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Knights of Columbus Council 11922

Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 5121 Woodland Way, Annandale VA 22003 September/October 2010



In Memory Of All Who Served

Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers,

Summer has gone by way too quickly and we are faced with the increased challenges of school, fall sports, CCD, and all the other tasks that seem to absorb every minute of our time. I hope that all of you were able to enjoy some time with your loved ones before returning to the challenges of living in Northern Virginia. To those of you who are having a difficulty balancing the demands on your time, please understand that being a member of council 11922 is NOT going to add to this challenge. I understand that you may not be able to attend the meetings that we have on the first and third Tuesday of each month, but what I ask you to do is to take a few minutes to review the schedule of activities for the next two months that is published in every newsletter. Look at all the activities and see if you (and, when appropriate, other members of your family) can participate in any part of an activity. Helping at a bingo or pancake breakfast are two good examples. This is an opportunity to stay connected with the council and your Brother Knights and still meet the other demands you have on your plate. For those Brothers who have sons between the ages of 10 and 18, I urge you to attend the Squires Circle orientation scheduled for September 22... more information about this is in this newsletter. Finally, please pray for our Brothers, members of this parish, and our community who are struggling with employment, economic hardship, and health issues in these difficult and stressful times. Let us ask Mary, Queen of the Knights, to bring them comfort. Please pray the rosary.

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**- PLEASE TAKE NOTE -
START TIME CHANGE
SEPTEMBER 7 MEETING**

Brothers,

In order to accommodate those who wish to attend the viewing of the movie on Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen scheduled to run from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, we have made the following minor change to the scheduled Sept. 7 Business Meeting. Attending the movie with your family is recommended.

The Business Meeting (our normal closed meeting) will be held 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM, followed by a rosary.

Supreme Secretary

Vivat Jesus!

GK D.F.d'Alelio

Columbian Squires Circle

Introductory Meeting: The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Columbian Squires Circle at Holy Spirit Parish. The introductory meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 22, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Holy Spirit School. Parents are invited.

and Past State Deputy of Virginia Retires



State Deputy Bill McCarthy has announced that Donald R. Kehoe, Supreme Secretary and Past State Deputy of Virginia will be retiring from his position August 31, 2010 and is looking forward to returning to Virginia.

Father Larry Richards to hold Parish Mission at St. Mary of Sorrows



Father Larry Richards, gifted and captivating speaker, preacher and retreat master will be presiding at the Parish Mission on September 20-23, 2010, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at St. Mary of Sorrows, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax, Virginia.

Fr. Larry Richards is the founder and president of The Reason For Our Hope Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to 'Spreading the Good News' by educating others about Jesus Christ. For more information go to foundations website:

<http://www.TheReasonforOurHope.org>

Fr. Larry Richards hosts the nightly radio show "Changed Forever with Father Larry Richards". It can be heard nationwide on Relevant Radio daily at 8:00 PM ET and CT, Sunday at 7:00 AM ET, 6:00 AM CT. For more information or to listen online go to: www.RelevantRadio.com

K of C Fall Picnic September 19, 2010

Come celebrate the end of summer at the Holy Spirit Council Fall Picnic on Sunday, September 19, 2010 from 1:30 - 5:00 PM. The picnic will be held on the athletic field behind Holy Spirit School. Games and activities for all ages! Hamburgers, hot dogs, and soft drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. No alcoholic beverages please!

Charles Zelnis

Blood Drive Saturday, September 11, 2010

Our council blood drive will be held this Saturday, September 11. Chris and I will be manning tables in the

- The Squires is a leadership development program for young Catholic men 10-18 years old. The program is designed to develop young men as leaders who understand their Catholic religion, who have a strong commitment to the church, and who are ready, willing and capable of patterning their lives after Christ as a youth.
- The Squires Circle, sponsored by The Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Council is run by and for young men under the guidance of several Knights who serve as counselors. Squires are aspiring leaders; thus, to the degree they are able, are given the opportunity to lead by running their own meetings, investing their own members, setting their circle's agenda and implementing their program of activities.
- Squires have fun by meeting new friends, traveling, playing sports and socializing. Squires are serious-minded, too. They are involved in promoting vocations, marching in defense of unborn life, feeding the hungry, clothing the poor, supporting Special Olympics and promoting Catholic education among countless other activities.
- Thus, the Squires Circle is an athletic team, a youth group, a social club, a cultural and civic improvement association, a management training course, a civil rights organization, and a spiritual development program all rolled into one.
- Plan to visit with us on Wednesday, September 22 at 7:00 PM.

Please call Aldo Domenichini, Jr. at 703-425-4705 with questions.



Chaplain's Corner



My Brother Knights,

As your children and grandchildren begin a new academic year they set goals (or at least we hope they do!) to achieve success as they grow in wisdom. As Knights, we similarly should have personal goals to obtain as the council year really moves into gear this fall. At the core of these goals must be the desire to grow in holiness. This really is a goal that all Christians should be seeking at all times. As men dedicated to a service of the Church, this is all the more important. The fruit of much labor will yield little if we rely on ourselves, but if we are people of great faith God can turn even seemingly the smallest task into a great harvest for the Church. When I next address our council, I wish to suggest ways the council may help the members in this regard. I would ask in the meantime that you think about goals you can personally set in order to help better obtain this

front of the Church on August 29 and September 5 after most of the masses. We would like to have recruiters after each mass at the side doors as well to make sure that everyone is made aware of the great opportunity to give blood on 9-11 at Holy Spirit. In addition, each of us donates blood during the drive and we would like to have an additional person helping in the library registering donors. If you can help after mass on either of the next two Sundays, please let me know which mass, the date and the hour(s) (6:45 AM to 11:45 AM) you are available. Thanks for your help.

The blood drive is another opportunity to support life in a proactive way, to give a gift for which there is no substitute. It is also an opportunity to commemorate in a positive way those who suffered and died in the terrible act of terror on this country nine years ago.

The blood donor station will be in the Holy Spirit School gymnasium between 6:45 AM and 11:45 AM. Inova Health System Blood Donor Services has scheduled us for 148 slots for whole blood and 10 slots for double red, an increase in 11 whole blood slots from our most recent drives. In order to fill these slots, about 20 of which went unfilled in our last drive, I encourage each Brother Knight to donate and to try to recruit another who is willing to give an hour to save a life (or maybe two or three). Make this a family or neighborhood affair to help provide for the needs that strain what is typically less than a days blood reserve.

Sixteen-year olds are now eligible to donate with their parents written consent. An Inova donor form is available that can be sent via email by contacting one of us. The form will also be available on the day of the drive. Donors must show a picture ID.

The appointment times are spread evenly through the morning, with 30 slots/hour for the 5 ¼ hour drive. Ten of the slots will be for the two ALYX stations that draw two units of red blood cells in an apheresis process. ALYX donations are scheduled every hour on the 45 minute tick. The first of these is at 6:45 AM and the last at 10:45 AM.

Information about the Inova Blood Donor Services, including their eligibility requirements, can be obtained from their website at

http://www.inova.com/blood_donor

[/donor_eligibility.jsp](http://www.inova.com/blood_donor/donor_eligibility.jsp) If you have questions about eligibility due to recent surgery, illnesses, or travel you may call 571-434-3628 and speak to the donor advocate.

To schedule an appointment contact Chris Cecka at 703-250-2122 cmcecka@yahoo.com or Dick Cecka at 703-978-8435 racecka@aol.com

Vivat Jesus
Dick Cecka

goal. God Bless you and thank you for your dedication, it is appreciated!

Father Vaccarp

From our Field Agent



The purpose of this column is to encourage you to meet with me before the end of the summer. Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, I'll be happy to meet with you and make sure your coverage continues to meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. I'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

When we meet, you'll discover that the time we spend together will be time well-spent. Let's get together soon. You can reach me at (703) 746-8186 or Gerald.Curren@kofc.org. Call anytime. I am here to serve you and your family however I can.

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Our Congratulations to Gerald Curren, Jr. who was awarded the Field Agent of the Month Distinction for the month of May. Our council received a donation of \$50.00 for the Vocation Fund on the behalf of our field agent.

Weekend Work Camp - Project Ideas Needed

Brother Knights,

I am soliciting ideas for Weekend Work Camp projects. We have a new group of youth and a few adult volunteers who just returned from Summer Work Camp and they are ready to tackle more projects!

Weekend Work Camp (WWC) is a Holy Spirit Parish youth initiative that emulates the annual Arlington Diocese Summer Work Camp program.

REMEMBER the Monthly Food Drive

Non perishable food will be collected on the last Saturday and Sunday of each month at mass for the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph. They provide food every month for 100-135 families (averaging 5-6 people each family). **For this collection**, school supplies are also welcome in addition to food. Thank you so much for your continued support!"

Vivat Jesus
Vince Cannava

Join Us For A Night At The Theater

Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Council 11922 is sponsoring a special performance of *The Visit* at The Little Theater of Alexandria. The theater is located at 600 Wolfe Street, Alexandria. The performance will be held on October 22, 2010, 8:00 PM. Open to all. Mark your calendar!

A classic suspenseful tale with a moral dimension that is sure to spark some soul-searching. A scorned woman returns to her decaying hometown to confront the man who turned his back on her years earlier. Now fabulously wealthy, she offers to save the town with her millions, but there's a catch!

There will be a brief reception during intermission.

Tickets are \$25. Proceeds to K of C charities. Tickets will be on sale after all masses on September 12, 19, and 26 and October 10 and 17. Seating is limited; buy early.

For further information or tickets call Pat McArdle at 703-978-0457

WWC is a volunteer program that helps parishioners and other people in the local community that are in need of assistance. WWC is the Church in action. WWC helps elderly, low income, temporarily disabled, or permanently disabled people, victims of natural and man-made disasters, or other people requiring assistance. WWC projects are completed by a small 4-6 person team consisting of youth, two adult crew leaders, and contractor volunteers (if needed) who devote time and talent to make homes safer, warmer and dryer, more handicap-accessible or more energy efficient. Materials for the projects will be donated or purchased through fund-raising events.

WWC adheres to Diocesan policies regarding the safety of children. Compliance with the child protection paperwork and Virtus training is required for all adult volunteers. WWC adheres to the concepts of social justice and the policy of confidentiality exercised at the Diocesan Work Camp. WWC volunteers respect the dignity, privacy, diversity and uniqueness of each person, especially recipients of assistance.

Like the annual Work Camp event, Holy Spirit Weekend Work Camp renews the light of faith in all involved, especially our youth. Parents and other adults of the Parish can support and nourish that light by getting involved as adult crew members, preparing lunches or snacks for the crew, donating materials, temporarily loaning tools, providing transportation or offering prayers of support.

I offer my time to you and other adults to discuss how we can easily make such an important difference in the faith of our youth and to testify to what a truly fulfilling experience Weekend Work Camp can be.

Vivat Jesus
Steve Poppe
703-426-1929



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CALENDAR SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2010



Day	Date	Location	Event	Leader
SEPTEMBER				
Sat	Sep 4		KOVAR Collection (??)	Rose
Sun	Sep 5		KOVAR Collection (??)	Rose
Tue	Sep 7	H.S. School Meeting Room 1	Business Meeting	d'Alelio
Sat	Sep 11	H.S. Gym	Blood Drive	Cecka
Sat	Sep 11	Chantilly	Regional/Multi-District Training	Poumade
Sun	Sep 12	H.S. Cafeteria	Pancake Breakfast #1 (primary date)	Peri
Sun	Sep 12	Church Entrance	Theater Ticket Sales (start)	McArdle
Sat	Sep 18		Weekend Workcamp (primary date)	Poppe
Sun	Sep 19		Weekend Workcamp (alternate date)	Poppe
Sun	Sep 19	H.S. Cafeteria	Pancake Breakfast #1 (alternate date)	Peri
Sun	Sep 19		Family Picnic	Zelnis
Tue	Sept 21	H.S. School Meeting Room 1	First Degree Exemplification	Poumade
Wed	Sep 22	H.S. School Meeting	General Squires Meeting, for all qualified young men and parents	Domenichini
Sun	Sep 26	Church entrance	Theater Ticket Sales	McArdle
Thu	Sep 30	E.W. White Council	E.W. White Council OktoberFest Dinner	d'Alelio
OCTOBER				
Sat	Oct 2	Richmond	State Meeting	Poumade
Tue	Oct 5	H.S. School Meeting Room 1	Business Meeting	d'Alelio
Tue	Oct 5		Project Manger Fund Drive (start)	d'Alelio
Wed	Oct 6	H.S. Gym	College Night	Poumade (icw 7992)

Sat	Oct 9	H.S. Gym	Halloween Bingo (alternate date)	Moscatelli
Sun	Oct 10	Church Entrance	Theater Ticket Sales	McArdle

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