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"As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live."– Pope John Paul II

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

Father David McGuigan Unity is a sign of the life of Christ, risen as He said. Brother Knights, may we always have a concern for the unity of our Order and the importance of witnessing as one body. The first reading for Divine Mercy Sunday, from the Acts of the Apostles, described the life of the first Christian community in Jerusalem: "All who believed were together, and held all things in common," (Acts 2:44). They believed and the object of their belief, the risen Lord, became visible in their life and behavior. Unity is the first of four essential elements of the Church in our creed: "I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church." The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that the church is one because of her source, the unity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit; because of her founder, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh; because of her soul, "It is the Holy Spirit...who brings about that wonderful communion of the faithful...he is the principle of the Church's unity." (CCC, 813)

Maintaining the bonds of unity is hard work and requires openness to the grace of God, and that implies submission of one's personal will to a greater good. In the history of the Church, "serious dissensions appeared and large communities became separated from full communion with the Catholic Church—for which often enough, men of both sides were to blame."

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(CCC, 817) Nobody wins the blame game. It can cause harm to any relationship that is rooted in the presumption of unity: personal friendships, partnerships, community associations, marriages and family relationships. Our Council, as is true of every Council of the Knights of Columbus, serves best when we serve as one. Even when we may not be involved, personally, in an endeavor of the Council, we can keep the work of our brother Knights in prayer, a great contribution to the success of any good work, and a participation in the life of the Spirit, the principle of unity.

The Catholic Church's witness to unity is truly unique in the world. As the Catechism states, "From the beginning, this one Church has been marked by a great diversity which comes from both the variety of God's gifts and

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the diversity of those who receive them." (CCC, 814) One way that the Catholic Church has been characterized, in good fun, is "Here comes everybody." That is the nature of the body of Christ in the world: all colors, shapes, sizes, states of life, backgrounds. It can get a little unwieldy and confusing but that is not a problem for God. I experienced this when I travelled to Rome last year for the conclusion of the Year of Consecrated Life. I have to admit I could not keep up with, nor could I understand the ways of some of my brothers and sisters (particularly the Sisters) from other parts of the world. When we were waiting for Pope Francis to arrive to speak to us in Pope Paul VI Hall in Vatican City, I thought I had a personal space that I was entitled to, a chair that I had been sitting in, and the area around it, but once the Pope arrived, all bets were off-I never had a chance. I just gave up, "Ok, I guess I'm over here now." It's a good thing Jesus is risen. Alleluia!

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Michael Murphy Fair Winds and Following Seas

My brothers, as I announced at the April Social Meeting, our beloved Chaplain Fr. David McGuigan, S.M. will be departing us soon. He has accepted his new assignment as the priest for the Marianist Family Retreat Center in Cape May, N.J.

I am very proud to call Fr. Dave my friend and brother in Christ. A fellow Philadelphian and only two years older than I, he has touched me and many of our lives, and he will truly be missed.

Ordination to the priesthood is always a call and a gift from God. Christ reminded his Apostles that they needed to ask the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into the harvest. Those who seek priesthood respond generously to God's call using the words of the prophet, Isaiah (6.8), "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" 'Here I am,' I said; 'send me!'" There are many flocks of the Lord to be tended, and there are many fields to be harvested, and the life of a priests calls him to serve all of them.



"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you." (John 15:16)

Priests serve the community in various ways. They may be called to serve in their dioceses or as religious order priests, carrying out the mission of a particular religious community. They preside at liturgies, preach, administer the sacraments, counsel people, serve as pastors, and teach.

"Then Jesus approached and said to them, 'All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.'" (Matthew 28:18-20)

Here is the contact information: **Marianist Family Retreat Center** PO Box 488 Cape May Point, NJ 08212 Phone: 609-884-3829 <u>http://capemaymarianists.org/</u>

Sacred Heart Stained Glass Project

Through a very generous anonymous donation, the entire \$13,815.00 estimate for the removal, restoration, and installation of the Sacred Heart stained glass window has been paid. Additionally, I am donating the value of the Grand Knight's ring (traditionally given to the outgoing Grand Knight in our Council) valued at \$750.00 towards the \$2,178.00 estimate of the repair of the three damaged stained glass windows in the Historic Saint Joseph's in downtown Sykesville.

Support of Religious Vocations

My brothers, it has been a standard of the Knights of Columbus to support religious vocations. We support two local seminarians with \$500.00 stipends each year, and this year we will be supporting our first Marianist seminarian.

I would like for us to expand our support of religious vocations. First, we need to promote the Knights of Columbus Vocations Scholarships. For the 2016-17 academic year, 35 new **Father McGivney Vocations Scholarships** were awarded to 35 U.S. and four Canadian seminarians enrolled in 24 major schools of theology.

The seminarians are studying for 33 U.S. dioceses, four Canadian dioceses and three religious institutes. In addition to the new scholarships, 57 were renewed.

For the 2016-17 academic year, Bishop Daily Vocations Scholarships went to nine U.S. and one Canadian seminarians enrolled in nine major schools of theology. The seminarians are studying for nine U.S. dioceses and one Canadian dioceses. In addition to the new scholarships, 16 were renewed.

Earnings of the Father Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship Fund and **Bishop Thomas V. Daily Vocations Scholarship Fund** provide scholarships to men in the first four years of theology studying for the Catholic priesthood.

An applicant with appropriate ecclesiastical approval, having been accepted at a major seminary, and studying for an (arch)diocese or religious institute in the United States, its territories, or Canada, is eligible. Preference is given, although not exclusively, to applicants who are members of the Knights of Columbus or whose fathers are members.

Bishop Thomas V. Daily was supreme chaplain from 1987-2005

Each scholarship of \$2,500 is for tuition, room and board. Once awarded, the scholarship is renewable each succeeding year up to a maximum of four years upon certification of continuing enrollment. The scholarship is not available during any year of pastoral internship.

Father McGivney Vocations Scholarships are awarded based on financial need. Bishop Daily Vocations Scholarships are awarded based on academic merit.

Scholarship applications are available after February 1st and completed applications with supporting documents must be received by June 1st. Download the application from:

(<u>http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/communications/256</u> <u>8 vocationsapp 12 2013.pdf</u>). Send the application to:

> Department of Scholarships Knights of Columbus 1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510-3326 or Fax 203-752-4103 or scholarships@kofc.org

Secondly, I would like to develop our own religious vocation scholarship to be available to

parishioners of St. Joseph Catholic Community so they may attend seminary to become a Brother, Sister, or Priest.

Vivat Jesus, Grand Knight

SUPREME COUNCIL REPORT

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.





Please check out the State webpage (<u>www.kofc-md.org</u>) for information on upcoming State events and programs.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Bill Adams, District Deputy My Brother Knights,

I bring you greetings from our Worthy State Deputy, Stephen M. Cohen, whose motto is "We are advocates of the Lord.

Wow, only two months left in the Fraternal year. Goes fast doesn't it? Our Worthy District Warden, Charlie, and I have enjoyed working with you and you current officers. As we move into the new year all of our District Councils will have new officers taking the reins. I know you will give them the same support and continue to do the great works you do year in and year out. For better or worse, Charlie and I have the honor of continuing in our positions and will be able to provide the same support.

As I traveled to all of the councils, the greatest theme I observed was the sense of fraternity and fellowship. You all really like each

other and made the DW and I always feel as part of your councils.

As we close out the new year, remember, we still have two months to increase our membership. "We have no greater or compelling duty than the care of the widows and children of a departed brother." We should remember this and extend it to all Catholic Gentleman. There are men in our parishes that want to help in Charity, want the Unity of our Fraternity, but we haven't asked them. Let's ask ourselves, why haven't we asked them, why did we join, what have been the benefits if you joining. Be excited and ask someone. We need to strive to bring at least 2 new members per council over the next couple of months to help us help others. And remember, there are no vacations, membership does not stop over the summer, so while you enjoy your families and the summer, continue to reach out to new members. We have two remaining Admissions Degrees in the District (We can do More when needed), May 17th at Archbishop Fulton Sheen and June 6 at Westminster. Let's fill the rooms. Formation degree is on May 18th, also at Sheen and then the Knighthood Degree May 19th at Westminster. Help the men you have brought to the order advance. Or take the next step vourself.

Finally, 2017 marks the 100th Anniversary of the Marian Apparitions in Fatima, starting May 13th and celebrated until October 13th. What a beautiful prayer given to us by our Blessed Mother through three young peasant children. Sister Lucia, went home to our Lord in 2005, but the celebration still continues and she revealed the three secrets given to her by our Mother in 2017 over her lifetime. Let us take the time to contemplate what we have been given and remember our promise, made in our hearts, to carry our Rosary always, and pray it as often as possible.

Vivat Jesus, Bill Adams District Deputy 21



COUNCIL BENEFITS ADVISOR Mike Hurley

"Mailbox Money"

Maybe you've heard this buzzword in the financial planning community – Mailbox Money. Just what does this mean? Quite simply...creating an income stream from your existing assets that is sent to you once a month (typically electronically) that covers all your monthly set expenses.

Why is this important? Because if you structure your assets in a conservative manner to cover all your monthly fixed expenses you can both not have to worry about going broke and actually spend any other assets or income streams on fun stuff – like travel, gifts for the grandkids and going out to dinner.

At the Knights of Columbus we specialize in creating "Mailbox Money." Our annuity products have numerous structured and flexible income options that allow you to use your 401k, IRA and savings to create monthly income streams that will fit your lifestyle.

So here's the main point of this article – you've heard us Council Benefits Advisors talk about accumulation products for years...we now want to further that conversation to include "income products". Let us know if we can assist. Give me a call (410-913-7835or an email <u>Michael.hurley@kofc.org</u>.

Vivat Jesus

COUNCIL NEWS

From the Webmaster:

Please monitor your emails for spam, phishing, spoofing, or any other type of hacking. A member received a bogus email from a member whose email account appears to have been spoofed. I strongly recommend Council members immediately change your PERSONAL email account password, replacing it with a strong password. What is a strong password? A strong password is one that contains a mix of upper and lower case letters, numbers, and two or more special characters, at least 8 characters long.

If you feel you have received a bogus email through the Council's Website email service, please copy and paste the bogus email to a Word document and forward the Word document and any details you can to our Webmaster. Webmaster Ray will forward the "invasions" details to UKnight Support Services for their assistance.

LECTURER'S REPORT

Richard Perron

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Joe Kirschensteiner

No report.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ray Miles, Recorder The Good of the Order Door prized of \$120 was won by Fr. Ted A. Cassidy, one of our former pastors and a Brother Knight. Unfortunately, Fr Ted was not present at the April Council Business Meeting and did not claim the door prize. Fr Ted would have probably left the prize in the prize fund anyway!! So, the Good of the Order Door Prize at the May Council Business Meeting will be \$142.....and the winner must be present at the meeting to claim the prize!!!

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 reactivated 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 it 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: <u>http://www.kofc-</u> md.org/docs1617/degrees/Degrees.pdf

Greg Lofton, PGK, Membership Director COUNCIL

No report.

PIT BEEF

David Love

It is getting that be time of the year were we need to start thinking of the Council's Pit Beef activities for 2017. In 2016, we brought in just over \$ 8,000 to the council through 3 events in Westminster (The fourth of July, The Maryland Wine Festival and the Fall Harvest Days.)

Do we want to do the same events? Do we want to do any other events, maybe in downtown Sykesville? Drop me a note or give me a call and let me know what you are thinking.

In addition, of course, if you are interested and willing to help in any way with the Pit Beef events, let me know. There is some paper work (for the county), inventory counting, and shopping that needs to be done prior to the event. Set up and prep. the morning of the event, then cooking, slicing, sandwich making, customer service and drinks during the day, then clean up and packing at the end. A couple of hours of time for a lifetime of memories are to be shared. Students can earn service hours as well.

Westminster Farm Museum Events

- 4th of July Fireworks (all day starting at 9am, sales 3pm 'til dark).
- MD Wine Festival (Saturday and Sunday, Sept 16th and 17^{th).}
- Fall Harvest Days (Saturday, October 14th).

Hope to hear from you soon.

God Bless, David

CONCESSION STAND PROJECT

Tony Gioio



Metallica concert Wednesday May 10th

Concert starts at 6:00 pm, gates will open at 4:00 pm we will start stand set ups at ~ 2:00pm

This should be an amazing event (a little different audience than Beyonce)

I predict that this will be our most profitable event for the whole year So let's not miss out sign up

<u>now</u>

Contact Tony Gioio 410-552-5579

FAMILY

Jarvis Abellana

Family of the Month

Our council selected the Whites as our Family of the Month. Tom is a volunteer Firefighter, while Valerie is a pre Kindergarten teacher. Valerie serves as Eucharistic Minister on Sunday Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Community Church, while Brother Tom is an Usher. During our church Lenten Mission, we held a four day session starting on March 19, with Fr. Leo Patalinghug of Grace Before Meals. Tom served as an Usher on those events and also assisted in crowd seating arrangements during Fr Leo's cooking demonstrations.

Mother's Day Event

We will be giving away Marigolds for Mother's Day on the weekend of May 13. We need Knights and family members to handout flowers after every weekend mass. Also we will be assembling the flowers, and could use every available hands, large or small. If you know of any parishioners or family members needing service hours, please invite them.

Morning on 5/13, pickup flowers at Bupperts approx. 8AM.

Approx. 9AM-noon, assembly teams needed outside St. Joseph CC.

Handouts of flowers after 5PM mass on Saturday.

Handouts of flowers after every Sunday mass.

CULTURE OF LIFE

Al Grasley

Baby Bottle Campaign 2017

Thank you for all your help and support in this campaign.

Pro-Life till April 28, 2017

President Donald Trump has named a prolife leader to a top post at the Department of Health and Human Services, which often oversees and implements policies related to abortion.

But the good news doesn't end there, as the new pro-life appointee replaces a staunch abortion advocate who is now a vice president at the Planned Parenthood abortion business.

President Donald Trump on Friday said he would name Charmaine Yoest, the former president of Americans United for Life, one of the most prominent pro-life organizations in the county, to a top communications post at HHS. Yoest would become the assistant secretary of public affairs — a position that shapes communications efforts for the entire agency.

"Yoest is an HHS political appointee but her appointment does not require Senate confirmation. She succeeds Kevin Griffis, who was recently named vice president of communications for Planned Parenthood," Politico reports.

The appointment continues president Trump's pro-life record that he started in January with reinstating the Mexico City policy defunding International Planned Parenthood and continued with defunding the pro-abortion UNFPA and signing a bill to allow states to defund Planned Parenthood abortion company.

http://www.lifenews.com/2017/04/28/president-trumpnamed-pro-life-leader-to-key-hhs-post-replacing-aplanned-parenthood-activist/

Stay Strong, God is on our side! Al Grasley, "Pro-Life Guy"

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

Harold Bernadzikowski, President Ray Miles, Treasurer

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

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

Joanne Turgeon

No report.

Tony Gioio

If you know of a member who is sick or is recently deceased, please email or call the Chancellor as soon as possible. (<u>TonyGioio@comcast.net</u> or <u>chancellor@kofc7612.org</u>)

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

- Thomas Patrick Martin— Deceased 11/12/2016—Father of Brother Chris Martin
- Brother David Theodore Coyle Sr.—Deceased 10/21/2016—Father of Brother Ted Coyle and grandfather of Brother Zach Coyle
- Jennifer San Fellipo—Deceased 10/10/2016—daughter of Brother Frank San Fellipo
- Brother Knight Dave Smith—Deceased 8/12/2016
- Raymond Kibler Miles, Jr.—Deceased 9/17/2016—Father of Brother Ray Miles

Please pray for our sick and injured:

- Sarah Mandella—wife of Brother Mike Mandella
- Carol Herrura—relative Brother Mike Hurley
- Sammie Needham—requested by Brother David Love, PGK
- Carmella Gioio—sister of Brother Tony Gioio
- Thomas Ryder—brother of Brother Chris Ryder, PGK
- Pam Murphy—wife of Grand Knight Mike Murphy
- Carolyn Nacewicz—wife of Brother Mark Nacewicz
- Wesley Hohl—son of Brother Ray Hohl
- S/K Greg Lofton, PGK
- Brother Neil Forthman
- Patty Vaccarino Fuller—wife of Brother Jay Fuller
- Fr. Paul Reich

Please pray for our special intentions:

• Seminarians: Robert Katafiasz and Lee Benson, both at St Mary's Seminary

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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

20th Day of each Month