



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

The end of this Columbian year is fast approaching. We have accomplished much this year due to the hard work and dedication of many brothers. We are within reach of Star Council and very possibly another Double Star Council award this year. Good job to all those who recruited a new member and welcome to those new members who have joined us.

We ran a successful ARC drive this year and dedicated nearly twice as many service hours. We more than doubled the amount we collected last year and nearly doubled the new ARC goal of \$7 per member collected. Great job to all who participated through their time and prayers. We look forward to an even more successful drive next year.

The organizers of the race did a spectacular job in light of the tough economic times. Although sponsorships were down, race attendance was much higher than last year. Although this year's race was an overall success, we still learned a valuable lesson - we need more involvement throughout the entire process. Please consider helping out from the beginning with the race next year. Your officers will keep you posted of when and where the race meetings will be held.

Our annual family picnic is coming up on July 8 at Lone Lane Park. Please come with your families. Invite a friend and his family. Watching everyone have a great time may lead him to becoming a Knight. The parish festival is also coming up very soon and I hope to see you there!!!

This upcoming year will offer much excitement- a new Bishop, new family activities, more youth activities and more social activities to involve Brother Knights and their families. We want to continue to grow a strong community of Catholic families that revolves around Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Please take part in whatever events that you are able to make. You, my brother Knights, are what make this council and the Knight's of Columbus a great institution.

Have a Blessed and Joyous summer. Vivat Jesus!

Your Servant,

Craig J Traverson, GK

UPCOMING DEGREES

Fall 2009
TBA

PLANNED CHARITABLE GIVING 2009-10

- Vocations: \$4000
- School/Prep Scholarships: \$1200
- Teacher Appreciation: \$300
- Holiday Food Gifts - \$1000
- ARC: \$2000
- Father Chinnappa: \$1000
- Mercy Learning Center: \$1000
- Caring Hearts: \$1000
- Emergency Fund: \$1000
- Parish Activities: \$900
- Habitat for Humanity: \$500
- Special Olympics: \$500
- Military Advocacy: \$500

New Website!

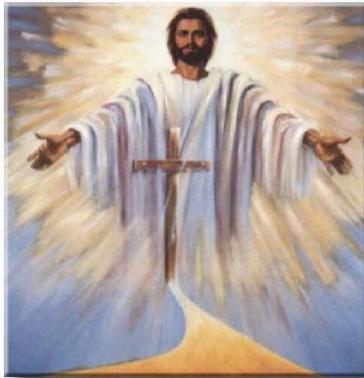
<http://www.kofcstjw.org/home/>

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE

**WE LIVE A VOCATION,
EVEN ON VACATION.**

As the summer months are quickly approaching, I take this time to wish each and every one of you, and your families, a peaceful and restful summer.

For all the hard work and dedicated service that you so freely gift our Parish Family, you deserve it!



The temptation during the summer months is to relax, and that is a great thing. All the normal activities and meetings we usually attend are ending for the summer. The summer then becomes a time to re-create ourselves. Perhaps there are some things you always wish you had the time to do, such as read the book *Parish Priest* or *a Civilization of Love*. Perhaps, this summer you could make a commitment to attend daily Mass and add an hour of Eucharistic Adoration to your life. The blessing of summer gives us the opportunity to see what inspires us, and then pursue it. Remember, we never take a vacation from our vocation as a Knight of Columbus. May God Bless you this summer and may you find a new gift of Christ this summer.

Happy Re-Creation,
Fr. Kevin

*Discover a World of
Good Things in
the Knights of Columbus*

2009-10 OFFICERS

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Trustee	Kevin Maydick	610 395-0223
District Deputy	John Fitzpatrick	610-530-7728
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ROSES FOR MOTHERHOOD
1st & 3rd Sunday after 11:30 Mass
To volunteer, please contact:
Henry Schairer @ 610-530-4566

IT DOES NOT MATTER WHETHER WE SUCCEED OR NOT.
IT ONLY MATTERS THAT WE HAVE THE FAITH TO TRY.
BE AN ACTIVE KNIGHT

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Turn a *good marriage* into a **great marriage** through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!
<http://www.wwme.org/>

IMPORTANT DATES

June
 19-21
 Parish Festival
 23
 Assembly 931 Monthly Meeting
 30
 Officer's Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

July
 8
 Annual Family Picnic

August
 26
 Officer's Meeting

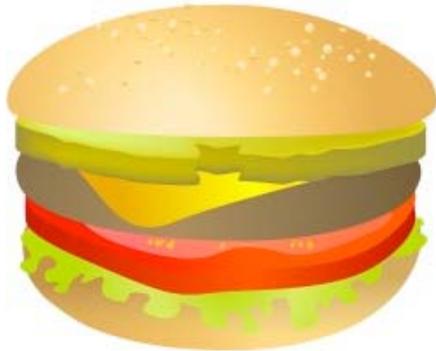
September
 8
 Regular Business Meeting
 20
 Monthly Parish Breakfast

Maria's Call to Serve

We all know about the call to serve. We are all called in our own way. However, when the call comes for service in the religious life, few hear it, and even fewer answer it. This is one reason why our Order is so dedicated to protecting those who shepherd us. When someone answers this call, it is our duty to support them. When someone close to us hears that call, it fills us with an indescribable emotion.

At a recent Officer's Meeting, Brother Jim Policare shared his story of how the call to serve has reached his family. Brother Jim's daughter, Maria, has felt her calling since she was a young girl. Now that she is 17, she is ready to answer that call by dedicating her life to the Service of Our Lord.

Brother Jim shared the story of his joys, fears, caution, and pride as he and his family learned more about the Order that Maria would like to join. Jim, his wife, Nancy, and Maria, went to Nashville to visit The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia. Jim recounted that there seemed to be a great sense of peace on the campus, and that there was a sense of beauty, both physical and spiritual, everywhere, especially in the Chapel. It was during this visit that Jim and Nancy gave Maria their blessing to go forward and answer the call that she has heard for so long now. Both our local council and 4th Degree Assembly 931 have pledged to support Maria this upcoming fraternal year. You can do your part by keeping Maria in your prayers. To learn more about the Dominican Sisters of Nashville, please visit <http://nashvilledominican.org>



ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC
WEDNESDAY JULY 8, 2009
5-9 PM, LONE LANE PARK

Bring A Friend! Open to all!

The Natural Choice is Life

FRATERNITY IS OUR THIRD PRINCIPLE.

IF YOU KNOW OF A BROTHER KNIGHT IN DISTRESS, PLEASE CONTACT AN OFFICER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



FIELD AGENT'S MESSAGE The New Member Annuity

The "New Member Plan" of life insurance, which has served us well since the early 1980s, is no more! In its place, we have introduced a "new member annuity." It is unique in that a \$300 deposit is usually required to open an annuity with the Order, but in the case of a new member, the minimum deposit is only \$100.

What does one get for \$100? For starters, you get a guaranteed minimum interest rate. And on a quarterly basis, the Home Office reviews the interest rate environment, and sets a rate for the following year that can be higher than the guaranteed minimum, but never lower.

In addition, new members start a retirement program, backed by one of the strongest insurers in the world. Personal savings is an essential part of the "three-legged stool" needed for your retirement protection. We'll guard that money for you until you're ready for it! For \$100, the new member and his wife acquire a guaranteed retirement product that pays them interest, and his council gains a new insured member. It's a win-win situation if ever we saw one.

For more information on the "new member annuity," please contact me @ 610-954-7583.

Fraternally,
Dennis Matthews, Field Agent



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