

### Knights of Columbus Council 11402 (established July 4th, 1994)

"Opere et Veritate"





# **Grand Knight's Report**

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Worthy Brothers,

I hope that each of you, your families, friends, and loved ones had the most Joyous and Blessed Christmas and are looking forward to a Prosperous and Rewarding New Year!

My thoughts, this month, are motivated by two emails I received from Brother Knights in December. Both emails challenged aspects of our fraternity and charity, as a Council, and I'd like to share them with you while keeping the identity of the authors confidential.

The first email concerned how we have treated potential and new members of our Council. In my correspondent's opinion, Council 11402 had not done enough to welcome new members, and in one specific case, had rather awkwardly and devastatingly caused a potential new member to reconsider joining our organization.

My correspondent wondered how it was that we called ourselves a fraternal order of Brothers, when we sometimes failed to demonstrate the basic courte-

sies to each other and to the "strangers in our midst." This breach of basic fraternal etiquette stood out in stark contrast to the season of "good will" that permeates the Christmas holiday season.

We are all guilty, I suppose, of ignoring or disregarding the newcomer and the stranger at one time or another. The poignancy of Mary and Joseph being forced to take refuge in a stable, even in the midst of Joseph's hometown with all his kinsmen, cannot be lost on us.



I hope we'll all try to remember what "fraternity" means, and we'll try, in our own way, to be more welcoming both in our personal relationships and as a community of Brother Knights.

My second correspondent wrote to me on another serious matter, and this was a perceived lack of charity by our Council members.

In this particular case, a specific request for assistance for a needy family had gone unanswered by our Council membership.

This Brother Knight had occasion to speak shortly thereafter to another group of parishioners, and the response to his request for assistance was overwhelming and immediate. Why, he

mused, were the Knights so reluctant to respond?

As I reflected upon his observation, I remember other requests for assistance--both large and small--that have seemingly fallen on deaf ears in the Council chamber. It's moments like these that call to mind the admonishment we all received, as we became Knights, never to "close our ears to the cry of the poor." Have we, I wondered, forgotten that lesson?

Greg Crnkovich Grand Knight

New Years' is a time for resolutionmaking, of throwing out the "old"

and letting in the "new." Sometimes, rather than buying something completely new, we can refurbish and rejuvenate something we already own and have just let sit idly by gathering dust and falling into disrepair.

My New Year resolution for Council 11402 is to ask you all to search within your hearts and to "dust off" the friendship and fraternal bonds that tie us all together, and to embrace with joy and enthusiasm the opportunities afforded us to respond to the needs of God's neediest children.

In Christ I remain,

Greg Crnkovich, Grand Knight

#### An Amazing "Day of Reflection" at Emory — December 2nd



A record 33 brothers attended the second 2006 "Day of Reflection". Father Bryan Small, the Director of the Emory University Newman Catholic Center and our council brother, was the lecturer and celebrant. Here are the salient points that he presented:

1) Advent is not just an historical remembrance, but also a looking forward. Christ's birth, death and resurrection were not only for me (past), but also to me and in me (present) and through me (future). We are to ask ourselves "Now that I have the gift of faith, what do I do with it?". Christ will use us and work through us.

2) The Book of Revelation is not about God punishing the wicked, but rescuing those that are persecuted, etc. It shows examples of fidelity in the face of adversity and then redemption and renewal.

3) Holiness means to be whole or complete. The holy

person we are all called to be will be balanced in mind, body and spirit.

4) In preparing for Christmas during Advent, do not just focus on getting our homes cleaned and decorated and our gifts to friends and family bought and wrapped, but more importantly, get ready to truly celebrate Christmas by preparing our hearts for the Incarnation! Focus on the "Advent Spirit" and the "Christmas Spirit" will naturally follow.

5) Do not be held hostage by our sins, failings, etc. Do not limit our embraces of Christ to when all is in order in our lives or when we think "we now have time"; but also embrace Christ in the busyness of our daily lives, in all aspects of our lives, work and play.

6) We should each day make sure we have at least 10 or 15 or 20 minutes to relax, meditate, and reflect—in other words, pray by listening to God.

7) Tradition is the living faith of the dead which yields growth and greater enlightenment; traditionalism is the dead faith of the living which results in self righteousness.

8) Emanuel means/translates to "God is with us." God the Father sent His Son, so that we can have a personal relationship with Him. We will never be alone!

Fr. Bryan concluded by reviewing with us the Advent Antiphons that are prayed from December 17 through 24. After a quiet period of reflection, attendees gathered again for a "round table" discussion. He answered the many questions of the 33 Knights in attendance. The beautiful and inspiring day ended with the Celebration of the Eucharist in the Cannon Chapel of Emory University. Thanks, Father Bryan!

#### So, You Thought the Nativity Scene Just Appeared by Magic?

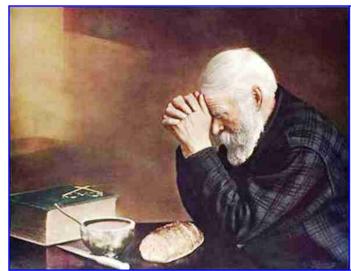


## Riddle

How many knights does it take to assemble a crèche?

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## Council Hosts Two January "Homeless Shelter Sundays"



Sir Knight Tom Begley reminds us that he will once again be facilitating the hosting of two Council Sundays at the adjacent homeless shelter facilities at the **Immaculate Conception Catholic Church** and **Central Presbyterian**, just across from Underground Atlanta. The dates are the nights of Sunday January 21st and Sunday January 28th.

Tom needs brothers to stay those nights to act as servers, monitors, friends, and hosts for 100 destitute men who spend the nights in those two facilities during the winter months.

Parish women will provide a meal and then leave the knights to oversee the men until all leave at daybreak after being provided a breakfast. Tom is *tombegley@comcast.net* and at **770-446-8857.** Please volunteer your time for this fine cause. It has become one of our council's finest traditions.

#### "Desserts with Santa" Sets New Attendance Record



It was extremely difficult to accurately gage the attendance at this year's "*Desserts with Santa*", because families kept arriving in continuous waves for three hours. At times it was difficult to find a place to walk in the Social Hall.

For the very first time, our cameraman, Sir Knight Jim Knapp, ran out of Polaroid film for the Santa pictures. We had 125 shots and many pictures had two, three, and even four siblings in each picture. And all these children were also accompanied by parents and grandparents. We finally bested our fish fry sound levels by several decibels.

Brother knights and their wives scurried everywhere serving and cleaning. All Saints clergy dropped in to check out the scene. An arts and crafts room in the rear was filled to capacity. Our poor Santa didn't take a break for three hours. Our sincere thanks to John Buchholz for overseeing this madness and reconfiguring for the evening Council Christmas Party.

#### **Modified Format Attendance Award is Now Instated**

From now on, when you attend a monthly council business meeting, make sure that you sign the attendance log at the entry table. After the meeting the names on this log are cut up and placed into an envelope. They then become qualifiers for a \$25 attendance award at the <u>next</u> meeting.

If your name is drawn from this group the following month and you are <u>again</u> present, the prize is yours. Last month Jim Mammoser was the winner. This award is not to be confused with the split-the-pot drawing also awarded at every meeting. No tickets need be purchased for the attendance award.

The Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly has also chosen this format for their monthly meeting attendance awards.

## **Important Schedule for All First-Degree Brothers**

Worthy First-Degree Brothers,

Nearly once a month, a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Exemplification followed shortly thereafter by a Third Degree Exemplification are held together at various council halls across northern Georgia. The ceremonies are free of charge to all the candidates and a very nice complimentary lunch is always served afterward. Your only effort required is to come with your Knight ID membership card and a rosary (knights always carry rosaries).

We usually form a caravan in the All Saints parking lot in front of McGivney Hall on a Saturday morning in time to get to the ceremony site to register candidates and get instructions. The initial 2nd degree ceremony usually starts at 10 AM. The next event at our sister council, St. Brigid, is very close and convenient to All Saints.

These events are excellent opportunities to progress <u>two</u> stages in Knighthood and have an enjoyable few hours with your fellow Knights from several councils. Dress is business casual with a sport coat suggested in keeping with the religious theme. You will be home by mid-afternoon and you will be a proud Third-Degree Knight. Both ceremonies are interesting and uplifting.

This is the schedule for upcoming events. Contact a council officer to express your interest in progressing in your faith.

Sat	1/06/07	St. Brigid Church	Council 13204	Alpharetta
Sat	2/10/07	St Michael the Archangel	Council 11768	Woodstock
Sat	3/10/07	St. Mark	Council 13491	Clarksville
Sat	4/28/07	Monsignor Regan Council	Council 8731	Carrollton (Our Lady of
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Sat	6/16/07	St. Joseph Church	Council 4599	Marietta

Please join us. You will not regret the time spent. Your name will be proudly printed in the All Saints Parish Bulletin and you will be featured in our Council Newsletter. See Below.

Vivat Jesus, Lou Hlad, Warden, Council 11402

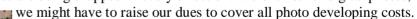
### **Pictures Galore! Boy, Do We Have Great Pictures**



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Digital pictures must certainly rank in importance among the greatest inventions along with fire, electricity, and Velcro. Our council takes hundreds of them at every event, and the month of December has certainly been chock full of events.

Recently, we have had a 1st Degree Exemplification, a **Day of Reflection** at Emory, a December Council meeting with several guests, a crèche installation at All Saints, a *Desserts with Santa* Party, a Council Christmas Party, and a social reception after the Festival of Carols crèche lighting. Needless to say, pictures are being snapped in every direction. Were it not for digital photos,





ChristmasParty 120906



Day of Reflection 12-2-2006



An unidentified youngster gives his Christmas wish list to an attentive Santa Claus.

All these photos are posted online on our photo album web site at <u>*KofC11402.shutterfly.com*</u>. This is a public site that allows you download pictures or send off for physical copies at small cost.



One of a dozen groups of folks having a great time at our 2006 Council Christmas Party. We also collected toys for the Ronald McDonald House charity.

### Assistance League of Atlanta Council Wives Honored



Sometimes we forget that while we're out doing our good deed Knight stuff, our very creative wives can also be busy volunteering in their own organizations. Shown here is Grand Knight Greg Crnkovich presenting a check for \$1,000 to the president of the *Assistance League of Atlanta*, Lynn Farrell, for their charities. We were delighted to also recognize our six Council wives that belong to this women's group that is about the size of our own. They distribute over **\$400,000** every year to six charities from their *Attic Treasures* thrift store operation on Broad Street near Chamblee Plaza.

Shown are Joan (Gert) Kampfer, Donna (John) Brach, Crnkovich, **ALA** President Lynn Farrell of All Saints, Pat (Al) Garofalo, Joan (John) Muenchen, Marty (Lou) Hlad, and Pat (John) Francis. Since then, Nancy (Dave) Moeller and Judith (Ken) Gregg have applied for membership. Charity may begin at home, but pretty soon it spreads everywhere.

## **Continued Collection of Items for Troops and Veterans**

We continue to request that you bring to meetings unneeded golf equipment to send to the USO for distribution to the troops overseas (bags, clubs, balls, tees, etc.) These items are used on makeshift courses on the lovely rolling dunes of Iraq and Afghanistan and relieve some of the tedium of the troops.

We also continue to request that you bring magazines, books, toiletries, cards, games, pens, pencils, stationary, usable clothing, etc. to be taken to the Veterans Hospital in Atlanta.



## **Newest Brothers of Council 11402**

On Tuesday, November 28th, our council continued its steady growth via the 1st degree exemplification of seven new brothers. Before the event, we also approved the transfer of a 3rd degree brother, Joseph Carragher, from another local council into ours. Shown below are eight new faces that you will be seeing at our events in the very near future.



# **Council Social Night Speaker Invited—Jan. 16**

Our Grand Knight has lined up a speaker for the first half hour of the council social night on January 11th at 7:30 PM.

Judy Miller of All Saints will speak about a Canadian organization with the French name of "**l'Arche**," a network of faith-based communities that care for people with developmental disabilities in a community setting. This organization was founded in Toronto in 1969 and today there are 26 communities throughout Canada with 380 assistants serving 478 people with disabilities.

Recently, Jean Vanier, the internationally-known founder of **l'Arche** was honored in Montreal with the Knights of Columbus <u>Gaudium et Spes Award</u> by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson at a banquet at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. This award, which comes with an honorarium of \$100,000, is the highest honor bestowed by the Knights of Columbus.

The award is named for **Guadium et Spes** (Joy and Hope), the landmark 1965 document adopted by the Second Vatican Council. This document was a landmark in social teaching and the "Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World". Vanier was the sixth person and first layman to win the award.

You will recall that reaching out more to the community is one of our new council objectives. Please stop by to hear this short, interesting talk, and then avail yourselves of the usual social night pleasantries that you have come to expect.

## **Council Officer Judge Moskowitz Scores at Men's Club**



Moskowitz (left) is introduced by our own Sir Knight Joe Kane

Sir Knight Harvey Moskowitz, the Worthy Advocate of Council 11402, was the featured speaker at the recent **All Saints Men's Club** Meeting on December 11th.

Moskowitz served as a prosecutor in the Fulton County Court system for many years before becoming a two-term judge over another eight-year span. He is now retired from the bench. During his illustrious career, he saw every kind of criminal and ne'er-do-well that existed on the face of the earth. Moskowitz won about 80% of his cases. He has a humorous story for a good many of them (especially the ones he lost).

Before donning a black robe himself, he tended to aggravate and frustrate many a judge and paid several healthy "contempt of court" fines for his antics. He regaled the crowd with these stories and others about Mayor Maynard Jackson, Mayor Bill Campbell, Atlanta District Attorney Lewis Slayton, and many other of his many acquaintances and accomplices before taking more serious questions.

His actual topic was the impact of TV lawyer shows on children and the public. It turns out that reality is nowhere near as advanced as the instantaneous scientific techniques displayed in our homes. He thought that the original "Law and Order" was the most accurate of all the judicial programs.

A very healthy contingent of knights was on hand to lend support to our Advocate and it turned out to be a very memorable evening.

## New Sir Knight Assembly Welcome Dinner on Jan. 13th

Saturday, January 13th has been selected as the date for the dinner welcoming the nine new members into the Father J. Watters Assembly. The event will take place at St. Andrew's Church Family Center in Roswell on Saturday evening, January 13th. Directions will be provided in a subsequent communication.

Unlike the Formal Ball described below, this event will be open <u>only</u> to the 4th degree Sir Knights and ladies of our council and the other five councils in the Watters Assembly. Cost should be around \$20.00 per person. Food is catered by the Three T's (three fine cooks of St. Andrew Council providing fine food at regular Assembly meetings held there.)

Please send an e-mail to seanpatrickoneill@yahoo.com confirming your attendance as soon as possible. Time is short.

## Assembly Formal Founder's Day Ball on March 31st



Our Fr. Charles J. Watters 4th Degree Assembly # 2688 is planning its first annual **Founder's Day Ball** in recognition of the 125th anniversary of the incorporation of the Knights of Columbus on March 29, 1882. It is tentatively planned for Saturday, March 31, 2007 at the Doubletree Hotel in Roswell.

Sir Knights from the Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly plus <u>all</u> council brothers belonging to All Saints, St. Andrews, St. Benedict, St. Brendan. St. Brigid, and St. Monica councils are cordially invited. An invitation is also extended to all other Assemblies and Councils in metro Atlanta, since the intent of this event is to encourage 4th degree fellowship and membership.

This gala event would be a sit –down, plated dinner with music for dancing and an opportunity for Sir Knights to wear their tuxedos and impress their dates! All 1st to 3rd degree members attending would wear suits and ties.

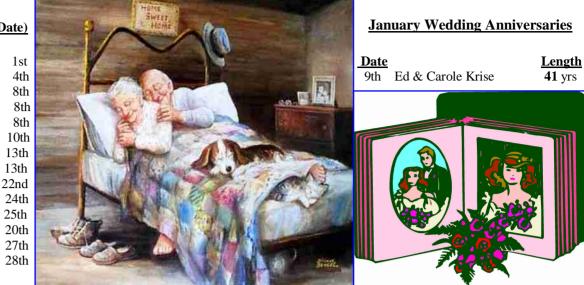
Dinner pricing is anticipated to be around \$60 per person or \$100 per couple. Meal gratuities and taxes are included in this price. Proposed entrees are prime rib, salmon, or chicken cordon bleu plus soup or salad, a couple of side dishes, and dessert with coffee. A cash bar will also be available. You should have an opportunity to meet scores of your fellow brothers from North Georgia.

Please send an e-mail to <u>seanpatrickoneill@yahoo.com</u> confirming your attendance as soon as possible, since this event is sure to "sell out" fast! More details will follow. Please clear your calendars for this historic event.

### **Council Birthdays and Anniversaries**

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	• Thomas Scherrer (chemo)					
	• John Lynch, Jr., father of our deceased Brother John Lynch III TC Fransen (chemo)					
	• John Jedlicka (knee replacement)					
	• Jack Klapka's grandson, Jude (premature birth) & daughter-in-law & son David					
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Council Photo Journal at KofC11402.shutterfly.com (New event pictures — Veterans Appreciation Picnic with official Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony, Day of Reflection at Emory with Fr. Bryan Small, **Desserts with Santa Party, and Council Christmas Party**)



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14	15 MIK Day	16 <b>Speake</b> 7:30 Social	17 Eucharistic Adoration	18	19	20
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Volunteers needed for Basketball Freethrow Contest on Jan 21st. Please call Mark Moots at 770-734-9670.

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