

Bishop McNamara Council #1622
Council Activities for 4/1/96 - 4/1/97

Meet 1st and 3rd Monday, each month, St. Johns Literary Institute at Prospect Hall, Frederick, MD

Church Activities - E. Allen Harris, Deputy Grand Knight

At each meeting, a decade of the rosary is recited.

St. Johns Round Table (Knights who are members of St. Johns Parish) performed several Church service activities, including decorating the Church for Christmas, removing Christmas decorations, decorating the hall in December for the Bishop Murphy's reception and decorating the Church for Easter.

We held a corporate mass at St. John's in Feb 97, followed by a corporate brunch at a local restaurant.

We mailed to our membership a sheet of blank post cards to US congressmen against partial-birth abortions.

We collected over \$500 of membership donations in 1996 to donate to our selected seminarian under the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP).

Community Activities - Dr. George H. Williams, PGK

The council sponsors two monthly sites, one in Frederick and one in Buckeystown, for distribution of food as part of the SHARE of BALTIMORE food co-operative. By using our volunteers to pick-up the food shares in Hagerstown, delivering to our sites and sorting, we make \$30-value shares of wholesale commercial food available to the community for \$14.

The council's annual Tootsie Roll Drive held in Oct 96 donated over \$2700 to ARC of Frederick.

Council Activities

We sold our old council home on W. 7th Street in April 1996 and now meet at St. Johns Literary Institute at Prospect Hall.

We provided ushers to serve at the Preakness in May 96.

The council's annual car raffle drive in Aug 96 collected over \$2300 which gave approx. \$1000 to the State Scholarship Fund.

We held a very successful membership drive at St. John the Evangelist Church.

We held our "Installation of Officers" ceremony and corporate dinner in Sep 96.

A memorial mass for our deceased knights was conducted by our Chaplain, Rev. Marvin S. Archuleta, in Nov 96 at Prospect Hall. Mass was followed by a corporate dinner.

In Nov 96, the Council donated a two-room storage shed worth over \$2000 to St. Johns Literary Institute at Prospect Hall, to be shared by the school's sports program and the Council.

We publish a newsletter once every two months to inform our membership of recent activities and upcoming events.

In Feb 97, the council purchased a new set of robes for our first degree team.

Family Activities - Ernest E. Musser, Jr. PGK, PFN, PCP

We held our annual Council picnic in Aug 96.

We held our annual pro-life Christmas party in Dec 96, with pot luck dinner. Guests were requested to bring a newborn gift, which were donated to Birthright of Frederick.

Youth Activities - William J. Kinsella

Annual "Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest - was held for children in Grades 1 -8. We provided cash awards to winners of each grade level. In 1996, we received over 270 entries from two catholic schools and five parishes.

We made a donation in support of a local Girl Scout troop who conducted an overseas clothing charity.

We re-initiated our annual youth basketball free throw competition in Jan 97 for boys and girls age 10 - 14. The free throw competition was held at Prospect Hall and assisted by member's of the nationally recognized girls basketball team of St. Johns at Prospect Hall.

Fraternally submitted,

Dave Satterfield
Grand Knight

Deaths within Bishop McNamara Council #1622 4/1/96-3/31/97

William J. Grove
Francis C. Lang, Sr., PGK
Lewis B. Marman
Alfred D. Tavares, PGK
Phillip L. Thomas, Jr.
George L. Thomas, III
Robert I. Troxell
Lawrence W. Ward