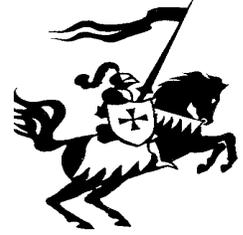




The Banner

Unfurled for God and Country



Father Thomas J.F. Ryan Council, No. 5036
Knights of Columbus

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December 2013

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to assist 59 families this year by providing them with \$35 Acme gift cards in time for their Thanksgiving meal. You donated \$1,540.00; the difference was made up through our Charity fund and from a private donation.

Our "Keep Christ In Christmas" magnet sales has been a terrific success. We sold out of our initial supply of magnets and had to re-supply in order to meet demand for additional sales dates at Resurrection and St. Cecelia's on December 7 & 8. Part of the proceeds financed the purchase of Coats for Kids Program. Through this activity we managed to combat the secularization of Christmas by reminding the public via the car magnets that *Christ is Christmas*; profited from a fund raiser; and practice the first principal of our Order... Charity. Most importantly, we are able to put into action Matthew 25:35-36.

By this time the Coats would have been distributed.

The Technology Committee has been hard at work shaping the foundation of our future website. This will be an invaluable asset to the council as we will be able to communicate items on a timely basis and provide visitors and prospective candidates to our Order a glimpse of our activity. This will also enable us to save publication expenses as brothers elect to receive the Banner electronically.

Thank you and good luck to those who purchased their COAL tickets!!

Upcoming Items:

- Free Throw: Contact Clint or me if you can volunteer, the dates are not set yet, Tony Porretta is coordinating.
- Pro Life March in January in Washington DC.

May you and your Families have a Blessed and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,
Mark Dillon
Grand Knight

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

ACTIVITIES FOR

DECEMBER

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

JANUARY

- 1 - Happy New Year!
- 2 - Business Meeting
- 9 - Home Association Meeting
- 22 - Pro-Life March in Washington DC
- 30 - Officers Meeting

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 DECEMBER

Rev. Philip G. Bochanski	Christopher J. Breen
Carmen J. Calvanese	Richard Delp
William Derham	Daniel Frasca
Edward K. Kelly	Joseph S. Kowalik
Domenic A. Marzullo	John T. McGrath
Charles D. McKeown	James D. Meredith
Thomas E. Merrick	Nwabunwanne A. Okafor
Edwin E. Scully	Dominic F. Trocine
Matthew J. Wachowski	Christopher Wolkowicz

Happy Birthday!

District Deputy's Corner

On Behalf of My Wife Judi and Myself I want to wish all of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2014. During February The Icon of The Immaculate Conception will be in our District. I will be discussing this in more detail when I meet with all of the Grand Knights in early January. Details on how we will proceed will come out after my meeting with the Grand Knights.

The State Convention is fast approaching if you want to volunteer contact me, please try to make it to the Convention. This is a great way to see the State in Action.

God Bless all of you,
Dave

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 Sunday, December 1st, at Twining Hall.

For more information, call John Carroll at 267-278-9047

Philadelphia Chapter Update

St. John's Hospice

The Phila. Chapter thanks the following for helping out on Sun. 11/24/13, Richard Delp, Bill Meyers, Giuseppe Innamorato, Michael Innamorato, his Wife, Lady Mary, & John Carroll.

We fed a little over 500 people. Our next next date for St. John's will be, 12/ 15 /13.



Christmas at St. John's Hospice

Dec.15, 2013 Brother Knights and their family and friends will assist in serving the meal at 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.

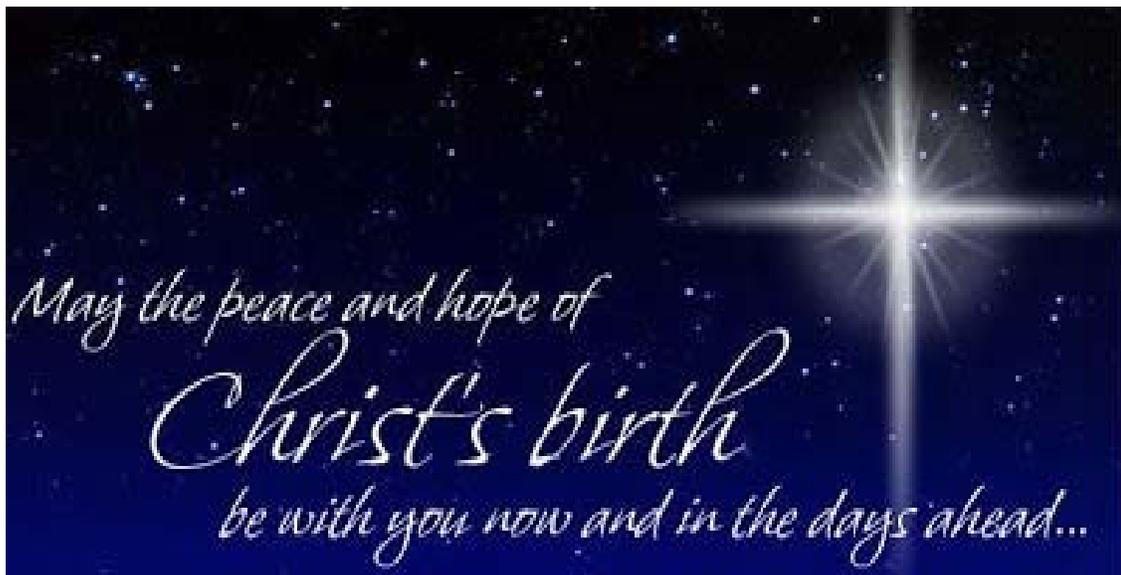
If we send the Banner electronically we will save the Council approximately \$3,000 per year. This money will be put to much better use in one of our Charitable endeavors. So we ask for your help in our quest. Please send an e-mail to Herb@HerbMarizy.com to confirm your e-mail address.

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



*Merry
Christmas!
&
Happy New Year*

To All Our Brother Knights
And Their Families



From Your Brothers at
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