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MARCH 2017

Dear Brother Knights:

Well, believe it or not spring is almost here. We have accomplished so much in the first half of the Columbian year. Now is when we need your continued help with our long list of events for the second half of our year; Soup & Scripture, Parish Recruitment Drive, Parish Appreciation Breakfast, Hoagie sale, golf tournament tee adds, People with Intellectual Disabilities, campaign, Star Council, Mother's Day Carnation Sale, Parish Festival Beer Garden. It's your efforts that make it all possible. Sign up, come out and bring a friend.

Thank you for all you do.

Vivat Jesus,

Thomas A. Skelly,

Grand Knight

FOOTBALL MANIA

Here are the results of our Super Bowl Football Mania fund raiser. 1,288 game cards were sold (a new record) and there were 96 winners, and our profit was \$4,000 and \$2,000 was donated to OLOH and \$2,000 to the OLOH School for tuition assistance. We thank Joe Pettineo, Jr., assisted by Pat Theckston and Chris Chiaro, for directing this successful program. We thank all who participated. Something to think about, there were 69 unsold game cards that would have been winners.

SOUP & SCRIPTURE

During Lent, OLOH will once again sponsor a Soup & Scripture Program asking each parish ministry to provide the soup for a particular Friday night. Our Council has made a commitment to provide the soup (meatless of course) on the evening of March 3rd. We are looking for about 15 crock pots of soups. Please support this commitment.

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the month for March is Fred Sulpizi (service to the Council). Our Family of the month for March is Rich Bevilacqua and family. Congratulations and thank you.

DEGREE NEWS

Our Council congratulates and welcomes John Esposito who took his Admission Degree Feb. 20th at Marian Council. Witnessing the degree was John P. Iovacchino. We welcome Rev. Rene' Canales who recently transferred into our Council.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We will be holding a Church membership drive during the weekend of March 11-12. This will be our first membership drive of the new calendar year and we are determined to continue the record growth of our Council. The Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney founded our Order more than 134 years ago, and yet we have only just begun to realize our true potential. New members are essential to our success; the Order's *tomorrow* depends on our recruitment *today!* Here again, the responsibility for membership lies with all of us. Start now to target a relative, friend, or neighbor that is a Catholic male over 18 years of age that you think would be an asset to our Order. If you have someone in mind but aren't sure how to approach him, talk to our membership director, Fred Durso. This is really important. We will follow this up with an Open House on Tuesday, March 14th at 7 PM (Parish Center) and a First Degree (Admission Degree) Exemplification at 8 PM in the Parish Center on Thursday, March 16th.

We will be hosting a 2nd degree (Formation Degree) on March 30th at 8 PM in the Parish Center.

FREE THROW CONTEST

Our Council sponsored the District Free Throw Competition on Feb. 11th in the OLOH Gym for the winners from the Council competitions. Here are the District winners: Boys 9 yrs, Mark Thomas, 10yrs James Helder, 11yrs Brandon Ackerman, 12yrs Jimmy Bachman, 13yrs Jared Medina, 14yrs Jacob Camire. Girls 9yrs Caroline Woodside, 10yrs Zoe DeAngelis, 11yrs Reya Taylor, 12yrs Sofia Granieri, 13yrs Alexandria Lowry, 14yrs Isabella Granieri. We had a lot of help from our members and we thank our Director, Dan Tumolo, also Frank Brandis, Jim Coolen, Fred Sulpizi, Joe Pettineo Sr., Steve Thomas, John Iovacchino (father & son), Harry Bocchino and John Gandolfo.

The winners will compete in the Regional competition on March 19th, at Camden Catholic.

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

This initiative refers to activities focused on

promoting the new evangelization, strengthening our parishes and growing the Order. It is designed to help our members and their families reflect the holiness of the universal Church. In promoting each family as a domestic church, the Knights of Columbus primarily seeks to integrate our members and their families more fully into the sacramental and social life of the parish.

CHAPLAINS CORNER

Jesus was near the end of His mission in Galilee, and before going to Jerusalem to complete the work of redemption by His death on the cross, He decided to send forth 72 disciples to continue the work of evangelization. Jesus had attracted most of these men by his teaching and the works He performed. The 12 Apostles he had called directly: "Follow Me." All of them had been at His side constantly, and they had learned who He was and why He had come into this world. Later on, they would make many converts by means of their preaching and the good works performed in the name of Jesus.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

You may have long term expenses for which you are saving, such as college for your children. You may be concerned about a comfortable worry free retirement. You may want to protect your ability to earn a living. You may wonder if needing costly long-term care will deplete your hard earned assets. You want to have something to leave for your wife, children or grandchildren. At some point you may have had all these needs on your mind. Over time, these thoughts make way for others as your needs evolve, your finances change and you get older. What is important to you at age 20, may not be at 30, or 45, or 65. What is the best way to prepare for these changes before they happen? One of the easiest ways to be financially ready for changes that come with different life stages is to meet annually with your professional Knights of Columbus agent, and address the needs that his analysis uncovers. This can help you be ready to face the financial challenges and issues on the road ahead. Whatever you needs, whatever your concerns, whatever your stage in life, I can help.

Call me today for an appointment.

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FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center.

SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Robert Stefano Memorial Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, June 9th, 2017. Golfer's cost of \$120 includes lunch, dinner, beverages, green and cart fees, cocktail hour, door prizes, etc. **Very important-the major portion of funds for charity are raised by tee ads and patron ads. Tee Ads \$150/Patron Ads \$75. We need members to ask businesses for Tee and Patron Ads.**

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following members or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month: Brianna Belmont, Richard Bevilacqua, Hugo Candeloro, Mike Columella, Rev. Charles Conaty, Frank Dintino, Jonathan Ferrell, Mrs. Sarah Fiscella, Albert Frick, Ken Garry, Lawrence Grady, John Harry, Mrs. Marilyn Heck, Joseph Kennedy, Robert Kramer, Balbino Luzano, Loraine Massaro, Don McKay, Pete Miszuk, Jr., Lamael Montero, Joe Panikowski, Joe Pettineo, Tony Porcellini, Lewis Reed, Mrs. Lillian Steward, Albert Tucci, and Lawrence Villarose. Members celebrating their anniversaries are: Mr. & Mrs. Chip Tolen. **CONGRATULATIONS.** If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447) or gandy@comcast.net.

TEMPORARY MEETING CHANGE

Take note of the fact that in the month of April we will meet on the first and third Thursdays (April 6th and 20th) because the second Thursday (April 13th) is Holy Thursday, no meeting.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

The next Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Our Lady of Hope Chapel on First Friday, March 3rd 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.

EDITORIAL

The holy season of Lent is upon us again and a time for Catholic gentlemen (Knights of Columbus) to focus and further practice our Faith and prepare for the events of Holy Week and Easter Sunday. As you can see by the IMPORTANT DATES, we are looking forward to another busy, but enjoyable month ahead. Let's get together and make them more successful for our Council
Vivat Jesus.

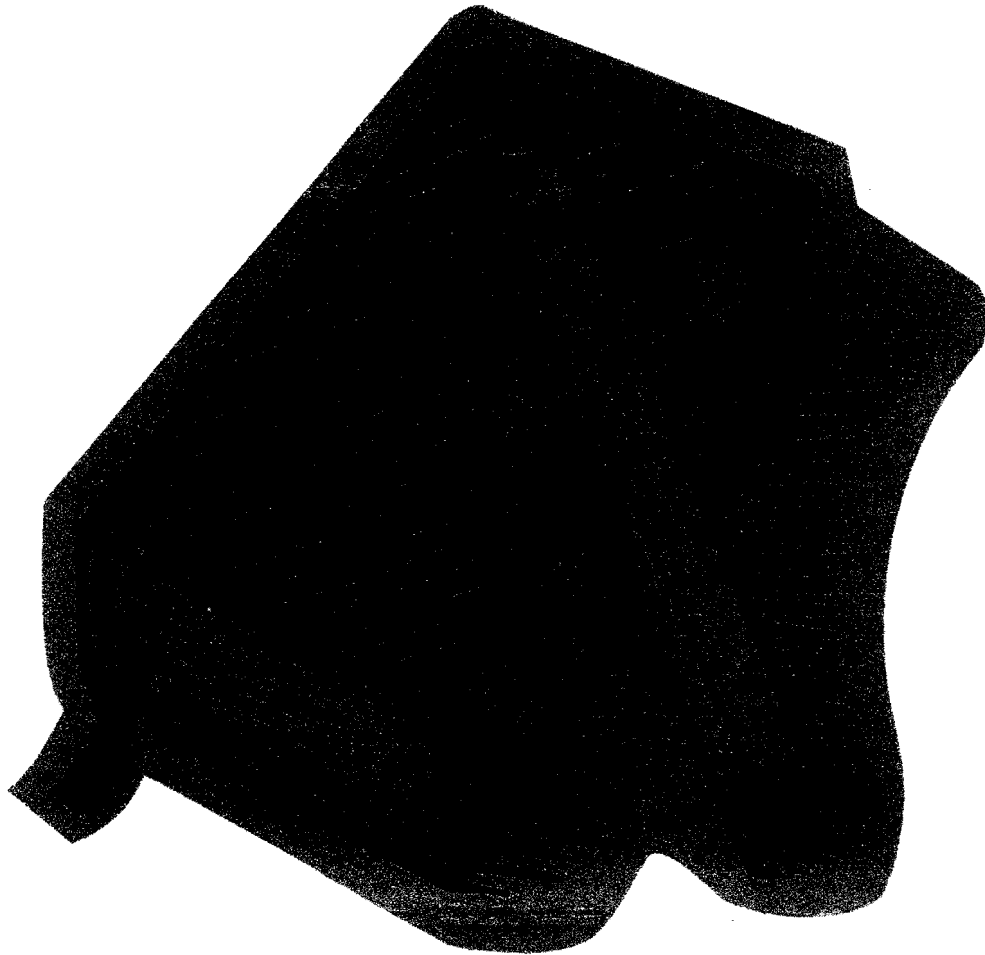
IMPORTANT DATES

Mar. 1 Ash Wednesday
Mar. 3 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
Mar. 9 Officers Meeting (7 PM Parish Center)
Mar. 9 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
Mar. 11-12 Church Membership Drive (All Masses)
Mar. 14 Open House (7 PM Parish Center)
Mar. 16 First Degree (8 PM Parish Center)
Mar. 23 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
Mar. 29 Founder's Day
Mar. 30 Second Degree (8 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 6 Officers Meeting (7 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 6 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 7 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
Apr. 9 Parish Appreciation Breakfast
Apr. 13 Holy Thursday
Apr. 16 Easter Sunday
Apr. 20 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
Apr. 21-23 People With Intellectual Disabilities
Apr. 29 Hoagie Sale

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MARCH 1st