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From The State Deputy William H. Chasse



Worthey Brother Knights:

God has asked us to stand with him and make it clear we're proud to be his disciples and serve the Catholic Church.

Now more than ever that is what we must do. We as disciples of God and the Catholic Church can no longer sit on the side lines and watch what's happening. Catholics are leaving the church and many aren't attending as they should. The Pope has asked us to lead by example and change the attitudes and fill the pews. Our Bishops have asked the Knights of Columbus to be the leaders in asking people back to the church. It's on our shoulders and I believe we are up to the challenge. If we don't do it who will? Ask someone back to church today!

Back in early August the State board attended the 137th Supreme Convention. To belong to an organization like the Knights of Columbus and to attend mass with over 100 priest, 75 Bishops, & 7 Cardinals is something to be proud of. The opening Mass at Supreme is always something to watch. If you never watched it on T.V. you should try to next year, it's on EWTN Live.

Pope Francis sent a message that was read by Supreme Knight Carl Anderson at the convention.

There was an important part of that message I took very serious. The Pope wrote, "The Knights of Columbus should know they are the right arm of the church." He thanks all Knights of Columbus for all their hard work in charitable giving and for the \$25,000,000 given to the Middle East countries for rebuilding after hundreds of Christians were persecuted because of their beliefs. He went on to say, the church relies on the Knights of Columbus to help rebuild the church and needs our help in filling the pews. If we don't do it who will?

My brother Knights we all must take to heart what the Pope asks. We all know someone that needs to be asked back to the church. I ask you not to be fearful of the answer but have faith of what a difference that person along with many others could make in our society, if they join us once again. We all know how much that is needed.

Is there any of us that can't say when we joined the Knights of Columbus it made us a better person, better husband, better father and a better Catholic. We need more examples like that and just maybe people will recognize that the Knights of Columbus lead by example and is an organization they should belong to.

I want to thank all the families that have taken the torch to lead by example with modeling the teachings of the Domestic Church and believing in the Faith and Action Program. The more brother knights and families get involved with this, the better off we all will be.

We all would be better off and the difference would be noticed if: We prayed at every meal, taught that the Domestic Church begins at home, went to Church on a regular basis, put our faith and action programs into play, asked someone back to the church and most importantly gave God 10 min. a day to listen to him.

The Latest message from Supreme: "We are Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much work to be done in this world.

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From The State Chaplain Rev. Paul E. Erickson

Advent in October



Instead of "Christmas in July," I propose we start a new tradition called "Advent in October." I want to have Advent in October, because if we wait until December to talk about Advent, it is too late to do much (Advent begins on Sunday, Dec. 1). So, let's talk about Advent, what it is, what it means, and what I can do to better celebrate this holy season.

First, Advent is a time of waiting and preparation for the coming of Christ. However, we are not really waiting or preparing for the First Coming, but the Second Coming. We are not just preparing for Christmas Day, but for the Season of Christmas, a season about eternal life and God coming to be with His people, of final judgment and ultimate redemption. We are not preparing for a past event, but a future one. We are preparing ourselves to really meet the Lord Jesus, not the way He came 2,000 years ago, but the way He will come at the end of all time.

For us, this has a number of practical implications. While it is not Lent, it is certainly appropriate to "do something" for Advent. Fasting, prayer, and almsgiving are the ways to prepare for the coming of the Christ. So picking up a little more fasting, coming to daily Mass, giving things away, etc. should be a normal part of our celebration of Advent. As we do these things, just like Lent, our hearts and minds are reminded and lifted out of earthly things and into heavenly things. We become more open to the grace God has for us in the moment and are better disposed to receive it.

So this Advent, maybe instead of playing music about Santa Claus, put on something a little more contemplative. Or maybe we just turn the radio off; fasting from Christmas music might be a tough and good sacrifice for some of us! Maybe we pray a rosary after dinner as a family or come to a 6:30 AM Mass once a week before heading to work. Maybe we try to be more grateful for what we have and give away what we don't need. There are a lot of ways to make this Advent great, and I hope and pray that you take advantage of them. The Season of Advent is so short, that we often don't give it a thought. Don't let that happen to you this year! Make your celebration of Advent memorable. I guarantee that a good celebration of Advent will make the Christmas Season even better. Together, let's use this Season of Advent to prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of the Lord.

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Bishop Robert D. Gruss Seventh Bishop of the Diocese of Saginaw



Bishop Robert Gruss was born June 25, 1955, in Texarkana, Arkansas. He attended Madison Area Technical College, in Madison, Wisconsin, and Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and was a corporate pilot and flight instructor from 1980-1989 before entering seminary. He pursued seminary studies at St. Ambrose University, in Davenport 1989-1990; at North American College, Rome, 1990-1994; and the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, also known as the Angelicum, in Rome. He additionally earned a Master of Arts degree in Spiritual Theology at the University of St. Thomas Aquinas in 1994. In 1999, he completed studies at the Institute of Priestly Formation (IPF) with an emphasis on Spiritual Direction training.

Bishop Gruss was ordained to the priesthood on July 2, 1994 by Bishop William E. Franklin, seventh Bishop of Davenport. In 2007, Pope Benedict named him a Chaplain of his Holiness, giving him the title of monsignor. He was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI as Bishop of Rapid City in 2011 and consecrated as a bishop on July 28, 2011. On May 24, Pope Francis announced that he selected <u>Bishop Robert D. Gruss as the seventh bishop of the</u> <u>Diocese of Saginaw</u>.

His previous assignments have included chancellor and diocesan vocations director for the Diocese of Davenport, as well as pastor at Sacred Heart Cathedral. He also served as vice-rector at the Pontifical North American College in Rome.

Bishop Gruss also serves in the following capacities: St. Ambrose University Corporate Board, Member; Catholic Radio Association Episcopal Board, Member; Pope Leo XIII Institute, Episcopal Moderator; Institute for Priestly Formation Bishops Advisory Council, Member; National Assn. of Catholic Chaplains, Reg. VIII Episcopal Rep.; Pontifical North American College Episcopal Board of Governors.



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

Someone asked me recently how long I've been a member of the Knights of Columbus. I remember the year because it was the same year we moved to our current home, 18 years ago and joined a new parish. I joined - because someone asked me. It was really that simple. My sponsor, Norm Rushton simply did what we ask all of our members to do; invite other catholic men and their families to join this great organization that gives us opportunities to put our faith in action. It dawned on me after my conversation that a baby boy born back when I joined is now eligible to become a knight! How many babies in your parish or your family were born since you joined that are now eligible to become knights? Councils tell me they've already asked everyone in their parish, yet every year another class of students graduates. Another batch of young catholic men turn 18. That said, I was 31 when I joined. During 13 years of eligible age, no one else invited me to join, even members of my family. Don't overlook candidates because of their age! Sometimes it just takes the right timing and an invitation from the right person.

My greeting for this article includes friends of our Order (who are not knights) on purpose. I think we do a pretty good job of sharing news and information with our membership but we fall short when it comes to sharing the good things we do with those who are NOT knights. Do you share your council newsletter with members of your parish? Does your

council present Knight of the Month or Family of the Month awards at Mass, or publish them in the parish bulletin? When's the last time you shared this magazine or the Columbia magazine with a non-knight to let them learn what we do and who we are? In my day-job of marketing and advertising, we help clients see the difference between taking care of existing customers and reaching out to invite new customers. Growth comes from reaching outward. As Knights of Columbus, we need to do a better job of reaching out. Some of our clergy might call that evangelization.

As Advocate, I want to thank the council leaders and District Deputies who have reached out to me for help handling situations related to rules and laws of the Order. I appreciate your desire to do things right. Many have found answers to common questions through the Officers Online section of the Supreme website under the link to "Officers Desk Reference". It's a place I often refer to myself.

With cooler nights coming and the fraternal year edging toward halftime, I hope you, my brother knights share your appreciation for Venerable Fr. McGivney's vision for this great charitable fraternal organization, and invite more men and their families to join us. And, I hope more of our non-knight friends will see and hear of the good works we do as testament to our faith in action. State Advocate,

Barry Borsenik

State Membership Director James N. Kraus

Sustainability Drives

Changes in the past year within our programs creates an increased focus on our members needing to be more involved in their Parishes. There is an increased need to continue to offer to Catholic men the chance to be part of change we are enjoying and share with them our efforts to support our Faith. The number one method to have success with this is to simply "ask" a man to join the Knights.

An on-going goal of the Knights of Columbus is bringing the Domestic Church and the Family Fully Alive as a core belief to men and their families who have not yet joined our ranks. Understanding the gift of sharing our joy of living our Faith personally and within our homes, being involved in our Parishes and active in our Council programs – needs to be shared with other Catholic men. Once they understand the true meaning of being a Knight, they will want to join us and share in the great works being done by the local Councils.

However, we are a fraternal organization which requires a human touch. While our actions and charitable works are the reason men will want to join the Knights, reaching out and asking a man to join is critical. Who can resist the chance to be a better Catholic, a better husband, a better father and more involved in helping those in need?

A time tested way to move forward with your Council's sustainability is host a quarterly church drive in each of your Parishes. The key to a successful church drive is planning beforehand with your parish priests. We have three remaining church drives scheduled this fraternal year. Our next drive is in October in honor of Columbus Day. If you have not started the planning for a drive in October – you need to start now. Please by ordering a "Delta Drive" kit. What's a Delta Drive and how is this different?

A "Delta Drive" builds on the methods of hosting a church drive or a parish campaign to make the process easier to conduct and to increase the positive results. The program has been tested and shown to be easy to use and effective in introducing men to our Order. Councils across the state started to use these drives last fall and have seen much success.

The purpose of the Delta Drive is to have technology work for you and your councils in a new approach to attract new members. Using the Delta approach, we are relying in part on an effective pulpit speech and brochures in the church pews to share our message with the addition of a web page and e-mail contact that is automated, sending the prospect information of events happening at the council-level and how to set up a time to learn more about the local council.

There is a kit needed for the Delta drive and this is NOT the traditional church drive kit available to order from Supreme. These new kits are only available by contacting our Supreme Regional Training Director Jon Olson at: jon.olson@kofc.org - the best part is the kit is FREE.

Membership and sustainability doesn't happen on its own; it takes work and focus. Strength in numbers permits us to continue to support our parishes, the unborn, our family values and religious freedom. Through a unified effort, we can work together to ensure the continued success of our Order.

As we enter the fall season and look to the work needed to protect our Faith and grow our Order, always remember your State Council leadership team is committed to your success and we will be working at your side as continue to "Make Michigan Great Again".

From The State Program Director William Leveque, SR

I would like to first thank God for the opportunity to be your State Program Director. I have had the privilege of serving the order in Michigan in different leadership positions over the course of several years. I intend on continuing a level of *excitement* to the task of State Program Director. With your prayers, help, and support I am confident we will continue to have a good year in programs.

Many of our councils have told us their concerns that the same Knights seem to be the ones doing the most work and these Brother Knights are getting tired. Many councils are suffering from an aging membership who just can't do as much as they used to. These are just two reasons why it is more important than ever to have active recruiting at the programs at the council level. Using the program module of Faith in Action and participating more at Church activities I am sure are involvement in programs will grow but we need to work hand in hand with membership recruiting.

Without growing membership levels at our councils, the same members that are already active are asked to do more, perhaps more than they can give. It is because our programs and our ability to serve God and Our Church may suffer that we need to continue to grow the order. We need to look to young and old alike to increase our ranks and do what God wants us to do.

As you can tell from the visual image titled 'Is This Your Council or Its Future?' if we don't recruit today fewer Brother Knights will be available to be called upon to provide acts of charity in the future. Our council programs are at stake. The ability to start new programs is at stake. Our acts of charity are at stake. Perhaps our Councils are at stake. We need to grow the order today because it's the right thing to do. Won't you join me?

Is This Your Council or Its Future?



I know for me personally being a Knight has made my relationship with God better. My prayer-life and family-life are better. My Catholicity has improved, and my love of the Church has grown. I would like all eligible Catholic men to have that same opportunity. And I am sure you would too.

For more than 50 years, **Bishop Alfred J. Markiewicz Council 1616** in Kalamazoo has cleaned the grounds at the local Catholic cemetery. This year, students from Hackett Catholic Prep School assisted with the project on a school-sponsored day of community service.

Ladies Corner

I hope all of you are taking advantage of this beautiful Fall weather. The students sure are. Outdoor recess ends way too soon in Michigan sometimes. Please remember our less fortunate and remember the ways your individual councils can help our Holy Cross clients.

Sweatshirts: At the summer meeting in Lansing all District Deputies and wives were given a flyer on what types of sweatshirts to collect for Holy Cross Services and how they should be packaged. Please let me know if you need another one sent to you. Please buy new hoodies that have sports teams on them. Please package them in a Christmas box and label the outside with the size. This is sometimes the only Christmas present that they receive, please select quality over quantity.

Bath baskets were also given out at the summer meeting to be filled and wrapped in clear plastic. All baskets must be similar in order to avoid rivalry. The total cost should be no more than about \$10.00. They can contain:

Shampoo, conditioner, body wash scrub or gel, toothpaste, brush, chapstick, hair gel or mousse, body lotion or hand lotion, deodorant, bath puff/loofah, emery boards.

They may **not** contain: scissors, hairspray, nail clippers, pencils, aerosol cans or other sharp objects!!

Hats, scarves and mittens or gloves are also greatly appreciated. We all know how cold our Michigan winters can be.

Twin bed sheets: clients are able to use them while in care and they can also take them with them when they leave.

Gift cards: Gift cards in the amounts of \$5.00 or \$10.00 increments are greatly appreciated. (Target, Walmart or Meijer) The stores must be state-wide. These help reward clients, teach them money management and supply them with things not supplied by Holy Cross.

Please remember your council does not have to collect all of the above. We ask that you choose one or two things to bring to the winter meeting in December at the Crowne Plaza. Thank you & God Bless- Marybeth, Karen, Julie, Mandy, Pam and Ellie

Remember The Date

Saturday February 29, 2020

State Deputy's Membership Tribute Banquet

DeCarlo's Banquet & Convention Center

6015 East 10 Mile Road

Warren, Michigan 48091

Social Hour Starts at 6:00pm

Dinner at 7:00pm with Program to Follow

\$30.00 per person

Admittance by Reservation Only

From The State Deputy William H. Chassé

Good work. Necessary work. And that is what the Knights do every day. Assisting the sick and disabled. Protecting those who cannot protect themselves. Whether they are next door or halfway around the world. This is the journey we are on. Our path. We do it to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and Catholics. We invest our time, our effort and our resources into our values.

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

We come from many places and backgrounds. And stages in our lives. But we are all of one faith. A fraternity of men striving to better ourselves and our world. It is one thing to say who you are. It is another to live it. To put your values into action. That is what we do at the Knights of Columbus."

I am asking all of you to put your values into action.

It is important that all of us look in the mirror and ask ourselves, do I really try my hardest to better the position of our church and membership of the Knights of Columbus. I'm sure most of us could do a little better in listening to Fr's Homily on Sundays and I Know we can try harder in recruiting to sustain our growth within the Knights of Columbus. Brother Knights I can't ask enough please ask someone back to church. Maybe go more often yourself. Recruit more faithfully to keep Fr. Michael J. McGivney's dream alive. I know he's looking down and praying we change our efforts because if we don't who's going to protect the less fortunate and rebuild the church.

My brother Knights no one likes to fail including myself. Please recruit like you never done before. Recruit for the church. Let's finally bring Michigan back to the top.

The State Camp Out in August was a big success. Thanks to Dan & Betty Searle for putting it together. I want to thank all the campers that came. Those that didn't, you really missed out on some of the best weather ever for camping. We had great food, fraternity and made some great memories.

District Deputies that need help or more training please reach out to Jim Escott. There is also some great on-line DD training available. Just look up DD training on the Supreme website.

Communication: The District Deputy needs to get all messages to the councils and help make sure forms are on time. The DD can improve the council's ability to be successful. Without your help we just couldn't do it. God bless you all

William H Chasse SD

State Council Knights of Columbus 2018-2019 "Family of the Year" Deacon Pat & Peggy McDonald



Pat is graduated from Catholic Central High School in 1954 and Magna Cum Laude from the University of Detroit Law School in 1961, he received a Masters Degree from Georgetown law in 1962. He served as Captain in the US Airforce from 1962 to 1965.

Peggy graduated from Convent of Sacred Heart High School in 1955 and received a BA from the University of Detroit in 1959. They were married on August 10, 1963 at St. Clare of Montefalco, Gross Pointe Park MI.

They have eight children Daughter Marianne & husband Michael their children Peter, Andrew and timothy, Son Mike & wife Marysol their children Patrick, Conor, Rohan and Mary, Daughter Colleen a& husband Robb their children Brian, Cecelia, Maggie and Benjamin, Son Patrick & wife Kathleen their children Brian, John, Henry, Timothy and MIMi, Son Tom & Wife Kom their children Juni and Wyatt, Daughter Molly & husband Seth, Son Tom & wife Elicette their children Christopher and Anthony, and Daughter Maureen. With Peggy's blessing Pat entered the newly Permanent Diaconate program initiated by Pope Pius VI in 1968 and was ordained by Cardinal Dearden on June 24, 1972 at St Marys in Redford. Then they settled down in Brighton at St. Patrick Church and joined the Knights of Columbus as a charter member of Council 7304.

Both Pat & Peggy have been very involved in Community, Family and Parish life just some of the organizations they have been involved with. Detroit Public Schools, Guest House, St. Vincent DePaul, Catholic College Night, Keep Christ in Christmas are just a few there are many more.

Pat and Peggy McDonald continue to be models of a good Catholic Married Couple. They attend daily Mass together, Peggy is an Extra Ordinary Minister, they serve the homebound at Brighton Center for Recovery. I could continue there is so much more but I would again like to congratulate the whole family on being a gift from God to all of us. Thank you and God Bless.

"TAKE TEN FOR CHARITY"

I am pleased to make this annual report on the "TEN FOR CHARITY" program for the 2018-2019 fraternal year. This was the most successful year since its conception in 1977. Council contributions amounted to \$161,733.00, beating last years contribution by \$7129. We had additional contributions from the 4th degree and miscellaneous donations.

While this is a sizable amount, it is still much less than our potential. We were able to reach this amount without any remittance from 134 councils. It's hard for me to believe that if the opportunity to contribute to this worthy program had been properly presented, that not one member of these councils would have made a donation. It is incumbent upon every financial secretary to include the donation information with their December billing notice, thus giving every member the privilege and opportunity to make a donation.

Below is a list of the councils that contributed during the 2018-2019 fraternal year. If you made a contribution and you don't find your council number listed below, please contact your council financial secretary immediately and find out why. A sincere thank you for your continued contribution in the upcoming fraternal year. Fraternally Yours

William J. Walsh, PSD Michigan Charities Director

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Michigan KC 57th Ultrasound

\$60,194.00

Wednesday July 17, 2019 marked the dedication of the 57th Ultrasound Machine in Michigan which took place at Pregnancy Center of Lapeer. Lou Parsch, Grand Knight from Council #4556 provided the opening prayer while Fr. Noel from Sacred Heart parish in Imlay City blessed the Ultrasound machine. In attendance, District Deputy Walter Sierakowski Jr. representing sponsoring Council #1987, Council #4556 GK Lou Parsch,

Council #9568 GK Drew Edwards, Lapeer Pregnancy Center Executive Director Erika Hale, Board Co-Chairman Chuck Herpolsheimer along with Lapeer Center staff and Brother Knights from the neighboring Councils. Others in attendance MI State Council State Secretary Walter Winkle Jr., and MI K of C Pro Life Chair Couple Tim & Cindy Donovan.

Diocese of Peoria Announces Court ruling on Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen

On June 7, 2019, The New York Court of Appeals, the state's highest court, rejected the final appeal of the Archdiocese of New York seeking to overturn earlier court decisions granting permission for Joan Sheen Cunningham to transfer the remains of her uncle, Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen. For over three years, the NewYork Archdiocese has been attempting to block Joan Sheen Cunningham's petition to transfer the remains from New York to Peoria. This latest ruling marks the final decision of the New York court system. Joan Sheen Cunningham can now carry out her desire to transfer her uncle's remains to Peoria.

Bishop Jenky is overjoyed and elated that for the fifth time, the New York courts have upheld Joan Sheen Cunningham's petition. Bishop Jenky is also grateful to hear reports that the New York Archdiocese has indicated their willingness to cooperate with Joan Sheen Cunningham and the Diocese of Peoria to transfer the remains of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen. The Diocese of Peoria will be contacting the New York Archdiocese in order to facilitate this transfer.

Bishop Jenky expresses his gratitude to Joan Sheen Cunningham for her perseverance in this case, as well as her assisting attorneys in New York. But even more, Bishop Jenky is truly grateful for the work of his Diocesan Chancellor and Attorney, Patricia Gibson, who has championed this legal case and the cause of Venerable Archbishop Sheen since its beginning.

Bishop Jenky thanks all of the faithful who have been praying for the success of these efforts. Furthermore, he asks that prayers continue to be offered for advancing the Cause of Beatification of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen.

The Archbishop Fulton John Sheen Council #7444 in Milford Michigan, has been waiting and praying for this moment since January 13, 1980 when they became a council. Its been a long 40 years.

Bishop Jenky, Monsignor Kruse and Sister Julie Enzenberger, the Administrator for the Archbishop's Museum in Peoria IL, are asking every Knight in Michigan for their prayers for the canonization to Sainthood.

\$7,780.00

\$18.828.00

\$41,722.00

2019 International Community Program Award



In 2007, Knights from Holy Family Council 10992 began sponsoring a small event welcoming local high school students with special needs to their own "prom." The first event hosted 12 students and continued to grow much larger in the years to come. The prom is now held twice a year at Sparta High School and all students with special needs can attend at no charge. The bi-annual event now attracts 1,600 guests with special needs from all across Michigan. As many as 200 volunteers, most of whom are members of Council 10992, assist with the months



of planning, preparation and execution for each event, including: volunteering for check-in, buffet service, developing themes and decorating, event security and clean-up, waiting tables, and serving as trained medical staff. The council also ensures that every attendee receives the full prom treatment: contracting a limousine service to offer free rides and working with local hair and makeup stylists and formal-wear vendors to provide free services.

International Program Awards

The International Programs Awards recognize councils that execute an outstanding program in each of the areas of our "Faith in Action" program structure: faith, family, community and life. State Council winners are eligible to compete at the Supreme Council level. A committee appointed by the Supreme Knight selects first through fifth place winners in each category. Grand Knights and their wives from councils selected as first place winners are guests of the board of directors at the Supreme Council meeting.

Insurance Report

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. It's the one month each year that the life insurance industry coordinates a campaign aimed at educating folks about the importance of life insurance and helping them get the coverage they need. I don't want to bore you with lots of statistics, but a recent survey from LIMRA (Life Insurance Marketing Research Association) found that only 59% of Americans own life insurance and about half of those are underinsured. (Although this report didn't say it, I've got to think these percentages are pretty much the same in Canada.) So that means that 70% of the population either has no life insurance or has too little life insurance.

So what does that have to do with the Knights? The historian, Christopher Kauffman, spent several years at the Supreme Office and at the Museum, researching the book that he wrote on the 100th anniversary of our founding. That book, <u>Faith and Fraternalism</u>, notes on page 13, "...he [Fr. McGivney] was deeply interested in pursuing the topic of a Catholic fraternal insurance society among groups of Catholic laymen of New Haven." Then on page 35 Mr. Kauffman goes on, "...he [Fr. McGivney again] spent his energy in promoting the insurance feature...his emphasis on business was his pastoral concern for the social and financial security of the family."

Fr. McGivney lived both the social and the financial *insecurity* of a desperate family, with the breadwinner suddenly taken, that had to be supported. He left the seminary to work and support his mother and siblings. He didn't want other Catholic families to find themselves in such a predicament. That, and uniting men of faith, was the impetus for establishing our Order. Everyone who joined in those first years was insured; that was part and parcel of being in the organization. Now every member has a choice and

every member should know what we do, and how we do it. Here's the process I use when I meet with families:

1. Discover – Identify & prioritize your financial goals 2. Gather Data – Collect facts & figures based on your current situation

3. Analyze – Input data, run calculations, identify shortfalls

4. Recommend – Propose a financial strategy designed to satisfy your goals

5. Implement - Choose a financial strategy and

implement

6. Periodic Review – Review regularly, measure success, make adjustments

As you can tell, this is a painless process. But it can help any family, at any age, determine if they have blind spots in their coverage. It can help you avoid the pain of being underinsured. With a variety of life insurance products we offer we can help just about any person within any budget.

I don't know about you, but I don't want to buy life insurance... I want to buy what life insurance provides: no change in lifestyle for the survivors...in the house where they want to be. It'll pay for a daughter's wedding, a child's college education and much more. What does life insurance provide? Peace of mind, security, freedom from anxiety, a safeguard from the unknown.

That's where I can help. Vivat Jesus! Jack Jerzewski Jr., FICF General Agent 313.334.6396 jack.jerzewski@kofc.org

PROUD TO BE CATHOLIC by Eugene A. Murawski State Ceremonial Director

Are you proud to be Catholic? I would sure hope so. Are you showing everyone that you are proud to be Catholic. Do you go to church on Sunday and Holy Days? Do you say the Prayers before you eat, even in a Public Place? Does your family do church activities together? Have you completed all three degrees? and etc.

We claim to be Catholic, but if we do not practice what we preach, are we proud to be Catholic? When you joined the Knights, you wanted to make yourself a better Catholic. Hopefully, that is what you have done. If you have not, it is your own fault. As President Kennedy would say, you only get out of this world, what you are willing to give back. This is so true with what ever you are doing. If you treat your spouse and family with fun, hard work and respect, you can expect to get that back from them.

When our Staff's do a Formation and Knighthood Degree, we teach you the lessons of how you as a Knight can live a better live, enrich your faith and show the Community and World that you are proud to be a Knights of Columbus and Catholic. Please consider completing your journey.

As for the DD's, check the web-site to see the results of each Major Degree we do this year. There are two files on the web-site. Go to the web-site, then resources and in the lower right side under Ceremonials there are two files called "Newbies" and "Old Guys". Remember, one of you will get that free night at the Grand on Wednesday night before the State Convention.

Date of the	Start Time of	Start Time of	Start Time of	Location of	Council	Host DD	Host DD
Degree	Admission	"Formation"	"Knighthood"	Degree	Number		Phone No.
	Degree	Degree	Degree				
10/5/2019	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	12:30 PM	Prudenville	6548	Martin Babich	989-786-2726
10/5/2019	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Riverview	13980	George Honer	734-675-3055
10/9/2019	Patriotic	Degree				David Buick	District #2
10/12/2019	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Ira	10724	Michael Cousins	586-610-6497
10/12/2019	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Imlay City	4556	Walter Sierakowsk	810-797-5190
10/12/2019	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Sterling Heights	12102	Joe Gomez	586-773-9896
10/16/2019	Patriotic	Degree				David Buick	District #2
10/19/2019	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Romeo	7018	Gary Kopp	586-873-6906
10/20/2019	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Livonia	2690	Charlie Rozum	734-751-1877
10/25/2019	Patriotic	Degree		Grand Haven		Keith Woodrum	District #4
10/26/2019	None	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Ironwood	1396	William Perkis	906-932-4556
10/30/2019	None	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	Ada	8117	Patrick Smiggen	517-881-0023
11/2/2019	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Grand Ledge	7311	Paul Kelsey	51-896-6402
11/9/2019	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Freeland	7582	Nick Cain	989-621-0621
11/17/2019	12:00 PM	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Michigan Center	6687	Chris Stevens	517-819-6515
12/8/2019	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Garden City	4513	Tomothy Casey	734-444-4538
1/18/2020	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	North Branch	9568	Walter Sierakowsk	810-797-5190
2/7/2020	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Posen	6657	Joel Kendzorski	989-766-2124
2/8/2020	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Shelby Twp.	11722	Gary Kopp	586-873-6906
2/15/2020	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Ortonville	6824	Joseph Brenner	773-631-8497
2/16/2020	10:45 AM	12:15 PM	1:15 PM	Allen Park	3774	Felice Lalli	313-388-6606
2/19/2020	None	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	Dewitt	7237	Dave Freund	517-282-9084
3/7/2020	Patriotic	Degree				Mark Brezenski	District #1
3/14/2020	None	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Muskegon Heights	13579	Michael Lewis Jr.	231-736-3391
3/14/2020	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Lansing	788	Paul Kelsey	517-896-6402
3/14/2020	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Sterling Heights	12102	Joe Gomes	586-773-9896
3/21/2020	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Petoskey	923	Eric Kesseler	231-838-8276
3/28/2020	None	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Mason	9182	Joseph Chin Jr.	517-449-2338
3/28/2020	9:00 AM	10:15 AM	11:15 AM	Burton	11532	Larry Prevo	810-664-0003
4/18/2020	Patriotic	Degree				David Buick	District #2
4/25/2020	Patriotic	Degree		Bay City		Keith Woodrum	District #4
4/26/2020	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	12:30 PM	St. Clair Shores	3797	Alexander Truesdale	248-866-9070
5/2/2020	None	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Sparta	10992	Frederick Bartel	616-822-4636
5/19/2020	None	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Gaylord	2781	Patrick Oliver	989-731-5554

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT DRIVE

A coordinated membership Recruitment Drive is an all-out effort to maximize your membership teams' efforts by canvassing an entire parish on one weekend, gathering the names of prospective new members for follow-up. To order supplies for your next Recruitment Drive, officers with access to Officers Online should log in, click the Supplies Online link, and search under Kits.

4 Steps to Engaging Members

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How can we engage and retain members? It starts with you. When a new member comes in, you and your council can inspire that man to step up and serve his parish and community. Here's how.

1. Create a plan, then act on it.

Your plan should guide new Knights through their first 12 months. Use these Shining Armor Award requirements to get started:

- Get involved in at least three council service programs.
- Attend at least three council business meetings.
- Complete the Second and Third degrees.
 Meet with their council's insurance
- representative.Recruit at least one new member.

2. Use your Retention Committee.

Your council's Retention Committee is responsible for creating and updating your plan. They should regularly ask if the plan make sense for the newest members. Remember, membership is personal. Ask if your members really like and care about your activities. Use that feedback to shape your future activities

3. Put his faith in action.

There is one thing that all Knights have in common: the Catholic faith. Knights want to bring this faith to life through good works.

But this is different for each man. Is your newest member a dad looking to organize family activities? A young man seeking community? A retired husband interested in running pro-life events?

Learn the ways in which each of your new brother Knights want to volunteer. Help him live out this mission through your programs. Guide him to activities that reflect his particular interests and let him thrive as a Knight and as a Catholic.

4. Mentorship is key.

An active council member should act as a mentor to the new Knight. This ensures that the new member feels welcome starting his First Degree. The mentor can tell the new member about each upcoming service project, faith event, meeting and degree. This outreach shows him that the council cares about him and his interests.

47th Annual March for Life Washington, D. C.

MARCH for LIFE

This year marks the 47th Annual March for Life scheduled for Friday, January 24, 2020. Due to many of our Parishes, youth groups, and many other Pro Life organizations that reserve buses for this event, the decision has been made by Michigan State Council Knights of Columbus to forgo sponsoring a bus. However, we will be attending and hope that many of you will as well. For anyone interested in attending, we have negotiated the cost of \$109 per night for accommodations at the Hampton Inn, Old Towne Alexandria, VA. beginning Friday, January 24, 2020 thru Sunday, January 26, 2020.

Reservations: Call Hampton Inn directly at 1-703-329-1400 Rooms Reserved under Michigan State Knights of Columbus – March for Life & place your Hotel reservation on your credit card. Please note: Call the number above directly, DO NOT RESERVE ONLINE!

We sincerely hope that many of you will be able to find transportation with your respective groups and we look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

Thanks & God bless, Tim & Cindy Phone Inquiries: 517-214-5120 or 763-5621 Email: t.donovan@mikofc.org Deadline for room Reservations: December 25, 2019

RESIDENCE FOR PREGNANT TEENS



WHAT A GREAT TIME TO BE CATHOLIC! WHAT A GREAT TIME TO BE PRO-LIFE! WHAT A GREAT TIME TO BE A KNIGHT!

DIDENCE FOR PREGNANT TEENS

St. Nicholas Council 7011-Sterling Heights, Michigan presented a check) for over \$8,500 to provide operating and other expenses for Gianna House's new facility- a long-term residence for pregnant teens in Michigan.

Teenage girls age 13-17 may stay for up to one year after the birth of their child and receive free room and board, prenatal care, counseling, as well as other classes in caring for their baby.

Gianna House has since 2015 conducted a Community Outreach Program focused on community building and skills enhancement, serving those who are pregnant, new Moms, and Moms with multiple children, providing last year 800 items, including diapers, formula, car seats, and other essentials.



Dear Brother Knights,

It is hard to believe that summer has ended and Michigan's most beautiful and colorful season is upon us!

The summer flew by and was quite busy with many events and activities which some of you may have attended. Below are a few pictures I wanted to share with you.

Thank you again Brother Knights for events that you hosted to benefit Holy Cross Services. We are forever grateful for your continued partnership and all that you do to help Michigan kids, adults and families.

With Gratitude and humility,

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Sharon Berkobien CEO

About Holy Cross Services

Holy Cross Services (HCS) is a human services' agency whose mission is to bring hope, promote change, and help people live free, healthy and productive lives. Holy Cross has four main service areas: Children's Services (Foster Care, Residential, Independent Living, Juvenile Justice Transition); Behavioral Health Services (Substance Use & Mental Health Disorders); Homeless Services; and a Community Resource Center.

Founded in 1948, Holy Cross touches the lives of approximately 1,500 people every day who are abused, neglected, traumatized, and/or who suffer from substance abuse and mental health issues across Michigan, plus over 7,000 homeless veterans, adults and children in Lansing, Michigan. HCS is one of the largest private, not-for-profit providers in Michigan.

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

How Does Holy Cross Change Lives? Client Testimonial

"With the schooling program, before I came here I really wasn't attentive because I kinda didn't have the control of my own life. But once I came here, I gained the responsibility to take my classes serious, and really take my life serious. With the schooling Holy Cross has given me I received enough progress to benefit myself and I went from failing grades to getting all As."

HOLY CROSS SERVICES JULY CALENDAR WINNERS

Donald & Barbara Heydens, Donna Bomay, Todd Prime, Richard Dixon, Fr. Felix Alsola, Gary Irrer, Richard Wyllie, Rev. Joseph Krupp, William Foley, Annette Thelen, Angela Wait, Chris Weber, Carl & Linda Hafner, Kathleen Young, Clifford Trudell, Janet Hendrie, Anna Sylvester, Mary Yonker, Monroe Council #1266, Ed & Mary Martin, Mary Kulesza, Dorothy Kenney, Henry Murawski, Larry Weise, Ely Gianopoulos, Jacob Faxlanger, Philip Marvin, Edward Chope, Robert Brickner, Dennis Stanley, Rolan Covert, **\$500 WINNER - Chester Kubiczek**

HOLY CROSS SERVICES AUGUST CALENDAR WINNERS



Anthony Jubinski, Carol Leitch, Doug Muenz, Lois Feldpausch, Robert Frasier, DeeDee Boyd, Anthony Wisniewski, Gabriel & Jean Genaw, Michael Schaefer, Dolores Stein, David Sohacki, Paul & Karen Nickels, Richard Messing, Ethel Gawel, John Farrell, Matthew Vermeesch, Warren Sawdon, Raymond Gengler, Magdaline Zavatsky, Mike & Dara Sterly, Brent Moeggenborg, John Thelen, Chuck Gregoire, Daniel Brooks, David Schoenfield, Stephen Artz, Katherine Hufnagel, John Veneklase, Roberta Schultz, Raymond Vella, Louis Rosenmund, III,

\$500 WINNER - Mary Martin



HOLY CROSS SERVICES SEPTEMBER CALENDAR WINNERS

Tony Jandernoa, Juan & Donna Hinojosa, Richard Kipen, Joseph Pawlowski, Laura Zellar, Charles Virant, Kathleen Gabe, Ronald & Cheryl Thoms, Gerald Gialanella, Pamela Fraley, Lawrence Schwab, Mark Gaworecki, Daniel & Heather Hayes, Margaret Bonk, Mark Hrabovsky, Edward Ptasnik, Norbert Giczewski, Ted & Lynne Fielbrandt, Joseph Gerber, Rev. Daniel Moll, Richard & Barbara Lambrix, Dennis Rogala, Patrick Decker, Edward Wyrembelski, Chris Starling, Kevin Sherman, Harold Smith, John Riegle, Jr., Judith McCaffrey, Theodore Falk,

\$500 WINNER - Richard & Susan Drummond

Please remember, calendars are available for \$25.00 each at your local Knights of Columbus or contact Karen Rupley at 517-423-7556 or email krupley@hccsnet.org. We have daily drawings of \$50, monthly \$500, and the December Grand Prize is \$5,000!





Corcoran Golf Outing



This was the 29th Annual Corcoran Golf Outing and all though it was a total washout for the first time we made the best of it with an indoor putting contest, reminiscing of past outings, enjoying lunch and meeting new friends! It raised \$24,000 to benefit our Corcoran House in Mt. Morris, a 15 bed women's specialty residential program providing stability, support and recovery for women that suffer from substance abuse, and/or physical and mental health challenges.

Crazy Olympics

Every year HCS hosts an end of summer event for all the children we serve across Michigan called Crazy Olympics. It is a great day full of skits, crazy games, team-building and a picnic. It's a carefree fun day for all involved.







HCS Annual Golf Outing

Our 49th Annual "Friends of Holy Cross Services" golf outing was a beautiful summer day enjoyed by Knights of Columbus State Treasurer, Christopher Kolomjec along with 225 golfers. This is one of our major fundraisers held at Bay Pointe Golf Club and Edgewood Country Club and raised nearly \$100,000 to help us continue to bring hope, promote change and help people live free, healthy and productive lives throughout Michigan.

Cliff Wasmund, Christopher Kolomjec, Jr., State Treasurer Christopher Kolomjec, and Fr. Paul Ballien





Ron DeVriendt, Eddie Radtke, Ron Weingartz and Ken Weingartz

Past State Deputy, Mike Malinowski, Dean Combs and Larry Grabowski



UPCOMING EVENT

Come join us for our annual celebration:

Thursday, October 10, 2019 - Our 3rd Annual Holy Cross Recovery Celebration at the Patricia Evelyn Bertsch Women's Behavior Healthcare facility in Lansing. Meet the women, enjoy lunch and hear their testimonials and how Holy Cross is helping them thanks to your continued support. RSVP to Karen at 517-423-7556 or email <u>krupley@hccsnet.org</u>



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

Membership Growth Checklist Inviting members' friends to join.

Start with why.

Recruiting is our opportunity to build our brotherhood and help our communities. To grow is to be able to expand your service. Your community needs your council now more than ever and your council needs to continually grow to help meet growing needs.

Talk to your pastor.

A council that doesn't work with a pastor will struggle. Meet with him regularly. Talk about membership growth and ask him how you can work together. Ask if you can conduct membership drives at the church. Then ask if he will invite men he feels would be a good fit to join your council. Then ask what the council can do for him.

Challenge your members.

One of the most effective ways to recruit is a personal invite from a Knight. Challenge each of your members to bring in one new Knight this fraternal year. Everyone knows someone who should join our Order.

Schedule church drives.

Our Delta Church Drive Program is helping councils bring in a

minimum of three new members per drive. If you're not familiar with the program, reach out to us at the email address below. We'll give you the training and the materials you need.

Set clear expectations on promoting membership.

Every fish fry, every pancake breakfast, every charitable activity, every event that draws a crowd is an opportunity to ask a man to join. These events are concrete proof of your council's good works. Talk about membership at every event in the next year. Use our Online Prospect Form. It's simple and we'll take care of all the setup for you. Send us an email and we'll help you get started.

Step outside of your comfort zone.

We hear a lot of stories from men who waited decades for someone to ask them to join the Knights. All it took was a personal invite. Go beyond your everyday circle. Talk with parishioners at Mass. Be visible. Reach out to the young and old. Reach out to all ministries and ethnic groups in your parish.

Questions about any of our Faith In Action programs? Email fraternalmission@kofc.org

2019 Supreme Convention Awards Session

Each fraternal year, the Supreme Council Board of Directors recognizes individual Knights, councils, and assemblies for outstanding achievement in the areas of charitable outreach, membership growth and retention, fraternal leadership, and insurance sales and service. The Order's principles – charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism – continue to guide all of its programs and initiatives. This recognition showcases the best examples of those principles in everyday practice.

Vip Club

The VIP (Very Important Proposer) Club is made up of outstanding recruiters. It offers councils a way to publicly honor recruiters and show the importance of recruitment as an ongoing activity.

As of June 30, 2019, membership in the Vip Club stood at 322,800 Knights, who have collectively recruited 1,345,626 new Knights. To date, 447 members have each recruited 100 members; 86 have recruited 200 members; 28 have recruited 300 members; and six have recruited 400 members. There are nine who have each recruited over 500 members. There are two that have recruited over 1,000 members, a brother Knight who recruited over 2,000 members, and another that has recruited over 3,000.

Jurisdictions with the most VIP Club members are:

New Jersey 10,063 – Illinois 11,055 – **Michigan 12,212** – Florida 12,701 – Mindanao 13,565 – New York 13,567 – Québec 14,059 – California 15,644 – Texas 21,088 – Luzon North 28,252 **Round Tables**

Parish round tables are not only a way for a council to serve a parish – they're also a great opportunity to recruit new members. The Orderwide average of new members recruited per active round table is three.

During the 2018-2019 fraternal year, 2,461 round tables were established. Jurisdictions reaching their goals were: New Hamshire, 16 Round Tables – Mexico Northeast, 20 Round Tables – Georgia, 22 Round Tables – Mexico Northwest, 24 Round Tables – Connecticut, 25 Round Tables – Hawaii, 26 Round Tables – New Brunswick, 26 Round Tables – Oregon, 30 Round Tables – Alabama, 31 Round Tables – Mississippi, 35 Round Tables – North Carolina, 40 Round Tables – Manitoba, 44 Round Tables – Visayas, 50 Round Tables – Kentucky, 52 Round Tables – Indiana, 54 Round Tables – Mindanao, 55 Round Tables – Sasktchewan, 55 Round Tables – Mindanao, 55 Round Tables – Luzon South, 70 Round Tables, Pennsylvania, 75 Round Tables, Iowa, 84 Round Tables – Colorado, 99 Round Tables – Wisconsin, 103 Round Tables – Illinois, 140 Round Tables – California, 153 Round Tables – **Michigan, 164 Round Tables** – Texas, 212 Round Tables

Menominee Council 646 Donald Tenarvitz Lansing Council 788 Frank Brandell Clay Council 856 James Steinmetz Standish Council 2724 Thaddeus Zylka, Thomas Prohaska, Sr. Westphalia Council 2890 John Schmitt May They Rest In Peace

Lincoln Park Council 3078 Joseph Garcia, Douglas Gillis Robert Richardson Richard Law, Brian Kozma, Edward Wojna Thomas Sharpe Kenneth Kruse Malcolm Beaton Allen Park Council 3774 Clement Prusakiewicz St. Clair Shores Council 3797 William Parus Warren Council 3848 Gerald Kast, Anthony Burger Roscommon Council 6593 Tom Koscinski Ben Zimmerman Posen Council 6657 Steve Hilla Swartz Creek Council 6694 Ronald Wood, Bob Bensch West Branch Council 8948 John Addison, Raymond Coullard Williard Wangler, Bill Burnham, Larry Tabaka Reed City Council 12668 Carl Yost

10 Keys To Membership Recruiting Success

1. Talk about your positive experiences as a member of the Knights of Columbus and share your enthusiasm for your council.

• Convey a sense of enthusiasm, excitement and pride when talking about the great things your council accomplishes and the people who are being helped. Offer some personal stories of how volunteering has helped you grow in your faith and what being a Knight means to you.

2. Positive attitude and body language count.

• Your facial expressions and body language show about how you feel about being a Knight of Columbus. Maintain a positive attitude, smile often, avoid being negative and always look the prospective member in the eye when talking with him.

3. Talk to the prospective member and his wife about the ways his joining your council benefits their family.

• Presenting the good works a man can help accomplish when joining the Knights, the opportunity for spiritual growth and the fraternal benefits offered to a prospective member, his wife and family, can help convince him to join. Point out that volunteering and council social activities, as well as many benefits such as scholarships, the insurance program, and others, are open to the member's entire immediate family.

4. Make sure that your members are visible when conducting a charitable service project.

• When members, their families and other volunteers wear Knights of Columbus branded apparel while conducting a charitable service project, it conveys unity and identifies your council to the community. Witnessing your council's unity when conducting service projects will entice prospective members to inquire about joining your council.

5. Presume that a prospect is interested in being a part of the Knights and ask him to join.

• Family, friends, co-workers and fellow parishioners all present recruitment opportunities. Ask each of these prospective members if he would like to join your council.

6. Approach recruiting in a different way.

• Instead of asking, "Would you like to join my council?" ask a prospective member: "Would

you be interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus and our local council?" (?) is offers the opportunity to explain the benefits of joining to the prospective member in a more flexible way.

7. What to say when the answer is "I don't have time."

• Many prospective members, when they are approached to join the Knights of Columbus, comment, that "they are too busy," have "too much work", involved with my "children's hectic school schedule", and similar reasons. Be prepared with a simple answer, like "the amount of time you put in is completely up to you. Even one or two Saturdays a year would be a big help. Also, with the family oriented activities we offer, you'll have more opportunities to spend time with your family."

8. Promote your council's spirituality.

• Place emphasis on your council's involvement in the spiritual life of your parish. Promote council corporate communions, retreats, family Mass, Eucharistic adorations and any other activities conducted by your council that promotes and strengthens our Catholic identity.

9. Involve young people.

• Ask young men to join your council. Recruiting a wide range of age groups will provide your council with greater reach within your community. Use targeted advertising, especially social media, to reach younger prospective members.

10. Follow-up with all prospects in a timely manner.

• No matter how the prospective member was initially engaged, it is essential that follow-up communication, by personal contact, needs to occur within a few days at the most. ? is shows the prospective member that your council cares and places a high priority on meeting his expectations. If a First Degree is not scheduled in the immediate future, or a degree team is not available, use the First Degree Video Production (available on Officers Online on from the Ceremonials Department) to welcome a new member into your council.

Msgr. Esper Council 3027

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in **Fowler** organized its 14th annual "Returns for Vocations" fundraiser, raising more than \$8,000 by collecting returnable bottles and cans, as well as monetary donations, from the Most Holy Trinity Parish community.

Msgr. Julian Moleski Council 8291



In July of 2019 Council 8291 held a 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree ceremonies at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Grand Rapids. The 3rd degree was the second largest in the state. 45 Knights attained their 3rd degree from 6 area councils.

K of C State Camp Out





K of C State Camp Out 2019 August 23-24, Coldwater Lake Family Park By Dan Searle- State Community Director

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

You missed an awesome time. The campout was a great success and a fun time was had by all. Highlights included:

An outdoor Mass, multiple bonfires, a 50/50 Raffle and a plentiful potluck.

An exciting water balloon volleyball game. No winners, just loads of fun. Fishing Tournament: Won by Ben and Molly Avery. Bean Bag Toss tournament: Won by our Worthy State Advocate Barry Borsenik and daughter Olivia

All 4 Principals of the Knights of Columbus were visible.

Charity: A total of \$440.00 was raised, with \$220 given to the Sacred Heart Major Seminary by our Worthy State Deputy William Chasse. Rumor has it that our State Deputy- Bill Chasse and our Worthy State Secretary- Walter Winkle lost their match, in the Bean Bag Toss continued on page 14 "Stay positive and happy. Work hard and don't give up hope. Be open to criticism and keep learning. Surround yourself with happy, warm and genuine people."

the Month and those of the deceased members, need to be sent to: Gary M. Kolbicz, 39373 Durand Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48310. The Names of the Knight of the Month need to be sent direct to:

Families of the Month

Alpena Council 529 Roy & Sally Wekwert Andrew & Julie Prezeslawski **Marquette Council 689** Pat & Patty Brennan Lansing Council 788 Bill & Liz Schaner Josh & Lindsay Riley **Dearborn Council 2660** John & Elaine Orischak*cfy **Standish Council 2724** Ronald & Dianna Alley Gerald & Carol Brown **Gaylord Council 2781** Ron & Gerrie Puzon Robert & Nancy Olszewski Richard & Felicia Bur Westphalia Council 2890 Tom & Sandy Smith Eugene & Gail Spitzley Utica Council 2950 John & Lee Gasowski Kim & Theresa Wiegand Jason Meyers family **Pinconning Council 2986** John & Maureen Duley Richard & Jane Maida Harold & Pat Schumann Allan Park Council 3774 Tim Hayden family EricBollman family Steak Cook Out Crew Warren Council 3848 John & Meg Steinberger Michael & Gerry Kostrzeba*cfy Larry & Jeanie DeMonaco John & Pat McLeod **Saginaw Council 4232** James & Rebecca Tilman **Manchester Council 4354** Eric & Stephanie Beuerle David & Kari Roberts

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K of C State Camp Out 2019

Tournament, to the Metiva Brothers on purpose so that our Worthy State Advocate- Barry Borsenik and his Daughter Olivia could win. That my Brothers is Charity at its best.

Unity: Unfamiliar to many, the Volleyball Water Balloon event was enjoyed by all who participated. Grandparents, moms, dads, sons, daughters and friends tried to catch over 240 balloons, with some coming over the net 8 at a time which made for a wet and sandy game of fun and laughter. Some on the sidelines were involuntarily included in the wet fun. Many comments were made in hoping this event will be held again next year. A BIG thank you to the Avery family for filling all the balloons. Job well done. It was stated that next year there should be more balloons, because the fun ended too quickly.

Fraternity: A beautiful outdoor Mass, followed by a potluck and bonfire were enjoyed by all. 100% participation made this camp out a success!

Patriotism: The Love of our Country was evident from the patriotic displays on many of the campers and trailers at the campground.

NOTE: FOR GRAND KNIGHTS AND COUNCIL PR CHAIRMAN

In each issue of the Michigan Columbian we print the Current Knights and Families 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. The names of the Family of the Month and those of the deceased members, need to be sent to: Gary M. Kolbicz, 39373 Durand Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48310. The Names of the Knight of the Month need to be sent direct to:

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Holy Rosary Council #13579 project.



The council has a 2 mile stretch of Business 31 (Seaway Dr) in Muskegon that they clean as a part of the Adopt-A-Highway program.

Pictured are NCD Michael Lewis Sr., Seminarian Michael Caughey, Pat Muensterman, DD #76 Michael Lewis Jr. and FS Joe Zagar. The picture was taken by DGK Robert "Teep" Johnson.

Clergy Appreciation Dinner



(l-r) Council 4262 PGK Tony Arbanas, Bishop David Walkowiak, and K of C Public Relations Director Gary Merritt The annual Grand Rapids Diocese Knights of Columbus Religious Appreciation dinner was held in June. A check totaling \$15,000 from the Knights Diocesan Vocations Fund was presented to Bishop David Walkowiak to support the Diocese of Grand Rapids vocations program. Our council donated \$100 to the fund. With the anticipation of 26 seminarians next year the money will be of great assistance.



On July 14, St. Thomas in Ann Arbor held a memorial Mass for **Council 587**, in celebration of their 118th year as a council. The picture shows Grand Knight John Owdziej reading the name of the Knights deceased since 2003.

Msgr. Russell E. Kohler Council 15204

in Westland and **Notre Dame Council 3021** in Wayne co-hosted a Silver Rose prayer service and rosary at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Catholic Church. More than 100 people attended the service, and the councils collected more than \$500 for the K of C Ultrasound Initiative.

Mason Council 9182 raised \$8,500 at this year's Vocational Golf Outing, which included a competition among 15 teams, a silent auction and a 50/50 drawing. Council 9182 is donating the proceeds to cover education costs for 17 seminarians.



Elwin "Mick" McKellar, advocate of **Calumet Council 1245**, prepares a snack for approximately 100 kids and counselors at Totus Tuus Camp, one of a national network of Catholic summer camps run by parishes and volunteers with support of area councils. Members of Council 1245 prepared snacks and a meal for the camp at the request of Father Ben Hasse, vocations director of the Diocese of Marquette.

St. Nicholas Council 7011 in Sterling Heights held a baby bottle campaign at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish to raise funds for Gianna House, a pregnancy resource center. The council collected \$8,500 for the center's new residential facility, which offers free long-term housing, prenatal care and counseling for pregnant teenage women and their babies



On Saturday, August 3, 2019, **Pope John XXIII Assembly #1536** held their annual picnic at **Fr. Victor J. Renaud Council #3292** Hall in Plymouth. Sir Knights and their Ladies, families and first responders from Plymouth joined us for great food and great times!



Members of **Pope John XXIII Assembly #1536** that participated in the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27, 2019, in Plymouth, MI.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Council 8902 in Temperance collected a truckload of baby supplies from parishioners at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish for Heartbeat of Monroe, a Christian pregnancy resource center founded in 1973, just two months after *Roe v. Wade*.

On Saturday, August 24, 2019, **Iron River Council 2300** held their quarterly Black Cow Event at the Iron Mountain Veterans Hospital, serving root beer floats (Black Cow), and sundaes to the veteran patients and their guests..



Servers were, SK Dennis Cerney, Chairman Tim Peruzzi and SK Jack Jacobson all of Council 2300. Its always a great pleaser serving our Veterans, who look forward to each event.

Good Shepherd Council 8669 in Montrose held their first ever Strawberry Festival on Wednesday, June 26. 156 guests were served. Unfortunately, the doors had to close early due to attendance exceeding expectations. Net proceeds of \$568 were donated the Montrose Ministerial Associations benevolent fund to help those in need during the winter months with their heating and electrical bills. The knights were assisted with this event by their wives and many members of Good Shepherd Parish who came together to make this a parish and community social event. Consensus of the Knight's was to

continue with the Strawberry Festival again next year.

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 2019 WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL OCTOBER 21,2019.

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 Sunday, November 10, 2019@10:00AM.

Families of these Brother Knights & friends are invited to attend the Memorial Mass.

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Father John M. Lynch Council #4188



The Knights of Columbus is making an impact around the world! With a generous donation to the *Health for Haiti* program at the Global Health Initiative (GHI) at Henry Ford Health System, Father John M. Lynch Council #4188 Clawson, is enabling a medical education exchange which brings Haitian physicians for valuable clinical training at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. Dana Parke (daughter of Keith Parke, Recorder at #4188) has been leading GHI's capacity building efforts in Haiti for almost six years. Haiti has faced a variety of challenges, including the devastating 2010 earthquake; consequently, healthcare is limited: Haiti has only 2.4 physicians and 1 nurse per 10,000 people (in the US, those numbers are 26 and 99, respectively). To date, GHI has brought 17 Haitian physicians and medical students to Detroit, many of whom are already making a tremendous impact on improving health in their country. Pictured are Keith and Dana with two of the Haitian trainees, Dr. Joseph Cadet and Dr. Erick Senot, at the *Health for Haiti* Fundraiser on August 15th. After a summer spent learning in the Infectious

Diseases division at Henry Ford Hospital, Dr. Senot is returning to Haiti determined to pass his knowledge onto his students at Université Quisqueya School of Medicine, and Dr. Cadet plans to launch a hand hygiene research project at the Hôpital de l'Université d'État d'Haïti in Portau-Prince.

Bishop Kenneth Untener Assembly 3136



Chesaning Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Bake Sale was held on Friday, April 19 during the fish fry.

Ladies in the surrounding area baked their favorite sweets. Through their generosity and the people who purchased them the KofC was able to purchase a wheelchair for the Veterans Hospital in Saginaw.

In the above photo Tom Rombach, representing the KofC, presents the wheelchair to Adam Lupo who is head of volunteer services at the veterans hospital. The remaining profits were used to help two Seminarians financially.

Bishop Untener Assembly holds three bake sales annually on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the last eat-in fish fry of the season.

Because of everyone's generosity many charitable endeavors were accomplished. Over the last eight years urbane sales have produced more than \$16,000 that has all been donated to worthwhile causes

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Saturday October 26, 2019

Athena Hall 25650 Gratiot Avenue Roseville, Michigan Keynote Address

and 7 course Dinner Saturday, Athena Hall

12 noon - Registration 1:00 pm - Keynote address, Cardinal Burke 2:15 pm - Question and Answer 2:45 pm - Break 3:15 pm - Dinner 4:30 pm - Closing prayer; depart from hall

Holy Hour

Grotto Church 13770 Gratiot Avenue Detroit, Michigan



Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke, founder of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, Wisconsin; former Archbishop of St. Louis; Patron of the Order of Malta; International 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Assumption Director of the Marian Catechist Apostolate; and a member of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura.

Sunday October 27, 2019 Feast of Christ the King 11:00 am

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K of C State Council a Major Sponsor of Cardinal Burke's Upcoming Address



Christopher Kolomjec, President of Call to Holiness was granted a private Audience in Rome to discuss preparations for the upcoming CTH conference featuring Cardinal Burke.

Thanks to the generosity of the Knights of Columbus, who donated \$10,000 to help Call to Holiness bring Raymond Cardinal Burke to speak at a Dinner on October 26, the Mass on the following day will contain all of the ceremony appropriate for a Prince of the Church.

The American prelate, Cardinal Burke was formerly Archbishop of St. Louis, founded the Guadalupe Shrine in La Crosse, Wisconsin while Bishop there, and is currently a member of the Apostolic Signatura in Rome. He was one of the bishops who signed the Dubia requesting clarification from Pope Francis on the question of divorce, remarriage and eligibility of receiving Holy Communion. At the Call to Holiness Dinner, to be held Saturday, October 26 at Athena Hall in Roseville, the Cardinal will address the topic, "Keeping Faith in a Time of Confusion." Following the dinner will be a Holy Hour at Assumption Grotto in Detroit, which is open to all.

On Sunday, October 27, he will be the celebrant of the Pontifical Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Tridentine) at Assumption Grotto. The Mass will be for the Feast of Christ the King, according to the 1962 calendar. The Assumption Grotto Choir will be accompanied by a professional orchestra including members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra as well as professional soloists. The Pontifical Mass is rarely celebrated and will be a special opportunity in the Detroit area.

The State Council of the Knights of Columbus are expected to be present for both occasions. The Sunday Mass seating in the church will be reserved for those who have attended the Saturday dinner. Overflow seating will be available in the school gymnasium where the Mass will be simulcast and attendees there may receive Holy Communion and fulfill their Sunday obligation.

Call to Holiness, Inc. formed in 1996 as a lay Catholic apostolate, "obedient to the Vicar of Christ, faithful to the eternal truths of Jesus Christ." Their purpose is "to defend and support the Magisterium, the teaching authority of the Catholic Church through prayer, education and evangelization."

Tickets are available and additional information about the event can be found at <u>www.calltoholiness.com</u> or call 313-451-4659.

Service With A Smile

Members of St. Pius X Council 14598 in Grandville volunteered as servers for a fundraising lunch at a local restaurant. The event raised more than \$1,500 for Building Bridges of Hope, a Catholic nonprofit serving the Dominican Republic. The funds will help

Michigan State Bowling Association

The 78th Annual State Bowling Tournament was held earlier this year in St. Clair Shores by host council Lakeshore #2733 at Shore Lanes. The event was kicked off with the opening ceremony, along with the ceremonial ball being thrown by State Deputy Bill Chasse', Lakeshore DGK Bo Kirk and Bowling Association President Jim Worth. Congratulations to the 2019 Honoree Joseph Jaskowski.

Upcoming in 2020, the 79th Annual State Bowling Tournament will be held in Burton, Michigan, hosted by Father L.P. Gauthier Council #10170 at Richfield Bowl. Officers day will be February 8th and the open weekends February 15th through March 8th. Participation is open to all members in good standing who belong to a council in the Michigan Jurisdiction. This is a handicap tournament and a fun, fraternal competition. Additionally, it is a great way to meet fellow K of C members from around Michigan! For more information, visit:

www.michigankofcathletics.com, contact Karl J. Zawalski Bowling Association Secretary <u>kzawalski@wideopenwest.com</u> 586-322-5275



(L-R) Bowling Association Secretary Karl Zawalski and 2019 Honoree Joseph Jaskowski.



(L-R) Lakeshore DGK Bo Kirk, MI State Deputy William Chasse' and MI Bowling Association President Jim Worth

Msgr. Julian Moleski Council 8291



Council #8291 at St Paul's the Apostle Church in Grand Rapids Michigan held a 1st degree ceremony and 8 new Knights joined our Council this past July, This was a great way to kickoff our new Calendar year. Our Membership Director John Racicot has done an excellent job with our Recruitment and has already begun with another group of 6 or more to go through this fall!



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