

# The Fulton J. Communiqué

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## Art Auction – St. Joe’s Gym – March 4<sup>th</sup> 6-10pm

### Our Chaplains



Fr. Pat Tonry, S.M.  
Chaplain  
410-795-7838



Fr. Paul Reich, S.M.  
Associate Chaplain  
410-795-7838

We are in a new year and it is moving along well. Do you have any reasons for hope? I have met people who feel things are so bad right now in our world that it is very difficult to be hopeful and positive. The reality of war, the amount of anger in ordinary people, the rise in drug use, the lack of respect for all life, the continuing presence of abortion and killings in our cities, the crime of men and women in high places of trust and responsibility, the lack of care of our environment and so on make some people convinced we are headed for disaster.

I surely do experience some of the same things and experience some of the same emotions. However I refuse to give up hope. I firmly believe that God is present and active in our world and encourages us to have trust in His faithfulness. Some of my reasons for hope: 1) children. What I admire in children is their marvelous spirit of openness, love and care; their innocence and spirit of wonder; their generosity and honesty; their beauty and intelligence; their love the new and their willingness to learn; their enthusiasm and happiness. We have so many children in my parish and they embody hope and promise for

the future. They also prompt me to work hard to help prepare a world friendly and good to them. 2) The faith in practice of so many, many people. Each Sunday our Church is filled to capacity with; families, teens, young people and older people. The number of people who participate in faith sharing groups, bible study circles, in regular use of the sacraments and in ministry to the sick and homebound clearly demonstrate the love of others to which Jesus calls us. 3) The concern about and interest and involvement in the great issues of peace, justice, equality, liberation, food for the hungry are proof for me that God is in our world acting through these wonderful generous people. 4) The leadership of Pope Benedict XVI clearly points the way to hope as he accepts his role as universal pastor to give hope and light to a darkened world.

The above are the major reasons that give me hope. There are others things that point me in the same direction: the sight of a new born child; the babies I baptize; the children and young people who take religious education; the many parents and teens who teach religious education; the sun rising each day; the fantastic beauty of creation; the staggering amounts of natural goods available to us such as food, water, air; the fidelity of so many spouses; the care, concern and generosity of some many as they respond to natural disasters....and so on and so on. And you? Do you have hope? What are your reasons for your hope? We are Knights of Columbus and are committed to charity, fraternity, unity and patriotism. These values alone can give us hope. Let us be persons of hope for our world. Vivat Jesu Fr. Pat

## SNOW EMERGENCY POLICY

*Article IV, Section 9 of our proposed By-Laws.*

If on a regular business meeting night, any snow emergency plan or travel advisory is in effect at 5:00 PM as issued by the local or state government, the meeting shall be cancelled. If needed the Grand Knight may reschedule this meeting prior to the next business meeting through phone notification to the membership.



## Grand Knight's Report

Steve Partenope  
410-913-1566

Dear Council Family,

I hope everyone has settled successfully into 2006 and I hope that everyone is doing well on your New Year's Resolutions!

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the six new members who became Knights during the month of January. I hope you will all find Fulton Sheen Council to be an extension of your own family. The key to success is to become involved. As you read through the rest of this newsletter, if you come upon an activity that you want to help with, contact me, the Chairman, or the General Program Director and we'll get you all set up!

That being said, we have a busy springtime ahead of us. Preparation for the Art Auction and Family Safety and Learning Expo headline a full slate of events coming up shortly. The Beef Pit schedule is out and Baseball isn't far behind, so don't be shy! Get involved!

On a different note, I've been reading Parish Priest, the recently released biography of Fr. Michael J. McGivney, written by Douglas Brinkley. In the book, the author briefly yet strikingly describes the journey from Ireland to America of Fr. Thomas Hendricken, Fr. McGivney's first parish pastor. His voyage in the 1850s was one filled not only with cramped

quarters and extreme boredom, but disease swept through the ship, assailing the passengers to the point of near-death. Fr. Hendricken ministered to the sick on the vessel despite the obvious risk to his own health and against the warnings of the captain.

Fr. Hendricken made the perilous journey because he believed he could make a difference in America. He believed that he could foster the growth of Catholicism in a country that openly discriminated against Catholics. His trek is reminiscent of that of our namesake, Christopher Columbus, who navigated the uncharted oceans multiple times to bring the Word of God to new lands. Both of these remarkable men made sacrifices; they believed so strongly in their causes that, strengthened by their faith, they did not flinch when staring death in the eye.

Our truest model of sacrifice is Our Lord, Jesus. He proved to us that faith in action can do seemingly impossible deeds. He showed that sacrificing one's self for another is the greatest of good.

We can apply the lessons of Jesus, Columbus, and even Fr. Hendricken today. Thousands gathered on January 23<sup>rd</sup> to honor life in Washington, DC. That, my friends, is faith in action. That is sacrifice for others.

Most of us, for whatever reason, were not able to make the sacrifice of attending the March for Life on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. This, however, does not mean that we cannot act! Inside this Communiqué you will find a flyer specifically designed for the Eldersburg area containing the names and contact information for our State representatives. Contact them! An email address is even provided. Let them know that the Knights of Columbus and the proud Catholics of Maryland will not sit idly by and let our state pass laws allowing a minor to have an abortion without parental permission or promoting embryonic stem cell research. The 2 minutes it would take to write an email is such a small sacrifice for so great a cause. There will also be the Maryland March for Life in Annapolis on March 6<sup>th</sup>, so that's another way to show your support for Life.

I challenge each of you to get involved and make a difference.

Thank you all for all that you do.

Yours in Christ,

Steve

## Editor's Note

All articles for the Communiqué must be submitted by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the Month for the next month's edition. When possible, they should be submitted in MS Word format. Include any pictures associated with the event or project.

Send the material to [joewinterling@adelphia.net](mailto:joewinterling@adelphia.net).

## Good-of-the Order Drawing

Bro. Patrick McKenzie was present at our January meeting he could and won \$146. Next month's drawing will be worth \$32.

## Financial Secretary & Treasurer



Rich Unglesbee  
Financial Secretary

Mike Dean  
Treasurer



## CUFP, Inc.

### Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

Dick Perron,  
President 410-795-7649  
10817 Stang Rd.  
Owings Mills, Md. 21117  
[cufp@adelphia.net](mailto:cufp@adelphia.net)



All members of the Council are also members of the CUFP, Inc. who is responsible for management of the Council Home. The Board of Directors meets on the Mondays before the regular Council Business Meetings at the Council Home. Everyone is encouraged to join in the discussions regarding the management of YOUR Council Home.

### HALL Rentals

"Hall rentals available to & thru 7612 members only Proof of liability insurance is required. Security -and -rentals cost is required prior to rentals and Contracting CUFP now offers lite fair catering and limited large group affairs catering. We can do large groups up to 150 persons. Thru us you can have a family affair or a Bull Roast

**NO SMOKING INSIDE THE BUILDINGS**  
**HANDICAPPED PARKING**

Please reserve the 2 Handicapped Parking Spaces for the Handicapped

## District Deputy's Report

Joe Gauthier, PGK  
717-359-0459



Brothers,

Membership remains vitally important to the success of our order. Statewide membership numbers this fraternal year have been stagnant. In district 1, they are only slightly better. For Maryland to continue its strong tradition of making the Circle of Honor, we have a tremendous amount of work to ahead of us.

Currently, only 3% of all eligible Catholic men are members of the Knights of Columbus. Brothers, we can do better that that. There are many Catholic men who are looking to give back to their Church and Community, but have never been approached about joining the Knights of Columbus. Let us fix that – let us offer them “The Opportunity of a Lifetime” - membership in the Knights of Columbus.

The next second degree will take place on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at Westminster Council. The Second Degree team is looking for a few men to step forward to learn a part and share the duties in a backup role. Please see your Grand Knight or me to volunteer.

The 4<sup>th</sup> degree will take place on March 25<sup>th</sup> in Hagerstown. Our assembly has been asked to present the colors at both the exemplification and the banquet. Please contact Sir Knight Thom Partenope of Steve Partenope for further details. Brothers, if you are a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Knights, I strongly encourage you to take the patriotic 4<sup>th</sup> degree. Please see your Grand Knight for an application and further details.

God bless you, God bless our great order, and remember:

**IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE.**

Vivat Jesus,

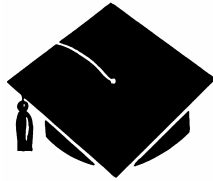
Joe Gauthier  
District Deputy #1  
717-359-0459

Kevin Carter  
District Warden  
410-751-7292



## Lecturer's Program

Our Worthy Lecturer  
John McCuen  
410-549-2418



Sheen's Colleens Corner  
Cherie Hundertmark, President  
410-795-5555  
E-Mail: Sicer123@hotmail.com



Dear Ladies of the Council Family,

Well here we are and the 1<sup>st</sup> month of the New Year is already gone, my but time sure is going fast. I hope everyone is getting back to a normal routine (whatever that might be).

*The **Knights blood drive** was very successful, and I want to thank everyone who shared their time and energy for this very worthwhile project.*

**The Knights are having the basketball shoot-out** on February 4<sup>th</sup> and they need volunteers to help with registration and keeping score. If you can give some time on that date between the hours of 11:00 am and 3:30 pm, please give Tom Greul a call, 410-549-9531.

*Our **Valentine project** is quickly approaching. If you haven't yet but can give us some time either for assembling the vases or delivering them, please sign up in the Cassidy Center. Don't forget to get all the money to Carol for the Weekend get-away, raffle. Carol is going to get the Celebrant for the Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, mass to draw the winning ticket. Good Luck!*

I want to once again **thank Heather Greul for chairing the St. Patrick's Day dance.** This is the 1<sup>st</sup> time for Heather to run this activity and I'm sure she will appreciate any help we can give her.

*The **basket bingo committee** is starting to work on this fund raiser and we will have more to report at our next meeting which will be February 15th, in the Cassidy Center. In the meantime start spreading the word to everyone you know that the bingo will be on May 17, in the gym at St. Josephs. If possible please start collecting items that can be used for door prizes and bring them to our next meeting.*

The **Knights Safety Expo** is going to be held on April 1<sup>st</sup>, with a rain date of April 10<sup>th</sup>, at Wal-Mart. Keep this wonderful project in mind and save some time to help the Knights on this date.

*I hope that each and every one of you have a **Special Valentine Celebration.** (Don't eat too much chocolate).*

Thanks for all your continued support,  
**Cherie Hundertmark, President**

410-795-5555 E-Mail: [Sicer123@hotmail.com](mailto:Sicer123@hotmail.com)  
Lisa Hegarty, Vice President Carol McCuen, Secretary  
Joan Tellish, Treasurer Liz Martin, Assistant Treasurer

**Wine & Cheese Party** We had a "Full House" in attendance for the "Wine and Cheese" presentation in January. The folks from Still and Grill in Finksburg did a great job as we sampled 6 different wines. Congratulations to the lucky 13 door prize winners. As promised I will have discount certificates available at the business and social meetings in February.

## Council Social Night

**Both of these events start at 6:30 pm**

**February 22nd – International Night:** Come share your ethnic specialties with other members of the Council Family. Bring an entrée and side dish for 5 people for sampling. The Council will supply salads and deserts. Please confirm your participation to [John\\_McCuen@yahoo.com](mailto:John_McCuen@yahoo.com) or 410-549-2418. We almost ran out of cheese in January and we want to have plenty of supplies this month.  
**March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Meet the Candidates:** Light fare dinner followed by a short presentation by candidates for Warden of the Maryland State Council. More information next month.

### Knights of the Month

**John Ramming  
Larry Brown  
Rich Unglesbee**

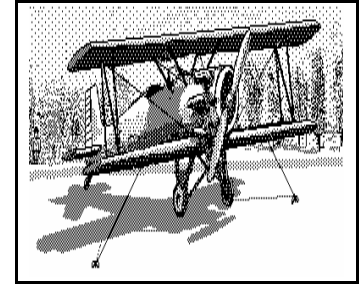
For their role as Santa Claus this year.

### Family of the Month

**Keith & Deborah McQuay**  
For a well run Children's Christmas Party



# ART EXHIBIT AND AUCTION



**Saturday, March 4th, 6-10pm  
St. Joseph's Gym**

Preview: 6:00-7:00pm Auction: 7:00-9:30pm

**The Knights of Columbus Council 7612  
is sponsoring its  
26th Annual Art Exhibit and Auction**

*Art is Provided by  
The Ross Galleries*

Admission: **\$10.00 at the door**  
**Patron Packages \$25.00**  
(includes 6 tickets and entry in a special Patrons Drawing for a special painting)

Call Dick Zabela, 410-747-9694 or Carol McCuen,  
410-549-2418, for Patron information

**Enjoy an exciting evening.  
Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres.  
200+ pieces of Fine Art  
will be available for purchase.**

***ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE  
Robert H. Clark Memorial Scholarship***

# **ROBERT H. CLARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Dear Student,

The Robert H. Clark Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council 7612, Eldersburg, MD. This scholarship honors the memory of Robert H. Clark, a longtime educator in Maryland public schools and a member of Council 7612.

In order to be eligible to apply for this scholarship, you must be a high school senior who is one of the following: a) a student at South Carroll, Liberty, or Century High School, b) a student who lives within the boundaries of those schools, c) is a member of St Joseph's Catholic Community, or d) is the child of a member or deceased member of Council 7612.

Applicants must ultimately be accepted for full time study at a four year accredited college or university. The scholarship is awarded in an amount of \$2,000 annually, for a total of \$8,000 over a four year period. It is renewable annually upon presentation of evidence of maintaining a 2.75 grade point average. The failure to maintain this grade point average will result in the loss of the scholarship. The award is made payable to the college or university for payment of tuition and fees.

In selecting the scholarship recipient we will consider academic performance in high school, community activities and two essays. We may also require an interview, and if so, the interview will be considered in the selection process. All applicants will be notified of our selection by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Please return the completed application and a transcript of your high school grades and SAT scores to the address above, postmarked on or before March 31<sup>st</sup>. Request application via email to [ma.dean@verizon.net](mailto:ma.dean@verizon.net) or address request to Mike Dean, 819 Caren Dr., Eldersburg, MD 21784.

## **PRO-LIFE LEGISLATIVE ALERT**

Legislation Promoting Embryonic Stem Cell Research (Oppose)

Delegate Samuel Rosenberg and Senator Paula Hollinger are sponsoring legislation to promote embryonic stem cell research. (The bill title won't be known until early February.) The bill seeks to use state money to fund the destruction of human embryos so that their cells can be used in science experiments. The Church condemns the destruction of innocent early human life; legislation endorsing the killing of human embryos must be opposed.

### **Legislation Promoting Parental Notification Before A Minor's Abortion (Support)**

Parents have the right to be involved in the health care decisions of their minor children, and a minor girl seeking an abortion needs the guidance and support of her parents. The proposed legislation would modify Maryland law so that at least one parent will be notified before a minor's abortion. An exception would be allowed in cases where a girl fears parental abuse, in which case a judge would authorize bypass of parental notification.

(For additional information on these bills, go to [www.mdathcon.org](http://www.mdathcon.org), then click on [View Current Alerts](#).)

**Contact your Maryland State Senator and all of your Maryland State Delegates; urge them to oppose legislation funding embryonic stem cell research. Ask them to support legislation promoting parental notification before a minor's abortion. Ask for a personal response in writing.**

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(For exact identification of your Senator and Delegates, go to [www.mdathcon.org](http://www.mdathcon.org), then click on [Find Your Legislator](#).)

FOR ST. JOSEPH PARISH (Eldersburg):

DISTRICT 9B Your State Senator is:

ALLAN KITTLEMAN, James Senate Office Building, Room 414, Annapolis, MD 21401

Phone: (410) 841-3671 Email: [allan\\_kittleman@senate.state.md.us](mailto:allan_kittleman@senate.state.md.us)

Your State Delegate is:

SUSAN KREBS, Lowe House Office Building, Room 306, Annapolis, MD 21401

Phone: (410) 841-3200 Email: [susan\\_krebs@house.state.md.us](mailto:susan_krebs@house.state.md.us)



## 4th Degree Activities

### James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly

#### Westminster, Maryland

Thomas Partenope, Navigator  
410-549-6013

[www.carr.lib.md.us/~meripper/kofc/assembly/activity.htm](http://www.carr.lib.md.us/~meripper/kofc/assembly/activity.htm)



*Assembly meets the 4th Monday at 8:00pm of each month at the Carroll County Associated for Retarded Citizens (CCARC) building. Make a left off Rt. 97 north off Rt. 140 at Kriders Church Rd (just 50 feet north of Rt. 97 North & Rt. 140 interchange).*

### **Next Assembly Business Meeting: 8pm, February 27, 2006 at the CCARC**

**The Renewal of Obligations will be held at the February meeting this year.** We will be welcoming our Worthy Master, Carl Roberts and District Marshall, Mike Dunn. This is one of the prestigious events for the Assembly. Please plan on attending. Black tuxedos should be worn that evening.

The Assembly is looking for a dedicated Sir Knight who will be willing to chair the **Patriotic Essay Contest** this year. All those who are interested, please contact me.

Remember to **recruit new Fourth Degree members** for this year. There are many Knights who are just waiting to be told about the good work we do. Anyone who is taking their Fourth Degree in March should forward their checks to me by February 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Color Corps Activities**

The James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly has been asked to present the Colors at the **Exemplification this year in Hagerstown**. All Sir Knights who are interested in this Color Corps activity should contact me as soon as possible. **Practices for the Color Corps are held prior to each meeting at 7:00 P.M. and practices for the Exemplification will be held on 3/07 and 3/14 at the Dundalk Council Home.**

*Make plans to join us.*

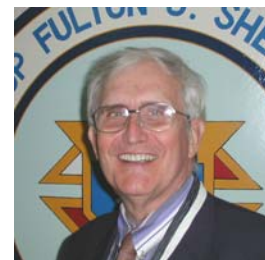
The **Exemplification of the Fourth Degree** will be held in Hagerstown on Saturday, March 25, 2006



# Chancellor's Report

Bob Koleszar 410-795-1370

If you know of a member who is sick or is recently deceased, PLEASE CALL the Grand Knight or Chancellor. We would rather get 250 calls about someone who needs our prayers than fail to assist someone in need.



The Council now utilizes a phone service to notify our members of a death within the Council Family. If you DO NOT receive this automated phone call please contact Dick Perron, 410-795-7649, and we will add your name to this notification list.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED MEMBERS AND FAMILIES:

**Bin McKinney (Joe Hegarty's cousin)**

**Karen Salmonson**

**Karen Salmonson ( Friend of Weido)**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

### **Katie and Tracie Van der Meuler (beneficiaries of the golf outing proceeds)**

Larry Brown, PGK	Carl Motter	Dennis Ford (PGK	Austin Comfort (Great	Allan Breller
Harry Haight	(Scott's father)	Westminster Council)	grandson of Ed & Toni	Ashley Berdel
Jack Ryder (Chris	<b>Janet Van Cleve</b>	Joyce Lofton	Comfort)	Richard Zyla
Ryder's father)	Pat Siejack	(greg's mother)	Tom Schwartz	(Steve Zyla's father)
Bill Sapp	(wife of Dick Siejack,	Mary Pennewell	Wanda Coy	Dr. Kate Seifert
Floyd McCurdy, PFN	State Treasurer)	(mother of Sherrie Roden)	(Bob Coy's Wife)	(Friend of Steve Zyla)
Shawn Wallace	Catherine Partenope	Joyce Lynch (Greg	Cindy Hogan	Cheyenne VanCleve
Dennis Custis	(Thom Partenope's great	Lynch's sister-in-law)	Kathy McAfee	Pat Reilly
Dick Ekeroth	aunt)	Joe Dunnington, DD	David Kincaid	Karin Young
Pete Decker	Ben SanFellipo	Rosemarie	(friend of Steve Zyla)	Joe Januszewski
George Koleszar	(Frank's Father)	Gomeringer	Sue Graham (friend of	(son of Joe
(brother Bob Koleszar)	Helen SanFellipo	(Emma DiMaio's mother)	John/Carol McCuen)	Januszewski)
Dave Roberts (son of	(Frank's mother)	Angela Santmyers	Charlie McTygue	
Master Carl Roberts)		(Ed Becker's Sister)	(Father of John McTygue)	



## 7612 Charities, Inc.

Joe Hegarty, President

Bill Strotz, Vice President



## Board of Directors

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 Joe Hegarty – member-at-large



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OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

## Supreme Council News

### New Biography on Father McGivney Book Signing

With the official publication on Jan. 10 of **Parish Priest: Father Michael McGivney and American Catholicism** (William Morrow, a division of HarperCollins, \$24.95 US/\$32.95 CAN), authors Douglas Brinkley and Julie Fenster began a six-stop book tour with a reception and book signing at the Knights of Columbus Museum in New Haven. According to *Publishers Weekly*, the new biography of the Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney is "an incredible work of research" about a man who "left a legacy of hope still celebrated around the world."

*Publishers Weekly* says authors Brinkley and Fenster "recreate the life of Father McGivney, a fiercely dynamic, yet tenderhearted man." It also calls the book "moving and inspirational." "Though he was only 38 when he died, Father McGivney has never been forgotten," continues the reviewer. "He remains a true 'people's priest,' a genuinely holy man — and perhaps the most beloved parish priest in U.S. history."

For more:

<http://www.kofc.org/un/news/events/detail.cfm?id=47399>

## Insurance Update

**TOM WHITE, FICF**  
410.581.1740/ 800.562.1882



Knights of Columbus insurance has been "Making a Difference for Life" for more than 120 years. Since our founding in 1882, our primary mission has been to protect families against the financial ruin caused by the death of the breadwinner. Today we do this, and help families secure their financial futures, through our top-rated portfolio of life insurance, long term care insurance and annuity products.

## Maryland State News



**Ron White**  
State Deputy

Maryland

### State Council Tours Program



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April 19 – May 1, 2006

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**PRICE:** \$3030.00 per person (Single supplement \$450.00)

For more information and pricing Contact Mary Ann Caguin (800)970-7245 or Romeo Gauthier, PSD (410)374-3202

## Baltimore Chapter News



Meets on Second Thursday of each month.

Next Meeting is:

Thursday, February 9, 2006

**Maryland Council #370** TIME: 8:00 PM

Most Precious Blood Church Hall,  
5010 Bowleys Lane, 21206

# **SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE THRU THE MARYLAND STATE COUNCIL**

See the Maryland State Council web site for forms and information:

<http://www.kofc-md.org/pages/Committees/scholarship/scholar.htm>

The following is a listing of scholarships offered by the Knights of Columbus along with a brief description of the scholarships. Follow this link to find out more information and to print an application.  
<http://www.kofc-md.org/pages/Committees/scholarship/scholar.htm>

## **THE FREDERICK M. GOSSMAN MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP:**

Designed to assist members of the Knights of Columbus holding membership in councils within the jurisdiction of Maryland in paying tuition for their sons and daughters at accredited Catholic High Schools, two grants of \$1,000.00 per year for up to four years, and one additional grant of \$1,000.00 per year for up to four years funded by the Maryland Knights of Columbus Insurance Advisors, will be awarded. Awards will be made on the basis of academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need. The children of deceased members are also eligible, provided the member was in good standing at the time of death.

## **THE WILLIAM J. O'BRIEN, JR. MEMORIAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP:**

One grant of \$1,000.00 per year for up to four years will be awarded. Eligibility for a grant under this program is open to Catholic students who are residents of the State of Maryland, and to children and grandchildren of a member of a Knights of Columbus council within the jurisdiction of Maryland. Applicants must have been officially accepted at or must be students at accredited Catholic High Schools. Applications will be judged on academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need.

## **THE FATHER AMOS GAUDETTE MEMORIAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP:**

Two grants of \$1,500.00 each year for up to four years are available to members of the Knights of Columbus in councils within the jurisdiction of Maryland who are entering their first year of college. In addition to members, these grants are also open to wives and children of members. Wives and children of deceased members are eligible, provided the member was in good standing at time of death. Applicants may apply to any accredited four-year college or university. Grants are made on the basis of academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need, with primary emphasis placed on **academic excellence**.

## **THE MONSIGNOR WILLIAM F. SAUER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP:**

Two grants of \$1,500.00 each year for up to four years will be awarded. Eligibility for a grant under this program is open to all Catholic students who are residents of the State of Maryland and are in their senior year of high school. Applicants may apply to any accredited four-year college or university. Grants are made on the basis of academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need, with emphasis on **financial need**.

Application period is from November 1 to March 1. All applications must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than March 1.

# Program Reports

Chris Ryder  
General Program Director  
410-552-4396



## Membership Report

Thom Partenope  
410-549-6013

*"A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle."*

James Keller



## Our Newest Members and their Wives

Rocco and Leslie Andrews  
William and Barbara Rooney  
Alan and Linda Grasley  
Robert and Linda Wise  
Camilo Henriquez

Vivat Jesu,

Thom Partenope, PGK, FN  
Membership Director

## First Degree Team Report

We invite all interested members to join our Council's First Degree Team. Degree work is very important in instilling in our new members the essence and meaning of Knighthood. Please consider coming to our practice sessions, held at the Council home on the third Monday each month, at 7:30 p.m. The sessions are brief, but of great importance.

Peter O'Sullivan

## Church Activities Report

Peter O'Sullivan  
410-795-4379



## Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We, as a Council, have made a commitment to be present every Sunday morning, between

6:00 and 7:00 a.m., for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel at St. Joseph's. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend a little quiet time with The Lord, then attend the 7:00 Mass. Knights and family members are encouraged to participate at least one Sunday each month. If you can do this, please come on any Sunday morning at 6:00.

## Tuesday Night Rosary

Ever since 9/11/2001, Knights and their ladies of our Council family have gathered each Tuesday evening to say a Rosary in memory of those killed by the terrorists that tragic day. We have since included the remembrance and well-being of our service men and women in these prayers, as well. If you are able, please join us in the Cassidy Center at St. Joseph's at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings.

## Youth Activities Report

Tom Greul  
410-549-9531

Hello Brothers,



## STAND Training for those who work with our Youth Programs

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheens' Youth Director, Tom Greul, has arranged for STAND training through the Archdiocesan program. Any Brother Knight who is responsible for Youth Activities in any capacity should take this training. The mandate from Supreme is that Youth Personnel should submit their background checks through the State Council and the Supreme Council but should also take the diocesan training in order to work with the youth of our councils and districts. In this way we protect ourselves, our youth, and our councils.

Training is being planned on March 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's in Eldersburg (in the hall downstairs) from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Any of your council members who are working with the youth, Youth Directors, Youth Chairmen, Squires' Counsellors, should be involved in this training.

Please email Tom Greul [tomgreul@adelphia.net](mailto:tomgreul@adelphia.net) or telephone Tom at 410-549-9531.

We need a head count by Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact your people and let Tom know who is coming to the training.

## **Basketball Free-Throw Competition**

The basketball Free Throw Competition is to be held on February 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 to 3:30 at the St Joseph gym. Each competitor will receive three warm up shots and 15 consecutive foul shots. Boys and girls ages 10 and 11 will compete in one group, girls 12 through 14 in another, and boys 12 through 14 in a third group. Winners will move onto the district and state levels. Come to the gym and support the youth of our community.

## **Essay Contest**

We are running an essay contest open to all children from 6<sup>th</sup> grade to 12th grade. The topic for the essay will be **"I feel the name of God should not be removed from our public lives."** All entries should be received by Monday March 20<sup>th</sup>. There will be prizes for the top three essays on our council level. If you have any questions or would like to help in the judging of the essays please contact me.

## **Father Daughter Dance**

The youth program in corporation with the family program is in the process of putting together a Father Daughter dance. The date of the dance will be Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup>. Again if you have questions or want to help please feel free to contact me.

God Bless,

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## ***Family Life Activities Report***

William (Mac) McQuay  
410-552-1303

No Report

We are in need of usable Children's High Chairs at the Council Home. If you have one you no longer need, please consider donating it to the Council for use during our dinners and other activities.

## ***Community Activities Report***

George Moriatis  
410-795-2280



## **Knights of Columbus Art Auction**

The Art Auction is coming up soon. Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. The preview will start at 6:00 PM. The auction will begin at 7:00PM. There will be a special preview for our Patrons beginning at 5:30 PM.

The Ross Galleries have promised us another fine selection of Art, Jewelry and Music and Sports Collectables and Memorabilia. Our Auctioneer, Chris Purcell, will be here once again to entertain and educate us.

We will have an excellent selection of hot and cold finger foods available during the preview and auction followed by very nice desserts. Wine and soft drinks will be served throughout the evening. Coffee and tea will be available with dessert.

As most of you know, this is one of our most "fun filled" and well attended event of the year. Over the past twenty five years we have held twenty five auctions which, to this point, have financed the awarding of twenty one scholarships with a value of over \$100,000. All scholarships have been awarded to students from the South Carroll County community.

If you have never been to one of our Art Auctions, please come. We guarantee that you will enjoy yourselves.

For ticket information, please call Dick Zabela 410 747-9694.

If you would like to be a Patron of the Arts please let Dick know. Our Patron Package is a donation of \$25.00 for which you will receive six tickets and be recognized in the Auction Program. In addition, Patrons are invited to come at 5:30 so they can get a jump on the crowd to preview the art and there will be a special drawing for a piece of art for Patrons only.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have a special request for works by a certain artist, or works of a certain design or style, please call Dick Zabela so he can request the Gallery to be certain they bring them, if available.

Please come and bring friends. You will have fun!

Dick Zabela, Chairman

## Pro-Life Report

Steve Zyla

"What troubles me is that the current Catholic understanding regarding the beginning of life seems to somehow have become the gold standard by which everything is judged," Welcome brothers to the new religious frontier. This quote was not from an atheist, nor from an agnostic, but from none other than the Rev. Peter K. Nord, executive presbyter of the Presbytery of Baltimore. Here is some more of the article, printed in the Baltimore Sun this past Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>... "That is one perspective, but there are others. Most of us support the use of embryos that would otherwise be discarded."

The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland also will submit written testimony in support of the legislation, as will Bishop John R. Schol of the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church.

"The United Methodist Church is supportive of stem cell research because of the healing opportunities that it potentially gives us, and we as a denomination are very much interested in health in life," Schol said."

I guess it depends on whose health and life you wish to support. As Knights we support those that cannot defend themselves; the unborn fall into this category. It is time now to call our State Delegate, Susan Krebs and voice your concern. Lowe House Office Building, Room 306 84 College Ave.

Annapolis, MD 21401 - 1991  
(410) 841-3200, (301) 858-3200  
1-800-492-7122, ext. 3200 (toll free)  
e-mail: [susan.krebs@house.state.md.us](mailto:susan.krebs@house.state.md.us)  
fax: (410) 841-3571, (301) 858-3571

Do not miss the opportunity to express that the Gold standard Catholics live by comes from our Hearts! Not from our wallets and purses!  
To all that attended the 33<sup>rd</sup> Right For Life March, Much Thanks, More on the March next month.  
Vivat Jesus, Steve Zyla, PGK



## Council Activities Report

Joe Winterling  
410-549-1817



## 7612 Council Activities Program 2005-2006 Fraternal Year

Apr ?? **Mystery Bus Ride**

May 6 **50's/60's Dance for Haiti Mission Project**

June 28 **Grand Knight's Picnic**

### Mystery Bus Ride

**It's still a mystery.** If anyone has an idea for what we can do within a reasonable budget let me know soon.

### 50's/60's Dinner/Dance for the Haiti Mission Project

Tickets will be available at the March 8<sup>th</sup> Business meeting - \$20/person. Bring you money and get your tickets.

Joe Winterling, 410-549-1817

## Pit Beef 2005

Brothers,

It's hard to believe, but it's that time of year again. Pit Beef season 2005 is right around the corner.



Here are the dates for Pit Beef for the 2006 season.

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| March 11    | Liberty High PTA Craft Fair                    |
| April 1     | Century High PTA Craft Fair                    |
| June 3      | Spring Muster & Antique Fire Equipment Show    |
| June 11     | Fiddler's Convention                           |
| July 4      | Old Fashioned July 4 <sup>th</sup> Celebration |
| Sept. 16-17 | Maryland Wine Festival                         |
| Sept 23-24  | CUFP events at Council Home                    |
| Oct 6       | Council Charity Golf Tournament                |
| Oct. 7-8    | Fall Harvest Days                              |
| Oct. 8      | Youth Safety Expo                              |
| Oct. 21     | Charity Bull & Oyster Roast                    |

All events scheduled except the Liberty Craft Fair, the Century High events and the Charity Golf Tournament are at the Carroll County Farm Museum in Westminster. I will publish the times for each event as we get closer to the date. There could possibly be another event in mid April and other events could be added later.

This year I am publishing all of the dates early and I would like to schedule help for these events as far in advance as possible. Call me at 410-795-4459 or E-mail me at

[FLWilhide@AOL.COM](mailto:FLWilhide@AOL.COM) as soon as possible to reserve your dates. Thanks Rick

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**February 2006**



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**Fulton Sheen Council Calendar**

**February 2006**

- 4 Council Basketball Free Throw Contest  
11-3pm in the Gym
- 11 **Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance - CANCELLED**
- 12 District Free-Throw Contest
- 22 International Dinner Night at our Council Social

**March 2006**

- 4 **Art Auction**
- 6 Maryland March for Life
- 11 **St. Patrick's Day Party**
- 11 Pit Beef – Liberty HS Craft Fair
- 18 Ford's Theatre Show with Dinner
- 22 Meet this year's State Warden Candidates

**April 2006**

- 1 **Family Learning Expo 2006**
- 1 Century HS Craft Fair

**May 2006**

- 6 **50's/60's Dinner-Dance**  
**Big Cam & the Lifters**

**Council Business Meeting**

2d Wednesday of the Month, 8:00pm  
at the Council Home

**Council Officers & Program Directors Mtg.**

**Charity Corp. Meeting**

Monday before Business Meeting, 7:30-9:30pm  
at the Council Home

**Sheen's Colleens Meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month

**Council Social Meeting**

See Lecturer's Article

**Communiqué Deadline for Articles**

23<sup>rd</sup> of the Month