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What Happened to My Navigator?

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I'm sure most of you are wondering what happened to the March/April Navigator. Well it was not ready at the printer until well into March. It was then taken to the Post Office. It sat there for a few days until they informed us that we had not paid our yearly Permit Fee. The Fee was actually paid in December but it took several weeks working with our Financial Secretary and Treasurer to get a copy of the cancelled check. When this was finally straightened out it was too late to mail the March/April issue.

We went to a two month issue to save money but we continue to have problems getting the newsletter out on time. One suggestion is to email a copy to all members who have an email address, then mail copies to anyone who does not. This looks like the fastest and most cost effective way to do it. To get this started I need anyone who does not receive my email updates and messages to send me their email address ASAP. My email address is iceberg5555@comcast.net.

The cost of sending the Navigator runs about \$1,200 per year. We can cut this expense plus get the newsletter to our members a lot faster with this new method but we need your help. If you can receive email please give me your address.



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Nominations and Elections

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Each year most of the Council offices are up for election. At the May Business Meeting we will take nominations for these offices. ANY THIRD DEGREE MEMBER IS ELEGIBLE TO RUN FOR ANY OFFICE. If you would like to run for an office please attend the May meeting. If you are unable to attend just ask a member who will be there to nominate you for the office. You can also call me as let me know that you are running. The Outside Guard positions are a good place to start. It gets you into the officer's ranks and allows you to get the feel of participating. Each year you will have the opportunity to move up a chair although it is not required.

At the June Business Meeting we will elect the Officers for the upcoming Columbian Year. I would like to list the officers so that you can think about running for one of the offices:

Outside Guard (2), Inside Guard, Warden, Advocate, Treasurer, Recorder, Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Three Year Trustee

If you need an explanation of the duties of any of these offices, please contact me and I will give you all of the information you need.

May Birthdays (June birthdays listed inside -->)

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			

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

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 chrisrzepski@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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Tel: (856) 829-8010

June Birthdays

David C. Rizzo	Edmund C. Vernier	Edward W Read	George F La Noce
James W. Kline III	John D. Hull	Joseph G. Boyle Jr.	Joseph J. Gillan
Joseph V. Stefanko	Leo A Naylor	Peter S Ranjo	Robert V. Barnabet
Thomas F O' Mara	Walter J. Wedzielewski		

May - June 2010 Calendar of Events

<u>Day</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Times</u>
May 2010		
2	Rosary Rally	3:00 PM
4	Officers Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
9	Mothers Day	
9	Sale of Carnations, OLPH Church	All Masses
10	Home Association, Council Home	7:30 PM
11	Business Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM (7:40 Rosary)
12	Fourth Degree Dinner Meeting, Delran Council	6:45 PM
13	Ascension Thursday	
14	K of C NJ State Convention, Wildwood	
15	K of C NJ State Convention, Wildwood	
17	Squire's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
18	Surge Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
23	Knights Volunteer Sunday, OLPH Church	All Masses
25	Columbiette's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
26	Social Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM
28	Pool and Pocker Night, Council Home	7:00 PM
31	Memorial Day	
31	Memorial Day Parade, VFW Main Street	10:00 AM
June 2010		
1	Officers Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
7	Home Association Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
8	Business Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM (7:40 Rosary)
9	Fourth Degree Dinner Meeting, Delran Council	6:45 PM
11	Fourth Degree Charity Ball, Tavistock CC	6:30 - 10:30 PM
14	Flag Day	
15	Surge Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
20	Father's Day	
21	Squire's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
22	Columbiette's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
23	Social Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM
25	Pool And Pocker Night, Council Home	7:00 PM
27	Knight Volunteer Sunday, OLPH Church	All Masses

Grand Knight's Message

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I am coming to the end of my term as Grand Knight. The past two years have gone very fast in some respects and they have gone very slow in others. I would like to thank everyone who has stepped up and helped with all of our activities. I look forward to helping our new Grand Knight and officers get started this coming Columbian Year. I have written most of the articles in the Navigator since I became Grand Knight. I am not sure if our new Grand Knight will want to do that. I am inviting all of our members to contribute by writing a piece about one of our activities. If you can write it on your computer on a WORD document, just attach it to an email to Chris Rzepski, he can then put it in the next issue. If you

have any questions or need me to explain it better, please call or email me.

When our immediate Past Grand Knight Joe Badowski was in office he instituted a number of programs and activities. My administration has been not quite as active. Our new Grand Knight will have his own agenda. One thing that is needed is participation from all of our members. Since I took my First Degree and joined Council 5714 this Council has been very easy on its members about their participation. That is one of things I liked about this Council so I don't want to change that. Because of this policy some of our events have suffered. As I move on I am asking all of our members to think about what they have contributed to this Council lately. If you feel you have done all that you can, God Bless You and I thank you for your help. If you maybe could have done a little more, now is the time to make that extra effort. We always need people to join in organizing an activity. If a few brothers each do just one thing to help it will take the pressure off of the one guy who volunteered to head the project. Please think about it. One thing will not take much of your time but it will make a big difference. Thank you all again and may God Bless you and your family.

Community Activities

Larry York, Community Director, 856-779-1696

On Mother's Day weekend, May 8th and 9th, we will be selling carnations to help First Way of West Collingswood NJ. Knights are asked to help at all the Masses. First way helps women struggling with pregnancy to keep her child or to place the child up for adoption. On Tuesday evening, May 25th we will be hosting a Holy Hour at O.L.P.H. Church from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM. On Monday, May 31st, the Knights are needed to march down Main Street in Maple Shade in the annual Memorial Day parade in honor of our fallen soldiers. We will meet at the V.F.W. Hall on Main Street at 10 AM and we will bring a wreath to be placed during the memorial service. We need as many Knights as possible to march with us.

RSVP Success

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Our R.S.V.P. Fund drive was a big success this year thanks to the help of two of our members. In past years we collected donations in front of the Maple Shade Wawa on a Friday and Saturday between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM. The past few years we were able to collect enough to support a seminarian and a novice sister with \$500.00 donations to each. Last year Wawa changed it's policy. We were only allowed to collect between the hours of 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. This severely limited our donation total. Fortunately we had enough in our Vocations Account to make up the difference. We needed to find a way to collect additional funds. Our Council Fraternal Chairman, Joe Stefanko, talked to the manager of the Main Street Acme and secured permission for us to collect on two days in March. I then got permission from Wawa to collect two days in April. The total for the two collections was \$554. Enough to support our seminarian but unfortunately not enough to donate to our novice sister. Brother Ray Cox offered a challenge to our members. He would match donations made at our Business Meeting so that we could raise the money for our novice sister. I received \$290 in pledges from our members at the meeting. We had \$193 in our fund plus the \$54 excess from the collection, gave us a total of \$537. Ray will make a donation so that we will have a carry over fund to get us started next year. Thank you Joe and Ray for making this R.S.V.P. campaign a great success.

Disability Collections

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On April 16th, 17th and 18th, Council 5714 joined many other Council's in our 2010 collection for people with intellectual disabilities. Council 5714 Fraternal Chairman, Joe Stefanko, and I Co-Chaired the event. Joe took care of the Main Street Acme and I took care of the Kingsway Acme. I want to thank everyone who was able to take some time to help with the collections. I would also like to thank everyone who wanted to help but was unable due to work or prior commitments. Last year most members were unable to help so our collection totals reflected that. This year we were able to fill almost every time slot at both Acme's. This year we were able to collect \$1,159. This amount will be divided between four schools or programs that help people with intellectual disabilities. I could never remember what the four were when someone asked me so I will list them so that everyone will know. The Programs are: **The ARC of Burlington County, St. John of God School, Bancroft Foundation, Holy Innocents Society.**

All of these schools and programs count on people and organizations to support them so it is worth the extra time and effort that it takes to collect the donations. Thank you all again. If you didn't have time to help this year don't worry. We



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

Bernard Bryson	At Home
Bill Curry	At Home
Bob Holtz [Father Bob's Dad]	Not Sure
Leonard Rzepski [Chris's Father]	Nursing Home
Michael Rusnak	At Home
Olga Balsama	At Home
Pete Ranjo (Senior)	in Veteran's Hospital, Lyons, NJ
Stanley Andiok	At Home