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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,

Thanks to all who participated in our volunteer effort for the Special Olympics at Villanova University. I found this to be one of the most moving experiences of my life. I've always felt that everyone has something to give in life. In this case, we gave of our time to cheer on the athletes and an enormous amount of college students gave of their time to put this event together (they even had a festive Olympic village set up for the athletes!).

As the day progressed, I realized that our "gives" were small "gives". The big "gives" came from the athletes and WE were the recipients. We all have moments in our lives when we know that we are doing a good thing, a special thing, a right thing. This is by far one of those moments....a humbling moment. These athletes are everyday heroes in my book. They have a disability, they persevere, and they achieve. But it's not their achievement that brought a tear to my eye...it was their attitudes. These special athletes are truly special. They are genuinely happy people. They see the joy in competition, in being able to play despite a disability and they supported each other.

Our crew of 20 plus all said (enthusiastically) that they would do it again. This is an event that the whole family can participate in and I found it a great thing to do together. Hope to see more of us there next year, you won't be sorry, I promise!

**God Bless,
Tom Murphy**

P.S. A special thanks to Jeff Bevan for his efforts in getting us involved in this. I know he's not a Knight but he's really a good guy. Is there such a thing as an "Honorary Knight"?

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.**

Eucharistic Ministers:

The Council Brothers are proud to send special congratulations to Brother Joseph Misciocia, Brother Thomas Twardowski and Mrs. Ann Twardowski on their appointment as Eucharistic Ministers. The ministry is a program that will find each of them serving our parish as well as the homebound by bringing the gift of communion to those unfortunate parish members not able to attend mass.

Thank each of you for being able to work this important program into your very busy schedules.

Membership:

In the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council's newsletter "KnightLine", council 13800 is listed as meeting all of the requirements to be awarded the Father McGivney Award.

In the United States 3,665 Father McGivney Awards were made to councils this year. 152 Pennsylvania councils will receive the award. Awards are engraved and sent to the District Deputy of record.

First and second degrees were received by three new members, namely, Brothers John Brooks, James Chiponis, and Michael LeClaire. Please welcome them into the council membership. Brother Joseph Miscioscia made his second degree. Congratulations to each of you.

We have other new candidates in the pipeline for the 1st degree.

On March 1st, the West Chester council will be offering the 3rd degree instillation. If you are a 2nd degree Knight, please let Brother Chris Mitchell know if you plan to attend.

Brothers' Birthdays:

Happy Birthday to those Brothers who have their Special Day
in November and December

November

Dominick Aquilante
Brian Bodick, Sr.
Dr. Edward Linder
Dr. Michael Pascavage

December

John Colarusso
Thomas Everly
Robert Fox
John Lomano
Christopher Mitchell

COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES:

AED Demonstration:

The AED [Automated External Defibrillators] demonstration is still planned to be presented at one of the council monthly meetings by Brother S.K. Ed Hinson, a qualified instructor. Brother Ed has secured the necessary equipment for then presentation. However, due to his busy schedule being filled with the many Archdioceses Church related activities, he has not been able to meet with our council. Stay tuned to you e-mail for a future demonstration date.

Webpage:

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 Ed Linder at marshall19460@yahoo.com.

New Council Meeting Dates:

At the council 13800 November 16th meeting, the council monthly meeting was changed to the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Officers will meet at 6:30 p.m. and the whole council will meet at 7 p.m. in the St. Basil's Rectory basement. **THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17th.**

Mark your 2009 calendar with the following council 13800 meeting dates. Keep active and up-to-date with council decision making by attending meetings when possible.

2009

January 7	April 1	July 1	October 7
February 4	May 6	August 5	November 4
March 4	June 3	September 2	December 2

Council 13800 Leadership Manual:

Chancellor, Brother Ed Linder continues constructing the Council 13800 Leadership Manual for council officers. A temporary outline for the manuscript was shared with the council officers and members.

This is a project that will take time, commitment and deliberation before its final completion. As the manuscript is constructed, council officers will have the opportunity for review.

Feel free to contact Brother Tom Everly, Faithful Secretary, or Chancellor Ed for additional information.

St. Basil's Arts and Crafts:

Mrs. Rose Badman reported that the St. Basil's Arts and Crafts Program was a great success and especially due to the support of the St. Basil's Knights of Columbus. Once more the Knights' Brotherhood and their families came through

by manning the kitchen, food serving, the food tables, collection of monies, and the setting up as well as the breaking down/cleaning of the gymnasium.

Well done Brothers Merrill Francis, Frank Mastrangelo, Dominick Aquilante, Ed Linder, Tom Murphy, Dave Mitchell, Glenn Deery, Ed Griffith, and their family members. Brothers what would we do without the support of our wives and children.

Thanksgiving Day Mass:

Council 13800 Knights of Columbus will sponsor the St. Basil Church 9 a.m. mass. Very Rev. Fr. Richard Wyzykiewicz will be the celebrant.

Pennsylvania State Capitol Christmas Tree:

Accolades to Brother Tom and Kathleen Mitchell! They have been asked and accepted to be Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus at the lighting of Pennsylvania Harrisburg Capitol Christmas tree. All State dignitaries and the Governor will be in attendance. Well done Brother Tom.

Council Knights Christmas Dinner Dance:

Saturday, December 13th, is scheduled for the Annual Council 13800 Knights of Columbus Christmas Dinner Dance at the Phoenixville Country Club. Mark your calendar and make sure Brother Frank knows you will be there.

For The Good Of The Order:

Spring Flea Market and Chicken B-B-Q scheduled Saturday, April 18, 2009, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Set up Friday, April 17th, 6 p.m.

Please Remember In Your Prayers:

Brother Caonabo Almonte
Brother Brian Bodrick, Sr.

Closing Quotes To Ponder Until Next Issue:

THANKSGIVING

“There is a one day that is ours.

*There is one day when all we Americans
who are not self-made go back to the old home
to eat saleratus biscuits and marvel*

*“ how much nearer to the porch the old pump looks than it used to
.... Thanks giving Day ...
is the one that is purely American”*

*“O Henry”
William Sydney Porter*

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY THE BEST THANKSGIVING 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