



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIEDMONT COUNCIL 939

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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

Good day brother Knights!

With our fraternal budget being presented and fall finally upon us, it's a great time to set down the calendar on a few activities coming your way. We will be fine-tuning the dates as we get closer, but as of now we have: the Wheelchair mission, the Christmas party, Coats for Kids, Fish Fry, Emergency Responders, just to name a few. All of these offer a fantastic opportunity to step up and serve. They also offer a great opportunity to bring a new prospect along. Events like these are always the “best of the us” and can help showcase the Knights to men who might be interesting in joining our ranks.

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

GK Josh Myers

#### G O D H A S E M E R G E N C Y P L A N S

No matter how unsettled the world becomes, God's people can relax and keep their joy flowing because our Lord has promised special protection when it is most needed.

Didn't God have an emergency plan for the children of Israel during the worldwide famine? He sent Joseph ahead to Egypt, promoted him to prime minister and filled the warehouses with enough grain to last out the famine. He then transported his people within walking distance of those storehouses and fed them to the full through the raging famine.

Didn't God have emergency plans for Elijah? While his nation reeled under the impact of an economic collapse and food was scarce because of severe famine as well as a wicked king who had a ransom on his head, God put his emergency plan for Elijah into effect. The Lord hid his prophet by a quiet brook and fed him by having ravens deliver his food. The survival plan also included a widow's oil and flour that never ran out.

What about Noah? What a detailed survival plan God had for him and his family! An ark kept him and his family floating safely above all the death and destruction of a worldwide flood. God actually sent angels to personally pull Lot and his daughters out of the doomed city of Sodom. God's hands were tied until Lot was safely out of the suburbs. It was more than a loss of his job, the collapse of an economy or the downfall of a government. It was total annihilation of his society, but Lot was delivered safely.

Paul proved God's emergency contingencies over and over. This apostle was shipwrecked, chased by thieves, imprisoned, accused of treason and plotted against by assassins. In every crisis, God had a contingency plan for deliverance. Only when God determined his race was over did the Lord call in his last contingency plan. He called this apostle to his resurrection. We too have an emergency plan for survival, designed specifically for each believer. Let there be no question about it; God will see us through every crisis!

## **September IN REVIEW:**

The September O&D Meeting was held on Sept 6th. The Council's monthly business meeting was held on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> at OLG. Unfortunately, the Council lost long-time member and PGK/Current Trustee Bob Grabasky, who passed away Sept 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

**October 2<sup>nd</sup>**- Life Chain, 2:30-3:30 pm, Battleground Ave & Marshals

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>**- Council O&D Meeting, 7:00 pm, OLG Parish Life Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Executive Conference Room

**October 17<sup>th</sup>**- Council Business Meeting, 7:30 pm, St. Benedict's Parish Hall

**October 20<sup>th</sup>**- Room at the Inn Annual Banquet, 6:00 pm, Greensboro Sheraton

## **THANK YOU!**

A huge note of gratitude **Georgie and Rocky Riccio** who have volunteered to join the team of volunteers on the first Monday of each month at St. Francis Springs Prayer Center. If YOU are looking for something to do once a month, enjoy great fellowship, and be fed a delicious lunch just for sharing your time for 3 hours once a month, give us a call for more information.

Cynthia Perry - 336-288-6091

Marshall Perry - 336-676-3900

## **LIFE CHAIN**

There will be a Life Chain this year on Sunday, October 2, from 2:30 to 3:30 PM on Battleground Avenue and Marshals, furnished by the Knights of Columbus, will be needed.

Marshals will report to the command post in the TJ Max/Ross shopping area between 2:00 and 2:10 PM to determine the block you will marshal and return to the command post with the number of participants on your block after 3:30 PM.

If you are willing to marshal, please inform John Polickoski before the end of September at 336-855-8451 or [jpandmp1@att.net](mailto:jpandmp1@att.net) giving him your name, phone number and e-mail address so he can inform you of any changes.

## **ROOM AT THE INN BANQUET**

Room at the Inn will conduct their annual fundraising banquet at the Greensboro Sheraton on Thursday, October 20, at 6:00 PM. There is no charge to attend or buy a drink, but a donation will be requested. Council 939 will host at least 1 table.

Those desiring to attend, please inform John Polickoski at [jpandmp1@att.net](mailto:jpandmp1@att.net) or 336-855-8451 giving the names of everyone attending with the phone number and e-mail address for your group. There will be a keynote speaker at the dinner.

## **DISTRICT DEPUTY INPUT:**

Have you heard about the national Eucharist revival? The official start was on June 19, the Feast of Corpus Christi. Many Knights Of Columbus were able to take part in the start because they served as Honor Guards in Eucharistic processions at their parishes. Whether they realized it or not, they were part of a movement to see Catholics “healed, converted, formed, and unified” by encountering Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Why is this important? A Pew study from 2019 revealed that as many as 70% of Catholics do not believe or understand the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist through Transubstantiation. Also, this Eucharistic crisis was worsened by the pandemic which actually prevented almost all people from attending Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist. I don’t pretend to understand fully the consecration of the hosts and wine. I guess this is why the Priest calls us to profess the Mystery of Faith, “When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death oh Lord, until you come again”, because it’s a mystery. The having faith part is for all of us, fundamental to our Catholicism. While we don’t fully understand, we believe Jesus Christ comes to us in this unique gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, and is someone to cherish and protect. That is one of the main reasons I am a Knight of Columbus, and I’m sure you feel the same way.

The Eucharist revival is spearheaded by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. It is great that the Knights of Columbus are involved with organizing processions and Catholic involvement, and are a key part of the movement. Knights are working with the Bishops to remind Catholics of the incredible gift we have from Jesus in the Eucharist, and to revere that gift and hold it up as a reminder of what we have. The Revival will end in Indianapolis in 2024 at its finale.

We must all remember that this incredible gift of our Lord becomes more valuable the more He is received.

Start planning how are you and your Council will be part of the Eucharistic revival. This is a big deal and next year when the Revival reaches out to parishes and Catholics, we as the Knights of Columbus should be leading the effort. Soon you will start seeing increased Knight activities happening around the US. We must work with our pastors to see if they have ideas for involving Brother Knights with the parish. You can find great Eucharist KofC resources here. Check ‘em out:

<https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/eucharist.html>

Please start now and involve the whole parish. Invite new men to join the Knights throughout the process. We are defenders of our faith and leaders in our communities, let's not let them down. Let's inspire Catholics to return to the Eucharist. If we take action, and remember our vow of unity, together we are one positive force for Jesus Christ.

By John Lough & John Joyce  
Vivat Jesus, John Joyce, DD24

## **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 22 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.

Vivat Jesus!

-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.**

**COMMUNITY DIRECTOR:** Coordinates the "First Responders" Awards Presentation and Dinner program. Coordinates the management of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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  
Dan & Nancy Camia  
Fran Geoff  
Jack Kealey  
Ernie and Cynthia Pancsofar  
Brian Dubicki  
Gary Chapman  
Kathy Chapman  
Dick Morrison  
Jerry Byrd

Bob Englert  
Kitty Heath  
Betty D'Amello  
Antionette Cerrito  
Marshall Perry's Father  
Eastwood Family  
Lura Lyle  
Lysiak Family  
Edwards Family

Johnny Stuart  
Fr. David Hyman  
Sylvia Byrd  
Ben Malikowski  
Ray Eveland's Father  
Dominic Brunozzi  
Grabasky Family