# The Knightly News

COUNCIL 4522

CHARTERED1958







**Monthly Newsletter** 

February 2016

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

O Lord, hear our humble prayers and let our cries come to you. As a Christian community, we have an obligation to pray for one another, especially those who are hurting or in need. Some of us may think that praying implies only the recitation of set prayers or can only be done in a proper setting. Wrong! We can pray at any time, even while we are doing very mundane tasks. Prayers do not have to be long-winded petitions, but merely spoken from the heart.

Please remember the following individuals who are in need of our prayers: Joe Covas, PGK Al Bueno, PGK Carl Castle, PGK Charlie & Ester White, FS Vinnie & Ethel Apostolico, Andy Zaccardi, Joe Cassano, Art Montilla, Beth Medved, Alice McDonald, Fred J. Braun, Paul & Mimi Hebert, Jo-Anne Plavchan, Lellie Williams (mother of Bro. Roger), Jim & Ann Kemble, John Battaglia, Karen Gonzalez (sister of Bro. Ernesto), and the Serban Family.

# INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- 2 Knight of the Month
- **2** Family of the Month
- 2 Casey Women's Club
- 2 Fraternal Activities
- 3 Calendar of Events

# **GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE**

SK Carroll Glass, Grand Knight, Council 4522

### Insurance Check-Up for 2016

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. You're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts to help you, and our Knights of Columbus Insurance Field Agent, Gerald Curren, Jr., MA, FIC, PGK, would love to be the first to sit down with you. His contact information is as follows:

Gerald Curren, Jr., MA, FIC, PGK

Phone: (703) 967-1605

email: <a href="www.geraldcurren.com">www.geraldcurren.com</a>
Website: <a href="www.geraldcurren.com">www.geraldcurren.com</a>

Please schedule some time to meet he will provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family's life insurance protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

(Continued on Page 3)

## **Knight of the Month**

For our February 2016 Knight of the month, we'd like to recognize SK Roger Williams. Roger is one of our recently minted 4th Degree Knights. He's also ready to step up and take a more active leadership role in our Council. SK Roger has taken a hands-on participation with our Coats for Kids program. He both assisted with the Mass presentations at Queen of Apostles Catholic Church and the delivery to the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph for distribution. We look forward to using some of his ideas for increasing the visibility of our Council. Roger, thank you for your faithful service to Pope John Paul II.

## **Family of the Month**

The Guevara family is recognized as the Family of the Month for February 2016. We'd like to recognize their service to the church and our council. Maria volunteers with Queen of Apostles Catholic Church and shares Vicente, Vincent, Mark, and Matthew with our Council. They were a strong support for our Holy Family Prayer Program. Matthew and Vincent completed their path to full Knighthood, this past January 30, 2016. The Guevara Family exemplifies the development of strong, vibrant Knights of Columbus families. They are Knight Strong.

Casey Women's Club: I hope everyone survived the BLIZZARD. As you know we had to cancel the retiree lunch but it will be back on February 23rd at 12 o'clock, with Bunco following the luncheon about 1:00 PM.

At our January meeting it was decided to send checks to the seminarians from Q of A as well as the two from our K of C. Connie King and Ethel Apostolico will get their addresses so we can mail the checks. For our Lenten project this year we will donate to Bethany House. Marion Scaffidi will get the information for us at our next meeting on February 11th. Geri Owen is contacting Annandale High with regards to dates for our annual luncheon. She will also have this information at our next meeting. Connie King has volunteered to help us have a tea at our June meeting. She needs volunteers to help with this fun project.

Our end of year party will be June 18th. Details will follow at a later date.

The net profit from the See's candy was \$448. A great big thank you to everyone who helped make this

project a success and a particular THANK YOU to Ruth Brophy and Ruth Zirkle for all their hard work.

The February birthdays are: Alice McDonald February 4th, Jean Hughes Feb 8th', Alice London Feb16th and Linda Lipari FEB 26th. Happy Birthday ladies!

I wish everyone a Holy, Healthy, and prosperous New Year

GOD BLESS!! Ethel Apostolico, President

# **Fraternal Activities**

**CONDOLENCES:** The Council has been informed that Silvia Serban, wife of Bro. Nick, died on January 11, 2016. Also, we have just learned the brother Knight Eric J. Saldanha on December 25, 2013. On behalf of the officers & members of the Council, we extend our sincere condolences to their families.

and in all kinds of weather, our Council has been actively involved in the weekly bread pickup & delivery to select charitable distribution points in the Annandale-Springfield-Alexandria area. While this ongoing program may not always receive the same level of attention as our other programs do, the good we do for needy families is greatly appreciated. During calendar year 2015, the two teams (one from Fitzgerald Council 459 & one from our Council) picked up a total of 32,081 loaves of bread or bread products from the Bimbo Lorton depot. During the first half of FY 2016 (Jul-Dec 2015) our Council's share of the pickup was 9,952 loaves of bread.

COATS 4 KIDS PROGRAM: This is the first time the Council has participated in this program sponsored by Supreme Council, urging councils to provide warm winter coats for needy children in their areas. Despite some reservations & skepticism at the start of this program, it has been a resounding success. Although the initial goal was to rise \$1,760, the Council was able to raise \$2,130 through the generosity of Council members, Casey Women's Club, and QofA school & parishioners. On January 20 the Council distributed 96 new winter coats to needy children who attend St. Gabriel's day care center run by the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph. This year our Council was one of 34 councils

(Continued on Page 3)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **OFFICER MEETING**

DATE: FEBRUARY 3, 2016

PLACE: COUNCIL HOME

TIME: 7:30

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE: FEBRUARY 10, 2016

PLACE: COUNCIL HOME

TIME: 7:30

Rosary at 7:05

#### **CASEY WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING**

DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2016

PLACE: COUNCIL HOME

TIME: 1:00

#### **RETIREE LUNCHEON**

DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016

PLACE: COUNCIL HOME

TIME: 12:00

Bunco following at 1:00

#### (Continued from page 2)

in Virginia that raised money to purchase 1,956 warm winter coats for children in needy families. Because of the need in our community & success of the program, our Council plans to participate in this worthwhile program next year during the season of Advent.

SICK CALL. Bro. Joe Cassano, who turned 96 on December 2, 2015, went into Fairfax Inova Hospital on 1/11 for installation of a pacemaker. Although the surgery went well, he is dealing with the discomfort & pain associated with the surgery at home and hopes to resume his job of leading the rosary prior to the regular business meeting on February 10. He would appreciate receiving calls from his brother knights. Bro. Joe Covas is now at home and would welcome visitors. If there are any other members who should be listed on our "Sick Call" list, please pass along word to the editor of this newsletter for inclusion in next

month's edition.

CASEY 4522 FOUNDATION: The Foundation Board held its second quarterly meeting at the Council Home on December 14, 2015. The Charitable Grant Committee (aka Welfare & Charity Committee for the Council) presented its list of six eligible 501(c)(3) charities for grants. After some discussion, the list was pared down to two recipients for grants at this time: Archdiocese for Military Services, USA (\$500) & A Woman's Choice for baby strollers (\$500).

The requests of two charities were rejected in keeping with Board guidelines & two others were placed on hold for later consideration. The Board was informed that the Foundation had received a \$1,000 check from the Allstate Foundation and a \$5,000 donation from the Ortanoli Trust. The next scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on 3/21/2016 at 7:30 pm in the Council Home.

## **GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE:** (Continued from Page 1)

Did I mention his check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family for generations?

Ask Eligible Men to Join

Growing the Order is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members. And more members equal more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because they increased visibility during and after Masses and at special events. We must remember that we have a duty to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community, and the Order.

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often a "selling point" to a potential member who is on the fence.

Fraternally,

SK Carroll D. Glass, Grand Knight, Council 4522

Vivat Jesus!

THE KNIGHTLY NEWS IS PUBLISHED MONTHLY BY POPE JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL 4522, P.O. BOX 1827, ANNANDALE, VA 22003-9555 TELEPHONE: 703-992-0129 WEBSITE: kc4522.com

The DEADLINE for submission for the March 2016 Newsletter: February 20th!

MAY THE HOLD NAMES OF JESUS BE PRAISED AND HONORED BY ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND MAY IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY RULE IN ALL OF OUR HEARTS UNTIL WE ATTAIN TO EVERLASTING LIFE! AMEN! ST. JOSEPH AND ST. DOMINIC, ORA PRO NOBIS!

If you any comments please contact the Editor, Philip D. Hepperle: <a href="mailto:phepperle@yahoo.com">phepperle@yahoo.com</a> or 703-655-7350

Other Questions?? Please feel free to leave a message at the Council Home at (703) 992-0129.

Additional information and points of contact are posted on our website at:

<a href="http://www.kc4522.com">http://www.kc4522.com</a>