



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIEDMONT COUNCIL 939

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

Good day brother knights!

As we enter Fall, we have a full plate of activities ahead of us. The Life Chain is next weekend, Sunday, October 3rd and I ask all brothers who can, please attend (details below). We have a “Welcome Back” cookout on the 9th at OLG, which will be great opportunity for the Knights to interact with our church families and serves as a great chance for recruitment of new brothers. We have started a canned food drive and are asking each brother to try and bring at least one can of food to each business meeting in order to help us reach our goal of 500 lbs. this year! We continue to monitor the virus and all alerts we are given and do understand that many brothers may still be apprehensive to attend meetings. That being said, now more than ever, we need brothers to attend Council meetings and roll up their sleeves. If we intend to remain active and involved, as in years past, we MUST have brothers present and accounted for. Please feel free to contact me anytime with new ideas or suggestions.

May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

A HEART THAT GOD VALUES

We see in 1 Samuel 13 Saul facing a crucial moment that every believer must eventually confront: a time of crisis when we're forced to decide whether we'll wait on God by faith or get impatient and take matters into our own hands. Saul's pivotal moment came when ominous clouds of war were gathering over Israel. The Philistines had amassed a huge army of horsemen, iron chariots and legions of soldiers brandishing the latest weapons. By contrast, the Israelites had only two swords in their entire army, one for Saul and one for his son Jonathan. Everyone else had to use makeshift weapons such as wooden spears or crude farm tools.

A week earlier Samuel had warned Saul to wait for him before going into battle. The prophet had said he would arrive after seven days to make the proper sacrifices to the Lord. When the seventh day came and Samuel hadn't arrived, Saul's soldiers began to scatter. Worse, the king didn't have God's direction for battle.

What approach did Saul take?

Unfortunately, he allowed himself to be overwhelmed by his circumstances, and he ended up manipulating his way around God's Word. He ordered the priest who was present to make the sacrifices without Samuel and committed a grievous sin against the Lord by doing so (see 1 Samuel 13:11–12).

God is never too late. He is still concerned with whether his people obey this command: "Obey the voice of the Lord, and do not rebel against the commandment of the Lord" (see 1 Samuel 12:13-15). Even if things look hopeless, we are not to act in fear. Rather, we are to wait patiently on him to deliver us as his Word promises.

Our God sees every detail of your crisis. He sees all the life-problems pressing in on you. And he's fully aware your situation is getting worse daily. Those who pray and wait on him with calm faith are never in any real danger. Consider these words God has given to his church: "Without faith it is impossible to please him" (Hebrews 11:6), and "Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. Selah" (Psalm 62:8).

Unbelief is deadly, its consequences tragic. We face dire consequences if we try to extricate ourselves from our trials instead of trusting God to see us through them.

SEPTEMBER IN REVIEW:

The Council held an O&D meeting September 7th and a business meeting on September 20th. The Council started collecting canned food as well for local food banks and will continue to do so throughout the year.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

October 3rd- Greensboro Life Chain 2:30-3:30 pm, Battleground Ave.

October 9th- 8:30 am, Big Sweep Clean Up- Westridge Road- Meet at McDonald's on Westridge and Battleground. Bring a 5-gallon bucket and gloves. Rain date is 10/16.

October 9th – 5:30 pm, Welcome Back Cookout at OLG on the front lawn.

October 14th- 6 pm, Room at the Inn Banquet, Sheraton Four Seasons

October 18th– Council Business Meeting, 7:30 pm in person at the PLC, 2nd floor, OLG.

October 25th – Our Lady of Grace Men's Holy Hour. Last Monday of every month 7pm to 8pm in the Church. No signup necessary.

LIFE CHAIN

Life Chain is scheduled for **Sunday, October 3, 2021**, from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM on Battleground Avenue and Marshals are requested. Marshals should report to the command post by 2:15 PM to obtain a badge and learn to which block you are assigned, and at the end of the Life Chain return to the command post to return the badge and report the number of participants on your block. To volunteer, call John Polickoski at 336-855-8451 or e-mail jpandmp1@att.net by Monday, September 27 providing your name, phone number and e-mail address.

ROOM AT THE INN ANNUAL BENEFIT BANQUET

Room at the Inn is conducting their annual benefit banquet on **Thursday, October 14, 2021**, at the Sheraton Four Seasons from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Registration and cocktails start at 5:30 PM. This year's theme is Life Gives Second Chances, and the keynote speaker is Star Parker, who is the Founder and President of Cure, the Center for Urban Renewal and Education, a non-profit Policy Institute in Washington DC. Dinner is complimentary, but a donation will be requested, and reservations are required. To make a reservation at a Council table call John Polickoski at 336-855-8451 or e-mail jpandmp1@att.net . Thanks for helping to make "Room at the Inn".

COUNCIL WEBSITE:

We now have a website thanks to Walter Kulla

Past Newsletters and the Prayer List and Council Activity Calendar are now on the Website.

www.koc939.com Check it out.

DISTRICT DEPUTY INPUT:

Retention of Brother Knights

We are Catholic gentlemen who have sworn Oaths to God, our Pope, Bishops, Priests and Religious to remain the Strong Right Arm of Holy Mother Church. We acclaim our faith to Her. Through the power of the Rosary and prayer we find the strength to remain true and loyal sons.

Personal Contact is Key.

Every Knight deserves the dignity and consideration afforded by our Order. It is important that every member feel he is needed, important, involved and contributing.

Through our personal contact efforts to retain current members, as well as recruiting new ones, we will keep our Order strong and growing.

In Luke 15:3-7, Christ gives His parable of the lost sheep, and in John 10:1-17, Matthew 9:36 and Mark 6:34, Jesus explains His role as Shepherd. In John 21:15-17, Jesus transfers the shepherding of his flock to Peter, the cornerstone of His Holy Catholic Apostolic Church.

If we Brother Knights are to be Apostles like Peter, we must be willing to shepherd the Brother Knights in our Order.

We need to call each Brother at least once per quarter. In this way all our Brothers can be a close part of the Church and the Knights of Columbus.

We need Worthy Shepherds to preserve our membership and seek our Brothers, especially those who have lost their way.

Let us thank our Retention Chairman and committee for fulfilling their roles as worthy Shepherds and staying in touch with our lost sheep.

If you would like to join them and help find our lost sheep, call
John Joyce, DD24
336-814-5005

FIELD AGENT COMMENTS:

LTC Is an Important Piece of the Puzzle

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection. While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me.

Remember, long-term care policies are underwritten based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

Fraternally,

Ray Eveland

RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES:

Whenever and wherever a Knights of Columbus meets a practicing Catholic man, eighteen years of age or older, there is an opportunity for recruiting a new Knights of Columbus. Wear your K of C nametag proudly, never reluctantly, and advertise for the Council.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

Brother Knights Our council has open positions that need to be filled. Please investigate your hearts and ask the Lord if any of these opportunities would be right for you.

L.A.M.B: Piedmont Council 939 requires a volunteer to assume the mantle of Council LAMB Director. A complete LAMB Training Manual is available for the Brother who steps forward to take charge thereby providing the necessary leadership to get our Council program rolling again.

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR: Coordinates the "First Responders" Awards Presentation and Dinner program. Coordinates the management of the 3rd hole at the Wyndham Golf Championship. Along with other Community programs. Expert training will be available.

ADVOCATE: Become familiar with the councils by laws and keeps the council from going off script.

Please contact the GK.

For further information or to volunteer please contact me:

Grand Knight Josh Myers Joshuanmyers@gmail.com 336-698-5601

WIDOWS PROGRAM:

We do not forget the widows of our fallen Brother Knights. Widows are invited to Council 939 social events as our guests.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS, PLEASE PASS PRAYER REQUESTS TO THE GRAND KNIGHT AT HIS NUMBERS BELOW. APOLOGIES TO ANYONE OVERLOOKED IN THIS COUNCIL 939 NEWSLETTER.

Please keep the following in your prayers

Roy Berninger
Dominic Brunozi
Dan & Nancy Camia
Fran Geoff
Jack Kealey
Kneidl Family
Tom O'Hanlon
Ernie and Cynthia Pancsofar
Brian Dubicki
Gary Chapman
Kathy Chapman
Dick Morrison
Jacki Standen
Bob Englert
Pupello Family
Mike Kenney
Kitty Heath
Joe and Frances Coyle
Betty D'Amello
Polickoski Family
Cynthia Perry
Marshall Perry's Father Gordon Perry
O'Hanlon Family
Jerry Byrd
Siepak Family
Brady Family
Carol Walton
Antoinette Cerrito
GK Josh Myers

DECORUM:

Always wear your nametag and carry your rosary.

Always stand, if physically able, to be recognized by the grand Knight remembering to render the hand salute at the beginning and at the end of the exchange.

If a name tag is needed, contact the Financial Secretary, Brother Chris Frank, email: frankchrisj@aol.com.

VIVAT JESUS:

Josh Myers, GK

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