



The Banner

Unfurled for God and Country



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November 2013

Dear Brother Knights,

The month of October is behind us and the end of the calendar year is drawing near. Looking back at last month we've concluded the Football Sweep sales. I don't have an exact number of tickets sold, though at last report prior to submission, the sales were down from last year. This is disappointing not only in respect to potential revenue to the State for their projects, but this also represents a missed opportunity for the council to raise funds through ticket sales rebates. Similarly with the COAL tickets, we are behind last year's pace and this too represents an opportunity for the council to earn rebates on ticket sales, but more importantly raise money for the State Council Scholarships. Please don't forget to turn in your COAL tickets. Thank you.

We had our 1st Membership Blitz at St. Cecelia's in October. I would like to thank my Brother Knights who participated in distributing flyers and soliciting potential new members. In particular, special thanks to Deputy Grand Knight Clint Synder for addressing the parishioners from the pulpit and coordinating the blitz. We also had our first Keep Christ in Christmas car magnet sales the same day and we are planning similar magnet sales at BVM and Resurrection of Our Lord. The car magnets are also available for sale at each meeting for \$4.00. You can see John McAleer, Alex Rigby, or myself to purchase or sell magnets.

Looking forward to November, we start the month with the Celebration of all Saints Day on November 1st followed by the solemn feast commemorating all of those who have died. Veteran's Day is next, paying tribute to those who served in the military and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country and their fellow man. The Council will have Our Memorial Mass on November 21st at 7:30 to remember those souls and souls of our family and friends.

I would like to thank all Brother Knights and families for your contribution to the Thanksgiving Basket Drive. I don't have the final numbers yet, but as you can imagine the need is great. David Kerr will be distributing the Acme gift cards on November 21st. There will be a final report in the December Banner.

New Programs:

- Fr. Ryan is participating in the Knights Coats for Kids Program. This program enables Councils to purchase high quality winter coats through Supreme at a low cost because of direct relationship with a manufacturer. We purchased 2 dozen coats (12 boys and 12 girls) of various sizes for distribution to our respective parish organizations. The cost is \$440.00 which will be subsidized from the profit of the magnet sales. We are practicing the first principal of our Order, Charity, and making a difference in the lives of children in our communities.

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- Deacon Pat Diamond will have the first of his quarterly Lectures at the December Business Meeting Thursday December 5th. Pat's lecture will have an Advent theme. Please make a point to attend this meeting to enrichment your Christmas Season.
- Family of the Month Nomination: Please submit to me to your December nomination for Family of the month by December 5th. The forms are available at the council or on line at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/officers/forms/council.html>.

In the past I have been requesting your email address and you've read about announcements regarding our Technology Committee. Soon you will be getting a call in the evening from me or another officer of the Council, asking you if you would like to receive the Banner via email. The cost to print and mail the Banner is steadily increasing and it is more efficient to email the Banner to you. If you don't have an email address, no worries, you can still have the Banner mailed to you. But if you can, use the email option, it's a better use of our financial resources.

A brief look ahead to 2014, we anticipate to have the Icon of the Immaculate Conception that you read about in the Columbia sometime in February. We anticipate of conducting a prayer service and veneration of the Icon. Also, the Basketball Free Throw competition will be starting in January and Tony Porretta will be looking for volunteers, no experience necessary.

Last but not least, have a Happy and Thoughtful Thanksgiving and a Joyful Advent.
God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Mark Dillon
Grand Knight



My Dear Brother Knights All,

I want to thank all of you and your family members for all your prayers, prayer cards and masses that you have celebrated for me. I am not quite healed yet but I am coming along and feel much better. I came home on the 23rd and I am staying with Herb until I am better and until I can master the stairs again. But you will see me at the Council again. Until then, I remain...

Fraternally yours,
Paul

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Please submit all articles for the Banner by the **15th of the month.**

ACTIVITIES FOR

NOVEMBER

- 4 - Marian Hour of Prayer
- 7 - Business Meeting
- 14 - Home Association Meeting
- 20 - Memorial Mass (Assembly)
- 21 - Memorial Mass (Council)
- 24 - St John's Hospice (10:30am)
- 28 - Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 5 - Officers Meeting (7:30pm)
- 5 - Business Meeting (8:00pm)
- 12 - Home Association Meeting
- 19 - GK Christmas Party (tentative)
- 25 - Christmas (Happy Birthday Jesus)
- 26 - No Meetings scheduled

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR ILL BROTHER KNIGHTS & LADIES

Bill Wagenborg, Anthony DiSandro, Frank Boyle, Edward Kelly, Josephine Pistilli,
 Veronica Kovacik, George Fecik, Sophie Fecik, Gus Larizzio, George Diaz,
 Giuseppe Innamorato, Bro. Jerry Sweeney, Paul Marizy, PGK

Please call in the names of all ill Brother Knights

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 Birthday!

Chance
Of
A
Lifetime

COAL COAL COAL COAL COAL

The 2013 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 final drawing will be held on December 8th. 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 me and I will get them to you.

Paul W. Marizy, PGK
COAL Chairman
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in the Knights of Columbus



REMINDER

During the remainder of the fall season, as you spend time at social gatherings like barbecues, picnics, ballgames, etc. please remember that our Order is always in need of a few more Catholic gentlemen. Invite your friends and acquaintances to consider becoming a Knight. You'll be doing them, yourself and your Brother Knights a great service. And for many reasons, you'll be glad you did.

District Deputy's Corner

The 2014 State Convention will be here soon. The Dates are May 2nd to May 4th @ The Double Hilton in King of Prussia. DGK Clint Snyder is the Chairman of Convention Registration. Please contact him if you can help him. This a great opportunity to go to a State Convention if you have never been to one. Also, the Supreme Convention will be in August of 2015 at the Marriott Convention Center in downtown Phila. The Supreme Knight Carl Anderson will be at the Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul on Monday 11/4 at 6pm to participate with the Archbishop in a tribute to the Immaculate Conception, another great opportunity for Knights to show their support for Bishops, Priests, and the Church. Parking is limited, I suggest if possible to use mass transit.



God Bless you and your Families.

Dave Schein
District Deputy, District 8.

St. John Neumann Assembly Update

Testimonial & Christmas Dinner

The St. John Neumann Assembly Testimonial and Christmas Dinner will be held on Monday, December 2nd at Twining Hall. For more information, call John Carroll at 267-278-9047

Memorial Mass

The Memorial Mass for the St. John Neumann Assembly will be on Wednesday, November 20th, at 6:30pm at the shrine of St. Katherine Drexel, located near Bristol Pike and Hulmeville Rd. (across the street from St. Charles Borromeo Church).

Please call John Carroll for more information at 267-278-9047

Marian Hour of Prayer

A Marian Hour of Prayer and Adoration will be held on Monday, November 4th, at 6:00pm at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul. All are invited and all color corps members are encouraged to attend.

Philadelphia Chapter Update

Memorial Mass

Nov. 22, 2013 at 7:30 PM, Roman Catholic High School

Thanksgiving Day at St. John's

Nov. 24, 2013 St. John's Hospice, 10:30 AM, 1212 Race St

Christmas at St. John's

Dec.15, 2013 St. John's Hospice, 10:30 AM, 1212 Race St

Upcoming Meetings

Dec.20, 2013 Trustee & Business Meeting, 7:30 PM, Roman Catholic



In an effort to save money printing and mailing the Banner, we are in the process of putting together an e-mail list so we can send out the Banner electronically. We realize, however, that some of our brothers will continue to prefer receiving the Banner in the mail and will continue to do so for those that request it.

If we send the Banner electronically we will save the Council approximately \$3,000 per year. This money will be put to much better use in one of our Charitable endeavors. So we ask for your help in our quest. Please send an e-mail to Herb@HerbMarizy.com to confirm your e-mail address.

This will also help in getting last minute information out to our brothers. Thank you in advance!

Happy Thanksgiving!

To All Our Brother Knights
And Their Families



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