



Knight Times

ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS S.J. COUNCIL 7914 • KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS • HOLLYWOOD, MD

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



Greetings and Vivat Jesus, Brother

Knights. I must start with some somber news. Patricia Dillow, beloved mother of Sir Knight

Mickey Dillow, PGK, passed away on 14 August at her residence. Also, Shirley Dugan, wife/widow of one of our founding members Mike Dugan and loving mother of Council member Patrick Dugan, passed away on 2 September. Please pray for the repose of Pat's and Shirley's souls, and for their families, that God will grant them healing and peace in this time of grief and loss.

Council Hall flooded. Looks like the Rectory basement took a hit with 8" of water from Irene (good thing there was no carpet) with additional damage to the cabinets. We'll assess the damage Wednesday and maybe make a few runs to the dumpster after the meeting.

Parish Picnic. Thanks to all who supported our Parish Picnic Drill this year.....twice. We had great food and events planned. We'll try again next year.

Council Installation. The Council Installation was Sunday, 21 August, immediately following the 11:30 Mass. A Lunch was served after the Installation in the Msgr. Harris Center. Our State Advocate Steve Cohen and his lovely wife Vicki attended and the speeches were short and to the point. Thanks to all who made this another quality event.

2011 Annual Car Raffle. Brother Knights, it's that time of the year

AN ECONOMIC MUST

Do you have seat belts in your car? Of course you do! How many do you have? Aren't you certain that you have one for every member of your family? Would you buy an automobile that only provided one "belt" -- that being for you? But would you believe that family after family with whom I visit are running along with the one "belt" of insurance on the father. Somehow, the common opinion seems to be that death will strike only the father -- not the mother. Today, insuring your wife's life is an economic must. With "wife insurance", should death occur, you have a fighting chance to retain at least a semblance of a home for your children.

Call me today to discuss these needs. I'm at 301-475-8645 or john.fenwick@kofc.org. Call me -- let's talk.

again for the annual Md. State Council Car Raffle. The raffle helps fund the Md. State Scholarship Program which was instituted to help deserving students desiring a Catholic education. In past years there have been students from our parish who have received a scholarship. The raffle is also a great benefit to our council as we retain approximately 50%

you can give tickets and money to a brother knight selling tickets after Mass or you can mail the tickets and money to the Financial Secretary, Bill Sneeringer, at 23997 Abells Run Dr. Hollywood, Md. 20636. DO NOT MAIL TO THE STATE COUNCIL! Thank you in advance for supporting this

important fund raising activity. P.S. Please return unsold tickets the same way as stated above.

Silver Rose Service. Each year, a Silver Rose "honoring of Our Lady of Guadalupe and reaffirming our commitment to the sanctity of human life", is carried by Knights of Columbus from Canada, through the United States, and into Mexico to arrive at the Basilica in Monterrey, Mexico on December 12, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This year, St. John's was selected to host a Silver Rose Prayer Service,

celebrated by Fr. Ray, on Tuesday, 9 August at 7:00PM. Thank you to our DGK Mearl Rusaw for managing this event and to all who were able to attend this special service and ceremony.

New Member. Welcome new member Dan Papp.

Special Olympics. The Special Olympics soccer season is about to



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of the money collected from our council raffle ticket sales. As you know, that money goes right back out to our community through our charitable work. We need your support to make this a successful program this year. Each council member was sent 5 books of tickets to buy or sell. Ticket prices are the same as last year: \$1 each or 6 for \$5. It is time to turn those sold tickets in, which can be done in two ways. First

start. We are checking with the County Director, Mary Lu Bucci regarding the Local Tournament in October. We anticipate that the Knights will help again this year. Mark Fondren will give a short pitch at the September meeting.

Finally: Please review our calendar for a list of upcoming events we support through our Council Programs. Come join us at our Business and Officer's meetings (1st and 3rd Wednesday at 7:30PM respectively) they are open to all Knights. We are always looking for practical Catholic men to join our Council and support our Activities. Vivat Jesus! Fraternally, Bill

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

Vivat Jesus Brother Knights, New KofC Ads.

Three of the four membership video ads are available on the Knights of Columbus web site and can be easily downloaded to any laptop or PC. The fourth video ad will be posted soon. To access and download the videos, simply visit www.kofc.org/membershipads and follow the step-by-step instructions. These inspiring ads are sure to excite prospects and members alike about the opportunities of membership in the Knights of Columbus. Increase Your Understanding of the Catholic Faith Through CIS Online Courses. The Knights of Columbus now offers two online courses – the Luke E. Hart Series, and the Veritas Series – for study through this Web site. Based on the text from these incredibly popular booklets, both courses explore Catholicism and its underlying beliefs in a personal, easy-to-understand format. For more information go to <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/cis/index.html>



State Family Picnic. The State Family Picnic is open to all and will be held at PG Council #2809 on September 10, 2011. I believe it traditionally starts at noon. For more info contact me or our GK.

POC Information. We need your POC info to ensure you receive up to date KofC information. Please fill out the form Gerry Gleckel sends. He is doing it on my behalf and we will ensure your info remains private. It also has a comment section where you can tell us what events you would like us to get ahold of you for. If you did not receive it, we must have an out of date email address, so call Gerry at 301-737-4482 to update it.

St. Michael's School Cash Bash. The SMS Cash Bash looks to be one of the most exciting events I have seen in a while. The all-day event will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2011 at the St. Mary's County Fair Grounds. The purchase of a \$75 ticket makes you eligible to win 60 incredible prizes valued anywhere from \$1,000 to \$25,000. In addition to the cash prizes, other prizes include: Jeep Wrangler, Chevy Camaro, Harley Davidson Motorcycle, Can-Am Spyder, Campers, Jewelry, Rolex, Jet Ski, John Deere Gator & Tractor, Flat Screen TV's, Mac Book Laptops, and many other prizes! You can purchase tickets through mail, by phone (240-587-7111), or at www.SMSCashBash.org So check it out! Your ticket purchase is tax deductible.

The Beacon. The following is a link to our State Newsletter, The Beacon: <http://www.kofc-md.org/docs1011/beacon.pdf> . Please print, read, and forward to friends and family members. Vivat Jesus! Fraternally, Mearl

MEMBERSHIP

There will be First Degrees at St. John Francis Regis SJ Council #7914, in Hollywood, on 26 September 2011, 23 January 2012 & 21 May 2012, a Second Degree on 29 November 2011, and a Third Degree on 23 September 2011. Now is

the time to start promoting the upcoming Third Degree, let's work to maximize our attendance and participation! Whether it's you, me, or another Knight we need to contact each First- and Second-Degree member and encourage them to attend the degrees they lack – the Second at St. Mary's on 14 September and/or the Third at St. John's two days later. Also, all Third Degree members are invited to witness the New Third Degree – but we need a decent headcount! We need firm numbers for Third Degree candidates NLT 14 September. Vivat Jesus, Mickey

A WORD FROM OUR FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

Thank you, Worthy Sir Knights, for your continued support! In my remarks at the Investiture, I discussed my vision for the assembly, which includes continuing and building on the good work we have started, supporting out veterans at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home and other places. With this in mind, we are scheduled to participate in a "Remember 9/11" program at Regency Furniture (Blue Crabs) Stadium on 9/11. We are also looking forward to Veterans Day, when we will not only march in the Veterans Day Parade in Leonardtown and raise the flag at the Veterans Memorial in Helen, but we will also visit the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home and assist with the presentation of a number of brand-new Knights of Columbus wheel



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chairs for the residents there. Throughout this new fraternal year, our Assembly is celebrating 60 years of loyal and patriotic service to Church and State. In honor of our legacy and the Sir Knights who have preceded us, we must continue our vigilance by educating ourselves on our duties as Christian citizens, praying for our country and our leaders and protecting the values we hold dear. Our September meeting is on the 15th, at IHM Council #9968. We will vote on the 2011 – 2012 budget and discuss upcoming events. Hope to see you there! Patriotically, Jerry Hicks Faithful Navigator, Father Andrew White Assembly #377

DISTRICT DEPUTY REMARKS

Brothers, Thank you for your support of the Membership & Program Seminar on 11 August and the Recruitment Seminar on the 20th. It was good to have the Worthy State Deputy with us in La Plata and to hear first-hand about

the new Marian Devotion program. New subject: I attended the St. Mary's County Right-to-Life meeting on 24 August, and it got me to thinking. Is there anything we as Knights do that is more important than our Pro-Life efforts? Whether it's installing the "Cemetery of the Innocents;" working the Right-to-Life booth at the County Fair; writing to, calling or visiting our representatives in Annapolis or Washington to express our views; praying in front of Planned Parenthood or during "40 Days for Life;" or participating in the Life Chain, there are so many ways we can get involved, and each one has the potential to have an impact. So I asked myself, "Am I doing enough?" If it's that important (and it is), shouldn't I do more? Yes. I am going to do more, and I ask each of you to pray on this and ask yourself these same questions. May God bless you and the good works you do! Vivat Jesus! - Jerry

LADIES COLUMN

Fall is almost here – can you believe it?? We lost another wonderful member of our group: Mrs. Pat Dillow, mother of

Past Grand Knight Mickey, passed away on 14 August. Please keep Pat and her family in your prayers. Thanks to everyone who attended and provided a dish for our KofC installation of officers. Our next WW&F get together will be held on 16 September in the St. Jude room after 8:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact Peggy Dillow on 301-373-4507, Terrie Widmayer on 301-373-8933 or me at anitahicks@verizon.net if you plan to attend. We'd also like to know if you will be able to bring a dish to share. We have a fun fall craft to work on so we'd like to have a head count for planning purposes. A Baby Shower to benefit the Care Net Pregnancy Center will be held in the Immaculate Conception Church Parish Center on 18 September at 12:00 Noon. Let's all support this event as several of the IC folks attended ours in February. Anita Hicks

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 That Man is You (TMIY), #1470, 6:30 am	2	3
4 1 st Breakfast of Year	5 Labor Day	6	7 Council Business Meeting 7:30 pm	8 TMIY #1470 Columbus Day Ball tickets & Program Ads due	9	10
11	12	13	14 2 nd Degree St. Mary's Council	15 TMIY #1470	16 3 rd Degree St Johns Help needed	17
18	19	20	21 Council Officers Meeting 7:30 PM	22 TMIY #1470	23	24
25	26 1 st Degree St Johns	27	28 2 nd Degree St Michael's Ridge	29	30	

October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 Council Business Meeting 7:30 pm	6 That Man is You (TMIY), #1470, 6:30 am	7 Raffle Tickets Due	8 Columbus Day Ball, La Fontaine Bleue, Glen Burnie
9 Columbus Day Mass & Wreath Presentation , Baltimore	10 Columbus Day Celebration, DC	11	12	13 TMIY #1470	14	15 1 st Period Activity Report Due
16	17 1 st Degree @ IC 8159	18	19 Council Officers Meeting 7:30 PM	20 TMIY #1470	21 Fall Meeting, Pangborn Council #1365 and Clarion Hotel, Hagerstown	22 Fall Meeting, Pangborn Council #1365 Hagerstown
23	24	25	26 Pro-Life Mass, Loyola Univ, Baltimore, 7PM 1 st Degree Holy Face #3849	27 TMIY #1470	28	29
30	31	Necrology Due				



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