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**Grand Knight's  
Corner**

Happy New Year!

I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and are now upholding their New Year's resolutions. December was a very busy month for all at Fr. O'Neill. I hope that everyone had an opportunity to participate in the many activities that were scheduled. It was great to showcase the Fr. O'Neill Council at a few different events away from the council home.

Many thanks to all who helped serve over 500 breakfasts at the Breakfast with Santa at Immaculate Conception. A special thanks to Bill Myers, Bob Woolley, and Dick Vandenberg for playing the role of Santa and his oversized elves! Also, the newly re-activated Squires made their debut and were of great assistance to the chefs and servers. We look forward to the growth of the Squires program and for their assistance in activities such as this.

We were able to spread some more 'good cheer' at the Catered Living Assisted Living Facility in Cockeysville. Bob Woolley arraigned for Santa and a few helpers both tall and small to bring a little bit of joy to the lives of the residents. It really is very moving to see how happy the residents were to have visitors. This event is one that I will always look forward and I hope

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**Chaplain's Counsel**

In the beginning of the New Year, it has become traditional to sort of take stock of where we've been, what we've done or not done and what must be done in the future to improve our lives. Many of us then go on to make "New Year's Resolutions", a promise to ourselves to change something in the way we live or act or behave. Many of these resolutions revolve around the way we behave with others.....perhaps we resolve to treat them better.....not be angry as much or doing something for another person before being asked to do it.

Certainly that same tradition can be used to take stock of our Catholic lives as well. What is there about us that needs improvement? It might mean practicing the virtue of charity more often or paying more attention to what we say so as to not cause hurt to another. Maybe it means that we be more attentive at Mass or taking advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation more often.

Jesus came to this earth as a man so as to bring God's message of peace and justice to all humankind in such a way that we might understand it better. He proclaimed that the Kingdom of God is here and now and that we all are a part of it. As Knights of

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**District Deputy's  
Note**

We are halfway through our journey in this fraternal year. Let's continue in our recruitment of new members to each of the councils. We know times are tough and slow, but suggest to future members that by joining they are gaining new friendships and camaraderie.

We have started off strong and we will finish strong in reaching our goals for membership. Our goals cannot be attained without your support. So, keep up the good recruiting strategies.

Increasing council membership is a big accomplishment. It is even more rewarding when new members become immediately active in your programs, meetings, and fraternal events throughout the year. The Shining Armor Award program is set to promote the energetic new individual in your council.

Experienced veteran leaders are looked upon to lead and set good examples. You know who you are... Keep up the excellent work! This will encourage new active members to drive toward your goals and increase your recruiting program.

There is a recruiters' incentive program: For every new member recruited or readmitted member, the

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**FR. O'NEILL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT**

**THE FATHER O'NEILL COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IS A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION OF CATHOLIC MEN DEDICATED TO THE CHURCH. WE WILL EXPEND OUR ENERGIES TOWARD PRESERVING THE SANCTITY OF LIFE AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY VIA SERVICE AND CHARITY. IN PURSUIT OF THESE OBJECTIVES WE PROMOTE FAMILY., DEVELOP FRIENDSHIPS, ENJOY FRATERNALISM AND GROW IN FAITH.**

**DIRECTOR'S NOTES**

Brother Knights! I wish you a happy and blessed new year. Thank you and the Lord for the many contributions to our service programs. Thanks especially to our Program Directors, Officers, activity chairmen and assistants for leading our council flock to do many good works. "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." (Mathew 25: 40)

I also want to thank those who responded to my calls for help on our December activities. Please note that I won't be offended by anyone who turns down my pleas for help. It is understood that we have family and work obligations that must come first. If in addition to our regular performers, we could get everyone in the council to participate in just one or two activities, you would be amazed at what we could accomplish. So, please encourage your less active brothers to throw a shoulder into our activities and to even consider chairing an activity/event. If you talk to anyone who has chaired an activity, they'll tell you that it was a rewarding experience.

We just completed another vastly successful Breakfast with Santa at Immaculate Conception Church. We owe thanks to Deacon John Gramling for coordinating our support, Chuck Cooper for getting our Squires involved, and to Bill Myers for his Santa duties, as well as, to the many brothers who participated in preparing and serving breakfast. We looked to have overwhelming numbers as the morning began, but as it turned out we needed every single body. I am not sure how much the Church took in, but we served around 500 people including the serving of pancakes (over 1,000), bacon, bagels, fruit, coffee and orange juice.

As I write this article, we are still gearing up for the Children's Christmas Party, the Council Christmas Party and the 5th Sunday Breakfast, and to deliver a large number of bicycles to needy children. Look for more on these activities in the January newsletter.

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

Happy New Year Fellow Brothers and Families!

Hopefully, everyone had a joyful, blessed and safe New Year.

December had several events that are worth mentioning. I would like to commend Deb and Dan McClure on a fantastic Adult Christmas Party! Those who attended were certainly glad that they did. A good time was had by all. The food was plentiful and tantalizing to the appetite. The spread was incredible! What I think was even more enjoyable was the fact that all of us got together focusing on what was most important-- Keeping Christ in Christmas!

The first degree meeting that was scheduled for Dec. 9 was not so successful, however. It was necessary to postpone the meeting due to lack of applicants. C'mon Brothers, we can do better than that!! I, too, have no excuses. But, I pledge to have at least one to two members for the upcoming January meeting (date yet to be determined). I am hoping others will pledge to do the same. Let's keep the energy and enthusiasm of the Fighting 4011 alive and growing!

Next, in January, we have several functions planned. First, on Jan.11, we have a new member social planned, which Larry Wescott agreed to chair. If this social is as well attended as the previous ones, it is sure to be quite an entertaining evening. Finally, on Sunday, January 27th, we have the Annual Shrimp Feast. Always a very popular function amongst our council, this year will certainly be no different, so I encourage all of you to make your your reservations as soon as possible! Tim Bankard has agreed to undertake chairing this event. Tim is rather new to our council, so I am asking all fellow brothers to assist him in any way possible.

That's all for now,

Michael Hipolito  
Council Activities Director

**MEMBERSHIP**

The "New Year" means:  
**Resolving to make a new start or a new effort.**

May I suggest this resolution:

" I WILL HAVE ONE OF MY MANY FRIENDS JOIN ME IN BEING A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS IN JANUARY 2008. ALL I HAVE TO DO IS ASK HIM!

here are his possible answers:

1. "O.K. what do I need to do?"  
**Your answer:** "I will have the Council Membership Chairman call you with further instructions.
2. "I don't have time, considering my family obligations and job demands." **Your answer:** " Being the good Catholic that you are, the church needs men of strong moral principals, especially in this day and age when She is being attacked from all sides. The Knights' Membership means you support and adhere the church in it's teaching and leadership in the community. Any other commitments to the Order are strictly your decision."
3. "Our discretionary funds simply do not allow for the purchase of those fancy hats, capes & swords." **Your answer:** "Those items are all optional. Some brothers wear them as an outward sign of the Knights Of Columbus."
4. "I don't know anybody there and would feel out of place." **Your answer:** "You know me, I'll be there with you and introduce you to the brother knights. They are a great bunch of Catholic men, just like you, and I'm positive they would love to have you join their ranks.

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**FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

Congratulations to the family of Bill Myers for being named the Family of the Month for December! Is there anyone else that we think more of during the month of December than Santa, except for the new born Christ? The Fr. O'Neill Council thanks Bill and his team of elves for their many appearances on behalf of the council and more importantly for spreading such good cheer!

**Catholic Family FYI- The Epiphany**

The history of Christmas, (the festival of the nativity of Jesus Christ,) is intertwined with that of the Epiphany. The commemoration of the Baptism (also called the Day of Lights, i.e. the Illumination of Jesus) was also known as the birthday of Jesus, because he was believed to have been born then of the Virgin or reborn in baptism. In some records Christmas and Epiphany were referred to as the first and second nativity; the second being Christ's manifestation to the world.

In the fourth century, December 25 was finally adopted by the Western Christian Church as the date of the Feast of Christ's birth. It is believed that this change in date gave rise to the tradition of the "12 Days of Christmas." While the Western Christian Church celebrates December 25th, the Eastern Christian Church to this day recognizes January 6 as the celebration of the nativity. January 6 was also kept as the physical birthday in Bethlehem.

In the Teutonic west, Epiphany became the Festival of the Three Kings (i.e. the Magi), or simply Twelfth day. (excerpted from the Catholic Encyclopedia.

Al DuCharme  
Family Director

**CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

This poem was written in my deceased mother's handwriting. I thought it is appropriate both for those of us that qualify and for those of us who are currently BUSY, BUSY, BUSY.

After Seventy

Pamper the body,  
Prod the soul,  
Accept limitations,  
But play a role!

Withdraw from the front,  
But stay in the fight;  
Avoid isolation,  
But keep in sight!

Beware reminiscing,  
Except to a child;  
To forgetting proper names,  
Become reconciled.

Despise not solitude,  
Let none condone;  
Cultivate interest,  
Enjoyed alone.

Refrain from loquacity,  
Be crisp and concise,  
And regard self-pity,  
As a cardinal vice!

*Author Unknown*

Ed Bollinger  
Church Activities Director

**Chaplain's Counsel**

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Columbus, we promised to be faithful messengers of Jesus....to proclaim the message of the Gospel to all who would listen. We, in a very real sense, dedicated our lives to the service of one another and to the community in which we live. Let us, in this New Year, resolve to be the very best of Knights that we can be. By so doing we answer the call that Jesus makes to follow him.

Deacon John

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

December was a busy month. Of the group of young men who will be re-activating the Squires circle, 6 volunteered to help at the Breakfast with Santa at ICS. A few examples of the various contributions they made were: 327 bagels were cut, the donut baskets and orange juice dispenser were re-filled when necessary, monitoring services were provided to maintain proper decorum amongst children in the craft section to ensure no accidents or broken items. The Children's Christmas Party was held and was a great success. Hubert Clay did a fantastic job of organizing this event - Great job Hubert and thanks for your efforts. As usual, Bill Myers was absolutely superb as Santa at both the breakfast event and the Children's Christmas party. I made sure to get my picture taken with him, which made some shy children jealous enough to do the same. For January, there will be a Squires meeting on January 12th at the Council in the Century Lounge. Please spread the word to any young Catholic men between the ages of 10 and 18 who might like to join.

Thanks,

Chuck Cooper

**Bilo Appointed**

Brother Knight Bill Bilo has been appointed to a Maryland Veterans Task Force by Gov. O' Malley(House Bill 1181). The Task Force will be studying and making recommendations on numerous veterans issues.

They will be looking at services and benefits entitled to veterans living in Maryland to determine how well these services and benefits help eligible individuals obtain benefits and whether these are being obtained in a timely manner.

Contact Bill if you have any "anecdotes" you would like to share with him about yourself or any other veteran you might know. His contact info is in the council roster.

## PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES

Let us pray to the baby Jesus to aid us in saving the unborn.

The Knights of Columbus are working state-wide with the parishes to promote the Legislative-letter Writing campaign. This year the campaign is especially important as it is focused on securing state funding for organizations such as the Pregnancy Centers to aid expectant mothers to cope with the physical and economic pressures to accept a life alternative. Our new archbishop could not have been more certain in declaring that we need to foster a environment where there are no impediments to the decision to choose life.

St Joseph and St Francis Xavier parishes are having their drives the last week in January. Immaculate Conception is also planning a drive. The State Council at the request of Archbishop O'Brien exhorts the Knights of Columbus to meet this challenge. Every knight is urged to participate in making these drives a success.

To learn what you can do at your parish, please contact Ed Bollinger, Rich Lewandowski or Deacon John Gramling.

## Membership

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5. "I love my wife, but she won't take kindly to me "going out with the boys" when she has to stay at home and watch the kids." **Your answer:** "The K Of C is a family organization. The council has a very active Ladies auxiliary, and they meet only once per month. You could offer to watch the kids, while she gets a night out for an hour or so!"

### **Try it; You'll Like It!!**

Dick Vandenberg PGK  
Membership chairman  
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## PUBLIC RELATIONS

There's a saying, "We all live under the blue sky, but see different horizons." The same applies to Columbianism. Active families of the Knights certainly have the opportunity to broaden their horizons when it comes to Catholic family Knight life.

G.K. Andy Gleeson has invited suggestions from the membership that could contribute to the welfare of our Council. Here is a suggestion. There are many interesting items that occur within our membership in addition to the regular council activities that would be worthwhile to share among our members in our 4011 NEWS. We already do this with publishing anniversaries and birthdays. Why not sharing and submitting human interest items in which our members and families are involved in under the heading of Knight Life? Examples, if you will, how individuals contribute in one way or another to what Knight Life is all about in expanding our horizons in our lives and share it with others as it applies to our lives as Knights. We could share the good news which could include promotions, volunteer projects. . .This would also be internal good public relations for our 4011 NEWS in our council.

Bill Myers, Public Relations  
Telephone 410-583-4839

## Director's Notes

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Finally, please don't forget to block out your calendar for the Shrimp Feast on January 27th. Please contact Tim Bankard for your reservations, or to offer your help or to donate prizes. Family and friends are invited to this one, so reserve a table, but don't hesitate because this event will fill-up quickly.

Glenn Thuman  
General Program Director

## BALTIMORE CHAPTER OF GRAND KNIGHTS

The Chapter's Charity Drive is well underway. It is only thru your help that we may conduct the Christmas with Santa and Picnic at Villa Maria and the Gallagher Center. Thanks to Dick and Judy Gordes and helpers clients of the centers were provided a wonderful Christmas breakfast with Santa on December 1st.

The next chapter meeting will be hosted by Santo Nino Council on January 10, 2008.

Our next major event will be the ANNIVERSARY BALL. It will be held at Cardinal Gibbons on February 1, 2008.

The Chairman is PCP Steve Cohen. The honored guest is PCP, FDD, and PGK Timothy Burke.

Remember "CHARITY " is the first principle of our order. The Christmas season is a season of GIVING. The handicapped and abused children and adults at Villa Maria and the Gallagher center deserve our help and support—  
**PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY TO THE CHARITY APPEAL.**  
God Bless you for the Charity in you heart!

E. Jere Danaher, Jr.  
President BCGK  
2008



**FRATERNAL NOTES**

*Because of the lack of available information in the December issue, we are including both December and January Birthday and Anniversary information in this issue. We hope to be current in future issues.*

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

1st Juanita Fowler  
 2nd Stephen B. Luers  
 3rd Carl E. Lenhoff  
 4th Albert S. DeLambo  
 5th Kerry Ferguson  
 Dr. Sonia Luperini  
 7th Walter C. Whalen  
 8th Joseph J. Lacy  
 Christopher W. Mamunes  
 10th Gertrude Vlk  
 Arthur C. Kelly, Jr.  
 13th Joan Bendall  
 Penny Roesner  
 Dr. Leonard M. Azonobi  
 14th Salay Sesay  
 James M. Gilmore  
 Malvin A. Pavik  
 15th Susie Tutrinoli  
 James D. Nolan  
 23rd Carole Muller  
 James A. Sagerholm  
 John E. Smith  
 24th Veronica Klug  
 Patricia Medinger  
 Wesley R. Perich  
 25th Christa Clay  
 27th M. Patrick Keehan  
 28th Theresa Volpe  
 29th Tullio A. Tutrinoli

**DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

2nd John & Inez Kane  
 11th Elmer & Helen Wolter  
 12th Michael & Sarah May  
 21st James & Mildred Kuchta  
 28th Frederic & Rosemary Brandes  
 James & M. Kelly Scheel

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

1st Lillian Falcone  
 Marion P. Culotta  
 Bernard A. Janis  
 2nd M. Kelly Scheel  
 John R. Groh, III  
 3rd John D. Paull  
 5th Matthew G. Dauchess  
 7th Joanne Paull  
 George W. Hawkins  
 8th Heather Breidigam  
 9th Janis Smithberger  
 14th Bro. Joseph E. Keckeissen  
 Augustine J. Muller, Jr.  
 Henry C. Preston  
 16th James E. Davis  
 17th John J. Esser  
 18th Andrew J. Gleeson  
 21st Eileen Sybert  
 Thomas J. Iacoboni  
 22nd June Esser  
 23rd Edwin W. Oster, Jr.  
 24th Evelyn Ciattei  
 25th Cecile Perich  
 Dr. Andrew P. Harris, MD  
 26th Shirley DeLambo  
 27th Philip A. Sybert  
 28th William J. Myers  
 William J. Santo  
 29th Carolyn Chlan  
 30th Maria Jackson  
 31st Carol Ann Reda  
 Elizabeth Shearin

**JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

16th George & Carol Ann Reda  
 19th Philip & Dolores Budzynski  
 Maurice & Marion Rozario  
 James & Eileen Sybert  
 26th William & Eleanor Myers

**LADIES' AUXILIARY**

On December 13th the "K Club" had their Annual Pot Luck Dinner and Christmas Party. Everyone brought their favorite dish to make a delicious meal. Special thanks to our chairperson Anne Marie Beahn, who did a great job coordinating the event. Beautiful poinsettias were on each table.

A large round of applause goes to Dolores Waters for all her hard work for the adopted Christmas Family this year. As a group, The K Club gave the family a grocery store Gift Certificate, and members donated food for a basket. Also we collected layette items and cash donations for the Pregnancy Center North. Thank you one and all for your generosity.

Jane Amy did a tremendous job selling Christmas cards for us this year and trying to keep Christ in Christmas. Thank you to everyone who supported her in this effort.

Many thanks go to LaRue and Ed Oster who worked very hard selling our Entertainment Books.

Our next meeting is January 10th @ 7:30. Please bring your can good donation for the Assistance Center; and Soda, Beer, Vegetable & Pet food can Pop Tops for Ronald McDonald House and Box tops for Education..

A Happy and Healthy New Year to All.

Anne Hilbinger, President



## District Deputy's Note

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recruiter will receive 1,000 points of Recruitment Rewards Points. These points can then be exchanged for items from the Supreme Council Rewards Catalog. Certain items vary. You can talk to other Reward Points Recipients so that you could put points together in order to cash in on items you want to have for your council.

It is time to nominate your Family of the Year. The Family of the Year selected will be honored at the Founder's Day Awards Dinner on Sunday, March 9, 2008. The criterion is as follows:

Father must be in good standing in the Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus.

The family must be active in three major areas of Church, Community, and Council.

Submit your nomination to: Ed Padgett

12850 Owens Drive Waldorf, MD 20607-3000

Please submit nominations no later than Friday, February, 1, 2008.

The Maryland State Council will have a recognition program for Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) of the year. The awards will be given separately. The presentation of the awards will be at the Founder's Day reception on Sunday, March 9, 2008. Completed forms of nomination must be mailed to: Donald Tallmadge, 17701 Clagett Landing Road Upper Marlboro, MD 20774.

Other Maryland State Council Recognition Awards to be presented on Sunday, March 9, 2008 are the Catholic Teacher of the Year and the Citizen of the Year. The deadline for submission for these nominations is Sunday, January 20, 2008. Send nominations to Donald Tallmadge. We encourage inviting the recipient's family and friends to attend the presentation.

Degree Dates

1st Degree

Wednesday, January 9, 2008  
Cardinal Gibbons Council #2521

Thursday, February 7, 2008  
Fr. Michael McGivney Council #7025

Monday, February 18, 2008  
St. Agnes Council #4449

Wednesday, February 20, 2008  
Father O'Neill Council #4011

2nd Degree

Thursday, January 17, 2008  
Notre Dame Council #2901

Wednesday, January 23, 2008  
Msgr. Raymond P. Kelly Council #10966

Thursday, February 28, 2008  
Fr. Maurice Wolf Council #11372

3rd Degree

Friday, January 11, 2008  
St. Andrew by the Bay Council #11552

Peace and Unity,

Rafael M. Nicolas, PGK

## Grand Knight's Corner

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that next year more of the Fr. O'Neill family will get to experience.

Both Christmas parties were very well attended and enjoyed by all. Santa made his appearance at both and got everyone in the mood for Christmas Day. We were able to celebrate and support three seminarians at the party John Rapisarda, Carlo D. Stebbings, and Andrew DeFusco, as well as some of their family members joined us and I thank all for showing them such grand hospitality.

We concluded the month with our traditional Fifth Sunday Communion Breakfast. The chefs for the day were John Volpie, Deacon John and yours truly. I hope that the food met your satisfaction and everyone left with their appetites satisfied!

January looks to be just as eventful and

if you missed out on December's activities you can make up for them this month. Off the top of my head, there is a New Member's Social planned to welcome new members and their wives and the annual Shrimp Feast to join in on. I hope to see everyone at these upcoming events.

There are many activities to get involved in and all you have to do is to let me or any of the program chairmen know and we will find the best fit for you and your busy schedule. I am so grateful for all the new members and their wives who have jumped right in and agreed to run the various events this year. It really has done a lot to promote the health of the council and I look forward to many others joining in on the fun.

Once again I wish all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year!

God Bless,  
Andy Gleeson GK

## NEW COUNCIL INSTITUTED

(Excerpted from the January, 2008 edition  
of the Maryland State Council Newsletter)

On December 6th, 2007, under the direction of James Klein, Sr. District Deputy No. 3 and Supreme Benefits Advisor Tony Viscardi and with the assistance of New Council Development Chairman and Supreme Council Insurance Director, Robert S. Marlowe, the "**Fr. Eugene Patrick O'Grady Council**" was instituted. The council is located at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart Parish in Mt. Washington, (Baltimore) MD.



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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Jan		Feb	
1st	New Year's Day- Solemnity of Mary	3rd	Shrove Sunday Breakfast
2nd	Council Business Meeting	3rd	Super Bowl Party
6th	Epiphany	6th	Council Business Meeting
7th	O'Neill Club Board Meeting	12th	O'Neill Club Board Meeting
9th	Darts	13th	Darts
10th	K Club Meeting	13th	Fireman of the Year Presentation
10th	Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights	14th	K Club
11th	New Member Social	14th	Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights
16th	Council Social Meeting	20th	Council Social Meeting
23rd	Officer's Meeting	27th	Officer's Meeting
24th	Bridge	28th	Bridge
27th	Shrimp Feast		