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Grand Knight's Report

All Saints Compass

Brothers,

This newsletter was supposed to be dated December 1st and sent out the last week of November to cover our all our November activities. It is very late because of our numerous council activities, the time put in on the Church Directory Project, and the intense demands of the holidays. Even our Oktoberfest slid into November because of the local flooding of our picnic venue.

The council continues its rapid growth with 312 members consisting of 63 first degree, 25 second degree, 129 third degree, and 95 fourth degree brothers. This is a very healthy distribution. We will continue to stress the migration of the two lower degrees into the full knight-hood third degree. Our elite fourth degree Color Corps membership shows steady growth as well and stands at a record number. Thank you all for your faithful participation.

This newsletter will highlight the 11 new Sir Knights from the Atlanta Westin Hotel ceremony on November 7th and the ten new brothers from the November 17th first degree at McGivney. In December we hold a second degree to complete the cycle.

Our Oktoberfest was very well attended in a park that was just recovered from massive flooding and was in remarkable shape under the circumstances. Special thanks go out to Bob Heald and the kind folks of the Rivermont Homeowners Association. Our parish clergy all attended for the first time and were impressed with our outing.

If you attended our Veteran's Day Cookout, you witnessed the most moving flag retirement ceremony that I have ever seen. Our Boy Scout Troop 434 under Jerry Travers did an outstanding job of staging a presentation that included many of our veterans and the scouts had a record contingent of their young men present as well.

This year we ventured into a new concept in education with a **Christian Fatherhood Seminar Series** being taught in McGivney in cooperation with the All Saints Adult Education Department. The series featured eight individual classes covering various topics important to fathering young children.

The class had about a dozen attendees and concluded with a special "enthronement" ceremony in McGivney to bless portraits of the Sacred Heart to be placed very prominently in the respective homes of those families participating. Brother Father Higgins did the honors.

My thanks to the six brothers who set up the Christmas tree and train in the rectory. These important work detail events often get overlooked and overshadowed by other more glamorous services and events we sponsor within the parish. These things make the parish run smoothly.

At this mid-point of the fraternal year, we turn our thoughts to perpetuation of the council leadership offices. After two years of being your Grand Knight, I will be stepping down as such on July 1st of next year.

All elected offices are up for consideration by brothers of at least 3rd degree at the June meeting, and the five council event chairmanships may be filled by members of any degree. Our three trustees will form the nucleus of a search committee to poll interest in council leadership. Our Warden position recently became vacant and we query your interest immediately to fill the unexpired term.

You will note on page 9 of this newsletter that an unusually high number of persons are being remembered by us who have recently passed away. We believe this sad trend will continue into the Christmas season based on the additional persons who are seriously sick.

I recently lost my best friend, the godfather of my son, who passed away at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Smyrna. I was very honored to serve in his Honor Guard. This is why we become fourth degree Sir Knights. Special service at a funeral is the highest form of prayer and remembrance.

Returning to the world of the living, I was again amazed at the number of our brothers who have been married 50 or more years. I counted 35 such brothers—over eleven percent of the council. And many of these have been married 60 or more years. A tribute to Catholic marriage.

It is the custom of our Order to award certificates to those reaching either of those milestones. It will be my honor to award three fifty year and three sixty year anniversary certificates to couples at this year's Christmas Party. You may note in this newsletter that Brother Bill O'Brien and wife Betty will celebrate their sixty year marriage anniversary on Christmas Day!

It is my hope that all of you have a very blessed and safe Christmas and New Year.

Vivat Jesus,
Lou



Newest 1st Degree Brothers on November 17th



Frederic Alexandre



Greg Bankston



Adam Cabibi



Randy Ceryan



Cliff Chapman



Chris Doyle



Will Estes



Larry Heiman



Gene Pawlak



George Swartz

These ten new exemplified brothers, plus the transfer of Daryl J. Thomas from a Phoenix council (no picture for him yet), swelled our council ranks to 312 — just prior to the charter of Mary Our Queen Council. That new council will see about 20 of our current brothers transfer to that new Norcross council.

Brothers Frederic Alexandre and Larry Heiman (above) are the tenth and eleventh members being brought into our council with the express purpose of immediate transfer to MOQ. Several veteran members of 11402 are also MOQ parishioners and will be transferring. MOQ pastor, Father Dye, will also become a knight and join his own organization.

Because the chartering of that council has been delayed until January, we should see yet another group of new brothers temporarily swelling our numbers even further on January 19th. Frank Callan is working hard to see that we recruit many of our 50 or so interested candidates.

“Fathers For Good” Seminar /Sacred Heart Enthronement



Jeff Durthaler and Mike Tobia (shown above) conducted an eight week seminar for fourteen young parish fathers called “*Fathers for Good*” that taught them to be great Catholic fathers. McGivney Hall was used as a multimedia center in conjunction with the All Saints Adult Education Department. It stands as a high-water mark in our attempts to provide seminars of interest by our council.

The “graduation ceremony” of this program was a classic “enthronement ceremony” that featured the blessing of a sacred heart portrait or statue to be prominently placed in each home. It was followed by a reception. Father Higgins graced our hall for the very first time and was very impressed with both our program and our organization.

Continuing Charitable/Benevolence Efforts

Our council benevolence continued at the December Business Meeting and during the entire preceding month of October:

- The Charity Review purchased the memorial bench for Bill Lehman and it was installed at the base of the tall church steps on the rectory side. A ceremony by Monsignor and Greg Crnkovich made it a very special occasion.
- The Council sent a donation of **\$420** to missionary Brother Gray Plunkett in Benin, Africa who asked for emergency funding. Several brothers sent other private donations.
- The council donated and prepared turkeys for the Pre-School Thanksgiving Feast. Hope Long sent us a nice "thank you" card.
- The Charity Review committee recommended a Scholarship donation of **\$500** for the Holy Redeemer Catholic Elementary School in Johns Creek. It passed.
- Brothers and wives continued intense effort on the Church Directory Project.
- Six brothers erected the rectory Christmas tree and train.
- Our acolyte team continued its unbroken service to parish funerals.
- Our 4th degree Sir Knights continued their Honor Guard activities.



A Smile from God

Sir Knight Bill Lehman Memorial Bench Dedication

On a beautiful Sunday morning in November, the brothers dedicated a new memorial bench to deceased Sir Knight Bill Lehman in the exact spot where he had stood to sell our council and other church items. Monsignor Kiernan and Greg Crnkovich gave short speeches.

Monsignor made it a special ceremony by directing the Mass procession out the rectory door to bless the bench and plaque in sight of the exiting congregation. Bill's widow, Mary Ann, was a special observer and was graciously welcomed to a front row seat. We will all remember Bill as we pass by this lovely memorial to a great and gentle brother.



Upcoming Exemplification Opportunities

During the next few months, local Brothers will have the opportunity to advance to various degrees within the Order. First, second, and third degree exemplifications will be held at convenient times and locations to take members to the highest levels to which they may aspire.

2nd Degree Exemplification — was held on December 12th at All Saints. Eleven of our brothers participated out of 27 candidates total.

1st Degree Exemplification — will be held at 7:30 PM at McGivney Hall. Candidates should arrive by 6:45 PM. Coat and tie is appropriate. Pictures will be taken.

3rd Degree Exemplification — will be held on Saturday morning, January 23, at Notre Dame Academy in Duluth, GA. Host council is St. Monica. Time and address to be announced.

Newest Sir Knights on November 7th



Council 11402 was proud to send a record number of 11 men to the fourth degree ceremony.

Family relations were evident. Mark Foster is the stepson of Ed Trainor. Guy Stryker is the father and grandfather of Carl Stryker and Greg Moss.

Our contingent of fourth degree Sir Knights now numbers 95. This is larger than many councils in their entire membership. We hope that they will become Honor Guards. 5

Veterans Day/Flag Retirement Observances

Our November 15th Veterans Day Flag Retirement Cookout featured more veterans, more Boy Scouts, more Honor Guard, and more observers than ever before.

The retirement ceremony was very moving because so many older veterans took part and showed their obvious love of country.

The weather was magnificent and it was a memorable afternoon outside and inside our McGivney Hall.

Our thanks to Dennis Caniglia and Joe Fuentes for their hard work in the kitchen.



The 12 Days of Christmas—Secret Coded Meaning

Most everyone knows that the 12 days of Christmas extend from Christmas Eve until The Epiphany (Feast of the Three Kings), usually celebrated about January 4th on the Catholic Church calendar. But the words of the popular Christmas Carol about those twelve days are much more baffling.

What in the world do leaping lords, French hens, swimming swans, and especially the partridge who won't come out of the pear tree have to do with Christmas? Here is the answer.

From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics.

It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember.

The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.

Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments.

Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love.

The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.

The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.

Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit--Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.

The eight maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes.

Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit--Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control.

The ten lords a-leaping were the ten commandments.

The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples.

The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

So there is your history for today, both interesting and enlightening. Now you know how that strange song became a very Catholic Christmas Carol...so pass it on if you wish.

Knights Co-sponsor Dunwoody Fall Festival

Our Dunwoody Chamber of Commerce approached the Council this year to serve as co-sponsors of the **First Annual Dunwoody Fall Festival** to be held at Dunwoody Village. We were given the option of vending one of several types of foods. Using our mobile cooker would be a “no-brainer.”

Participation involved an upfront fee and a percentage of gross sales to the festival, but we decided that even a breakeven situation would be welcome as council recognition and partnership formation with yet another community organization of recognized standing.

We chose to vend hotdogs, Italian sausages, corn-on-the-cob, beverages, and also enter the chili cook-off competition. Shown here the two booths that we manned. Sales were brisk, the total crowd was estimated at 5,000 visitors, and we actually made several hundred dollars of profit from the long day's work.

Next year's festival is certain to be even larger, possibly extend a whole weekend, and we look forward to participating again. The All Saints Women's Guild has asked if they might participate alongside us next year with baked goods. We expect to have a solid All Saints footprint at future festivals.



Our Council Birthdays, Anniversaries, Intentions

December Birthdays (date)

Dennis Mackin	1st
Ralph Stinson	2nd
Franz Brucks	3rd
Randy Compton	4th
Jim Snoddy	4th
Tom Mix	5th
Walt Banasik	7th
Jim Mammoser	9th
Pat Casey, Sr.	10th
Jean-noel Pennachi	11th
Scott Pohar	11th
Carl Stryker	11th
Marty Benson	13th
Marcus Carroll	13th
Jim Rainsford	14th
Lazaro Gutierrez	17th
Stephen Kapusta	20th
Warren Vicknair	20th
John Beadles	23rd
Bill Luckert	23rd

December Birthdays (date)

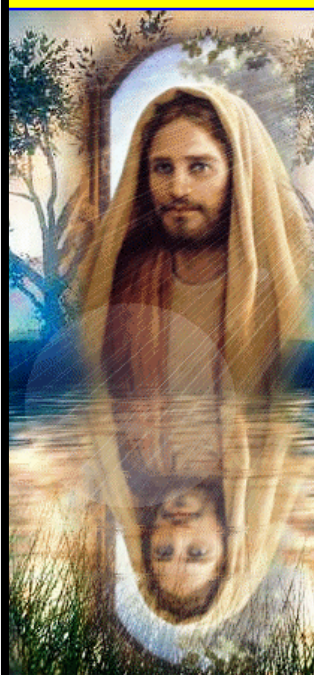
Doug Birkbeck	25th
David Riedinger	26th
Scott Woods	27th
Matt Dewhurst	28th
Greg Garneau	28th
Benny Mastrogiovanni	28th
John Lynch	31st



December Wedding Anniversaries

<u>Date</u>		<u>Years</u>
25th	Bill & Betty O'Brien	60
7th	Bob & Alice Heald	57
27th	Ron & Roxanne Hedin	51
24th	Andy & Peggy Diaz	49
14th	Rod & Kathleen Austin	41
1st	Joe & Dolores Mitchell	36
6th	Tom & Rita Mix	34
21st	Michael & Katrina Smith	34
28th	Stephen & Julie Neri	18
10th	Bhavani & Radhika Kalagar	
	Polimetla	9
2nd	Joe & Melissa Burum	3
16th	Ryan & Rachael Leurck	3

Ora Pro Nobis



Daily Prayers for Friends and Loved Ones:

Bill Allen's wife, Tisha
 Matt Dewhurst's mother, Marguerite Dewhurst
 Pat Fahey's wife, Jackie
 Joe Fuentes' mother, Theresa Fuentes
 Jim Herbig's wife, Judy
 Lou Hlad's sister, Veronica Hlad
 Gert Kampfer's mother, Herta Götthanns, 92
 Tom King's wife, Glenda
 John Nuzzulo's mother, Dorothy Nuzzulo
 John Nuzzulo's mother-in-law, Doris Schuller
 John Paul's mother, Susan
 Sam Portis' daughter, Abbey
 Jim Rainsford's wife, Eileen
 Jean-Paul Roy's wife, Antonette
 Fred Schlitt's wife, Margaret
 Ralph Stinson's wife, Mary Jane

Your constant prayers are requested for our beloved deceased

Eileen Frerichs, wife of Brother Fred Frerichs. They were married 61 years. She had been in failing health.

Ken Heeney, 66, brother-in-law of Bill Luckert and the sister of his recently deceased wife, Pearl. Please pray for him, the family, and Bill for his double loss.

BJ Van Gundy's grandmother, Gladys, 93, passed away in Lake Wales, Fl. His Grandfather, 95, may not care to continue living without her. Please pray for them, BJ, and the entire family.

Ed Pavlik's brother, Robert, 77, passed away recently after surgery in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. Please pray for Robert, Ed, Ellie, and the Pavlik family.

Ailing Brothers Monthly Prayers:

Larry Cullen	Jack Klapka
Anthony Gilles	Jim Tally
Fred Frerichs	Frank Murphy
Charles Mahony	Jim Rainsford
John Pepitone	John Seggerson
	Frank Welter

Ailing Brother Ongoing Prayers

Ed Pavlik Kirby Baden
 Matt Dewhurst John Lynch, Jr.

Our Seminarians

Brian Baker Matt Dalrymple
 Adam Blatt

Our Beloved Clergy

Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory
 Ret. Archbishop John F. Donoghue
 Aux. Bishop Luis R. Zarama (Atlanta)
 Bishop J. Kevin Boland (Savannah)
 Abbot Francis Michael Stiteler
 Monsignor R. Donald Kiernan
 Father Daniel McCormick
 Father Brian Higgins
 Father Michael Onykuru
 Father Bryan Small
 Father Dan Ketter
 Deacon Bill Garrett
 Deacon Ray Egan
 Deacon-in-Formation Ed Krise

Deceased 4th Degree
 Knights are forever
 memorialized on
 chalices presented
 to new priests

26 Deceased Brother Knights of All Saints Council

Owen K. McCabe	8/16/2009	Jerome E. Travers	7/29/2005	Joseph A. Miller	12/2/2002
William G. Lehman	4/16/2009	John P. Stojka	7/21/2005	James R. Fraser	9/21/2002
Robert L. Morell	4/29/2008	Paul G. Horan	6/2/2005	Kenneth E. Smith	6/2/2000
Gordon G. Hurt	3/3/2008	Edwin L. Woerner	5/21/2005	Elias M. Mualem	3/27/2000
John A. O'Shea	1/27/2008	Thomas J. Byrne, Jr.	1/13/2005	John W. Lynch III	12/15/1999
Thomas M. Scherrer	4/10/2007	James J. McCabe	10/22/2004	Ronald S. Kurtzer	12/12/1999
Richard Steiner	3/17/2006	Robert J. Lescher	5/17/2003	Kenneth C. McIntosh	11/25/1998
Sal De Pace	1/16/2006	Brad M. Scranton	5/14/2003	William J. Batdorf	3/23/1998
Anthony C. Ardagna	12/28/2005	Phillip A. Haluska	12/18/2002		

Founding Members of All Saints Council on July 4, 1994 are shown in Bold Blue



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Desserts with Santa/Cemetery Cleanup/Oktoberfest/ Altar Server Outing/
Summer Retreat/Youth Cookout/Sullivan Center Mural/Elaine Clark Workday

Watters Assembly Photo Journal at <http://watters.shutterfly.com>

New Officer Installation/ Eucharistic Congress Honor Guard/ USO Troop
Greeting/ Fr. Kevin Peet Army Commissioning/ Founder's Day Ball



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		1 December Business Mtg 6 PM Officers 7 PM Rosary 7:30 Mtg	2 Eucharistic Adoration	3	4 Set Up Desserts w Santa SEC Fan Fest	5
6 Deacon Garrett Meeting in McGivney	7	8	9 Eucharistic Adoration	10 4th Degree Assembly Mtg <i>All Saints</i> 6:30 soc/7:30 mtg	11 Set Up Crèche 4 PM	12 2nd Degree Social Hall 9:30 Christmas Party Social Hall 7PM
13 Monastery Fudge Sale Secret Santa McGivney	14 Men's Club	15 Crèche Lighting and Reception	16 Eucharistic Adoration	17	18	19
20 Double Star Award 10:30 AM Mass & Badge Sunday	21 Phil Cote Father Honor Guard St. Andrew 9:45 AM	22 Tom King's Wife Glenda Honor Guard All Saints 10 AM	23 Eucharistic Adoration	24	25 Christmas	26
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