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**And He who sits on the throne said,
"Behold, I am making all things new." (Rev 21:5)**

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

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This month, Father Anthony Vidal provides another in his occasional series of essays on his journey of faith leading to his conversion to Catholicism last spring.

From the Thames to the Tiber - Part II

In my last article I shared with you that the reason I came to be a Roman Catholic is my desire to be obedient to our Lord's wish stated in the 17th Chapter of the Gospel of John that we all become one as He and the Father are one.

I realized that the origins of the Church of England, and therefore the Anglican Communion, was driven by a desire for the King and the Bishops in England to have their own way and escape the authority of the Papacy.

Not all of this, of course, was as basic as that.

There was a sincere desire to include the people into the life of the Church in a way that it had not been before. For example, the change of the liturgies of the Church, especially the Holy Eucharist, to be in the language of the people was a key driver and one that Holy Mother

Church recognized in the Second Vatican Council.

Another driver in this movement was driven by the Protestant Reformation's push for the centrality of Scripture as the primary authority for Christian Doctrine and a desire that people have access to Holy Scripture to guide their lives. Again, the Second Vatican Council sought to bring the faithful closer to Scripture and encouraged God's people to study and learn what the Lord has to say to us in Scripture.

However, while I did and still do believe that these are good developments, I came to realize that separated from the authority and the

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guidance of the Holy Spirit speaking through the Church, there was much opportunity for the Enemy to inject himself into our understanding of God.

The evidence of this danger can be found in the many divisions amongst Christians, with thousands of opinions displayed by the various Christian denominations.

Our Lord's wisdom (duh?), in the establishment of His Church under the leadership and authority of His Apostles and led by Peter as the cornerstone became obvious to me. This drove me once more to find another compelling reason to come back into the fold of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church in communion with the Successor of Peter.

SUPREME COUNCIL REPORT

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Proclaiming Christ in America Today

Monday, December 10, 2012 - Vatican City, (VIS) - Yesterday afternoon the International Congress "Ecclesia in America" on the Church in the American continent was inaugurated with a Eucharistic celebration in St. Peter's Basilica. The congress was organized by the Pontifical Commission for Latin America and the Knights of Columbus in collaboration with the Institute for Guadeloupien Studies, and will be inspired by the work of the Synodal Assembly, convoked by Blessed John Paul II in November and December 1987, entitled "Encounter with the living Jesus Christ: The way to conversion, communion and solidarity in America".

The Holy Father, who arrived at the Basilica at 7 p.m., greeted the participants, first recalling that "Blessed John Paul II had the foresight and intuition to improve the relationships of cooperation between the particular Churches throughout North, Central and South America, at the same time facilitating greater solidarity among the nations of the continent. Today these themes merit review in order to put Christ's

redeeming message into practice with greater diligence, in the hope of reaping abundant



rewards of sanctity and ecclesial renewal. The theme that guided the reflections of the Synodal Assembly can also serve as an inspiration for your work during these days. In effect, Jesus Christ's love and the power of His grace must take root ever more intensely in the hearts of the people, families and Christian communities of your nations, to allow them to progress with dynamism along the paths of harmony and fair progress".

The Apostolic Exhortation "Ecclesia in America" focuses on "current challenges and difficulties which present specific and complex characteristics. Indeed, secularism and various religious groups are spreading throughout the continent, giving rise to numerous problems. Education and the promotion of a culture of life are matters of fundamental urgency in view of a widespread mentality that tends to attack the dignity of the person and damage the institution of marriage and family. How can one fail to be concerned about painful situations of emigration, displacement or violence, especially when linked to organized crime, narco-trafficking, corruption and arms dealing? And how should we face the painful inequalities and areas of poverty caused by questionable economic, political and social measures?"

The Pope emphasized that all these important questions require careful study, "yet in addition to their technical evaluation, the Catholic Church is convinced that the light for an adequate solution can only come from the encounter with the living Christ, which gives rise to attitudes and ways of acting based on love and truth. This is the decisive force which will transform the American continent. The love of Christ impels us to devote ourselves without

reserve to proclaiming His name throughout America, bringing it freely and enthusiastically to the hearts of all its inhabitants. ... For this reason we ought to take up this commitment, encouraging priests, deacons and consecrated men and women and pastoral agents to purify and strengthen their interior lives ever more fully through a sincere relationship with the Lord and a worthy and frequent reception of the sacraments. This will be encouraged by suitable catechesis and a correct and ongoing doctrinal formation marked by complete fidelity to the Word of God and the Church's Magisterium and aimed at offering a response to the deepest questions and aspirations of the human heart. A renewed missionary spirit and zealous generosity in your commitment will be an irreplaceable contribution to what the universal Church expects and needs from the Church in America", concluded the Pope.

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Text of Pope Benedict XVI's bi-lingual address at a private audience on the December 9th – the feast of St. Juan Diego is available at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/communications/pop-es-greeting-bi-lingual.pdf>.

Text of the Supreme Knight's address, Ecclesia in America, is available at http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/communications/sk_ecclesia_america_speech.pdf.

State Council Report

On behalf of Donna and myself, I would like to wish each of you and your families a very Happy and Holy Christmas. I deeply appreciate all the work that you have done to make the year to date so successful and rewarding. During this special time in which we observe the birth of our Lord, I ask you to continue to be aware of all those around us who are in need, especially the elderly. Please take this time with your families to be joyful and thank God for the many blessings, which are ours, and remember to continue during this Christmas season to **Strengthen the Bonds of Faith and Fraternity.**

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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

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Worthy District Family,

My Warden Jeff Peters and I trust you had a great Christmas and got to spend quality time with the ones you love. Remember my challenge for a New Year's resolution, "This year let us all vow to work harder at our faith. Whether you resolve to read a passage from the bible each morning, say a complete rosary each day or try to live our lives more like our creator wants us to, take the extra time to strengthen your faith and spirituality."

District Chili cook off has been rescheduled! We will have our cook off on February 17th from 2- 8 pm in the Portico of St John's in Westminster. If you have a favorite recipe whether it is hot, mild or veggie make enough for everyone to get a sample of your chili and come put it to the test. We will have hotdogs, chips and drinks for everyone and we will be playing

some exciting games like family feud. This promises to be fun for the whole family. The cost will be \$7 a person or \$13 a family. For questions or RSVP's contact Bill Adams from the Westminster council or myself.

The second district event I am planning is family slow pitch softball games between the councils. We are talking about co-ed teams with teenage children and up. We will play several games so each of us gets a chance to play the other councils. I have lined up an umpire and am working on scheduling field time for all of us. My hope is that in the spring we can hold a huge family picnic at a state park, have a big cookout with all of our favorite picnic foods and the "championship" softball game to determine the winner. Your Grand Knight should be starting to gather a team, if you are interested in playing please let your GK know soon so he can start to fill a team.

Membership and retention are still very important to our order so that we can continue to do the great work that we do as councils in the name of Fr. Michael McGivney. As our order loses members to death or transfers we need to be able to fill those voids with someone who can help us to carry our mission forward. We are moving into the second half of our fraternal year and it is time to make that push to meet our goals and to try to get some of our missing brothers back into the fold. If you know someone that is not a Knight, ask him to join. If you know a member you have not seen at an event in a long time, invite him to attend your next council event. It does not need to be a meeting but maybe helping at a church breakfast. If your council needs help with meeting its membership goals the Md. State team would be more than happy to give you information to help or come to a membership blitz and help recruit new members.

We have lots of degrees scheduled here in the district in the next few months so your candidate will not have to wait long to become a member. If you need a list of the degrees in our area please let me know and I will send it to you.

As always, we are strengthening our bonds of faith and fraternity.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

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Pope John XXIII is quoted as saying, "Mankind is a great, an immense family. This is proved by what we feel in our hearts at Christmas."

Thanks again to PGK Bill Rooney and his merry elves for the wonderful, Christmas party. Dozens of our worthy council family gathered to celebrate the season. I trust you traveled safely and found time to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord in church and with your immediate families at home. I look forward to working with you to serve our larger parish and community families in the new year for the greater glory of His name.

The worthy, Financial Secretary will send out of the annual, fraternal service survey along with our first quarterly billing of the new year. Please respond promptly recording any and all service hours in our six activity areas and visits to our sick and bereaved.

If these tough economic times require you to make extremely prudent financial decisions at home, please contact me for a waiver of dues. We are a charitable service organization and charity begins at home. I promise you prompt and discrete attention in this regard.

There are exciting new activities on our calendar this winter! On January 19th, we will present "For Greater Glory: the true story of Cristiada." This movie chronicles the Cristeros War (1926-1929); a war by the people of Mexico against the atheistic Mexican government. On January 22nd, the 40th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision, we'll conduct a prayer vigil with the icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe, protectress of the unborn as the focal point. Last but not least, we'll recognize our honorary and honorary life members in a special

ceremony at our February social on February 27th. Mark these dates on your calendar.

Lastly, I welcome your feedback on the enhancements we've made to the layout of our newsletter. While I am honored to serve as your Grand Knight this year, I think it is important for us to always remember we are part of the world's largest Catholic lay ministry. The sequence of articles reflect this hierarchy. I encourage you to take every opportunity to strengthen the bonds of faith and fraternity armed with information from our church, the Supreme and State Councils and our District. Take time to celebrate our own accomplishments and answer the call to serve with the reports from our activity directors.

Think Big and Act BIGGER.



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COUNCIL BENEFITS

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Happy New Year! All my brother Knights are in my prayers with the intention that we all have a holy, happy, healthy and prosperous 2013.

I want to take this month's space to review the specific insurance/ financial products that are included in the, now much expanded, portfolio of offerings from Knights of Columbus Insurance. They are:

Term Life Insurance- very affordable. large death benefit ,small monthly payment. Convertible (partially or totally) to whole life insurance.

Whole Life Insurance- provides a permanent death benefit. Accrues tax advantaged cash value. Earns dividends. Eventually self-funds.

Single Premium Whole Life Insurance- paid up permanent life insurance....leverages a taxable asset into a larger non-taxed asset.

Dual Life insurance- a "second to die" insurance policy to help couples with estate tax issues.

Retirement Annuities- a place for **guaranteed** growth of retirement savings with no market risk. A rollover place for 401Ks from former employers.

Disability Income Insurance- affordably protects your greatest financial asset. Your income!

Long Term Care Insurance- affordably protects your family and your assets from the overwhelming cost of custodial care in-home care or nursing home care.

What an impressive fraternal benefits program! Please contact me using the email or cell phone # listed above for more specific information,

Vivat Jesu.

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Ninety eight people attended our annual Christmas social. After enjoying appetizers of cheese platters and meatballs we

enjoyed a wonderful ham dinner with mashed potatoes and a vegetable medley. The dessert table was filled with wonderful items. After dinner Santa visited and the children and several adults sat on Santa's lap to receive a present. Naturally we sang our annual twelve days of Christmas song.

Then PGK Bill Rooney hosted our Irish gift exchange which was enjoyed by all. The Bailey's Irish Cream and the beautiful Christmas



and executing a great event.

bowl were the crowd favorites. They touched many hands.

Many thanks to PGK Bill Rooney for planning, cooking

BINGO EVENT - SAVE THE DATE

On January 23, 2013 we will have our bingo social which is always fun and well attended. We will play bingo for valuable prizes and eat pizza and desserts. Please RSVP to me using my contact info above. We hope to see you there for an evening of fun.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Good of the Order drawing for \$33 was won by Brother Ray Sponer who was not present at the Business Meeting. The Good of the Order drawing at the January Business Meeting will be \$60. Remember, not only must you play to win, you must be present at the Business Meeting to win!!!

ACTIVITY REPORTS

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Breakfast with Santa

The Breakfast with Santa program at St. Joseph's on December 9th was huge success. It was planned as part of the first of a series of fund raisers to finance the renovation of the kitchen and gym areas at St. Joseph's. In addition to the breakfast, there were a silent auction and many activities for the children, including photos with Santa. Preliminary reports are that several thousand dollars were raised for the renovation fund. Thank you to the Knights who volunteered to make this venture a

success. The breakfast went very smoothly and the staff at St. Joe's, from Fr. Neville on down, are greatly appreciative.

Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive at St. Joe's will be on Saturday, January 12. Please mark that date and plan on making a much needed donation. We will be making phone calls to schedule appointments on January 2, 3 and 4. Please call George Moriatis or myself if you are able to help.

Raffle

Our Worthy Grand Knight has organized a 50/50 Raffle to benefit St. Joseph's gym renovation fund. We will need volunteers to cover the Masses each weekend in January and sell raffle tickets. If you can give a little time before or after the Mass you usually attend, please let me know, so a Mass coverage schedule can be created.

Welcoming Team

The Welcoming team at St. Joseph's is looking for a few volunteers to register new parishioners after the 8:30 and 10:15 Masses on Sunday mornings. This is a great opportunity for Knights and their wives to meet new families and potentially to recruit new Knights. All it entails is about twenty minutes of your time in the Cassidy Center after Mass. If you are interested, please let me know.

Council Rosary Night

Rosary every Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm at Cassidy Center. Since 9/11/2001, Knights and their ladies of our Council family have gathered each Tuesday evening to say a Rosary in memory of those killed that tragic day and for service men and women at home and abroad fighting the war on terror.

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We, as a Council, have made a commitment to be present every Sunday morning, between

6:00 and 7:00am, for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel at St. Joseph's.

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Brothers – Our Winter Blood Drive will be held on January 12, 2013 in the St. Joe's gym. As you all know the need for whole blood and platelets never ends particularly during the holiday season and afterward. If you are in good health and can contribute please contact either contact Peter O'Sullivan or George Moriatis to schedule an appointment.

We are also in need of fellow brothers and members of the Sheens to make phone calls to schedule appointments. We will be making calls on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th of January 2013 (Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday). Of particular need is the 3rd of January when several of the Sheens ladies are also members of the Catholic Daughters of America and will be having their monthly meeting. If you can give us one hour of your time on that day or any of the days it would help tremendously. Contact Peter O'Sullivan (410-795-4379), or George Moriatis (410-795-2280).

Each year, the Maryland State Council presents several Community Awards to deserving Marylanders for the service they provide to our communities. Most of you are familiar with the awards for Police Officer and Fire-Fighter/ EMT. The State Council also presents an award for "Citizen of the Year" for services rendered to our community to someone acting not in a professional capacity, but simply as a good citizen. One of our Council Brothers, Dave Smith, was so honored by State Council for the 2008-2009 fraternal year. If you know anyone in our South Carroll community who is worthy of recognition as our State's Citizen of the year, please contact me (Chris Ryder) no later than 15 January. (Nominations are due to the State Council on 1 February.)

Most of you know that the Knights of Columbus have close relationship with the Special Olympics from that organization's founding when a Maryland Knight, R. Sargent Shriver, co-founded Special Olympics with his wife Eunice Kennedy Shriver. Our Council is working to sponsor a basketball double-header with the Carroll County Special Olympics teams. The date is not yet determined because the tournament schedule for Maryland Special Olympics is not yet published. Once we hear from SOMD, I will recruit volunteers to produce a very special event for the most deserving of all Maryland citizens.

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Refer to the Council web site, www.KofC7612.org, for copies of previous Communiqués and other up-to-date information regarding Council activities and other contact information.

Fantasy Football

CONGRATULATIONS TO REGULAR SEASON AND PLAYOFF CHAMPIONS, the younger Eagle! After suffering a week 14 upset, the younger Eagle, regained composure to end the regular season on a high note and steamroll through the playoffs. We'll recognize this accomplishment at the January business meeting. Below are the end of season standings through week 14 of the NFL season.

Rank	Team	W-L
1.	the younger Eagle	12-2
2.	RAGE	9-5
3.	Incarnation	8-6
4.	Miles' Mulestompers	8-6
5.	Terp Courage Lions	7-7
6.	McNabb's Rib Shack	6-8
7.	Boozer	6-8
8.	G-Men	5-9
9.	Shamrocks	5-9

10 Johnstons 4-10
Jackalopes
And the championship playoff brackets with results:

**(Dec 11 - Dec 17)
Semifinals**

(1) the younger Eagle
107.34
(4) Miles' Mulestompers
37.72

**(Dec 18 - Dec 24)
Final**

(1) the younger Eagle
120.56
(2) RAGE 103.34

3rd Place Game

(2) RAGE 93.10
(3) Incarnation 82.66
(4) Miles' Mulestompers
70.82
(3) Incarnation 137.16

iGive

Since 2009, 18 council family members have donated hundreds of dollars to the council. Turn your online shopping and searching into much-needed donations at www.iGive.com/KOC7612



Concession Stand Project

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The Ravens are the Division Champs. That means It's going to be an exciting January at M&T stadium. We will be running the concession stand for The Home Playoff game on the weekend of January 5-6th. We won't know until next weekend the details of the Game. So we have to wait to see who we will be playing and the day and time of the game.

It takes 12 volunteers to run the stand for this event. We still need your help. So if you have been putting off coming down to help out at the concession stand, now is the time to act.

Help us raise some funds, have fun with your fellow Knights and I guarantee you will have a rewarding and enjoyable time.

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A time of joy and a time to heal

I was driving back from Manassas, listening to Christmas songs and tragic news in Newtown, Connecticut was announced. I was shocked, my conscience raced much faster than the DC traffic. Like everyone else, I could not understand the reason for the senseless action. What ifs and what could be, by all account it is incomprehensible.

I rarely watch a major news channel nowadays. Until now I find it repulsive of the media outlets to depict every horrific detail of any violence that ensued. We are desensitized by violence. We accepted brutality as entertainment. The best-selling video games today has to be graphically violent. In short, entertainment media relies on violence to sell more advertising. Does good news sell commercial space? Most likely it does not.

We can debate all day as to the cause of this tragedy. Today's lifestyle is about faster information, multi-tasking. Children can find any information on every subject via internet. There are sites not subjected to any age restrictions. Ever noticed the popularity of social media such as Facebook? Friends are met over electronic signals. Why talk when you can just text. Whatever happened to phone calls and shaking hands?

As parents, we guide, hold and love our children dearly. This lyric of a song by a band called "White Lion" says it all - When the children cry, let them know we tried. 'Cause when the children fight, let them know it ain't right. When the children pray, let them know the way. 'Cause when the children sing, then the new world begins.

A Child was born on Christmas, a gift of Hope. All life is precious. Mother Theresa wrote, "Life is an opportunity, benefit from it. Life is beauty, admire it. Life is a dream, realize it. Life is a challenge, meet it. Life is a duty, complete it. Life is a promise, fulfill it."

Jesus taught us to love. This will always be the answer of today's ill. Let's practice what He preached. Always work for the family, bond as much as possible. Greet your neighbors. Smile to those you meet. We can become a better community.

Our Family of the Month

George and Pat Moriartis are involved in several in the council and at St. Joseph's Catholic Community. Pat is an active member of the Sheen's Colleens ladies auxiliary and Catholic Daughter's of America. Together they brave frigid temperatures on Election Day to campaign in support of the Church's teaching on Maryland referendum question #6, Civil Marriage Protection Act. They help serve coffee and donuts to parishioners on Sunday mornings. George helped run the kitchen the concession stand at Baltimore Ravens games. He also assists in selling religious Christmas cards, helping keep Christ in Christmas, and reflecting the Maryland State Council's motto of "Strengthen the bonds of faith and fraternity." Most importantly, George and Pat are instrumental in saving lives. The Red Cross Blood Drive is always a call for both.

CULTURE OF LIFE

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Sandy Hook

It is hard to explain what happened in Newtown, Connecticut Friday Dec 14th. Twenty-six people dead, twenty of them 1st graders. My son Matthew is a year younger than these kids, and I cannot imagine him being gone forever, right before Christmas. I cannot imagine the grief that these parents are going through. Our

family has been praying for them, and that God will be with them through this difficult time.

As the Pro-Life director, I have been asking myself, where is the outrage over the approximately 3300 abortions that are performed every day in this country? Or the approximately 50 million children that have been aborted since Jan 22, 1973? Well there is none; the victims of abortion are unknown children, yet are their lives any less valued? I personally think not, but to our most of our current society abortion is a woman's choice. And this is what the pro-life movement is up against. It will be difficult to change people's minds and perception of abortion, but with God anything is possible.

Please remember the parents and children of Newtown, CT in your prayers, and also please pray for those who have been aborted.

40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, Prayer vigil Jan 22nd 2013

Our council will be holding a prayer vigil at St. Joseph's the night of the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Time is 7:30 pm. If you cannot make it to the march for life please consider spending this night with us, and some prayerful time praying for the unborn. We are currently working out the details and will post them via e-mail.

March for life Jan 25th 2013

St. Joseph's will have a bus going to the March for Life. If you are interested in joining us on the bus please contact Kathy Reid.

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I will be sending out an e-mail with additional information on a rally point for us in DC.

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We had our Coats for Kids sock hop fundraiser on December 14, 2012 at St. Joseph's gym. All proceeds will be used to purchase coats for needy children in the south Carroll area. We are working with Kathy Reid, Pastoral Associate for Service, Justice and Life at St. Joseph's, to identify qualified recipients. We are also working with Kohl's of Eldersburg to have the children come in and pick out their own coat.

Thanks again to Bob Sutliff and St. Joseph's Middle School Youth Group for allowing us to be part of this event. We would also like to thank Gwen Lilly for taking pictures and chaperoning; and Jarvis Abellana, Rob DeLuna, Collin Roden, and Monica Kerr (Sheen's Colleens) for chaperoning. A fun time was had by all.

Our next event will be the Council #7612 basketball free throw competition in January, followed by the District competition on February 9, 2013.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

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Brothers and Council Family,
Our Worthy Grand Knight, myself, Les Simon, and a handful of the Squires met a couple of weeks ago to discuss and plan out the direction of the Squires, for the 2013 year. We currently still do not have a Head Counselor for the Squires and several Squires have opted to de-activate themselves from the Circle. However, there are still a number of Squires that are motivated to keep the Circle going.

To that end, I have asked, and the Grand Knight has given approval, to allow me to step into a role of a "group facilitator" for the Squires

Circle until such time that a new, official Head Counselor is found. Les Simon has indicated that he would like to continue to assist the Squires, and Kevin Selby has also indicated that he would like to assist when he can during breaks from college. I thank them both in advance for their support and ideas and guidance.

There will be several major changes in how the Squires operate. The changes were discussed by all present at the meeting and will be implemented as an interim measure, and if all goes well, can be adopted on a permanent basis by the Squires, or tweaked according to future assessments.

The changes are summarized as follows:

1. The Squires will meet once every 2 months, instead of every month, starting in January of 2013. The 1st meeting will be Sunday January 6th at the normal 7:00 p.m. time. The Squires intend on electing their officers at this meeting.
2. The Squires will have a very reduced schedule of Squires' events, which will include: the donut sale, the art auction, Operation Welcome Home MD, and maybe 1 or 2 others. The Knights will offer assistance in planning and carrying out the events and the Squires will be assisting the Knights in other routine Council events as they are able to. This reduced schedule of commitments is needed in order to take into account the numerous other activities that the Squires are involved with, such as sports, which can consume a huge amount of their time.
3. In order to foster a greater fraternal bond between the Knights and the Squires, we will begin to plan "social/fun" events together, possibly once a month, such as pick-up basketball nights, flag football games, and so on that are not "work" functions. These events will also be a good opportunity for all those couch potatoes in our midst to get out of the house and get active, and who knows, maybe have some fun. We will be planning the first pick-up

basketball night VERY SOON. An email will be sent out shortly.

In closing, I ask for everybody's support in helping to rejuvenate the Squires Circle, whether it be with your prayers or with your active participation in their events, just as we as Knights have enjoyed their assistance and support in our endeavors over the years. These are our future Knights - let's walk with them on that path.

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Our next meeting will be help on Jan 14th at 7:30 in the council home.

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SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The annual art auction will be held on March 23, 2013 at the new Freedom District Fire Department Hall. Funds raised from this event support four scholarships for deserving students. Please plan on attending this event next year.

We are also soliciting vehicle donations to support our scholarship fund. If you or anyone you know would like to donate a vehicle please contact me. We will sell the vehicle and provide you with the appropriate paperwork for your taxable deduction.

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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 – see below for details on the January meeting.

- Thursday, January 13th, 2013 Father Burggraff Council # 6012
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- Friday, February 1st Anniversary Party, 2013, Holy Trinity Council # 3413
103rd Baltimore Chapter Anniversary
Columbian Center, 335 N. Ritchie Hwy, Severna Park, MD 21146

Also, please note the upcoming Anniversary Party for Holy Trinity Council. The time for this event is still TBD. An email will be sent out to the Council once the time is set.

The Baltimore Chapter maintains a Yahoo! Group,

<http://www.yahogroups.com/group/baltimorechapter>.

This is open to any and all Grand Knights, PGKs, Newsletter Editors, Council Officers, all current and former State Officers, and Widows. The Yahoo! Group is used to send out reminders, notices of those who are sick or deceased, and information from the Chapter President. Please sign up today!

SHEEN'S COLLEENS CORNER

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Holiday Greetings Ladies!

Our annual Christmas Dinner on Wednesday, December 5th at Maggie's was a pleasant evening

for the small group that was able to attend.

During the exchange, a few gifts were swapped among our members. But everyone remained friends. It was a nice social event and President



Heather gifted us with tree ornaments. The theme of the evening was definitely snowmen! Winter is here for sure. Our next business meeting is January 16 at 7:00 PM. Please mark your new calendars. Check your email for interim messages from me or the Knights.

In December, we helped out with Mother Seton Academy shopping day, the Alternative Christmas Market and the breakfast with St. Nicholas in the gym. If children and/or food is involved, we are the nurturers. A few of us helped with the Ravens concession stand this December and don't know yet if we get into a home playoff situation in January. Keep your fingers crossed! We have some rabid Ravens fans among us.

Other January events are planned by the Knights or St. Joseph's Catholic Community. The Knights have their big winter Blood Drive on January 12, 2013, so we ladies have been asked to make phone calls at Peter's real estate

office in early January. Also, the Knights need help for the movie viewing of *For Greater Glory* on Saturday January 19. The National March for Life on January 25, 2013 is a special effort we support. Our own Sheens Colleens upcoming project is the distribution of Valentine flower vases to area nursing homes. Charlie Heyden will chair this project, so look for emails about collecting money after Sunday masses or prep work for the ribbons, notes, etc. from Charlie.

As this year comes to a close, let us all be mindful of those not as fortunate as we are. Those that are alone, grieving, hurting and need our prayers. As mothers, we all cried after the Connecticut incident and maybe even questioned our faith. In solidarity for those families who lost loved ones, say an extra prayer for all our healing.

Thank you and God Bless.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

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Good Day everyone,

My Family and I would like to Wish you and yours Healthy and Spiritual filled New Year. May the New Year bring faith, hope and Charity to your life as we unite together with our God and serve his community together as one

If you know of a member who is sick or is recently deceased, PLEASE EMAIL or CALL/TEXT me as soon as possible. I would rather get multiple calls about someone who needs our prayers than to not be notified at all. Thank you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED BROTHERS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:

- Tommy Damasiewicz
- Jerry Fuller (Jay Fuller's father)
- Mary Love Green Mezzanotti (cousin of David Love)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL RECENTLY KILLED IN ACTION WHILE DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES:

- Mondragon, Enrique, Sergeant, 23, U. S. Army
- Price, Job W., Commander, 42, U. S. Navy
- Robinson, Leonard, Lieutenant, 29, U. S. Navy
- Lipari, Kevin E., Sergeant 1st Class 39, U. S. Army
- Guillory, Michael J., Sergeant, 28, U. S. Marine
- Trent, Nelson D., Staff Sergeant, 37, U. S. Army National Guard
- Reid, Nicholas J., Staff Sergeant, 26, U. S. Army
- Williams, Wesley R., Staff Sergeant, 25, U. S. Army
- Checque, Nicolas D., Petty Officer 1st Class 28 U.S. Navy
- Orgaard, Tyler J., Specialist, 20, U.S. Army National Guard
- Linde, Darren M., Sergeant 1st Class, 41, U.S. Army National Guard
- Denier, Anthony J., Lance Corporal, 26, U.S. Marine

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS FROM NEWTOWN CONNECTICUT:

- Charlotte Bacon, (age 6)
- Daniel Barden, (age 7)
- Olivia Engel, (age 6)
- Josephine Gay, (age 7)
- Ana M. Marquez-Greene, (age 6)
- Dylan Hockley, (age 6)
- Madeleine F. Hsu, (age 6)
- Catherine V. Hubbard, (age 6)
- Chase Kowalski, (age 7)
- Jesse Lewis, (age 6)
- James Mattioli, (age 6)
- Grace McDonnell, (age 7)
- Emilie Parker, (age 6)
- Jack Pinto, (age 6)
- Noah Pozner, (age 6)
- Caroline Previdi, (age 6)
- Jessica Rekos, (age 6)
- Avielle Richman, (age 6)
- Benjamin Wheeler, (age 6)
- Allison N. Wyatt, (age 6)
- Rachel Davino, (age 29)
- Dawn Hochsprung, (age 47)
- Nancy Lanza, (age 52)
- Anne Marie Murphy, (age 52)
- Lauren Russeau, (age 29)
- Mary Sherlach, (age 56)
- Victoria Soto, (age 27)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

- Phillip Barrett (Bob's brother)
- Ashley Berdel
- Verna Blanchard (Chris Ryder's Mother in Law)
- Patty Bowlen (friend of Dick Zabela)
- Mike Bannon (Steve Ransdell)
- Allan Breller
- Al Cassiere
- John Catalano
- Joan Cornell (mother of Tom Roden)
- Wanda Coy (Bob Coy's Wife)
- Chuck Crew
- Pete Decker
- Emma DiMaio
- Children of Toni DiVenti
- Mike Driscoll
- Bill "Spud" Franklin (SVFD)
- Alexandra Fry
- Tom Grieg (Seans Grieg's Father)
- John Gropshover
- Laura Gruel
- Ed Hantzell
- Marjorie Harmon Sherri Greig's Grandmother
- Barbara Heck (Diane Eagle's Cousin)
- Ellie Hildebrand (Greg Lynch's cousin)
- Paige Hilfer
- Cathy Hirth (Doug's Wife)
- Cindy Hogan
- Bud Housel
- Joe Januszewski
- Margaret Kaelin
- John Kendall
- George Koleszar (brother Bob Koleszar)

- Paige Lang
- Mary & John Maguire
- Terry Manner
- Al Marks (friend of Peter O'Sullivan)
- Floyd McCurdy
- William McQuay (father of Keith)
- Charlie McTygue (Father of John McTygue)
- Ray Matyas (Steve Rogness Father in Law)
- Darlene Meares, sister of brother Barry Burgan
- Concetta V. Miles (Ray Miles Mother)
- Rosemary Morales (ray Miles Mother in law)
- Carl Motter (Scott's father)
- Pam Murphy (wife of Mike)
- "Mac" Murray
- Jean Orlando (Wife of Sam Orlando)
- Jim Patanella
- Lucy Perron (wife of Dick)
- Anna Pierce
- Pat Reilly
- Joseph Retkowski
- Randi Roden (half-sister of Tom Roden)
- Sherrie Roden (wife of Tom)
- Joan Roth (Alec Kerr's mother-in-law)
- Jack Ryder (father of PGK Chris Ryder)
- Elaine San Fellipo (Frank's Wife)
- Frank SanFellipo
- Jennifer San Fellipo (Frank's daughter)
- Bill Sapp
- Connie Sapp (Bill's Daughter in Law)
- Jim Siford PGK
- Dennis Sinmont (Rick Wilhide's Brother in law)
- Martha Shetler (Richard Bird MIL)
- Sherrie Sisler
- Mellissa Smith
- Deacon Todd Smith
- Louis Stachowiak, Sr. (PDD Lou father)
- Beth Stevens
- Uhul Talley
- John Tolota (St. Joes – Taneytown)
- Eleanor Urick
- Ray and MaryLou Vaccare
- Cheyenne VanCleve
- Janet VanCleve
- Robert Wesley
- Annamaria White
- Jean White (Tom's Mother)
- Larry White
- Katherine Winkler
- Mackenzie Wilson (daughter of a friend of Harold B.)
- Paige Wilson (sister-in-law of Harold B.)
- Gertrude Witte
- Joe Wolf
- Denise Wolfe
- John Zambito

MONTHLY COUNCIL CALENDAR

JANUARY

1	SOLEMNITY OF MARY
3-5	Phone Calls for Blood Drive - @ Long and Foster office
5	Basketball Free Throw qualifier 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
5-6	50-50 Raffle sales after all weekend masses
6	Squire's Meeting 7pm
7	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM
8	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
9	Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM, 1st Degree
12	Red Cross Blood Drive 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
12	Family Movie Night 6:15 - 9:00 PM
12-13	50-50 Raffle sales after all weekend masses
14	CUF House Meeting 7:30 PM
15	Fraternal Surveys due back to Rich Unglesbee
15	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
16	Sheen's Colleens Meeting
19	Movie Screening at 6 p.m. - <i>For Greater Glory</i>
19-20	50-50 Raffle sales after all weekend masses
20	Squire's Social 7pm
22	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
23	Social
25	March for Life, Washington D.C.
26	Movie Screening (snow date) 6 p.m. - <i>For Greater Glory</i>
26-27	50-50 Raffle sales after all weekend masses
28	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM CCARC
28	Sheen's collection for Operation Welcome Home Md
29	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00

FEBRUARY

3	Squire's Meeting 7pm
5	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
7	Squire's Bball practice 7pm
8	Sheens - assemble Valentine flowers 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
9	Sheens - deliver flowers to nursing homes 10:00 a.m.
9	Free Throw Championships 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
9	Family Movie Night 6:15 - 9:00 PM
10	Romantic Valentine's dinner @ 5:30 p.m.
12	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
12	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
13	ASH WEDNESDAY
15	Lenten Dinner 6 PM
16-17	Baby Bottle distribution after all masses
17	District Chili Cook-Off @ Portico Westminster 2-8 p.m.
17	Squire's Meeting 7pm
18	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM
19	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
20	Council Business Meeting 7:30 p.m.
20	Sheen's Colleens Meeting
22	Lenten Dinner 6 PM
23	Knights/Squires basketball game 12:00 - 4:00 PM
25	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM CCARC
26	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
27	Social

MARCH

1	Lenten Dinner 6 PM
3	Squire's Meeting 7pm
3	Fourth Degree Exemplification
5	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
8	Lenten Dinner 6 PM
9	Family Movie Night 6:15 - 9:00 PM
TBD	Sheen's Colleens Sr Prom, Senior center
11	Knights / Squires breakfast
11	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM
12	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
13	Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM, 1st degree
14	Squire Investiture 7PM
15	Lenten Dinner 6 PM
17	Squire's Social 7pm
18	CUFP House Meeting 7:30 PM
19	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
20	Sheen's Colleens Meeting 7:00 p.m.
22	Lenten Dinner 6 PM
23	Art Auction
25	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM CCARC
26	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00
27	Social
28	HOLY THURSDAY
29	Lenten Dinner 6 PM, Fish Fry
29	GOOD FRIDAY
31	EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL

2	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.
7	Squire's Meeting 7pm
8	Council Directors Meeting 7:30 PM
9	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.
10	Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM
13-14	Baby Bottle Collection - before all masses
14	Spring event
14	Squire's donut sale - after all Sunday masses
15	CUFP House Meeting 7:30 PM
16	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.
17	Sheen's Colleens Meeting 7:00 p.m.
20	Sheen's Quarter Mania 3:00 - 12:00 p.m.
21	Squire's Social 7pm
22	Assembly Meeting 7:30 PM CCARC
23	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.
24	Social
27	Red Cross Blood Drive 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
30	Rosary 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.

JANUARY COUNCIL BIRTHDAYS

ROBERT BARRETT JR 1
WILLIAM JONES JR 2
MAZIAR EMADI..... 3
JACK MC CALL 3
RAYMOND MILES 4
JOHN DOWD JR..... 6
JOHN VOGELPOHL JR 7
STEPHEN RICHTER 11
JOHN VAN CLEVE..... 14
RANDALL CONNOLLY 16
MICHAEL BECHTEL 19

JAMES BROPHY 20
BARRY STOLL 22
WILLIAM STROTZ 23
ROBERT ASHBY 24
ALEXANDER KERR 25
KEVIN SELBY 28
JOSHUA BIDDLE 29
WILLIAM WACHTER 30
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Council Business Meeting

2nd Wednesday of the Month, 7:30pm at the Council Home

Council Officers & Program Directors Mtg.

Charity Corp. Meeting

Monday before Business Meeting, 7:30-9:30pm at the Council Home

CUFP, Inc. (Home Corporation) Meeting

Monday immediately following the Council's Business Meeting. Meetings are open to all members.

Reservation of the Council Home:

To avoid scheduling conflicts concerning the use of the Council Home, the host or committee chair must contact Dan Hundertmark.

Sheen's Colleens Meeting

3rd Wednesday of the Month, 7:00pm, St. Joseph's Cassidy Center

Council Social Meeting

Typically the 4th Wednesday of the Month

Communiqué Deadline for Articles

4th Thursday of the Month