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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights,

Please keep in your prayers Walter Pawlikowski and James Curry who both passed away recently and for their families.

Thanks to everyone who helped out with March's events: the St. Patrick's Dinner / Dance, the Monthly Communion Breakfast, the CCD First Communion Students Breakfasts and the Retarded Citizens Collection.

The Church has reserved Windward Beach for the Parish Picnic. As I mentioned last month, we are going ahead with the park for the picnic. However, in the event of rain or the likelihood of rain, we will not deploy to the park and instead will host the picnic at the Church, in the All Purpose Room. We will establish a 'Go/No Go' time for deployment on the morning of the picnic if rain is forecasted for that day.

Lastly, I would like to appoint the members of the Nominating Committee for the next Columbian Year's Slate of Officers. The Committee members are: PGK Mike Touhy, Tony Decresci and John Pierro.

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Council Meetings

8p.m. Thursday

March 13, 2008

April 10, 2008

May 8, 2008

June 12, 2008

Out of necessity, I am going to break with Council tradition and not seek a second term as Grand Knight. This is a decision that I have prayed over and wrestled with for several weeks now. To be honest with you, I simply do not have the time available to properly fulfill the duties of this position. As some of you know, earlier this year I transferred to a new Reserve unit. My new squadron conducts a lot more training and operational missions than my previous command. As a result, they demand a lot more of my time. This year already, I have missed two breakfasts, the St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance, and the January Grand Knight's Meeting due to Reserve duty. In the coming months, I will be missing another Breakfast in April and the State Convention in May and will be away for most of the month of June due to Reserve duty. As you can imagine, being away that much is placing a lot of strain on my family and I.

This Council and you my Brother Knights need and deserve a Grand Knight who can devote more time and energy to this position than I am able to give. I know that my predecessors all juggled careers and family with being Grand Knight and were successful in doing so. I have much admiration for you doing so.

So it is with the greatest of regret that I have decided not to seek the second term as Grand Knight.

I would like to end this month's message on an upbeat note. In a couple short weeks, Pope Benedict XVI will be making his first official visit to the United States as Pope. Please pray for the success of the Pope's visit and for his safety and well-being.

Vivat Jesus

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Deputy Grand Knight / Membership Committee Message

Brothers,

There is very good news. Tony and I talked to Fr. Mike about holding our Membership Blitz on April 12-13, 2008. Father looked at his calendar and agreed that we may use this weekend for recruiting for the Knights of Columbus. This will include a short speech at least 5 minutes before the beginning of each mass and a table with Knights handing out potential recruit cards at the main entrance and at the office entrance of the church. Since this will be for all masses that weekend, there is an urgent need for man-power because we will also be holding our communion breakfast on the 13th. Therefore, those who don't help with the breakfast could come in and help with the recruiting. Please give me a call at 732-920-2420 and sign up. Father agreed to letting us have only one weekend-wide recruiting campaign a year, so this is very important to our organization.

Our organ donation program is moving along and we've made several appointments to attend functions where materials can be handed out with our message. We are currently putting together a package to send to the high schools in our area so that we may speak to the students in the drivers ed and health classes about agreeing to say Organ Donor on their NJ driver's licenses. The Shield Program, which we would like to start, is a secondary priority now because we want to get to the students before summer break. I anticipate that the Shield Program will begin early this summer. We must move ahead or we will surely fall behind. We must offer an abundance of useful programs to our potential new members and those of us who are already here and looking for something else to do to serve our Lord Jesus Christ.

William Wright
Deputy Grand Knight

District Deputy Comments

Brothers,

Easter has passed and Spring is here. Now is the time to Spring into action, for your community and your Church. What Ministries in your Church are you involved in. I am sure there are some of you that are already involved in some Ministry other than the Knights, but I am sure some more could be of help. Ask your Pastor how you can help.

Speaking of help, I need your help also. I need you to help us find some new Brother Knights for the Council. This Council has lost a few members recently and I would like you to look around and help us bring in some new members. All our upcoming First Degrees will be exemplified in honor of Pope Benedict. A special certificate will be given to each new member that joins commemorating his upcoming trip to the United States. When the Supreme Knight meets with the Holy Father, he will present him with a scroll that will bear the names of all new members of the Order. Wouldn't you like to have the name of a man you sponsored on that list?

Hope to see you soon at a meeting, or at the State Convention in May.

Vivat Jesus
John A. Gazis, DD31



Knights of Columbus Council 7926



CRUISE PLANNERSSM

SAIL ABOARD THE CARNIVAL VICTORY 5 NIGHT CANADA CRUISE

MONDAY JULY 7, 2008 – SATURDAY JULY 12, 2008

MONDAY
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY

DEPART NEW YORK CITY
FUN DAY AT SEA
SAINT JOHN, NB, CANADA
HALIFAX, NS, CANADA
FUN DAY AT SEA
RETURN NEW YORK CITY

Inside Cabins **\$650.00** p.p. double occupancy
Outside Cabins **\$780.00** p.p. double occupancy
Balcony Cabins **\$880.00** p.p. double occupancy
 3rd & 4th in cabin also available

OPTIONAL CHARGES:

CANCELLATION INSURANCE
\$79.00 P.P. AGES 17 & OLDER
\$39.00 P.P. AGES 16 & YOUNGER

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April 2008

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| <u>6</u> | <u>7</u> 8pm - Assembly 2143 Meeting | <u>8</u> 8pm - First Degree @ Council 8415 | <u>9</u> | <u>10</u> 8:30 am - Atlantic City Bus Trip to Trump Marina 8pm - Council 7926 Business Meeting | <u>11</u> | <u>12</u> 2 nd NJ District meeting |
| <u>13</u> 7am – 11 am Family Communion Breakfast @ Council 7926 | <u>14</u> 8 pm - Ocean County Chapter Meeting @ Council 12620 | <u>15</u> <u>Tax Day</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>19</u> 4 th Degree Exemplification at Hamilton Square |
| <u>20</u> | <u>21</u> | <u>22</u> | <u>23</u> | <u>24</u> 8:30 am - Atlantic City Bus Trip to Trump Taj Mahal 8pm Second Degree @ Council 7926 | <u>25</u> | <u>26</u> |
| <u>27</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>29</u> 6pm Trenton Diocese Pride in our Priests Dinner | <u>30</u> | | | |

May 2008

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| <u>11</u> Mothers Day 7am – 11am Family Communion Breakfast @ Council 7926 | <u>12</u> 8pm – Chapter Meeting | <u>13</u> 8pm – First Degree @ Council 8415 | <u>14</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> State Convention @ Wildwood | <u>17</u> State Convention @ Wildwood |
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| <u>25</u> | <u>26</u> Memorial Day | <u>27</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>29</u> 8:30 am - Atlantic City Bus Trip to Trump Taj Mahal | <u>30</u> | <u>31</u> |