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Elvis In The House

Sam Cerasi, PGK 856-667-1533

Elvis is returning May 15, 2009. As we all know, it's extremely important that all of our members purchase tickets. The night includes a Full Buffet, Beer, Wine and Soda. I am asking all of our Knights to purchase at least two tickets for this event. Please call me at the number above. Thank you in advance for your support.

Council Elections

Well my first term as Grand Knight is almost over. We are starting to look for officers to service during the next Columbian year. If you have any questions about any of the Council positions please call or email me. The only requirement to hold office is that you are a Third Degree Knight.

I know some of you have thought about it but you are not sure. You may need just a little push. Well consider yourself pushed. The only way to find out if you can do it is to just do it. Call me or see me at a meeting.

Maple Shade Health Fair

On May 2, 2009 the Maple Shade Rotary and Township Council will sponsor a Health Fair in the Senior Center at the Municipal Complex, 200 Stiles Ave. from 9:00 A.M. until 12:30 P.M.

- FREE HEALTH SERVICES AND INFORMATION
- CHOLESTEROL
- BLOOD PRESSURE
- GLUCOSE TESTING
- CHIROPRACTIC SERVICES
- SEATED CHAIR MASSAGE
- OTHER SERVICE AND INFO
- FIRE, FIRST AID, AND RESCUE DEMOS

May Birthdays

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| Edward A Pfeil | Edward G. Lynch | John Obuchowski | John P. Mc Gonigle |
| Ralph O. Church IV | Robert C. Mc Gann | Steven J Patten | Thomas F. Tobin |
| Thomas M. Mc Gonigle | | | |

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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.

Legal Assistance

MATTHEW F. ALIVERNINI
General Practice Attorney
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Free Telephone Consultation
1201 Coles Lane Cinnaminson, NJ
Tel: (856) 829-8010

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

Grand Knight's Message

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

I just wanted to update everyone on some of the Council activities. First, the St. Patrick's Day Dinner we hosted was a tremendous success. As you know part of the proceeds from the dinner went to help a Parish family take their son to Minneapolis to be evaluated for a heart transplant. After deducting expenses, including the air fare and hotel, we realized a profit of \$741. Thanks to everyone involved.

We had our second Pancake Breakfast on April 5th. Only half the number of hungry supporters came that morning but we still made the same profit as we did from the first breakfast, a little over \$300. The first Pancake Breakfast was attended by 259 people. The second only had about 120. The reason for the same amount of profit was that we learned a lot from the first breakfast. On that occasion we ran short of food so we had to go out several times to purchase more. The second breakfast we had just the right amount of food and we were more frugal when serving. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Molly Kohler for her help and guidance at both of these events. Without her help things would have been very difficult. I would also like to thank my Brother Knights and our Columbiette's and Squire's for their help. It's a lot of work but we always have a great time.

Past Grand Knight Joe Badowski was the guest of honor at his testimonial dinner held March 28th at Fontana's. Everyone in attendance was thankful that Joe didn't have a basketball game to ref. It was a very enjoyable evening. Our speakers included PGK Gene Glass, Deputy Grand Knight Bob Tartaglia and Chancellor Mike Sprindis. I reviewed some of the many accomplishments made by the Council during Joe's reign. They included the formation of the Columbiette's and Squire's, volunteer Sunday at O.L.P.H. Church, Fraternal Friday, and the new format for the Navigator. His second year we achieved "Star Council" rank. Thanks, Joe for two great years. I want to thank PGK Jack Acker for making all the arrangements for Fontana's plus getting the cake and picture and all the other things he did to make that evening a success. I would also like to thank everyone who attended and my Brother Knights who spoke and presented that night.

Don't forget Elvis on the 15th. Please call Sam and purchase your tickets. We made a little money on the first fundraisers this year but we are counting on this event to bring in some much needed revenue to our General Fund. We need everyone's help and support for this to happen.

May 2009 Calendar of Events

| Day | Event | Times |
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| 3 | Rosary Rally | 3:00 PM |
| 5 | Officer's Meeting, Council Home | 7:30 PM |
| 10 | Mother's Day | |
| 12 | Business Meeting, Council Home | 8:00 PM (7:40 Rosary) |
| 13 | Fourth Degree Business Meeting, Delran | 6:45 PM |
| 15 | ELVIS | 6:30 PM |
| 15 | K of C NJ State Convention, Wildwood | |
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| 16 | Armed Forces Day | |
| 18 | Squire's Meeting | 7:00 PM |
| 19 | Surge Meeting | 7:30 PM |
| 21 | Ascension Thursday | |
| 24 | Knight Volunteer Sunday, OLPH Church | All Masses |
| 25 | Memorial Day | |
| 26 | Columbiette's Meeting, Council Home | 7:00 PM |
| 27 | Social Meeting, Council Home | 8:00 PM |
| 29 | Pool and Pocker Night, Council Home | 7:00 PM |

Community Activities

Larry York, Community Director 856-779-1696

The weekend of May 9th and 10th we will be selling Mother's Day Carnations to help "First Way". First Way helps women in "Crisis Pregnancy". This will be after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend. Knights are needed at all exits.

We are planning a Holy Hour on Monday May 18th from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM to pray for our Nation. Father Bob will lead us. Everyone is invited to attend.

On Memorial Day, May 25th, Knights and their family and friends are invited to march to remember the soldiers that have died in all our wars. We will lay a wreath. We will meet at 10:00 AM at the V.F.W. Building on Main Street and we will march to the Memorial at Main Street and Fellowship Road.

I encourage everyone to pray the Rosary and also to say the Chaplet of Mary.

Degree Report

Membership Director Sam Cerasi, 856-667-1533

There are only a few degree's scheduled.

Second Degree's:

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| May 4th | 8:30 P.M. | Hilltop |
| May 12th | 8:00 P.M. | Haddon Twp. |

Third Degree

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| June 19th | 8:30 P.M. | Haddon Twp. |
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As I have mentioned in the past if there is a degree you can attend please call me as soon as possible. The degree's fill up fast so we need to reserve your place as soon as we can. You can also call Grand Knight Jim Berg at 609-560-1209.

Cruise Raffle

Jim Berg, GK 609-560-1209

We will be selling Cruise Raffle tickets at all Masses on May 9th and 10th. We will also sell them at all Masses on May 23rd and 24th. The proceeds from this raffle will help support the Trenton Diocese Seminarians. We hear a lot about closing parishes because of the shortage of Priests. Wouldn't you like to do something about it? Here's your chance. For just \$10.00 you can take a chance on a one week Mediterranean Cruise for two, including round trip air fare from Philadelphia. There are only 3,500 tickets printed so the odds of winning are not bad. The best part is that you will be supporting our seminarians. Talk to your family and friends about this opportunity. You can purchase tickets after Mass or call me at the number above.

If you can spare a few minutes after Mass let me know. We will need people on both weekends to cover all the doors at Church.



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 |