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From The Desk
Walter K. Winkle, Jr.
State Deputy



Worthy Brother Knights All, I continue to pray that you are all healthy and taking precautions from this latest outbreak across Michigan. I ask all of us to pray for those who have succumbed to the many varieties of sickness out there today. I would like to wish everyone from my family to yours, a safe and prosperous New Year in 2022! Prosperous in the way of adding new members to your council so that your council may better serve your church and community! I ask each council to assess where they are as a council and how they can make this last 6 months the best ever! What better way to begin the new year than with new members who bring in new energy and ideas into your council? By providing programs for young men and their families, you will be setting your council's path to the future in the right direction. In Unity, putting together programs that include Jesus Christ. Not all programs need to involve money. By asking your chaplain or maybe the priest of your parish to lead or assist in prayer groups may be just what your council needs to begin the new year. There are several videos from Supreme that can help, such as the "Into the Breach" Series. Each of these videos last no longer than 13 minutes and include topics such as Masculinity, Brotherhood, Leadership, Fatherhood, Family, Life, Prayer, Suffering and Sacramental Life. What a great way to either start or finish your meetings with. I recommend presenting this series to your priest or chaplain and share with everyone in your parish. This is what we should be doing as Knights!

In January we remember the sad anniversary of Roe Vs Wade and do so by marching in the RTL Marches in Washington D.C. and across the State of Michigan. This year we wait for the Supreme Court's decision in the State of Mississippi, Dobbs Vs Jackson Women's Health Organization, only abortion facility in Mississippi. This may be the case that they actually look at the science and determine that life starts at conception. June may seem like a long time to wait but as long as this has taken to get this far, the decision will be here soon. The reason I bring this up, is that in Michigan, it has on the books that abortion is illegal, there have been several attempts to change this law and it still stands by the vote of the people in Michigan. If the Supreme Court does happen to reverse Roe Vs Wade, there will be another test of the citizens in Michigan to remove this long-standing law. If this happens, the State Board will be ready along with your help to make sure the Michigan's law stays in place by not allowing abortions in Michigan. We have worked hard by placing over 75 ultrasounds across the state. Not only have we helped the many Pro-life clinics around the state, but we also continue to support them financially and by donating diapers, formula and clothing for the newborn babies and their families. We also support adoptions and help families with their new child.

I ask you to Rise up and Answer the call while being the leaders that you are, and I personally invite each council officer to attend the upcoming Diocesan Meetings scheduled in January. We will have some great ideas to help you finish off the second half of the year by achieving Star council! We will have our State Membership and Program Directors there along with some of the Faith in Action Directors. Beginning in January our new Icon, St. Joseph will be traveling around the State. Check with your District Deputy as to when it will be at your Council. Membership is still free till the end of June by using your Smart Phone go to www.kofc.org/joinus and follow the prompts, and if you don't have a smart phone, ask the future member if he does! I also encourage you to place the QR code on every advertisement and newsletter you send out including your parish bulletin. Make sure you check with your District Deputy and make sure there are no E-Members that are still waiting to join your council, we have several on the list! When you set up the Exemplification, try to do so after mass and invite the parishioners to stay and observe. I have heard several stories of men stepping up while the ceremony is going on and asking if that counts and ending up joining.



It's a Great day to be a Knight!
Walter Winkle, Jr., State Deputy

**From The State Chaplain
Rev. Paul Ballien**



Albert Einstein was once quoted as saying, “Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile.” He also said that “A person starts to live when he can live outside himself.” I find it interesting that such statements came from Albert Einstein, in part because it is not uncommon for people to see their own achievements as being the measure of their life. But Albert Einstein must have realized that achievements mean little if it is done only for oneself. Our lives are meant to have a much broader picture.

Those statements from Albert Einstein brings to my mind the Christmas classic, ‘A Christmas Carol’ by Charles Dickens. I guess in part because I think it is safe to say that every December it is aired numerous times on TV, there is no escaping it. But anyways, in one of the play versions of this story, the ghost of Jacob Marley appears to Ebenezer Scrooge and warns him that if he doesn’t change his ways then he will experience the same suffering fate that Jacob himself is experiencing.

Ebenezer is taken aback and doesn’t understand why this suffering would be so and says to Jacob Marley, “But you were a good business man”, to which Jacob Marley replies: “Humanity was supposed to be my business.”

And so the thing we have to remember is this: We can’t live lives where we become consumed with ourselves. We have a purpose to our existence, and without other people and without God, our existence becomes meaningless, hopeless, and without joy. The reason is because we were created out of love and for love. And when I say love, I don’t mean the romanticized view of love, I mean the kind of love in which Jesus Christ loved us with. Jesus loved us with a self sacrificing love and did things for our betterment and for our good, including sacrificing himself in order to save us. That is the kind of love that we are meant to exhibit, and without that sort of love, man cannot find himself, he is lost and alone. No man is an island unto himself, we need to have healthy loving relationships. We need to be able to give of ourselves to God and to others if we are to find happiness and satisfaction in our lives.

Sometimes it can be easy for us to be fickle; to live in the moment, seeking instant gratification rather than searching for God and seeking to do His will. But we all need to be a part of something and of service to something that is bigger than ourselves, something which is good, noble and of value.

When we do charitable work through the Knights of Columbus, it isn’t simply the people we are helping that are benefitting from our work. We also benefit from being able to serve them because such work helps to humanize us and conforms us more closely to our savior Jesus Christ. This is one reason why what we do is so important. Ultimately as a whole, what we do benefits society. So yes, being involved in the Knights of Columbus is good for you. Therefore, we need to do what we can to encourage greater membership into our order. Even though now more than ever, it seems to be harder and harder to get people to join a charity or church committee, we can’t give up on what we know is good and will bring joy into people’s lives.

Being involved, being of service to God and others out of genuine love, that is where our true joy and happiness is found. Like Albert Einstein once said, a life lived for others is a life that is truly worthwhile. God Bless,

Fr. Paul Ballien

MI K of C Fourth Degree Supports Repatriation of WWII Marine



A WWII Marine who fought in the Battle of the Pacific was brought home to the Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta, Michigan to be interred at his final resting place on Tuesday November 30, 2021. Marine Corps Corporal Andrew Pellerito was a member of Company K, 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force when it landed in the Tarawa Atoll in the Pacific against heavy Japanese resistance on November 20, 1943. He was killed on the

Honor Guard presents a sword salute to Corporal Pellerito first day of the battle, and his remains were considered non-recoverable. However he was recently identified through DNA testing on August 19, 2021, and returned to Michigan for a full military burial. Accompanied by approximately 30 family members and friends, ten members of the Fourth Degree Honor Guard of the Michigan Knights of Columbus from three districts in the Father Hennepin Province were present to support the full military service, along with a dozen active duty Marines and ten members of

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From The State Treasurer Barry



My brother knights, ladies and friends of the Knights of Columbus,

Recently I learned another lesson through my daughter that you may appreciate. As a senior (already!) she is a talented musician and drum major of her high school band. We enjoy watching her perform at football games, concerts and competitions. She complained at a recent performance that her clarinet was making a “rattling” sound with one of the keys. To my ear it sounded fine. To her, it was a terrible vibration. When we took the instrument in for repair it

turned out that there were even more issues. Because of her intense use and hours of practice, the instrument was simply getting worn down and needed adjustment. To some like me, there was nothing wrong. To her, there were warning signs. To others, it simply needed a few corrections.

Your council may be in similar condition. Many times, even though we are doing good things, we get out of shape. Council membership can get used to doing things “the way we always do” without realizing that it could be better. Leadership sometimes doesn’t hear the squeaks and rattles that indicate something is wrong, either out of defiance or lack of perspective. Sometimes it takes an expert, or an outsider to point out the flaws. If we are open to adjustments or improvements the results can be transformative. Like the instrument that showcases the musician’s talents, our councils can allow us to perform acts of Charity in ways beyond what we might do on our own. United as brothers and families we can turn solo performances into great accomplishments for the benefit of many.

From me, my wife Mandy and daughter Olivia, we wish you and your family a belated but merry Christmas, and a new year full of the sweet sounds of everything in your life, on key and in harmony.

State Treasurer,
Barry Borsenik

Blessing of the Bikes 2021

On Saturday, June 27, 2021, Good Shepherd Council 8669 in Montrose held their second annual “Blessing of the Bikes”. The purpose of this event was to raise money for veteran’s affairs.

COVID-19 posed significant concerns, so the Knights went through considerable thought and planning to create the safest possible event that adhered to local, state, and federal agency protocols.

Sunday June 27 was a beautiful day and a total of 63 bukes participated, accompanied by 34 riders. The Knights were pleased and honored to have “Biker” Worthy State Deputy Walter Winkle Jr. as a guest and participant in the day’s activities. After the 11:15am Mass at Good Shepherd Church, Father Jonathan Perrotta blessed the bikes and extended a blessing to the bikers, their riders, and the Knights.

The bikers then departed on the scheduled poker run. After completion, participants returned to the Knight’s hall for a bit of camaraderie, a raffle, lunch and refreshments.

Event Chairman Lynn Miller and Grand Knight Tom Bigelow presented a check for \$3,500 from the proceeds to Ms. Debra Hayes, Executive Director of My Brother’s Keeper, Inc. in Flint. My Brother’s Keeper is a 30 bed emergency shelter for men 18 and older, with a special emphasis on veterans who find themselves homeless and in need of assistance. Each veteran is assigned a case manager and will receive an individualized development plan to help them move beyond homelessness.

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From The State Membership Director Dan Fuller

Resolutions, Revival, Renewal, and Responsibility

I hope that the Advent and Christmas seasons brought you and your families many blessings. We are entering that time of year of personal improvement resolutions, revival, and renewal of ourselves during the Lenten season. All of this prepares us for the coming blessings of Easter. Are we using this same perspective of revival and renewal within our Councils and Districts? Will we resolve to greater works of Faith in Action? Will we renew our Councils with increased membership? Will we take responsibility to strengthen our ability to serve our church? I hope the answer is a resounding **YES**, but it will require taking **ACTION!**

As you all know, we started out our fraternal year with training sessions, leadership meetings and messages of encouragement for our Brother Knights, Council Officers, District Deputies and Directors. We were reminded of our mission as Knights. Do you recall our mission statement? **“Together, we’re empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community.”**

Growth incentives were offered to provide encouragement to our Michigan Knights to invite Catholic men to join their councils and strengthen our Order. From July through September, we held a \$1000 raffle for council growth with the winner being St. Sebastian Council 14642 in Byron Center. From October through December, we held a \$500 raffle that awarded two Brother Knights \$500/each for sponsoring a new Brother Knight. We have given polo shirts to District Deputies for achieving 50% of their goals by January 1st. We will be formally recognizing all Councils, Districts, Sponsor-Ambassadors, and Field Agents that have achieved 50% or greater of their growth goals at the February 2022 State Tribute Banquet.

January and the third quarter of our fraternal year brings new incentives for membership growth. From January 1st through March 31st we will continue our **Sponsorship Incentive Raffle**. Each Brother Knight that sponsors a new member will be entered to win ONE of TWO **\$500 cash prizes**. At the end of each month, if we exceed our monthly goals, those sponsors from that month will be eligible to win a **\$100 Bonus Raffle**. Again, this is for *new member sponsors only* and sponsoring a new member is the only way you can enter and win. What are the goals we need to exceed for the **\$100 Bonus Raffle**?

- January’s growth goal of 200 new members
- February’s growth goal of 225 new members
- March’s growth goal of 250 new members

Incentives are meant to bring excitement and positive reinforcement of important actions that sustain our Order. We need to build a positive culture around inviting Catholic men to be Knights. Membership growth is a type of evangelization and could be a life changing moment for that Catholic man and his family. The Knights of Columbus offers security to families, stands for life, and supports lifesaving efforts. We give dignity to those that are the least among us. Together we pray and practice our faith, and stand firmly behind our Priests and Religious Leaders in the truths of our holy church.

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**From The State Program Director
Paul Palka**

Happy New Year!

I hope this article finds that your Christmas was one that brought many joyful memories to you and your family.

As we start 2022 it brings with it a time of reflection on 2021. Even with COVID Knights in the great State of Michigan truly "Left No Neighbor Behind". Here is just a small recap of what we did:

1. Coats for Kids: The Michigan State Council on your behalf purchased 350 cases of coats equaling 4,200 coats we distributed to the children of Michigan. The State Council spent \$81,148.80, the Supreme Council paid for half of these coats, so the State cost was \$40,574.40! Thank you, Supreme Council, for this match! We have requested funds from Councils and individuals to help defray these costs we have received \$23,674.11 as of December 1st. We are still accepting contributions. Throughout the state we have purchased 653 cases of coats for a total of 7,836 coats donated through Knights Gear. This does not count the coats Council purchased through other channels or donated through drives at our parishes! We also received a bonus of 300 adult sized coats from Supreme for distribution.
2. Ultrasound Initiative & Baby Blankets: As of this writing we have dedicated 6 Ultrasound Machines since July 1st. Ed & Lynn Strach have shipped 440 Baby Blankets in the new initiative started this year! Please see Ed's article for more details of the life programs!
3. Our MI Drive is the largest Council based fundraiser, and as of 12/1 we have received for deposit this fraternal year of \$558,216.32. This includes some funds turned in after the end of the last fraternal year. I want to thank George Stump for his tireless efforts to make sure every penny that is collected goes to those with intellectual disabilities. George puts his heart and soul into the MI Drive Program.

As we start 2022 it is a time to plan, promote, execute & evaluate programs after please make sure to submit the 10784 form. Many of you remember the old Special Olympics forms were due on 1/31 every year for our chance to win \$12,000 to donate to Special Olympics of Michigan from Supreme! With the old form retired, we must submit everything on the 10784 under Special Olympics. This includes our MI Drive events. If you are not sure how to do this, please ask your District Deputy or Diocesan Program Director to assist you. They will be happy to help.

As of December 1st, the Knights of Michigan have submitted over 1,200 as of 12/1. If you have been submitting your forms we appreciate your dedication, if you have not, please assign someone at your council to complete this form after each of your council events.

Most importantly please remember that one of our best programs is Membership! Each person you invite to be a Brother Knight brings life to your Council. Don't miss an opportunity to ask someone else to join. Do not let him and his family miss out on the wonderful experiences you have had being part of Council of strong Catholic Men! Rise Up and Answer the Call to invite others to join us all!

kofc.org/joinus

Code for free membership: MCGIVNEY2020

Always include an opportunity for catholic men to join the order with the web link or QR code for their convenience.

Paul J Palka

State Program Director p.palka@mikofc.org



Ladies Corner

I am hoping that you all had a very Merry Christmas and a healthy Happy New Year. The Holy Cross collection was a great success and many kudos for all the efforts, of all the people, that made this possible. Great job by our program director, Paul Palka for orchestrating another successful event. This gives those people in need a nice gift, possibly the only gift they will get for the holidays.

Soon we will be having our mid winter meeting in Grand Rapids. It will be a wonderful gathering after the Christmas madness.

Soon after will be the combined State Chaplain/State Deputy dinner. Look forward to seeing all those who wish to attend at Zuccaro's on February 26.

I am excited for all the invites you send so that the State Board can attend your council festivities, makes the winter fly right by.

On a warmer note, hopefully; Looking forward to our convention at Mackinaw Island this year. Let's pray that this will really happen this year. The island is always a treat, appreciated by many.

I pray you all stay safe, healthy, and happy in the new coming year of 2022. Set attainable goals and live as Christ intends of us live. May God bless us all and hope to see you soon.

Karen, Julie, Mandy, Pam, Amy, Marybeth

From The State Membership Director

In understanding the strengths and goodness of our Order, will you join me in this resolution? "I resolve to evangelize my Catholic faith through the action of inviting Catholic men to become Knights. Through this effort may my actions help these Catholic men to revive and renew their faith so that together we can share the responsibilities of putting our faith into action to serve our church, families and community." Thank you my Brothers.

I wish you all a Happy and Blessed New Year and that we all may experience a revival and renewal of spirit, soul, and faith.

Dan Fuller

State Membership Director

FRATERNAL BREAKFAST

Members of **Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Council 5492** in **Livonia, Mich.**, gather for breakfast at a local restaurant, happy to spend time together in person after months of COVID restrictions.

Your Gift is So Important

Take 10 for Charity
Thomas M. Wegener, PSD, FSD
Michigan Charities State Director

Dear Brothers and Ladies,

Joyce and I hope that you had a Merry Christmas with friends and family. May we have the spirit of Christmas all year long.

As we begin the new calendar year, members of the Knights of Columbus throughout Michigan are receiving their annual dues notice from their council Financial Secretary. Included with your dues notice is a yellow slip of paper. This slip includes a short description of the Take 10 for Charity program and a partial list of the worthy charitable works that the Take 10 for Charity program helps to fund. With this article, and in the Spirit of Charity, the first principle of our order, I am asking you to help the Take 10 for Charity Program so it can continue to grow as a State Council resource for those in need.

Below is a sample of the yellow slip that you should have received in your dues. If the yellow slip is missing this will give you the information on the program and some of the charitable donations that the program helps and how to contribute.

MICHIGAN STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Dear Brother Knight:

In the spirit of charity, the first principle of our order, we ask you, to help the Take "10" for Charity Program of the Michigan Charities Fund so it can continue to grow as a State Council resource for those in need.

Since its inception in 1977, the Take "10" for Charity Program has helped fund many worthy charitable works that the Take "10" for Charity Program of the Michigan Charities Fund has been able to help many charities. The following are just some of them:

Vocations: A / Division	Help Home
UNHFI (Drug Association)	Protect Life of Michigan
Catholic Education	RFL Local Agencies
Catholic High School Association	Right to Life Michigan Education Fund
Catholic Pastors	Shared Pregnancy Crisis Center
Catholic Radio	Special Day's Cancer Camp
Catholic for Women	St. Anne's Medivision Island
Family Devotion / All Divisions	St. Francis Catholic Clinic
Good House	St. Francis Hospital Doctor
Livingston County Elderly Fund Initiative	St. Vincent Home - Lansing
Michigan State's Conferences	Solomon's College Center
Most Holy Family House	U.S. Catholic (Newspaper)

Brother Knights, a \$10 contribution from each of the approximately 66,000 Michigan Knights would give the Michigan Charities Fund \$660,000 to distribute. Just one of the good things could do if each member gave his full share.

We need your support. Please include \$10 or more with your dues payment or send a separate check payable to your local council. Define Take "10" for Charity Program on your check's memo line. Your Financial Secretary will send the Take "10" for Charity Program Contribution to the State Secretary.

Working together as a team of 66,000 we can be a tremendous source of support for those who truly need us. Please do what you can.

We thank you in advance for your help to others. Visit us at:

TAKE "10" FOR CHARITY PROGRAM
MICHIGAN CHARITIES FUND COMMITTEE

With your help, since the program's inception in 1977, the program has grown as a main resource of charitable funds for the State Council. The State Council receives many requests all year long, and many of these requests are for an amount that a single local council could not possibly meet. To help we ask each Brother Knight for a \$10 contribution submitted with their dues payment. In Unity with over 66,000 Brother Knights in Michigan, this would give the State Council approximately \$660,000 in charitable funds to distribute. For the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year the program, due to your generous support, the Take 10 for Charity Program generated over \$166,000.00. This is a record for the program and we cannot thank you enough.

To meet the ongoing demands in charitable needs, we are again asking you to look at your dues notice, pay your dues, and make that donation to Take 10 for Charity. Your \$10 may seem relatively small, but just like a single drop seems relatively small in a thunderstorm, that \$10 with 66,000 similar donations will help us help those that need our help.

Thank you in advance for your prayers and for your contribution. Together let's make our \$10 donation part of the thunderstorm that creates a new record of giving for this year.



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State Chaplain & State Deputy Tribute Banquet

Saturday, February 26, 2020
Zuccaro's Banquet & Catering
46601 Gratiot Ave.
Chesterfield Twp., MI 48051
Social Hour: Starts at 6pm.
Dinner: Dinner at 7pm with program to follow
Donation: \$30.00 per person

Reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. A check or money order must accompany all reservation requests.

Make check payable to:
Michigan State Council

Memo Line :
Tribute Banquet Tickets.

Checks are to be mailed to:
Michigan State Council Office
6025 Wall Street
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

State Community Director

As we begin the new calendar year, there still may be time for councils to conduct the Catholic Citizen Youth Essay Competition. Considering that it's an easy program to run, a surprisingly low number of council's promote this great youth event. For the 2021-2022 year, the theme is to describe everyday obstacles that you may have experienced or witnessed others experiencing while living a life of authentic faith. Explain how you have overcome these obstacles and how, by doing so, it has helped your faith to continue to grow. With little promotion and a few volunteers to judge, the contest is one of the simplest to run but very rewarding for all the participants. I'd be happy to help your council in any way I can. State winners must be sent to the Supreme Council by January 31st, so don't delay in getting your council winners to me.

Thanks to all the councils that participated in this year's Coats for Kids Program. Many councils across the state either conducted their event own or contributed to the Michigan State Council distributions. One great example was O'Brien Council #3956 in Southgate, that was able to raise \$5,000 for the program. Of that amount, \$1400 was raised by school children from Saint Pius X Catholic School that heard of the Coats for Kids program and did an amazing fundraising job. With these funds, they were able to conduct their own distribution event on very short notice. Thanks DD Raymond Bilyk, knights of council #3956 and the volunteers that worked so hard on this great program.

Casey the Teddy Bear stuffed animals are in stock and available for councils to purchase. The cost remains at \$120 per case of 12, and I can quickly get them to you. Simply send me an order form and payment and your council will receive these teddy bears that are a great way to promote our order. Councils use them in a variety of ways such as baptism gifts, supplying them to first responders, distributing them at hospitals, etc. Families appreciate these simple acts of kindness and they leave a lasting impression on recipients.

Please fill out the Knight of the Month/Year form and submit them. Surely your council has a deserving brother knight that devotes his time and talents to your parish and community. This is a great way to provide a little recognition for members. While a significant number of councils regularly submit knights of the month, a surprising number of councils don't take advantage of this program. I'd suggest a knight of the month at least once a quarter. It takes such little time to fill out a small number of fields on the form and email it, there's no reason not to recognize one of our brothers for their contributions.

Our state free throw and spelling bee championships will again be held in March. Please coordinate with your district deputy to make sure that your council youth event is held prior to a district or diocesan championship.

Finally, please visit our supreme website for information on all the supreme Faith in Action programs at KofC.org. The Global Wheelchair Initiative for example, has great resources to use and is now much easier for councils to participate in.

Michael Haughey

State Community Director

State Family Director

My Brother Knights and Families, this Christmas season is one of the busiest times of the year. The birth of our Lord and Savior is a very special time to spend with our families and friends but also in the Knights of Columbus. Hopefully your Councils spent time doing some of the many Keep Christ in Christmas programs. Please remember that the Diocesan winners are due to me by January 31st and I only need the winners not all the participants.

Keep in mind that the Consecration to the Holy Family program can be done at any time if you missed doing it on the suggested date any Marion feast day or appropriate day may be used. In preparation for a Consecration to the Holy Family, your family should not only decide to dedicate itself to the Holy Family's intercession but also acknowledge that the family is sacred. The decision to consecrate your family needs to be intentional and a process through which you completely surrender to God through the Holy Family. You are accepting the truth that salvation history was changed forever by a family, and that through your domestic church, you are called to live their example.

The Family of the Month program was brought up at the last quarterly Supreme Programs meeting. Apparently if you do not fill out the full name of the husband and wife even if they are the same, they will not process the form. Do not just put the wife's first name. My Brothers please make sure you are filling out the form #10784 properly it automatically goes to Supreme, a copy should be sent to forms@mikofc.org, g.kelenske@mikofc.org, and if you want recognition in the Michigan Columbian send it to g.kolbicz@mikofc.org. If you just add these addresses, there is no need to send another message with the same information to the editor. This also ensures that it has been submitted properly. Unfortunately, I receive many calls and emails about this, and I hope this helps alleviate the issue.

In closing I am grateful for the time all of you spend doing the work of the Order. As with all of you I am a small part of this great organization that has helped me become a better Catholic, Father and man. Thank you all!!

Your Brother in Christ

Garret A. Kelenske

State Family Director

Rise Up and Answer the Call!

MI K of C Fourth Degree Supports Repatriation of WWII Marine



the Ft. Custer Military Honor Guard. The wife of District 4 Master, Marie Woodrum, was actually a blood relative of Corporal Pellerito.

Members of the 4th Degree contingent from Michigan who attended included:

District 1 – Archdiocese of Detroit: Master Mark Brezinski, SK Robert Ciavaglia, SK Gene Suchyta

District 2 – Dioceses of Lansing/Kalamazoo: Master Joseph Yekulis, FM David Buick, Sr. Marshal Bill Currie, Marshal Karl Kerchief

District 4 – Dioceses of Grand Rapids/Saginaw: Master Keith Woodrum, SK Walter Cummings, SK Antonio Rodriguez

American Flag is presented to the brother of Cpl. Pellerito

Msgr. Kromenaker Council 2251 100th Anniversary



Pictured L-R- Grand Knight Daniel Granowicz,
State Treasurer Barry Borsenik

On April 1, 1921 a meeting was held by officers from neighboring Knights of Columbus councils in Marine City and Port Huron Michigan. On April 3, 1921, the 3 degrees of Charity, Fraternity, and Unity were performed in St Mary's Catholic School initiating 57 new Knights. These Knights along with 100 transfers from neighboring councils became the charter members of the Saint Clair Knights of Columbus Council 2251 as they received their charter that same day. Council 2251 rented space in the Milligan Building to hold their meetings and council activities. In May of 1924 their first hall was purchased across the street from the Milligan Building. Over the years they moved to a second hall and then finally to their current location. Known solely as Saint Clair Council 2251 until February 16, 1969 when they received one of its highest honors of being the first Knights of Columbus Council to name themselves after a living person. The rules of the order at that time were to never name a council after a living person. The council leaders went to work petitioning the Supreme Office in New Haven, CT to adopt rule changes. After some long discussions and several meetings they succeeded in the rule change and charter member Monsignor Edward Kromenaker became the first living person to have his name placed on a Knights of Columbus Council. As of that day we have been known as Monsignor Edward Kromenaker Council 2251

Since the council received its charter, there have been 50 Grand Knights, and to the amazement of our Worthy State Treasurer Barry Borsenik there has only been 3 repeat Grand Knights. As we commemorate the 100th Anniversary of this Council, we acknowledge the founders of this council as well as the past leaders and membership, many who have gone on to fill leadership roles at the district and state level. Their determination and commitment established a council that would withstand the challenges of time. Our awards and achievements over the years are numerous but these awards are meaningless in comparison to the compassion and empathy our council shows towards their fellow man. Throughout our 100 years as a fraternal organization, we've spent countless hours serving the church, assisting the less fortunate of our community and supporting our brother Knights.

During our preparations for the anniversary celebration we discovered a few things about our brother knights. We placed names and dates on all of our past Grand Knight pictures, and our Financial Secretary discovered that our 5th Grand Knight was his Great Uncle. While reading our charter he also noticed his grandfather was a charter member. We have generations of families that are and have been members with both fathers and sons being council officers in their perspective age periods or in some cases at the same time. We also found a hand written letter underneath one of our trophies that was like a time capsule. The letter summarized the process of getting the charter, initial number of members, the renaming of the council, and pertinent dates to create a time line of events.

On October 9, 2021 we celebrated our 100th anniversary not with just our brother Knights and families but with the community that we support and have supported us also. After a nice meal we were honored with proclamations from our Mayor, County Board of Commissioners, the State Of Michigan, and standing in for our State Deputy Walter Winkle Jr. was our State Treasurer Barry Borsenik to present us with our 100th Anniversary plaque and a letter of gratitude from our Supreme Knight. As the current Grand Knight, I was honored to be a part of this celebration; I am humbled at the fact that I too will be a part of the history of this council's leadership. Our work is not done and in these struggling times we work harder towards our goals being faithful catholic gentleman, supporting our families, our community, and the precious life of all God's people. I look forward to helping lead the Monsignor Edward Kromenaker Council 2251 into the next 100 years and with the support of our current officers and members I am confident that our missions of Faith, Life, Family and Community will succeed.

RAMP REQUEST GRANTED

Members of **Clare (Mich.) 3029** built a ramp at the home of an octogenarian member who had recently broken his leg. To fund the project, the council applied for a \$1,000 Home Depot Community Impact Grant, which the company awards to nonprofits sponsoring volunteer service projects.

Blessing of the Bikes 2021

Based on the success of this event and the goodwill displayed by the participants, Good Shepherd Council 8669 is looking forward to "Blessing of the Bikes 2022" as another fundraiser to assist veteran's in need.

Submitted By:

Patrick D. Bisson, Recorder

Good Shepherd Council 8669

Knights of Columbus Insurance

Dear State Family,

What special celebrations we have in the month of December! Our Lady's feast, the feast of the Immaculate Conception when we honor Mary as having been conceived without original sin. What an honor, too, for her mother, St. Anne, and father, St. Joachim, to have that blessing, literally the grandparents of our Lord! Then we celebrate Christmas and the Word made flesh who dwelled among us. "For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace." (Isa 9:5)

We're sure your family, like ours, has its traditions at Christmas. There is decorating a tree and the house both inside and out, shopping for that perfect gift, and the preparation of the special meal. Maybe you start the real celebration by attending Midnight Mass. And perhaps this year it will mean a return to a houseful of relatives around your Christmas dinner table. We hope and pray that you and your family find peace and joy during this season!

As we approach the end of the year I want to thank each of you for the trust you've placed in us. We have been able to help so many brother Knights and their families with the services and products that the Order has available to protect Catholic families. We consider it an honor to be able to serve you as your agents. One way we may be able to serve you better is to make sure you respond to the survey that was sent from the Supreme Office recently. While some snail mail is still delayed, you should have received it. Answering the survey will help us serve you better. If you like convenience you may want to complete the survey online. Please be sure to check your contact information and make sure it is correct. If you have not yet received your survey, please let us know.

Have a very Merry Christmas! Let's be thankful for all the graces and gifts that God has blessed us with, especially the gift of his Son!

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Huard

General Agent

Rise Up and Answer the Call for Life!

As we enter the coming year of 2022, we would like to thank all the councils and districts who have Risen Up and Answered the Call for Life.

You are responsible, in this past fraternal year, for the dedication of six new Ultrasound machines throughout the state. You have helped support the successful implementation of the new "Created in the Image of God" baby blankets. You've also supported local pregnancy centers and Right to Life affiliates, lead Novena's for life and Masses for People with Special needs, and other pro-life activities. Take pride in your pro-life efforts and continue them with vigor and passion.

Your efforts throughout the years of Building a Culture of Life have led to a historic point in our lifetime. That historic moment will be decided by our Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) in the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization case. This decision by our highest court can pave the way to saving the most vulnerable of life – our unborn.

Since the 1973 SCOTUS ruling in the Roe v. Wade case, we have seen unprecedented legalization of abortion across the country and the killing of over 62,000,000 babies, a generation lost to abortion.

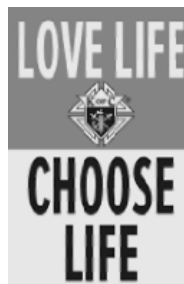
So, what can we do as members and families of the Knights of Columbus? As mentioned in the beginning of this article, you can continue your efforts with vigor and passion to build upon the pathways of Building a Culture of Life. Let these pathways be a reminder of how we can continue to be pro-life leaders in our families, parishes, and communities:

Taking Action for Life– Stay informed of the Dobbs Case as oral arguments begin December 1st. Take a moment to view the **Rise Up and Answer the Call for Life Series – Dobbs Case** at the Michigan State Council Website/Statewide News – posted Saturday, November 27, 2021. Also, contact your local legislatures and let them know where you stand on Life issues.

Look to support an Ultrasound machine, window to the unborn, at a local or pregnancy center in our state.



Standing Up for Life – Support local Right to Life marches or sponsor a local Life march. Stay or become involved with 40 Days for Life – bringing prayer to the front door of abortion clinics.



Prayer for Life – pray for our Supreme Court Justices to make the right decision for Life. Do this through individual prayer and a Council Novena for Life. Lead or support a Mass for People with Special Needs.

Giving for Life – continue to support your local pregnancy center and RTL affiliate through your time and talents or generosity of funding. Giving of blood at your parish or local blood drive. Support of Christian Refugee Relief program. Purchase "**Created in the Image of God**" baby blankets for local pregnancy centers, parish baptism gifts, or local hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU)

Created in the Image of God Baby Blanket Order Form

Council No. _____ Council Name: _____

Order Qty: _____ Total Order (Qty * \$10) \$ _____

Orders of Five or Less Blankets add \$8.00 for Shipping \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Ship to: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ eMail: _____

Checks Payable to: **Michigan State Council Knights of Columbus**

Memo: **Baby Blanket**

Send to: Ed & Lynn Strach
Pro-Life Chair Couple
522 Berkshire Dr.
Saline, MI 48176

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Sister Oh Sister Congradulations



Pictured L- R- Bob Sobczak, Ken Hulewicz, Paul Castiglione, Sue & Chuck Meisner (Proud Parents of Sr. Fulton Marie), Sr. Fulton Marie, Most Reverend Louis Tylka Coadjutor Bishop of Peoria were Sr. Fulton Marie's Mom works at the Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Museum.

On July 21, 2021 there were three sisters and on July 23, 2020 there were eight sisters a total of eleven sisters who professed their Faith to the Dominican Religious Community of Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. Sr. Mary Dominic, Sr. Mary Bethany, Sr. Maria Benedicta, Sr. Mary Isidore, Sr. Amata Christi, Sr. Karol Augustine, Sr. Faustina Thomas, Sr. Joseph Lucia, Sr. Incarnata, Sr. Catherine Paul, Sr. Fulton Marie.

Five Knights from Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council 7444 were there to support the eleven sisters, especially Sr. Fulton Marie Meisner who took Bishop Sheen's name.

Witnessing the sisters' first religious profession were Mike Opalko, Ken Hulewicz, Bob Sobczak, Paul Castiglione and John Rogers.

St. Mary's - Pinckney 25 Years of Service



Pictured is State Advocate Charlie McCuen III with Charter Council Grand Knight (1st) Dale Pepper and current Grand Knight Gerard Gonos accepting plaque from the Supreme Council recognizing the Council for 25 years of service to the Parish of St. Mary & the surrounding Pinckney Community.

The evening started with Corporate Communion 5pm Mass with Color Corp escort from 4th degree Assemblies 489 and 2050, followed by dinner & short program recognizing our Clergy, Council and sharing a few of the Council's accomplishments of the Council's 1st 25 years..

2021 State Soccer Challenge



On Saturday, October 9th, the 2021 Michigan State Soccer Shootout final was conducted at St. John Vianney Church in Wyoming hosted by Council #4362. Contestants from across Michigan competed and the 2021 winners are:

- 9 Year Old Boys: Gabe Taylor John from Fife Lake
- 10 Year Old Girls: Amelia Stafford from DeWitt
- 10 Year Old Boys: Osid Magana Nieves from Sturgis
- 11 Year Old Girls: Ceci Kovarik from Grand Rapids
- 12 Year Old Girls: Kirsten McCauley from Wolverine
- 13 Year Old Boys: Joshua Stafford from DeWitt
- 14 Year Old Boys: Rodrigo Sanchez from Sturgis

These winners' scores will be submitted to Supreme for consideration in the International Competition. Thanks to State Warden Jim Krause for attending. Also thanks to State Program Director Paul Palka, SDRR Martin Brown, State Family Director Garret Kelenske (blue shirt), Diocesan Program Directors Thomas Farley, Joe Brenner and Ken Warzybok for helping to conduct the event.

State Community Director,
Michael Haughey

Rise Up and Answer the Call for Life!

This point in the fraternal year is an excellent time to reassess your council's Life initiatives and decide on other actions your members can take to further promote Building a Culture of Life. Think about this quote from the placement ceremony of the 69th ultrasound at Insight Pregnancy Services in Newaygo (St. Bartholomew Council #14206 sponsoring council), **"What greater legacy can a council leave that to save the life of a child"**. And as you think about this quote, ask yourself how you can use the pro-life initiatives your council participates in to invite potential members to help us Build a Culture of Life.

Let us leave you with this: As we have traveled throughout the state, we have seen that the Knights of Columbus are recognized as one of the cornerstone organizations that have, are, and will continue to support life – from conception to natural death. **Thank you for Rising Up and Answering the Call for Life!**

Ed & Lynn Strach
Pro-Life Couple
Michigan State Council
Knights of Columbus
e.strach@mikofc.org



THANK YOU, Michigan Knights of Columbus!!

All of us at Holy Cross are grateful to all the Michigan Knights of Columbus and to your family and friends who continue to collect sweatshirts, bath baskets, and many other thoughtful, and great gifts this holiday season for all our clients! Each year, every client receives your gifts for Christmas and for any extras, we distribute to new clients as a welcome gift throughout the year until the inventory is depleted. Thank you so much for helping Holy Cross provide hope to for the hopeless, love for the traumatized, neglected, and abused children, as well as adults, families, and veterans facing homelessness.

WE APPRECIATE EVERY ONE OF YOU!

Please see some photos taken at the Holy Cross collection sites from December 4th.

We wish you and your family a very Blessed Christmas and the Happiest of New Year ahead.



Visit our website to see the new things we are doing, and to learn more about HCS!
HolyCrossServices.org



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OCTOBER CALENDAR WINNERS

Jeff Pung, John Andres, Bernden Miller, Bernadette Arens, Pat Zomerlei, James Grose, Dan and Sue Dever, Tom Nurenberg, Nickolas Karpowitsch, Fr. Gregory Veneklase, Steve & Donna Schrauben, Sandra Clemens, Olimpia & Augustine Vitale, Melvin Campbell, Colleen Vitale, Roger Tait, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Albosta, Addison Chojnacki, Bruce Kelly, Richard Ehinger, Kristine & Christopher Hanson, David Blandford, Fr. P.J. Cullinane, Sean Smith, James Andros, Kaitlyn Chappa, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Atkinson, Henry Burkhardt, Rick St. Peter, Michael O'Brien, Leona Fraley, \$500 winner James Raiss

NOVEMBER CALENDAR WINNERS

George Loewen, Celia Horst, Steve Wolniakowski, George & Esther Jaksa, Jerome Gross, William LaPeer, Judy Hufnagel, Michael Karpowitsch, John Thayer, Ron & Linda McCarty, John & Vera Agnetti, Ronald Ratkos, Jr., Father Zachary Mabey, Mary Ann Blaszk, Mark Kappy, Patricia Meyer, Alyssa Chojnacki, Bill Strieff, Kurt Chetosky, Mary Ann Hurley, Lori Matingly, William M. Dunlop, John Winnicker, Charles Sisung, Harold & Mary Lou Schmit, Nick Kostrzeba, Richard Karns, William Learman, Mark Laethem, Jeffrey Motz, \$500 Winner Lynn Miller

DECEMBER CALENDAR WINNERS

Kathleen Allen, Gerald Grobbel, Russell Rigelhof, John Davidek, Hilary Susalla, Tom Irrer, Keith Schroeder, Priscilla Crist, Anita Henry, Lloyd & Dolores Stemen, George Durak III, Beth Hogan, Pamela Tunney, Cynthia Bezaire, P. Stephen Oglenski, Alisa Hagopian, Charles T. Hickey, Robert Ciovaglia, L.A. Schneider, Raymond Schomisch, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Petkus, Raymond Ross, Don Fyck, John P. Casey, Dale Irrer, Edwin O'Brien, Dennis Brunner, Jackie Stoiber, Andrea Saver, Jim Ratke, Thomas O'Connor, \$500 winner Dan Langan, \$5,000 winner Charles Zammit



CONTACTS: HCS Knights' Liaison Mike Fontana, m.fontana@mikofc.org, 248-224-5583, or HCS Kassie Kretzschmar kkretzschmar@hccsnet.org, 248-980-4830.



Posen heroes in the right place, at the right time



Pictured: Jim Haske, from Rogers City Council #1705

by **Peter Jakey**
Managing Editor

One never knows when we will be placed in the right place at the right time to possibly save a life or two, or even more. For Jim Haske of Rogers City, it's crystal clear.

He was getting off of work Sept. 28 at about 10 p.m. when the building across the street became fully involved in flames. On each side of the building were homes in close proximity. Haske got them all up and out.

Since the fire, customer after customer, has been hailing the longtime employee of the Blarney Castle, BP gas station as a hero, and deservedly so.

John Rasmussen and his family were in the south house and know it was much too close.

"I'm glad everyone is safe," said Rasmussen. The family of five was sound asleep as the building next door was going up in flames.

"I'm usually in bed at nine or a little earlier," said Rasmussen, who is the manager of the gas station where he and Haske work. There were four people in the north house.

"Jim got us out at 9:55 p.m.," said Rasmussen. Patron Wyatt Romel was the last customer of the day and saw the flames coming from the roof.

"It was just before closing and I was just getting stuff wrapped up and he said 'that building across the street is on fire,'" said Haske. Romel said he would call 911.

"You do that and I will get everyone out of the houses," said Haske. "I pounded and pounded and pounded on John's door for what seemed to be 10 minutes. I was thinking, am I going to have to break the window. That last time, I heard a dog bark. I said, 'yes, that

is going to wake them up.'" John and his wife Sheila took a quick look over and got everyone and their pets out, as Haske ran over to the Roznowski house on the other side.

"They were still awake," said Haske. "I pounded on their door and Dave Roznowski says, 'what's going on.' I said 'your garage is on fire, get everyone out now.' He said, 'it's just my wood stove.'" After a firsthand glance, he saw it was something much more.

"After they got out, there was the first explosion, the small one," said Haske.

An off-duty fire fighter from Detroit heard it on the radio, grabbed Rasmussen's keys and moved their vehicle from the driveway between the house and the burning structure or it would have been destroyed.

"That's when the big explosion occurred," said Haske. "There were fuel tanks in there. He had tanks for his bump-and-run cars. It went up fast."

Many, many years ago, it was Johnny's Service, selling Sunoco gas. It was owned by John and Martha Misiak, who lived in the adjacent house. The building was renovated in 1964 and a shell of that building was standing earlier in the day of Sept. 28 and now is in rubble.

"I cannot express the importance of Wyatt's role in all of this," said Haske. "I would have noticed it, but it could have been another five or six minutes. Another five or six minutes, and it could have had another outcome."

Haske said, "I just thank God that he had me here and he had Wyatt come. Had the store been closed, maybe they would not have made it out.

"Once they were safe and I came back in here (the gas station) I did take a take deep breath and thought to myself, everyone is alright. I said a prayer, thank God, He had me in the right place at the right time. It was divine intervention."

The damage to Rasmussen's home is more significant with siding melted on the north side, along with damage to his roof. It will all have to be replaced.

"There was smoke damage," said Rasmussen. Part of the roof of the garage landed on the roof of his vehicle and bubbled the top. "When glass busted, it hit the car," he said.

Posen Area Fire & Rescue suspect the cause to be electrical and it will be listed as accidental.

May They Rest In Peace

Escanaba Council 640

Lawrence Derusha

Menominee Council 646

Harris Eickmeyer

Lansing Council 788

Glen Barry, FDM

Standish Council 2724

Stanley Kielb, Jr.

Westphalia Council 2890

Ronald Trierweiler

Chesaning Council 2943

Edward Mahoney

Daniel Bishop

Grand Haven Council 2975

George McCarthy,

Patrick Matlock

Allen Park Council 3774

Charles Anstett,

Edward Malinowski

James Smoltz

Dearborn Hgts. Council 3860

Rev. John Child

Wyoming Council 4362

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Dr. Henry Acheta

Prudenville Council 6548

Mike Ward

Sterling Hgts. Council 7011

Norbert Golembiewski, PGK

Montrose Council 8669

Ronald Thibeault

Gerald Sharpe

Marysville Council 9526

Paul Janiszewski, FDD

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Vicksburg Council 13305

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Ray Huey

Carlton Council 15932

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Families of the Month

Lansing Council 788

José & Berta Lopez
Andrew & Becky Christopherson

Portland Council 2168

Todd & Jennifer Davlin
Daniel & Dawn Arwood
Gregory & Kim Schrauben
Brian & Ann Sattler
Brian & Mary Hass

Westphalia Council 2890

Rick & Rachel Schneider
Joe & Eunice Arens
Randy & Cheryl Thelen
Doug & Stacy Nurenberg

Pinconning Council 2986

John & Maureen Duley
Jeffrey & Annette Szyperski
George & Sandy Augustyniak

Allen Park Council 3774

Les & Karen Nemeth

Southgate Council 3956

Dennis Hamilton family

Gladwin Council 5280

Jim & Marilyn Cook
Thomas & Kelly Fruchey

Waterford Council 5436

Mary Gaedt, family
Joseph & Amy Green
Frank & Kathy Zelinski

New Baltimore Council 5981

Ken & Jeanette Morrow
Lawrence & Ruth Mavis
Duane & Cheryl Gaedecke

Roscommon Council 6593

Duane & Jane Pinkelman
Kevin & Cheryl Sherman
Mike & Jan Lehman
Awildo Rivas & Cathy Rivas-Lopez
Posen Council 6657
RJ & Paulette Bordeau
Julian & Judy Pilarski
Richard & Sue Romel

Swartz Creek Council 6694

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Bob & Kathy Kranz
Ken & Linda Klungle

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Allen & Karen DeMars

Grand Ledge Council 7311

William & Michelle Lawson

Ray Council 7561

Gary & Mary Jenuwine

Fenton Council 7418

George & Pierrette Lamarche
Dan & Arlene O'Rourke

Howell Council 8169

Thomas & Carol Gourlay
Bob & Kathy Kranz

Chuck & Sandra Rollings

Auburn Hills Council 8659

Charles & Winifred Kemler
Michael & Mary Alice Merlo

Montrose Council 8669

John & Jackie Danahoe

Temperance Council 8902

Joseph & Ronni Smith
Rodney & Diana Deland

Ira Township Council 10724

Ray & Laura Somogy
Rene Meldrum family
Paul & Ann Sattler

Ann Arbor Council 10963

Peter & Mary O'Neil
Steve & Martha Willacker
Josiah & Emilu Shurtliff

Lansing Council 11099

Bob & Pat Murphy
Arnold & Marisol Henning
Joseph & Rita Wilhelm

Port Huron Council 11756

Bob & Marilyn Kovach

Vicksburg Council 13305

David & Jane Guido
Michael & Lynn Wilson
Luke & Amy Swager
John & Michelle Klein

Muskegon Hgts. Council 13579

Larry & Gretchen Page
Paul & Marcia Robaskiewicz

Shelby Township Council 13983

Walter & Bev Jakubowski *cfy

Southfield Council 14928

Ryan Cousino family

Comstock Park Council 15548

Joseph Schweitzer family



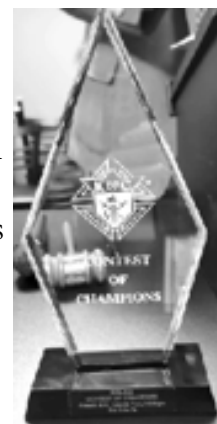
CONTEST OF CHAMPIONS AWARD



On Wednesday, December 8th, State Deputy Walter K. Winkle Jr. presented Robert H. Jones Council #3078 Grand Knight John Difrancesco with the Contest of Champions Award during their General Membership Meeting in Lincoln Park. Robert H. Jones Council #3078 was recognized for bringing in 36 new members during the 2020/2021 Fraternal Year; it was the highest council membership growth in the State during this period.

In addition to the State Deputy, State Treasurer Barry Borsenik, State Advocate Charlie McCuen, District Deputy Ray Bilyk and State Deputy Regional Representative Paul Thorn were also in attendance.

Great Job, Jones Council!



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Knight of the Month**Mt. Clemens Council 744**

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Randall Lentini

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Cadillac Council 1224

Michael Saven, Robert Harris

Monroe Council 1266

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Berkley Council 3830

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Marvin Peplinski, Tom Slykerman

Posen Council 6657

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Saline Council 6674

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Sterling Heights Council 6865

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Dennis Slowke, Mike Fontana
David Combs

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John Pullis

Grand Ledge Council 7311

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John Rademacher, Ronald George

Fenton Council 7418

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Gary DeGrace

Hale Council 7623

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William Ormeau, John Maclean

Jackson Council 8392

Brandon Frey, William Mitch
Marty Lefere

Flushing Council 8489

Dale Wolbert, Tom Miller

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Bob Szymański

Auburn Hills Council 8659

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Jim Johnson, Daune Tripp

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William Bloomfield

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AROUND THE STATE

St. Francis of Assisi 4401



St. Francis of Assisi 4401 reached out to St. Dominic Outreach Center by Wayne State University in Detroit. Our Knights donated tooth brushes, floss and other food and sundry items along with a check for \$400. This Outreach is run by Brother Sir Knight

Fr. Mario Amore who runs 3 parishes in Detroit.

BABY'S FIRST TRAIN

Father Stanley Bowers Council 8698 in Dundee, Mich., worked with the Dundee High School construction trades class to produce toys for newborns. With funds and direction from the council, the students crafted wooden trains to be donated to babies born at Pro Medica Monroe Regional Hospital.

FRATERNAL BREAKFAST



Members of **Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Council 5492 in Livonia, Mich.**, gather for breakfast at a local restaurant, happy to spend time together in person after months of COVID restrictions.

PRO-LIFE ON PARADE

Our Lady of the Woods Shrine Council 7329 in Mio, Mich., helped Right to Life of Oscoda County, a recently sawareness by sponsoring the group's booth and float entry at the local Fourth of July parade. The fledging pro-life organization won first place in the float competition and signed on several new members.

Iron River Council 2300



Deacon and Financial Secretary Terry Verville, of Iron River Council 2300, exemplified the 2nd and 3rd Degrees upon candidates Rev. Jose Cherian and Kevin Hubbard.

Fr. Cherian was recently installed as pastor of the Iron River St. Agnes, Caspian St. Cecilia and Watersmeet Imm accurate Conception Churches.

Kevin Hubbard is a newcomer to our area and is retired from the U.S. Air Force. He also serves as a lector at St. Cecilia Church. The event took place on the Feast Day of St. Michael, at St. Agnes Church.

HOLY TRINITY RSVP

Msgr. Esper Council 3027 in Fowler, Mich., sponsored its 16th annual "Returns for Vocations" fundraiser, bringing in more than \$19,000 for seminarians through can collections and a fund drive at Most Holy Trinity Parish.

Father Charles J. Swoboda Council 13393

Council 13393 had a semi truck load of logs donated to the council. We cut, split, stacked, sold & delivered 28 face chord to raise \$2270 to donate back to local food pantry, seminarian support & other local charities.



PGK Peter Armichardy on the log splitter.



GK Jerry Mazurek, Trustee Paul Janczak & FS Randy Ahnen pause from stacking firewood.

Mercy in Action



Parishes across the Archdiocese of Detroit witnessed the power of God's Mercy during the Sixth Annual Mercy in Action Service Day on Saturday, October 16.

Volunteers courageously engaged in Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. For its part, Knights of Columbus from **Bishop Michael J. Gallagher Council No. 2569** in Royal Oak, under the direction of St. Mary Catholic Church, completed yard work at Sanctum House, a safe home for survivors of human trafficking to heal and rebuild their lives. Knights and family members worked flower beds and flowerpots, planted mums, raked and bagged leaves, and trimmed a tree. Many thanks went to volunteers John Furton, Mark Baker, Paul Cronk, Daryl Wood and family, Patrick Nichols, Sean Dare, Andy Izydorek, Bob Corey, and Tim Gignac.



Collection for Homeless Veterans



For several years Knights of Columbus Assembly #0500 has had a collection drive of personal items for Homeless Veterans. This drive includes contributions from Council #2508 in Sturgis, Council #2900 in Coldwater, Council #2924 in Bronson, and Council #13749 in White Pigeon. This year we were joined by the First Church of Christ in Coldwater. We thank them very much for their contribution.

The items go to the Veterans Homeless Center at the Battle Creek VA Medical Center and from there are distributed throughout southwestern Michigan.

It's hard to tell from the picture but it was estimated the collection amounted to over \$8000.00 worth of items.

Programs = New Members

**St. Francis of Assisi Council 4401
August 15 2021 Seminarian Support & Corn Roast**



St Francis of Assisi Council 4401 based out of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish has been supporting seminarians from Sacred Heart since the inception of our brotherhood in 1955. This year, we have committed our council and our families and our parish to pray for each of the seminarians especially for Arturo Medina, Joseph Lennon, Dan Whalen, Lisandro Barba and Joshua Burcroff. On Wednesday August 4th, during our monthly business meeting, we spoke to seminarian Joshua Burcroff, in the Vatican City during his training to extend our prayers and support.

On Sunday August 15th, during the Feast of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother, we held a corn roast at Rotary Park in Livonia where approximately 50 Knights and families came to meet Arturo Medina, Joseph Lennon, Dan Whalen and Lisandro Barba. Our faith director Tim Gelletly and GK Jim Filbert arraigned with these candidates for the priesthood to meet the council and the council prayed over these men for their faithful discernment and support for their on-going studies. This year, we presented each of the candidates a \$500 check to assist with their expenses.

Bishop Sheen Council 7444 Fab Five



On October 24th, 2021, Harlan Thome three sons, Dave Steve and Pete Thome joined the Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council in Milford. On the alter at St. Mary's Church left to right is Dave, Pete, Dad Harlan, Fr. Tomey our Chaplain and Steve Thome. Never to many Thomas

Daylight Saving Time



**Daylight Savings time ends on
Sunday, March 13, 2022 at 2am**

Set your clock ahead 1 hour

**St. Francis of Assisi Council 4401
And
St. Vincent de Paul Society**



On Tuesday September 21, 2021, St Francis of Assisi Council 4401 provided a donation of \$1000 to the St. Vincent de Paul Society at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Farmington Hills. Rev. Canon Walter Ptak, Council Chaplain and Nancy Rancour, Director of St. Vincent de Paul were there for the check presentation. The demand on St. Vincent de Paul to help struggling families is at an all time high, and St. Vincent de Paul is an excellent choice for all Knights of Columbus councils to focus their family and community initiatives toward. Nancy Rancour and her team provide assistance to an increasing amount of families in need every week. Thank you, Nancy & the St. Vincent de Paul team for your modeling of seeing Christ in those who are struggling to make ends meet and doing small things with great love.

COUNCIL 12668 OCTOBER 2021 M.I .DRIVE



Ed Suckow

Knights of Council 12668 in Reed City, Mich. conducted the annual M.I. Drive in Reed City, Evart and Leroy on Oct 9 & 10 collecting \$2,900 in donations. Proceeds from the drive will be donated to Special Olympics of Mecosta/Osceola counties and to Hope Network.



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Queen of Apostles Council #6548 Charity Golf Outing



Tim Walter, Andy Hamilton, Scott Moberg, Rich Hurst, all from East Lansing area.



Andy Hamilton, Hole in 1 Winner

We had 160 golfers plus 32 volunteers at the K of C Charity Golf Outing at the Nightmare Golf Course just west of West Branch, MI. This event was sponsored by the K of C Council # 6548 at Houghton Lake, MI, on September 14. Over 90 Hole Signs were purchased by central Michigan businesses from as far north as Lewiston and to Chesaning in the south. Businesses in Houghton Lake, West Branch, Roscommon and Mio bought the bulk of the Hole Signs. The Hole Signs were located on the 18 tees at the Nightmare Golf Course for the event. We had 40 teams participate (the maximum allowable) this year with 3 more teams left on the waiting list. Plus, we had another 20 businesses donate Door Prizes. Golfers were awarded first, second and third place prizes for three flights. We also had ten prizes for longest putt, closest to the pin and longest drive. Coffee and donuts were again donated by Tim Hortons of West Branch. All of the golfers received free lunch "at the turn" plus free beverages during the event. In addition to all of this, the golfers had the opportunity to play golf on a "championship quality" golf course at the Nightmare.

We had two Hole in One Car holes again this year with Hart Ford of Roscommon on par 3 hole # 14 and Hodges Chevrolet on hole # 5. And for the second year in a row, we had a Hole In One winner on the 180 yard hole # 5. Jeff Hodges from Hodges Chevrolet in West Branch came out to course to congratulate this year's winner, Andy Hamilton, in winning a two-year lease for a Chevrolet vehicle.

St Francis of Assisi 4401 Coats for Kids Distribution



Sir Knight Tom Rancour, Community Director of St. Francis of Assisi Council 4401—Our Lady of Sorrows worked with Grand Knight Jim Filbert to solicit contributions from our membership to double last years out- put for the "Coats for Kids" program. The Knights of St. Francis of Assisi Council stepped up to take personal responsible to make sure every child has a winter coat. A total of \$1920.00 was raised.

The acting-Principal of Fisher Elementary School in the South Redford Detroit School District is Sir Knight Michael Kandah. Michael is also the Chancellor of our Council. He shared with the council the needs of this elementary school where parents are struggling to make ends meet.

A total of 96 coats were delivered to Fisher Elementary School by St. Francis of Assisi Council on Friday November 19, 2021. Brian Galdes, Superintendent of the South Redford School District, Michael Kandah Acting Principal and SK Jim Filbert—Grand Knight were shown in this picture. Thank you to Tom Rancour, Community Director, and all the Knights of St. Francis of Assisi Council for your continued generosity.

Life Choices Resource Center



Knights of Columbus of Houghton Lake, MI, have been supporters of Life Choices Resource Center of West Branch, MI, for several years. Our Knights are proud supporters of this very important program that gives women choices that promote pro-life ideals. The funds for this \$1,000 award came from the Nightmare Golf fundraiser in the Fall of 2021 in West Branch, MI. Life Choice Website is ChooseLifeConnection.org

Photo; l. to r. Jeremy Bewley, executive director of Life Choices, Grand Knight Clyde Straub

NOTE: FOR GRAND KNIGHTS AND COUNCIL PR CHAIRMAN

In each issue of the Michigan Columbian we print the Current Knights of the Month as designated by the local councils in the State. These men deserve State wide recognition. We appreciate your help in keeping this information current. A copy of the names of the Knight of the Month need to be sent direct to:

Michael Haughey, State Council Community Director, 15045 Veronica., Eastpointe, MI 48021

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Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:

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Riverhouse of Grayling

Knights of Columbus Council 6548 of Houghton Lake, MI was pleased to present the Riverhouse of Grayling, MI, an award of \$1,000 that was derived from the Nightmare Golf

Fundraiser held last Fall in West Branch, MI. Riverhouse has been supported by the Houghton Lake Knights for many years. The website for Riverhouse

is riverhouseinc.org

Photo L to R. - Barbara JoHan and KC Grand Knight Clyde Straub



LASTING REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DEPARTED

Memorial Plaque:

A beautiful and lasting remembrance is to have your loved one enrolled in the Knights of Columbus Vocations Committee Memorial Society Plaque, which now hangs in the chapel of Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit. Memorial plaques can be obtained or a tax deductible gift of \$25 a line – maximum 4 lines per plaque (\$100).

APPLICATIONS FOR 2021 WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL OCTOBER 15, 2021.

Also, those enrolled will share in the daily masses, prayers and good works of the Priests and Seminarians of the Seminary.

Proceeds from this ongoing fund-raiser go to aid students studying for religious vocations that are in need of financial help.

K of C Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Major Seminary –

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Queen of Apostles Council 6548



Photo l. to r. are: Dick Childress, Jerry Made, Jerry Markle, Bob Rock are team winners all from Houghton Lake

The yearly Knights of Columbus Council Scramble's Golf fundraiser held at Gordy LaFontaine's Pineview Golf Course in September had 10 foursomes in attendance. The K of C Council has hosted this fundraiser at the Pineview Highlands for over ten years. Golfers came from our county wide area to support this charity fundraiser. Each golfer paying a thirty-five-dollar entry fee to help this be a successful event. With knights Jerry Mader and Jack Champagne as co-chairs the event ran smoothly to bring the awards presentations inside the Pineview clubhouse. Many prizes were donated by area businesses. The Knights of Columbus of Houghton Lake has had summer league going at the Pineview since 1989, from May to September, with more than 16 foursomes participating.



Pictured L-R
Gordy LaFontaine,
Clyde Straub, Grand Knight.

Gordy LaFontaine, owner of the Pineview Highlands Golf Course, presents a check to the Knights of Columbus to Grand Knight Clyde Straub. This donation for \$1,400 will be used by the Knights to assist the many charities that they support.



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Coats for Kids 2021

The goal of the Coats for Kids program is to provide warm coats for children who need a coat during the cold winter months. Hundreds of new winter coats have been distributed by members of the Knights of Columbus in Michigan.

Councils from Detroit, Ecorse, Flint, Gladwin, Muskegon Heights, Pontiac, Wayne and Wyoming purchased 350 cases of coats and distributed them to the needy children with their local communities.





One Shining star to make the world bright, One infant child on that wonderful night, One little prayer for those we hold dear, To bless you at Christmas And all through the year.

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