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To volunteer for any Committee, contact the Chairman.

We have an active schedule planned for the year, and all assistance will be greatly appreciated

Grand Knight's Log

Gospel Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

(With comments from Sr. Carol Dempsey, OP)

Christ is the Servant of the Lord

"Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. A bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for this teaching. Thus says God the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spreads out the earth with its crops, who gives breath to its people and spirit to those who walk on it: I the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness. I am the Lord, this is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the earlier things have come to pass, new ones I now foretell; before they spring into being, I announce them to you."

The person spoken of by Isaiah is sustained and chosen by God and is God's delight. Knowledge and love of God naturally overflows into serving God. Serving God is often envisioned as bowing down before God; however, it meant something different and more radical for the prophets. As an example, the servant songs (Isaiah 42:1-4, 49:1-6, 50:4-9, and others), for Isaiah, serving God meant participating in God's liberation, justice and compassion. Being a servant means full participation in God's mission and ministry.

We Knights embody God's servant, serving others by leading them into the fullness of life-into the sacred presence at the heart of all that exists while providing them with the vision of God's vision for all: "See, I am making all things new."

Brothers, come and join us, God's servants, so that we may share our blessings (from God) with our church, priests and community.



KNIGHTS VS. YOUTH

SOFTBALL GAME

Sat. Aug 25 from 10-2
Freeman Park Field #1

Happy August Birthday to Terry Glaser, Isaac Davidson, Patrick Geoghegan, James Loeffel, Norman Hamby, Edward Kitts, Timothy Tansey, Nornam Sobota, Michael Tullos, Michael Paulson, Daniel Hill, Anthony De Luco, Steven Reed, Robert Skinner, Stephen Croxdale, Markham Watson, Roger Peck, John Angotti, CJ Burti, Patrick Tansey, Bruce Burton, Joseph Orsak, William Carpenter, James Webb, Gary Lisco, and Louis Myers

News and Updates

Dust off your baseball glove because it's time again for the Annual Knights of Columbus Youth Softball game. All Knights and Youth Group members are invited and if you're not a Knight or part of our Youth group, this is a great event to get you involved. We had a record turn out last year and expect to see a lot of new faces this year. You don't even have to play....we have more spectators than week-end warriors. Come join us Saturday, August 25th at Freeman Park on Field #1 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. Free drinks and food will be supplied by the Knights. For more information, call Eddie Robinson at 382-4835.



<http://www.msairshow.com/main/index.php>

This year's event will be September 22 and 23 at Millington Regional Jetport.

Do you want to volunteer to work this worthwhile event? Please contact

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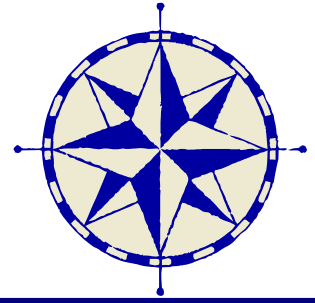
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VIVAT JESUS

CJ Burti

News and Updates (continued)

Ed Kitts is selling Council 7170 writing pens for \$1.
The MR Drive will receive 25 cents for every pen purchased.



COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- ◆ 8/2 - 7:00 Business Meeting
- ◆ 8/3 - Adoration
- ◆ 8/3 - 9 - 125th Supreme Convention in Nashville
- ◆ 8/8 - 7:00 Squires Meeting
- ◆ 8/16 - 7:00 Social Meeting
- ◆ 8/18 - 4th Degree Exemplification
- ◆ 8/25 - 10:00 - 2:00 Softball Game - Knights vs. Youth

SEPTEMBER

- ◆ 9/2 - 7:00 Officers Meeting
- ◆ 9/5 - 6:15 1st Degree
- ◆ 9/5 - 7:00 Business Meeting
- ◆ 9/7 - Adoration
- ◆ 9/9 - Sunday Breakfast
- ◆ 9/12 - 7:00 Squires Meeting
- ◆ 9/22 - 9/23 - Mid South Air Show in Millington
- ◆ 9/30 - 7:00 Officers Meeting

Dep. Grand Knight's Log

Brothers...

July and August are typically slow months at the start of the new fraternal year, and this year is no different. Mostly we've been meeting with committee chairs and setting up programs and working on the budget and the calendar of events is starting to take shape.

On July 22nd and 23rd a group of 13 of us prepared and served a spaghetti dinner to almost 200 students and advisors from the Shine Catholic Youth Camp who were staying at St. Benedict. It was well received by the Shine group and we got many compliments from them (and many came back for second and third helpings). Thanks to the following for their help...

Joe DeGeorge, Tony Mulrooney, Ed Wiseman, TJ Skinner, Bob Skinner, Mike Fultz, Ray Meadows, David Sobczak, Eddie Robinson, Terry Glaser, Pat Casey, and CJ Burti

If we continue to get this kind of support for our events this will be a GREAT year.

Next up is the Knights vs. Youth Softball Game/Cookout in August and we hope to see you all there. Lastly, I'm sure we all know of at least one Brother Knight who no longer participates in meetings or the events we share with the parish. I'm challenging each of you who do to contact a fellow Knight and ask him to join us at the August meeting. Then let's see if we can't get him to show up for the softball game or the Air Show or the Dog Show or even the Social meeting on the 3rd Thursday of August and enjoy some fellowship.

Vivat Jesus!

Frank Hess

Deputy Grand Knight

ST. JUDE SHOWCASE OF DOGS OCTOBER 12TH, 13TH, & 14TH 2007 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7170 BARTLETT

St. Jude Showcase of Dogs will once again be held at the Agri-Center. This is a great event filled with lots of fun for dog lovers and their families. Proceeds go to the St. Jude Children's Hospital. Our Knights council will be handling the ticket booths and parking again this year. Our council benefits financially from working this event as we have for the last couple of years. We need many volunteers for each of the three days.

Wives and older children are welcome to assist as they have in the prior years.

Any questions please contact:

Frank Hess- ph- 385-2126, e-mail rfhessj@gmail.com

We will be having a St. Jude Dog Show meeting on Wednesday Oct. 3rd at 6:30pm in McGivney Hall. Please try to attend this meeting if possible.

Membership News

From the desk of Bob McCurdy . . .

NEW YEAR - Yes Brothers, it is a new year and we want to start BIG!

Everyone can recruit one new member.

But recruit two - a weekend at Hot Springs

Recruit three - a weekend at New Orleans

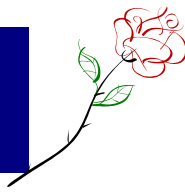
Recruit four - a weekend at Atlanta

Recruit five - a weekend at New York City

And for a half dozen (that's 6) a weekend at Paris

NOW let's get started - remember everyone can win and the real winners are the new brothers.

Pro Life



I just read a heart wrenching account from a young college student, was raped in an elevator and became pregnant. If anyone ever had a “right” to an abortion, she did. Or did she?

She thought she did at first. Having been raised in a proper Christian home and taught that she should go to school, work hard and do something good with her life, all she could think of was that she was now a shameful statistic...”another black girl pregnant out of wedlock” she told herself. She wrestled with the reactions she thought she would get from her church, her friends and most of all, her parents when they all found out. She couldn’t look anyone in the eye for fear she would give away her secret and be shunned by those most important to her, no matter what the circumstances of her pregnancy. She was certain she could not handle their disappointment and so broke down and scheduled an abortion.

To show you how “not in control” we are, the first appointment was canceled because the abortion clinic only took cash and this young lady only had a check. Silly, right? I see God at work in this story. Attempt number two ended when she walked into the clinic looking for a little sympathy from the staff and was instead met with a cold, calculated and uncaring “Do you have proper payment?” Thankfully, the disinterested receptionist caused something to snap inside this already confused girl and she left without saying a word.

Long story short, after much pain and suffering both physically and mentally she delivered the child which was immediately put up for adoption. It was like the second “sign” at the clinic was enough to make her see that for her sanity and her moral health, she was meant to have the baby. And to her surprise, she received more understanding and support from her parents, friends and church than she dreamed possible.

She now has two toddlers with her husband, and keeps in touch with her first daughter, revels in her daughter’s inner and outer beauty and knows that she made the right decision by giving the world this wonderful person.

I wonder how many of the millions of mothers who have aborted since 1973 misread their relationships and opted to abort when really they might have been surprised by the understanding and support that those around them may have displayed given half a chance. And I wonder how many were forced or coerced into an abortion by disappointed and embarrassed parents or by boyfriends/husbands which causes the woman a whole new set of emotional problems. Either way these women and children need our prayers. Won’t you set aside a few moments each day to pray for an end to abortion?

Choose Life
Frank Hess
Pro-Life co-Chair

Teen pregnancy

About 30% of pregnant teens choose to have an abortion. About 60% of women under age 18 having an abortion have a parent who knows of the abortion; the majority of these parents support their daughters’ decision. (In the United States, some states require a parent’s consent for women under the age of 18 before they can have an abortion. In these states, however, a minor has the right to seek a court order allowing an abortion without a parent’s consent. For more information, contact your closest Planned Parenthood or other family planning clinic.)

The most common reasons that teens and young women choose to have an abortion include:

Awareness that they are not mature enough to have a child.

Knowledge that they are financially not able to support or care for a child.

Concern that having a baby would change their lives and compromise their (and a child’s) future-many young mothers don’t ever manage to get the education and employment necessary to raise their child above the poverty line.

<http://women.webmd.com/tc/Abortion-Reasons-Women-Choose-Abortion>

Squires Circle

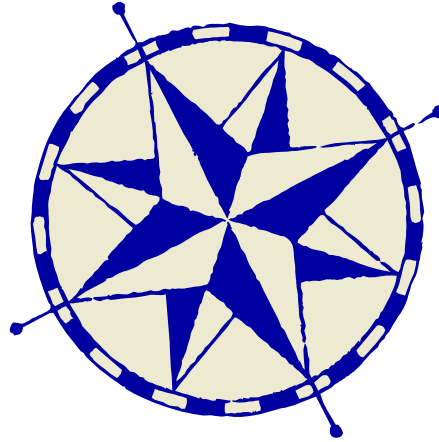
The Squires installed their officers for the new fraternal year at their last meeting. Andrew DeGeorge was elected Chief Squire, Kyle McCaffery was elected Deputy Chief Squire, Matthew Murphy was elected Notary, and John Williams was elected Bursar. Father John Hourican has agreed to replace Father Peter and become the circle’s new Father Prior.

The next Squires meeting will be at 7 PM on August 9th.

**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING – Thursday, August 2 7:00 P.M. McGivney Hall
Rosary, upstairs in St. Joachim Chapel, begins 6:15 P.M.**



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