelines to initiate signature drives in your neighborhood. I am looking for at least 10 volunteers!

Now that we have reached the final fiscal quarter of the year, we need to assess our progress in terms of membership development, reports and recruitment. There is still time to make our goals. First degrees will be held on April 3rd at Westminster Council 1393, April 26th at St Bartholomew Council 9127, and May 16th at Archbishop Fulton Sheen Council 7612. A Second Degree will follow on May 17th at 7612, with the Third Degree presented on May 18th at Westminster 1393, to complete our annual triple – header! Let the Grand Knights know you have candidates for these events.

April 8th is **Easter Sunday**! This is the most glorious and important day in our Church and in our faith. Support parish events during Holy Week and keep our focus on Christ.

The MD State Convention is on May 4 – 6 in Ocean City. Plan to be there! There is always something new. This is an election year with 4 candidates running for State Warden. Come out and support your candidate! Youth activities promise a fun and refreshing change. The hospitality rooms will be entertaining, with district 21 providing the leading edge. I look forward to the State Council Spring meeting on March 31. Look for more information on this in these reports, and at your council meetings

Ask a Catholic man to join our order today! Always carry a form 100. Always remember to do everything for the Glory of God. Mary, make us always aware....

Vivat Jesus

LECTURER'S REPORT

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On March 28th forty people attended the "Backwards Night" social. The evening started with breakfast for dinner. The meal of eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, home fries and toast was prepared by Chef PGK Tom Greul and his assistants. Iced cinnamon and orange rolls were served for dessert. Everyone enjoyed the delicious meal.

Then we all played four games invented and patented by PGK Joe Eagle. The games, Put Your Face On, Do Your Homework, Pack Your Back Pack and Get Your Lunch Money supported the breakfast theme. All enjoyed the games especially the Get Your Lunch Money game. Forty four red Solo cups were placed on a table with change under each cup. Each team had a runner who had to run to the table and pick up a cup and bring the change back to his team table. This continued until they had exactly \$1.00. The "Senior Table" lead by Captain Roy Wagner had the lead with a time of one minute and ten seconds until the last table, "The Goonies" runner Joe Rooney turned in a time of

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one minute and two seconds. Their prize was all of the change under all of the cups.

Throughout the evening we once again had three Whistle Blowers where once the whistle was blown we picked tickets for valuable prizes. The grand prize was a valuable toaster oven combo coffee set won by Kathy Wachter. Everyone was very envious!!

The April social will be on April 25th. The theme will be the fifties and sixties. It will be true pot luck. We will eat whatever people bring.

An e-mail blast will be sent out with all the details soon. If you are planning to attend please contact me using the info above. We hope to see you all there.

MEMBERSHIP

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Coming up in May there will be a membership triple header in our district. The first degree date is Wednesday May 16th during our regular business meeting night. The second degree will be on Thursday May 17th also at our Council. The third degree will be on Wednesday May 18th at the Westminster Council. This is not only an opportunity to bring in a new member but also an opportunity for any first degree to make their second and third degrees during the same week. Let's all work together to have several candidates make their first degree as well as many members to take their second and third degrees during this triple header. If you have a candidate please contact me as soon as possible so we can interview him in time to have him installed during the triple header. Thanks to all of you who have sponsored new members this year.

Please contact me if you need any information, forms or need to refer a candidate to be interviewed. I assure you as soon as I get any referrals for membership I will reach out to them immediately to schedule an interview. Please wear your membership badges to

church. Let's all work together so we can share something we all enjoy with others

Vivat Jesu.

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SAVE THE DATE!

The 32nd Annual Art Auction will be held on May 19, 2012 at the Winfield Volunteer Fire Department hall. The proceeds of this event go directly to our Scholarship Fund. Please help us this year by taking a patron sponsor and attending the event.

We are again selling raffle tickets for our 3rd Annual Ocean City Getaway. The tickets are \$20.00 each for a chance to win a week stay at a luxury three bedroom three bath condominium located on 76th street bayside. The drawing will take place at our 32nd Annual Art Auction on May 19, 2012. Please help us by purchasing a ticket and selling some to your friends and family. Contact me for tickets or any questions you may have using the info above.

If you or someone you know wants to donate a vehicle please contact me using the info above

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Ladies.

March was a very successful month. We hosted the 2nd annual Senior's Prom. The event was a major hit with our senior community thanks



to Cherie Hundertmark and her great team of volunteers, including more than a few Knights. We also had our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance. The food was stellar as usual, thanks to

the efforts of Jeanne O'Sullivan and Diane Eagle and Heather Greul.

April we will have our Quarter Mania. Ticket sales are very important. We really need your help. The flyer is attached in this communique. If you could spread the word we can make this a successful event. It is the evening of the 27th in the gym at St. Joseph's.

Our next meeting is the 18th of April where we will be putting the finishing touches on our Quarter Mania as well as discussing officers for next year. I hope to see you all there.

Thanks and God Bless.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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Council Rosary Night

Rosary every Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm at Cassidy Center. Since 9/11/2001, Knights and their ladies of our Council family have gathered each Tuesday evening to say a Rosary in memory of those killed that tragic day and for service men and women at home and abroad fighting the war on terror.

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We, as a Council, have made a commitment to be present every Sunday morning, between 6:00 and 7:00 Am., for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel at St. Joseph's.

From the Bulletin...

We are excited to offer a new way to keep in touch with activities/ministries in the Church...Like us on Facebook!!

Follow all our Facebook pages.....

- St. Joseph Catholic Community http://www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Joseph-Catholic-Community/177362555629054
- Religious Education http://www.facebook.com/pages/SJ-Religious-Education/253654961369299

- Service, Justice and Life http://www.facebook.com/pages/SJCC-Service-Justice-and-Life/328802890474191
- Youth Ministry Middle School http://www.facebook.com/pages/SJCC-Middle-School-YM/150793421706159
- Youth Ministry High School http://www.facebook.com/pages/SJCC-High-School-YM/194357070661849
- Youth Ministry Young Adults http://www.facebook.com/pages/SJCC-Young-Adult-YM/228188893937634

PIT BEEF REPORT

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If you are already on the pit beef crew, I have ordered new shirts for you. If you are not and want to help out with one of the councils largest fund raisers, please email me so I can add you to the email group. We have several events scheduled this year starting on July 4th at the farm museum.

PRO-LIFE REPORT

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2nd Annual Baby Bottle Drive

Brothers, Happy Easter, Get ready to collect those bottles! Yes April 14th and 15th we will be collecting the bottles will be sending out an email for you to volunteer your time that weekend. Thanks in advance for your time.

A Look at the Culture of Death

I must admit I was taken aback by the following story, March 8th on Oregenlive.com "Portland-area couple sues Legacy Health for \$3 million for 'wrongful birth' after child born with Down syndrome." As I read the story, I was in disbelief; the mother stated that if she had known her child would have had Down's syndrome they would have aborted.

So what do we make of this? Is this mother an unfit mother now? What is her relationship with her child? So many questions! Even more alarming, several studies show that more than 89 percent of women who learn they will give birth to a child with Down syndrome choose to terminate their pregnancies.

The story was updated March 9th with the Jury awarding the child 3 million dollars. "As the Judge read the verdict. The couple nodded and mouthed "thank you" as jurors filed out of the courtroom. A few nodded back smiled or reached out a hand toward the Levys. One juror visibly held back tears. Another wished them peace."

It seems strange to me that they feel sympathy for the parents and their burden but none for the innocent. Experts say so few parents choose to file wrongful birth suits because it forces them to take an awkward position: They must be willing to say on the record that they would have aborted the pregnancy, and that they feel a burden -- albeit financial -- of raising the child. I really do not know how to make sense of this. One law (Roe V Wade) has turned everything upside down, it is so corruptible. So I just pray that the Holy Spirit will open these people's hearts and they will understand God's love and pass it onto their child.

40 Days for Life a Huge Success

Let's end on a high note! The latest numbers are 668 Babies Saved. The daily e-mails from the 40 days of life are so uplifting. It is amazing to me, how when people decide not have an abortion, they feel relieved and happy. I said numerous prayers during the 40 days for life protestors and for abortion providers and works to see their wrong doings and turn to God during Lent. 668 babies! WOW!

Stay Strong, God is on our side!

COUNCIL BENEFITS ADVISOR

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A single premium whole life insurance policy (SPWL) can be the perfect choice for people who want to maximize the amount of money they leave to their heirs, while still maintaining control of and access to their money. One premium payment pays the policy in full and guarantees lifetime benefits. It avoids probate and income tax if paid to the named beneficiary. But the premium payment gains interest, and unlike a CD, that interest does not get taxed each year. It accumulates and compounds tax deferred like an IRA. And it remains accessible to you.

A partial withdrawal does not surrender the policy; it simply reduces the death benefit accordingly. Your cash can also be withdrawn, either in part or fully without the penalty schedules that are associated with CDs and annuities. In fact, the growth rate is almost always better than a CD if you can be approved at a standard non tobacco rate. SPWL is considered to be a modified endowment contract, so withdrawals are considered to be taxable income until and unless you begin withdrawing your original premium payment amount.

Where do you find the money to acquire a SPWL? Well, usually from "non-tax qualified" money, in other words, not traditional IRA money or 401K money. More likely it would be from a CD that is maturing, or from a life insurance lump sum benefit that you received as a beneficiary. You could use a ROTH IRA to purchase a SPWL policy.

For example, if a healthy 65 year old knight took \$50,000 and purchased a KofC SPWL policy, he would likely put \$87,231 of paid up whole life insurance immediately in place. If he died (or should I say, when he died) his beneficiary would get that money with no income tax due. But his \$50k accumulates.

At today's interest rates and dividend scale (dividends cannot be guaranteed) in five years the cash value projects to be \$59,904....in ten years \$73,267.

The SPWL is a very useful and increasingly popular financial tool to reduce one's taxable assets and increase tax advantaged assets. Knights of Columbus offers SPWL to members and spouses up to age 80 years and six months. The death benefit can be as small as \$5000. Remember, if you have good health, it is not only a blessing; it is also a financial asset that can be used to acquire a SPWL policy. Please contact me using the information listed above to arrange a personal proposal.

DGK REPORT

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On the advice of the State Council, I requested and the worthy Grand Knight appointed me as chairman of the nominating committee. Brother knights David Love and John Hundertmark and I formed the committee. At the March business meeting, I presented the following list of nominees under new business. The list will be reread at the April and May meetings. The election of officers will be held immediately after third reading at the May business meeting.

- Grand Knight S/K David Johnston
- Deputy Grand Knight S/K Harold Bernadzikowski
- Chancellor S/K David Love
- Warden S/K Greg Lofton
- Recorder S/K Ray Miles
- Treasurer S/K Otto Greul
- Advocate S/K Mike Murphy
- 3-year Trustee S/K Bill Rooney, Grand Knight
- 2-year Trustee S/K Joe Eagle, PGK
- 1-year Trustee S/K Greg Lynch, PGK
- Inside Guard: S/K Colin Roden
- Outside Guard: TBD
- 2 Convention Delegates & Alternates

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

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Weather is warming up, and more activities ahead. Easter is here. S/K Tony Gioio will be looking for volunteers on the Monster Truck event on June 2nd. Take your TEAM Training now if you want to serve beer, or you will be working in the kitchen like I do. It's always a great time every time. All M&T stadium events bring us huge rewards. Mark your calendars, next month's theme for the Social Night is – Bringing on the 50's and the 60's. I barely remember those decades but the music is the best. Let's Rock and Roll

Camping Trip

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We only have a few spots left for the Knights of Columbus camping trip. We will be camping on June 8-9-10 at Harper Ferry KOA. We will have a big communal dinner were we will cook the ribs and chicken and everyone will bring the sides and the paper products. If you want to go camping with us let me know as soon as you can so we can fit you in.

For The Good of the Order

March Good of the Order Drawing worth \$42 would have been won by Patrick Ulem, if he had been present at the Business Meeting. The Good of the Order drawing at our April Business Meeting on Wednesday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Home, will be worth \$78. You must be present to win!!!

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

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At last month's business meeting, the donations made to the charity box were directed to go to the Right to Life effort and the crisis center in Westminster. I am pleased to report that \$51 was collected and will be forwarded to Kathy Reid for forwarding to the crisis center. Thanks to all for their generosity!

If you know of a member who is sick or is recently deceased, PLEASE EMAIL or CALL me as soon as possible. I would rather get multiple calls about someone who needs our prayers than to not be notified at all.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED BROTHERS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS:

- SK Earl Florin (Asst. to the Master, ADW) Ed Budelis Robert Coy

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

- Bonnie Abend
- Phillip Barrett (Bob's brother)
- Ashley Berdel
- Verna Blanchard (Chris Ryder's
- Mother in Law) - Kellie Boehm
- Mike Bodnar
- Patty Bowlen (friend of Dick
- John Bruce (friend of SK Greg
- Lofton) - Al Cassiere
- John Catalano
- Joan Cornell (mother of Tom Roden)
- Wanda Coy (Bob Coy's Wife)
- Ray Comes
- Chuck Crew
- Pete Decker
- Emma DiMaio
- Children of Toni DiVenti
- Mike Driscoll - Mary Erline
- Alexandra Fry
- Jerry Fuller (Jay Fuller's father)
- Rudy D. Gibson (mother of Elaine
- San Fellipo)
- John Gropshover
- Ed Hantzell
- Barbara Heck (Diane Eagle's
- Cousin)
- Betty Hetrick
- Paige Hilfer
- Cindy Hogan Joni Holland
- Helen Horner (wife of Joe)
- Bud Housel

- Joe Januszewski
- Margaret Kaelin
- John Kendall
- Mary Kerney (Ed Budelis'
- daughter)
- George Koleszar (brother Bob
- Koleszar)
- Paige Lang
- Walter Lynch (Greg's Uncle)
- Mary & John Maguire
- Kristin Mandella
- Terry Manner
- Floyd McCurdy
- William McQuay (father of Keith)
- Charlie McTygue (Father of John
- McTygue)
- Mary Love Green Mezzanotti
- (cousin of David Love)
- Carl Motter (Scott's father)
- Pam Murphy (wife of Mike)
- Little "Mac" Murray
- Paul Noel
- Jim Patanella
- Lucy Perron (wife of Dick)
- Anna Pierce
- Pat Reilly
- Randi Roden (half-sister of Tom
- Roden)
- Sherrie Roden (wife of Tom)
- Adele Sadoski (daughter of Ed **Budelis**)
- Mike Saleese (MD Church
- **Activities Director)**
- Elaine San Fellipo (Frank's Wife)
- Frank SanFellipo
- Bill Sapp

- Connie Sapp (Bill's Daughter in Law)
- Dennis Sinmont (Rick Wilhide's
- Brother in law) - Sherrie Sisle
- Deacon Todd Smith
- Louis Stachowiak (District Deputy)
- Louis Stachowiak, Sr. (father of DD
- Lou)
- Bob Steppling
- Beth Stevens
- Uhul Talley
- John Tolota (St. Joes -
- Taneytown)
- Eleanor Urick
- Ray Vaccare
- Cheyenne VanCleve
- Janet VanCleve
- Annamaria White
- Larry White
- Katherine Winkler
- Carleton Williams
- Mackenzie Wilson
- Paige Wilson (sister-in-law of
- Harold B.)
- GK John Winfrey (Dist. of
- Columbia)
- Gertrude Witte
- Joe Wolf
- Denise Wolfe
- Anne Wotapka (wife of Richard)
- Charlene Young (works with Ray Miles)
- Kathy Young (Joe Eagle's Motherin-Law)
- Sandee Zabela
- John Zambito

FOURTH DEGREE

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Please join us at our Assembly meetings on the fourth Monday of each month. Meetings start at 7:30 and are at the ARC of Carroll County in Westminster.

Our Assembly will celebrate our 60th anniversary this May, help us to celebrate and plan our dance we are going to have.

OPERATION WELCOME HOME

- Tues Apr 10 12:45 pm Cheri and Bud budl@comcast.net
- Tues Apr 10 4:30 pm Cheri and Bud budl@comcast.net
- Thurs Apr 12 6:00 pm Jane and Sue marlie@verizon.net;suealbright@comcast.net
- Fri Apr 13 6:00 pm Joann, Ken, Kathy T joanncavey@msn.com;navyfam6@comcast.net
- Mon Apr 16 12:45 pm Barbara and Judie baflanagan@verizon.net;judie4600@comcast.net
- Tues Apr 17 2:45 pm Jane and Hank marlie@verizon.net

http://www.operationwelcomehomemd.org/

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

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Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights meeting is April 12 at Westminster Council at 8pm. Ladies are invited to attend for the evening. Ladies will be treated to a wine and chocolate tasting at the Portico compliments of the Baltimore Chapter.

April 14 @ Archbishop Curley High School at 5pm the Baltimore Chapter will be hosting a free event. A showing of the movie Blood Money - The Business of Abortion. The true story behind Planned Parenthood. There will also be a 1 hr. concert by Caitlin Jane, a contemporary music star.

Thank you from the Baltimore Chapter for hosting our Anniversary Dinner this year.

SUPREME INFORMATION

The Supreme Council marked the 130th anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus at a Mass on March 29th in St. Mary's Church in New Haven, where the Order began. Attending the Mass were relatives of Venerable Michael J. McGivney, an honor guard of Fourth Degree Knights, and Knights from Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and New York.

March 29th marks the day when Connecticut State approved the charter of the Knights of Columbus in 1882.

The main celebrant and homilist at the Mass was Father Joseph P. Allen, O.P., pastor of St. Mary's, and a member of Father McGivney Council 10705, which is based at the New Haven church. In his homily, he said that the 1.8 million Knights throughout the world share the charism of Father McGivney, based on the Order's principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. "We are challenged to reflect our vocation as Knights, and we do so if we uphold the ideals of the Knights which had been given 130 years ago, and if we look to our founder Father Michael J. McGivney for guidance."

In the early years, the Knights of Columbus experienced obstacles to growth which were overcome "because God wanted this work to continue, as it does continue today because of you and your brother Knights," said Father Allen.

Two relatives of Father McGivney participated in the Mass. The first reading was read by John Walshe, great grandnephew of Father McGivney, and the gifts were brought up during the Offertory Procession by Margaret Ransom, great grandniece of Father McGivney, and her husband, Robert Ransom, who is an employee at the Supreme Council.

After Mass, Father Allen led supreme officers to the tomb of Father McGivney located in the rear of the church, where they recited the Prayer for Canonization along with the congregation. Father McGivney was declared Venerable in

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2008, when the Vatican recognized his heroic virtue, and a miracle attributed to his intercession is needed for him to advance to beatification.



STATE REPORT

"Welcome Home". That was the message we got after the State Council's Valentine's cruise to the Caribbean. Only it came from the four suitcases of dirty laundry staring back at us, the huge USPS basket of mail I picked up from the post office, and the large number of phone messages waiting for us on the home phone.

Besides the laundry, much of the communications centered around the pending Same Sex Marriage legislation here in Maryland; and the fact that it was quickly coming up for a vote. Quicker than the time it takes to get a third load of laundry in the washer, the vote on the bill was history and our Catholic Governor was vowing to sign into law, legislation that violates the sacrament of marriage.

Running close behind it was the pronouncement that the President of the United States was issuing a compromise to the Catholic Church on his health care mandate; but that the Catholic Church saw it as no compromise at all but instead a violation of Catholic con-science.

What a rude awakening - from a beautiful cruise in the Caribbean, to a smack in the face to the Catholic Church by our President and our Governor. Yet sadly that's where we are. But the

good news is that in a time like this, the Knights of Columbus is where we need to be.

Imagine you, by yourself, wanting to take on either the National Health Care Law or the State mandated Same Sex Marriage legislation. What could you possibly do? What impact could your one vote - your single voice, have against powers such as the Governor of the state of Maryland or bigger yet, the President of the United States?

But, as a member of an organization of over 27,000 strong here in the state; as a member of an international organization of over 1,800,000; your voice becomes much stronger, your vote becomes much more powerful.

Our leaders in the Catholic Church and the Order are making plans for us to stand up and proudly and loudly say, we are Catholic and the actions of our Governor and our President are contrary to teachings of the Catholic Church. Moreover, we are American citizens and we want our values to be represented as well by the both of you.

So the wakeup call is here. Be ready to act when the Catholic Church or the Knights of Columbus give the signal. We will be responding to the same sex marriage legislation with a petition drive to bring it to referendum; and Cardinal Timothy Dolan, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops will advise us on the approach we will take with regard to the decisions made by the Department of Health and Human Services and the President of the United States.

Start talking up the campaign with your Brother Knights and fellow Catholics – we are Catholic Americans and we expect our elected officials to honor the Constitution especially when it comes to the First Amendment – "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise there-of..."!

Welcome home.

Fulton Sheen Monthly Council Calendar

APRIL

Squire's Meeting 7pm		
Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM		
Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM		
Spring event		
Baby Bottle Collection		
Squire's donut sale		
CUFP House Meeting 7:30 PM		
Sheen's Colleens Meeting		
Squire's Social 7pm		
Family Movie Night CANCELLED		
Highway Clean-up 8 AM		
Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM		
CCARC		
Social, 50's 60's night		
Sheen's Colleens Quarter Auction		
Red Cross Blood Drive		
Family Breakfast at Church		

MAY

3	Squire's Meeting 7pm			
4-6	Md. State Convention O.C.			
7	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM			
9	Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM			
12	Squire's marigold prep 10am			
	Marigolds to mothers after masses,			
12-13	please help			
14	CUFP House Meeting 7:30 PM			
16	Sheen's Colleens Meeting			
16	First Degree			
17	Squire's Social 7pm			
17	Second Degree			
18	Third Degree			
19	Art Auction, Winfield Fire House			
21	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM CCARC			
23	Social			

JUNE

3	Awards Banquet		
	Squires to assist at Awards		
3	Banquet		
8-10	K of C Family Camping		
11	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM		
13	Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM		
18	CUFP House Meeting 7:30 PM		
	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM		
25	CCARC		
27	Social, Grand Knight's Picnic		
18-23	Sykesville carnival		
	District Deputy and Grand Knight		
6/28-7/1	Seminar at Mt. St. Mary's		

JULY

4	Pit beef Old Fashion Fourth of July
•	State officers and District Deputies
7	installation at Columbus Gardens
9	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM
9-14	Winfield Carnival
11	Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM
16	CUFP House Meeting 7:30 PM
	Membership and Program Seminar at
17	Cardinal Gibbons Council
21	Pit beef, Surf and Turf
23	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM CCARC

THIS MONTH'S COUNCIL BIRTHDAYS

Michael Gilsdorf 2 Paul Fenton 2 Bryan Lawson 3 Edmund Zynda 8 Terence Nolan 8 Conrad Michels 9 Thomas Hild 11 Joseph Antosca 16 Robert Guenther 18 Kevin McCall 19 James Hegarty 23 William Hill 24 James Parker 25 Dominic Monteil 28 Jeffrey Dumm 28 William Sapp 30 Ray Comes 30 Stephen Centineo 30 Steven Rogness 30

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Refer to this web site for copies of previous Communiqués and other up-to-date information regarding Council activities and other contact information.

STATE WEBSITE:

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The Beacon, the State's newsletter, can be found using the following link:

http://www.kofc-md.org/docs1011/beacon.pdf

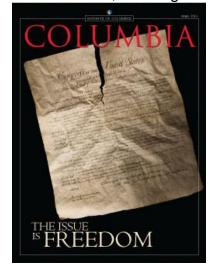


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The Columbia, the Knights of Columbus monthly magazine, can be found using the following link:

www.kofc.org/un/en/columbia/index.html



Sheen's Colleens, The Ladies Auxiliary of The Knights of Columbus #7612 QUARTER MANIA FUNDRAISER

DATE: Friday, April 27, 2012

Time: Doors open @ 6pm and game starts @ 7pm

Held at: St. Joseph Catholic Community Church

915 Liberty Rd, Eldersburg, MD 21784

NO REFUNDS - ALL MONIES (advance or door) WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE DOOR

Cost: \$5.00 Reserved Advance Seats - will receive 2 game paddles

Call for reserved advance seats

Door Admissions (if available): \$8.00 - will receive 1 game paddle

Extra paddles cost \$2.00 each (if available)

















Food & Refreshments Available

To reserve your seats or for more information call:

Barbara Rooney @ 410-549-0148 or410-935-8919 or bnbrooney@comcast.net

Judy Gue @ 240-674-1961 or jcgue116@hotmail.com

(put in subject area "quarter mania" or it will not be opened)

Vendors to include, but not limited to, and subject to change without notice:

*lia sophia jewelry *Cat's Creations *Tastefully Simple

*Longaberger *Tupperware *Pampered Chef

*Handyman Tools *Partylite *Scentsy

*Tealightful Tea *Judy's Creations

70-80 Prizes to be given away with 40 paid admissions

Less than 40, number of prizes given away will be adjusted



Proceeds to Benefit St. John's Music Ministry and Knights Charities

For tickets:

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APRIL 2012

Council Business Meeting

2nd Wednesday of the Month, 7:30pm at the Council Home

Council Officers & Program Directors Mtg. Charity Corp. Meeting

Monday before Business Meeting, 7:30-9:30pm at the Council Home

CUFP, Inc. (Home Corporation) Meeting

Monday immediately following the Council's Business Meeting. Meetings are open to all members.

Reservation of the Council Home:

To avoid scheduling conflicts concerning the use of the Council Home, the host or committee chair must contact Dan Hundertmark.

Sheen's Colleens Meeting

3rd Wednesday of the Month, 7:00pm, St. Joseph's Cassidy Center

Council Social Meeting

Typically the 4th Wednesday of the Month

Communiqué Deadline for Articles

4th Thursday of the Month