

Knights Navigator

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St. Brendan Catholic Community - Cumming, GA

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Grand Knights Corner

Brothers, as we wrap up the Columbian year let me start with my heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of condolences, support, and prayer for the loss of my mother. I have received the Monastery card and one from St Francis and they are much appreciated.

Even in dealing with the final days of Mom's terminal illness, there were moments where being a member of the Knight's of Columbus provided strength and guidance. It also provided an interesting observation. We prayed the rosary for Mom, and I would interrupt my sister's who were skipping the various Mysteries. They also didn't know the Fatima prayer or the closing prayer (which I will confess I had to refer to the card for - I knew the Hail Holy Queen ;-). We also had many debates on God's answers to prayers, and even more on things surrounding the funeral mass & church doctrine.

I also had reason to reach out to a brother in NY, a District Deputy, regarding the internment ceremony at the mausoleum where Mom was interred alongside Dad and my brother. I never received a response. I'm a bit dismayed, in that as Knights our behavior should be

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Yard Sale is coming June 1-4 See below

Yard Sale-Assistance Needed

Brothers,

As you read this article our Yard Sale will be getting under way. While we do have a Knight for each security shift. I would like to have 2 especially for the 8pm to Midnight shift. So if you have some time please consider one of these security shifts. Please contact Dan Wilczek (678-947-8996) and let him know you can help. We are collecting a lot of stuff and I need to thank the Tinkers for their assistance in keeping the connexes organized. There have many times when I have visited the connexes and didn't think we could fit any more stuff in-



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St Brendan Knights of Columbus
Council #12942
 4633 Shiloh Road
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Council meetings are the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:30 PM. Officers meet at 7:00 PM. The fourth Monday is member social meeting.

Your Officers and Committee Chairs
2010 - 2011 Fraternal Year

Officers

| | |
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| Chaplain | Rev. Fr. Bob Frederick |
| Associate Chaplain | |
| Supreme Knight | Carl A. Anderson |
| District Deputy | Vin O'Reilly |
| Grand Knight | Gerry Lynch |
| Deputy Grand Knight | Curtis Weeks |
| Chancellor | Daniel Jozwiak |
| Warden | Chet Nadolski |
| Financial Secretary | Tom Carriere |
| Recorder | Charles Perott |
| Treasurer | Steve Herzog |
| Advocate | Ken Snellings |
| Inside Guard | Salvatore Cosentino |
| Inside Guard | Charlie Matuza |
| Outside Guard | Michael Artzer |
| Outside Guard | Charles Tullier Jr. |
| Three-Year Trustee | Michael Clark |
| Two-Year Trustee | Chris Bugett |
| One-Year Trustee | Stan Rapciewicz |
| Lecturer | Quinton Skinner |

Committee Chairs

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Program Director | Curtis Weeks |
| Church | Bill Kelly |
| Council | Curtis Weeks |
| Community | Curtis Weeks |
| Family | Steve Herzog |
| Pro-Life Couple | Michael & Christy Clark |
| Youth | Charlie Tullier |
| Health Services | Dan Jozwiak |
| Insurance Promotion | Curtis Weeks |
| Membership | Curtis Weeks |
| Public Relations | Michael Clark |
| Recruitment | Jim Kirspele |
| Retention | Curtis Weeks |
| Vocations | Michael Artzer |
| Newsletter | John Hausknecht |
| Webmaster | Geary Beaulieu |

Member Benefits

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| Fraternal Benefits Advisor | Stephen Znoj |
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From the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Bishops Support Three Bills to Strengthen Protections for Life and Conscience

January 2011

WASHINGTON (January 24, 2011)—Three bills currently in the U.S. House of Representatives would help ensure that adequate protections are in place for the consciences of taxpayers and health care providers and against federal funding of abortion. In three letters, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, chairman of the Committee on Pro-Life Activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), urged House members to support the bills.

The Protect Life Act, H.R. 358, Cardinal DiNardo wrote in a January 20 letter, would address flaws in the new health care reform law and bring it "into line with policies on abortion and conscience rights that have long prevailed in other federal health programs." It would do so by preventing funds under the new law from subsidizing abortion or health care plans that cover abortion, protecting the consciences of health care providers who decline to participate in an abortion, and ensuring that the law doesn't override state laws on abortion and conscience.

The full text of Cardinal DiNardo's letter on the Protect Life Act is at:

www.usccb.org/healthcare/DiNardo-HR358-ltr.pdf

In a second letter January 20, Cardinal DiNardo urged support for the Abortion Non-Discrimination Act (ANDA), H.R. 361, which will codify into law the longstanding policy of the Hyde/Weldon amendment and give health care entities that do not provide abortions legal recourse when faced with government-sponsored discrimination. The Office for Civil Rights at the Department of Health and Human Services would be designated to investigate complaints.

"Passage of ANDA is urgently needed to protect the civil rights of health professionals and other health care entities," the cardinal wrote. "This bill reaffirms a basic principle: No health care entity should be forced by government to perform or participate in abortions."

Full text of the ANDA letter is at: www.usccb.org/conscienceprotection/cardinal-dinardo-HR361-ltr.pdf

In a January 21 letter, Cardinal DiNardo also voiced his support for the bipartisan No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act, H.R. 3, which would "write into permanent law a policy on which there has been strong popular and congressional agreement for over 35 years: The federal government should not use taxpayers' money to support and promote elective abortion." The cardinal wrote, "Even public officials who take a 'pro-choice' stand on abortion, and courts that have insisted on the validity of a constitutional 'right' to abortion, have agreed that the government can validly use its funding power to encourage childbirth over abortion."

Cardinal DiNardo noted that this agreement is so longstanding that, during the recent health care debate, many assumed it was already in place at all levels of the federal government, when in fact the Hyde amendment is only a rider to the annual Labor/HHS appropriations bill and only governs funds under that act.

The cardinal noted, "The benefit of H.R. 3 is that it would prevent problems and confusions on abortion funding in future legislation. Federal health bills could be debated in terms of their ability to promote the goal of universal health care, instead of being mired in debates about one lethal procedure that most Americans know is not truly 'health care' at all."

The letter on H.R. 3 is available online at: www.usccb.org/prolife/DiNardo-HR3.pdf

Press Release Dated January 24, 2011

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above reproach. We should all strive to act as Father McGivney would have us act at all times, as difficult as it might be. It's not about carrying the membership card, it's about carrying the rosary and what it means to be a Knight in our hearts and minds!

We've had a strong year in many respects. While we've been cleaning our rolls of those who have not been active, with thanks to Curtis, Dan, and many of you we've brought in a number of enthusiastic new Knights who will make great contributions to this Council. Financially we've had several successful programs that helped put us in good financial shape. With thanks to Quentin Skinner, we've enjoyed several tremendous social evenings. As I look back I know there are several things I wish I had done, or done better, but it has been a great experience. It has been an honor and privilege serving as the Grand Knight of St Brendan's Council this past year, and I thank you all for the opportunity and support you have provided.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally yours, gerr

A 2nd Degree was held May 18th, 2011

If you see Dale Gracyalny *Congratulate him on making his second degree on May 18th, 2011.*

Upcoming Degree Schedules

Please **make sure you contact** Curtis Weeks or Dan Jozwiak so they can coordinate with the sponsoring council for your attendance.

1st and 2nd Degree: Monday, June 6 at Good Shepherd, Cumming, GA. Candidate notification required by June 4. Notify Curtis Weeks, curtisweeks@bellsouth.net or 407-301-0645 if you have candidates and have Form 100s completed for 1st degree candidates. 1st degree registration is at 6:30 and exemplification starts at 7pm.

Council 660 1st and 2nd Degree: Wednesday, **June 15** in Buckhead. Candidate notification required by June 12. Notify Curtis Weeks if you are interested or have candidates for coordination. 1st degree starts around 7pm with candidate arrival by 6:30. 2nd degree starts immediately afterward.

3rd Degree: There will be a 3rd degree ceremony at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 1618 Ben King Rd, Kennesaw, Georgia 30156 on Thursday, **June 16.** Notification required by June 9. The tentative time is 6:45 arrival with completion around 9:30pm. Anyone interested should contact Curtis Weeks, curtisweeks@bellsouth.net or call at 407-301-0645.

For all degrees contact Curtis Weeks at curtisweeks@bellsouth.net or 407-301-0645 for details and departure times.

Meeting Highlights - St Brendan's Knights of Columbus Council 12942

Date: May 9, 2011

- Officer Elections: the following Knights were elected to serve for the 2011-2012 Columbian Year:

Grand Knight - Curtis Weeks

Deputy Grand Knight - Dan Jozwiak

Chancellor - Mike LeDuc

Warden - Jason Marrow

Recorder - Chuck Perrot

Advocate - PGK Ken Snellings

Treasurer - Steve Herzog

Financial Secretary - David DeLucia (appt pending w/ Supreme)

Trustee 3 Year - PGK Gerry Lynch

Trustee 2 Year - PGK Vin O'Reilly

Trustee 1 Year - PGK Chris Burgett

Inside Guard - Chet Nadolski

Inside Guard - John Boehm

Outside Guard - Bob MacDonald

Outside Guard - Charlie Matuza

- We also welcomed in Brother Warren Erickson as a transfer from St Brigid & were happy to see Ed Foye join us for s meeting. Other guests included Charles Matuza, (Charlie's Dad) and our Field Agent Steve Znoj.
- In other key voting, \$1500 was approved for the Totus Tuus (Totally Yours). A new faith formation program being brought to the parish. For more information on the program please see <http://www.totustuus.com/>.
- The Council is also supporting Stan Rapciewicz in his run for State Warden at the Georgia Knights of Columbus Convention this week. Good luck Brother Stan!
- \$500 seed money was set aside for Brother-in-Need
- The saga of the sidewalk project continues. Hopefully in the June timeframe.

Revenues & Balances etc.

- We learned some lessons from the recent onion sale (Thank You Brother Bill Wood for chairing this initiative). Next year - more onions and no pre-sale! Net Profits were approximately \$1250. Financially we're approaching the end of this Columbian year in good shape with approximately \$17,000 in the bank. Still to be paid are the sidewalk project and other items we have been asked to consider in terms of rectory repairs.

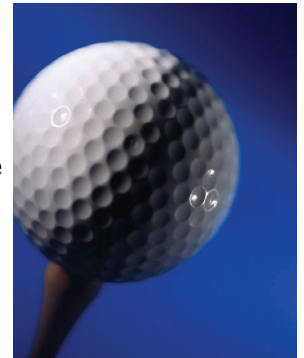
UPCOMING EVENTS WHERE HELP IS NEEDED:

- Confirmation Masses - given the large size of the confirmation class this year there will be two confirmation ceremonies conducted by our Auxiliary Bishop Louis Zalma. They are at 9 am and 1pm Saturday. Fourth Degree Knights are requested to be there 30 minutes early. USHERS are also needed if you can assist.
- Yard Sale - Mark Smeragliuolo is heading this event. If you can help with set-up on June 1st/2nd & with the sale please contact Mark. OVERNIGHT SECURITY is a critical need if you can help. Lights etc could also be used - contact Mark for more info (marks2389@yahoo.com 770-889-6102).

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Knights & Friends May Golf Outing

The 4th golf outing of the season is scheduled for June 23rd. Preliminary plans are to play at St. Marlo's. They will confirm the time and rates no sooner than 3 weeks prior to the date. Final details to be provided via email as soon as the course confirmation is received. The May outing at the Woodmont had 14 players which was our one of our largest outings this year. We will reserve 4 tee times and accommodate the first 16 players to sign up.



Please contact either Curtis Weeks
(curtisweeks@bellsouth.net or 407-301-0645) or
Randy DeBolt (randydebolt@comcast.net or 770-880-
3506) to sign up or with questions. We have re-
served 4 Tee times so make your reservations early.



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Advertising- Bill Hickman

Teen Coord- Chet Nadolski

Cashier - Tom Carriere

Grill - Frank Cizek

- Garden Club Planting Party May 21st
- Memorial Day crosses will be made by our Tinkers and set out.
- Flag Retirement Ceremony Sunday May 22nd after the 5 o'clock mass. Eagle Scout candidate Michael McGee is coordinating. Fourth Degree Sir Knights please let me & Michael know if you can participate (redmali-bu71@AT&T.net).
- MEMORIAL DAY MASSES - a Color Guard has been requested to participate in all masses. I'll get word to the Color Commander.

UPCOMING DEGREES:

- May 18th - First & Second Degree @ Council 660.
- June 4th- Fourth Degree @ Atlanta Marriott
- June 6th - First Degree @ Good Shepard

For Details let Curtis, Dan or myself know

- Recognition Dinner invitations have gone out. RSVP to Tom Carriere with menu selections etc. \$25 PER Person. Non-Knights can attend at a cost of \$50 per attendee.

Please keep the following brothers & their families in your prayers:

- Frank Janik, Michael Hausknecht (brother of John), Frank Cizek (his Mother), Violet Lynch, Al Kabo, Diane Parker, the family of Ron Mentzer, Judy Smyjunas, PGK Ken Snellings, PGK Bill O'Shaughnessy

Diabetes Words

Provided by
Bill Kelly May 26, 2011

These terms are rarely used together: Obesity, Type Two Diabetes, Complications, Infirmity, over 65, Renal Failure, Neuropathic Ulcers, Blindness, Cardio-Vascular Events, Foot Ulcer, Amputation, Rehabilitation, Second Amputation, and Death. Notice, it's a process.

These "more positive" terms are starting to be heard more frequently: Healthy Lifestyle, Shape Up, Self-Management, A1C, Know Your Numbers, Mindful Eating, Stress Management, Exercise and longer life. This, too, is a process.

So, what's the big deal? It's the tsunami of diabetes cases in Georgia and its costly complications.

Diabetes is the 7th leading cause of mortality and morbidity in Georgia!

Knights of Columbus are involved citizens - aware of social justice issues. We need to have the facts about diabetes and work to promote efforts in the parish and State to get diabetes and its expensive complications under control.

According to U.S., State and Metropolitan Trends (<http://www.altfutures.org/diabetes2050>), by 2015 Atlanta alone will experience an increase of more than 900,000 cases of diabetes.

According the Georgia Department of Community Health, diabetes related amputations in Georgia totaled 2927 in the year 2010. Sixty percent of amputations are done on men!

Amputations cost Medicaid and the healthcare system approximately \$55,000 each; not counting prostheses and rehabilitation. The cost for 2927 amputations, secondary to diabetes, was \$160,985,000. Yes, that's 160 Million Dollars! Many of these amputations could have been prevented by access to healthcare and rigorous follow-up of symptoms. The cost of the thousands of additional cases of diabetes on the horizon costs will surely have a major effect on taxes.

Of the 159 counties in GA, 118 are rural; over 140 counties are medically underserved. That means that people don't get the counseling, diagnosis and follow-up needed to control their diabetes and prevent amputations. Medical capacity and access to healthcare are major issues for people in the rural counties and the poor. The burden of amputations falls disproportionately on older Black women who are often the economic lynchpin for their families. Forty-nine percent of amputations were done on African-Americans.

Brother Knights, Georgia is in the process of updating its five year strategy to fight diabetes. The State is looking for your ideas on achieving these goals: Preventing Diabetes; Preventing Complications; Eliminating Disparities and Maximizing healthcare delivery capacity.

Please get the facts and get involved. Contact: State of Georgia, Diabetes Program Manager, Mr. Clem Jeffers at 404 657 6313 or cejeffers@dhr.state.ga.us and let Mr. Jeffers know what you think can help.

Annual Knights (and spouses) Recognition Dinner

Banquet will be held at - The Manor in Milton

The Banquet is scheduled for June 24th at the Manor in Milton. The menu was distributed at our May Council meeting and was also sent via email. Members and spouses will be \$25 each or \$50 per couple. Please bring the selection and checks to the June 13 council meeting or mail it to Tom Carriere at the address on the form. We had 72 attendees last year and look forward to even greater participation this year.



Tom's Mailing Address:

Knights of Columbus Council 12942

c/o Tom Carriere, 4645 Oakmont Bend Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30004-3910

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side. Then the next time all this space magically appears. So here is how the Yard Sale will happen Wednesday tent will be setup at 0900 unloading and transporting the stuff to the tent will commence at about 1300 and last until ???Thurs and Friday we will sell from 0800 until 2000. Saturday will be from 0800 till 1000. The group Inspire will be on site at 1100 on Saturday to pick up the remaining stuff that we want to donate. Even if you did not sign up we can still use your help. Show up at the sale and we can find a job for you. If you cannot assist, tell friends and family about the sale and come on by and browse yourself who know what you will find. We will have concessions so come on out and have a meal. Let's make this yard sale our best ever.

Vivat Jesu!!! MARK Smeragliuolo 770-889-6102 marks2389@yahoo.com



Happy Birthday!!



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| RAY | SOKOLOWSKY | 6-Jun |
| ROBERT | CLARKE | 6-Jun |
| JOSE | GENAU | 8-Jun |
| JAMES | MILLER | 14-Jun |
| KENNETH | DOUGLASS | 16-Jun |
| MICHAEL | KELLY | 16-Jun |
| ADAM | WROBLEWSKI | 17-Jun |
| GARY | CLARKE | 21-Jun |
| RALPH | PELAIA | 23-Jun |
| JOSEPH | MACKROVITCH | 23-Jun |
| STEVE | RICHEY | 23-Jun |
| MARK | PLAVCAN | 26-Jun |
| KEVIN | OWENS | 30-Jun |

Upcoming Social Events:

Annual Knights (and spouses) Recognition Dinner June 24th

Watch your emails for more information.

St. Joseph Food Pantry St. Brendan's Catholic Community

Office: 770-205-7969

Hours for registration and food distribution:

Sunday – 1:45 PM to 3:15 PM

Wednesday – 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Registration applications: Available in the Church Narthex

For additional information contact:

foodpantry@stbrendansatl.com

Barbara Gordon – 770-888-3258

BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST

Watch this space for future youth activities or contact



Brother Charlie Tullier
Email compct063@hotmail.com



Brother Knights;

Please remember we have our Annual Yard Sale coming up on June 2 – 4. Consider donating whatever time you have to make it a success. The more help we have will mean the less running around for everyone else.

Following is a listing of Certificates, name badges and/or membership cards for those Knights who have not been able to attend meetings. If you see your name and would like to pick up what is yours, please call me at (770) 475-9110 to arrange for a convenient time and place to pick them up.

Chris Baswell – 1st degree certificate

Darnell Crull – 2nd degree certificate and membership card

Jonathan Gonzalez – 1st degree certificate

Dale Gracyalny – 2nd degree certificate

Leonard Insalaca – 1st degree certificate and name badge

David Ives – 3rd degree certificate and membership card

Kevin Lyons – 1st degree certificate and name badge

Guillermo Martinez – 1st degree certificate and name badge

Thomas Meister – 1st degree certificate and name badge

James A. Miller – 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree certificates and membership card

Jason Morrow – 3rd degree certificate

David Murphy – 1st degree certificate

Steve Richey – 1st degree certificate

Guy Tompkins – 3rd degree certificate

**Form #100
Belongs in
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Give Control-Item!
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

June 2011

Knights of Columbus
 St. Brendan Council 12942
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 4th Degree: at the Atlanta Marriott | |
| | | | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> June 1st (setup) 2nd, 3rd, 4th Annual Yard Sale </div> | | | | |
| 5 | 6 <i>1st & 2nd Degree at Good Shepherd</i> | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
| 12 | 13 <i>Council Meeting 7:00 Officer and 7:30 General Business Meeting - All invited</i> | 14 | 15 <i>1st & 2nd Degree at Council 660</i> | 16 <i>3rd Degree: at St. Catherine of Siena Church</i> | 17 | 18 | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 <i>Golf Outing</i>  | 24 Annual Awards Banquet | 25 | |
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