

# THE COMPASS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS POPE PIUS XII COUNCIL 4765

Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish

June 2009

## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

It was mentioned that the Knights would fund Father Larry's "Wake". A motion was made and passed. The Ladies pledged \$500.00 towards the event and the Seniors pledged \$100.00. The School children were supplying water and soda. Any donations above the cost of the event will be given to Father Larry. ARC presented a plaque to the Council for the 2008 fund raiser, we raised \$5.00 per member. District Deputy presented a VIP certificate to Grand Knight and Council for Membership. In closing, thanks to all for their help and support over the past two years.

Congratulations to Mark Martin and the rest of the newly elected officers. Please show them the same help and support.

## DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Thank you to all the Brothers that helped out with this year's ARC campaign. The final total is not in yet, and we expect it to be less than last year, but every cent counts. Speaking of counting cents, the Bake Sale raised \$440.00 for ARC.

## CHAPLIN'S REPORT

Note: Father Larry gave a very moving speech at the Council's June meeting. While I tried to take adequate notes for you, the message would have been lost. In short, Father thanks us for; all that we have done, for being us, and asks that we continue to support the Parish and Father Mike Davis to the same degree that we helped him. (Seems like the least that we can do).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June Officer's Meeting	July 2
July Business Meeting	July 7
July Officer's Meeting	July 30
August Business Meeting	Aug 4
Fourth Degree	Oct 11

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Financial Secretary Report: Bills were approved for, The Compass, and miscellaneous expenses. Ray Rutherford has transferred to another council.

Membership: We now have 95 members, 80 of which are associate members. Currently there are no degrees scheduled. There is a remote possibility that there will be another Fourth Degree held this fall, stay tuned.

Degree Team: We are still looking for anyone interested in being on the Council's First Degree Team. Anyone interested needs to contact Al Scheck.

Color Corps: Any Fourth Degree members interested in joining the Color Corps should contact Al Scheck, he has applications available.

Trenton Thunder: Gerry has the tickets now, game date is August 22. Price is \$11.00 each, remember, children under 12 get to eat free. As always, this game includes fireworks immediately after the game. The Trenton Thunder will be playing the New Hampshire Fisher Cats.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our newest:

Second Degree Members:

- Rich Brown
- Joe Mundy
- Rich Rosenblatt

Fourth Degree Members:

- Kyle Berna
- Deacon John Gallagher
- Gabriel Gallagher
- John Ottinger
- Dennis Schaffer

And to the newly elected officers for the Ladies of the Knights:

- Marie Kelly - Vice President
- Agnes Meeks - Treasurer
- Eileen Brown - Secretary
- Marilyn Smeadly - President

## PRAYERS LIST

Please keep the following brothers and / or their family members in your prayers:

- Mike & Joe Powell
- Bob Grover
- Maureen Cochran
- Linda Martin's Father, (Mark's Father in law)
- John Brochon's Niece
- Baby Chastity
- Harry Haegele's Brother in law
- Special Intentions
- Father Larry
- Rich Powell
- Mike Walker

## **BAPTISM SCHEDULE**

June Mark Martin  
July Jason Blade  
August Gabe Gallagher

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

### **Flag Folding Ceremony:**

The flag folding ceremony described by the Uniformed Services is a dramatic and uplifting way to honor the flag on special days, like Memorial Day or Veterans Day, and is sometimes used at retirement ceremonies.

Here is a typical sequence of the reading:

(Begin reading as Honor Guard or Flag Detail is coming forward).

The flag folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our country was originally founded. The portion of the flag denoting honor is the canton of blue containing the stars representing the states our veterans served in uniform.

The canton field of blue dresses from left to right and is inverted when draped as a pall on a casket of a veteran who has served our country in uniform.

In the Armed Forces of the United States, at the ceremony of retreat the flag is lowered, folded in a triangle fold and kept under watch throughout the night as a tribute to our nation's honored dead. The next morning it is brought out and, at the ceremony of reveille, run aloft as a symbol of our belief in the resurrection of the body.

(Wait for the Honor Guard or Flag Detail to unravel and fold the flag into a quarter fold--resume reading when Honor Guard is standing ready.)

The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.

The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.

The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.

The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.

The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."

The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered in to the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on mother's day.

The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.

The tenth fold is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

The eleventh fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

The twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we Trust."

(Wait for the Honor Guard or Flag Detail to inspect the flag--after the inspection, resume reading.)

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today.

The Flag Folding Ceremony above is from the [US Air Force Academy](#) |

## **OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS**

By the Ladies of the Knights

June Meeting

June 29

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Please wish the following brothers a Happy Birthday:

John Brochon	June 3
Kyle Berna	June 7
Rich Blinn	June 9
George Pizzullo	June 12
Tom Litz	June 17
Jim Berna	June 19
Rich Brown	June 21
Joe Kelly	June 27
John Coyne	July 1
Jeffery Ditzler	July 11
Al Scheck	July 13
Al Litz	July 16
Tim O'Donnell	July 16
Deacon John Gallagher	July 17
Chris Cinalli	July 18
Harry Haegele	July 22
Len Lazerick	July 26
Joe Markert, Jr	July 26

### K of C APPAREL

You have undoubtedly seen brothers wearing; shirts, jackets and hats with the Knights of Columbus logo and Pope Pius XII Council. Ever wondered where they got them? You can get them to, just talk to Rich Powell to place an order.

### BREAKFAST SUNDAY

John Brochon and the breakfast crew are taking the summer off. Breakfasts will return in September.

### WEB SITES

Looking for information on the Knights of Columbus?

Try these web sites for; information forms, etc.

Main Site [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

State Site <http://www.pakofc.us/>

Council 4765 <http://kofc.buxcom.net/>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KofC4765/>

To join the yahoo group for the Council, you can sign up through the web site. Those without a Yahoo account simply need to establish an e-mail account.

This is totally free.

### IN MEMORIUM

Thankfully, all is quiet

### KEEPING IN TOUCH

Recently we have come across several brothers that have changed their; e-mail, home address and / or phone number. Please keep your Financial Secretary

informed of any and all changes in your contact information. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Congratulations to our newly elected Officers:

Grand Knight	Mark Martin
Deputy Grand Knight	James "Rick" Kelly
Chancellor	Robert Gutherman
Recorder	John Brogan
Financial Secretary	James Berna
Treasurer	John Brochon
Advocate	Gerald Smedley
Warden	John Ottinger
Inside Guard	James Vaughan
Outside Guard	Harry Haegele
Outside Guard	Jason Blade
Trustee 1st Year	John Wallover
Trustee 2nd Year	Albert Scheck
Trustee 3rd Year	Michael Fratantaro
Chaplin	open

### HELP WANTED

A summary of all the activities that are in need of volunteers.

### COLOR CORPS EVENTS

Vince Haggerty has sent me an e-mail regarding upcoming Color Corps events. Sorry that the events have passed! (I will try and do better in the future)

Gentlemen, I just received two request for the Color Corp for next Sunday. The first event is in Philadelphia and I would like to ask as many members for the city to attend. The Mass is at Our Lady of Consolation 7051 Tulip St the mass is at 9:00 a.m. with a report time of 8:30 a.m. The Mass is the first Mass of newly ordained Priest the Rev. Michael George Speziale. I hope the members from Philly will attempt to make this Mass.

The second event that day is at St. Thomas Aquinas Church at 601 Bristol Pike Croydon, Pa. The Mass starts at 11:00 a.m. and the report time will be at 10:30 a.m. this Mass will be the last Mass for their Pastor Fr. Larry I hope the members from the Lower Bucks area will be able to make this event.

As you see I will only be able to make one event and that will be the one in Croydon so I ask that whoever attends the event in Philly to please have everyone sing in and bring it to the next conclave meeting so we can send it to the editor of the Patriot

Thank You  
Vince



### HELLOS & GOODBYES

They say that with every goodbye, there is a hello waiting. Sometimes it is easy to see, sometimes it is not. Our Brother Ray Rutherford said goodbye last August when he moved to Florida. Now he has transferred to a Council near his new home. Best of luck Ray, it is good to hear that you are staying active. Another recent goodbye was met with a big hello. Our Pastor, Shepherd and Brother Knight, Father Larry has gone to a new parish to continue the Lord's work in his unique fashion. To him we say goodbye and God bless. We also get to say hello to our new Pastor, Shepherd and Brother Knight, Father Mike Davis. To him we say welcome and God Bless.

### NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

I am missing birthday information on our most recent members. If you think that I may not have your information, please see me at a meeting or contact me at home. Any brothers that have something that they want listed in this newsletter should contact Jim Berna. I can be reached at 215-788-7004, or by e-mail at [buoyz3@aol.com](mailto:buoyz3@aol.com).

### K OF C INSURANCE

For any questions about the K of C Insurance options please contact our Field Agent, Robert Danhardt, he can be reached at:

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**Knights getting some sun and showing pride in the Croydon Memorial Day Parade**



**Father Larry's Irish Wake - Good Luck and God Bless!**



**Some of our newest Fourth Degree Members, L-R, John Ottinger, Kyle Berna, Gabe Gallagher, Deacon John Gallagher**