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Dear Brother Knights:

We are coming off a very busy 6 weeks: recruitment drive; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree functions; hoagie sale; and the crab feast. A hearty Thank You for your support and participation, which contributed to the success of these events. Let's keep this energy and momentum going so we can make the 50/50 and the beef-n-beer (November 15th) better than ever! We accomplish a great deal as a result of our friendship, brotherhood, and teamwork. And, we have some fun in the process! Vivat Jesus.

Robert Galasso
Grand Knight

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for October was Bob Cermak (Service to the Council). Our Family of the Month for October was Dan Riiff and Bill Riiff and family (Crab Feast). Congratulations and thank you.

BEEF AND BEER SOCIAL

On Saturday, November 14th, we will be hosting our annual Beef and Bear Social beginning at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center. The highlight of the evening will be the drawing of the winners of the Big 50/50 Raffle. As you might imagine, we are going to need a lot of help setting up, starting at 10 AM Saturday morning and running the social during the evening. Volunteers should arrive at 6 PM Saturday evening. We still need bottles for the baskets of cheer. Bring them to nest meeting and give them to Dan Riiff.

CHARITY MANIA

We are very pleased with the results of this important Council funds raiser. So far 565 game cards were sold grossing \$14,125 and we wish all the players good luck. The net of about \$9,500 will be divided between our Council and OLOH parish. Game cards can still be purchased from Dan Riiff for the remainder of the season at a reduced price.

HOAGIE SALE

On Oct. 4th, we had another hoagie sale. Thanks to the participation of the membership and the direction of Tim Ferrell, the sale was a huge success. We sold out (70 dozen) and netted \$2,311 (a new record) to be used to provide a measure of financial support to our seminarians.

DEGREE NEWS

On October 2nd, our Council hosted a Second Degree Exemplification in OLOH Chapel. 15 candidates took their second 5 from our Council. We congratulate Kevin Dunne, Stan Wichowski, Ruben Averion, Kevin Gallagher and Robert Witkowski. Our degree team was in good form in the following roles: John Gandolfo (DD), Fred Durso (GK), Dan Tumolo (Chan), Robert Galasso (FS), Bob Vogelsong (Ward), Steve Thomas (BnBr), Joe Juhas & Oredola Soluade (Aides), Frank Brandis (InGd), Frank Bailey (Cross), and Joe Pettineo Sr. & Jr. (Mus). We also thank Dan McHugh and Rich Bevilacqua for outstanding refreshment duty.

On October 10th, our Council hosted a Third Degree Exemplification in the Parish Center Gym. 18 candidates received the honors of full knighthood, 4 from our Council. We congratulate Stan Wichowski, Ruben Averion, Kevin Gallagher and Robert Witkowski. Our District Deputy, Frank Brandis presided and the state degree team was assisted by Steve Thomas, Howard Morrell and Joe Juhas. We were honored by the attendance of our State Deputy, Andy Lipenta. The honoree for the degree was Pope Francis. Again we thank Dan McHugh and Rich Bevilacqua for outstanding refreshment duty.

ATTENTION ALL 1ST DEGREE KNIGHTS
Santa Maria Council will be hosting a Second Degree Exemplification on Wednesday, November 4th. If you wish to take your second degree, contact John Gandolfo (227-0447) or gandy@comcast.net and meet him at 7:15 PM in front of the Parish Center. **Bring your membership card.**

CRAB FEAST

On October 11th, we held our annual Crab Feast. This dinner offered all the Maryland Blue Claw Crabs you can eat, along with spaghetti and clams, shrimp, salads, desserts, beverages and more. We are pleased to report that 113 guests enjoyed the evening and it netted \$1,722 for our treasury to be used for our charitable work. We thank Dan & Bill Riiff for bringing up 16 bushels of wonderful crabs for the dinner.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

To adhere to Jesus means to have the courage to follow Him in our sufferings. Our participation in the life and passion of Christ includes also the participation in the mystery of His resurrection. May God grant us all that special grace that will help us to accept our crosses and sufferings with resignation and courage, knowing that we are thus following in the steps of Him who will lead us to heaven. Christ underwent all this so as to enter into His glory, and by following His example we too, shall join Him in that place of eternal happiness.

HONORARY MEMBER

Members who have attained the actual age of 65 years and who have been members of the Order 25 consecutive years are designated honorary members. Our Council congratulates Vince Durso on becoming an Honorary Member.

CHRISTMAS TREE GIVING PROGRAM

We are grateful to Tony & Diane Ritz for volunteering to direct the KofC portion (pickup and sort) of the Giving Tree Program. They would appreciate any help that you can give them. You can contact them at (227-0754).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

An insurance check-up can be as important as an annual physical. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance, long-term care or disability income insurance. You also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change. Did you take time out of your schedule last year to meet with me? If you did, thank you for seeing me and helping secure your financial future. I will be in touch with you to schedule your annual review to verify that everything is heading in the right direction. We'll make sure that if your goals and budget have changed, your plan still works for you. If you didn't have a meeting with me last year, I hope you will answer my invitation this year. It's a wise idea to have an expert look at your finances. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I'll

provide an insurance check-up that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? And I'll come to your house when it fits your schedule.

Call me today.

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FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

A 4th degree exemplification will be held in Eatontown on Sunday, Nov. 2nd.

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center. Next meeting October 15th.

MALVERN RETREAT

Our annual Malvern Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of January 16-18, 2015. We can't say enough about this wonderful and spiritually rewarding experience. More information and the registration forms will be forthcoming.

CHRISTIAN REFUGEE RELIEF FUND

The Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief initiative has raised more than \$1 million in public donations for those suffering persecution in Iraq and the surrounding region. Combined with the \$1 million donated by the Order, the fund now stands at more than \$2 million, which will be distributed to support humanitarian assistance to refugees fleeing from the ongoing persecution.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

The next Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Our Lady of Hope Chapel on First Friday, November 7th, after the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:00 PM, and close with Benediction. Try to stop in to spend time with the Lord.

COUNCIL WELLNESS NOTICES

Contact Ron Miller (783-6458) or bleuoxrmm@comcast.net to send a "get well"

message or a message of condolence.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following brothers or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month:

Sal Arena, Dominick Brown, Valerie Brusco, Gabe Busa, Marge Chatburn, Eric Coch, Woodrow Dooley, Fred Durso Jr., Joseph Fisher, Mrs. Noreen Fuchs, Ryan Goheen, Pat Herbert, Justin Jackson 2ND, Frank Lamantia, Gerry McFadden, Dan Meissler, Mrs. Anita Muldowney, Francisco Olaya, Mrs. Yessi Olaya, Annette Pettineo, Tammy Pettineo, Steve Piperno, Andy Rescinito, Howard Roberts, Alexis Santos, Jenna Tolen, Martin (Chip) Tolen, Paul Urbaniak, John Varalli and Mrs. Vera Villarose.

The following members will celebrate their anniversaries this month: Mr.&Mrs. Ron Lawrence, Mr.& Mrs. Ed Michalak, Mr.& Mrs. Ed Steward and Mr.& Mrs. Larry Villarose.

CONGRATULATIONS!

If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447) or gandy@comcast.net.

EDITORIAL

During the past month we posted a string of successes as evidenced by our hoagie sale, football mania and crab feast. Hosting a first and second degree offered proud moments but hosting the third degree brought a feeling of true pride to our Council. I think it made us all feel that we belong to as fine a Council as there is in the Order. Vivat Jesus.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Nov. 7 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
- Nov. 13 Officers Meeting (7 PM Parish Center)
- Nov. 13 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Cener)
- Nov. 15 50/50 Social (Parish Center)
- Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Day – No meeting
- Dec. 4 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
- Dec. 10 Chapter Christmas Dinner (Santa Maria)
- Dec. 11 Christmas Social (Parish Center)
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day

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