



# The Vessel



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## Chaplain's Message

*Father Edward Kelty*

We did not hear from our Worth Chaplain this month. I ask that you continue to keep him in your prayers over the coming months while he does the Lord's work in Rome.



### In Memoriam

Brother Mark K. Bushnell  
Regular Member  
1964 – 2014

Brother Edwin Baker  
Life Member  
1926 – 2014

Brother Adam R. Ugrlavitch  
Regular Member  
1940 – 2014

Brother Richard G. Jutkiewicz  
Life Member  
1933 – 2014

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## Grand Knight's Message

*Furman Miles*

Worthy Brothers,

Greetings Brother Knights, Families, and Friends in the Community, I hope everyone has had a safe enjoyable summer. I'm truly pleased to report were off to a fantastic start so far this year! There has been a tremendous amount of involvement from members, their families, and others in support of Council events and initiatives over the past few months. I'm grateful for everyone's support working together in helping to make us successful.

A few shining examples of this are: To date we recruited 26 new members. Many individuals in the Council have taken ownership of growing our membership by asking someone they know to join our great organization along with getting involved. The Council recently participated in two voter registration drives and a ministry fair at two of our parishes; and even though these events took place the same weekend the coverage was solid, and our Council was represented in an exemplary manner. On September 26<sup>th</sup> the Council held our annual golf outing in which we had over 120 participants, the largest turnout in the fourteen years since we have been holding the event. There was a tremendous amount of hard work that went into making that happen. We need to thank our volunteers, participants, sponsors, but more specifically our brothers from the AOH 5, and event directors Vince Haggerty Tony O'Malley and John Phinn-Gents our hats off to you for working your tail off over the past year making our largest fundraiser such a huge success.

There's still much ahead of us in the months to come, so we need to keep up our momentum. I would encourage as many members as possible to come out and jump in right away with our upcoming events. We're going into our busiest time of the year so let's get all hands on deck. All the events taking place between now and Christmas along with the chairmen running them will be listed in this publication.

I would like to mention a couple specific dates to remember. One is our Past Grand Knights Dinner Dance on October 12<sup>th</sup> 5-10pm up in The Nest. We will be honoring outgoing Grand

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*In Memoriam con't*

Brother Andrew A. Gargus  
Life Member  
1927 – 2014

Brother Donald J. Reagan  
Life Member  
1928 – 2014

Brother Thomas J. Reed  
Life Member  
1923 – 2014

Sir Knight John R. Brazil  
Life Member  
1925 – 2014

*May their souls and all the souls of our faithfully  
departed brother's rest in peace.*

## Council Officers for Fraternal Year 2014 - 2015

**Grand Knight:** Furman Miles  
**Chaplain:** Father Edward Kely  
**Financial Secretary:** Jim Price, PGK  
**Deputy Grand Knight:** Chuck Moser  
**Chancellor:** Terry Hughes  
**Recorder:** Mark Take  
**Treasurer:** Ed Patton  
**Advocate:** Ken Harkanson, PGK, DD  
**Warden:** Tom Hadzick  
**Inside Guard:** Steve Hasson  
**Outside Guard:** Dan Tisak, Joe Jones  
**One Year Trustee:** Tom Gallagher, PGK, FDD  
**Two Year Trustee:** Gordon Cumberland  
**Three Year Trustee:** John Stancker, PGK, FDD

## Home Association Message

*Alan Wersler, PGK*

I want to thank everyone who took time out of the busy schedule to attend the recent home board elections. To those of you who voted for me thanks and for those of you who didn't, I hope that I gain your support in the coming months. I also would like to say thank you to the previous home board members and officers who sacrificed their valuable time in running the home and I wish them all good luck in the future.

I will try everything possible to make our home a fun, friendly place for our patrons and members to come and enjoy themselves. In order for that to work I am going to need your support, our valued membership to patronize our bar, support

our events, and to be ambassadors of the Knights of Columbus.

We have a lot of things going on this fall at the Nest. We have the best food and drinks in the area. Join us throughout the week for our daily specials and on Thursdays start your weekend off by joining us for Quizo from 7-9, live entertainment Friday and Saturday nights from 8-12, Eagles football on Sundays, Monday Football specials and of course Flyers and Sixer's action on one many of the HD TVs.

The Lottery game has been restarted and is gaining momentum, if you're not familiar with the game, we sell tickets numbered 1 thru 100 at a cost of \$10 per ticket, each ticket contains 10, 3 digit numbers. If your ticket has the 3 digit number that matches the PA daily number (7 pm drawing) on the first of that month, the winner will receive \$600 and all proceeds raised will go to the SJW Home Assoc. Charity fund. Please see any bar tender for your ticket.

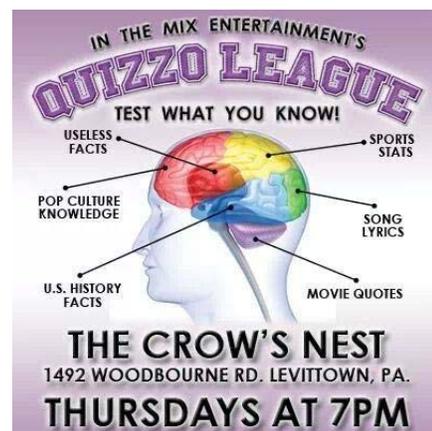
In closing I want to say this is your home too and if there is any band or DJ or entertainment that you would like to see please contact me, so stop on up, get involved and be part of history that makes our Club second to none!!

Cheers,

Alan Wersler, PGK  
President, SJW Home Assoc.

**For the entertainment schedule, please visit the home association page at [www.kofc4215.com](http://www.kofc4215.com) for more details.**

Please come out and support the home and try some of Curly's fantastic cooking. Come see some of the new things going on at the YOUR Home!



## Alhambra Al Fath #126

At this time the Alhambra's Al Fath #126 of the Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Fundraiser to benefit "God's Special Children. This event will be held at a new Four Star Hotel, the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Reading Pa, November 28, 29, & 30. An enclosed parking garage is available.

It would please us very much if you would, join us for this weekend and participate in our FUN raising activities, such as:

- Congregating with old friends and meet new ones
- The famous Reading Outlet for early Christmas shopping. A shuttle will be provided for your convenience.
- Beautiful newly renovated rooms to lay your head at days end
- Dinner both nights included in the one fee for the weekend
- Dancing two nights to the music of our own DJ, Mike Powers
- Open Bar to all also included
- Pick your Camel and join in the Camel races
- Try your luck at the Chinese Auction and other Great Prizes

We hope this advance notice will help you to develop plans to attend this event in November at our new location as we will be looking forward to seeing you at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Reading, PA. BRING A FRIEND. For further information please contact 215-666-2009 and leave a message they will get back to you.

## Come Play Bingo

At the Knights of Columbus, St Joseph the Worker Senior Citizens, Second Floor. Meetings are on Thursday, starting 10 A.M at the Nest. Annual dues \$10 and weekly admission is \$1.00. Admission fee includes coffee, tea, soda, water with a pastry or bagel, jelly and cream cheese, each week you participate.

Bingo is 15 cents per card, winner takes all per game. Card games are also a part of our day. The 3rd Thursday is a monthly lunch. The food is prepared by Curly's Creations.

Come join us for a FUN day and meet new friends. For further info please contact Eileen at 215-945-8453 or Gordon at 215-584-7326.

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Knight Alan Wersler for his dedication to the Council over the past two years. I would like to see as many folks in the community come out to help us celebrate this joyous occasion together.

The other event is a fundraiser for the Delaware Valley Veterans Home. It's a beef & beer on November 8<sup>th</sup> up in The Nest from 6-11pm. The cost is only \$25. All the proceeds will go to the VA Home which will help us complete the site work for a pavilion The Council and AOH 5 donated last year. This is a perfect opportunity to come out and show support for the people who sacrificed so much for us. If you need information on this reach out to our Financial Secretary Jim Price 215 943 5865.

Finally continue to support our Council Home through your patronage, participation in meetings, volunteering in work projects and sharing ideas. We have made some great progress recently and we need to continue steering the ship in the right direction. Our Home make us very unique as a Council it's critical we do all we can to help.

God Bless,



Furman Miles GK  
SJW 4215

**Note:** Inside Guard Steve Hasson has resigned his position as within the council due to personal commitments. Please attend the business meeting if you wish to nominate someone for this position. For more information, please contact the Grand Knight.

## Sick and Visitation

Please keep the following members in your prayers:

Albert Bonczyk  
David O'Callahan  
Frank O'Malley  
Frank Orlando  
Mrs. Delores Fidishun  
Tony Tenaglia  
Tom Gallagher, PGK, FDD  
Dorothy Callahan  
Bill Anderson





## District News and Events

As the seasons change and we look ahead to the fall and cooler weather we also look forward to the many activities of the Councils within District 16. We have a very active and vibrant District that is busy as individual Councils and collectively as a District. We have three new Grand Knights this year and one returning Grand Knight, I wish all of these gentlemen good luck this fraternal year and know each of them and their Councils will be very successful.

We had our first District Meeting last month and went over some programs from last year and talked about some upcoming programs, fundraisers and activities. The meeting started with a presentation from the Pro-life Union who updated us on their mission. They are looking for our support in several areas and a couple of our Councils have already stepped up with large donations.

In September there will be two golf outings. Saint Joseph the Worker's along with the AOH will take place at Bensalem Country Club on September 26 and Father McCafferty and Saint John the Evangelist Councils will team up and their outing will be at Northampton Country Club on September 29. There will be the monthly breakfast at Father Gallagher Council September 21 and their Oktoberfest will be on October 11 from 7 PM till 11 PM at Holy Trinity Parish. Saint Joseph the Worker Council will have a beef and beer on November 8 at their Council Home to benefit the Veteran's Home in Northeast Philadelphia and Saint John's will have a Pasta Dinner on October 25.

The Soccer Challenge will be at Saint John's Parish Field and this year will be a District wide contest. The date of the Challenge is Saturday, October 11 from 10 AM till 12 Noon.

In addition to these activities I have encouraged all the Councils to get involved in the Coats for Kids Drive and most if not all Councils are going to participate. We will be activating the Squires Program with an informational meeting sometime in October and starting the District Degree Team back up. There will be a First and Second Degree at Saint Joseph the Worker Council and we are talking about having a Third Degree at Saint John's Council. Our Wine Tasting at Sand Castle Winery in Point Pleasant, PA will take place on Saturday, October 18 at 4 PM. Our District Warden, Eric Miller has been working on this and if anyone is interested please get in touch with Eric or me.

Thank you for your continued support it is really a pleasure and great experience to be the District Deputy.

*Ken Harkanson, PGK – District Deputy – District 16*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### October

10/7/2014	Business Meeting; 8:00 PM – Council Chambers
10/12/2014	PGK Dinner Dance – see Page 6
10/14/2014	Home Assn. Meeting at 7:30 PM - Charter Room
10/21/2014	Social Night at 6:30 PM - Crow's Nest
10/26/2014	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary at OLPH – see page 6
10/28/2014	Officers Meeting at 7:30 PM - Charter Room

### November

11/4/2014	Business Meeting; 8:00 PM – Council Chambers
11/7/2014	Memorial Mass – 7:00 PM – Council Chambers
11/8/2014	Veterans Beef and Beer – 6 PM – Crow's Nest
11/11/2014	Home Assn. Meet at 7:30 PM - Charter Room
11/18/2014	Social Night at 6:30 PM - Crow's Nest
11/23/2014	Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner – 10 AM
11/25/2014	Officer's meeting 7:00 PM - Charter Room
11/29/2014	Keep Christ In Christmas signs – 9:00 AM

### December

12/2/2014	Business Meeting at 8:00 PM
12/9/2014	Home Assn. Meet at 7:30 PM - Charter Room
12/13/2014	Kids Christmas Party – 11:00 AM – Crow's Nest
12/14/2014	WPVI Mass – 3:00 PM
12/16/2014	Social Night at 6:30 PM - Crow's Nest
12/20/2014	Christmas Basket Deliveries – 9:00 AM
12/21/2014	Members Christmas Party – 6 PM – Crow's Nest
12/30/2014	Officer's meeting 7:00 PM - Charter Room

***Please try to make some of these meetings. Take an active part in your council!***

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## 2014 Golf Outing was a HUGE Success!

The council and our brothers from The AOH Division 5 hosted the 14th Annual Golf Outing on September 26th at Bensalem Country Club. The event was a success with over 120 golfers in attendance on a picture perfect afternoon to raise money for two great organizations. We would like to thank the participants, sponsors, volunteers and our brothers from the AOH 5. A big thanks to Vince Haggerty, Tony O'Malley, and John Phinn for organizing this terrific event over the past year. Your work is greatly appreciated.



## *Voter Registration Drives and Ministry Fair Last Month* **St. Joseph the Worker Got Out to Rock the Vote.**

The Council participated in two voter registration drives and one ministry fair in September. The events were held at both Queen of the Universe and St. Frances Cabrini. It was a perfect opportunity to meet many of the parishioners, serve hot dogs, cold drinks and raise civic awareness on getting out and voting. We were also able to promote the Brownschefs Community Contest for a chance to have Cabrini to win 10k towards their turnaround and parking project. We were happy to be part of these events! Check out all the photos from these events on our Facebook page.



# *Our Lady of Perpetual Help is Celebrating Their 60th Anniversary*

**Sunday October 26th at the 10am Mass.**

Help us celebrate together. Council Members will be meeting at 9:45 in front of the church at 1773 Woodbourne Rd Levittown Pa to celebrate the Mass and occasion together. The Color Corps will also be present. Any questions reach out to Furman Miles.



## *Past Grand Knights Dinner Dance*

**October 12, 2014**

Come out for an evening of elegance, fun and help the Council Community celebrate last year's accomplishments. We will be honoring outgoing Grand Knight Alan Wersler and others for their hard work. The menu will consist of hors d' oeuvres, prime rib and turkey carving stations, roasted vegetables, potatoes, assorted desserts, and an open bar from 5 till 10pm. There will be music and dancing after the awards ceremony. The attire is formal and the cost is \$30 per person. It will be held at the Council Home Please RSVP to Furman Miles by October 9th 2014. We hope to see you there.



# VETERAN'S HOME BEEF AND BEER



**Saturday, Nov 8, 2014 from 6 – 11 PM  
K of C, 1492 Woodbourne Rd, Levittown, PA  
\$25.00 per ticket**

**All proceeds to benefit the  
Delaware Valley Veterans Home**

Contact PGK Jim Price at (215) 943-5865 or PGK Alan Wersler (215) 943-5005 for more information or tickets

# Pro Life Report

*Tom McLaughlin*

Euthanasia is a common word to the right to life. The proponents list Social Security, costly health care and the meaningless of existence for the elderly, sick and disabled.-useless human beings. (1998, Living the Gospel of Life,n.4) Animal rights are on equal scale for these conditions.

LIFE is defined by the government of power. Abortion is promoted for 40+ years and created a demographic disaster. The next phase is death with dignity. The world's greatest generation is the prime target in the USA. Society is socially programmed for acceptance. Cremation is cheaply offered as ones' ashes is dump in the Potomac River. Wesley Smith states when terms are re-defined, it is approved. (Priest for LIFE .org)

Our creator gave us the right to life, but the HHS Mandate denies it. The force acceptance of the HHS mandate means that when in complete control, it will dictate ones' time on planet earth. This message revives the Nazi's philosophy and the resolve to demise The Magisterium. Right to life trumps all human rights.



**Venerable Fr. Michael McGivney**

**HELP PRO LIFE SUCCEED!**

*Tom McLaughlin, Pro-Life Chairman*

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