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**“The refusal to take sides on great moral issues is itself a decision. It is a silent acquiescence to evil. The Tragedy of our time is that those who still believe in honesty lack fire and conviction, while those who believe in dishonesty are full of passionate conviction.” Fulton J. Sheen**

## GRAND KNIGHT’S REPORT

To My Council Family,

March will be another busy month for our council. We start with a first degree at our March Buisness meeting on wed. the 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Sheen Collen’s Annual Senior prom is on St. Patricks Day Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup>. If your over 60, come on out and join in the party. I encourage all of my brother knights to come and be dance partners for our guests. You will have a really fun Time.

Our second Family Fridy Lenten fish fry is on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Our first dinner was a huge success we served over 300 dinners. And we are expecting an even large attendance at this next event



## SUPREME COUNCIL REPORT

[www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org)

Please check out the webpage for a variety of informative and enlightening articles and

news about recent events for the KofC around the world.

## STATE COUNCIL REPORT



Please check out the State webpage ([www.kofc-md.org](http://www.kofc-md.org)) for information on upcoming State events and programs.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY’S REPORT

Bill Adams, District Deputy

Brothers All,

As I sit here happy the Patriots Lost to The Eagles, I cannot help but think of our patriotism in the Knights of Columbus. No I did not watch much of the game, maybe the first 10 minutes, but just to spend time with Celeste. Not watching gave me time to reflect on more important things.

We are blessed to be Knights, we have the chance to change lives, protect life and save lives. That’s what we do with our charitable out reach and our membership drives. We change lives through “Into the Breach” booklets, helping

the parish and communities. We protect lives and save lives with all we do towards Pro-Life from conception to natural death, both in person and our lobbying of congress. You all have made me proud over my term as your District Deputy.

We have a lot going on in the last five months, between Admissions degrees at Westminster (2/6) and St. Bart's (2/22) and the Formation Degree at Westminster (2/20) to all of the events coming up for Lent that you all will be supporting for your Parishes. I look forward to reading the reports.

The state conventions is the first weekend of May and the State will host the Supreme convention in August. We will need volunteers for August, so go to the state webpage, kofc-md.org and sing up.

We will have brought nearly 20 new members District wide by the end of February. This is great, I encourage all of you to get the Booklets "Into the Breach" and read it, get several copies and hand them out or ask you pastor to have a discussion group. This is life changing for Catholic Men, and will help with the younger men looking for a guide into the faith. Who knows, it may help you get new members.

Lastly, pray, in the morning, at night and as often as possible throughout the day. Pray for the world, our country, our brothers and our families. A rosary in our hands strengthens us all.

Vivat Jesus  
Bill Adams-DD21



### **COUNCIL BENEFITS ADVISOR**

Mike Hurley

Are you receiving your monthly editions of Columbia Magazine? It is a benefit to all member Knights of Columbus in good standing.

If you are not receiving it, please email me [Michael.Hurley@KofC.org](mailto:Michael.Hurley@KofC.org) or call/text my cell # 410-913-7835 and I will correct that.

In the February issue our Worthy Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson spoke about the KofC insurance program and about us insurance agents. I want to restate what he wrote in case you missed it. Carl said that we insurance agents are the order's greatest fraternal advantage, and that our technical competence is important, but what puts us in a different category is our fraternal commitment to our brother Knights. What is decisive is our commitment to charity, unity and fraternity.

We know that our brother Knights are neither an abstraction nor a statistic. We are the men who are with you in council meetings, who are in the pew next to you at Mass and who volunteer with you at charitable projects. We know you and your families because we see you and listen to you. We pray for you and we trust you. We have a responsibility to live up to your trust also..

Fraternally,  
Michael Hurley, FIC (Mike)  
Council Benefits Advisor

## **COUNCIL NEWS**

### **LECTURER'S REPORT**

Richard Perron

No report.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Joe Kirschensteiner

No report.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

George Moriatis, Recorder

The drawing for the Good of The Order was for \$67.00. The winner was Paul Washart who was not present. The next month's drawing for February will be for \$90.

## **ACTIVITY REPORTS**

### **CHURCH**

Peter O'Sullivan

#### **Tuesday Rosary**

This tradition began following the 9/11 tragedy and has continued without interruption. In addition to the victims of 9/11, we remember our service and law enforcement men and women and other intentions as they arise. Everyone is invited to come to the Cassidy Center at 7:30 p.m. whenever you have an hour to spare on a Tuesday night.

#### **Adoration**

Our Council has committed to have members present from 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. every Sunday morning. All Knights, their families, and friends are invited and encouraged to participate in this beautiful activity.

### **COMMUNITY**

George Snediker

No report.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

We welcome our new members, those re-activated and transferred! Join in with what interests you have and provide us with your feedback and inputs. Looking at what we do from a different perspective helps to keep us grounded and is the life-blood of any Council.

***We have a moral obligation to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every eligible Catholic man.***

Please reach out to Catholic men you meet or know at church to see if they may be interested in joining our brotherhood. If you are not sure what to say or do, do not hesitate to contact me or any Past Grand Knight of our Council. Also, remember that there are materials at our Bulletin Board area that is behind the steps to the new Hall. You are welcome to hand

out any of the information on the Knights to a prospective candidate. We will add more Form 100's to the drawer for recruitment use. Let me know if we need more materials to be stored there.

**Degree Schedule:** <http://www.kofc-md.org/docs1617/degrees/Degrees.pdf>

Greg Lofton, PGK, Membership Director

### **COUNCIL**

No report.

### **PIT BEEF**

David Love

No report.

## **CONCESSION STAND PROJECT**

Tony Gioio

As we all know, this was a tough year for the NFL. Political on field protests resulted in large decreases of attendance. Midway through the season I was very concerned that it would have very detrimental effect on our councils budget. However I am now happy to report that the NFL's problems only had minimal effects on our fund raising efforts at the stadium.

We started the 2017 fund raising year expecting a reduction in profits because the stadium was going to be closed for most of the summer to allow the astro turf to be replaced with real grass on the field. There were also no college games scheduled and The Army / Navy was played on the west coast this year. This all resulted in us only having 12 events instead of the usual 15 events as was normal for previous years.

Last year we cleared just over \$20,000.00 this year we made \$ 18,240.00. I have to rate this as a very good job considering all we had stacked against us.

Our success was entirely due to the hard work and dedication of the many volunteers who worked the concession stands this past year.

There are many people I need to thank  
Dave love and his wife Carol and son Joe  
who managed and ran the chicken tender stand  
Andy Turgeon who managed food court  
registers.

Jarvis Abellana my kitchen manager for the  
Green Turtle stand.

The Volunteers from the Catholic Daughters,  
JoAnna King , Elena Hodgkiss, Cathy Cavey.

All of the Sheens Collens who came down  
Kathy, Monica, Barb , Jean, I am sure I am  
missing a few other.

All of the Family members and friends  
especially the Klezer family Erin, Eric, Mollie ,  
Emilie and my sister Gen and her husband  
Scott, My son and daughter in-law Tony and  
Ryanne

All of the other brother knights who came  
down to help out Bill, Mike, Joe, Chris, Andy  
Peter, George, Bruce and Tim.

And most of all I have to thank my wife  
Louise who was our book keeper and stood by  
my side helping me both at home and at the  
stadium.

This is the seventh year I have managed  
concession stand for our council at M&T  
stadium. Back in 2011 we had only one stand  
#124 on the main level. Our hard and honest  
work earned us a move to a more profitable  
and much more comfortable stand on the Club  
Level, we now run the 3 most profitable stands  
on the club level. Several of you have been  
with me for the entire 7 years and many of you  
have multiple years devoted to these fund  
raising efforts. I always know that all of you will  
always give 110% and this is why our work at  
M&T is so successful. I promise to do my  
best to make next year's events as enjoyable  
, rewarding and as profitable as this years.

Looking forward to working with yo'all next  
year

Tony

## **FAMILY**

Jarvis Abellana

### **Family of the Month**

The Kirschensteiners are our family  
representative. Brother Joe is our present  
Warden; and Paula is an active member of  
Sheen's Colleens. As a family, they organized  
the annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Joe is an integral  
team member of our M&T Stadium group,  
volunteering many hours at NFL games as  
cashier; to raise funds for our scholarships and  
community charity programs. In addition, they  
are committee members to select student finalist  
for college scholarship. Paula organizes the food  
preparations for most of Sheen's activities to  
support various functions for church and  
community events. On Sundays, Maggie and  
Charles attends Religious Ed. In the meantime,  
this couple takes time to assist the Coffee and  
Donuts team. Joe and Paula, always  
dependable; and strong in faith and family truly  
deserves this recognition.

### **Family Night Schedule**

Snow date: Mar 3rd, 2018

Now showing Ninjago



Dinner begins at 6:15 p.m. and the movie will follow at 6:45 p.m. Cost is \$3 per person. Please bring a dessert to share, blankets and sleeping bags for the kids to watch the movie. Be sure to sign up in the Cassidy Center. We are also giving away a DVD of this movie.

We are looking for volunteers. This is a good opportunity for teens requiring community hours.

## CULTURE OF LIFE

Al Grasley

No report.

## C.U.F.P., INC. (HOME CORPORATION)

Harold Bernadzikowski, President

No report.

## WARDEN'S REPORT

No report.

## ASSEMBLY REPORT

Greg Lofton

No report.

## OPERATION WELCOME HOME

The calendar of OWHMD events for August and September can be found at:

[www.operationwelcomehomemd.org](http://www.operationwelcomehomemd.org)

Please consider attending one of these events—it is a wonderful feeling to show our returning troops how much support they have.

## Baltimore Chapter OF GK's

Gregory McClain— President

<http://www.mdkofc.org/baltimore/default.htm>

Chapter meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M. at the Council home of one of our affiliates.

## SHEEN'S COLLEENS CORNER

Brenda Watson-Ransdell

Free to all! The Lady Sheens are planning our largest event of the year. The Annual Seniors' Prom will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 1-4 pm in SJCC's F&F Hall. Please join us either as a guest, age 60 and older or to work the event. All help is welcome. Let's make this the best Prom EVER!



## CHANCELLOR'S REPORT ERIC KLEZER

If you know of a member who is sick or is recently deceased, please email or call the Chancellor as soon as possible. (Eklezer@hotmail.com or [chancellor@kofc7612.org](mailto:chancellor@kofc7612.org))

Please pray for our recently deceased Brothers, family members', and friends:

- Msgr. James McGovern- Deceased 12/8/2017

Please pray for our sick and injured:

- Mike Mandella
- Patrick Wachter
- Gayle Ryder

Please pray for our Seminarians

- Chris Rogers
- David Ray

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# SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY'S



## FAMILY FRIDAY LENTEN DINNER

February 16<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the Formation and Fellowship Center

FISH FILLET PLATTER \$5.00

Includes fries, slaw, dessert, & beverage.

CRAB CAKE SANDWICH \$5.00

Includes fries, slaw, dessert, & beverage.

MAC & CHEESE BOWL \$3.00

Includes dessert & beverage.

PIZZA SLICE \$2.00

Includes dessert & beverage.



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### **Council Business Meeting**

Second Wednesday of the Month, 7:30 pm in the lower hall at St. Joseph's campus.

### **Council Officers & Program Directors Mtg.**

Monday before Business Meeting, 7:00 pm in Room 11 at St. Joseph's campus.  
All Council Officers and Program Directors.

### **CUFP, Inc. (Home Corporation) Meeting**

Third Monday of the Month, 7:30 pm in Room 11 at St. Joseph's campus.  
Meetings are open to all members.

### **Sheen's Colleens Meeting**

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

### **Council Social Meeting**

Fourth Wednesday of the Month, 6:30 pm at St. Joseph's campus  
— or as otherwise published in this Communiqué

### **Communiqué Deadline for Articles**

20<sup>th</sup> Day of each Month