

January 19, 2009

My Brothers All,

THE SCHEDULED DEGREE DATES ARE STARTING TO INCREASE. THANK YOU TO THOSE COUNCILS AND DISTRICTS THAT HAVE ADDED DEGREES. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SCHEDULE MORE 1ST AND 2ND DEGREES EITHER IN YOUR COUNCIL OR IN YOUR DISTRICT SO THAT WE IN THE DELAWARE VALLEY CAN REACH OUR FAIR SHARE OF THE STATEWIDE MEMBERSHIP GOAL.

District Deputies; please contact all your Councils to see if they have any candidates waiting for a 1st Degree. If so, please schedule these men for one of the Degrees listed below. We don't want to have potential members sitting around waiting to make their 1st Degree.

Below is a list of the known Degrees Dates in our caucus area. Please let me know via the e-mail address listed below if any other Degrees are scheduled in you District or Council so the dates, locations (please send the actual address) and times can be distributed throughout our caucus area.

Wednesday, January 21st, Saint Charles Borromeo Council will host a 1st **Degree** at 1193 Gravel Road, Bensalem, PA 19020 **Candidates at 7:30 PM, Degree at 8:00 PM** Contact Joe Trucks, the Degree Team Captain. at 215-639-8453, Grand Knight Dan Ladislaw, 215-969-8796 or District Deputy 9, Rich Konstance 215-637-5834 rkonstance@aol.com Candidates are requested to be in proper attire.

Sunday, January 25th, at Rev. William Fenerty Council # 7208, held at St. Joseph Parish Center, 340 Manor Avenue (Rt. 322), Downingtown, Pa, District 19,- **1st and 2nd Degree - Candidates at 7:00 PM, Degree at 7:30 PM**, 2nd Degree will start immediately after 1st Degree. Contact either Grand Knight Frank Forcellini at 610-873-7517, or DD Chuck Giordano at 484-883-0535, or Team Captain Dan Bowser at 610-909-0807. **NOTE:** Exit Rt. 30 by-pass at Manor Ave and go about 1/2 mile east to the Parish. The Degrees are in the Parish Education Center. A donation of \$3.00 is suggested to everyone in attendance to help defray the cost of refreshments.

Tuesday, January 27th, at Epiphany of Our Lord Council #10605, 340 Walton Rd., Plymouth Meeting, PA, District 27 - **1st Degree** - Candidates at 7:00 PM, Degree at 7:15. Attendees should park in the main lot between the school and church off of Walton Road. The exemplification will be held in the school. Contact District Deputy Art Zbrozek at 610-277-6725, by Monday, 26 January, no later than 8 PM or GK Jim Sullivan at 484-256-3366 or sulli127@concast.net

Wednesday, January 28th, Raymond V. Hennessy Council #6145 held at the Morrell Smith American Legion Post 440, 41 Linden Avenue, Newtown, PA - District 12 – **1st Degree** - Candidates at 7:30 PM, Degree at 8:00 PM. Please contact Charles Falkevitz, GK at (215) 968-4039 or via his e-mail at bitoachuck@hotmail.com or contact DD Ray McLaughlin at 215-947-6447 or via e-mail his at Raydonmc@aol.com. **Please make sure the candidate's home Council supplies a new candidate's kit (rosary, pin and the book "These men called Knights") for each candidate.**

Saturday, January 31st at Father Stommel Council#4545 held at St. John the Baptist School Gym, Route 611 and 412, Ottsville, PA 18942 (Route 611 N. to left onto Route 412 for about 300 yards, St. John's is on the left) District # 26 – **1st Degree** - Candidates register at 7:00 PM, Degree at 7:30 PM. Please contact Thomas High, Degree Team Captain Ton High at tojo@epix.net or 610-847-2374, or DD Ted Zajac at 215-421-4757 or tedzajac@verizon.net.

NEW Tuesday, February 10th, Pope Pius XII Council # 4765, held at St. Thomas Aquinas Church Hall, 601 Bristol Pike (Route 13), Croydon ,Pa, (note: the hall is next to the church), District 10 – **2nd Degree** - **Candidates at 7:30 PM, Degree at 8:00 PM** Contact DD Al Scheck 215-788-6509 or via e-mail at zorrol129@yahoo.com or Grand Knight Mike Fratantaro at 215-785-3468 or fratman37@aol.com. Please instruct all candidates to make every effort to wear a wear a coat & tie.

Thursday, February 12th, Regina Coeli will host a 2nd **Degree** at 9617 James Street, Philadelphia, PA 19114. **Candidates at 7:30 PM, Degree at 8:00 PM** Contact Grand Knight Bob McDonnell 215-313-9469 or District Deputy 9, Rich Konstance 215-637-5834 rkonstance@aol.com Candidates are requested to be in proper attire.

Wednesday, February 18th, at Mother Anna Dengel Council #7925 held in the Hall below St. Albert the Great Church, 212 Welsh Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006. Enter the hall thru the door at the back of the large parking lot - District 12 – **1st and 2nd Degree** - Candidates at 7:30 PM, 1st Degree at 8:00 PM. 2nd Degree will follow immediately after 1st Degree. Contact Degree Team Captain Robert Konen, PGK at either 215-676-4719 or on his cell at 215-872-1326, or via e-mail at rkonen@msn.com or contact DD Ray McLaughlin at 215-947-6447 or via e-mail at Raydonmc@aol.com. **Please make sure the candidate's home Council supplies a new candidate's kit (rosary, pin and the book "These men called Knights") for each candidate.**

Sunday, February 22nd, at Father Stommel Council#4545 held at St. John the Baptist School Gym, Route 611 and 412, Ottsville, PA 18942 (Route 611 N. to left onto Route 412 for about 300 yards, St. John's is on the left) District # 26 – **2nd Degree** - Candidates register at 7:00 PM, Degree at 7:30 PM. Please contact Thomas High, Degree Team Captain Ton High at tojo@epix.net or 610-847-2374, or DD Ted Zajac at 215-421-4757 or tedzajac@verizon.net.

NEW Monday, February 23rd, Holy Saviour Council #13710, at Holy Saviour's Church Hall, 108 E. Ridge Road, Linwood, PA, District 23 – **1st & 2nd Degree** – Candidates at 6:30 PM, Degree at 7:00 PM, 2nd Degree will start immediately after 1st Degree. Contact DD Alan Henderson at 610-220-0553 or at alan_henderson@comcast.net or GK Jerry Dugan Jr. at jdugan510@comcast.net. Directions are as follows: From I-95 South exit at Rt. 452, go east on Rt. 452 (under I-95) to the first traffic light and turn left (Immaculate Heart of Mary Cemetery) and go one block and turn right onto Summit Ave. Continue on Summit Ave. until you see the back of the Church on the left, turn into the parking lot. The Hall, a yellow brick building, is next to the Church. Councils should provide a 1st Degree Kit (Rosary, pin & book) or notify DD. Don Masse ASAP if they wish to purchase a Kit (\$3.75 each.) Candidates should make an effort to wear a coat & tie.

Sunday, March 1st, at Msgr. Schuyler Council # 1333, 110 W. Market Street, West Chester, Pa, District 19 – **3rd Degree** - **Candidates should arrive no sooner than 12:15 PM and no later than 12:30 PM,** Degree at 1:00 PM, Contact DD Charles P. Giordano at 610-873-0432 or cpgiordano@comcast.net. Please instruct all candidates to make every effort to wear a wear a coat & tie.

Remember to call the Host District Deputy and/or the Host Grand Knight and/or the Council's Degree Team Captain so they know how many candidates are attending the Degree and make sure the candidate's home Council supplies a new candidate's kit (rosary, pin and the book "These men

called Knights”) for each candidate. **Additionally, don't forget to present each new candidate with the requirements for the Shining Armor Award.**

If you know of any brother knight that desires to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send me his name, e-mail address, council name & number, and title if an officer. All, and I repeat all, brother knights are welcome to be on our e-mail distribution list.

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