



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, Our Worthy State Membership Team Member
 Gil Boisvert will be attending our Business Meeting

the 3rd of March to give a presentation. Let's have a good showing for our State Representative. **Care Net Baby Shower.** The second annual Baby Shower to benefit the Care Net Pregnancy Center was held in the Msgr. Harris Center on 27 February. It was another great success. The Knights of Columbus provided lunch. I would like to thank the Ladies for their tireless work in making this event a special one again this year. The Ladies column will have more about the event. **Princess for a Knight.**

Friday night, February 11th, was a night of fun and dancing for over 150 fathers and daughters at St John's Catholic Church in Hollywood. The First Annual "Princess for a Knight" Dance was co-sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #7914, St John's Parish and St John's School. At this pre-Valentine weekend dance, these daughters and fathers spent a bonding night together singing, dancing and having good old-fashioned family-appropriate fun. The girls, who ranged in age from 2 to 22, transformed their dads into knight-in-shining-armor big kids. There is nothing like seeing a dad throwing his arms in the air while singing at the top of his lungs... "YMCA" or strutting to the Chicken Dance. Pastor Father Ray Schmidt fulfilled his promise to his parishioners by leading the



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Chicken Dance...which, in the end, won the night. The girls and their daddy-dates danced and sang to songs like "Cotton-eyed Joe" and "Butterfly Kisses." Throughout the night, DJ in a Box provided tunes and entertainment. Amanda Pearl's Photography captured those memories with Father-Daughter portraits and candid shots through the evening. To foster the Father Daughter bond, over 30 local dining and ice cream establishments donated door prizes so that fathers and daughters could enjoy a follow-on date. Thank You Seep Family for making this night special for so many. **Oyster Scald.** All council members and their families are invited to an Oyster Scald on Sunday March 6th at Ricky Lacey's home. Please let Mickey Dillow know if you will attend (Home: 301-373-4507 or TMDillow91@aol.com) Any Questions, give him a call. There will be members from St. Mary's Council

and the State attending. Please attend....this is some great chow. Contact Mickey for directions. **Baby Bottle Blitz.** The Care Net Center has their annual Baby Bottle Blitz that is a major fund raiser for them. Most of the funds come in the form of quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies. The coins are taken to the bank in partially filled 5 gallon buckets so this is heavy to haul. This is something that Skip Jones and two of his sons helped with last year. This year the Knights have volunteered to help. The dates needed are Fathers Day and the Monday & Tues following (June 19-21). Any help is greatly appreciated even if a Brother can only do one day. Please contact Skip Jones SkipJones@DiskEnterpriseSolutions.com. **Finally:** Please review our calendar for a list of upcoming events we support through our



Fr. Ray in his glory!

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



Dear Brothers,
In preparing these remarks I revisited last month's newsletter and I am still consistently inspired and

encouraged by our prayer "Mary, Queen of the Knights. Please pray it again with me now and reflect on the words. "Our Lady,* Queen of the Knights,* bless all the activities of our Order.* Keep us true to the pledge* to extend the kingship of thy Divine Son on earth.* Through Thine intercession,* win for us the grace* ever to exemplify in our public and private lives,* the virtues which should characterize* those specially dedicated* to the service of the heavenly court.* Make us always aware* that as

your Knights* we are constantly observed,* our faith judged* and our Order appreciated.* Accept, O Mary,* this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion* of thy servants,* the Knights of Columbus.* Amen. (Rev. Robert F. Hopkins)

Many Thanks To All. Many thanks to each of you for your membership in the Knights of Columbus and our Council, and for your devotion, dedication and support. Many times, in many ways, we do many things—in thought, word and deed—that go unnoticed. Many thanks.

Volunteer Opportunity. Volunteers are needed. As Knights we are the strong lay arm of the Church and the hands of Christ serving Him, our families, our community and our Church through Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism in the temporal affairs of this earthly life. Our Council provides us with many opportunities to get involved and do just that—all it takes is a couple of hours a month and a little effort that pays big dividends. I encourage you to pick an activity and get involved. We'd love to have you. **My contact information:** Mearl Rusaw (301) 373-4983 Email: mjrusaw1@md.metrocast.net

SOMD Youth Day. Very few have signed up to help with Security at Southern Maryland Youth Day on 19 March at Immaculate Heart of Mary. I know it's a couple weeks away, but please get the word out and let's get

some Knights signed up to help. Please contact Skip Jones to see how you can help. SkipJones@DiskEnterpriseSolution.com. **Shrove Tuesday.** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper is here 5:00 PM on 8 March. Please attend. **Auction.** The Knights have volunteered to cook, serve, and run the cash register for the 2nd Annual St. John's Auction to be held 2 April 2011. There is more info in the Church Bulletin and there will be more to follow. **Membership Dues.** You should have received your 2011 membership dues notice. Please read your notice and pay your dues as soon as possible. If you have any problems or questions concerning your dues please contact me. **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, Mearl

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Brothers, we need a good **Spring Membership Push** from every council member if we are to achieve our goal of 14 new members for the 2010 / 2011 Fraternal Year. As of now, we're about halfway there. Please take a look around and ask a Practical Catholic Man to join our order. In spite of what you may think, there are many potential members out there; but if we don't ask, we will never give them the opportunity to join. I ask each of you during the month of March to ask just 2 eligible men to join. If everyone does that, based on the averages, we'll exceed our membership goal. Put that Form 100 in your pocket or on the dashboard of your car as a reminder. I am always available, on short notice, to put together an Admissions Committee interview for any prospect.

For any Second Degree Members out there desiring to receive the honors of the Third Degree there is an opportunity available close to

home on Friday April 1st when a Third Degree will be held at Sacred Heart in Bowie, Md. Please let me know ASAP as I will need to get the necessary forms filled out. I as well as some of the other council officers will accompany you to the degree. Other upcoming degrees in our area are as follows: March 7th a First Degree at Immaculate Conception, April 4th a First Degree here at St. John's, April 26th, and a First Degree at Holy Face on April 26th. Second Degrees March 22nd at Immaculate Heart of Mary and April 13th at St. Mary's Council.

Finally, please keep all the sick of our council as well as our deceased brothers in your prayers. Thanks you to those brothers who attended the Prayers for one of our widows, Elisabeth Herberg. The family was very grateful to the K of C for leading the Rosary of Our Lady.

Vivat Jesus,
Mickey

DISTRICT DEPUTY COLUMN

Congratulations to Kyle Boothe of St. John Francis Regis SJ Parish, who won first place in the State

Council Basketball Free Throw Tournament, 12-year-old boys category. The tournament was held at Spalding High School in Severn on 19 February.

Thanks to the knights and their families and all who supported the Basketball Free Throw competition at each level, and a special thanks to the parents and grandparents who made the 160-mile round-trip to bring the District Champs to the state event!"

Jerry

Faithful Navigators Corner: The Exemplification of the Fourth Degree for the Archdiocese of Washington District will take place on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at the Colony South Hotel and Conference Center located at 7401 Surrats Road in Clinton, Maryland. The Exemplification will commence at 12:00 PM. There will also be a Ladies' luncheon at 12:00 PM, and then a Banquet at 5:00 PM. For further information Contact: Micheal W. Thumm, Faithful Navigator, Father Andrew White Assembly #377 Archdiocese of Washington District, Knights of Columbus Home phone: (301) 737-1629; Cell: (301) 904-4373 Home e-mail: thummmw@md.metrocast.net.

The Warden to the Master is asking for Sir Knights to volunteer to assist him

with set up and take down for the Exemplification on March 12th. Those that can help should get their names to him. His e-mail is earthorne@msn.com and his phone number is (410) 535-1364. Please consider helping. Thanks.

LADIES' COLUMN

Dan and Esther Seep send kind words of appreciation to everyone who assisted with the first annual St. John's Father-Daughter dance earlier this month. Thanks also go out to all who helped in any way to make our Care Net baby shower on 27 February such a success, especially to the Knights for the delicious lunch they served. Almost 70 people attended. The Care Net reps were overwhelmed with all the gifts. Our next scheduled event will be in the Msgr. Harris Center on Friday, 6 May after 8:00 am Mass. We will recite the rosary in union with others around the world to pray for an end to abortion. If you can attend, please contact Peggy Dillow at 301-373-4507, Terrie Widmayer at 301-373-8933 or me at anitahicks@verizon.net so we can plan accordingly.

Anita, Peggy, and Terrie

March 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Council Business Meeting 7:30 pm	3	4	5
6 Oyster Scald	7 1st Degree IC 8159	8 Shrove Tuesday	9 Ash Wednesday	10	11	12 4th Degree
13 Daylight Savings Begins	14 32 Annual MD March for Life	15	16 Council Officers Meeting 7:30 PM	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19
20 State Founders Day Mass	21	22 2nd Degree IHM 9968	23	24	25	26 State Spring Meeting (St. Johns)
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Lecturers Report, Pro-Life Report, Convention Registration Due, 3rd Pd Activities Reports Due.	2 Convention Program Ads Due
3	4 1 st Degree St. John's	5	6 Council Business Meeting 7:30 pm	7 Convention Credentials Due	8	9 MD 4 th Degree
10	11	12	13 2 nd Degree St. Mary's	14	15 Council Report for Book of Reports	16
17 Palm Sunday	18	19	20 Council Officers Meeting 7:30 PM	21	22 Good Friday	23
24 Easter Sunday	25	26 1 st Degree IHM	27	28	29	30



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BONUS PAGES
(for Email Subscribers)



Lobby Night. Across from Spurge are Delegates Johnny Wood, Tony O'Donnell, John Bohannon.



"Y M C A"



Do the "Chicken Dance"



Smiles Around



Gleckel's Family of the Month



Care Net Baby Shower Guests



Care Net's Story



Care Net Cooks