

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers,

As we move into the Christmas Season, I believe it's important to recognize our many blessings. We have had a tremendously successful year, due to the efforts and brotherhood shared by many of our Knights. As our current activities provide charity to those in need, service to our community, and support to our brotherhood, new goals and activities await us. We will need your strong support...support in attending social events, support in working on our service activities, and support in recruiting new brothers to build upon our success. To fulfill the expectations of our families and community, our principals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism must be more than words. With your help and the blessings of God our Father, we can continue to serve as a tool of Christian growth. As Catholic men, working together to achieve far more together than we can alone. God bless you and your families during the Christmas season.

Faternally yours, Dave Satterfield

WELCOME BR. CHARLES ROPER - Br. Charles transferred into our Council as a third degree knight. He works for Hughes Network Systems and is married to Susan.

CAR RAFFLE RESULTS - The Car Raffle First Prize was won by Kay Curry from a ticket sold by College Park Council. Second prize was won by Patrick Jodga. Our council sold over 3800 car raffle tickets this year, which means we provided over \$1500 to the MD State Charity Fund. After expenses, our net will be around \$1500. This great success was due to the efforts of everyone. Particular note should be taken of the great effort by Ernie Musser, Sr. Also, Joe Brashears took a whole week off to work at our fair booth.

SHARE - (**Info needed from Jim Dowell)

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE - Our annual tootsie roll drive for the mentally handicapped is wrapping up again. All proceeds will go to ARC of Frederick. Thanks to all those who worked on the drive, especially the coordinators, Ernie Musser Sr. and Mike Smith.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST on 11/2 and 12/7- We will hold a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on the first Sunday of each month from 8 am to Noon at Prospect Hall. Mark Nov 2 and Dec 7 on your calendar. This benefits the council and the new Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund for students at Prospect Hall. Breakfast is \$5/adult, \$2.50/age 6-12, Free/under 6, and \$20 max per family.

MEMORIAL MASS on 11/3 - In lieu of our council meeting, we will conduct our annual Memorial Mass on November 3, at 7 pm, at Prospect Hall. **Family and friends are welcome to join us.** Mass will be followed by a dinner at Prospect Hall prepared by Br. Dave Wilson. Please call Dave Satterfield to confirm your attendance to estimate for the meal. We will especially honor those knights of our Council who died this year,

S.K. Russell Augustus Dykes	died	08/04/97
MSGR. S.K. Edward Vincent Echle		05/16/97

S.K. William Henry Garner, Jr., PGK, PFN	10/05/97
William Jarboe Grove	02/01/97
George L. Thomas, III	12/05/96
S.K. Phillip Lebaron Thomas, III	09/03/96
Robert Ignatius Troxell	11/18/96

We will also honor a knight who was missed at our last year's mass,
 Lewis Bradley Marman 04/26/96

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST - We are again sponsoring this contest for children . (**Info needed from Julius Pellegrino**).

FAMILY PRO-LIFE CHRISTMAS PARTY - Sunday, December 7, 2 pm, at Prospect Hall. Join us for some family friendship. Games for the kids. A visit from Santa Claus. Covered dish is requested. Please bring a small unwrapped newborn gift which will be donated to Birthright, Inc.

CONGRATULATIONS BR. DON BRASHEARS - Br. Don was awarded Honorary Life membership by the Supreme Council and Knight of Year by Bishop McNamara Council for his years of service to the Knights of Columbus. The award was made at a Mass at St. Joseph's Church on Carrolton Manor in front of his fellow parishioners and friends.

DEDICATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS RENEWED - at our October 6th meeting, we renewed the dedication of our Council to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In this beautiful annual ceremony, we dedicate ourselves to continued service in his name.

TRIP TO BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE on JAN 10, 98 - A bus will depart from Prospect Hall at 7:30 am and return after the 5:30 pm Mass. We will tour St. Patrick's Church and St. Aloisous Church in the morning. We then lunch (at your cost) and tour at the Basilica , followed by a tour the Monastery of Holy Land Franciscans. We then return for 5:30 pm Mass at the Basilica. Cost: \$20/person. Maximum 45 persons. Open to all. Call (xxx1) xxx-xxxx and leave name/phone on message to make reservations.

DONATIONS TO THE AMY EYLER VAN FUND - Our council voted a modest gift of \$200 dollars to support this project of our fellow Brute Council #1860 in Emmitsburg. Amy is the daughter of Brother James Eyler, a Past Grand Knight of Brute Council. Amy has Cerebral Palsy and must begin to use an electric wheelchair. The family needs help in buying a wheelchair-capable van. Any donations will be greatly appreciated and will be acknowledged. Donations may be made payable to the Amy Eyler Van Fund, C/O Van Fund, Brute Council #1860, PO Box 445, Emmitsburg, MD 21717 Attn: Steve Hollinger, Financial Secretary.

YOUTH FREETHROW BASKETBALL CONTEST - (**Info needed from Bill Kinsella**)

Prayers - For the family of S.K. William Henry Garner, Jr., Past Grand Knight, Past Faithful Navigator, who died on Oct 05, 1997.