



The Voyager



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Events

July

- 4 Independence Day
- 6 Business Meeting
- 20 1st Degree
- 26 Program & Membership Seminar
- 29 Concession Stand

August

- 3 Business Meeting
- 17 Meeting
- 21 Installation of Officers

- 26 Concession Stand
- 27 State Picnic
- 28 State Softball Tournament

September

- 1 Crab Raffle Drawing
- 3 & 4 National Softball Tournament
- 5 Labor Day
- 7 Business Meeting
- 10 FS & Tax Seminar
- 21 1st Degree
- 16 State Golf Tournament
- TBD Soccer Shootout
Bull Roast

Chaplain's Report

Why do we say that a dog is a man's best friend? Having had a little more time to slow down this week, I decided to look into this by carefully observing our dog, Snowball (He is really Tony's dog, but I pretend he's mine). I have taken him for several walks, and I've tried to be more patient with him and more attentive to his needs. This morning, I mentioned the word "walk" too soon, and he got so excited running through the house that he woke D up who was sleeping after working the midnight shift.

I don't really believe that "best friend" is a correct description of the relationship of a human and a dog or other pet. But I would go for "very good friend" and wonderful gift of God. Snowball is marvelously made, with beauty and energy and a tremendous zest for living. He doesn't worry about tomorrow, and he is always ready to enjoy the good things that each day brings. He responds to human attention and affection with great gratitude often expressed with a rather sloppy lick to the cheek.

Worrying about tomorrow! I have this problem, and I recently brought it up with my spiritual director through e-mail. In his response, he reminded me of the "*sacrament of the present moment.*" It's not in yesterday or tomorrow that we are best able to encounter our loving God. It's in the present moment which always contains his presence, his love, and his support for whatever we are facing.

I learned a lesson from my spiritual director, and I saw it lived out in my dog's trusting and enthusiastic attitude towards the present moment. As the increased leisure and slower pace of Summer allow us to observe God's creation more carefully, let us appreciate the truth that each moment is his gift; each creature, a reflection of his glory; and let's try to be more joyful and grateful and excited about "the present moment."

Deacon Jim Ryan
Associate Chaplain

Oriole Concession Stand Nights

We have 2 more games this season. We need your help! The dates of the games are (both are Fridays):

July 29
August 26

Contact Rick Siebert at 410-861-8642

Grand Knight's Report

Congratulations and thanks to all of the brothers that were elected and also to those who have accepted the nominations to their positions for this year. This is going to be another big year for our council. I want to thank everyone in advance their support and for all that we will accomplish this year.

The Council had a fantastic year last year and achieved something we had not done in 10 years, which is being a **STAR COUNCIL**; our goal for this year is to be a repeat STAR COUNCIL. The requirements are: Service Program Report, Membership Quota of 5%, Insurance Quota 2.5% Columbian award (Programs), Annual Survey Report, and Paid Supreme Per Capita.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH: JUNE

Dino Grier, Tom Pfeffer, and Tom Schwarzweller
These 3 Knights equally deserved this award for their contributions to the Council's successful Golf Tournament.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH: JUNE

Rick, Tammy, & Riley Seibert.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

We had a successful day at the Links at Challedon and raised \$2000 for Council projects.

There were 49 golfers and 15 hole sponsors. It was a really hot day and their storms held off until dinner. Thanks to the following volunteers for a successful & fun day: Dino Grier, Tom Pfeffer, Tom Schwarzweller, Paul Flanagan, Mickey Yachera, and Rick Siebert. We have extra shirts for sale at \$25 in XL, 2X, and 3X.

GRAND KNIGHT COLLEGE

This was very informative and fun. I got a lot out of this. It was very special, as it was my 1st time to Mount St. Mary's University and the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes.

UOH

This is my commitment to all that with your support and help, our business meeting will be Under One Hour.

1ST DEGREE SCHEDULE

Tentatively being July 20, Sept. 7, Oct. 29, Jan. 18, March 15, and May 3rd.

STAND TRAINING

July 12th, 7:30pm. Archdiocese requirement for all volunteers over 16 that will be working with children.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom O'Donnell

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Elected Officers

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The Voyager reserves the right to edit all materials submitted for publication.

The deadline for all submissions is the 20th of each month.

District Deputy's Report

Brothers,

Here we are again at the beginning of a new Columbian year. I want to congratulate all the newly elected council officers and pledge my support to you and your entire council in the coming year. I look forward to working with all of you again this year. You are part of a very strong District; together we can make it even stronger.

Your Grand Knight has completed his training at the Grand Knight's Seminar at Mount St. Mary's College in Emmitsburg. He was given a tremendous amount of information, and is now ready to embark on his year as your leader. I know he is excited about your councils' activities for the upcoming fraternal year. With your support, I am confident that you will have a successful and fun-filled year.

Remember that it is important that the Officer's as well as the Membership and Program Directors and the Chairmen attend the Program and Membership Seminars on July 26th. The information you will receive from these seminars will help you help your Grand Knight tremendously in the coming year. Please make a point to attend.

With the new year, comes new membership goals. Four of five councils in District 1 earned "Star Council" for the 2004-2005 Columbian year...let's achieve five out of five this year. There is no reason why every council in District 1 can't achieve this honor. But, to get there we need to start now. As our worthy Supreme Knight said, "It is our moral obligation to offer every Catholic man the experience of a lifetime"... membership in our great order.

Council installations will be upon very shortly. Please support your council officers and help them get off to a strong start by attending this important event.

Grand Knights, remember to submit your Report of Officer's Chosen (due July 1st), Service Program Personnel Report (due August 1st), and your Semi-Annual Audit (due August 15th).

God Bless you, God Bless our order, and remember "It is in giving that we receive".

Vivat Jesus,

Joe Gauthier
District Deputy #1
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State Council News



State Deputy

We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to everyone that helped at our reception in Ocean City after my re-election to State Deputy. It was a very special day for us and we are glad that you were there to help and celebrate with us. Thank all of you again for all that did for us. We are so fortunate to be in a District that is supportive and always willing to help when called upon. God Bless all of you.

Ron & Jacki White

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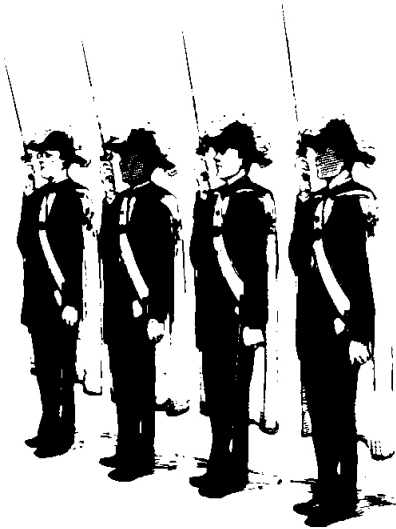
August 27th, Patapsco State Park. The flyer will be at meeting. Need to sign up early as this always sells out.

COLUMBUS DAY BALL

October 8th, Glen Burnie. Flyer will be at meeting. Need to sign up early as this also sells out. Last year we had 2 tables, we can get more if we sign up early.

Color Corps Report

It has been a busy few weeks now that the warm weather is here and it is parade and Installation season. Please keep an eye out in your email inboxes for further details on upcoming events.



Thank you to all Sir Knights who participated in our recent Color Corps activities:

30 May – Memorial Day Parade, Westminster – Mark Hall, BJ Foreman, Lou Stanchowiak, Kevin Carter, Rich Nestor, Bill Norton (our bus driver!), Chris Kosko, Steve Partenope, and Thom Partenope

11 June – Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council #7612 25th Anniversary Gala and Awards Banquet – Shawn Wallace, Tom Greul, John McCuen, Dave Smith, Peter O’Sullivan, Thom Partenope, Steve Partenope

19 June – Maryland State Council Installation of Officers – Dave Smith, Tom Greul, Kevin Carter, Peter O’Sullivan, Steve Partenope, Thom Partenope

As always, please pardon the oversight if I forgot to acknowledge anyone who gave their time for these events.

Upcoming Color Corps Activities:

Sunday, June 26th Color Corps at St. John’s Westminster for Tyson Woods first Mass
Color Corps at 10:30
Mass at 11:15
Contact Tim Mueller (410 876 2596 or emuellert@aol.com) if you can attend this event.

Sunday, July 3rd Concession Stand for Orioles Game
Help is needed; especially TIPS trained volunteers.

Monday, July 4th Dundalk Fourth of July Parade
7:00 AM at Dundalk Council for breakfast
7:30 Transportation to the staging area
8:15 Parade begins
Color Corps in White Jackets and full regalia
Sir Knights in **white jackets** and tuxedo pants are welcome to march with us. Wear your social baldrics and white gloves.

Tues, July 19th Westminster Council Installation of Officers
Color Corps is needed.
6:30 PM Practice 7:30 PM Mass

Weds, July 20th Fulton Sheen Council Installation of Officers
Color Corps is needed
6:30 PM Practice 7:30 PM Start Time

Sunday, Aug 14th James Cardinal Gibbons Installation of Officers
St. Bartholomew’s Church, Manchester
Color Corps is needed.
2:00 PM Practice 3:00 PM Mass



Pro-Life Report

If you saw this column in the May Voyager, you may recall the discussion in it of a drive then underway to secure signatures for a petition to get a referendum on four laws which the Maryland Legislature has passed during its 2005 session. The four laws arguably tended to deprecate the institution of marriage as it has been supported by the law of this State since its beginnings. Of the four, two were vetoed by Governor Ehrlich. The two not vetoed have of course become law, and we'll just have to live with them. Because opponents did not get the number of signatures which would have been required by May 31 (some 17,000 Statewide), there is now no possibility of sending the issue to referendum. Because the news came before our June 1 monthly meeting, we were spared the attempt we had planned to collect signatures at the June 1 Council meeting; nonetheless, the failure of the petition-drive is a disappointment. We'll have to see whether the Legislature is going to incline toward overriding the Governor's veto when it reconvenes this January; if it does, we predict a fight to prevent such override. As things stand, two of the four objectionable laws are on the books, and we'll just have to live with them. The veto of the other two represents at least a temporary victory for the principle of marriage as we have known it.

Pro-Life Demonstrations and Vigils

The Baltimore organization Defend Life has again scheduled its annual summer "Face the Truth" Tour, with stops in Virginia, western Maryland, Washington and Baltimore and their suburbs, and Harford County. Recognizing that there is not much likelihood that you will see this before the events themselves, we'd still mention that they take place Wednesday, June 22, in Catonsville and Westminster, the next day in three locations in Baltimore, and Friday in Severna Park, White Marsh, and Bel Air. Give us a call (410-239-2085) for details about exact times and locations. As you may know or have heard, the Tour displays signs, including some (not all) which can be pretty graphic. This type of "in your face" witness is not for everyone (as some passers-by do not hesitate to tell us!), but we would want to call the activity to your attention.

The weekly Vigils nearby in Owings Mills and the monthly ones centering on Greater Baltimore Medical Center and St. Joseph's Fullerton are continuing through the summer. If you need more information about any or all three, please just call us (at the phone no. mentioned above).

Annapolis and Washington News

The organization Maryland Right to Life (whose President, Mrs. Angela Martin, spoke in our Parish in March) has supplied a good summary of life-issues results in the 2005 session of the Maryland Legislature now ended. One new law provides for prosecution for assault against a pregnant woman which causes death of a viable unborn child. Inasmuch as this does not protect the unborn child prior to viability, it is far from ideal from our point of view, but not without value as far as it goes. (A stronger bill, called "Shameka's Law", narrowly failed to make it out of committee; we can hope that the Legislature will revisit the whole issue more helpfully in a future session.) MRL reports that a bill sponsored by Del. Bohanan (Dem.-29B) to require notice to a parent or guardian 24 hours before an abortion is performed on a minor) also narrowly failed to get committee-approval. Maryland Right to Life takes considerable credit for stopping the would-be law to provide State funding for embryonic stem cell research (research involving deliberate killing of human embryos). We are warned that this battle for and against funding of embryonic research can be expected to resume next year.

The Congress in Washington of course continues in session into the fall (subject to a couple upcoming recesses). Contact with National Right to Life particularly concerning would-be legislation mentioned in last month's Voyager reminds us of the enactment of the Castle - DeGette Bill in the U.S. House of Representatives, which seeks to defeat President Bush's prohibition against Federal funding of embryonic stem-cell research - and this despite the President's promise to veto any law which may result from it. We are told that the Child Custody Protection Act (also mentioned last month) still has a chance of passage in this session; the House version is stronger than the Senate's (especially as it includes a parental notice provision), but it is hard to predict which version might prevail if the Act becomes law. The Pain Awareness Act is said to be still alive but not as hopeful as the Custody Protection Act.

Mary & Jim Lewis

Catechism

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Sin will be our topic for a couple of months. The Catechism goes into quite a bit

of detail because we have to learn as much about it as we can about it, to overcome the world's [Satan's] temptations which surround us and constantly try to lead us away from God. Here are a few paragraphs.

1847 "God created us without us: but he did not will to save us without us." To receive his mercy, we must admit our faults. "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

1850 Sin is an offense against God: "Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done that which is evil in your sight." Sin sets itself against God's love for us and turns our hearts away from it. Like the first sin, it is disobedience, a revolt against God through the will to become "like gods," knowing and determining good and evil. Sin is thus "love of oneself even to contempt of God." In this proud self-exaltation, sin is diametrically opposed to the obedience of Jesus, which achieves our salvation.

1853 Sins can be distinguished according to their objects, as can every human act; or according to the virtues they oppose, by excess or defect; or according to the commandments they violate. They can also be classed according to whether they concern God, neighbor, or oneself; they can be divided into spiritual and carnal sins, or again as sins in thought, word, deed, or omission. The root of sin is in the heart of man, in his free will, according to the teaching of the Lord: "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a man." But in the heart also resides charity, the source of the good and pure works, which sin wounds.

United in Charity

For more than 30 years, Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. has offered Knights an opportunity to make tax-deductible contributions for a variety of charitable purposes. Now we are preparing to enhance this program under the name "United in Charity" by building a charitable endowment that, over the long term, will significantly increase the Order's ability to achieve its charitable goals at all levels -- local, state and Supreme.

As we commit greater resources in service to the Church and our communities, we invite every brother Knight, our family members and friends to consider participating in this exciting new initiative. It will ensure that in the years to come, our essential charitable work will continue.

As Supreme Knight Carl Anderson stated in his 2004 annual report to the Supreme Convention in Dallas, Texas:

"Our objective is to perpetuate the good works of the Order with Supreme Council resources, the endorsement of our jurisdictions and the faithful support of our members."

"The past year has been the most successful in our history when it comes to raising money for charity. But I don't have to tell you that even with the \$130 million we raised for charity last year, there are many needs that remain unmet."

Visit this web site often to learn about United in Charity www.kofccharities.org.



CHANCELLORS REPORT

Lou Bianco was ordained on June 23rd and celebrated his 1st Mass at Sacred Heart on June 24th. His reception following Mass was well attended.

Keep in your prayers Tom O'Donnell III (GK's father) , who is recovering from kidney surgery this month.

Keep in your prayers Tony Sienkielewski who passed away this month. Tony was the son-in-law of PGK Mel Serio. He had a stroke and passed away on June 15th, leaving his wife and daughter behind.



Concession Stand Report

Thank you to the Knights who worked the concession stand Friday night. We had the combination of being understaffed along with having a sellout crowd that kept business heavy all night long. Our crew put forth the extra effort to handle this situation and I really appreciate all the hard work from everyone.

We have two more games this season but we should not have the staffing problem since we are sharing these two games with other organizations. Thanks again for all of your hard work.

We have two more games to work at the Orioles concession stand. Both of these games are on Friday nights. The are July 29 vs. Chicago White Sox and August 26 vs. Oakland.

Please contact Rick Siebert at 410-861-8642 if you are able to work any or all of these games. We need a total of 15 to 18 workers for each game to sufficiently staff the concession stand, so please help recruit workers for this. This is an outstanding fundraising opportunity.

Rick Seibert

A note from the Editor

My apologies for the lateness of this month's Voyager. Several articles were submitted very late this month.

In order to have timely publishing of this newsletter, everyone must adhere to the deadline. Remember that the deadline is the 20th of the month preceding the issue.

Mickey

Membership Directory Update

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Please update your copy of the directory.

Internet Update

Progress has been very slow in getting our website up and functioning. Keep an eye on www.kofc5208.org to keep track of developments.

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FRATERNAL BENEFITS A WIDOW'S WORLD IS A TOUGH ONE

When a man dies, so does his income. His pension is usually cut in half. His widow gets her husband's social security ... but loses hers. His group life insurance has been eliminated or greatly reduced.

Welcome to the world of our widows, gentlemen. Statistically your death will put her at or below the poverty level. Now she must survive for another 10-15 years.

Let me help you do the planning that's necessary to avoid this situation. If you don't crunch the numbers with a pro ... you're guessing with the amateurs. There's too much on the line to not nail this one down, men.

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