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Knights of Columbus



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Trustee 2 Year

Frank Gerloff 779-1645

Trustee 1 Year

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District Deputy

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Deputy Grand Knight's Message



Brothers,

I would like to thank the Bonelli family for hosting our council planning meeting. It was a very rewarding meeting that opened up opportunities for the council to grow.

I would like to thank all those who assisted in painting the rectory. We are not done. We will be painting again November 9, 2002. If you can assist, please be there at 8:00 am with a paintbrush or roller. Lunch will be served.

I would like to thank the Santucci family for hosting the annual Halloween party. Over 200 people enjoyed this event. A great time was had by all.

I would like to thank all who assisted with the pancake breakfast benefiting KOVAR on October 13, 2002. Our next breakfast will be November 10, 2002 for the benefit of the Human Concerns committee for the Church of the Redeemer.

On December 14, 2002 is the Council Christmas party. Tickets will be \$25 a couple, \$15 a single. They will be on sale at the next meeting. Please plan to attend.

On December 21, 2002 we will be hosting Spaghetti with Santa in Genesis Hall. Please plan to support this event.

On January 11, 2003 at 8:30 AM we will be having our annual retreat at the Home of Ray Santucci. Father Mike Renninger will be our guest speaker. Please plan to attend this fine event.

Mark your calendars, save your money. On February 22, 2002, Council 11042 will sponsor a bus trip to Atlantic City. We will be leaving Mechanicsville at 6:00 am by luxury motor coach, arriving at an Atlantic City Casino at approximately 12:00 Noon. After a day at the shore the bus leaves Atlantic City at 8:00 PM and returns to Mechanicsville at 2:00 AM. The cost for this fine trip is \$40.00 per person. The Casino will return to each player \$10.00 to \$15.00. Refreshments will be provided on the bus. Tickets will go on sale at the September meeting.

Have a great month and join us for our activities.

Fraternally Yours,

Bob Birmingham
Deputy Grand Knight
Program Director

Insurance

Act Before It's Too Late

There are very few products that require more than money to purchase. For example, if you need a new refrigerator, you simply visit the appliance store, pick out a model you like and purchase it. If it's a new car you need, you visit a dealership, find the make and model that suit you, and close the deal.

Life insurance is a bit different. In order to purchase life insurance, you do need money, of course. The principle on which the product is based depends on a large group of people paying premiums that support the payment of claims to those who qualify. But you need more than money to buy.

You need good health. If you wait too long to purchase life insurance, you may find yourself in a terrible predicament.

Fortunately, with the Knights of Columbus, even those of us with less than stellar health have a chance to get coverage (at an additional premium, of course). But if our health has deteriorated to the point where we are considered "uninsurable," there is nothing we can do...and all the money in the world won't help.

Nobody will send you an e-mail or a voice-mail message telling you to act today before it's too late. We both know that dramatic changes in health situations happen overnight. And then you have waited too long.

Don't procrastinate. Today, you may have both ingredients needed to purchase life insurance: money and health. Call me today to set up an appointment to talk about your life insurance or long-term care needs!

Fraternally,

Dan Kane, PGK
Field Agent
804-795-2041

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Fund Raising

Fund raising for our Council * Big savings for you and your family**

The 2002/2003 entertainment books are in. Some nice changes from last year but still big savings on restaurants, Sporting events, movies, dry cleaning, hotels and more.

Books sell for \$30.00 and your council makes \$6.00 on each book for the many good works that we do as a Council.

Books can also be ordered for other cities around the country to use as Christmas gifts or for places that you may visit on a regular basis.

Call Paul at 746-1245 to order a book or come to our next general meeting on November 4th. We will have them at that meeting.

Artwork by Debbie Pompano

Two very special pieces by Debbie are being sold by our council as a fund raiser. They are "Our Hope Is In You" a picture of Debbie's thoughts after the 9-11-01 attacks on our country and "Mother of Mercy" a beautiful picture Of the Blessed Mother holding baby Jesus.

"Our Hope Is In You" is available in 15x20 at \$25.00 or 20x26 signed & numbered at \$50.00. "Mother of Mercy" comes only in the 15x20 size at \$25.00

Please call Paul at 746-1245 if you would like to see these. They would make wonderful Christmas gifts. They will be on display at our table for the craft bazaar on November 23.

FRATERNAL

BIRTHDAYS

Scott Lysinger	11-1
Phil Smethers	11-3
Mark Stevens	11-5
Mike Teegarden	11-6
Mike Smith	11-7
Tony Vitale	11-8
Mark Condon	11-9
Jimmy Suarez	11-10
Rick Gillespie	11-12
Don Hart	11-12
Ed Widun	11-13
Craig Holl	11-15
Fitz Rogers	11-19
Joe Quetsch	11-21
Michael Johnson	11-24
Steve Sparagna	11-24
Kevin Harvey	11-25
Erick Teger	11-29

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Amy Swierczewski	11-2-91
Alan & Robin Tuck	11-3-84
George & Hannah Krayna	11-4-72
Happy 30th	
Robbie & Rose Prezioso	11-4-95
Dave & Terecia Vermeer	11-6-99
Bill & Rashelle Woods	11-7-98
Bob & Sharon Seifert	11-9-68
Jim & Linda Bean	11-10-84
Joe & Diane Mcfadden	11-18-95
Maynard & Kathy Belongia	11-26-83
Ricky & Kathy Mitchell	11-27-76
Robert & Doris Moran	11-28-46
Chris & Teresa Wittle	11-30-85

PLEASE KEEP THESE KNIGHTS & FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS

*** Dana Nelson *** Ed Ceol *** Maynard Belongia *** Dewey Pourciau ***
 *** Laura Condon *** Lynne Worland ***
 *** The Fathers of Jeff Decker, Hugh Foley, Al Polson, and Mike Roberts ***
 *** The Mothers of Pete Booker, Joe Quetsch, and George Kraynak ***
 *** The Mothers in Law of Bob Birmingham and Ray Santucci ***
 *** The Father in Law of Ton Schnurman *** The Brother of Dave Wallo ***
 *** The Sister of Mike And Ken Ritz *** The Uncle of Lin Diacont

Let Us Pray

O God, creator and redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of our departed brother Knights, the remission of all their sins, that by means of our pious supplications, they may obtain the joys of heaven, which they have earnestly desired. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Larry Thomas	12-5-46 to 08-30-93
Carl Liberatore	04-30-58 to 02-20-95
Herb Brasington	06-26-19 to 01-11-97
Manny Rivera	07-15-41 to 01-28-97
Dick Lacey	09-23-13 to 06-18-97
Jim Cason	03-06-28 to 12-23-97
Al Azzi	07-14-19 to 03-01-98
James McManus	08-20-21 to 06-13-98
Pat Giovine	08-01-38 to 08-05-98
Roy Emory	07-27-27 to 03-11-00
Joe Suarez	11-14-43 to 06-05-02

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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	Ron Reger	550-0659	
	Ray Santucci	730-2340	
SCAN	Mark Borysewicz	550-2895	
Scouting	Mike Bonelli Dave Jackson	779-3298 559-1649	
Squires	Open Position Contact Grand Knight if interested		
Telephone	Ray Santucci	730-2340	
Keep Christ In Christmas	Lin Diacont Mike Chudoba	730-9047 730-8970	
Charity	Kirk McClure	730-7740	eglkrk@aol.com
Cheers	Paul Byrnes Bill Taylor	746-1245 746-2077	
Organ Donation	Open Position Contact Grand Knight if interested		
Meals On Wheels	John Barrow Pat Gies Bob Doutney	746-3301 746-7819 550-2572	
Newsletter	Mike Roberts	730-4121	FDD8@aol.com
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10th Anniversary Committee			
	Steve Gerloff	730-0319	Mechslim@attbi.com

On Saturday, September 28, 2002 we had a council-planning meeting at the home of Mike and Jo Ann Bonelli. It was a faith filled gathering of brothers who took time from their families in order to assist in determining the future of our council. The meeting was organized in a seminar fashion where each participant was asked to answer these questions:

1. What do you like about our council?
2. What would you do to improve our council?
3. Where do you want to see our council in 5-10 years?
4. What are can you do to help our council be successful?

Based upon our responses (below each action statement), which were listed on flip charts and posted throughout the room, we came up with the following action statements, which will focus our directors for the future:

1. **We strengthen our faith by assisting the council.**
 - Charitable endeavors
 - Fraternity
 - We are a family oriented organization
 - Friendship
 - Dedication to vocation
 - Active participation in parish council
 - Active participation in parish family activities
 - Recruit those who are interested in being an active Knight
 - Improve meeting attendance
 - Improve activity participation
 - Improve charitable outreach
 - Improve council spirituality
 - Shorten length of meeting
 - Create an award in honor of Joe Suarez
2. **We will form a building study committee and cover all issues involved**
 - Have our own council home
 - Build a picnic pavilion at church to use
 - Steering committee for our future
3. **We will continue to keep a posture of hospitality and goodwill when dealing with the Church of the Redeemer's office staff.**
 - Take the staff out to lunch for

- Christmas
 - Work to build a better relationship with the parish office
 - Don't blame ourselves for personality differences with parish administration
 - Increase our work within the church
4. **We will improve our response to our brothers in crisis.**
 - Build prayer teams to pray the rosary with our brothers who are in need.
 - Have and attend more church services for our Council
 - Arrange a memorial mass to honor our passed brothers.
 - We must continue to remember those stricken
 - "Be There" for a brother in need
 - Increase hospital visitation
 5. **We will renew our commitment to the youth of the parish**
 - Get squires reactivated and provide support and leadership for their growth
 - Improve youth, Squire and Scouting Programs.
 - The youth are our future
 - Sponsor a dance for the teenagers in the area.
 - Sponsor a movie night for the teenagers in the area
 6. **We will develop a better management plan for new knights**
 - Continue pre-admission process
 - Prepare brothers for future service
 - Improve degree advancement
 - Let new members know what is going on and how they can be a part of it.
 - Improve communication of times and dates of degrees
 - Improve sponsor participation in candidates degrees
 7. **We will provide training, information and direction for our new officers and directors and assist in training replacements.**
 - Shorten length of meeting
 - Organization is the key to success
 - Formulate better preparation
 - Drop unnecessary speakers
 - Improve officer development
 8. **We are successful because we have fun.**
 - Increase "out of parish" trips (Atlantic City, Tacky Light Tour)
 - Stay the course
 - We are a group of "real brothers" who sincerely care for each other
 - We have fun doing all that we do!

COUNCIL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER, 2002

1-3		Fairfax	Exemplification of 4 th Degree
4	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
10	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast for Human Concerns Committee
13	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
18	7:00 PM	TBD	Directors Meeting

DECEMBER, 2002

2	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
11	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
14	7:00 PM	Genesis Hall	Christmas Party
16	7:00 PM	McClure's	Director's Meeting
21	7:00 PM	Genesis Hall	Spaghetti with Santa

JANUARY, 2003

6	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
8	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
11	9:00 AM	St. Edwards	State Meeting
11	8:30 AM	TBD	Council Retreat
19	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast
20	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting
22	TBD	DC	March forLife

FEBRUARY, 2003

3	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
8	7:00 PM	Genesis Hall	10 th Anniversary Dinner
9	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast
12	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
17	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting

MARCH, 2003

3	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
8	9:00 AM	Newport News	State Meeting
12	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
16	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast
17	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting
22	TBD	TBD	State Free Throw Championship
29			Founder's Day

APRIL, 2003

5-6		Norfolk	State Bowling Tournament
7	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
9	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
12	11:30 AM	Genesis Hall	Easter Egg Hunt
21	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting
27-30		Mechanicsville	KOVAR DRIVE WEEKEND

MAY, 2003

1-4	TBD	Fairfax	State Convention
5	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
10	TBD	Food Lion	KOVAR Drive
11	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast
14	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
19	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting

JUNE, 2003

1	TBD	TBD	Fishing Trip
2	7:00 PM	Verdi Lodge	Council Meeting
11	7:00 PM	Hanover Health	Bingo
15	7:00 AM	Genesis Hall	Pancake Breakfast
16	7:00 PM	TBD	Director's Meeting
28	4:00 PM	Genesis Hall	CARITAS

District Deputy Notes

Let's take a moment and recap our progress year-to-date.

I am proud to say that we are moving well towards achieving membership goals. Do not let up however. We need to do our part to help the State overcome a lot of membership drops. The Supreme Knight has said that every eligible Catholic male should be given the opportunity to join the Knights of Columbus. Is your Council living up to its responsibility to increase membership?

As we have discussed, we want good, active new members. We want to avoid drops, or find ourselves with men who won't move through the degrees or accept leadership responsibility. In order to have successful membership recruitment programs, the Council must utilize proper admissions. Does your Council properly screen candidates? Do you, the Grand Knight or membership director know the men you bring into the Order? Do you know the wives and children? What talent and abilities do the candidates bring to the table and have you explained the fraternal benefits of our society?

The next two weekends will be critical in inviting men into our Order. Are you prepared? Do you have the socials set up for the prospective candidates and their families? I hope that you do. I will telephone each of you as to the success of your parish drives. Have you set dates for your First Degrees and notified the DD? There should be a First Degree in each Council in November. Time is running out...let's go!!!

District Nine will have the Traveling Icon from March 2-21. We will receive it from District Eight. Father McGuire has offered to lead the entire District in a Marian Hour of Prayer at St. John's. Jerry Nolte will secure a date. We will then, as a district, have the prayer service and a dinner. Details will be forthcoming.

As I attend Council meetings over the next few months, my focus will be on the completion of the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. I EXPECT YOUR SURVEY REPORTS TO BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 31, 2002. KEN CARLSON WILL INFORM ME OF YOUR SUBMISSIONS ON JANUARY 2, 2003. WE WILL NOT BELATE!!!

I do want to commend each of you on the submission of forms. We have to date, turned in all forms due, including Family of the Month Submissions. You can file this report on line with Supreme. However, you MUST print a copy for your Council file, for the State Deputy, and for me.

To my knowledge, District Nine is on the way to being a Star District which means, your Council is on its way towards being a Star Council. I appreciate your diligence and every effort you make. Please continue to do your best and we will achieve success. I am always available to assist you with any issue...call me anytime!

Thank you! And may the vision of Fr. McGivnny be made more clear in our eyes and hearts by the great work we do and enjoy!

Tad Stilwell,
DD #9