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Dear Brothers,

We have entered into one of the busiest periods of the Fraternal year. We started October with a membership drive at Maternity BVM Church followed by our informational meeting. We had a good turn out to support the drive at church, the usual faces, thank you. Two candidates attended the informational meeting on Tuesday following the drive and they plan to become members and receive the First Degree Exemplification on Thursday November 6th and hopefully follow that up with their Second Degree the following week.

The Football Sweeps program is finished and we sold around 80 tickets, which were down from last year. Thank you Bill Meyers for coordinating the Football Sweeps Program.

Also on that Sunday following the drive, we gathered at Randi's for Bill's testimonial dinner in honor of his service to the council as Past Grand Knight. Bill shared the evening with his Lady Kathy, daughter Meghan and her guest Patrick, and his mother-in-law Dorothy. Bill was presented with a plaque from the council in appreciation for his service, plus Worthy State Warden Fran O'Hara, with his Lady Patty, and Pat Cory representing the Philadelphia Chapter presented Bill with certificates from the State and Chapter, respectively. It was a nice and enjoyable evening. I want to thank DGK Clint Snyder for organizing the affair.

We are wrapping up the Thanksgiving Charitable Drive and I would like to thank everyone for their donations. I will have a report on the food baskets next month. John McAleer is coordinating this program as well as the "Keep Christ In Christmas" magnet sales. If you are unable to attend either the Business or Home meetings, please keep a look out in your Church Bulletins for the sale dates. We need your help with this project! Please contact me or any officer to schedule a time to serve. By selling the car magnets we are able to get our message out to the public in keep Christmas reverent and it is a good fund raiser to finance our other projects.

Our Memorial Mass will be celebrated on November 20th by our Chaplain, Fr. Robert Lucas. The Mass will be at 7:30 PM. The families of our deceased Brothers are invited to attend. The following Sunday, the Chapter will be at St. John's Hospice serving breakfast to their clients.

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## **ACTIVITIES FOR**

### **NOVEMBER**

## DECEMBER

- 6 Business Meeting (1st Deg before Meeting)
- 13 Home Assn Meeting (2nd Deg before Mtg)
- 20 Memorial Mass
- 27 Thanksgiving (Officers Mtg to be Dec. 4th)
- 4 Officers Meeting at 7:30pm Business Meeting at 8:00pm 11 - Home Assn Meeting (7:30pm)
- 18 Grand Knight's Christmas Party
- 25 Christmas

## **REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR ILL BROTHER KNIGHTS & LADIES**

Bill Wagenborg, Anthony DiSandro, Frank Boyle, Josephine Pistilli, John Munnelli, Veronica Kovacik, George Fecik, Sophie Fecik, Gus Larizzio, George Diaz, Richard L. Girkin, Giuseppe Innamorato, Bro. Jerry Sweeney, Paul Marizy, PGK, Joe Efkowitz, Domenic Marzullo, PGK

Please call in the names of all ill Brother Knights

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL WHO WERE BORN IN NOVEMBER

Vincent Amodei Matthew Burg, JR John Coyle Bas Encarnacion Gus Larizzio Rev. Mardean Miller Lou Parrino George Raysik George Schild Robert Bonner Brian Corrigan Steven DeSanto George Fecik Herb Marizy Justin Nigro Anthony Porretta Erwin Scharf William Wagenborg

Happy Belated Birthday to Mario Tucci - Sorry we missed you in October



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We are also prepping for our 2015 activities. Tony Porretta is also now starting to reserve gym time at our schools for the Free Throw Contest and Domenic is prepping for the Essay contest. Since I mentioned 2015 there will be plenty of opportunities to get involved with the Supreme Convention and the World Meeting of Families.

Please remember COAL too. Get your returns in ASAP. If you need more tickets, by all means please stop by the Council and pick some up.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, Mark Dillon Grand Knight



# Keep Christ in Christmas

Millions of people in North America will be reminded to <u>"Keep Christ in</u> <u>Christmas"</u> thanks to the efforts of the Knights of Columbus. The campaign includes <u>public service announcements</u> that will be aired in the United States



during the Christmas season, as well as a variety of local programs in support of the campaign that include signs, billboards, Nativity scenes and Christmas cards.

Radio spots encouraging people to "Keep Christ in Christmas" in various ways – including by helping the less fortunate – will be aired in English and Spanish. In addition, a television PSA has been sent to networks and hundreds of local broadcast stations and cable systems.

Originally organized by the Christian Mothers of Milwaukee, later know as Council of Catholic Women, in Milwaukee, Wis., the effort was originally known as "Put Christ Back into Christmas." Following that effort, the Knights of Columbus adopted the "Keep Christ in Christmas" program in the early 1960s, and have been actively promoting it since.

The Knights has been producing <u>"Keep Christ in Christmas" PSAs</u> since the 1980s.

Last year, the Knights of Columbus Christmas PSAs reached more than 38 million television viewers and 34 million radio listeners. Billboards and signs with the same message have also been put up around the country by local Knights of Columbus councils, and many local councils also sponsor nativity displays or sell religiously themed Christmas cards.

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# COAL COAL COAL COAL COAL COAL COAL COAL

The 2014 COAL season is here again. As you may remember from years past, the sale of COAL chances is the single most productive fund-raiser for the council. One book contains 8 chances for the price of \$6.00. If you sell the chances individually you may keep the \$2.00. The reward for the sale of 20 COAL books is the payment of your annual dues for the next year; and the sale of 10 books will pay half of your annual dues. The first deadline is October 14 - Columbus Day. We will realize the highest profit on books turned in by that date. The final drawing will be held in December. Please remember that while books may be turned in right up to the day of the drawing, the Council will receive a bonus if you turn your sold books in by the 1st of December. Sixteen fabulous prizes will be awarded. The proceeds from this drive are used for scholarships, which are awarded to Brother Knights or their children in the state of Pennsylvania.

If you need additional COAL books you may pick them up at the Council or call Herb at 267-566-4718 and we will get them to you.

Paul W. Marizy, PGK COAL Chairman

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# Special Reminder

Please remember that, in an effort to make things more convenient to our Brothers, and hopefully see more people attend our meetings, the starting time for meetings will now be 7:30pm. This time change was recently voted on, and approved, at the request of several of our Brothers. Hope to see you at a meeting real soon.

