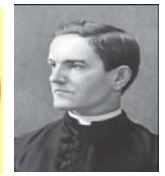




Celebrating 50 year's in 2014

The Notre Dame Grotto



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Chaplain's Corner

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It's difficult on Sept. 27th to write for the Nov/Dec Grotto. We're embarking on Respect Life Month (Oct.) and thinking of the ramifications of Pope Francis' statements about not overemphasizing any given issue that faces the church. There are so many issues unfortunately. We must strive for some balance "crying wolf" or no one will pay attention to our cries. Archbishop Lori helps us in this regard, so read every word he says and writes in the Catholic Review and local paper. Nov. brings Thanksgiving and its reminders of the poor in our midst. Our government gives us pause to be true to our national roots and ideals that are so singular and precious. Dec. is Christmas and joy and life and love. Who can fail to respond to its call? Continue your generosity these months and increase it when possible. People are our best resources and we must exhaust, if necessary, all other resources in their behalf. We can do it.

Jesus lives. Fr. Simmons

Fraternal Benefits

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Don't assume you can't afford Disability Income Insurance

One of the biggest mistakes you can make regarding disability insurance is to assume you can't afford it or you won't qualify. Before you make that assumption, do some basic research and apply for coverage through the Knights of Columbus. The Order's Income Armor product gives you options that can help you fit this critical protection into your risk management budget.

For example, here are two ways you can reduce your premium:

1. Choose a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period.

Depending on your age, the best option is probably a policy that pays benefits until you reach age 67. But a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period would cover many types of partial or total disabilities you might encounter in your working life.

2. Choose a longer elimination period.

An elimination period is the number of days a total disability must exist before benefits begin to accrue. Typical elimination periods are 30, 90, or 180 days. Choosing a longer elimination period lowers the policy's premium. But be sure you have enough set aside in your business's contingency fund to account for the longer gap.

As your professional insurance agent, running a small business and the challenges of risk management are two of my specialties. Let's talk about how to protect your business income, your retirement needs, and your family's financial future.

Grand Knights Report

James P. Klein PGK PFN FDD 410-882-7354 pgk2901a@yahoo.com

Brothers and Ladies,

As we continue to readjust to the bi-monthly Grotto publications, I wish all a happy holiday season. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's! What a time to reinvent ourselves. We can give thanks for all we have been blessed with, including the tribulations in our lives, remember the gift of life that Christ was to us all, and bring in a new beginning with the New Year.

We should all give thanks for the Knights of Columbus and all they have done for us in our own ways. I, personally, am a better Catholic because of my involvement in the Knights. Let us give thanks for the gift of faith started at the first Christmas. In the New Year, let us vow to get just a little more involved in Notre Dame Council. Bring in a new member, participate in an activity. Why wait? Make the Shrimp Feast on November 17 (early readers can still make the Bull Roast on 10/27)!

Fifth Sunday Mass on December 29th will be at our Chaplain's parish, Holy Spirit Church in Joppatown. We are planning to have a nice brunch at the Williamsburg Inn. It is a reasonably priced breakfast and we will have much fraternalism. With fraternalism comes the need to replace ourselves. Please try to talk to a man at work, church, or in the neighborhood to join our cherished order. We need to continue to have new members. I will probably be too old to be Grand Knight again in another 25 years. We need new, vibrant, Catholic gentlemen to join us! Ask someone today.

In closing, Kathy and I wish all Knights of Columbus families a wonderful, blessed holiday season and may the blessing of our new born savior be with all.

Vivat Jesus

21st Annual Shrimp Feast



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Notre Dame Council #2901
201 Homeland Avenue
Baltimore MD, 21212
Website: www.kofc2901.webs.com

Sunday November 17, 2013

Doors Open at 12:30 PM

Fun, Food and Music

Fruit of the Sea – Steamed Shrimp
Homemade Shrimp Soup, Shrimp Creole over Rice Pilaf
Honey Glazed Ham, Smoked Turkey, Top Round of Beef
Italian Sausage with Onions and Peppers
Baked Ziti, Filet of Fish, Vegetables and Cheeses
Salads: Potato, Macaroni and Italian Tomato
Sheet Cakes

All for \$40.00 per person
Food served 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM



Chairman – Jake Novickey 410-570-4833
Ticket Chairman – GK James P. Klein PGK
443-255-5356

Tickets Must Be Paid by November 10, 2013

Sick, Memorial & Congratulatory

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Deaths: Bro. David J. Brust HLM passed away in Jonesboro GA on July 18, 2013 at age 82...Katharine R.L. Barnes – mother of Bro. David L. Barnes - passed away on August 10, 2013. **Sick or Injured:** The Antonicci's – Teresa and Bro. Tom were both injured in a fall during September. Teresa had surgery for a broken ankle and is still recuperating while Bro. Tom only had some bumps and bruises...Pat McFadden – widow of PGK Hank McFadden HLM – is still confined at Franklinwoods Center and would appreciate some visitors... Please keep in your prayers Bro. Herb Keough, Bro. Bob Morris, PGK Henry Sadler, Kitty Andrews – former Ladies of Notre Dame President and mother of our late PGK Bill Andrews, and Seminarian John Martinez's grandmother. **Best wishes:** Bro. Howard J. Rousseau has notified us that he will be moving to South Carolina. We wish Bro. Howard all the best as he moves into his new home. **Congratulations:** The Monaldi Brothers – who played at so many Council affairs over the years – were inducted into the Maryland Music Hall of Fame in September.

Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving, Blessed Merry Christmas, and a Happy & Healthy 2014! Please remember our shut-ins at this special time of the year.

Program Director

John Morrison PGK 410-391-6461 jfpmorrison@aol.com

First things first – I want to wish everyone in the Notre Dame family a blessed holiday season. In this season of gratitude to God and of giving to our fellow man, join us at one of our activities. As always, we have First Friday Mass and Dinner and Keswick Bingo. December has a fifth Sunday and it is again time for Family to Family. On a social note, November is the Shrimp Feast and December is the council Christmas Party. Looking into the future: A pancake breakfast is being planned for Sunday, January 12 at the council, if there is enough interest. If you would be interested in coming please let either the Grand Knight or myself now. Vivat Jesu.

ROSARY CALL OUT LIST REVIVAL

If you wish to be notified when a brother knight dies, what the arrangements are, and if there is going to be a rosary please let John Morrison know how you wish to be contacted (phone or email).

Maryland State News

Nov 9 - Navy Football 1PM
Nov 11– One Day Couples Retreat/Marriage Seminar
Nov. 17-State Memorial Mass, St. Clements Rosedale
2:30 PM
Dec. 14 - State Christmas Party-Cardinal Gibbons Council
(for more details on State events visit www.kofc-md.org)

August Knight of the Month –Brad Shwind
August Family of the Month—PGK Ron & Pat Novak
September Knight of the Month –Pete Ashton
August Family of the Month—Jack & Millie Finck



Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights

Nov 14-St. Josephs Monestary Memorial Mass
7PM (3801 Frederick Rd. 21229)

Dec 7th-Villa Maria/Gallagher Center-Breakfast
with Santa 8 AM (2520 Pot Spring Rd. 21093)

Dec. 13th St.Agnes Council #4449
7PM Christmas Party
(2021 Frederick Rd. 21228)

Financial Secretary Report

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Membership dues reminders will be mailed out in December. Please try to remit as soon as possible. Before this edition went to press, we still had 25 members in arrears for 2013. The council still has to pay the per-capita for these members regardless of collecting any dues, so it costs the council money we cannot afford to pay or that may have been better used for one of our charities. On the other hand, if you cannot pay due to a hardship, we may be able to waive the dues. Let us discuss it with you first. We would prefer to keep you as a member rather than lose you for non-payment. If you still would like to terminate your membership after all is said and done, just drop me a signed letter of resignation and I can process it immediately. I would like to thank Jere Danaher for assisting with our retention efforts this year. He made many calls and helped us get back in touch with many of the brothers.

I also constantly receive bounced mail and email from brothers and widows of deceased brothers. If you move or are aware of another's move, let me know so we may keep our records up to date. We want to make sure that all receive the Grotto newsletter on time, especially since we have gone to a bi-monthly format.

Since this is the last issue of 2013, Kathy & I would like to offer to all a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas & Joyful New Year. See you in January!

*A little child, a shining star, a stable rude,
the door ajar. Yet in that place, so crude, forlorn,
The Hope of all the world was born.
~Anonymous*

Council Christmas Party
7:30 PM

Tuesday December 17th.
Family members invited.



Admission: A gift for the pregnancy center or donation of \$5

Church & Youth Activities Dr. John Butt 410-532-6713 DrJohnButt@gmail.com

The next two First Fridays will be November 1st (All Saints Day: Holy Day of Obligation) and December 6. The cost remains \$7.00. Widows of member Knights are free and there is a reduced rate for children. We still need volunteer cooks for January, March and May. Please contact John Butt if you're able to help. Mass will begin at 6:30.

Nov/Dec Birthdays

1 PGK Robert Breschi	74	4 David A Care	42
1 Paul B Schmitz	64	4 James C Gelhard	52
4 Anthony N De Palo	64	7 James M Stallings	59
4 PGK James Johnson	66	8 Joseph Piombino Iv	55
5 Wayne A Strupp	53	8 David L Stallings	55
8 Rev James E Risacher	86	10 James P Catterton	63
10 John P Havrilak Jr	52	10 David M Harrison	48
12 Daniel S Morrison	37	10 Donald S Keough	41
12 Lawrence J Novicky	28	12 Michael R Baker	75
12 Robert W Ritter	83	13 Erich W Hilde	35
12 George A Wertz	87	13 James P Klein Jr	38
13 Anthony Montcalmo	71	15 Raymond J Duran	82
17 George K Paliath	79	17 Walter Welzant MD	84
17 Thomas D Welzant	44	19 Dennis P Fahey	72
18 Jerome E Welsh Sr	84	19 William C Spuck	87
19 John F Amtmann Sr	84	24 Anthony U Olandu	63
20 Richard J Nieberlein	72	26 PGK Howard Bottiger	88
21 Thomas J Fisher Sr	63	26 Robert L Stadter	83
24 W Kenneth Gue	80	27 Charles Piersanti	100
25 Michael J Ruck	67	29 Vincent I Keenan	83
28 Ray B Mc Millan	89	29 Keith E Sellner	56
		30 Lawrence D Glose	59
		31 Alfred M Fitzsimons	75

Nov/Dec Anniversaries

5	William J Weitzel	67
9	PGK Nelson J Arnold Jr	45
9	Robert J Boyle	23
11	Robert F Brown	52
19	Ronald T Murphy	8
22	Peter W Bartel Jr	38
23	Gerald A Atteberry	56
23	Walter E Aycock	39
24	Herman Williams Jr	64
25	Herbert L Keough	48
25	PGK Joseph P Sirera	48
29	James W Busch Jr	66
29	George A Wertz	66
2	John J Gloss	72
6	Peter D Zirpolo	27
9	Howard J Rousseau	52
15	James I Keenan Jr	51
16	Br. Charles C Adams Sr	46
18	PGK John C Finck	31
26	Salvatore V Barnaba	60
26	George K Paliath	53
27	Donald F Yakel Jr	27
31	Gerald E Trees	53



THE LOTTERY IS BACK!

You can still get lottery tickets for the month of NOVEMBER. Call me or Email me for tickets. Some have already been sent.

Jere Danaher 410- 426-8236 or 443-844-6282

Returns to: Jere Danaher 2824 Roselawn Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21214



To the Maryland State Council Family,

Please come join your Brother Knights, family, and friends for a "Spiritual Gathering" on November 2, 2013. The event will be held at St. Clement Mary Hofbauer Church located at 1212 Chesaco Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21237, the home parish of our State Chaplain, Father Donald Grzymiski.

The Saturday morning will begin with Mass at 8:30 followed by a social time with light refreshments. Father Donald will then begin his presentation "Our Faith Journey In This Year Of Faith". There will be two sessions including a break and prayer service. We anticipate ending at about 12:30 PM.

The cost per person is \$15 with the proceeds going to support the State Ultrasound program. We need your response no later than October 28th.

Please send your checks, made payable to the Maryland State Council to:

Luther Holley
State Council Retreats Co-Chairman
2410 Artesian Lane
Bowie, Maryland 20716

If you have any questions or want additional information, please contact Joe Feakes, State Council Church Activities Director at 301-774-0137 or josephfeakes@aol.com.

Dear Family of Notre Dame Council:

"If today you hear His voice, harden not your heart".

Christmas is just around the corner and it is time to think about our Family to Family Charity. Our Family to Family is a program which was started in December, 1973 by PGK Ted Holloway, Sr. through which boxes of food are prepared and distributed to families in need. The program has flourished throughout the years, helping many needy families at Christmas time. It has lived through the years because of the generosity of our members and widows. Remember, the first principle of our order is Charity. What better way could you practice this principle than to help a family in need at Christmas. This program costs about \$4,000 each year, which is raised through your donations. Be a part of this program and please be generous. A letter will be sent out to all Notre Dame members, and will contain more information.

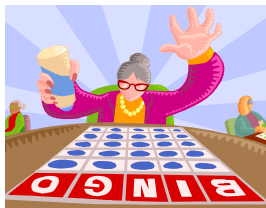
Please make any checks payable to
"Notre Dame Council, No. 2901", and memo it
"Family to Family".

Barry Schech PGK
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Baltimore MD 21239



Nursing Home Bingo...

Items are needed for prizes for our monthly Bingo at Keswick Nursing Home. Jewelry (particularly long necklaces – ones that can be put on over the head) and lotions are popular with the residents, as well as boxes of Kleenex. Bring them to the council or give them to John Morrison.



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Washington Basilica Celebration Sept 8th - go to - <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/news/releases/detail/knights-fill-marys-house.html>

**Calendar of Events
November 2013**

- 1. First Friday 6:30 PM (all Saints Day)
- 5. Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM
- 6. Keswick Bingo 7 PM
- 12. KayCee Club meeting 7:30 PM
- 17. Shrimp Feast 1 PM
- 19. Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM (First Degree)
- 26. Officers Meeting 7:30 PM
- 28. Thanksgiving - All Day

December 2013

- 3. Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM
- 4. Keswick Bingo 7 PM
- 6. First Friday 6:30 PM
- 10. KayCee Club meeting 7:30 PM
- 17. Council Christmas Party
- 22. Family to Family Christmas baskets
- 25. Christmas - All Day
- 29. 5th. Sunday Mass - Holy Spirit Church
540 Joppa Farm Rd. 11:15 AM Mass
Followed by brunch at the Williamsburg Inn, 11131 Pulaski Hwy

4th Degree Charles Carroll of Carrollton Assembly, No. 375
Barry Schech FN PGK FDD 410-377-0390 bschech@yahoo.com

Schedule for Nov/Dec.

Nov. 18th & Dec 16th -Officers Meeting at 7:30 PM #2901
Nov 25 & Dec 23rd- Assembly Meeting at 7:30 PM #205
Nov. 15th & Dec 20th. VAVS Bingo 2PM

Please visit <http://www.assembly375.webs.com>
for more information on the Assembly



KayCee Club Inc.

201 Homeland Ave. Baltimore MD 21212
410-433-9756 Robert Jones - rental agent

Notre Dame Room (190 people) \$800
Marian Room (110 people) \$700
Discount available for members.

