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Budget for 2001 - 2002

At the last regular meeting, the new budget passed. Copies of the budget are available from our Worthy Treasurer for any Brother Knight of our council upon request.

FYI (For Your Information)

Six members of our council made a retreat at Malvern, next year we're aiming for Twelve. Our July Officers meeting was packed with 13 Knights present - Let's set a record for our regular meeting ! Come greet our new Chaplain. Our membership chairman pledged 25 new members this year - with YOUR HELP. Every Knight recruit ONE - Help make our goal !!!

With God's Grace - we can move forward.

From our Grand Knight

Since this is my first message as your Grand Knight I think it would be appropriate to thank our Past Grand Knight Dominick Costanzo. His dedication and leadership is the primary reason our council has been so successful. I am pleased to report that he will continue to assist our group as a trustee and as our Membership Chairman.

As most of you know, our Chaplain, Father Navit has been transferred. He will be missed. Without his support our goals would have been difficult to achieve. I would like to thank him and wish him much success with his new assignment.

I am pleased to report that Rev. Msgr. Golias has agreed to assume the duties as our new Chaplain.. This will be an exciting time for the spiritual life of our council. We are also forming new committees and developing a program for the next twelve months. Much of our efforts will be built on the success of the past but to be successful we need your help. Come to the next meeting, get involved, enjoy the companionship of your Brother Knights. You won't regret it.

May God Bless You,

Ted

Knights' Awards to Our Youth

Memorial Scholarships were given to the following St. Teresa students towards their Catholic High School expenses: Brian Skilton and Samantha Kropp and from Visitation to Mark Brennan and Christen Kirkpatrick.

CYO citizenship awards were given to Dan Ritter and Ashley Richter from St. Teresa and Peter Novak and Laura Colbett from Visitation.

Alter server awards were presented to Timothy Lisowski and Ashley Richter from St. Teresa and Matthew Gambone and Jessica Rhodes from Visitation.

Spiritual Notes
by S.K. Father Richard Jacobs, O.S.A.

July 2001 K of C Newsletter Article

Humans oftentimes take some of the life’s most precious gifts for granted. Then, when the gift is taken away, people recognize all too late and all too sadly how precious the gift really was. And yet, taking the gift for granted, they didn’t celebrate it and now find themselves pained by the loss. How many times has each of us heard someone express these very sentiments and vowed to ourselves, “I won’t let that happen to me!”

This year’s Knights of Columbus membership campaign highlights three oftentimes taken-for-granted gifts that we, as brother Knights, should celebrate each and every day. “Faith,” “Family,” and “Fraternity” are the most valuable and cherished gifts God has entrusted to us. By celebrating these gifts, our lives communicate our heartfelt conviction that, absent faith, family, and fraternity, life is more of a sterile existence than participation in an unfolding divine mystery. As our words and actions reflect that heartfelt conviction, the Knights of Columbus witness to the central role that faith, family, and fraternity should play in the life of every Catholic man.

This year’s membership campaign, emphasizing the need to celebrate faith, family, and fraternity, focuses our attention and presents a great challenge. It focuses our attention upon who we are as Knights of Columbus and who we must become. The campaign also challenges us to be mindful of and to celebrate these gifts each and every day. Lacking this focus and failing to accept the challenge, our lives as brother Knights may be more like a mausoleum – beautiful to behold on the outside but full of dead bones within. And, our fraternity will then neither interest nor motivate other men to join us in being of service to the Church, in protecting and promoting strong families, and joining in solidarity as brother Knights and families who promote the New Evangelization.

Jesus told us that “the harvest is plenty but laborers are few.” There are many Catholic men yearning to open their lives to the unfolding mystery of the divine than to plod along in a sterile existence.

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On the Battle Field

We need the support of Our Lady—We are Her Knights
PRAY THE ROSARY

Opportunities:

Join Us

Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Visitation BVM is always open for you.

Men’s Fellowship (Bible Study) at Saint Teresa every Saturday at 6:45 AM—join with many other Christian gentlemen there for a great morning treat.

Do you know of a knight who is ill or in need, whose family is in need or who has passed away? Please let Jack Kees know so that we may help and pray together. Jack’s number is 610-539-4935.

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(Spiritual Notes - continued.)

They are looking to mature in adult faith and desire spiritual direction. They also want to be fathers who protect and promote strong families, beginning first with their own. Lastly, they seek companions who will provide the solidarity they need to support them in their daily endeavors as well as to challenge them to bring the message of faith, family, and fraternity to the world.

The year’s membership campaign is a challenge to “make ourselves anew,” as St. Paul said to the Galatians, calling this “the only important thing.” The Knights of Columbus have a great deal to offer to Catholic men in this generation. The challenge is to allow faith, family, and fraternity to make ourselves anew so that we might witness powerfully to these gifts fraternity. Then, and only then, can we join the Lord in harvesting new brother Knights.

Calendar of Events

There is no regular meeting in July

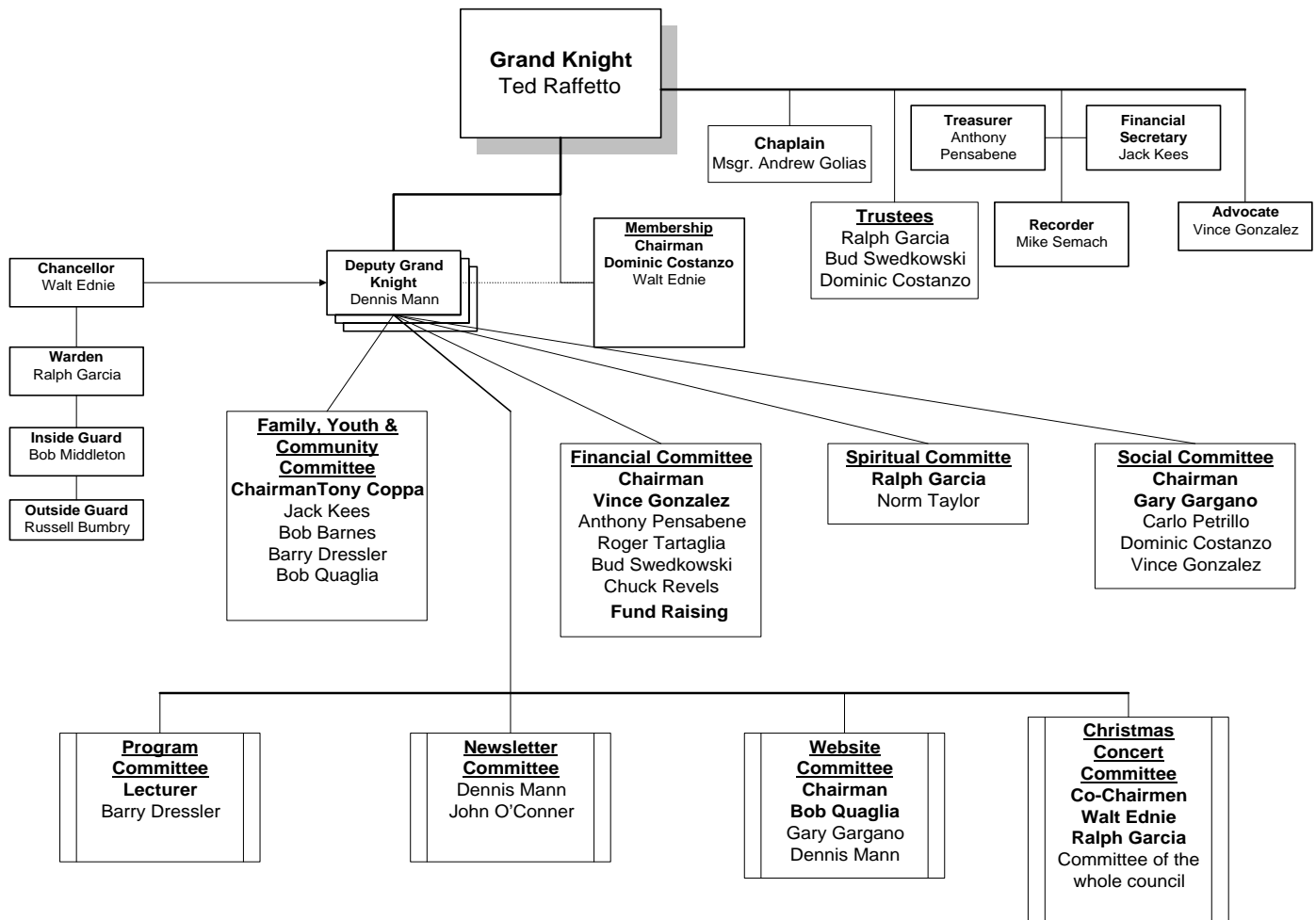
Tuesday, August 7th - 7:30 PM Officer's meeting at **Saint Teresa of Avila**.

Tuesday, August 21st - 7:30 PM Regular Meeting at Visitation BVM. Plan to attend. Exciting things are happening.

August 26th. Sunday, 10:30 AM, Family Outing to Reading Phillies.

Our Council's Organizational Chart

Listed below is *the working* organizational chart for the coming year. Not all appointments have been confirmed and we have room for additional committee members. Is there a place you could serve? Look over the chart carefully and pray about a place for you.



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Knights' Family Picnic and Outing to the Reading Phillies *(open to guests)*

Reserve your place for a Sunday Outing to the Reading Phillies. The bus will be leaving Visitation's parking lot at 10:30 AM, Sunday, **August 26th**. There will be an all-you-can-eat buffet in our seating area. Game time 1:05 PM. Cost is \$22 each (includes ticket, bus, food and non-alcoholic drinks). Tickets available from Brother Vince Gonzalez at 610-489-3750.

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