

THE NAVIGATOR

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Past Grand Knight Dinner

On Saturday March 28th we will be honoring our Past Grand Knight Joe Badowski at a dinner held at Fontana's, on Main St. at Maple Ave., starting at 7:00 PM. The cost of the dinner will be \$25.00 per person. Friends and wives are invited. Please let Jack Acker know how many are coming. You can also call current Grand Knight Jim Berg at 609-560-1209.

This is an evening to relax enjoy some good food, good friends and thank Joe for all he accomplished during his two years as Grand Knight.

St. Patricks Day Dinner

Our first fundraiser this year will be a St. Patrick's Dinner complete with Corned Beef, Ham, Cabbage and Potatoes. The dinner will be held on Saturday March 14th from 7:00 PM until 12:00 Midnight. We have been planning this event since December. We were recently contacted by a women whose son is in need of a heart transplant. They do not have the money to pay for the trip to Minneapolis so she has asked us to help. Part of the proceeds from the dinner will be used to purchase round trip airline tickets plus lodging for two nights while they are in Minneapolis for evaluation. Tickets for the dinner will be sold for \$20.00. Besides great food and drink there will also be entertainment provided by a "Make my Event" disc jockey.

The first principle of the Knights is Charity. This is a great opportunity for us to step up as a Council and help someone in need. Christopher Vogl is the man who needs the transplant. Because of his medical needs his family has incurred medical bills that are just out of sight. If he does not get the new heart he has been given only about one year to live. He and his mother are only asking for the plane tickets and lodging. The remainder of the profits will go to our General Fund. Please support this event by purchasing a ticket and enjoying a good Irish Dinner or by coming out and helping with the event. If you have any questions or would like to help, please call Sam Cerasi at 856-667-1533 or Grand Knight Jim Berg at 609-560-1209.

Stations of The Cross

On Friday March 6th, Council 5714 has been asked to lead the Stations of the Cross at our Church. The Stations start at 7:00 PM. I will be looking for volunteers to read a short paragraph at each Station. If we can get 14 Knights to step up we will only have to do one each. I plan on having a short meeting prior to the 6th to distribute the readings that each one will be doing. You will have plenty of time to practice.

If you would like to participate in the Stations of the Cross on March 6th, please let me know, either at a meeting or contacting me at the numbers above.

March Birthdays

Anthony J. Badame	Domenick Dilenge	Harry J. Cosgroue	John W. Acker III
Joseph J. Gilian	Kenneth M. Kraus	Lawrence J Pleis Jr.	Richard N. Jamieson
Ronald Yerkov	Stephen A. Voellinger	Thomas J. Johnston	Thomas. Vallen

**Please contact the fraternal chairman if you know if anyone who is sick, in distress, or recently deceased*

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How To Submit An Article for The Navigator?

Articles are due by the Surge Meeting each month, usually the third Tuesday. They can be submitted in writing (typewritten or legibly hand-written), by email in MS Word format or in the body of a mail message, or by logging on to our website under the Members section. Chris Rzepski is the contact person at (610) 631-2016 chrizrzepski@comcast.net.

Need A Handyman?

Call/email Jim Berg at (609) 560-1209 iceberg5555@comcast.net if you are in need of general help around the house and ask about our Handyman Program.

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Grand Knight's Message

Jim Berg (609)560-1209 or iceberg5555@comcast.net

Well we are over the hump and looking forward to warmer weather. We have had a month or two to rest up and plan for our upcoming activities. We are going to need your help and support to make these fundraisers a success.

The activities we have planned for March and the beginning of April are as follows:

Stations of the Cross	March 6th
St. Patrick's Dinner	March 14th
R.S.V.P. Collection at Wawa	March 20th & 21st
Past Grand Knight's Dinner	March 28th
Pancake Breakfast	April 5th

When we participate in these events we are truly demonstrating our founding principles, Charity, Unity and Fraternity. All of these events will either raise money for our general fund, help someone in need, help a novice and seminarian with their studies or celebrate the accomplishments of our Past Grand Knight. This is what we are all about. I am asking all of you to support us by buying a ticket to one of the dinner's or volunteering to help at an event. There are articles on each of the March events in this issue of the Navigator, please read about each one.

February 2009 Calendar of Events

Day	Event	Times
3	Officer's Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
6	Knights lead Stations of the Cross, OLPH Church	7:00 PM
7	Past Faithful Navigator Dinner, Mt. Laurel	6:30 PM
8	Daylight Saving Time Begins	
10	Business Meeting, Council Home, (7:40 Rosary)	8:00 PM
11	Fourth Degree Meeting, Delran Council	6:45 PM
14	St. Patrick's Dinner, Council Home	7:00 PM
16	Squire's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
17	St. Patrick's Day	
17	Surge Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
20	First Day of Spring	
20	R.S.V.P. Collections, WAWA	7 AM until 7 PM
21	R.S.V.P. Collections, WAWA	7 AM until 7 PM
24	Columbiette's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
25	Social Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM
27	Pool & Poker Night, Council Home	7:00 PM
28	Past Grand Knight Dinner, Fontana's	7:00 PM
28	Membership Blitz, OLPH Church	5:00 PM Mass
29	Membership Blitz, OLPH Church	All Masses

Community Activities Report

PGK Larry York, GK 779-1696

Friday March 6th, at 7:00 PM the Knights will lead the Stations of the Cross at O.L.P.H. Church. All Knights and their families are invited.

In our battle against the Culture of Death as a Catholic and an American we have a duty to speak the truth against evils like abortion in general and the Freedom of Choice Act in particular. We can do this by writing or calling our Legislators or writing a letter to the Editor or an Email.

(Community Activities Report continued ...)

At the same time we cannot overcome Clintonism by our personal or collective efforts as Catholics alone. For this evil we need Divine Help. That is we need to pray and fast. Lent is an opportunity to pray the Rosary, make extra visits to the Church to see Jesus. I would like to add another thought that Padre Pio said. "If we want to change our culture in has to first begin within". We must repent from our sins and seek holiness. And with this thought consider the story of Jonah and the Whale. Jonah was like us. He was a good person but he did not want to take God's message to Nineveh the capital of Assyria. Instead he ran away from God and was swallowed by a whale. Finally Jonah did go and as a result the Assyrians repented and God spared Nineveh the punishment he was going to send them.

So it is with America we face chastisement from God for the sacrifice of 50 million unborn babies. We don't need an Economic Stimulus Package that our government wants to give us. We rather need a Moral Stimulus. We as Catholics and as Knights need to face our own Nineveh that is our own struggle. We must repent and seed holiness during this Lent in a special way. The Life of America is at stake.

Degree Report

Membership Director Sam Cerasi 667-1533

There is one Second Degree and two Third Degrees scheduled. If you can attend any of these degrees, please contact Membership Director Sam Cerasi or Grand Knight Jim Berg as soon as possible. Some of these degrees will fill up fast. We need to make your reservation as early as we possibly can. Please check the dates below and let us know.

Second Degrees:

Thursday	Apr. 16th 8:00 PM	Archangel	Pine Hill
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Third Degrees:

Friday	Mar. 27th 8:30 PM	St. Peter's	Merchantville
Friday	June 19th 8:30 PM	Santa Maria	Haddon Twp.

RSVP Collection

The dates for the R.S.V.P. Collection at Wawa will be Friday March 20th and Saturday March 21st. All the donations we collect will be given to a novice nun studying to take her vows with the Sisters of St. Joseph and a seminarian studying to be ordained as a priest with the Oblates of St. Francis De Sales.

We will be collecting from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM. We are looking for people to collect for just one hour or more if you can. We will have a table with a sign explaining what we are collecting for. The cans for the donations will be on the table. You don't even have to hold the can. There will be a chair for you to sit if you get tired of standing. All you have to do is dress warm if it's cold and thank the people who give.

The second principle of the Knights is Unity. This is a great opportunity for us to Unite as a Council and help a woman and man in their religious life. With the numbers of nuns and priests decreasing every day we need to do something to help.

If you can volunteer to collect on one or both of these days please sign up at the March Business Meeting, which will be held Tuesday March 10th starting at 8:00 PM or if you can't make the meeting, please call Grand Knight Jim Berg at 609-560-1209 and let him know what time(s) you can help.



Who Are The Knights of Columbus?

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's fraternal benefit society that was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works. ▪ Father Michael J. McGivney and a handful of Catholic laymen founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882, in the basement of St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Haven, Connecticut. The aim of the founder was to set up a parish-based lay organization that offered insurance benefits to the widows and children of members. In an era when parish and fraternal societies were popular, Father McGivney felt there should be some way to strengthen the religious faith of his flock and provide financial support for families overwhelmed by illness or the death of the breadwinner. ▪ Today the Knights of Columbus have grown from that one local unit, or council, to over 12,000 councils in the United States (including Puerto Rico and Guam), Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Guatemala, and Saipan. In January 2006, the Knights of Columbus will

expand to Poland. ▪ Membership is over 1.7 million members, plus their families - approximately 5.6 million people total - many of whom are actively involved in volunteer service programs for the Catholic Church, their communities, their families, young people and one another. ▪ Council 5714 works with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Maple Shade, NJ.

How Do I Make A Difference?

The Knights are *always* looking for volunteers. You can participate as often as you like depending on your schedule. We have several programs that benefit the Church, community, and our membership at large. Our website at www.kofc5714.org as well as this newsletter outline some of the activities you can be involved in. If you are a practical Catholic gentlemen 18 years of age or older, please contact us at (856) 779-9863 or visit the Contact Us link on our website.

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Prayer for The Sick

*Omnipotent and eternal God,
the everlasting Salvation of those who believe,
hear us on behalf of Thy sick servant,
for whom we beg the aid of Thy pitying mercy,
that, with his/her bodily health restored,
he/she may give thanks to Thee in Thy church.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Please Remember Our Sick

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| Bernard Bryson | At Home |
| Bill Curry | At Home |
| George Skoviak | At Home |
| Michael Rusnak | At Home |
| Olga Balsama | At Home |
| Pete Ranjo (Senior) | in Veteran's Hospital, Lyons, NJ |
| Stanley Andiok | At Home |
| Ted Adams | At Home |