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Proposed Slate of Officers Selected for 2008-09

The following members of St. Mary of Sorrows Council, all of whom are at least Third Degree members of the Knights of Columbus, are respectfully submitted as candidates for the individual offices shown below. This list serves as the proposed slate of candidates for elective Council offices for Council 8600 for the Fraternal Year 2008-2009.

Grand

Knight's

Message

Knights of Council

Church

Grand Knight:

Deputy Grand Knight:

Treasurer: Recorder:

Chancellor:

Advocate:

Warden:

Inside Guard:

Outside Guard:

Outside Guard (2):

3-Year Trustee:

2-Year Trustee:

1-Year Trustee:

Grand Knight Delegate:

Alt. Grand Knight Delegate:

Past Grand Knight Delegate:

Alt. Past Grand Knight Delegate:

Paul A. Maltagliati

Daniel J. Turgeon

James J. Cella

David C. Sharp

Donald R. Wilkinson

David S. Evans

Peter W. Marzluff

David Lopez

Paul E. Armstrong

Fidel J. Rodriguez

Johnny D. Restivo

Walter A. Vanderbeek

Gerald F. Hovan

Paul A. Maltagliati

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Military Veterans

You can replace your military records, medals and awards. For information go to the DoD Archives Web site at: http:// www.archives.gov/veterans/evetrecs/

n March 15, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI declared our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, as "Venerable Servant of God." This declaration significantly advances Fr. McGivney toward sainthood, and if canonized he would be the first American born priest to be so honored.

8600: Strong Right Arm of the

Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson said, "The strength of the Knights of Columbus today is a testament to his timeless vision, his holiness and his ideals." Through Fr. McGivney's vision, the Knights have been called "The Strong Right Arm of the Church," and have been praised by popes, presidents and other world leaders, for support of the Church, programs of evangelization and Catholic education, civic involvement, and aid to those in need.

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Grand Knight's Message

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This week, as we witnessed Pope Benedict XVI's "A Journey of Hope" to the United States, our examples and actions across the country spoke loud and clear. Knights of Council 8600 and those from across the country were represented in all aspects of this historical journey, from Fourth Degree Honor Guards to ushers at the National Cathedral, to supporting papal visits at Catholic University of America (CUA) and other venues, to attending the Papal Mass at the National Stadium. Knights were approached and thanked for their service at the CUA Mall, National Stadium, metro stops, and even as we were soliciting donations for our annual KOVAR drive.

In honor of Pope John Paul II, we have demonstrated to the world that we remain relevant even more than ever today, as we continue Fr. Michael J. McGivney's vision. As exemplified by our enthusiastic support and staunch defense of our Church and the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, the Knights of Columbus are "The Strong Right Arm of the Church."

As we enter the homestretch of this fraternal year, I have personally witnessed your enthusiasm and dedication to making a difference and your continued efforts to "Walk the Talk." Through our various programs, you continue to step up when called to help our Church, our community, our priests and religious, those who are less fortunate, and the disabled or those with special needs.

We have much remaining to complete this fraternal year: Degree Exemplifications, KOVAR Collections, April Improve-A-Home, First Friday Adorations, Route 123 Clean-up, Corpus Christi Feast Procession, Sanctuary for Life, Special Olympics, Arthritis Walk, Wounded Warrior, Celebrate Fairfax, among our many activities. In this issue, our nominating committee has presented the slate of new officers that will be voted on in June. The fraternal year will culminate with our family picnic and installation of new officers.

This year has been fast for me. But with the strong and active participation in all our activities and functions, you have made my job easy as Grand Knight for Fraternal Year 2007- 2008.

Thank you for your support of Council 8600's

charitable and benevolent activities, and your leadership, actions and example in being "The Strong Right Arm of the Church."

Who Are These Men — They Call Knights? They are the Knights of St. Mary of Sorrows Council 8600.



Vivat Jesus!

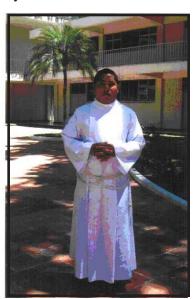
Johnny D. Restivo

Wear Your Badge

We are a fraternal order involved in our community and church activities. Let others know you are a Knight. Wear your badge at Mass and at other St. Mary activities.

ouncil 8600 sponsors Aníbal Marel Álverez Méndez, a 24-year-old second-year seminarian at the

National Seminary of the Assumption in Mixco, Guatemala. He was born on March 5, 1984, and is one of 13 sons of Policarpo Álverez Castillo and María Marta Méndez. His father farms. his mother cares for the children. Upon Aníbal's



ordination in year 2013, Bishop Gabriel Peñate will assign him to a parish in his Diocese of Izabal, Guatemala.

The Chaplain's Corner Piety

When I invited the Holy Spirit into my life this was the first occasion on which I felt in any real way that God was my Father. Prior to that experience, I had usually viewed God with a sense of distance. I believed in him, that he made me and was the One who was in charge of everything, and sometimes I even felt close to him (for example, after he had answered some request I made to him in prayer). But I never had an attitude of heart toward him that approached him as a Father. That would have been too audacious a thing for me to do. But when I was filled with the Spirit, I experienced a new intimacy in my relationship with Jesus, and he seemed to lead me to his Father and impart to me the same Spirit he had in loving the Father as Father. Of course, it totally changed my whole way of being Christian. Loving one's Father, living for him, asking him for favors, etc., is a lot different from negotiating one's way around a stern judge.

> -- Corporate Executive, Augusta, Ga., 1970 (Mighty in Spirit, Joseph Bagiakas, 1982)

In his book Mighty in Spirit, Joseph Bakiakas says piety is the manifestation of the Holy Spirit where we experience God as a loving Father who sees us as his adopted sons and daughters.

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, Abba! Father! it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God. (Rom 8:15-16)

When we can cry out "Abba, Father" (translated "daddy or "papa") we enter into a deeper more personal relationship with God, our Father. We are His adopted children with all the rights and privileges of sons and daughters. The feelings of guilt, distance, and fear that we might have had before disappear. We feel a special closeness with our Father. Instead of

seeing God as a fearful judge or one who is far away and not concerned about us, we now see God as a Father that

loves us unconditionally and is always there for us.

We grow in piety through the practice of justice. This involves more than just practicing the Ten Commandments. It involves treating each person in all situations with great dignity and with value because they too are sons and daughters of the Father. We must be faithful to our religious obligations, faithful to the acts of religious piety that we owe to God. This involves faithfulness to daily personal prayer, frequent participation in the sacrament of Reconciliation, and weekly attendance to Mass and receiving our Lord in the Eucharist. We must also be good family members, patriotic citizens, cooperate with those in authority, have a spirit of gratitude toward God, our Father, and be truthful and friendly toward

As God fills us with this spirit of sonship, we can look forward to many blessings. From deep in our hearts comes a love for God that provides us a confidence that He is looking out for us, protecting us, and guiding us in all we do. We can now honestly "love God with all our mind, heart, and spirit." We also have a deep experience of brotherhood and sisterhood for our fellow Christian and other persons because we are all God's children. We are all God's children living in God's creation, "the house of the Father."



God bless you all, Father James S. Barkett

Unclaimed Badges

In the Old St. Mary's Hall there are too many badges waiting to be claimed by their respective brother knights. These belong to many knights who have joined the order in the past few months, to knights who have transferred into our council and to those who may have requested a replacement badge. There are any number of good reasons you have not claimed your badge, but why not make a special effort to pick up your badge at our next meeting? As a reminder: Meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of each month, except in July and August when the second meetings are not held. Meetings begin at 8 p.m., Rosary at 7:40 p.m. Come claim your badge and take part in the meetings. If you are unable to attend a meeting, perhaps you can contact the person

who proposed your membership or any brother you know who attends the council meetings regularly to pick up your badge.

For replacement badges and initial badges contact me, Bud Johnson, badge chairman, or any officer or member of the council. You may use nicknames and derivations of your given name, but you must use your family name. I can be contacted at:

<u>budknight@hotmail.com</u> or by telephone at 703-503-9888.

All member knights, please wear your badge at Mass, council events and functions, and at any of the St. Mary events.

Bud Johnson

St. Timothy's in Chantilly

Richmond

Degree Schedule

Brothers, please consider advancing to the next level if you haven't already. All it takes is an e-mail (djturgeon@aol.com/) or a call to me (703-239-8644) to get the ball rolling. The schedule for degrees this year in the local area follows:

First Degrees

May 20	St. Mary's Council 8600	OSMH
June 3	Council 7992	Nativity
June 17	St. Mary's Council 8600	OSMH
	Second Degrees	
May 27	St. Mary's Council 8600	OSMH
June 10	Council 6292	Fairfax
	Third Degrees	
June 7	Council 6546	Richmond
June 14	Council 5332	Manassas
	Fourth Degrees	

The Exemplification in Chantilly in May is a great opportunity to participate fully without having to incur the additional expense of an overnight stay. It also helps to get family involvement in this important step in a brother's paricipation in the order.

May 17 November 8

Community Programs . . .

Ay and June are still big months for the council community programs. We need you! We need you more than once! Find out more by contacting the individual program leaders, whom we list here, or Gene Molinelli at genemolinelli@gmail.com or 703-250-4150.

* Community Programs Phone Tree:

We need one new volunteers for the phone tree. Most calls will be during the next Fraternal Year starting in September. Contact Gene Molinelli at genemolinelli@gmail.com.

* Arthritis Walk:

We have supported the Arthritis walk with money and volunteers for the past several years. One of our brother knights, Steve Smith, who has been involved with the scouts, has a young daughter dealing with this disease that even strikes children. Steve is a national coordinator for the walks and Brother Dave Sharp, also in our council, is a regional coordinator. The council is sponsoring a team to walk at Robinson High School on Saturday May 17. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. and the walk is at 10 a.m. You may walk as fast and as far as you want, though the average is three miles in under an hour. Please go to the council Web site KofC 8600 and follow the link to the Arthritis Walk KofC 8600 Team Web page and sign up to walk, make a donation, or both, or just learn more about this debilitating disease. We need more small money contributions to reach our goal!

* **April Improve-A-Home** project led by Brother Tim Shea is now active year round.

On April 26 we completed tasks at five sites. At this writing we have 52 volunteers from the council and parish including the Basanes, Allen, Armstrong,



Dulan, Ells, Enzmann, Evans, Gaffigan, Garcia, Garry, Gilding, Graham, Gulac, Kelley, Kerney, LaFalce, Le, Lehman, Leitao, Molinelli, Nevlud, Obuchowski, O'Connor, Pedneau, Perri, Phillips, Soroka, Sparta, Barone, Crowder, DeRose, Dominick, Gildon, Harshbarger, Lalande, Milas, Raderstorf, Wallace, Williams, and Wood families.

- * **KOVAR**. The annual fund was conducted from Thursday to Sunday, April 17-20.
- * Route 123 Cleanup. Our council has adopted a two- mile stretch of Ox Road from Fairfax Station Road south to Chapel Road. David Evans leads this effort. Many hands make light work; and the job is done under two hours with a dozen knights working. The most recent cleanup was conducted Saturday, March 29, 2008. Those who participated include Allen Rabayda, John Raftery, WGK Johnny Restivo, Paul Rinderle, Don Ross, Michael Perri, Edward Sullivan, WPGK Tony Vanderbeek, Dave Evans, Bud Sprague, Nick Yannard, and Bob and Sheila Ritchie



- * **Special Olympics** project led by Brother Roger Wesley was conducted April 26 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Episcopal High School in Alexandria. We helped stage several track and field events for individuals with disabilities. The volunteers who participated will be reported in an upcoming *Mariner*.
- * Celebrate Fairfax. This is a fun fundraiser for the council in which we sell beer for the three-day county fair at the Fairfax County government center. We also charm fair goers for tips. We need to staff the beer booth with knights and over 21-year-old family members. Mike Burbach leads this effort. Please contact him at mike.burbach@cox.net or 703-426-0314 to volunteer to work a four-hour time slot on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday during the fair.

Gene Molinelli

COUNCIL PROGRAMS AND CHAIRMEN FOR FRATERNAL YEAR 2007-08

Youth Program

Joseph W. (Joe) Osborne

Scholarships (Fred Walker)

Young Man / Young Woman of the Year Awards (Russ DeRose)

High School Graduation Parties (Dick Lee)

Parish Children's Christmas Party (Steve

Schaefer)

Scouting (Cub, Boy and Venture) (Dave Sharp)

Christmas Party (Russ DeRose)

Free Throw Contest (Joe Osborne)

Squires & Squire Roses (Russ DeRose)

Work Camp (Dave Sharp)

Council

R. David Lopez

Meetings & Officer Installation (GK, DD, Don Wilkinson)

Christmas Trees (Geoff Smith)

Mariner (Frank Romano)

Softball Team (Dennis Connaughton)

Membership (Dan Turgeon)

OSMH Renovation and Maintenance (Erc

Barone)

Church

Bob Richie

Sanctuary for Life (Bob Richie, Kurt Meinsen, Dick Lee)

Christmas Cards (Bob Richie, David Burke)

Eucharistic Adoration (Chaplain, Tom Gilding)

Car Raffle for St. Mary's Capital Fund (Jim Cella)

KofC Memorial Masses (Bob Richie)

Community Program

Gene Molinelli

Marian Homes (Erc Barone)

Celebrate Fairfax (Mike Burbach)

April Improve-A-Home (Tim Shea, John

Enzman)

Special Olympics (Roger Wesley)

Northern Virginia Training Center (Gerard

Durback)

KOVAR (Scott Leitch)

Thanksgiving & Christmas Food Baskets (Mark Haaland)

St. Mary's Food Ministry (Pete Garry) Route 123 Cleanup (David Evans)

Family

Fidel J. Rodriguez

Parties/Reception/Outings (Erc Barone, et al.)

Spaghetti Suppers (Jim Cella, Johnny Restivo)

Pancake Breakfasts (Joe Marotta, Paul Ciatti,

Erc Barone)

Hope of Northern VA (Pete Garry)

Special Committees

Admissions (Al Obuchowski, Tony Vanderbeek)

Database & Web site (Johnny Restivo, Paul

Armstrong)

Charity (Dennis Halpin)

Pro Life (Tony DiGregorio)

Public Relations (Tony De Christofaro, Dave

Evans)

Athletic Director (Jerry Hovan)

Community Programs Telephone Tree

The Community Programs telephone tree has

been a great boon to the programs and project leaders mentioned elsewhere in this issue. We still need additional volunteers to make calls to up to 20 fellow knights about five



or six times a year (about 10 hours work per year). This is great duty for knights who are gregarious or busy or infirmed, in any combination. This is not cold calling. Each knight you call is a current member; and most are glad to hear from you and be given the opportunity to participate in a worthy activity. Usually, schedule or infirmity are the reasons for getting a "no" to your request for volunteers. Contact Gene Molinelli at <u>e.molinelli@att.net</u> or 703-259-4150 if you can help.

2007-08 Calendar Year

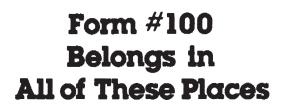
MAY

- 2 First Friday Adoration, 7 p.m. 8 a.m. WC
- 2, 3 State Convention: Virginia Beach, VA
- 3 Historic Church Irrigation Expansion and Miscellaneous Improvement Project, 7:30 a.m. OSMH PoC: Bill Baker
- 3 Rt. 123 Cleanup, 8:30 a.m. OSMH (Scouts)
- 3 Improve-A-Home Followup
- 6 Council Open Meeting, 8-9:30 p.m., OSMH Guest Speaker: Community Education Specialist Ms. Rhonda Griffin, from the Washington Regional Transplant Community (WRTC), who will speak on "Heart Donor Awareness." This is in response to Brother Tom Copeland's doctors at the Inova Transplant Center.
- 11 Mother's Day
- 17 Arthritis Walk. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m at Robinson High School.
- 17 Spaghetti Dinner, 4-8 p.m., FH
- 18 Pancake Breakfast, 6 a.m.-1 p.m. FH (Team Marotta) Like to help out? Contact Fidel Rodriguez
- 20 First Degree Exemplification, 8-9:30 p.m. OSMH
- 22 St. Mary's Corpus Christi Feast Procession
- 26 Memorial Day Mass. National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.
- 27 Second Degree Exemplification, 8-9:30 p.m. OSMH

JUNE

- 3 Council Business Meeting 8-9:30 pm OSMH Election of Officers
- 6 First Friday Adoration, 7 p.m. Friday to 8 a.m. Saturday, Worship Center
- 6-8 Celebrate Fairfax
- 7,8 Wounded Warrior Support

- 17 First Degree Exemplification (tentative) 8-9:30 p.m. OSMH
- 22 Annual Picnic, Burke Lake Park
- 27 Installation of Officers, 7 p.m., Worship Center



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- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
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SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER TODAY!



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