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## Message from the Grand Knight Andy Garrity

### Grand Knights Message - April 2018

My Brother Knights,

Another great month for our order here in Chester/Delaware County, Pennsylvania, USA. Our council is continuing to do great work for our wonderful parish, St. Max School, and our priests. In addition to our "work rate" remaining high, we have ADDED SIGNIFICANTLY to our numbers with robust recruiting of good men.

Over the past month, here is a good list completed activities and events of note:

- St. Max Cleanup Day (April 21) was a success! Thanks to DGK Ron Stewart for setting up this day, renting equipment, and recruiting a great group of men from our council. Several of our newest Knights (Bob Downs, Dave Borda, Frank Calzaretta, Bryan Cochran, Dave Vacca, Brendan McCormack and Henry Bunting) joined in the work. Thank you men for jumping right in!! Ron Stewart not only led the event (joined by veteran knights Steve K., Jim F., Bob Blasiotti, Andy G.), but he worked through nagging gastrointestinal discomfort that led to Ron having to get his APPENDIX REMOVED later that afternoon!!! As I write this Grand Knight's message Ron Stewart remains in the hospital recovering (good prognosis). Thank you Ron for your energy and commitment.....you will be a great Grand Knight!
- The Board of District Deputies Caucus occurred March 18th. Our delegation consisted of Worthy Treasurer Henry Bunting, Worthy Financial Secretary Jim Thompson, and GK Andy Garrity. We enthusiastically placed our votes and learned even more about the inner workings of SE Pennsylvania KofC politics.
- Fr. Mark Cavarra, a recent seminarian (God son of Charlie Carbo) who our council helped sponsor, spoke to us during our March 13th council meeting. Father did a great job of reinforcing for us the need for the work we do to support our wonderful Priests.
- CONGRATULATIONS to our newest members who completed their 1st and 2nd degrees April 10th! Please make it a point to get to know: Dave Borda, Bob Downs, Brendan McCormack, and Joe Novielli. That same night, we were happy to welcome Al Meyers who is a 3rd degree Knight who recently transferred into our council. Great guys.
- CONGRATULATIONS to our newest 3rd Degree members!! On Sunday, April 8th, brothers Frank Hendrik, Jim Armour and Ron Nagle completed the fraternal (3rd) degree. Thank you to Jack McGinn and Charlie Carbo for attending with them.
- We continue to pray for and stand ready to assist our brothers who are fighting disease, especially Paul Nappi and Kevin Ansley.
- Continued thanks to Worthy Chancellor and Public Info Officer Norm LeDonne for continuing to assure our council is up to snuff in the ways of social media!! So many great pictures and communications are up on our sites communicating the work we do. Please go on to our Facebook page to view, share, and "like" content, make comments, and post pictures yourself. The site address is <https://www.facebook.com/KofCCouncil11319/>. Also, our "public face" on the web is our UKnight site at the following web address: <http://kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=11319>. Please go to these sites and post and suggest ways we can put up the best content to showcase our work and fun and the ways in which we espouse our KofC values of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

In terms of upcoming events about which to be aware, please note the following:

- The St. Max Knights Memorial Mass will be at 8am this coming Saturday, April 28, 2018. COME ONE COME ALL.....please come in support, respect, and solidarity. Thank you once again to PGK Pat Torrey and PGK Joe Pizzino for organizing this annual event.
- The Chester County Women's Medical Services (CCWS) Annual Banquet and Fund Raiser is Monday May 7. Please contact Charlie Carbo or Jim Fongheiser if you would like to attend and/or contribute to the cause.
- The "Cardinals on the Green" Home and School Association (HSA) golf outing is coming up on May 4th. Our council is sponsoring a hole. Please get your foursomes together and sign up.
- Come to our April 24th council meeting and meet and ask questions of our KofC Insurance General Agent (Joe Grayeske) and our new Field Rep Len D'Antonio.
- Our next monthly council meeting will be May 8th and our last council meeting this fraternal year will be sometime in June. The exact date for this June meeting is TBA as this meeting will be an Election/Awards Knight to be held at a special location. Since Schuyler Hall is presently unavailable due to the fire, the exact location and time is forthcoming.

Vivat Jesus, and thank you for all you do to benefit our blessed parish community.

In solidarity with our priests,  
Andy Garrity, GK St. Max KofC Council 11319

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