

The Kealey Knight Letter

“SERVING THE KNIGHTS OF GREATER OCEAN VIEW”

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The Grand Knight's Desk

I would like to start out by thanking my DGK Joe Hurd for all his help on the incoming outgoing / 60th anniversary dinner dance. Every thing that I have heard so far it seemed to be a success. It was a pleasure to talk with PGK Koch and PGK Weeks about the days of past. The month of September brings us the infamous Monkey Bottom game 10 am at O.V. Elementary School. Breakfast will be the 16th starting at 8:30 am until 11 am. I look forward to the coming months activities, please see any council officer for more info. Lastly, the knight news letter will stopped being mailed on January 1st 2013 please make sure you contact the news editor with your email address or you can view it at www.ovknights.com

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Supreme Convention passes Religious Liberty Resolution

Submitted by Christian Newswire on Aug 10, 2012

ANAHEIM, Calif.-- In response to recent threats to religious liberty, delegates to the 130th Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus passed a Resolution in Defense of Religious Liberty which reads "that as American citizens and as Knights of Columbus, we will steadfastly support the free exercise of religion as it is enshrined in the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States."

The resolution comes days after Pope Benedict the XVI, Cardinal Timothy Dolan, and the President of the Canadian Bishops' Conference, Archbishop Richard Smith, expressed gratitude and support for the organization's leadership in defending religious liberty.

The resolution is consistent with the guarantee of religious liberty as stated in the U.S. Constitution's First Amendment and with Catholic teaching that holds that the right to religious freedom is based on the inherent dignity of the human person. It also draws on the comments from Pope Benedict XVI during his 2008 visit to the United States in which he reminded the faithful that it should never be necessary to deny God in order to enjoy their rights as citizens and that it is inconceivable that believers should have to suppress their faith in order to be active citizens.

The resolution further calls upon all members of the Knights of Columbus and all U.S. Catholics to stand with and support the Catholic bishops of the United States in their work to oppose this mandate and to protect religious liberty and freedom of conscience.

Council Masses

Planning has begun for our upcoming
special masses:

Fr. McGivney Memorial Mass Aug. 11 @ CTK

Blue Mass Sept. 11 @ St. Pius



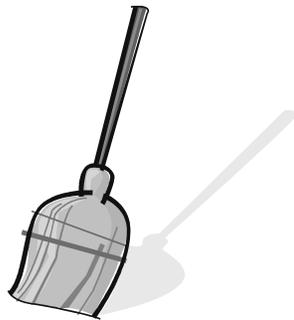
If you can help in any way (planning, server, music, etc.) please contact Mike Atkinson at 367_mass_committee@cox.net. Your assistance will help ensure these masses are successful and enriching to all.

Notre Dame Vs. Navy Football

This year Notre Dame Football kicks off it's 2012 season against the Midshipmen of the Naval Academy in Dublin Ireland. As such, the Bar Manager has decided to open the bar early that day (8am) so Notre Dame and Navy fans can enjoy the game. An Irish breakfast will be served beginning at 8am . This food will be on a first come— first eat basis. Bloody Mary's will be available during the game. Any questions, contact PGK Joe Hurd,.

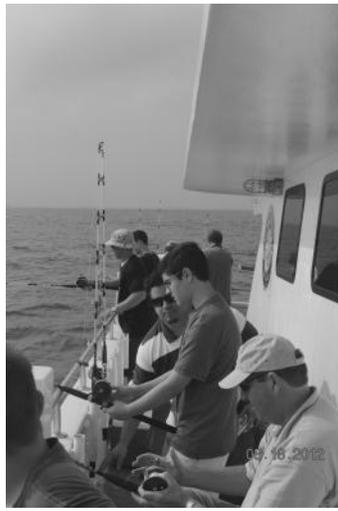
Adopt a Street cleanup

Gents, it's that time again, time to help make Government Ave look beautiful. PGK Barry Clark needs help, as we have done twice a year for the past several years. Any interested brothers should be at the council parking lot at 10am, ready to make our neighborhood look great.



K of C Golf Tournament

We would like to thank PGK Ward Holmes for putting on another extremely successful golf tournament. We had over 100 golfers out in the sweltering heat, just to have a good time. The tournament was so successful that the committee was able to turn over a profit of \$3,959.34!!



Tripp Council Fishing



A CALL TO HISTORY, FATHER ROBERT B. KEALEY- AN INTRODUCTION

By Armando L. Zanecchia, PGK, Council Historian

November 1969

Almost 52 years have passed since the present flourishing parish of Holy Trinity, Ocean View, began in 1917 as a remote mission of Saint Mary's Parish.

Before the turn of the last century, Ocean View was almost an inaccessible place. Gradually, as time and transportation progressed, it became a thriving summer resort. Its beaches were wonderful for bathing, its waters excellent for fishing; it was an ideal vacation site.

For Catholics, however, there was a tremendous handicap. The nearest church, St. Mary's, was located near the Elizabeth River in downtown Norfolk, a distance of about ten miles. Whether by street car or carriage, going to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days presented quite a problem.

One of the first priests to become aware of this was Father George Dunn, on temporary assignment to St. Mary's from the archdiocese of Dublin, Ireland. On May 5, 1917, Reverend Robert B. Kealey was appointed to St. Mary's Church. He, too, recognized the hardship and shortly thereafter, he and Father Dunn alternated in saying Mass in the old Casino Theater located in Ocean View Park. Within a few months, however, Father Dunn was ordered to return to Ireland and this left Father Kealey to carry on alone.

The winters of 1917 and 1918 were extremely bitter and occasionally Mass was celebrated in the homes of some Catholic resident, as the dance hall was unheated. Early in 1919, a vacant store on the site of the present VFW Home was rented to serve as a chapel. There the Holy Sacrifice was

offered until the first church was partially completed.

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On glorious St. Patrick's Day, 1920, work began on the church. The first Mass was said on Trinity Sunday of the same year in the unfinished church. Bishop O'Connell formally dedicated the church to the Holy Trinity on June 5, 1921.

Even before the completion of paying off the debt on the church, Father Kealey made plans for a much needed school. The need for a parochial school was acute. The nearest school was located in St. Mary's Parish in the heart of the city. Two lots on Government Avenue were secured and construction of the school began. During this period, and while construction of the school was in progress, Father Kealey was giving serious thought to an order of nuns to staff it. He had been reared in the vicinity of St. Cecilia's Academy, Washington, D. C., and had been prepared for his first communion by Mother M. Aquina. Throughout the years he had maintained contact with the Sisters of the Holy Cross and while in Washington he had called frequently at St. Mary's Academy, Alexandria, to offer his services and celebrate the Holy Mass.

In 1923, during Passion Week, Mother Aquina on her visit to St. Mary's Academy, was persuaded by members of the community to visit Ocean View to discuss the school with Father Kealey. Favorably impressed, she presented Father Kealey's request for nuns to the General Council. The petition was

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Father Kealey was instrumental in organizing many activities. In 1927, the Sodality, the Children of Mary, the League of the Sacred Heart, and the Holy Childhood Society were organized. Later, the Sodality for married women and the Holy Name Society were formed.

The rapid growth of the school necessitated the building of a convent for the Sisters. Four lots directly across from the school were purchased and on part of these the new convent was erected. On October 3, 1928, the Holy Cross Sisters moved into their new home and Mass was offered in their chapel for the first time on March 20, 1929.

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In the ensuing years, Father Kealey continued his glorious work that resulted in the continued progress of the Church at Ocean View. World War II with its great influx of Armed Forces personnel and their families, plus countless defense workers swelled the local population tremendously. Many Catholic families were added to Holy Trinity Parish, increasing the already heavy burden on Father Kealey and his assistants.

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capacity had been exceedingly great and the ever present hardships began to take their toll on his health. Yet he fought the good fight for Christ and His Church until, faced with complete physical collapse, Father Kealey requested and received a transfer to a parish where the demands would be great, but to a lesser degree. On July 3, 1944, Father Kealey became Pastor of Saint Vincent De-Paul Parish, Berkeley Springs, West Virginia, where he served faithfully until his death June 7, 1950.

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LABOR DAY PICNIC!!!

Ladies and Gentlemen!! Boys and Girls!!
It is time for our
LABOR DAY PICNIC!

DATE: September 2nd, 2012

TIME: Set-up starts at 9am. Picnic is from 1-4pm.

WHERE: Knights of Columbus Council #3548

**WHY: To celebrate the end of another wonderful
summer!!!!**

COST: \$5 PER ADULT, KIDS 12 & UNDER FREE

**We'll be having a Pig Roast, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and all
the fixins!! Come on out, and let's close out the summer of
2012 with a Bang!!!!**

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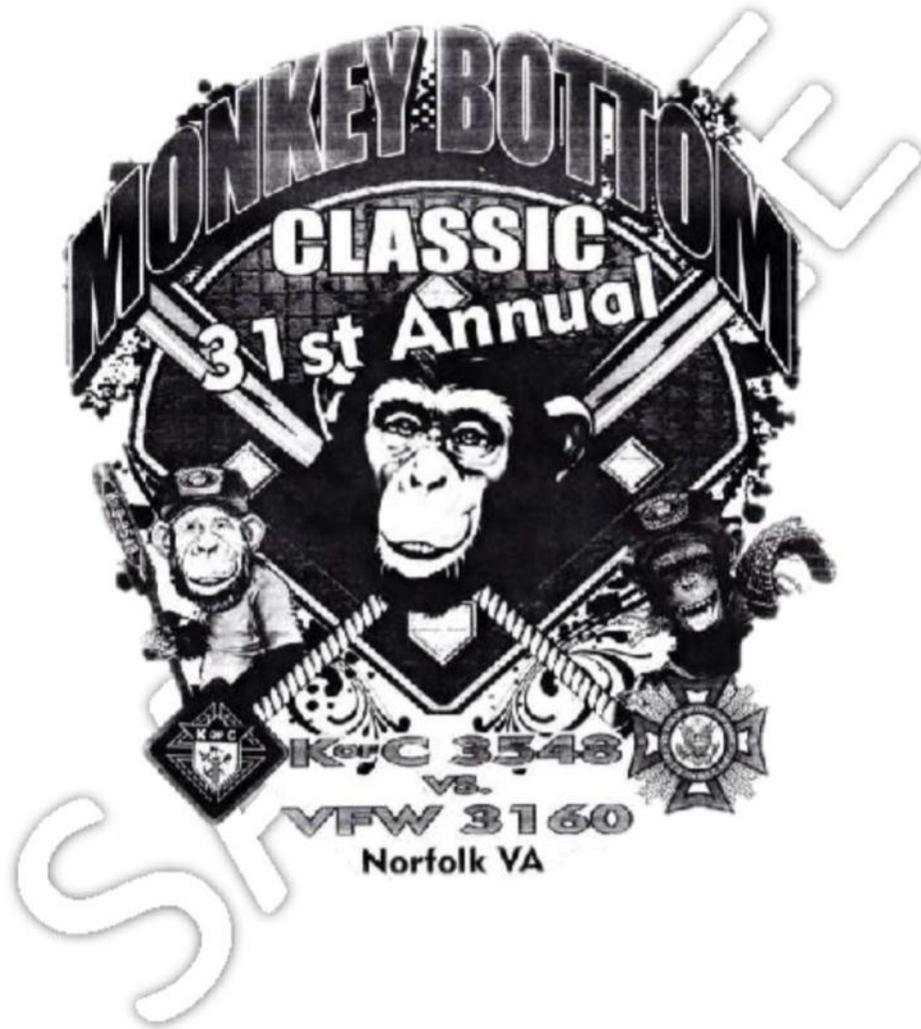
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Monkey Bottom T-Shirts on Sale at the
Knights Lounge

Game Day Sept 15, 2012 @ 10am

Ocean View Field

Cook Out at the club following the game

We are looking for players over 33 yrs. of age... Please be at
the game 15 min early

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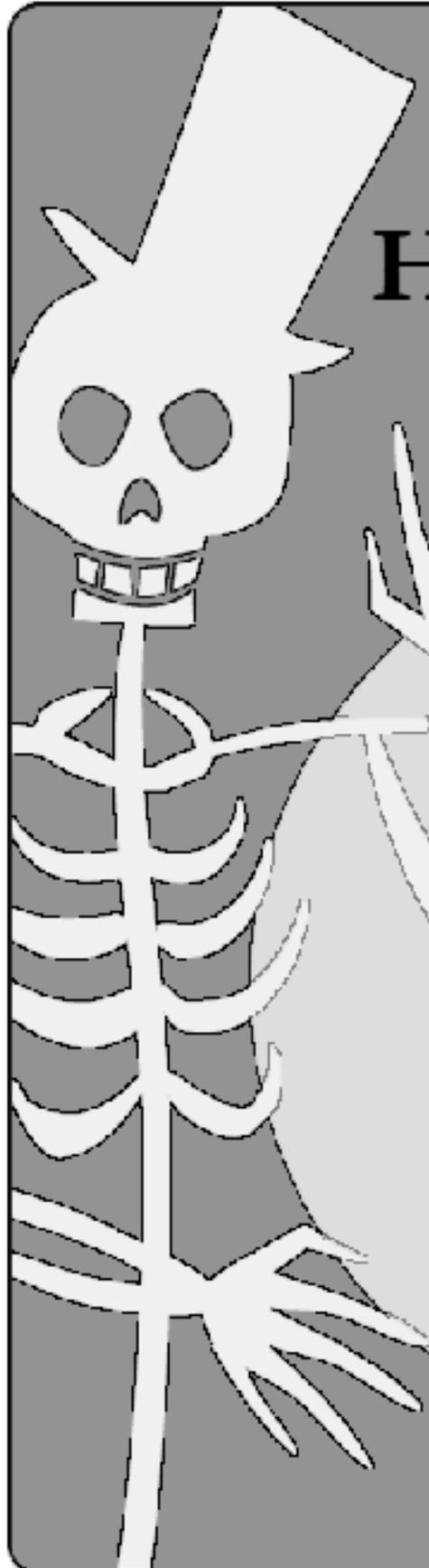
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HALLOWEEN PARTY!

October 27th at 6:30 PM
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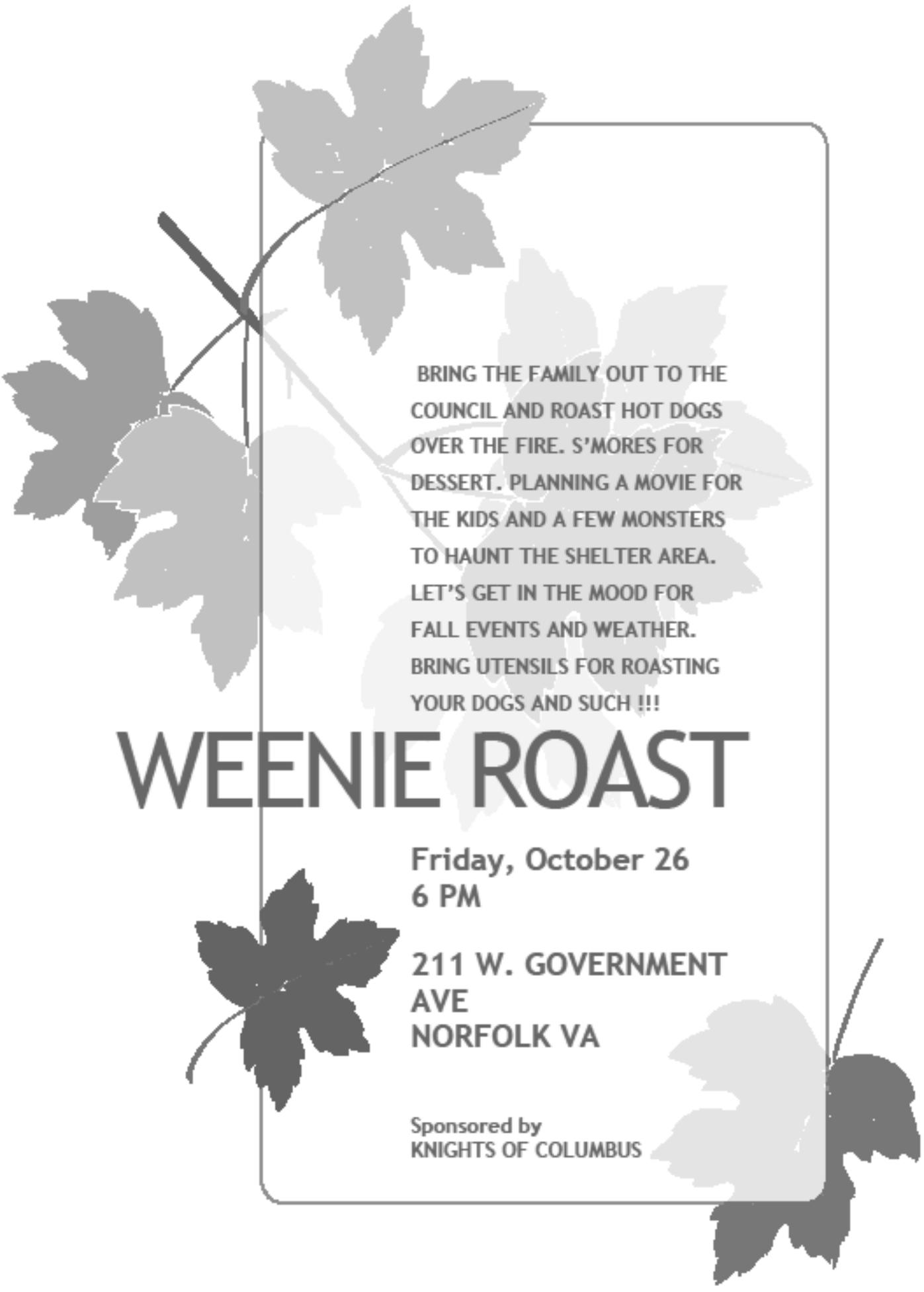
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Please join us for some
ghoulish fun, and frightening food!

Door Prizes

Prize for best costume

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The poster features several decorative leaf graphics. A large, light gray leaf is at the top center. To its left, a branch with several smaller leaves extends from the left edge. At the bottom left, there is a solid black leaf. At the bottom right, another solid black leaf is positioned. The background is white with a thin black border around the central text area.

BRING THE FAMILY OUT TO THE
COUNCIL AND ROAST HOT DOGS
OVER THE FIRE. S'MORES FOR
DESSERT. PLANNING A MOVIE FOR
THE KIDS AND A FEW MONSTERS
TO HAUNT THE SHELTER AREA.
LET'S GET IN THE MOOD FOR
FALL EVENTS AND WEATHER.
BRING UTENSILS FOR ROASTING
YOUR DOGS AND SUCH !!!

WEENIE ROAST

Friday, October 26
6 PM

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Stanley Bailey
REV Steven Baker
John Baker
Kevin Beggs
Hans Berg
David Brothers
Ralph Carrop
Henry Connolly
Luis Contreras
Derek Curran
Pete Decker
Christopher Demeo
John Dobay
Jamie Eadie
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Garry John
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Recall/Address

If you recently moved or changed contact information, please contact Chris Klotz at 587-1295 or kofc3548fs@yahoo.com

Sick & Distressed

Please let someone know if there is a death or illness in your family. If someone doesn't let us know, we can't do our part. Please contact Ed Lambe, Chris Klotz, or Joan Waller(587-4667).

September 2012

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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2 Labor Day Picnic	3	4 Council Business Mtg/1s7 Degree Ceremony 7 ³⁰ pm	5 Bingo Team #1	6	7	8
9	10 4th Degree Assembly Mtg @ council 10601	11 Columbian Club Mtg 7 ³⁰ pm	12 Bingo Team #2	13	14 Monkey Bottom Pre-Party @ VFW 6pm	15 Monkey Bottom Classic 10am @OV field
16 Council Breakfast 9-11am	17	18 Council Social Mtg 7 ³⁰ pm	19 Bingo Team #3	20	21	22
23	24	25 Council Officers Mtg 7 ³⁰ pm	26 Bingo Team #4	27	28	29
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