

#### 2021-22 Officers

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Thomas O'Drain

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SAINT POLYCARP CHURCH BROTHER VINCENT COUNCIL 7517 NEWSLETTER July-August 2021



# **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

As we enter into a new Columbian year I congratulate all Knights who were voted in as officers. I am honored to serve as your Grand Knight again this year and will do all I can to strengthen our Council.

It certainly was a shaky year due to the pandemic. There were successes, failures, happiness and sadness, but it is now time to look ahead to 2021-22, to continue to build our Council and to continue to serve those who are in need. This was the main objection of Blessed Michael J. McGivney. He founded the Knights of Columbus at a local parish to serve as a mutual aid and fraternal insurance organization, particularly for immigrants and their families. It developed through the 20th century as the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization. Let us look forward to continuing the good works of our Founder.

Please support the new officers and the Council by participating in Council events. Remember all funds raised and all we do as Knights goes to charity. By participating in at least one Council fundraiser or event you will be helping your Council tremendously. Also your recommendations or any ideas on how to improve our Council are always welcomed and appreciated.

To end on a lighter note, please see the article below and rate yourself as to what type of "tater" you are.

Enjoy your summer. Stay healthy and well.

V.J. Tom O'Drain, GK \*\*\*\*\*



# **TATER PEOPLE**

Some people never seem motivated to participate, but are just content to watch while others do the work. They are called "**Speck Taters**."

Some people never do anything to help, but are gifted at finding fault with the way others do the work. They are called "**Comment Taters**."

Some people are very bossy and like to tell others what to do, but don't want to soil their own hands. They are called "**Dick Taters**."

Some people are always looking to cause problems by asking others to agree with them. It is too hot or too cold, too sour or too sweet. They are called "**Agie Taters**."

There are those who say they will help, but somehow just never get around to actually doing the promised help. They are called "**Hezzie Taters**."

Some people put up a front and pretend to be someone they are not. They are called "Emma Taters."

Then there are those who love others and do what they say they will. They are always prepared to stop whatever they are doing and lend a helping hand. They bring real sunshine into the lives of others. They are called "Sweet Taters."

Be a **Sweet Tater**, and when your Grand Knight and/or officers ask you to become involved and/or volunteer in your Council -- just say **YES**.

# SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Deadline is August 27th.

Distributed at Business Meeting on September 2nd.

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#### **ELECTION RESULTS**

Traditionally, the July-August newsletter contains a list of officers for all KofC groups for the new Columbian Year. Following are all the officers. Congratulations to all and thank you for your dedication.

#### **DELAWARE STATE COUNCIL**

The election of Delaware State Officers took place at the annual State Convention on April 24, 2021.

State Deputy Richard S. Johnson
State Secretary Richard DeZao
State Treasurer Michael Panfile
State Advocate Donald Ryan, Jr.
State Warden Joseph Koskol

District #5 Deputy John Brenner

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The election of officers for Brother Vincent Council 7317 took place at the last business meeting on June 3, 2021. Brother Vincent Council meets the first Thursday of every month at 7 PM.

Grand Knight Tom O'Drain Deputy Grand Knight Vacant Financial Secretary John Gordon Chancellor David Gardella, Jr. Recorder Pat Bowers Treasurer Gregory Haven Advocate Jack Barnas Warden Chuck Taylor

Inside Guard Daniel Marshalewski



The election of officers for Our Lady Queen of Peace Assembly took place on Tuesday, May 4, 2021. The Assembly meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Bill's Barn.

Faithful Navigator Pat Bowers Faithful Friar Pending Approval Faithful Comptroller Joseph Friel Faithful Captain Thomas Everette Faithful Admiral Pablo Resto Faithful Purser John Brenner Faithful Pilot Thomas Boscher Faithful Scribe Calvin Smith Inner Sentinel Thomas O Drain **Outer Sentinel** Rich DeZao

One Year Trustee William Czachorowski
Two Year Trustee David Gardella, Jr.
Three Year Trustee Franklin Bush

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The Columbiettes also held their elections for the 2021-22 Columbian Year. The Columbiettes meet on the third Monday of the month from September to June.

President Beth Bishop Vice President Vacant

Secretary Darlene Sanphy
Financial Secretary Rosemary Battistoni

Treasurer Anna Skinner Sentinel Deanna Lail



Our Squire Circle. The Squires Circle, under the guidance of Rich DeZao (Lead Counselor), meets the fourth Wednesday of the month.

Chief Squire Jackson Price

Deputy Chief Squire Open Faithful Friar Fr. Jim

Bursar Dylan Champlin Notary Jonah Taylor Marshal David Gardella Jr.

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#### **\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$** A NOTE FROM YOUR TREASURER **\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$**

Due to the lack of fundraising events last year, we are carefully watching our spending. But even with the lack of fundraisers, we were still able to donate to several charities and have also donated \$442 each to Kent-Sussex Industries and the Benedictine School through our ongoing Tootsie Roll Program.

A special thank you to Pat Bowers, our Tootsie Roll chairperson for making sure that the stores are supplied with Tootsie Rolls and for collecting all the funds which made these donations possible.

V.J. SK Gregory Haven, Treasurer

#### OTHER KofC NEWS

Now that COVID restrictions are beginning to ease, let all Brothers work together in newer ways to continue "No neighbor left behind." Where there is a need, there is a Knight. Check out the short video KofC 2020-21 COVID-19 Year in Review" on the Supreme KofC website: kofc.org. Also watch the video series "Into the Breach." It is a call for Catholic men to embrace true masculine virtues in a world of crisis. Find it on kofc.org.

St. Joseph's Church in Middletown, DE and Old Bo Council will be saying goodbye to their associate pastor. Father Chris Hanley is being transferred to St. John-Holy Angels Parish in Newark, DE. Everyone is sad to see him leave, yet are also happy as he will bring a lot to their parish and Knights of Columbus Council. Thank you Father Chris and best wishes in your new assignment.

The Dover Council is holding another sub sale on Saturday, July 10th from 12-4 PM at the Dover Council Home. You can either drive up or, if you wish, sit down and dine in. The cost is \$10.00 for a tuna sub, coleslaw and a bag of chips.

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# **SQUIRE'S UPDATE**

We pray and hope all families are doing well and are healthy and safe.

The Squires meeting in May took place and the priority was the election of new officers for this upcoming Columbian year. Congratulations to all these wonderful young men and I know they will do an excellent job for the Squire Circle this year.

Also a thank you to Jackson Price who painted and presented our Rock for the Memorial Rock Garden.

Our June meeting had to be canceled since it was on the same night at Deacon Charlie's Memorial Mass.

For now our meetings will remain virtual and they are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM. And just a reminder: The Squires are a Catholic young men's group ages 10-18 associated with the Knights of Columbus. It was founded in 1925 and created to offer teenage boys leadership training and moral guidance that would serve them for a lifetime. The group is known as the Squire Circle.

In the Squires our young men will not only participate in a variety of activities, but also help plan them and learn to be leaders. Programs encompass four different directions:

- Circle Activities Sporting and Social events;
- Service Activities Volunteer programs around the Parish and the local community to give back to those less fortunate;
- Spiritual Activities Programs and activities that strengthen faith and further develop strong Christian character;
  - Membership Activities Programs and activities that maintain and encourage membership.

We are always in search of new members to join and strengthen our Circle and if you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Rich DeZao at 677-1999 or email rdezao@yahoo.com.

God Bless, Rich DeZao, Lead Counselor \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# THINGS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

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7/1	Brother Vincent Business Meeting, 7 PM, Bill's Barn
7/4	HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!!!
7/6	Fourth Degree, Our Lady Queen of Peace Business Meeting, 7 PM, Bill's Barn
7/7	St. Vincent DePaul, 9 AM
7/10	Vending Trailer Clean-Up, 9 AM, Bill's Barn VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
7/10	Dover Council Sub Sale, 12-4 PM
7/10	State Installation of Officers, Holy Rosary, 2 PM
7/11	Agape Resumes, following the 10:30 AM Mass
7/13	Installation of New Bishop, St. Elizabeth's, Wilmington
7/14	Pastoral Council, 7 PM
7/17	Grand Knight Leadership Training, 10 AM
7/19	Combined 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degrees, Dover Council, 7 PM
7/21	Brother Vincent Officers Meeting, 6 PM
7/27	Parish Leadership Meeting, 7 PM
7/28	Squires Meeting, 6:30 PM
8/1	Agape, following the 10:30 AM Mass
8/31	Fourth Degree, Our Lady Queen of Peace Business Meeting, 7 PM, Bill's Barn
8/3-4	Supreme Convention, Christopher Council (virtual)
8/4	St. Vincent DePaul, 9 AM
8/5	Brother Vincent Business Meeting, 7 PM
8/11	Pastoral Council Meeting, 7 PM
8/25	CPR/AED Recertification & Training, Hall 9 AM-Noon
8/25	Squires Meeting, 6:30 PM
8/27	Smyrna at Night, 5-8 PM
8/28	Smyrna at Night, 3-8 PM

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If you have procrastinated ordering the wonderful products offered by Rada Cutlery as part of the Brother Vincent Council fundraiser, you have one more month to browse the catalog and place your order before August 1st. If you need a birthday present, a wedding gift or house warming present, or just want to treat yourself to some new cutlery or shelf stable products, use our personal online group store link: <a href="https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=4603664.8a65ed">https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=4603664.8a65ed</a>. Orders are shipped directly to the customer by Rada.

And a very special thank you to all those who have supported this fundraiser for the past year.

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#### **SUMMERTIME**

**FIREWORKS** 

Trying to keep it lite for the summer months, and summer is the perfect time of year for early morning walks, enjoying a cool beverage during a hot afternoon or watching fireflies in the evening.

Search up, down, backward and diagonally to find these hidden summertime words.

ADVENTURE	FLOWERS	SANDALS
BARBECUE	GOLF	SEASHELL
BEACH	HEAT	STRAWBERRIES
BEES	ICE CREAM	SUNBURN
BERRIES	KAYAK	SUNSCREEN
BOATING	LIGHTNING	SWIMMING
CAMPGROUND	OCEAN	THUNDER
CANOE	OUTDOORS	TRAVEL
CRICKETS	PARK	VACATION
FAN	POPSICLE	WASPS
FIREFLIES	QUENCH	WATERMELON

**SAILBOAT** 



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BROTHER VINCENT COUNCIL WEBSITE

Please click on this following link to like AND follow the Brother Vincent KofC Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/KofC7517/

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The Gift of Life Donor Program is the largest organ procurement organization (OPO) in the United States, leading the nation in the number of organ donors since 2008. Serving more than 11.3 million people across the eastern half of Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware, they help and heal lives by coordinating the recovery and distribution of organs and tissues used in life-saving and life-enhancing transplants.

Gift of Life coordinates the recovery of organs and tissues for transplant. The complex organ and tissue donation and transplant process involves collaborating with highly skilled medical professionals at many different levels. Working in partnership with healthcare teams and other medical professionals, Gift of Life provides extensive and compassionate services to help ensure every opportunity for donation and transplantation.

Headquartered in Philadelphia, PA, they serve as a critical link between individuals and families who make the generous decision to donate organs and tissues, and those who need a transplant. They provide compassionate care for donors, transplant recipients, and their families, and are committed to educating the public about the need for donor registration.

Fourteen years ago the Our Lady of Guadalupe Grand Knight (now a member of Brother Vincent Council) was blessed to receive a life-saving kidney transplant. As of January 2021, due to decreased kidney function he was placed on the National Kidney transplant donor list. He and the family are asking for prayers at this time and hoping for a living or deceased donor match and God's guidance to show them the way forward. Please pray for this Brother Knight and his family that God may bless him again.

If you are considering organ transplant you can get more information from the Christiana Care Kidney Transplant Center website www.christianacare.org/kidnew transplant.

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# <u>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE</u> -- Y O UR SHIELD FOR LIFE Helping Members Get Connected

There are many benefits of being a Knight of Columbus. One of the best, and one of the oldest, is our insurance program. Thanks to Blessed Michael McGivney's vision, we not only have exclusive access to the Order's insurance program, but we also have a fraternal bond with our dedicated Knights of Columbus field agents, who can help us begin to prepare for our future. The Order is encouraging all of its members to connect with their agent and to take advantage of the comprehensive, custom and complimentary financial needs analysis that he can provide.

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