



Upper Uwchlan, PA.

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### A closing word from the Grand Knight

*"Everything can be taken from us but one thing -- the last of the human freedoms -- to choose one's attitude in any given circumstance." Viktor Frankl*

Columbus Council. In addition, I want to extend my sincerest thanks to my brother Knights for all their support, friendship and cooperation that I have received from them during the last two years of my term as Grand Knight. Of all the years I have spent as a Knight, this has been my most rewarding two years. My thoughts and prayers will be with the new incoming officers as they begin the new fraternal year.

Fraternally,

Peter J. Caruso  
Grand Knight

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I chose this quote because I feel it is the essence of the St. Elizabeth Knights of Columbus Council. All throughout the last two years I have witnessed a great group of Catholic gentlemen come together on many occasions, selflessly giving up their time for the sake others. No matter how big the challenge, I could always count on my brothers to perform whatever was asked of them with a generous spirit and attitude. In a society where life is so hectic and time is so precious, the Knights have never let me or our parish community down whenever we were called upon to help.

I want to especially thank Monsignor Mullin for his support and guidance during the formation and growth of the St. Elizabeth Knights of

### ARC a Success Again

Our Council collected for the Association of Retarded Citizens of Pennsylvania, The ARC, in March and April as part of a statewide campaign, which all Pennsylvania Knights of Columbus Councils participate. Our Council collected \$2,012.52!! This was our Council’s second year participating in this event. The State Deputy asks us to try to collect \$5.00 per person. On a per capita basis we collected an estimated \$26.83 What a resounding success. Way to go Council 13141! – Chris Ruggerio

# St. Elizabeth Council #13141

## Upcoming Events.

May 5 – Chester County Cares, Bill. Schell, Bob Lien, Ron Murphy, John Drotar

May 6 – Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary.

May 30 – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at the Adams Mark Hotel.

June 2 – Oak tree service project. Volunteers needed. Contact Jim Smith 610 594-9037.

June 12/13 – Women's Clothing Drive

June 26 – Upper Uwchlan Day. Volunteers needed. Contact John Drotar 610-873-9194.

June 27 – Family Picnic. Final date TBD

July 4 – Independence Day

## Communion Breakfast honors Seminarian John Weber

On April 18, 2004, at the Malvern retreat the council met to honor Seminarian John Weber and recognize the Family of the Year and Knight of the year.

Vic Baillargeon, Lector, and Dick Sylvester, Council Chef, were instrumental in bringing this event to a great success. All who attended enjoyed the superb food and great environment. Many thanks to the Malvern Retreat for hosting this event.

The council recognized and encouraged John Weber to continue his studies at St. Charles.

William and Karen McDonald, along with their two sons, were recipients of the Family of the Year Award to recognize them for all their great work they do in the Council and Parish.

The Knight of the Year went to Jim Smith. This came as no surprise to those in the council as Jim is involved with key activities this year. Truly he has risen to the occasion on many instances and is a good model for others.

## Council Shirts

Council Shirts are available for sale. Contact Hoot Gibson at the next General Council meeting. These shirts give you and the council a positive impression during events. If you need it promptly, email Hoot to bring you a shirt at [hooter@netreach.net](mailto:hooter@netreach.net).

## Pro Life – God's Precious Infants

Joe Cavanagh invites all brothers and families to consider becoming part of a significant effort that is conducted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday every month. The activity consists of going to Philadelphia at 15<sup>th</sup> and Market St. and attending a 7 am mass at St. John's. The group then walks to Planned Parenthood at 12<sup>th</sup> and Locust where the Rosary is prayed. After this they return to St. John for a Benediction. You are home by 11 am. To join Joe, Cavanagh call him at 610 363-0639 or [Jcursillo@aol.com](mailto:Jcursillo@aol.com).

There is also a pro-life mass and Rosary prayer in Westchester. The Rosary is prayed at a nearby abortion clinic. This occurs the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month at St. Agnes, West Chester, PA. Contact SK Tom Holman of West Chester Council.

## Officers Profile: Kevin Borton, Chancellor



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Kevin joined the Knights of Columbus in the St. Peter Council as a charter member, receiving his 1<sup>st</sup> degree in or around 1988 (he can't be quite sure... he says the memory is the second thing to go...and he can't remember what the first is). Wasting no time, he quickly attained 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree. Kevin still aspires to that elusive 4<sup>th</sup> degree, but does not know when it will become a reality. Kevin joined the Saint Elizabeth Council, also as a charter member, upon our startup in 2002.

Over the last 14 years or so of being actively involved in Knights activities, Kevin has been involved in a variety of charitable works, especially St. Patrick's Day committees. I see a lot of green beer in Saint Elizabeth parish's future. Currently at Saint Elizabeth, he is a member of the Liturgical Committee and is also an Usher Coordinator.

Kevin has been married for 23 years to his lovely wife Nadine and together they have four children: Kailin, who is 18 and heading to Xavier College next fall; Ryan 16, who's looking for the keys to dad's car; Kara 13 who's looking to own dad's car; and keeping Kevin young is David 10, who is hoping dad gets a

new car by the time he's old enough to get his license.

Having worked in the electrical utility business for 24 years in Delaware Valley area, Kevin has specialized in Nuclear Power Generation and has obtained a Senior Reactor Operator's License. Also having worked in South Africa, Vienna Austria, and Washington DC, Kevin has spent the better part of the last 24 years ensuring US Regulatory Compliance and Safe Operation of Power Plants. Three Mile Island could really have used someone like Kevin!

In his precious spare time, Kevin loves golf, fly-fishing, golf, snow skiing, and did I mention golf?

Our Chancellor says enjoys the enthusiasm and the motivated, unselfish drive his fellow Knights bring to every meeting and activity.

Note:  
Duties of the Chancellor, as per the Knights of Columbus Charter Constitution Laws – *The Chancellor shall assist the Grand Knight and the Deputy Grand Knight in the performance of their duties and shall take charge of the council during the incapacity or extended absence of both. He shall be charged with the total participation of the membership in the activities of the council...He shall exercise a special interest in*

*new members and those members who are sick or in distress. He shall perform such other duties as the Grand Knight directs*

## Knights in Action

Groundbreaking. Council participation was at an all time high for this event. In all 40 knights responded to serve the parking needs and staff the Color Corp. Along with the manpower response came donations of signage, golf carts, personal vehicles, and a school bus. Setup for the event and takedown was an effort that transpired over three days. Our fellow parishioners expressed their appreciation for the support that the Knights demonstrated. Many parishioners were impressed by the fine display of the Color Corp. Congratulations go to all for this fine effort.

Minute Man Response. The minute men knights responded to last minute request for additional manning to direct and organize the parking at Downingtown High. Again, parishioners expressed sincere thanks as they arrived and departed smoothly from Mass. Hoot Gibson took a lead in directing manpower and provided additional signage. Rich Turocy did extra duty that day by assisting with alter setup, coordinated the alter servers, ushered, and directed the traffic flow.

Chester County Cares. Special thanks to Joe Cavanaugh for dedicating his time to pack dinners and food for the needy. In

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addition, Bill. Schell, Bob Lien, Ron Murphy, John Drotar came together as a team for the May 5<sup>th</sup> project.

## Keep the Faith Alive

Remember, **YOU** can make a difference to someone considering a vocation.

## Vocations

The Church is in need of more young men and women to answer God's call to priestly and religious vocations. This is a life choice that exceeds all expectations – being an instrument of God's love and drawing people closer to the Father. Please let your voice be heard in prayer, support and advocacy for vocations.

Father Scott Woods – St John Neumann Catholic Church.

## On the Light Side....

### Retirement Planning:

If you had purchased \$1000.00 of Nortel stock one year ago, it would now be worth \$49.00.

With Enron, you would have \$16.50 left of the original \$1,000.00.

With WorldCom, you would have less than 5.00 left.

But, if you had purchased \$1,000.00 worth of Beer one year ago, drank all the beer, then turned in the cans for the aluminum recycling price, you would have \$214.00.

Based on the above, current investment advice is to drink heavily and recycle.

It's called the 401-Keg Plan.

## Insurance Needs

If any of you are considering changes to you insurance needs, please be sure to contact our KoC Field Agent Dan Bowser. He is ready to help with all you insurance and financial investment needs. Dan can be reached at **3209 Edge Lane, Thorndale, PA 19372** or **contact him at 610-909-0807.**

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