



The Knightly News

September 2013



Knight of the Month

Fr. John Kelly July
Fr. Joseph Bergida August

Past Grand Knights

Richard Head (Charter)	1992-1994	Gary Petty	2003-2004
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Joe Beres	2000-2001	Rosario Chechile	2009-2010
Paul Bourgeois	2001-2002	Richard Flaherty	2010-2011
Richard LaRoche	2002-2003	James Auwaerter	2011-2012

Family of the Month

Jeff Gillespie Family July
Lou Cernak Family August

Grand Knight's Letter

Dear Brothers:

Here we are in September. Labor Day traditionally signals the end of summer, much to the chagrin of children and much to the relief of parents. It also signals the start of fall when leaves turn and days get shorter – and football season starts. But there are still some remnants of summer yet to enjoy, starting with the **Parish Picnic on September 15th**. We need all you Knights to lend a hand with cooking and the preparation of food. I will let the Deputy Grand Knight delve into the details but please mark September 15th on your calendar to show up and lend Father Kelly a hand in making this a great picnic for the Parish!

Big round of applause and thanks to Father Bergida for his presentation on “St. Peter’s Art, Architecture, Faith and Foundation” presented on Tuesday, September 17th. The 80 people who attended our first Spiritual Outreach Program were rewarded with a entertaining, educational and spiritually inspiring presentation. Thank you Father, it was a great evening.

Henry Dubois has arranged for Father Jason to be our guest speaker for the second **Spiritual Outreach Seminar on October 15th**. His subject will be Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please let me know if you would like to attend, as I am sure we will have a full house again. See Henry’s article in the newsletter for details.

I am trying very hard to make this year the Year of the Family but I need your help. I need your input on how we can shape our programs this year to include Family Friendly events. The Council picnic was a step in the right direction, as was the first Spiritual Outreach seminar but we need your input. The only suggestions I don’t read are the ones I don’t get. Please let our Deputy Grand Knight, Tom Martin and our Family Director, Jeff Gillespie, know what family

friendly events you would like to see. Remember with fall coming up we could do something for Halloween that could include the whole family. Maybe a pumpkin patch outing or a costume party. The possibilities are there, we just need your help and support to make them happen.

Speaking of family events, please mark you calendars for our semi-annual **Pasta Dinner on October 26th**. I know it’s more than a month away but it is never too early for you to plan to either help with this event (the more – the merrier) or plan to attend. If you can help, please let Rich Flaherty know.

Also this month, we are starting a series called Did You Know (DYK) articles about our Council website that will help you navigate and use this very informative source of information. Look for the DYK article in the newsletter.

THIS IS FOR THE WIVES ... on **September 24th** there will be a “Formation Meeting” to discuss the forming of a Ladies Auxiliary for the Council wives. The meeting is in the Padre Pio room at 7:30PM. Please contact Debbie Grimmig (debra.grimmig@gmail.com) (703)802-0530 for further information.

Two important events coming up in the very near term!

1. On **September 8th**, the Knights of Columbus will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Knights Bell Tower at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception at the National Shrine in Washington DC at the Noon Mass. Both Cy Alba, Master of the Virginia District and Tony Fortunato, VA State Deputy stated the Supreme Knight Carl Anderson is asking for 1000 Sir Knights in Regalia and that the pews in the Basilica be filled with Knights and their families. Our District Master has promised 350 Sir Knights as Honor Guards. First, Second and Third Degree Knights and their families are invited to attend!

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Knight and Family of the Month

Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for August is a Second Degree Knight. He is new to our Parish and yet has made a profound impact on our Council and our Parish. He is very hard working and cheerful and is welcoming to all who meet him. Recently he volunteered to take on a very important event for our Council and made it the most successful event of its kind ever. He is a great promoter of the Knights and of the Church – if he weren't he would probably be fired! I am of course talking about our very own Father Bergida. He is an outstanding priest and an accomplished presenter, as evidenced by his presentation on "St. Peter's Art, Architecture, Faith and Foundation" presented on Tuesday, September 17th. The 80 people who attended his discussion and slide show were rewarded with a entertaining, educational and spiritually inspiring presentation.

It is with great pleasure that I recognize Father Bergida as our Knight of the Month for August. *By the way if anyone can get him to sign the Form 100 to get him to transfer to our Council I would appreciate it.*

Family of the Month

You can find this family every Saturday at the Vigil Mass being vigilant in lining up the ushers and a couple to bring up the gifts. Rain or shine they are there quietly and unassumingly, serving the Church and the Council. This Knight also co-chairs our annual KOVAR campaign along with Brian Skokan (another stellar Knight!). This family is a wonderful Catholic family supporting our Church and our Priests. I am of course talking about Lou Cernak, his wife JoAnn and daughter Jennifer. It is with great pleasure that I recognize the Cernak family as the Family of the Month for August.

Events and News

All 4th Degree Honor Guards wanting to participate are asked to register on-line using the following link: <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/news/releases/detail/pilgrimage-basilica.html> See the accompanying article in the newsletter for details.

2. The **Fourth Degree Exemplification is coming up very soon on October 26th** in Virginia Beach. It has been many years since we have had one on the beach! Two hundred rooms have been blocked for our use and they are going fast. The Master of the 4th Degree is hoping is that we can exemplify upwards of 250 candidates, 125 ladies for the ladies luncheon and program, and as many as 600 for the banquet.

This particular exemplification brings into full focus what the Order is all about and how Catholics have and continue to influence the world and the special obligation that Knights have to ensure we continue to do so while promoting and protecting our Catholic faith.

My offer still stands if you are not inspired by this Exemplification, I will personally refund your candidate fee. See the accompanying article in the newsletter for details

And last but not least I am looking for help with our upcoming **Membership Drive on Saturday and Sunday, September 21st and 22nd**. If you believe in the Order and like what is happening with the Council please let other Catholic men know and **ASK** them to join the Knights of Columbus and our Council. That's all I am asking is for you to ask a friend or fellow parishioner to join the Council and give them a Form 100 (Tony Paulson can provide the Form 100s). I also need you to lend a hand on September 21/22 to talk to parishioners looking for information after the masses. If you are wondering what to say to someone please see the accompanying article on "24 Hours Can Change Your Life".

Fraternally,

Al Grimmig,

Grand Knight

"We believe because we are Catholics – We serve because we are Knights".

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Deputy Grand Knight's Letter

Brother Knights:

Can't believe that summer is over. Time really flies.

September 8 was the 50th anniversary of the building of the Knight's Tower at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. There was a large ceremony with about 500 Fourth Degree Knights in attendance.

Please attend the Parish picnic on Sunday from 1:30 – 4:00 pm on September 15. If you can, please help. Setup begins at 9:30 am. Our Council is helping with setup beginning at 9:30 am, cooking, and cleanup. Any help will be appreciated.

If any of your children are soccer players, please have them compete in the Soccer Challenge at the Parish Picnic by showing their skills at making penalty kicks.

In October, we will conduct our semi-annual Compton Road Cleanup on Saturday morning, October 12.

Also, save the date of Saturday, October 26 for the Pasta Dinner after the Vigil Mass.

May God bless.

Tom Martin,

Deputy Grand Knight

50th Anniversary of the Knights Bell Tower

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC is a very special place. Each year Catholics from across the country and around the world make a Pilgrimage to the Shrine to honor Our Lady under one of many of her special titles. You can spend hours visiting the Shrine and trying to see all that is there. You can't help but feel the Grace and Holiness present throughout the Upper and Lower Churches. The Knights of Columbus and the Basilica have always experienced a relationship that is difficult to put into words. Mary is Our Queen and we are Her Knights. We are always present to honor, defend, and support her as Queen and Mother. Visual signs of the care the Knights hold for this Holy Church include the Bell Tower and The Incarnation Dome. The Ushers are all Knights of Columbus. The Fourth Degree Color Corps is frequently present in numbers ranging

from 25 to 50 to 100 to over 1,000. While many call the Shrine "America's Catholic Church", the local Knights refer to the Basilica as "Mary's House". This special relationship of Mary and Her Knights is being celebrated in a special way on Sunday, September 8, 2013. Catholics will gather in a Pilgrimage in observance of the Year of Faith. The date also marks the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of the Basilica's 56 bell carillon - a gift from the Knights of Columbus. All Knights of Columbus members and their families are invited to take part in this historic day. In addition, all members of the Color Corps of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus are invited to take part in Full Fourth Degree Regalia. Over 1,000 Color Corps members are expected. All Color Corps members who plan on participating are asked to sign up at the Supreme Website. Swords are never used in Mary's House, so please leave them at home. The link is at: <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/news/releases/detail/pilgrimage-basilica.html>

Click on the box at the top and bottom of the page and fill in the form. If a member does not have access to the website, he can notify his Faithful Navigator and District Master. It will be an honor and a privilege to serve with you at this special event. The Color Corps has gathered at the Basilica before and in numbers in excess of 1,000 members. We said we would do it again. Now is the time. Please submit your form. If you are going to attend and would like to carpool, join us at St. Timothy's parking lot over by the cafeteria at 9:00AM on September 8th.

Council Website DYK

Did you know that our new website has a feature that allows you to add prayer requests? Simply go to www.kofc10947.org, and click on the PRAYER REQUESTS link on the left hand side. Click on SUBMIT YOUR PRAYER REQUEST and after entering your Member number (found on your membership card) and your pass code (your birthdate), you can write your prayer intention. Submissions are listed anonymously on the site for 30 days. This is an excellent tool for us as Brother Knights to keep those who are in need in our prayerful intentions.

4th Degree Exemplification October 26th - Preliminary Information

The Exemplification will take place on October 26, 2013 at the Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach. The Master of the Calvert District has blocked off 200 rooms for Friday and Saturday night and additional rooms for Thursday and Sunday night for folks who want to spend additional nights. The special rate for the Knights of Columbus is \$99 plus taxes. Reservations can be made by calling the hotel and requesting the special Knights of Columbus rate. The telephone number is 1-757-425-8555

or 1-800-446-8199. Again, make sure everyone registers as a member of the Knight of Columbus. Navigators and candidates are encouraged to register as soon as possible as there are two other groups using the hotel facilities that weekend. Reservations must be made as soon as possible but no later than October 12.

With regard to Exemplification costs:

Candidate costs are set by Supreme (there has been no change): They are \$70 and it includes the banquet ticket. Clergy is \$60.

Ladies Luncheon and Program: Cost is \$25 and includes choice of seafood or chicken salad croissant, fruit, and potato salad.

Banquet: Cost is \$50 and the entrée menu choices are: Beef Strip Steak, Dijon Encrusted Chicken Breast, and a Mahi Mahi fish selection. Dinner includes a chef's choice salad, rolls, butter, potato, vegetable, dessert, iced tea, coffee, etc.

Next Spiritual Outreach Program

Our second Spiritual Outreach Program of the year is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15 at 7:30 PM and, like our past Spiritual Programs, will be open to the parish. Father Jason Weber will be our guest speaker and his subject will be Our Lady of Guadalupe. Father Weber, who was ordained in 2010 and is currently serving as Parochial Vicar at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More, is very interested in and knowledgeable about the five well-known Marian apparitions that occurred in Mexico in December, 1531 and will be sharing some of his knowledge and insight on this subject with us. Father Weber grew up in Clifton and Fairfax and was a member of our parish in his youth. He graduated from Bishop O'Connell High School and the University of Virginia before entering Mt. Saint Mary Seminary for priestly formation. Be sure to mark your calendar to attend this special program and welcome Fr. Weber back to St. Andrew the Apostle.

Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge event for Fr. Julius J. Cilinski Council will be held once again at the parish picnic on September 15th (at the back of the field). If you know of any boys or girls aged 10-14 who would like to participate, have them at the picnic with their kickin' shoes. If there are any questions, contact Dave Skouby at 703-830-9594.

First, Second, Third Degree Knights

First Degree Knights Eligible for 2nd Degree

Buonocore, Matthew M.; Clarey, Thomas J.; Clavin, Thomas V.; D'Ercole, Matthew J.; DiToro Henry "Hank" J.; Dubois, John P.; Durden, Tedd A.; Esteves, Fernando A.; Fruchterman, Robert J.; Gambone, Michael A.; Gillespie, Jeffrey R.; Gomes, Anthony A.; Heintz, Karl R.; Hoffman, Michael J.; Hudson, Brian M.; Hugo, Timothy M.; Klos, Eric J.; Landstreet, Michael W.; Lannon, Matthew H.; Lima, Silvino R.; Lis, James F.; Lovejoy, John M.; Lozano, Carlos; Markel, Thomas A.; McCabe, Korey P.; McCormick, Samuel D.; McCullough, Charles W.; Murphy, Michael S.; O'Keefe, Stephen T.; Olszewski, Michael E.; Ostrich John T.; Pichocki, Jeffrey P.; Popp, Richard A.; Poumade, Nathan J.; Princi Jr., Peter J.; Rebeiro, Barnabas; Reilly, Patrick J.; Schechtel, Lawrence P.; Scholl, Patrick D.; Sepulveda, Rafael; Shedlick, Edward P.; Smith, Christopher R.; Smith, Christopher A.; Spasaro, Charles J.; Stash, John H.; Strada, Joseph A.; Strauch, Gregory J.; Taylor, John F.; Truong, Lap V.; Tubach, David A.; Wuest, Robert G.; Zapiain, Frank A.; Zeller, Randel L.

James J.; Fells, Robert M.; Forneris, James P.; Fowler, Steve B.; Freeman, Eric A.; Fullwood, Charles R.; Gallaher, Joseph P.; Gelles, Robert L.; Greco, John W.; Hill, Douglas; Hoffman, Mark W.; Humm, Michael P.; Hungate, Martin L.; Imhoff, Gary M.; Juanpere, Pedro A.; Kelly, Brendan J.; Kelly, Edmund W.; Kelly, Fr. John D.; Kremer, Paul J.; Lalli Jr., Joseph A.; Ligor, Douglas C.; Loprieno, Stephen F.; Lugo, Rafael A.; Marter, Joseph.; Martin, Gregory M.; Martin, Richard K.; Masterson, Michael F.; May, John W.; Mayer, Christopher T.; McCrum, R. Timothy; McDonald, Alan R.; McGinn, David R.; McKenzie, Paul A.; Messina, Sr., Thomas; Millis, Derek E.; Morgan, Patrick J.; Morson, Roberto; Munchak, Stephen J.; O'Brien, Mark R.; O'Grady, Michael J.; Perez Ponce, Jorge M.; Pichardo, Carlos A.; Powers, Stephen L.; Princi, Peter J.; Rafferty, Brian P.; Rodriguez, Manuel.; Roser, Jr., John F.; Salem, Jad G.; Sepulveda, Ralph.; Sheil, Michael O.; Sheil, Patrick D.; Skouby, David C.; Thompson, Richard T.; Torch, Mark A.; Tortorich, E. Thomas; Trampert, Paul J.; Vennitti, Jr., John A.; Vetsch, Richard A.; Violette, Lawrence M.; Warcholak, Daniel P.; White, Kevin M.; Wright, Thomas C.; Yeronick, Sean M.

Second Degree Knights

Catalano, Joseph P.; Carolla, Russell A.; Chechile, David B.; Chusing, Carlos A.; Eichenlaub, Craig C.; Farrell, Patrick T.; Ferrick, Richard E.; Henebery, John K.; Hott, Richard A.; Kelly, Dennis J.; Lynch, Andrew D.; Mancil, Michael D.; Mazzatenta, Onofrio L.; McGurk, Shannon L.; McMenamin, William J.; Metcalf, David; Miller, Neal R.; Palliparambil, Joseph J.; Pugsley, Matthew Q.; Sawka, Stephen E.; Shaw, Brian D.; Speidel, Tim R.; Williams, Jeffrey

Third Degree Knights Eligible for 4th Degree

Alvarez, Pedro O.; Aronhime, Samuel S.; Bahr, Stephen M.; Banick III, William M.; Barrett, Richard F.; Bartoletta, Joseph J.; Bifareti, Lawrence V.; Bonsiero, Francis, C.; Bowie, Shane R.; Bozzo, Stephen E.; Brendel, Kevin; Brosnahan, John J.; Brown, AJ; Burford, Jan T.; Burnham, Richard J.; Byers, Michael R.; Caputo, James; Carr, Matthew C.; Carroll, Brian P.; Cernak Jr. Louis J.; Chechile, Michael G.; Chusing, Eduardo M.; Clune, Kevin S.; Coy, William A.; DeLisi, Frank; DiGrado, Joseph P.; Doherty Matthew W.; Doherty Nicholas J.; Donahue, Terrence S.; Dorr, Carl B.; Dubois, Henry R.; Feeney



Birthdays and Anniversaries

September Birthdays

Michael P. D'Aiuto	9/1
Grace Rozner	9/1
Crystal Vetsch	9/1
Jimmy Seidl	9/2
Joseph Wright	9/2
Christine Munchak	9/3
David Thomson	9/3
Sarah Zapiain	9/3
Kelly Brendel	9/4
Brendan Kelly	9/4
Pat Lozano	9/4
Frank Peterson	9/4
Joseph Seliquini	9/5
Barbara Bifareti	9/6
Leslie McCullough	9/7
Thomas Messina	9/7
Michele Stash	9/7
Steve Fowler	9/9
Kyle Brendel	9/10
Eric Klos	9/10
Maggie McGurk	9/10
Melissa Bartoletta	9/12
Debbie Nolan	9/12
Marie Rodriguez	9/12
Marisa Barnes	9/13
Gabnelle Buonocore	9/14
Heather Peterson	9/14
John Hill	9/15
Christine Accurso	9/16
Bob Abba	9/18
Patricia Brendel	9/19
Amanda Byers	9/19
Michael Olszewski	9/19
Mike Barnes	9/20
Cynthia Dubois	9/20
Korey McCabe	9/20
Grace Panlilio	9/20
Gerri Beres	9/21
Danielle Carolla	9/21
Nathan Poumade	9/21
Joseph Zapiain	9/22
Conor Donahue	9/25
Monica Kelly	9/25
Mark Naber	9/25
Eric Paulson	9/25

Edward Shedlick	9/26
Michael Byers	9/27
Katie Carroll	9/27
Robert Fells	9/27
Dale Babauta	9/28
Stephen Landstreet	9/28
Andrea Paulson	9/28
Rachel Popp	9/28
Joanne Strada	9/28
Michael Marks	9/29
Joseph Loprieno	9/30
Anna Zahn	9/30

September Anniversaries

Edward & Hilda Ortiz	9/1
Joe & Gerri Beres	9/2
Dennis & Michelle Kelly, Jr.	9/2
Eric & Moira Klos	9/3
Mike & Regina Michael	9/3
John & Jeanne Ostrich	9/3
Bill & Sherri McMenamin	9/4
James & Denise McCarthy	9/4
Toni & Gregory Strauch	9/8
Tedd & Dana Durden	9/10
Rob & Claire Morson	9/10
Keith & Theresa Carroll	9/12
Joseph & Carol Catalano	9/16
Henry & Karen Pichocki	9/18
Jeffrey & Dawn Sargent	9/20
Joseph & Valerie Murphy	9/24
Stephen & Mary Munchak	9/25
Shane & Christa Bowie	9/27
Paul & Terri McKenzie	9/30



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