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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN...

My friends in the Knights of Columbus: In John's Gospel, Chapter 14 is a very comforting verse: "I will not leave you orphans: I will come to you".

Last Christmas, when I was home, my first grandnephew burst into the world at 8 lbs. 7 oz. In spite of his healthy weight, he had breathing problems and he ended up on oxygen in a neonatal unit until the problem was resolved. One day I visited him in hospital and his parents were with him. The told me about a real preemie, a baby weighing less than 1 and 1/4 pounds in an adjacent crib and asked to approach her parents and bless their daughter. I approached them and saw them anxiously keeping watch, unable to hold or even touch her as she struggled to live; all they could do was talk to her, hoping the sound of their voices would reassure her that she was not alone. Parental presence is key for newborns to thrive; without it, babies, I am told, can become sickly and often die.

Jesus, too, is like a devoted parent. He promises his disciples that he will not leave

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UPCOMING EVENTS

**100th Anniversary
Pittsburgh Chapter
Mass 5 PM
(Bishop Zubik)
& Dinner
October 5, 2008
St. Bernadette's,
Monroeville**

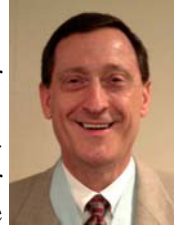
**Columbus Day Dinner
October 12, 2008
at the Bella Sera Restaurant
6 PM Cocktails
Dinner at 7 PM
Speaker :
Jennifer Antkowiak**

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

My brother knights,

The 2008-2009 fraternal year has begun and one of the chapter officers' proposed changes, moving the meeting date to the first Tuesday of the month, is now in effect. The chapter officers and I were pleased to see the improved attendance on the part of the chapter District Deputies and the council delegates. More councils were represented than at the previous meetings. We certainly hope that the numbers continue to grow and that we will see more District Deputies and councils involved in the Pittsburgh chapter meetings and activities.



At our July 1st meeting, a discussion developed concerning the Bishop's Project and Tootsie Roll fundraising. I believe the ensuing discussion and decisions

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**PITTSBURGH CHAPTER MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2008
AT T.P. CONROY NATRONA.
COUNCIL #2602**

**PITTSBURGH CHAPTER
MEETINGS
FIRST TUESDAY OF
EACH MONTH!
7:30 PM**

DIRECTIONS TO Thomas P. Conroy Natrona Council #2602, 28 Garfield Street, Natrona, PA 15065...

From north or south of Pittsburgh via Route 28:

- ◆ Drive on route **PA-28**
- ◆ Take exit **14** toward **Tarentum**
- ◆ Merge onto **Bull Creek Rd/ PA-366/Red Belt**
- ◆ At top of hill, **get into left lane at the stop light**
- ◆ **Turn left on East 10th Avenue**
- ◆ You will pass **Duster's Funeral Home** at the first stop light & then **Krynicky's Funeral Home** on your left at the second stop light – **continue straight**
- ◆ You will pass through one more stop light. In one block, turn right on **Argonne Drive** (there will be Highlands Middle School at this turn).
- ◆ Follow this road **down the hill** into Natrona
- ◆ Turn right and cross the tracks and immediately turn right on **Blue Ridge Avenue**
- ◆ **Turn left** at Garfield Street
- ◆ Council home is on the right at **28 Garfield Street** (call 724-224-7640 if you get lost – **DO NOT PARK IN THE PARKING LOT ON THE LEFT PAST THE COUNCIL HOME – PARK ONLY ON THE STREET!**)



PROJECT ROSEBUD UPDATE

Clay Bossart reports that Pius XII Council 4925 is all excited about this recent correspondence:

From Paula Smith:

Our first Project Rosebud baby was born on June 9 at 2:07 p.m. a little boy weighing 8 pounds and 6 ounces! Mother and baby are fine in good health. Mother says "Thank you" to everyone who helped her with baby items.

For more info on Project Rosebud, see Clay Bossart.

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them orphaned. Even as he announces his departure, he promises to send the Holy Spirit to comfort and guide them. Only then, comforted by the sound of his voice, will they have the strength to continue their ministry. Lord, let us feel your presence in our lives every day, even though we cannot see you.

God bless you all. Fr. Naos

UPCOMING MEETINGS

**September 2, 2008
Holy Ghost/
Duquesne University
Council #10812**

**October 7, 2008
North Hills
Council #4029**

**November 4, 2008
John F. Kennedy
Council #5501
Russellton, PA**

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may lead to an increased participation by Pittsburgh Chapter councils for the Bishop's Project. Three councils, Bellevue #1400, Regis Sheehan #12355, and St. Theresa of Avilla #12959, agreed to warehouse Tootsie Rolls for chapter councils. Councils will no longer have to buy the required 18 or 33 cases of Tootsie Rolls when they feel they only need 5 or 6 cases. This effort was truly an expression of what open discussion can offer the chapter. Contact these councils if you need to take advantage of this offer.

Additionally, Tootsie Roll Chairman Joe McCullough, (412-403-0772), has Tootsie Roll aprons available for council purchase. Locally, PGK Joe Ferruzza (412-341-2823), can provide any specialized aprons for the fundraiser that a council may desire. Let's hope that councils that may have struggled with, "Can we do a Tootsie Roll drive?" will find it easier to promote a fundraiser for the Bishop's Project.

Lastly, thanks to all of you who have phoned or sent cards or emails of prayers and good wishes as I undergo the second round of my stem cell transplant. I am honored by your thoughtfulness. First Vice President Frank Rozzo will chair the August meeting in Natrona. I look forward to seeing you in September.

Vivat Jesus,

Joseph S. Yourish, Jr. IPSD
Chapter President

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