



The Voyager



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Grand Knight's Report

Knight of the Month: Rick Siebert
Family of the Month: SK Stan and Bobbi LaSov

Welcome to Joseph Nuzzo, born to SK Jim and Joy in April.

Cardinal Keeler has ordained SK Dan Goulet as a Deacon in May.

Cardinal Keeler appointed Fr. Chuck Wiebel as pastor in Abingdon.

Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation of Cardinal Theodore McCarrick as Archbishop of Washington and named Donald Wuerl, heretofore Bishop of Pittsburgh, as his successor.

SK Steve Adamczyk was elected as our new State Warden. SK Joe Winterling (Sheen Council) has been appointed our new District Deputy.

Membership

We did not meet the goal of STAR COUNCIL for this year as of yet. IT'S NOT YET TOO LATE TO GET NEW MEMBERS INTO OUR COUNCIL FOR THIS YEAR! As is, we will end the year with more than the needed minimum number of new members, but not enough to make up for the 8 Suspensions and the 2 Withdrawals that had to be taken out this year. This is a disappointment as I know that all of us could have done more to sustain positive growth in our council. Please continue to ASK friends and family to join our Council and we should be able to make STAR COUNCIL this year and next year.

Crab Feast

Come One, Come All and celebrate the elections with Crabs, Shrimp, and Beer on June 21st at 7pm in the West Room. I am asking that everyone please make a \$5-10 donation at the feast as a collection for St. Ann's Parish. This donation is not mandatory but will be much appreciated.

1st Degree to be held June 22nd at Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen council home and will begin at 8:00 PM. Candidates should arrive at 7:30 PM.

3rd Degree Banquet

To be scheduled for late July/early August.

Chaplain's Report

As we near the end of the Council year, we thank God that he has blessed our efforts and our work during 05/06 and has enabled us to accomplish much. We thank Grand Knight Tom O'Donnell and his team for their leadership and their hard work. We are grateful for the support and inspiration we have received from our district deputy and district warden and from all of our state and supreme officers. At the same time, we look forward to the new year in which we hope to *keep the torch burning* and pass it on to the new leadership team of officers and chairmen. We pray that the coming summer months will bring us refreshment, rest, and renewal of spirit.

In the famous prayer attributed to St. Francis of Assisi, we pray, "*It is in giving that we receive.*" Certainly, that phrase embodies the great spiritual vision of the gospel. We know that it was by his death on the cross that Jesus accomplished our salvation. After his passion and death, his resurrection brought new life and new hope to our world. God has first loved us, and so we are able to love God and each other.

During this past year, by our efforts which have often entailed little acts of dying to self, we have contributed much to the well being of others. As we have responded to the needs of our parish and many individuals, we have grown as a Council and as knights in direct proportion to our efforts and our concern for others. We continue during this holy Easter season to rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus and to seek the renewal within us again this year of the gifts of the Holy Spirit as we celebrate Pentecost.

But all of this is not an end; *it is a new beginning*. As we enter this new council year, may we continue to carry the cross of Jesus and make that *our standard*. Like true disciples, may we continue to follow our Lord's example of self-giving love as we reach out to our brothers and sisters in need. May each of us pledge ourselves to do what we can to make the coming year a truly blessed one for ourselves and for those whom we serve; and may our enthusiasm continue to attract new brothers who will add their commitment to strengthen our Council.

In this joyful, positive spirit, we move on, knowing that we are assured of God's blessings and his grace. We are not alone, for our work is a continuation of his work for the salvation of the world.

Fraternally,
Deacon Jim Ryan
Associate Chaplain

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Programs

Thanks to all of you for what we have accomplished this past year! The Program Director and all of the Program Chairmen are to be congratulated for their leadership and efforts in making this a remarkable and fun year.

We were awarded 2 significant awards by our State Council at this year's convention.

- 1st place for Pro-Life Program
- 1st place for Senior Citizen program.

Thanks to all who contributed to these successes, as our Council won 2 of the 7 major State awards.

Thanks to all of the members for allowing me this wonderful opportunity to serve this year as your Grand Knight. I appreciate the efforts many made when asked, especially Fr. Aiken, Joe Maher Jr, Stan LaSov, Mickey Yachera, Tom Pfeffer, Dino Grier, Craig Roe, Rick Siebert, David Coyne, Robert Cutler, numerous PGK's and many others.

My family and I got the chance to meet so many new friends and have so many wonderful relationships this year that we will always treasure. I thank my wonderful wife, Kari, and our daughter, Megan, for supporting and allowing me to serve as Grand Knight of Immaculate Lady Council 5208 this past year. I would like to thank our new State Deputy, Edgar Haynes, for my appointment to serve as our new District Warden.

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones, and for all your love's sake. Amen. --Saint Augustine

Vivat Jesus,
Tom O'Donnell
Grand Knight

June Anniversaries

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| 1 Year | Alexander Santos |
| 24 Years | Fr. David Carey
Tom Harner |
| 32 Years | NGK Nick St. Amant |
| 39 Years | PGK Frank Greeley
(5 years continuous) |

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Appointed Officers

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Mickey Yachera

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THE 20th OF THE MONTH

Programs

Council

Our council worked its first Oriole concession stand game on Friday, May 12. Our crew included many of the workers from our council who staffed the concession stand at previous games in addition to some new workers who were helping for the first time. Although business was not as brisk on this evening as it has been at some of our previous games, we still had a successful evening and raised between \$600 and \$700 for our council. Thank you to all of the brothers who volunteered to work this event. We have two more games this season: Thursday, June 22 and Friday, August 25. Additional workers are always welcome so please contact Rick Siebert at 410-861-8642 if you are interested in helping at either of these games.

Community

The Immaculate Lady council was approached by the Sacred Heart parish office regarding a parishioner who was in need of assistance. This person lives in a Catholic Charities apartment in Reisterstown and had accumulated a tremendous amount of items in his apartment. The amount was so excessive that he was informed that he had to clear out some of the excess or face eviction. Several brothers volunteered their time on multiple evenings to help remove some of these excess items and this helped to ensure the security and safety of this individual. Thank you to Craig Roe for organizing this effort and to all of the brothers who participated in helping this parishioner.

Program Chairmen for 2006-2007

Several brothers have indicated their interest in being program chairmen for the new council year but we do not yet have enough volunteers to fill all of the chairmen positions. This is a great way to get involved in council activities and help us to have another successful year.

If you are interested in being a program chairman, please contact Rick Siebert at 410-861-8642.

Directory Updates

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Catechism

REFORM

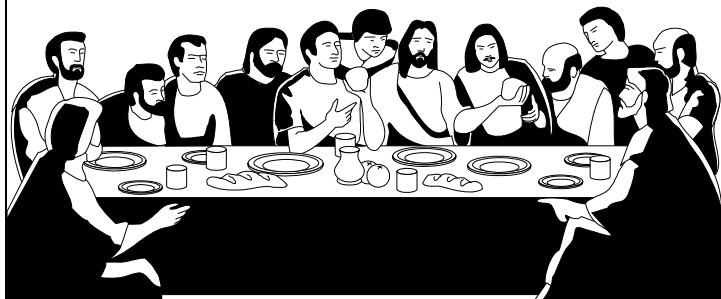
One of our current topics of discussion is the recently released movie "The da Vinci Code", which is an attempt to completely discredit the Catholic Faith. Even though the book, now movie, is a novel and doesn't claim to be truthful it is filled with a lot of false statements which are presented as facts. I haven't read the book nor will I see the movie, but supposedly it has an interesting story line which keeps your attention. **It is a dangerous story for any Catholic who does not know his Faith or his Church history.** If you don't know what the truth is, you will probably believe some of the false statements made. We have to learn all about our faith and should learn our Church history. A web site with free downloads available is www.davincioutreach.com

Here are some paragraphs from the Catechism regarding the Divinity of Jesus, with which the book disagrees.

444 The Gospels report that at two solemn moments, the Baptism and the Transfiguration of Christ, the voice of the Father designates Jesus his "beloved Son". Jesus calls himself the "only Son of God", and by this title affirms his eternal pre-existence. He asks for faith in "the name of the only Son of God". In the centurion's exclamation before the crucified Christ, "Truly this man was the Son of God", that Christian confession is already heard. Only in the Paschal mystery can the believer give the title "Son of God" its full meaning.

445 After his Resurrection, Jesus' divine sonship becomes manifest in the power of his glorified humanity. He was "designated Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his Resurrection from the dead". The apostles can confess: "We have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth."

215 "The sum of your word is truth; and every one of your righteous ordinances endures forever." "And now, O LORD God, you are God, and your words are true"; this is why God's promises always come true. *God is Truth itself, whose words cannot deceive. This is why one can abandon oneself in full trust to the truth and faithfulness of his word in all things. The beginning of sin and of man's fall was due to a lie of the tempter who induced doubt of God's word, kindness and faithfulness.*



Pro-Life

Marriage Protection Amendment

If you were at the May 3 Council meeting, you'll already know that the national Knights organization, in cooperation with the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, has launched a postcard campaign to urge the U.S. Senate to vote in favor of Senate Joint Resolution . SJR1 would propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution which would define marriage as "the union of one man and one woman". The proposed Amendment would also provide that neither the U.S. Constitution nor any State constitution could be construed to confer marriage on any union other than that of a man and woman .

Nationally, millions of blank postcards are being distributed among Knights councils to enable Knights and parishioners to quickly contact their Senators to urge support for SJR1. Our District Deputy has furnished the Council with a supply of cards, and at least Knights who attended our May 3 meeting will have been offered cards. As this is written, the Council is making plans to pass out the rest among Knights and other Sacred Heart parishioners. We would emphasize a couple of points. An individual letter to your Senator in support of SJR1 will be even more persuasive than a postcard or e-mail. Whether you send a card or draft your own letter, it should be addressed only to one of our two Maryland Senators (or preferably to both); letters may be addressed as follows:

The Honorable Barbara A. Mikulski
503 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Paul S. Sarbanes
309 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

If seeing a sample-letter would be helpful, please feel welcome to call us at 410-239-2085. Finally, any letter or postcard should reach the Senator before June 6, when the Senate may vote on the resolution. (On May 18 a majority of the key Senate Judiciary Committee voted in favor after a contentious session, but passage by the whole Senate is far from assured, so our support is badly needed!)

Other Legislative News

This column in the May Voyager mentioned the Human Cloning Ban Act, which had been introduced in both the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives. We hear that there has been no further movement of that proposed legislation since then but that this could change a month from now (when Congress will have its Memorial Day recess behind it). We'll hope to keep you posted.

At the State level, the news last month was the enactment of the embryonic stem-cell research bill. We now await the naming of the two experts in biomedical ethics and religion, probably this month. Although pro-lifers opposed this law because it would permit State funding of research involving human embryos, it has been pointed out that the \$15 million appropriation for all research is limited to one year, meaning that a more acceptable bill may emerge next year when the Legislature will have to decide how much to spend for what.

Pro-Life Vigils

There is no change to report as to the weekly Vigils in Owings Mill Saturday mornings nor with respect to monthly Vigils at Greater Baltimore Medical Center and at St. Joseph's Fullerton. Let us know (by a call at any time to 239-2085) if you would like particulars.

Mary & Jim Lewis

State Convention

May 19th - 21st saw the State Convention come and go for another year. Myself - Stephen Bouchard (delegate), Stan LaSov, and Mel Serio attended from our council. There were many awards for many beautiful charitable efforts and programs this past year. I think, as an order in Maryland, we get better each year lately. District #1 came away with 11 awards this year of which I am pleased to announce our council was awarded two of them - 1st Place in our division for Pro-Life and 1st Place in our division for a one time event for the Senior Citizens. Additionally all councils of the district received the Surge with Service Award for the district. Westminster Council cleaned house, as the saying goes, and came away with the membership award and many others for their division. Congratulations to all the councils. In addition, our District Hospitality Room won the coveted State Deputy's cup awarded for the best hospitality room at the convention. There were some very nice hospitality room decorations this year and a lot of tough competition. I do believe our Armed Forces Theme was the best though and really done well. Congratulations to Joe Gauthier, John Ramming and wife Christine and all the men and ladies who all pitched in. Congratulations to Joe Gauthier and crew for a wonderful idea - especially on Armed Forces weekend.

This was an election year and so the guard did change. As of July 1st - Ron White is now our immediate Worthy Past State Deputy (and currently our Supreme Director also) and Ed Haynes is now the new Worthy State Deputy with Richard Sejack - State Secretary, Peter Davio - State Treasurer, and Bill Kuchmas - State Advocate. The election for State Warden ended up in a running between Dan Ward, Steve Cohen and Steve Adamczyk - all very deserving and dedicated men of the knights. I have had the distinct pleasure to work with all of them and can truthfully say the state would beautifully benefit in any one of them as part of the State Officer Team. But only one could be elected. In the end, Steve Adamczyk won the election - a man most loving of the knights, its cause and ideals. He will do well to promote our causes. With the changing of the guard also comes a new State Chaplain - Rev. Msgr. Jeremiah F. Kenney from the Tribunal office of the archdiocese. Father Pat Tonry, the current State Chaplain, is leaving the State Office. Additionally he has been also newly assigned to Dayton, Ohio. He currently is the pastor at St. Joe's in Eldersburg. He will be missed.

As our Worthy District Deputy - Joe Gauthier - departs from his position, I would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank-You Joe" for the two wonderful years you have afforded working with our council and our entire district to make it what we all want us to become - active in our charity and love to all and growing in our membership to do that. We all have enjoyed working with you. But Joe does not depart entirely brothers as he was elected as a delegate to the Supreme Convention. So we join together Joe and offer our congratulations - well done! Joe will retire for awhile to do just the council stuff and be with his family.

So as I close this notification, I congratulate all the brothers of our council on the reception of the awards, also thank the council for the opportunity to represent the council at the State Convention and ask you to please remember to "always be the Sacred Heart of Jesus - for it is in giving that we receive".

Vivat Jesus,

Stephen Bouchard, PGK



Squires

Our Squires Circle continues to grow. We recently have decided on candidate names for the Circle and are applying to Supreme for the Circle Name authorization and Number assignment. In June, we will be bringing in at least two more into the circle and will have one leaving for the marines - Michael Warner. Please join me in wishing Michael best wishes and safe passage into this new endeavor.

The Circle is inviting any and all young Catholic men from the ages of 10-17 to join Immaculate Lady's Circle. If you are interested, please contact the Membership Director Matt Noll at 410-526-7788 or email Matt at mattnoll@msn.com. Annual dues are only \$10 per year. The Circle currently meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

Just a reminder to all Squires Dads and Moms, we are joining forces with the council to earn funds by way of the Council Orioles Concessions stand. All need to get back to Stephen Bouchard immediately as to which game can be supported June 22 or Aug 25. This will be a good way to put some operation money in our Squires Circle Fund. So please be supportive of this effort.

Thank-you
Stephen Bouchard, PGK
410-526-0807
sbouchard_kofc@yahoo.com

Request for Funds Charity to Appalachia Workcamp

Background: Each year our parish participates in an Appalachia Work-Camp. The camp houses a different crew each week of about 100 people in the summer beginning in June and continuing through the summer ending the last week of August. While there, we are fed by a crew of cooks that spend 3 months feeding the work crews. There is a requirement by the kitchen crews for a grill to aide them in feeding the 100 plus workers each week, like the one we use in the Sacred Heart Parish Picnics.

Before the last meeting, May 3rd, I approached the officers and trustees of the council and said I would bring this to the floor for request of funds to aide the Appalachia Work-Camp Project. I am asking the council for \$850 to obtain this needed grill for this work-camp kitchen. The current price, with the cover, is \$750 and shipping & handling is estimated at \$89 for a total of about \$839.

I will make a motion to expend council funds for the grill during our next meeting.

Thank-you,
Stephen Bouchard, PGK & SH Parish Work-Camp Leader

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The Grand Knight did not receive this request prior to the meeting. This is not a budgeted item and had no previous funding request or event organized to support buying a grill.

I do not recommend that we allocate funds for this expense.

Vivat Jesus,
Tom O'Donnell



Thom Partenope, Faithful Navigator
410 549 6013 (thom.partenope@jhu.edu)

The principle of the Fourth Degree is Patriotism.

James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly meets on the 4th Monday of each month at the ARC of Carroll County at 8:00 P.M. All Sir Knights are urged to attend.

Thank you to the Sir Knights who led the procession to the Saturday afternoon Mass at the Convention. It is always a stirring experience to note the patriotism of the people of Ocean City and the respect that they give to our National Colors. *God Bless America!*

Color Corps practices are held at 7:00 P.M. on our meeting nights at the ARC of Carroll County. If you are curious about the Color Corps please attend one of the practices. There is no obligation beyond the one practice. If you want to continue we will be proud to have you with us.

Our Elections of Officers was held at the May meeting on 5/22. The results of the election will be published in the July newsletter.

Recruitment is not a once a year endeavor. Please continue to ask the members of your Councils to become members of the Fourth Degree. There is no greater honor in our Order.

Make plans to join us

Berdini Scholarships

Immaculate Lady Council #5208 is very proud to announce the recipients of our council's two scholarships - one for a girl and one for a boy: Tierra Jones and Christopher McGregor of our Sacred Heart Parish. Both are also students of our Sacred Heart School. Both are very outstanding and deserving students and very faith oriented. They will be awarded the scholarship on graduation night May 25th after the 7:00 PM mass. In the fall, the council will have the opportunity to meet and congratulate these students personally.

On behalf of all the council and the scholarship committee, we extend our best wishes as this young woman and young man continue on in their Catholic educations in Catholic high school.

Thank-you and remember "it is in giving that we receive".
May God Bless you and yours always!

Scholarship Committee

Two Incomes Equals Two Insurance Needs

In the days of "Ozzie and Harriet," most families fit one description. Fathers worked full-time, while mothers remained home, raising the kids and taking care of the house. Today, while some families still fall into the traditional, one-paycheck category, many others rely on two incomes to make ends meet – even if one parent works part-time or from home.

The more things change, the more they remain the same. This maxim certainly holds true with life insurance planning. If someone earns an income to support a family, family-income protection through life insurance is of utmost importance.

As your Knights of Columbus agent, I'll be happy to provide a customized needs analysis for both of you. I'll take into consideration the amount and the sources of your income, and suggest different ways to provide sufficient life insurance coverage for you and your family.

You take it for granted that you and your family should get an annual checkup from your doctor. But you'd also benefit from an annual financial checkup. Now's the time, because chances are, your life and your financial obligations become more complicated each year.

Here's some good news for you married folks: If a husband and wife purchase permanent insurance policies at the same time, they can get our Spousal Waiver of Premium rider added to each policy at no cost. You have to apply for insurance on or before your 45th birthday, and you both must qualify for insurance at standard rates.

The Spousal Waiver of Premium Rider is an excellent feature for both dual-income and one-income families.

Tom White
410.581.1740 / 800.562.1882

Slate of 2006-2007 Officers

The slate of officers for the 2006-2007 Council Year is as follows:

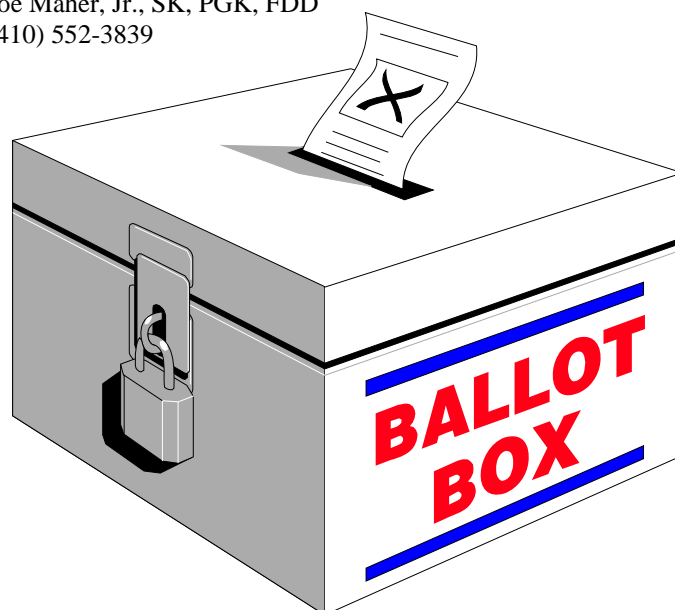
Grand Knight	Rick Siebert
Deputy Grand Knight	Mickey Yachera
Chancellor	Tom Pfeffer
Warden	Dino Grier
Inside Guard	Tommy Damasiewicz
Outside Guard	Frank Greeley
Outside Guard	Tom Schwarzweller
Recorder	Mike Goodson
Treasurer	John Kmiecik
Advocate	Robert Cutler, PGK
Trustee 1st Year	Tom O'Donnell, GK
Trustee 2nd Year	Stephen Bouchard, PGK
Trustee 3rd Year	Stan Lasov, PGK

The remaining positions of Financial Secretary and Chaplain(s) are appointed positions, as are all of the directors and chairmen. Per Supreme by-laws, convention delegates and alternates are not part of the official slate of officers, and therefore will be voted on at a later date.

Nominations will be taken from the floor at the June 7th meeting. Voting for the slate of officers will also take place at that time.

If you would like to run for an office or would like to nominate someone for an office before the June 7th meeting, please contact me.

Joe Maher, Jr., SK, PGK, FDD
(410) 552-3839



District Deputy's Report

The State Convention is over and the councils of District 1 were well represented. This year's awards banquet was a huge success for councils in District 1 with a total of eleven awards received – seven for 1st place. Congratulations are in order for the following:



- Westminster: 1st Place in Division A for Membership recruitment.
- Westminster: 1st Place in Division A for Insurance.
- Westminster: 1st Place in the State for Best Website Contest.
- Westminster: 3rd Place in Division A for Mentally Handicapped (Tootsie Roll) Program.
- Immaculate Lady: 1st Place in Division A for Best Pro-Life Activity.
- Immaculate Lady: 1st Place in Division A for Best Senior Citizens Activity.
- Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen: 2nd Place in Division A for Newsletter.
- Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen: 3rd Place in Division A for Membership recruitment.
- St. Bartholomew: 3rd Place in Division C for Insurance.
- St. Joseph – Taneytown: 1st Place in Division A for Best Pro-Life Activity.
- Sheen's Colleen's (Ladies Auxiliary 7612): 1st Place for Senior Citizens Activity

I want to thank all my brother Knights and their ladies who helped with the hospitality room this year. I would especially like to thank John and Chris Ramming for the hard work they put into making the hospitality room a huge success. Through their hard work and with the help of so many, our hospitality room won the State Deputy Cup this year.

I have scheduled one more district wide 1st degree for June 22nd. It will be held at Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen council home and will begin at 8:00 PM. Candidates should arrive at 7:30 PM.

A special thank you to my District Warden, Kevin Carter and his wife Kathy for their assistance over the last two years. It has been a pleasure working with you.

Please join me in welcoming the new District Deputy Joe Winterling (Sheen Council), and his District Warden Tom O'Donnell (Immaculate Lady Council). Joe served as District Warden with Mike O'Donnoghue in 2001-2002, and Tom was Grand Knight this year.

Brothers, this is my last message as your District Deputy. It has been an honor to be given the opportunity to work with all of you over the past 2 years. Thank you all for the warm hospitality and friendship you have shared with Kelli and me. You always made us feel very welcome in your council homes. Thank You.

God bless you, God bless our great order, and remember "IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE."

Vivat Jesus,

Joe Gauthier
District Deputy #1
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Kevin Carter
District Warden #1
410-751-7292

Duties of a Proposer

Signing up new members is great, however if you have sponsored someone, you have a responsibility to work with him to get him involved! The following is an expert from the K of C website on this topic:

Proposing a new member is a commendable achievement and one to be proud of. However, as a proposer, turning over a completed Membership Document (#100) is not the end of the job. You must also take the responsibility to see that your recruit becomes fully accepted by his fellow council members and stays involved in council activities. Explain to him that the council's Admission Committee will examine his qualifications for membership and accompany him to the Admission Committee meeting. Introduce him to the members present.

With a little personal effort you can help guarantee that your recruit becomes an active member of the Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is an organization fortified by its past, and driven by its goals for the future.

**It's through these five areas of service—
faith, community, family, youth, and fellowship—that we truly make a difference.**



Faith As Knights, our faith is our foundation. Dedicated to the Catholic Church's growth and her good works, we support religious outreach, promote vocations, and provide financial support for seminarians and postulantes. This way, we help support our Church and strengthen our personal faith.

Community As committed as we are to the Catholic Church, so are we to our communities. By actively and financially supporting Special Olympics, by leading the charge in pro-life, or by safeguarding the environment, Knights of Columbus members all over the world have helped countless communities prosper.

Family As fathers and husbands, serving our families is not only part of what we do, it's part of who we are. To that end, Knights of Columbus councils offer programs that strengthen family and marital bonds by holding numerous family focused events, including the "Family of the Month" program that honors outstanding families. Most importantly, as Knights, we are able to provide assistance and support to Knights and their families whenever needed.

Youth The importance of helping today's youth become tomorrow's leaders is also a huge focus of the Order. For that reason, our council sponsors Columbian Squire Circles, the Order's official youth organization for Catholic young men, ages 10–18, which provide them the unique opportunity to develop leadership skills. Additionally, through activities such as the Catholic Citizenship Essay contest, the Substance Abuse Poster contest, and the annual Free Throw championship, the Knights of Columbus assists youth in building a strong sense of civic and religious responsibility.

Fellowship To be a Knight means to believe in each other as we believe in ourselves; realizing that by creating strong, social, and supportive local councils, we help create a stronger Order worldwide and ensure an even stronger future.

From KofC prospective member booklet