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Oktoberfest Sunday October 4th

Sunday October 4th we will have our annual Oktoberfest starting at 2:00 PM and running until 6:00 PM. We will have live music provided by The Kapelle Fellas. We will also have performances by the G. T. V. Almrausch dancers. There will be German and American beer along with German and American food. If you have never been to one of our Oktoberfest you owe it to yourself to come this year. If you have been there before you know it's a great time.

Navigator Going to Bimonthly Issue

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Starting next month the Navigator will be published every other month. The first issue will be Nov. – Dec. then Jan. – Feb. etc.

Our Council is suffering from the same financial problems as everyone else. Donations and money raised at our events has been far below past years. Our current checkbook balance is as low as anyone can remember. The officers and members have discussed ways to save money. Each month the cost of publishing and mailing the Navigator is about \$160.00. By going to a bimonthly issue we can save the Council almost \$2,000.00 each year.

Trying to write about things two months in advance will create problems and sometimes things will change between the time an article is written and the event takes place but we will just have to deal with those situations. We will try to let everyone know about any changes through email notices. If you have an email address and would like to be included in these updates please send me your name and email address. My email address is iceberg5555@comcast.net.

If this change proves too troublesome and our finances improve we will then revert to publishing a Navigator each month as always. **Please continue to check the website monthly for calendar updates.**

Cancer Fundraiser

Chris Rzepski 856-534-7849 or chrisrzepski@comcast.net

I want to extend a heart-felt thanks to those who either came out to our fundraiser event on September 19th or made a donation. Thanks to the fundraising efforts, my wife Jen's team met their goal to participate in the Susan G. Komen walk for cancer in October. We will continue to accept donations up until the event in October. Please visit our website at www.lauriesbreastfriends.org for details and event photos.

October Birthdays

Aloysius F. Yanas Anthony J. Marino Jr. George W. Skoviak James Gordon
Joseph F Quirolo Michael P. Lang Patrick E Mickles Peter R. Ranjo
Reverend Francisco B. Capil
William E. Reilly

**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 handwritten), 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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Grand Knight's Message

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First of all I would like to thank everyone who helped financially and/or physically with the Sidewalk Sale. The weather was iffy and we didn't know until the morning of the Sidewalk Sale whether it would be postponed or not. It turned out to be a cool cloudy day. We sold 200 hot dogs and 22 pounds of pulled pork. Unfortunately the cool weather kept out soda and water sales very low. In past years we sold between ten and twelve cases of water. This year we sold less than one. This kept our profit to a minimum. We did however have a great time working together and we now know that hot dogs and pulled pork are good items to sell. We only hope that next year will be a little warmer and sunnier.

The day after the Sidewalk Sale we had our Council Picnic. The clouds that we had to deal with on Saturday were gone and it turned out to be a perfect day and everyone had a great time. The Hot Dog Man was there as usual making the best hot dogs and hamburgers you ever tasted. There were games for the kids and adults. We had a mini Pinochle Tournament and Chancellor Mike Sprindis and I finished the day undefeated.

If you read the article about the Navigator going to a bimonthly publication you know that the Council finances are not at a comfortable level. Each month the Officer's and Director's talk about ways to save money and hopefully raise funds for our Council. One way you can help is to support our fundraising events. This month we will have our annual Oktoberfest on Sunday afternoon October 4th. November 1st we will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner. Talk to your family and friends. Try to get eight or ten people to buy tickets and you will have your own table together. The Spaghetti Dinner is the perfect opportunity to have a Sunday dinner with your family and help your Council at the same time.

October 2009 Calendar of Events

Day	Event	Times
4	Oktoberfest, Council Hall	2:00 PM
4	Respect Life Sunday, "Rose Appleque"	All Masses
6	Officer's Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
11	Right to Life Car Raffle Ticket Sales	All Masses
12	Home Association Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
12	Columbus Day	
13	Business Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM (7:40 Rosary)
14	Fourth Degree Meeting, Delran Council	6:45 PM
19	Squire's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
20	Surge Meeting, Council Home	7:30 PM
23	Pool and Poker Night, Council Home	7:00 PM
25	Knight Volunteer Sunday, OLPH Church	All Masses
27	Columbiette's Meeting, Council Home	7:00 PM
28	Social Meeting, Council Home	8:00 PM
30	Mischief Night Patrol, OLPH Parish	7PM - 9PM
31	Halloween	

Home Association Report

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Three Home Association terms (Ed Smith, Tom Murphy, and Anthony Martino) expired with September 30, 2009. Nominations for these three (Three Year Term) positions are now open until October 13, 2009, when an election will be held during the OLPH Council 5714 Business Meeting. The responsibility of the MSHA is all activity regarding maintenance, upkeep, funding and all other actions with respect to the building and grounds located at 636 N. Forklanding Rd., Maple Shade, NJ. All members of KofC Council 5714 in good standing are automatically members of the MSHA and are eligible to become a Trustee.

Community Activities

Larry York, Community Director 856-779-1696

First of all Father Parone, head of Priests For Life, has asked all of us to Fast and Pray over 40 days for the cause of Life and an end to Abortion. The dates are from September 23rd to November 2nd.

October 4th is Respect Life Sunday. Knights are needed to collect donations from the Rose for Life sale after all the Masses. The proceeds will benefit First Way of Burlington County. First Way helps women in "Crisis Pregnancy".

At 3:00 P.M. on the same day the Knights will lead the Rosary at the Fatima Shrine adjacent to John Neumann Church for the cause of Human Life.

On October 11th we will sell Car Raffle tickets on a 2010 Volvo to benefit New Jersey Right to Life. Right to Life educates us about abortion and other Life issues.

On October 25th we will pass out White Ribbons after all the Masses to kick off White Ribbon Against Pornography Week. The white ribbon sensitizes us to the harmful effects of porn and to be on guard and protect our loved ones whether it be the medium of the TV, the telephone, the computer or magazines.

Throughout the month of October I will visit the businesses of Maple Shade with a letter from the Grand Knight requesting donations to purchase Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets to benefit poor people. If you want to help please give me a call.

Finally on the first Saturday of the month there will be a 6:30 A.M. Pro Life Mass at Christ our Light Parish, formerly St. Peter Celestine in Cherry Hill. This will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration and the Rosary said at the Cherry Hill Woman's Center down the street.

Remember October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Let's continue to pray for our President, Barack Obama.

Veterans Affairs, VA Warns Veterans of Telephone Prescription Scam

WASHINGTON – The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is warning Veterans not to give credit card numbers over the phone to callers claiming to update VA prescription information.

"America's Veterans have become targets in an inexcusable scam that dishonors their service and misrepresents the Department built for them," said Dr. Gerald Cross, VA's Under Secretary for Health. "VA simply does not call Veterans and ask them to disclose personal financial information over the phone."

Veteran Service Organizations have brought to VA's attention that callers are misrepresenting the VA to gain personal information over the phone. They say VA recently changed procedures for dispensing prescriptions and ask for the Veteran's credit card number.

"VA has not changed its processes for dispensing prescription medicines," Cross said. "Nor has VA changed its long-standing commitment to protect the personal information of this nation's Veterans."

Veterans with questions about VA services should contact the nearest VA medical center or call, toll-free, 1-877-222-8387.

Columbiettes

Congratulations to the Columbiettes in officially receiving their charter at the social meeting on Wednesday, September 24th 2009. My God continue to bless their work as well as the work of the Knights and the Squires.





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
George Skoviak	At Home
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