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Richard Council #788 Newsletter May 2019

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In Memory of R. Jay & Katie Kussmaul. May They Rest In Peace.

Grand Knights Message

Jay G. Corey

We head into May with hopefully everyone having a great Easter and much warmer and permanent warmer weather on the way to stay. May signals the State Convention on Mackinac Island, Memorial Day celebration, and the official start of summer. It also is the eve of the end of the fraternal year which ends on June 30th and the old guard is leaving office and the new guard of officers take the helm of Council #788.

Nominations of Officers will be held at the May council meeting on Tuesday, May 14th and there are some positions which need to be filled. Now is the time to step up and become involved in your Council and LCA board to run the business of the council and building. Positions are needed on both the council level and LCA level., and you must be a 3rd degree member to run for a position. If you are interested please contact DGK Corey Livingston at 810-334-5451, or myself at 517-974-6501 for more information or just to volunteer.

I want to take just a couple of lines to remember R. Jay and Katie Kussmaul who both passed away within a week of each other recently. They were both a fixture at Council #788 and R. Jay was a former LCA President and board member. He was solely responsible for starting up the Pull Tab Machine program which ultimately saved the LCA from possibly having to close our building. He was also involved in several other programs that supported Columbus Hall and made it what it is today. One man did make a difference and with his wife Katie standing beside him brought compassion and humility to our club. May God bless them and their families.

We have a Steak Fry on May 3rd from 5pm to 7pm and then something new will follow. It will be Karaoke Night also beginning after the Steak Fry from 8pm to close. Come on down and partake in the dinner and fun afterwards and try your hand at your favorite tune. Club Manager Monica Bergstrom and her husband Drew are heading up this fun event, so support them and your club with some fun.

Please note our closing dates on the calendar for the Memorial Day holiday, and plan to attend our Living Rosary on May 11th at 11:00 am on the grounds of the State Capitol grounds. This is a great event and an example of our Faith in Action program.

I thank those of you that continue to support our events and ask that you attend as many of them as possible. They are put on for your benefit and support of our charities *Thank you*, *Jay*

Richard Council 788 Honor Roll

State Officials

State Deputy
Former Supreme Director
Senior Adviser
District Deputy District 54
State Web Technologies Director &
State Deputy Assistant
State Development Director
District 54 Warden &



Assistant to State Deputy for Special Projects & Athletics
District 54 Warden
Major Degree Staff Captain
State Special Olympics Director

Bill Chasse' Thomas M. Wegener, PSD Richard F. McCloy, Sr. PSD Paul Kelsey, PGK

Dane M. Jurković PGK Mike Wegener PGK

Mike Schaefer PGK Brian Peacock PGK Dave Luedtke PGK Rick McCloy, Jr. PGK

RICHARD COUNCIL #788 OFFICERS

Officers Meeting First Tuesday Of The Month @ 7:00 pm Business Meeting Second Tuesday Of The Month @ 7:00 pm

Grand Knight	Jay G. Corey	517-974-6501
Chaplain	Rev. John P. Klein	517-323-2379
Dep. Grand Knight	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451
Chancellor	Tom Kalchik	517-256-7968
Recorder	Dennis Becht	517-449-8824
Financial Secretary	Richard Bierwagen	314-540-1726
Treasurer	John Suckow	517-285-4702
Advocate	Luis Velasquez	517-930-4660
Warden	Jake Chasse	517-712-7678
Inside Guard	Mike Shepard	517-331-4154
Inside Guard	Josh Lyman	517-215-5220
Outside Guard	Scott Chalmers	517-377-5818
1 Year Trustee	PGK Ken Morrison	517-719-4047
2 Year Trustee	PGK Mike Schaefer	517-242-4961
3 Year Trustee	PGK Dave Luedtke	517-303-5555

LANSING COLUMBIAN ASSOCIATION Meets Third Wednesday Of Every Month @ 7:00 pm

Bill Schaner	517-285-2669
Brian Peacock, PGK	517-214-9730
Rich Rybicki	517-663-1854
Jon Jackinchuk	517-303-1464
Vacant	
Dave Schertzing	517-204-4959
Scott Cole	517-256-5592
Jay Corey	517-974-6501
Scott Chalmers	517-377-5818
Corey Livingston	810-334-5451
Luis Velasquez	517-930-4660
	Brian Peacock, PGK Rich Rybicki Jon Jackinchuk Vacant Dave Schertzing Scott Cole Jay Corey Scott Chalmers Corey Livingston

COUNCIL DIRECTORS & CHAIRMAN

Membership Director	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
Recruitment	All Officers & Members			
First Degree Captain	PGK David Luedtke	517-303-5555		
Retention Captain	DGK Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
	PGK David Luedtke	517-303-5555		
	PGK Mike Schaefer	517-242-4961		
	PGK Ken Morrison	517-719-4047		
Insurance Agent	Mike Du Mont	517-327-0177		
Program Director	Corey Livingston	810-334-5451		
Church Director	Tom Kalchik	517-256-7968		
Vocations Director	John Drzik	517-881-2391		
Community Director	Chris Wegener	517-862-9373		
Pro-Life Couple	Mike & Pattie Schaefer	517-242-4961		
Family Director	Mike Shepard	517-331-4154		
Youth Director	Mike Shepard	517-331-4154		
M.I. Drive Chairman	Jake Chasse	517-712-7678		
Francis O'Donnell	PGK David Luedtke	517-303-5555		
Council Director	PGK David Luedtke	517-303-5555		
Eucharistic Ministry	Jay G. Corey	517-974-6501		
Fish Fry Chairmen	Mike Schaefer	517-242-4961		
	Ken Morrison	517-719-4047		
Public Relations Dir.	John Drzik	517-881-2391		
Newsletter Editor	Jay G.Corey	517-974-6501		

LADIES AUXILIARY

Meets First Wednesday Of Every Month @ 7:00 pm				
President	Angie Rademacher	517-388-3229		
V President	Pattie Schaefer	517-242-1830		
Secretary	Nancy Luedtke	517-974-5468		
Treasurer	Denise Kelsey	517-622-0365		

Thanks to everyone who came out to the comedy night. Monica Bergstrom cooked up a great dinner and the comedians were great entertainment. Watch Facebook and CouncilNet.us for the next show.

Thanks to PGK Ken Morrison and PGK Mike Schaefer for chairing the fish fry event this year, you did a great job. And thanks to everyone who helped cook or worked in the dining room. And thanks to everyone who came out for the dinners, the food was great. It takes a lot of people to make this event successful, so thanks to them all.

The last of the repairs requested by the Fire Marshall are in place. We have added new fire extinguishers, lit exit signs, installed new doors and decommissioned the gas grill, until we can find a solution to use the grill without it being near the building. This has been an unexpected expense to the Club and is draining our building fund.

Last year, with your very generous donations to our building fund, we were able to eliminate our debt, recoat the parking lot, upgrade the lights in the building and in the parking lot to LED, repair the lighting outside the building, replace the convection oven, replace a fryer and we have plans for upgrading the camera and security system this Spring. Again, your LCA board is asking that you join us in making the Club a better place by donating to the building fund.

We have sent out a letter asking you for donations to the building fund again this year. We hope that you reflect on the past year and the improvements the board has made to the building and help us going forward. Our building needs repairs and upgrades from the building roof, to the HVAC system, to the outside and more. Please consider donating to the fund.

The LCA board is looking for new board members, we have our annual meeting in July, and we have some openings on the board. This is a very rewarding experience and you get to work with a great group of brother Knights. Contact Grand Knight Jay Corey, Deputy Grand Knight Corey Livingston or myself for information on becoming a board member.

The Knights of Columbus is now on facebook. Follow us on Facebook and share our events with your friends. A lot of our events are open to the public, so bring a friend down to the Columbus Hall. Look for us under Knights of Columbus Richard Council 788.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH – MAY 2019
PGK Ken Morrison & PGK Mike & Pattie Schaefer

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING GRASS IS GREENER

MARCH 29TH WINNERS

1ST Place \$150.00 Christy Snelgrove – 2nd Place \$50.00 Richard Thelen – 3rd Place \$25.00 Kevin Revord APRIL 5TH WINNERS

1ST Place \$150.00 Jon Jackinchuk – 2nd Place \$50.00 Stella O'Brien – 3rd Place \$25.00 Todd Miller APRIL 12TH WINNERS

1ST Place \$150.00 Ron Steward – 2nd Place \$50.00 Lori Seling – 3rd Place \$25.00 Grover Myers

Charity is Key to Council Recruitment!
Recruitment is Key to Council Charity!

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers continue to be needed for every event that we have at Council #788. No one should feel that they cannot be part of an event in volunteering their time and talent. It's our own members that are needed to keep our programs, dinners, and other events going. Please consider this and contact our Grand Knight Jay G. Corey at 517-974-6501 if you can help

From The Newsletter Desk

Jay G. Corey

<u>THE 15TH OF THE PRECEEDING MONTH</u> is still the deadline for submitting material for consideration into each newsletter. Anything that you may have for the newsletter, in the way of articles can be sent to me directly at <u>jgc2400@comcast.net</u>. You may also contact me directly at my cell at 974-6501. If you would like to view the newsletter on line, please go to our website location which is the following: <u>www.788.councilnet.us</u>.



Habitat For Humanity Always Needs Your Help

Habitat For Humanity needs your help to build a better tomorrow in the Lansing, East Lansing, Haslett, and Okemos areas. This is done through the **ReStore** which has two area locations. One is at 1605 Haslett Road, Haslett, MI 48840. (517) 999-0488. The other location is at 1941 Benjamin Dr., Lansing, Michigan 48906. (517) 374-6235. Their hours vary from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm depending on which store you choose, and they are all closed Sunday & Monday.

for Humanity® For a quick response, you can call (517) 575-8152 for the pickup hotline. At the **ReStore** you olunteer to help. Everything is always needed and you can call them on the hotline number, the stores individual numbers, or access them on line at: www.habitatlansing.org. Help them help those less fortunate and please tell all your friends about them.

Sickness & Distress

Prayers and recovery intentions continue to be needed for members PGK Tom Getzmeyer, PGK Ray Plunkett, Frank Brandell, Dick Thelen, Sherrie Drzik, Ginger Book, Richard Nickoff, Jack Pratt, Joe Kobus, Chris Fox, Robert Nelson, Charles Stickney, Delores Tabor surviving widow of Larry Tabor, Nicholas D'Anna, Patricia Humpsch, Ann Killian, Joann Klein wife of Thomas Klein, Lewis McKenna, Wanda Hicks wife of member Richard Hicks, Cindy Leveque wife of Bill Leveque, Francis Donohue and Terri Corder wife of member Deacon Jim Corder. Our condolences to the family of R. Jay & Katie Kussmual who both recently passed away within a week of each other.

If you know of someone that is ill and recovering, or has passed away, please contact our Grand Knight, Jay Corey, at <u>jgc2400@comcast.net</u> or at 517-974-6501. You can reach our Financial Secretary, Richard Bierwagen at 314-540-1726 or via email at: <u>fs788@mikofc.org</u> or <u>rjbierwagen@hotmail.com</u>.

REACH OUT AND ASK SOMEONE TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #788 !





Eucharistic Ministers Still Needed



The second Sunday of every month, twelve Knights of Columbus members from council #788 participate as Eucharistic Ministers at the 9:00 am mass. We are in need of more volunteers, so please if you would like to be a Eucharistic Minister and give out the body and blood of our Lord, please contact our Grand Knight Jay Corey to volunteer and be put on the list. It usually works out that you participate every three months or so, so it is not every second Sunday each month. You can be trained for this ministry position so please consider this request. Contact Jay at 517-974-6501 or by email at: jgc2400@comcast.net.

DUES ARE DUE PLEASE AND THANK YOU !!!



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SUNDAY – MAY 12, 2019



JOHN SUCKOW – CAPT. Walt Ozanich Mike Schaefer Dave Barker Bernie Pollack Ed Wawiernia Michelle Barker Ed Stoffer Dane Jurkovic Tom Kalchik Casey Griggs Jay Corey

Officers Nominations Committee

By PGK Mike Wegener

My Brother Knights All, Vivat Jesus!!

Grand Knight Jay Corey and Deputy Grand Knight Corey Livingston have once again asked me to chair the Nominations Committee this year. Our fraternal year begins July 1st with new leadership taking the helm then.

Any Brother Knight who is a third degree member wishing to be a part of the 2019-2020 Richard Council leadership team will have two opportunities of Officer Nominations. One will be at the May 14th regular business meeting at 7 pm, and the second opportunity at the June 11th regular business meeting at 7 pm. The officer election will follow directly after the close of nominations at the June 11th regular business meeting.

Many opportunities exist to work serving our St. Gerard Parish, serving our council, serving our faith, and to serve the wider community. Each council officer or director position has important duties necessary to the success and sustainability of Richard Council 788. *We need you!!!!!* As an officer or director you will have the opportunity to put your faith to work in many very real and satisfying ways. In planning meetings your ideas will be heard and your time and talent will be recognized and appreciated.

Please prayerfully consider volunteering for an officer or director position. Directors are filled by appointment of the Grand Knight. Should you have any questions regarding duties, responsibilities, estimated time requirements, expectations etc. for any of the officer or director positions, please give me a call. If you are ready to roll up your sleeves and make a difference in the lives of the needy and outcast, call me and I will see to it that you are either added to the officer nominations or recommended for a director appointment.

A list of all positions is on our Council Honor Roll page which is page two of this newsletter. You may reach me direct at 517-331-3959. I thank you for your consideration.





From The Ladies Auxiliary

By Angie Radamacher

I want to let all the ladies of Council 788 know that our meeting on May 1st will be a special meeting with a guest speaker or two starting at 7 pm. If you are not a member of the Ladies Auxiliary, please feel free to come to this meeting and perhaps become a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and help us with our projects and fund raisers throughout the year.

Our scheduled guest speakers will be Mr. Peter Bertsch and Sister Dorothy Ederer, Catholic Chaplain at Holy Cross Services, and together they will be speaking about the Holy Cross Services program. Holy Cross Children's Services, is a non-profit childcare and family preservation agency located throughout the State of Michigan. The agency conducts residential and community-based programs which incorporate formal education, peer influence, individual attention, family involvement, and staff teamwork.

Sister Dorothy feels "fulfilled when she is helping the less fortunate, helping students reach their full potential and to see them become the person God intended them to be." She enjoys doing inspirational talks and networking and wants our youth to be true to themselves and live a happy life with God as the center of all they do.

This will be a great information program with the speakers speaking at the beginning of the meeting with light refreshments being served. I hope many Ladies Auxiliary members, and those wives of members, will join us in this evening of spirituality.

Have You Paid Your Dues? By FS Richard Bierwagen

We still are in need of dues from about 70 members so along with your Grand Knight I am asking that you send them in please at this time. For many of you the regular dues are \$45.00 but some are less due to Honorary or Life Members. Added to this are **OPTIONAL DONATIONS** you can make with the suggested amounts listed with your dues notice. All of these optional donations are for the charities that we support so you are asked to pray fully consider these when paying your dues. For those who have not returned your dues yet, please do so as quickly as possible to keep your membership up to date.

The final and Third Knight Alert letter has gone out to those who have not paid so please forward in your dues. Council #788 does not want to lose one member of our council for the lack of paying their dues. Every one of you is important as a member to our council and your Grand Knight wants you to stay that way.

If for any reason you need help, or have questions about your dues, please *Call Me: 314-540-1726*. I will get you an answer if I don't already have it and we will get your membership straightened out.

CONSIDER COMING TO A COUNCIL MEETING THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 PM. YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID. MAY 14TH.

An Easy Way To Help Our Council

Volunteers are needed to help on Eucharistic Adoration at St. Gerard on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. People are asked to come and spend time with our Lord Jesus Christ.

To assure that someone is always present during the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Council 788 has volunteered to provide as least one Knight for the 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm hour. On the second Tuesday of the month which is our council meeting night, the time is from 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm.

Members and families of Richard Council 788 are encouraged to volunteer for this simple way to serve the council as well as improve our spiritual lives. Please contact our Chancellor Tom Kalchik at 517-256-7968 or his email address of kalchikt@comcast.net for more information about how you can help. Thank you.

OUR COLUMBIAN PATRONS

Albright	Chris	Garcia	Joseph	Ryzek	Richard
Beachnau	PGK Dan	Goerge	Hilary	Schaefer	PGK Mike
Bollman	James & Janice	Green	James	Schaner	William
Brandel	David	Hanlon	Michael	Smith	Richard
Brickner	Robert	Headley	Don	Stump	Michael
Bruner	Ronald	Hull	Horace	Suckow	John
Caporale	Vince	Jay	Gary	Wegener	PGK Mike
Carey	Matthew	Luedtke	PGK David	Wegener	PSD Thomas
Claeys	Joseph	McCrackin	Richard	Wegener	Chris
Costigan	Christopher	McDonald	Robert	Zerfas	Ronald
Curley	Mike	Noirot	George		
Dalimonte II	Lawrence	Pollack	Bernard		
Downey	Frank	Potoczny	John		
Ellsworth	Mike	Reyes	Rosendo		
Fedewa	Duane	Robitaille	Robert		

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Roznowski Francis



Right To Life Dinner April 4, 2019

State Deputy Bill Chasse presents a check from the Michigan State Knights of Columbus in the amount of \$100,000 to Michigan's Right To Life President Barbara Listing at the recent dinner.



Golf Season Gearing Up To Start May 13th

Clubs rattling in the back of the carts, golf balls bouncing off the trees by the fairway at Prairie Creek Golf Course, and someone yelling "FORE" are all part of the sounds of the 2019 council golf league that starts on Monday, May 13th at 4:30 pm in the afternoon. Many teams are returning again this year and some new ones are forming to complete the league.

If you are interested in being on the golf league, contact Fred Thelen at 517-420-4876. You do not have to have a partner and can be matched up, or you can be on our sub list. Having fun is the name of the game, with burgers and fries afterwards back at the club.

Council Golf Outing Set For August 10th

The annual Council #788 Golf Outing is again coming up on Saturday, August 10th and will be played this year at Royal Scot Golf as in previous years. This outing is designed to assist the St. Gerard Youth Group and other designated charities with the income raised.

This year our Golf Chairman is Corey Livingston and his committee is busy getting prizes and everything ready for the big day. Sunshine is being ordered with the registration getting started at 8:00 am and a shotgun start at 9:00 am. Price is the same this year at \$60.00 per person or \$240.00 per team. This is a four person scramble and everyone whether you are a Knight or not is welcome to play. There will be prizes for first place, closest to the pin, straightest drive for men and women, skins, and a whole lot more.

There will be a little bit of a twist this year as Corey is having the dinner after the event back at Columbus Hall following the event. In the past we have had it right at Royal Scot, but this year we are moving it back to the hall for the prizes, awards, and dinner. Registration forms will soon be available along with Sponsor Hole Forms so stay tuned.

Put this event on your list of things to do and save the date for some fun and fellowship.

Living Rosary Set For May 11th

The Knights of Columbus Diocese of Lansing is again presenting the Living Rosary on Saturday, May 11th on the State Capitol Lawn beginning at 11:00 am. This is an annual event sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and features the 4th Degree Honor Guard as we promote our Faith In Action programs through Building the Domestic church and Keeping The Family Alive within the catholic faith.

Please make every effort to attend this event and support Mary and her Knights with the Living Rosary on May 11th.

From The Newsletter Editor

Jay G. Corey

For some time now I have asked for a replacement as I pondered my "retirement" from the position of Editor of our newsletter. I will be leaving this position on June 30th and it has been a great honor to produce a monthly newsletter for the past few years.

My replacement is going to be Dave Schulte who is a third degree member and has been a member of council 788 since 2007. Dave has experience in this type of project and is eagerly waiting to take over starting with the July 2019 issue. Dave has a wife recently retired from the State of Michigan and a daughter who attends St. Gerard School. Dave is employed by Enterprise Car Rental, and I have recently met with Dave to discuss what is needed in producing our monthly publication.

This will be a little different as Dave is not involved in the every day to day operation. Articles for events or what you want to be placed in the newsletter will have to get to Dave via email or phone by the 15th of the preceding month to be considered for publication. By email you can reach Dave at <u>dschulte1113@gmail.com</u>. By phone, you can catch Dave at 517-980-0083.

Officers Head To State Convention

Some of our officers and members will again be heading to Mackinac Island on May 24th & 25th for the annual Michigan State Knights of Columbus State Convention. Our State Deputy Bill Chasse from council 788 will call the meeting to order and is expected to be re-elected for a second term during this convention. Council 788 supports Bill and all of our State Officers for everything they do in the promotion of the Knights of Columbus and its individual charities.



Knights of Columbus

SIZZLER STEAK



FRY



FRIDAY - May 3, 2019

\$ 12.00 Per Person – Steak Dinner

5-7PM

SIZZLER STEAK

Baked Potato - Vegetable Salad - Roll - Coffee

Fun – Food – Pull Tabs



Columbus Hall 5300 N. Grand River





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FRIDAY – MAY 3RD - After Steak Fry 8 pm to Close

Join In The Fun And Perform Your Favorite Songs
To Recorded Tracks









Council #788 MAY 2019 Activities



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MAY 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 APRIL Club Closed	29 Club Opens 4 pm Burger Nite 5 - 7 pm	30 Club Opens 4 pm	1 Club Opens 4 pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	2 Club Opens 4 pm	3 Club Opens 4 pm Steak Dinner 5pm – 7pm Karaoke Night 8 pm - Close	4 Club Opens 4 pm St. Gerard Parish Festival
5 Club Closed	6 Club Opens 4 pm Burger Nite 5 - 7 pm	7 Club Opens 4 pm Officers Meeting 7 pm	8 Club Opens 4 pm	9 Club Opens 4 pm	10 Club Opens 4 pm	11 Club Opens 4 pm LIVING ROSARY ON CAPITOL LAWN 11:00 am
12 Club Closed	13 Club Opens 4 pm Burger Nite 5-8:30 pm Men's Golf 4:30 pm	14 Club Opens 4 pm Council Meeting Meeting 7 pm	15 Club Opens 4 pm LCA Meeting 7 pm	16 Club Opens 4 pm	17 Club Opens 4 pm	18 Club Opens 4 pm
19 Club Closed Baccalaureate Breakfast at St. Gerard	20 Club Opens 4 pm Burger Nite 5-8:30 pm Men's Golf 4:30 pm	21 Club Opens 4 pm 4th Degree Meeting 7 pm	22 Club Opens 4 pm	23 Club Opens 4 pm	24 Club Opens 4 pm State Convention Mackinaw Island	25 Club Closed State Convention Mackinaw Island Memorial Day Weekend
26 Club Closed Memorial Day Weekend	27 Club Closed Memorial Day Weekend	28 Club Opens 4 pm	29 Club Opens 4 pm	30 Club Opens 4 pm	31 Club Opens 4 pm	1 JUNE Club Opens 4 pm
2 Club Closed	3 Club Opens 4 pm Burger Nite 5-8:30 pm Men's Golf 4:30 pm	4 Club Opens 4 pm Officers Meeting 7:00 pm	5 Club Opens 4 pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm	6 Club Opens 4 pm Men's Bowling 6:00 pm	7 Club Opens 4 pm	8 Club Opens 4 pm

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