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Be There To Win

At every meeting, attendees have the option of participating in the Attendance Award drawing for \$1 each.

The name drawn for the July 14 meeting was *Frank Salatto* who was not present. The money collected at meetings in which there is no winner is placed in the fund until a winner is picked at a future meeting.

There was no 50/50.



Pray the Rosary Daily

GK's Report

My Brothers All:

On July 16, we celebrated the installation of the new officers for the coming Columbian Year. You will see an insert in this edition of the Blue Mantle listing those who helped make it an exceptional night. Another group that joined us to make the night even better was the five widows of brother knights who joined us. They were Mrs. Peggy Cattafesta, Mrs. Edith Galvin, Mrs. Mary Girardi, Mrs. Marty Piper, Mrs. Terry Sullivan, and Mrs. Elizabeth Myracle. Each was presented a rose of appreciation by Miss Vickie Hafey, daughter of our Worthy Warden James Hafey and his wife Thi. My sincerest thanks to them and to all who attended and celebrated with us.

You will also see an expanded schedule of events. Our program theme this year is "Match your faith with good works". In his homily at the installation Mass, our Chaplain, Father Cortinovic, called us to action saying, that we need to be the men of Christ we are called to through the our Faith and the Knights of Columbus. Please take a good look at the schedule and find some event in which you can become involved. While we have an ambitious schedule this year and many people are already working very hard to accomplish it, we can always use more help and involvement. Additionally, new ideas to serve God's people are welcome, but, I must tell you that if you come up with a good idea and the Council leadership approves it, we will look to you to lead it with all the support the Council can give.

One of the ways that we are trying to expand our communications with Council members is the establishment of a calling tree. Brother Frank Della Penna is leading this effort. If you have already agreed to help, THANK YOU. If he calls, please offer to help by calling five or six brothers when the need exists. Also, watch your emails for announcements reminding you of coming events.

In the near future we will begin our annual incentive raffle, better known as the car raffle. This year first prize is a **2012 FORD MUSTANG!!!!** Second place is an iPad, third place is a \$200 gas card. Each member of the Council will receive a packet of tickets. Please return them quickly with your check. This program provides us with a major part of our operating funds for the year because we get to keep sixty percent of what we raise. The remaining amount goes into the State Scholarship Fund. Both are important and worthy of your participation. Also in the packet will be an envelope for the annual State Council Charity Fund Drive, your generosity will help allow the State Council to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

We have begun our journey for the Columbian Year, pray for us, join us and together we will make this an exceptional year.

God Bless You All!

Vivat Jesus!

Peter Anton Zaudtke, Sr PGK, FDD
Grand Knight



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Match Your Faith With Good Works!!

Installation Special Thanks

Holy Mass

Father Cortinovis, Council Chaplain
Deacon Carbonell, Council Associate Chaplain

Installation Ceremony

District Deputy Richard Earenfight, PGK
District Warden Wes Chin, PGK

Installation Reception

PGK Wilsie Adams, FN,
Master Of Ceremonies

State Program Director Sam Orlando, PGK
Keynote Speaker

Miss Vickie Hafey
Recognition Rose Presenter

First Lady Chickie Zaudtke, Decoration Chair
Mrs. Marty Piper, Decorator
Mrs. Eleanor Scott, Decorator
Robert Scott, Decorator

Richard Bianchi, Bar Manager
Ray Gasper, Bartender
Eric Gregerich, Bartender

PGK Richard Jasinski, Head Chef
PGK Bill Shaffer, Chef
PGK Tony Camarotta, Chef
Frank Della Penna, Chef
William O'Sullivan, Chef
William Wilkinson, Chef
Paul Sullivan, Chef
Jack Phillips, Chef



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Schedule of Activities

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
August 2	7:30	Executive Committee Meeting Trustee GAS Distribution Recommendation
August 11	8:00	Business Meeting @ St. Raphael's Raffle Ticket/State Charity Drive Package Preparation
August 13	9:00-3:00	Manna Food Drive @ St. Raphael's & Our Lady of Mercy Contact: Bill Wilkinson 301-770-2300 @ St Raphael's Wilsie Adams 301-924-1422 @ Our Lady of Mercy
August 21		Special Coffee and Donuts for Recruitment After all Masses Volunteers Needed Contact: Bill Wilkinson 301-770-2300
August 23		1st Degree Open House Volunteers Needed to welcome and inform prospective candidates Contact: Bill Wilkinson 301-770-2300
August 25	7:30	1st Degree Exemplification in Duffy Center, St. Raphael's
August 27 (Tentative)	7:00	GAS Distribution Dinner, Trumpet Room, St. Raphael's Bartending, Cooking Volunteers Needed Contact: Joe Doane 301-983-1578
August TBD		Family Baseball Game at Key's Stadium, Frederick, MD Details to be published by email and calling tree
September 4		Coffee & Donuts After All Masses Volunteers Needed, Contact Joe Doane at
September 6	7:30	Executive Committee Meeting
September 8	8:00	Business Meeting @ St. Raphael's
September 22	8:00	Social Meeting @ St. Raphael's There will be a presentation by either our Chaplain, Fr. Cortinovis, or another speaker of interest. Any suggestions, should Fr. Cortinovis, not be available?
September TBD		Service Day @ Either Rockville, or, Shady Grove Pregnancy Center Contact: Greg Maier 301-762-5453 Details to be published by e-mail and calling tree
September TBD		Father Son Trip to USMC Museum, Quantico, VA Trip organizer needed contact Joe Doane 301-983-1578 to volunteer Details to be published by e-mail and calling tree

DD's Letter

Worthy Brothers All,

As *Knights of Columbus* we embrace a legacy that defends religious freedom supplies a safety net for families in need and embracing those on the margins whether they be the unborn or those with disabilities. Let others know who we are and what we stand for. Share the good that that we do whenever you can, and if you need help visit the Supreme Website and view the new media commercials that express this point in a stunning and impressive visual manner. Each of the four commercials are available

on the main page of kofc.org. Make these presentations part of any recruitment effort you plan for the upcoming year.

Take a minute to jot down these dates of upcoming events scheduled this fall. The **Columbus Day Ball** is October 8 at La Fontaine Bleue and the **State Memorial Mass** is November 13. If you are football fan, plan to attend the **Navy Game** on November 5. These three events build fraternity and provide an opportunity to meet knights and their families from across the state. These events allow us to share our common bonds

with our families and reach out beyond our council meetings and degree ceremonies. If you have not attended one of these events before do so. If it has been a while since you have attended, make it a goal this year to attend at least one of the three. These events allow us to share a common bond of faith and friendship that stretch beyond our parishes and councils. I encourage you to speak with your fellow knights and sign up as and attend.

Vivat Jesus!

Richard Earenfight
District Deputy

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE COUNCIL JULY SEMINAR ON MEMBERSHIP AND PROGRAMS

Program Chairs and their respective committee members and fellow Knights, please be reminded that on Thursday, 7/28/11 at 7:30 PM, representatives from the State Council will be on hand along with a treasure trove of materials for the Membership and Program Seminar, to be held at Good Counsel High School, in Olney, Md. This is an excellent opportunity to network with counterparts from other councils and bounce ideas about as well as obtain materials for the respective programs for this year. For any brother Knight that wishes to attend, but needs transportation, please contact: our Worthy Chancellor: Joe Doane at [\(301\) 983-1578](tel:3019831578).



Jose Carbonell, knight and deacon

The Making of a deacon

July 4, 2011

On Saturday, June 25, 2011 Cardinal Wuerl pressed his hands onto the head of Jose Carbonell and onto the heads of three other men and the four were ordained Deacons of the Church of Washington. The pressing of hands is a part of an ancient liturgy that dates back to the earliest Church.

The Ordination ceremony was the culmination of five years of study and formation.

The journey to the diaconate began much earlier. Several years before entering the training, Jose was in the midst of a particularly stressful time of life and found himself kneeling in the last pew of his parish church in Virginia. In the midst of anxious petitions, he experienced a flood of insight into the depths of God's love, and heard within himself the words, "come up to the front". He kept quiet about the experience for a long time, and

wondered about the meaning of the words, but decided to engage in parish activities as a way of gaining clarity. Eventually, he described the incident to Deacon Salatto, who recognized it as "a call". Jose continued to search for greater clarity through an expansion of his parish ministry. One day Jose's wife, Sharon, saw a bulletin advertisement for the Diaconate, and suggested to Jose that he apply for the training. Jose contacted the Office of the Diaconate, and investigated the program, but quickly decided that the time requirement would be too demanding for him and for the family. Then five years ago, Jose and Sharon, attended a volunteer thank-you party at St. Raphael, and Fr. Bill Finch approached them and challenged Jose with the words, "what do I have to do to get you to consider becoming a deacon?" Jose and Sharon made the decision to enter the program shortly thereafter. Jose contacted the Diaconate Office,

and this time he was much more confident of his ability to juggle the workload successfully.

The Diaconate Office requires that wives of candidates be fully involved in the decision to enter training, and that married candidates place their marriage vows in a priority position. With four young children at home, and a time consuming professional career, the juggling can be intense. On one occasion the Diaconate Office scheduled a weekend retreat on the same dates that Jose and Sharon had plans for a vacation with their children and some close friends. Jose recalls that Sharon was quiet about his decision to attend the retreat, but was relieved when he called home on his way to the retreat to say, "wait for me" and returned home for the vacation trip. Jose credits the graces from the formation process for allowing them to make good family decisions, and expects the graces to

continue along with the juggling.

As a Deacon at St. Raphael, Jose will work in the ministry of Marriage and Family Life, and will also work as Assistant Chaplain to the Mater Dei Council. He and Sharon are delighted with the enthusiastic response of parishioners to his assignment.

Jose submitted the following biographical sketch to the Diaconate Office for publication in the Catholic Standard, and it is included here in case some Knights missed the article.

Biography

Jose Raul Carbonell was born and grew up in Puerto Rico. He attended the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez earning a bachelors of science in mechanical engineer in 1989. After graduation, he began working as an intelligence analyst

for the US Air Force in Dayton, OH and relocated to the Pentagon three years later. Jose attended George Mason University and completed a masters in business administration in 1996. After ten years of civil service, he left the federal government and has been working as a government consultant since. For the last six years he has been with the firm Booz Allen Hamilton supporting a wide variety of government agencies.

Jose met his wife Sharon, also from Puerto Rico, on St. Patrick's Day and they have been married for fifteen years. They have three sons and one daughter. Jose and Sharon have been active in their parish, St. Raphael's in Rockville, since moving to Maryland from Virginia in December of 2000. They initially got involved with a parents' cooperative taking

care of small children while their parents attended Mass and later were active with the Respect for Life Committee, chairing it for three years. They are both Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion with Sharon being the coordinator. Jose has also been involved with children's liturgy, CCD, lector, and is finishing his three-year term as a member of the parish council this year. He is a third degree Knight of Columbus of St. Raphael's Mater Dei Council.

Six years ago, Sharon suggested to Jose to consider becoming a deacon but he thought at the time that the formation process would be too time consuming. A year later he was approached again by his pastor and this time it felt right.



'Year of the Volunteer' membership campaign

Being a Knight, the following excerpt from the Supreme website is not a new concept to you: "Volunteerism is not just a giving of time – but of ourselves. By this gift, we are doing far more than counteracting the economic recession. We are building a nation of neighbors helping neighbors, making each of us more fulfilled as individuals, and creating a solidarity that makes us more united as communities and as a nation", said Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, during his opening remarks at the Neighbors Helping Neighbors: Summit on Volunteerism as a Response to the Economic Crisis sponsored by the Order in February 2009.

The theme for the 2010-11 membership campaign "The Year

of the Volunteer" follows this call to service by not only asking Knights and their families to serve, but to encourage them to bring men with a similar commitment to helping others into our Order – increasing our ability to serve our neighbors. Through our actions supporting the various Church ministries and community needs, we show prospects firsthand the great work that our Order does and by encouraging them to join the Knights of Columbus.

Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and well-being of our council and the Order. Offering a man membership in the Knights of Columbus gives him the opportunity to improve his own life and his community. Membership allows him to experience the fraternal bond that Knights share while growing closer to his family and faith.

Can it not be said that at one time or another that each Knight had been "Guided not only by our belief in God and the Catholic Church, but by our belief in each other, and in ourselves. We are the Knights of Columbus. Believing that a man is defined by his actions as a follower of God, and as a leader in his community. Believing that a man is more than simply a man, when he bears the title of Knight."

As such, the Mater Dei officers have set a very lofty goal this year to recruit at least 40 new members into its fold. To achieve this goal, there will be at least four open houses this year along with four 1st degrees to be split equally between parishes at St. Raphael and Our Lady of Mercy. The first of which will be conducted the week of August 21st. There is much to do before then in terms of training and establishing structure for the recruitment process. Get on the ground floor for this most worthy of efforts to bring in new men as a means to renew the vigor of our council as we move forward. The time commitment is expected to be approximately 24 hours (or 4 hours per quarter) per committee member during the 2011-12 Columbian year. In closing, contact our Worthy **Membership Director, Brother Bill Wilkinson at (301) 770-2300**, and become a member of the recruitment team that approaches *all* Catholic men and their families to sell them on the benefits of joining the Knights of Columbus. To learn more about KOC recruitment, please go to: <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/membership/campaign/index.html>

Faithfully,

TJ Radovich, DGK

Fraternal Benefits

A WAY OF LIFE

When was the last time you wife went shopping for the day and left you to mind the children? How would you handle this responsibility day after day, plus having to work?

When I ask this question, I find that most of our members have closed their minds to this possibility. Unfortunately, it does happen, you know. No man likes to place a monetary value on his spouse. But money is the only thing that will give you a fighting chance to keep a semblance of a home for your kids should anything happen to your wife.

Many insurance men call it "wife insurance". I like to call it "**way of life**" insurance. Call me today for an appointment. I want to hear from you.

Fraternally,

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The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you, O virgin of virgins, my Mother. TO you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Knight's Prayer

Mary, Queen of the Knights

Our Lady, Queen of the knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to the pledge to extend the kinship of thy Divine Son on earth.

Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace ever to exemplify in our lives, the virtues which should characterize those specially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court.

Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged and our Order appreciated.

Accept O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion of thy servants, the Knights of Columbus. Amen.

Sullivan Brothers Officers Investiture

Sullivan Brothers Assembly Invitation

You are cordially invited to attend the Investiture of the Sullivan Brothers Assembly Officers.

Place: Our Lady of Mercy Church, Potomac, MD

Date: August 27, 2011

Time: Mass 9:00 AM

Investiture-Shortly after Mass

Brunch- After the investiture in the Kennedy Room at Our Lady of Mercy School.

Guest Speaker: SK, Brigadier General Guy T. Cosentino

Dress: Officers will wear White Tuxedo. **Others:** Business Suit. **Ladies:** Sunday Dress

Please RSVP by August 20th to:

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