

THE KNIGHT'S PAGE

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Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

**125th Anniversary of Father McGivney's Founding
of the Knights of Columbus**

From The Grand Knights Desk,

Brothers,

As we approach Veterans Day on November 11th, please to thank a veteran as well as anyone whose path you may cross that is currently serving in our military. Having military in my family, I know first hand that a simple handshake and thank you mean so much to our men and women in uniform. You don't have to know them, simply approach them, extend your hand and thank them for their service. This is a good think for others to witness, it's contagious, it's how I learned it. Try it ... you will instantly know that you did the right thing and a very good thing!

Keep in mind we share the principle of patriotism with these brave men and women. So, please let's show our support on the run-up to November 11th and then continue it year round.

Speaking of gratitude to those their serve (do). I ran across a true story that I received from a Marine buddy a few years ago. I have made several attempts to read it to my kids but can't seem to get around the lump in my throat that makes it impossible to speak and the tears in my eyes that alter my vision to the point that I can't see the words clearly. Respect has always been very important to me. The respect shown in this story I found to be very moving that I wanted to share it with you.

The story is called "Taking Chance" and can be found at <http://www.iraqwarheroes.org/phelps.htm>.

**Thank you and God Bless,
Tom Murphy**

Grand Knight's three items to accomplish for year 2008-2009.

1. A council concerted effort to enroll younger Catholic men between the ages of 18 and 30 years into council 13800.
2. Placing Memorial Day American flags on the cemetery graves of veterans. The American Legion will supply the American Flags and assign a cemetery to our council.
3. Last year we committed our council to selling "Football Tickets" at \$10.00 a ticket. It is desired to continue this practice. Monies collected will go to help funding the Special Olympics scheduled for early November. Villanova and Bryn Mawr will be two area locations chosen to host the events. See Brother Tom Cosgrove for tickets. The season will run from October 26th to December 28th.

Membership:

The September Council 13800 Membership Statement Report has not been received as of this production of the Knight's Page. Therefore, the August 1, 2008 Council 13800 Statement is reported here.

As of August 1, 2008, The Supreme Council Membership Statement reports our Council 13800 membership as 70 Brothers. This membership number is an increase change of 8 Brother for the year to date.

Further, in the August Supreme Membership Statement thirteen Brothers are listed as having availed themselves of the K of C insurance. [If you haven't looked into the Insurance offerings contact Brother Barry Phillips at (610) 544-1964 or at barry.phillips@kofc.org.] Of our council 70 membership fifty-seven are associate members, two are Honorary Knights and five are listed as Honorary for Life Brothers. Our council has been assigned a 5 membership quota to qualify for the Father McGivney Membership Award. In addition, we need 3 members to attain our assigned quota for the K of C insurance program. This will qualify us for the Founders' Award Insurance recognition.

Brother S.K. Chris Mitchell reports that our council has three (3) new candidates for induction into the Knights of Columbus. Please remember, it is incumbent on all of us to continue to enroll new candidates for membership in council 13800. If you are in need of new green Membership Document 100G forms, please contact Brother Chris.

Brothers' Birthdays:

Happy Birthday to those Brothers who have their Special Day
in September and October

September
Caonabo Almonte
Merrill Francis
Russell Hendrickson
Chip Phelps

October
Walter Connell Robert Mitchell
Thomas Cosgrove Thomas Mitchell,II
Joseph Frisco Thomas Murphy
Edward Hinson Michael Pelosi

COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES:**CPR and AED Demonstration:**

Brother S.K. Ed Hinson, a qualified instructor, has tentatively agreed to present at the next Council 13800 meeting, October 19th, a demonstration of the use of the AED [Automated External Defibrillator] and the new CPR [Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation] techniques. ALL BROTHERS should put on their calendar to attend the meeting for the demonstration. There are many AED devices located in churches, workplaces, malls and other community areas. This is an important demonstration. Hopefully, we would never need to use them but if the need did arise where family members would be at risk, we would have the knowledge to act.

Stay tuned for a future e-mail confirmation of the evening program demonstration by Brother Ed. Many commitments are on Brother Ed's calendar, as well as scheduling the AED and CPR equipment needed, thus the October 19th date will be confirmed later. We send a special thank you to Brother Ed for coming forward with such a much needed program.

Webpage:

Don't be left behind in keeping up in the area of new information. stbasilkofc.org

Remember; want to see the Council record of activities, costs, and history such as past and present council minutes, "Knight's Page", pictures of members, officers, and etc. go to the website.

As always if someone would like to see a feature added to our webpage you can either send the item by an email to webmaster@stbasilkofc.org or give Past Grand Knight Glenn a call at (610) 935-3059. Also if you have not received your website ID contact Brother Glenn.

Council Membership and Degree Roster Updates:

Brothers please remember to update all your Council Rosters with Brother S.K. Ed Linder at marshall19460@yahoo.com.

Council Meeting Dates:

The council meets every third Sunday evening at 7 p.m. in the St. Basil's Rectory basement. Mark your 2008 calendar. Keep active and up-to-date with council decision making by attending meetings when possible. **Council Officers** meet at 6 p.m. before council meetings. Next meeting October 19, 2008.

October 19

November 16

December 21

Knights of Columbus Flea Market and Chicken Barbecue

Mark your calendar for the Council 13800 Flea Market and Chicken Barbecue. It is scheduled for Saturday, October 11th from 3 a.m. to 3 p.m. Set-up will be Friday, October 10th at 5:30 p.m. Please contact Brothers Frank Mastrangelo and Grand Knight Brother Tom Murphy as to your ability to help. Each Knight is asked to sell a Flea Market table. Chicken Barbecue tickets are \$9.00 each. Donations from outside organizations are greatly appreciated.

Coal Booklets Program:

Council Coal Booklets are available until October 13th. Contact Brother Dominick.

Council 13800 Leadership Manual:

Chancellor, Brother S.K. Ed Linder, is exploring the feasibility of constructing of a Council 13800 Leadership Manual for council officers. The manual would contain such topics as: opening welcome statement by the Grand Knight, Index, Introduction by the Editor, Statement of Confidentiality, History of Council 13800 and Charter, Organizational Charts of Supreme and Council, Bylaws and Governance Structure, Roster Listing Council Officers, Officers Duties and Major Areas of Responsibilities, Roster Listing of Committee Chairmen, Committee Membership Responsibilities and Duties, Nomination and Election Policies and Procedures, Council Policies and Procedures, etc. Feel free to contact Chancellor Ed with suggestions.

For The Good Of The Order

Brother Paul Jaworski is recovering well at home.

Closing Quotes To Ponder Until Next Issue:

PERFECTION

*“Do not wish to be anything but what you are,
And try to be that perfectly.”*

St. Francis de Sales.

SOMETIME PRIDE

*“Sometime, when you're feeling important
Sometime, when your ego's in bloom
Sometime, when you take it for granted,
You're the best qualified in the room,
Sometime when you feel that your going,
Would leave an infallible hole,
Just follow this simple instruction,
And see how it humbles your soul.*

*Take a bucket and fill it with water,
Put your hand in it, up to the wrist,
Pull it out, and the hole that's remaining
Is a measure of how you'll be missed.
You may splash all you please when you enter
You can stir up the water galore,
But stop, and you'll find in a minute,
That it looks quite the same as before.*

*The moral in this quaint example
Is do just the best that you can
Be proud of yourself, but remember,
There is no indispensable man.*

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY THE BEST AS EVER.

From The Editor's Desk:

All items and pieces to be included in an issue of the "*Knight's Page*" should be signed and sent to me. Items may be edited.

S.K. Dr. Edward Linder,
Chancellor,
The Knight's Page, Editor