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“We can no longer accept what *might* have been.”

—Rep. Mia Love (R–Utah) at the 2017 March for Life, regarding the potential of our lost unborn.

CHAPLAIN’S REPORT

Father David McGuigan

Brother Knights, I have often reflected on the helpfulness of the compass with its four virtue points, charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, with the coda, “the needle always points to charity.” I can’t remember the last time I used an actual compass, but I’m sure many members of our Council have and still do use one to determine direction where that is uncertain to the eye, and to follow a reliable path. During the next few months, and not necessarily consecutively, I will offer some reflections on each of the compass points with an emphasis on how we may perceive that the grace of God in Jesus Christ invites us to elevate and ennoble these fundamental values that are meant to guide the lives of each and every Knight. I’m inclined to begin with the fourth point, patriotism, since a characteristic element of political life in this country has recently concluded, the “peaceful transfer of power” to a new presidential administration.

Actually, I have been thinking about the journey of Catholics in the U.S. for several weeks, now. Oddly enough, that’s not because of the election, but because I run our parish’s RCIA program. Last fall, I gave a presentation to our RCIA group on the history of Catholics in the U.S. I had found a documentary video to use, a large section of which was devoted to the

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struggles that Catholics have endured to gain acceptance as trustworthy citizens of our country. For example, there was an editorial cartoon from the mid 19th century that depicted Catholic bishops emerging from New York harbor on all fours in the attitude of crocodiles; their miters, the split, cone-shaped headwear of bishops, were represented as open jowls, lined with sharp teeth. Helpless people were depicted recoiling and cringing in fear, and the caption read, “The American Ganges.” Whatever the caption referred to, the message was clear enough. That cartoon was hardly the most egregious example of bigotry. In the Gospels Jesus doesn’t have much to say about patriotism, per se. However, in John, when Jesus first meets the disciple, Nathaniel, he says

of him, "Here is a true Israelite, in whom there is no deceit." Elsewhere, he is able to affirm outsiders, too. He says of the Roman centurion who appealed to him on behalf of his dying servant, "Never in Israel have I seen such faith." Most famously, when Jesus is asked about paying taxes, he replied, "Render unto Caesar that which belongs to Caesar, and to God that which belongs to God," (Mk 12:17). We have been wrestling with the practical political consequences of that statement throughout the Church's history, and it goes on.

On a cautionary note, we can always remember Samuel Johnson's saying, "Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel." Evidently, Johnson was aware that anyone, no matter what else they may be, can claim to be a patriot. In his letter to the Philippians, when St. Paul is warning the Christian community against the values of people "whose minds are set on earthly things," he says, "Our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, our Lord Jesus Christ," (Phil 3:20). Fittingly, that verse is an option to be offered at the graveside committal service. Is there something about accepting and exercising the responsibilities of earthly citizenship that is supported, even transformed, by the expectation of Christ and, indeed, his very presence in our lives? Can the history of Catholics in our country teach us something about being faithful patriotic Catholics, today? To end at the beginning, with patriotism—as with unity and fraternity—the needle always points to charity. May we let the compass be our guide. God bless you, brother Knights.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Michael Murphy

Mary and Her Knights

Mary, the Mother of God believed by many to be the greatest of all Christian saints. The Virgin Mother "was, after her Son, exalted by divine grace above all angels and men." She is the

holiest of all creatures. The main events of her life are celebrated as liturgical feasts of the universal Church.

According to a late tradition, the parents of Our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mary, were St. Joachim and St. Anne, natives of Bethlehem who lived in Nazareth. That she is called "ever-virgin," tells us she remained a virgin during and after His birth.

As a result of this Divine Motherhood, because it was fitting for Her Son, she obtained the great grace of the Immaculate Conception, defined by Pius IX in 1854. This means that from the first instant of conception her soul had sanctifying grace, a share in God's own life, given in anticipation of the future merits of her Son. Pius IX, in defining the Immaculate Conception, said that even at the start, her holiness was so great that "none greater under God can be thought of, and no one but God can comprehend it"!

One of the oldest teachings of the Church is that Mary is the New Eve. Just as the first Eve really contributed to the disaster of original sin, so Mary the New Eve really contributed to removing it, that is, to redeeming us. She was Mother of the Redeemer precisely insofar as He is our Redeemer.

At the end of her earthly life, Mary was taken up (assumed) into heaven, body and soul. Pius XII, in defining the Assumption, explained that "Just as the glorious resurrection of Christ was an essential part and final sign of this victory [over sin and death by Calvary] so that struggle [Calvary] which was common to the Blessed Virgin and her Son, had to be closed by the glorification of her virginal body". That is, the struggle, a work common to the two was a common cause. It brought Him glorification; it had to bring the same to her.

As a result, just as He is now King of the Universe, she is Queen of the Universe. "And her kingdom is as vast as that of her Son and God, since nothing is excluded from her dominion" (Pius XII, *Bendito seia*, May 13, 1946).

Patroness of the Knights of Columbus

One of the defining characteristics of the Knights of Columbus is its members' deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Every Knight receives a Rosary when he joins the Order and is encouraged to turn to Mary as his own Mother, so that she may lead him closer to her Son.

Historically, the Knights of Columbus have expressed filial devotion to Mary under various titles, especially Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and of the Philippines, and the Immaculate Conception, likewise patroness of both the United States and the Philippines. The Order has been marked from the beginning by special reverence for Our Lady, demonstrated by prayer, pilgrimages, evangelization and education initiatives, and acts of charity. In particular, Knights have been ardent apostles of the holy Rosary, spearheading numerous Rosary distributions and prayer programs to promote this most powerful Marian devotion.

Chronicling many of the most significant Marian initiatives and related events in the Order's history, the Knights' identity stems directly from a steadfast and faithful embrace of Mary's "yes."

The Most Holy Rosary

Mary holds a special place in the heart of a Knight. We truly look upon her as Our Lady. Much as the knights of old were invested with their war gear, in a similar way we look upon Mary's Rosary as our weapon of spiritual warfare. Our Knights are armed with rosaries in our pockets, and we know how to use them. Carry your Rosary always and pray it often. Attend and publicly pray at rosaries and novenas. Share the Rosary with your families, and pray it together.

Vivat Jesus,
Grand Knight

15 Promises of Our Lady for Praying the Most Holy Rosary (as made to St. Dominic and Bl. Alan de la Roche)

1. To all those who shall recite my Rosary devoutly, I promise my special protection and very great graces.
2. Those who shall persevere in the recitation of my Rosary shall receive some signal grace.
3. The Rosary shall be a very powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, deliver from sin, and dispel heresy.
4. The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish, and will obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies; it will substitute in hearts love of God for love of the world, and will lift them to the desire of heavenly and eternal things. How many souls shall sanctify themselves by this means!
5. Those who trust themselves to me through the Rosary shall not perish.
6. Those who shall recite my Rosary devoutly, meditating on its mysteries, shall not be overwhelmed by misfortune. The sinner shall be converted; the just shall grow in grace and become worthy of eternal life.
7. Those truly devoted to my Rosary shall not die without the Sacraments of the Church.
8. Those who recite my Rosary shall find during their life and at their death the light of God, the fullness of His graces, and shall share in the merits of the blessed.
9. I shall deliver very promptly from purgatory the souls devoted to my Rosary.
10. The true children of my Rosary shall enjoy great glory in heaven.
11. What you ask through my Rosary, you shall obtain.
12. Those who propagate my Rosary shall be aided by me in all their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Son that all the members of the Rosary Confraternity shall have for their brethren the saints of heaven during their life and at the hour of death.
14. Those who recite my Rosary faithfully are all my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion to my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.

SUPREME COUNCIL REPORT

www.KofC.org

Please check out the webpage for a variety of informative and enlightening articles and news about recent events for the KofC around the world.

STATE COUNCIL REPORT



Please check out the State webpage (www.kofc-md.org) for information on upcoming State events and programs.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Bill Adams, District Deputy

No report.



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COUNCIL BENEFITS ADVISOR

Mike Hurley

No report.

COUNCIL NEWS

From the Webmaster:

Please monitor your emails for spam, phishing, spoofing, or any other type of hacking. A member received a bogus email from a member whose email account appears to have been spoofed. I strongly recommend Council members immediately change your PERSONAL email account password, replacing it with a strong password. What is a strong password? A strong password is one that contains a mix of upper and lower case letters, numbers, and two

or more special characters, at least 8 characters long.

If you feel you have received a bogus email through the Council's Website email service, please copy and paste the bogus email to a Word document and forward the Word document and any details you can to our Webmaster. Webmaster Ray will forward the "invasions" details to UKnight Support Services for their assistance.

We're on our way to Appalachia

In June, the Sheen's council will be sending our first group of volunteers to the Baltimore – Appalachia Work camp in Terra Alta, West Virginia. Over the past 5 or 6 years, our council has financially supported the efforts of the Baltimore- Appalachia Work camp group, at the December business meeting council members approved Sheens Council 7612 becoming an active participant. On Sunday June 26th, a group of volunteers composed of members of our 7612 family will leave for a week's worth of first-hand Catholic Social Teaching in Appalachia.

The Baltimore-Appalachia Work camp group is a collaboration of parishes, schools (and now the KofC) to run summer Work camp experiences in Baltimore, Maryland and in Preston County, West Virginia. These opportunities allow youth and adults to work, pray and play side by side, while helping those in need in both an urban and a rural setting. The group's laborers will benefit residents who are experiencing financial or physical poverty, and allows the participants to learn about the causes and effects of poverty.

The group is composed of youngsters from 16-20 years old and adults. The group going to Appalachia is usually made up of approx. 60 youth and 40 adults.

Our group of volunteers from council 7612 is actively forming right now. Space is limited. We will only have 9-10 openings, so if you are interested please contact Tony Gioio ASAP.

Speaking from my own experience with my two sons, do not miss this opportunity to enrich

yourself and your faith. Both you and your child will be changed forever.

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LECTURER'S REPORT

Richard Perron

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Joe Kirschensteiner

No report.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ray Miles, Recorder

Brother Kurt Morrison won the \$43 Good of the Order Door Prize! However, Brother Kurt was not at the January Business Meeting so the door prize grows to \$68 for the February Business Meeting. The Brother Knight, whose name is drawn as the winner, must be present at the Business Meeting in order to win the door prize. The door prize increase each time the winner member is not present! The February Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the downstairs community room at St Joseph's Catholic Church, 906 Liberty Road, Eldersburg.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

CHURCH

Peter O'Sullivan

Tuesday Rosary

This tradition began following the 9/11 tragedy and has continued without interruption. In addition to the victims of 9/11, we remember our service and law enforcement men and women and other intentions as they arise. Everyone is invited to come to the Cassidy

Center at 7:30 p.m. whenever you have an hour to spare on a Tuesday night.

Adoration

Our Council has committed to have members present from 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. every Sunday morning. All Knights, their families, and friends are invited and encouraged to participate in this beautiful activity.

COMMUNITY

George Snediker

No report.

MEMBERSHIP

We welcome our new members, those re-activated and transferred! Join in with what interests you have and provide us with your feedback and inputs. Looking at what we do from a different perspective helps to keep us grounded and is the life-blood of any Council.

We have a moral obligation to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every eligible Catholic man.

Please reach out to Catholic men you meet or know at church to see if they may be interested in joining our brotherhood. If you are not sure what to say or do, do not hesitate to contact me or any Past Grand Knight of our Council. Also, remember that there are materials at our Bulletin Board area that is behind the steps to the new Hall. You are welcome to hand out any of the information on the Knights to a prospective candidate. We will add more Form 100's to the drawer for recruitment use. Let me know if we need more materials to be stored there.

Degree Schedule: <http://www.kofc-md.org/docs1617/degrees/Degrees.pdf>

Greg Lofton, PGK, Membership Director

COUNCIL

No report.

PIT BEEF

David Love

It is getting that be time of the year were we need to start thinking of the Council's Pit Beef activities for 2017. In 2016, we brought in just over \$ 8,000 to the council through 3 events in Westminster (The fourth of July, The Maryland Wine Festival and the Fall Harvest Days.)

Do we want to do the same events? Do we want to do any other events, maybe in downtown Sykesville? Drop me a note or give me a call and let me know what you are thinking.

In addition, of course, if you are interested and willing to help in any way with the Pit Beef events, let me know. There is some paper work (for the county), inventory counting, and shopping that needs to be done prior to the event. Set up and prep. the morning of the event, then cooking, slicing, sandwich making, customer service and drinks during the day, then clean up and packing at the end. A couple of hours of time for a lifetime of memories are to be shared. Students can earn service hours as well.

Westminster Farm Museum Events

- 4th of July Fireworks (all day starting at 9am, sales — 3pm 'til dark).
- MD Wine Festival (Saturday and Sunday, Sept 16th and 17th).
- Fall Harvest Days (Saturday, October 14th).

Hope to hear from you soon.

God Bless,
David

CONCESSION STAND PROJECT

Tony Gioio

For Archbishop Cardinal Fulton Sheen Council 7612 September through December is RAVENS FOOTBALL TIME as we continued our 2016 fundraising association with M&T Stadium and the Baltimore RAVENS. Our council members look forward to taking part in this

activity every year. All of the events are LOUD, FAST and EXCITING and everyone works hard and has a great time.



Bruce and Tim Abbott



Eric and Molly Klezer

In 2016 we ran three concession stands on the club level, Our main stand was the GREEN TURTLE, were up to 14 volunteers prepared and served; cheese burger and pulled pork sliders, Buffalo and Barbequed boneless chicken wings, French fries, hot dogs, pretzels, popcorn, peanuts, cracker jacks, water, soda and a lot of beer. We also ran a 4-person stand where we sold; Chicken Tenders, French fries, soda and beer. Lastly our third stand where 2 of

our Knights man the cash registers for the main CLUB LEVEL FOOD Court.

In September, we started RAVENS football with the season opener on Sunday the 11th. The Buffalo Bills came to town and it was a good day for both the ravens and the knights. The Ravens won 7-13 and the knights earned \$1676.

October was not a good month for the Ravens but it was great for our council. The RAVENS lost both of their home games, the Raiders on Oct 2nd and the REDSKINS on Oct. 9th. However, our Concession stands continued to have great sales. We earned \$1664 on the 2nd and \$1674 on the 9th. In between the two games on Monday Oct. 3rd was THE LADIES PURPLE NIGHT where we earned an additional \$830.

November was another great month for both of us. The RAVENS went 3 for 4 winning all 3 home games against the STEELERS on Nov. 6th, The Browns on Nov. 10 and the BENGALS on Nov27th. It was also a big month for our concession sales. As in previous years the RAVENS/STEELERS rivalry is always one of our most profitable game, we earned \$1767 followed by \$1608 on the 10th and \$ 1586 on the 27th.

December was a mixed bag for the RAVENS they went 2 for 4 Winning their 2 home games against the DOLPHINS on Dec. 4th and the EAGLES on the 18th. But it was a bonus month for the Sheen's Council. We designated the Dec 4th game as our annual SPECIAL OLYMPICS GAME all of our earnings were donated to the Carroll County Special Olympics. This year we were able to donate over \$1600.



Tony and Ryann Gioio (married Oct. 2, 2016)



Bill and Kathy Wachter

Dec. 10th. M&T stadium hosted the 2016 ARMY/NAVY game. Not only were President Obama and President Elect Donald Trump there, but so were we. All profits from the ARMY/NAVY game are being donated to the FISHER HOUSE charities at Walter Reed hospital to help care for our wounded soldiers and sailors and their families. We will be donating over \$1600 between sales and tips.

We closed out the year with the Dec 18th the RAVENS beat the EAGLES and we had our highest selling day in our history of running concession stands at M&T Stadium. We closed the year with our busiest day earning \$1885.

In January we received our bonus reward check of \$1104of the for having worked all 15 2016 events at the stadium.

The Ravens did not make it to the playoffs, but it was a fantastic year for the KNIGHTS, 48 volunteers, made up of Knights, Family members and our friends made up our 2016 concession stand team. We earned over \$20,000 and we donated to two great charities. However, more importantly was how our works at M&T stadium fulfilled and reinforced our core principles as KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS, CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY and PATRIOTISM. It is impossible to measure the affects running the concession stands has on our council. It is truly a Council/ Family event, Parents come with their teenage children (over

16), Husbands and Wives, Bothers, Sisters, Sons, Daughters and friends all take part. It is always busy, hectic exciting and fun. You get to meet and work with the wonderful people of Baltimore and we always leave at the end of the day, tired by with a sense of pride and accomplishment knowing that our day and endeavors were well spent.

Our Council is truly blessed. We are enriched with a wonderful group of people who make up our concession stand team; they come together over and over again to run the concession stands at M&T. It is because of their hard work and dedication that our fund raising is so effective. However, the greatest reward for all of us is the great friendships and fellowship that has developed between us. You will never form a deeper friendship then working alongside your friend to achieve a common goal.

I thank everyone who worked at the stands this year. God Bless you all.

Looking forward to next year,
Tony Gioio
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FAMILY

Jarvis Abellana

Family of the Month

The Gioio Family is the true example of Fr. McGivney's vision. They offered their time and resources to provide and support our Council's many charity and church events. Tony E. is our Deputy Grand Knight, and the chairman for our M&T Stadium Concession stand team. Tony, Louise and family managed 18-20 volunteers and operated three concession stands at M&T Stadium for three different events from Nov. 29th through the 18th of December raising \$1200 for Special Olympics Carroll County and another \$1200 for Fisher House. For their continued exemplary efforts, we are proud to select Tony, Louise and family as our family of the month.

Our Family Night Schedule

Let's start with Spaghetti dinner and desserts. Popcorn served all evening. What better way to share the evening. Join us. Events are held at the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up at the Cassidy Center.

Feb 11th showing Ice Age Collision Course
March 4th

Last month, we had 140 audiences for the showing of Storks. Well done Team!





Thoughts to ponder:

“Dispense justice for the needy and the orphan,” he said in his benediction. “For they have no one but their fellow citizens, and because a nation’s wealth is measured by her values and not by her vaults.” By Rabbi Marvin Heir

He is the founder and dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center, and the first Orthodox rabbi to deliver a prayer at a president’s inauguration, and the first rabbi to speak at an inauguration in over 30 years.

CULTURE OF LIFE

Al Grasley

Too Much good news on the Life side of things:

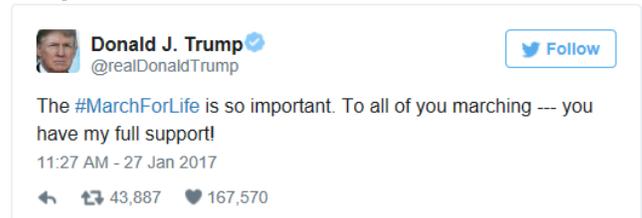
*Senator Joni Ernst announced she will introduce a bill to de-fund Planned Parenthood.

*Speaker Paul Ryan to March for Life: We Must Defund Planned Parenthood and Protect Unborn Children

*Abortions in 2014 – lowest they have ever been.

*Vice President Pence ““Life is winning again in America!”

Trump Tweets:



2017—Is shaping up to be a great year for Life.

*First day in office, President Trump signed a memorandum re-instating the Mexico City Policy.

*First established in 1984 by the Reagan Administration during an international conference in Mexico City, (hence the name), the “Mexico City Policy” denies money to international nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) that “perform or actively promote abortion as a method of family planning.” The

policy has been a political football ever since, having been revoked or reinstated by each subsequent administration along party lines for the past 32 years.

What is different this year is:

The memorandum issued on January 23, 2017 by President Trump reinstates the policy but also expands it in two key ways: First, it makes complying with the policy a mandatory condition of U.S. global health assistance, including HIV (under PEPFAR) and maternal and child health care. Second, it extends the policy to include all agencies and departments -- meaning it would include not only USAID and the Department of State, but also the Department of Defense, the Peace Corps and the Department of Health and Human Services.

March for Life - 2017

What a march! This march was the first one I took my son Matthew too, and it was the best march I have been too since going. The Traffic was light because it was a Friday, and the weather was spectacular. Ever one and everything seemed to be in sync. The youth Mass at the Verizon center started early, and was exceptional. We then headed to the mall, but the stage had been moved further down the mall, near the Washington monument. Vice President Pence addressed the crowd, which was historic, but the best speech was from Representative Mia Love. She talked about her parent's touch decision to keep her.

Give it a watch:

<http://www.redstate.com/jaycaruso/2017/01/27/watch-mia-love-give-the-most-powerful-speech-at-the-march-for-life/>

Abortion Numbers hit historic lows!

A new report released Jan 17th by the Guttmacher Institute found that in 2014, for the first time since 1975, the annual number of abortions dropped below one million. The

Guttmacher Institute today released the results of its latest survey of abortion performers in "Abortion Incidence and Service Availability in the United States, 2014." Using data from 1,671 abortion clinics, hospitals, and private physicians, the report found that the number of abortions being performed in the U.S. dropped to 926,190, the lowest figure in thirty years and the first time the total has dropped below million a year since 1975.

"Through the long-term efforts of the right-to-life movement to educate the country about the humanity of the unborn child, and our efforts to enact laws that help children and their mothers, abortion numbers continue to decrease dramatically as more women choose life for their children," said Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life. "Though we still have a long way to go, hitting this historic low is a critical milestone as we work to restore full legal protection to unborn children."

Abortion rates and ratios are also at their lowest levels in decades for Guttmacher, both now lower than they were for 1973 when abortion on demand was first legalized nationwide. Guttmacher now says that there were just 14.6 abortions for every 1,000 women aged 15-44 as of July 1st of 2014. It was almost 30 (29.3) in 1981 and as high as 21.3 as recently as 2000. The abortion ratio, for Guttmacher measuring the number of abortions per pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth, was just 18.8 for 2014. That, too, is lower than it was the year Roe v. Wade was decided, and significantly less than it was in 1983, when nearly a third (30.4 abortions for every 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth) were aborted.

"Something that Guttmacher and the media don't seem to be considering is that women aren't buying the abortion sales pitch anymore. Abortion has never been a solution for mothers, for their babies, or for society in general, and that's now more apparent than ever" said Tobias, "When they see the child moving in the womb on an ultrasound, when they hear the

heartbeat of the unborn child, when they know there are people and programs available to help them with a new baby and new circumstances, when they see what dismemberment abortion does to these precious children, the pain and agony that is involved in every chemical abortion, they look for life preserving solutions that are better for everyone involved.”

Stay Strong, God is on our side!
Al Grasley,
“Pro-Life Guy”

C.U.F.P., INC. (HOME CORPORATION)

Harold Bernadzikowski, President
Ray Miles, Treasurer

Brothers,

The contract purchasers of the Home have obtained their financing and we are looking to have settlement scheduled by Feb. 20th! Keep the prayers flowing that everything stays on track and we can cross the finish line soon. Thank you again to all of the Board members who continue to make routine trips down to the Home to make sure it's safe and secure. It is much appreciated.

Respectfully,
Harold B., President

WARDEN'S REPORT

No report.

ASSEMBLY REPORT

Greg Lofton

No report.

OPERATION WELCOME HOME

The calendar of OWHMD events for August and September can be found at:

www.operationwelcomehomemd.org

Please consider attending one of these events—it is a wonderful feeling to show our returning troops how much support they have.

BALTIMORE CHAPTER OF GK'S

Gregory McClain– President

<http://www.mdkofc.org/baltimore/default.htm>

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.

SHEEN'S COLLEENS CORNER

Joanne Turgeon

Schedule of Activities:

February:

- Valentines' Project

March:

- Seniors' Prom

We hope to have several field trips to area attractions that help us to celebrate our Catholic Faith such as Mass and tour in DC at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and Mass at the Franciscan Friary in Ellicott City followed by dinner.

We hope to make our events a family activity so that we can grow in faith and fellowship together.

Please feel free to call me or email if you need any information or would like to know more about our group of women eager to serve our community and each other.



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CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Tony Gioio

If you know of a member who is sick or is recently deceased, please email or call the Chancellor as soon as possible. (TonyGioio@comcast.net or chancellor@kofc7612.org)

Please pray for our recently deceased Brothers, family members', and friends:

- Thomas Patrick Martin— Deceased 11/12/2016—Father of Brother Chris Martin
- Brother David Theodore Coyle Sr.—Deceased 10/21/2016—Father of Brother Ted Coyle and grandfather of Brother Zach Coyle
- Jennifer San Fellipo—Deceased 10/10/2016—daughter of Brother Frank San Fellipo
- Brother Knight Dave Smith—Deceased 8/12/2016
- Raymond Kibler Miles, Jr.—Deceased 9/17/2016—Father of Brother Ray Miles

Please pray for our sick and injured:

- Sarah Mandella—wife of Brother Mike Mandella
- Carol Herrura—relative Brother Mike Hurley
- Sammie Needham—requested by Brother David Love, PGK
- Carmella Gioio—sister of Brother Tony Gioio
- Thomas Ryder—brother of Brother Chris Ryder, PGK
- Pam Murphy—wife of Grand Knight Mike Murphy
- Carolyn Nacewicz—wife of Brother Mark Nacewicz
- Wesley Hohl—son of Brother Ray Hohl
- S/K Greg Lofton, PGK
- Brother Neil Forthman
- Patty Vaccarino Fuller—wife of Brother Jay Fuller
- Fr. Paul Reich

Please pray for our special intentions:

- Seminarians: Robert Katafiasz and Lee Benson, both at St Mary's Seminary

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Officer and Director Candidates Wanted for Fraternal year 2017-18

Brothers, it's time to start prayerfully considering your growth as a Knight and become a leader of men. Log onto the **Members Only** section on our Council website (www.kofc7612.org). Scroll down to **Nominate Officers**, and then click **Make Your Nominations**. You may self-nominate yourself for any position for which you're interested. You may select multiple nominees for each office. Only the listed 3rd and 4th degree members are eligible. (It's not too late to become a 3rd Degree Knight!!!!) Select your nominees (elected positions), then scroll down to the bottom to submit your nominations.

If you are interested in any of the appointed positions, please notify the current Grand Knight. Assuming that Fr. Dave will continue as our Worthy Chaplain, any of our other priests, religious brothers, or deacons are eligible to additionally serve as Assistant Chaplains.

Council Officer Positions (Elected)

Grand Knight
Financial Secretary
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Recorder
Treasurer
Advocate
Warden
Inside Guard
Outside Guard

Appointed Officers (Appointed)

Chaplain
Lecturer

Program Positions (Appointed)

Program Director
Church Director
Vocations Chairman
Community Director
Culture of Life Chairman
Health Service Director
Council Director
Public Relations
Family Director
Youth Director
Columbian Squires Director
Membership Director
Recruitment Committee 1
Recruitment Committee 2

Recruitment Committee 3
Retention Chairman

Additional Appointments

Adopt-a-Highway Chairman
Blood Drive Chairman
Car Raffle Chairman
Concessions Chairman
Degree Team Leader
Family Movie Night Chairman
Newsletter Editor
Pit Beef Chairman
Silver Rose Sponsor
Webmaster

ST. JOHN PARISH CHILI COOK-OFF



WHEN: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

FROM 1– 4 PM

WHERE: PORTICO AT ST. JOHN

ADULTS \$5, CHILDREN \$3 (Max \$20 per FAMILY)

Come enjoy some hot chili on a cold winter day!

Everyone gets to vote, so come out to vote for your Favorite Chili!

Awards for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Entries!

Door prizes!

Also included is cornbread, hot dogs, chips, salad, crackers, and plenty of cold beverages!

Think your chili is best? ***Enter it in the cook-off!*** There's no cost to participate, just prepare 4 to 6 quarts for people to sample and be prepared to earn bragging rights for the year!

Contestants enter Free!!

Call Tom Dorwart 410-596-2853

Proceeds to benefit St. John Parish



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DISTRICT 21

District Deputy Bill Adams

District Warden Charlie Kohler

Sunday February 26 from 1-4 PM

**Westminster Council will hold its Annual
Chili Cook-off See Attached Flyer.**

**District 21 of the MD State Council will
hold its first Home Brew Competition in
support of the Chili Cook-off. Admission
to the Chili Cook-off gets you in to the
Brew Competition. Brew Your beer and
see who is best in the District. Contact DD
Bill Adams 410-259-3486 if you are going
to compete.**

Must be 21 to enjoy.

***No extra charge to enter, good will offering to offset
Convention Hospitality Room Requested.***

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Council Business Meeting

Second Wednesday of the Month, 7:30 pm in the lower hall at St. Joseph's campus.

Council Officers & Program Directors Mtg.

Monday before Business Meeting, 7:00 pm in Room 11 at St. Joseph's campus.

All Council Officers and Program Directors.

CUFP, Inc. (Home Corporation) Meeting

Third Monday of the Month, 7:30 pm in Room 11 at St. Joseph's campus.

Meetings are open to all members.

Sheen's Colleens Meeting

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

Council Social Meeting

Fourth Wednesday of the Month, 6:30 pm at St. Joseph's campus

— or as otherwise published in this Communiqué

Communiqué Deadline for Articles

20th Day of each Month