



The Knight's Shield



November 2013

St. Paul of Tarsus - Knight's of Columbus Council #11689

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

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A Word From: Grand Knight-Bruce Arnold

When I first became the Grand Knight of our council, I was told by several people; Past Grand Knights, our Past District Deputy, and other Brother Knights that the first several months of the new fraternal year would be two things. 1) They would be very busy with meetings, and 2) recruitment (membership growth) would probably be kind of slow. They were SPOT (pun intended) on! Hopefully the meetings will taper off and the recruitment will pick up. We have a long way to go to reach our membership quota of 14, that was set by the Supreme Council.

We welcome our two newest members, William Galbraith and Andrew Wise. These gentlemen transferred into our council as a result of our last recruitment drive. When you see these gentlemen at a meeting or other function, please take the time to introduce yourself and get to know them.

On Saturday, September 28th, we held our first Vocations Pasta Dinner. We had a great turnout of 160 people plus our invited guests. It was very interesting hearing the stories of the Seminarians and Postulates and how that came to hear the call to serve our Lord. A big thank you to our Vocations Director, Jeff Gapczynski, for all of his hard work and planning in putting this event together. Thank you to our lead cook, Gerry Vento, and everyone that helped in the kitchen. Thanks also to all that helped with the set up / clean up and ticket sales. When many hands all work together, (along with help from our wives), the tasks become easier.

Thank you to Dave Asaro for agreeing to be the chairperson for our Texas Hold'em fundraiser. If we are fortunate enough to continue holding these events in the future, please consider stepping up to lend a hand. Please know that your help is always appreciated.

We needed more storage space for all of our Knights of Columbus "stuff" and our Past Grand Knight, Ken Grobbel, was there to help. He built us a much needed third storage cabinet. Hopefully now we can keep everything in the cabinets and off the floor. Great job Ken.

At the November 11th council meeting we will be collecting clothing for the St. Aloysius Outreach Center in Detroit. Past Grand Knight, Jerry Hund, will have his pick up truck here to receive your donations. Then Past Grand Knight, George Mejaly, will help Jerry deliver the clothing to those less fortunate. Nice job Brother Knights.

Beginning with the November meeting, there will be an added benefit to being selected either "Knight of the Month" or "Family of the Month". The two parking spaces directly in front of the overhead door by the pantry, will be "reserved" in their honor for the monthly council meeting. Our next council Corporate Communion is scheduled for Sunday, November 24th at the 11:30 AM Mass. Let's have a great showing and share the Eucharist with our K of C brothers and their families.

Vivat Jesus,

Bruce Arnold

Grand Knight

Calendar of Events

November

- November 3 District Corporate Communion at St. Isidore (coats and ties please) @9:30 a.m.
November 10 Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Seminary @ 10:00 a.m.
November 11 Council meeting @ 7:30 p.m. (free will offering meal at 6:30 p.m.)
November 22 Newsletter deadline
November 24 Corporate Communion St. Paul of tarsus @ 11:30 a.m. Mass
November 25 First Degree registration at St. Isidore Degree ceremony scheduled to begin at 7:30 PM
(coats and ties please)
November 28 Thanksgiving – no officers meeting scheduled at this time
November 30 Ham and Kielbasa Sale, before and after the 4:00 p.m. Mass

December

- December 1 Ham and kielbasa sale before & after 7:45 a.m. through the 11:30 a.m. Mass
December 7 Children's Christmas Party 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Social Hall
December 7 Ham and kielbasa sale before and after the 4:00 p.m. Mass
December 8 Ham and kielbasa sale before & after 7:45 a.m. through the 11:30 a.m. Mass
December 9 Council meeting and First Degree Ceremony (6:30 p.m. meeting, 7:00 p.m. degree set
up and registration, 7:30 p.m. First Degree Ceremony) Light meal after degree ceremony
December 19 Ham and kielbasa pick up at church 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
December 25 Christmas Day
December 26 Officers meeting at 7:30p.m.

Please remember our deceased brothers in your prayers.

Carl A. Owen	Catan W. Bernardo	Conrad Leder
Frank C. Kave	Robert W. Majkowski	Joseph T. Frontera
Chester E. Raszkowski	Alfonso Carvajal	Gary Golec
Robert A. Post	Brian R. McGinnis	Walter Baumgart
Martin W. Rosenau	Arthur J. Hug	Thomas Saura
Julius T. Abraham	James Bischoff	Guy Serafino
Clemente Truden	Russell J. Licovoli	Robert Serafino
Walter F. Kawka	Donald Lynch	William Carron
James P. Koss	Joseph Anthonucci	Frank Gall
Dominic Morello	John Billotti	
John P. Banas	Morris Demetsenare	

For the Good of the Order:

Please keep the Knights, Relatives or Acquaintances of Knights below in your prayers.

Joann Ales	Robert Gutkowski	Kathryn Ricard
Frank Aiuto	Bernard Hoste	BK-Joe Ricard
Lorraine Asaro	Sharon Hoste	Don Ricksiedler
Mario Asaro	Tillie Hoste	Veronica Salvatore
Jackie Backes	BK-Tom Hug	Mary Schabath
Norm Beaudin	Dan Jerzak	Michael Sera
Bruno Bellini	<u>Joseph Konopka</u>	Alice Serra
Norm Beaudin	Linda Koss	Pat Shankie
BK-Donald Bieschke	Caroline Krmel	Vicki Slicker
Michelle Boyd	Pat Labadie	William Stickney
<u>BK-Joe Burdzinski</u>	SK-Ralph Labadie	<u>Chuck Stork</u>
<u>Lucille Carter</u>	Mark LeFlere	Joesph R. Sweeney
<u>Patricia Carter</u>	Donald Bieschke	Mildred Tarbuck
Gail Clisby	Ken Loewen	Troy Vestrand
Ruth Connell	Carol Lomasney	<u>Gail Vitale</u>
William Ditratani	Ron Lomasney	Megan Wiley
Allan Dzwonkowski	Tom Lomasney	Charlene Wojtaszek
Sue Dzwonkowski	Joesph Malfitano	<u>Dean Douglas Wojtaszek</u>
SK-Leon Eggers	BK-Ed Marcinkowski	David Wozniak
BK-Richard Emmers	Lynn Maron	
Jake Fix	BK-John Marotta	NOTE: <u>Underlined names</u> will be removed next
BK-Clarence Gajewski	BK-Vincent McInnis	month, unless we hear from you.
Art Gapczynski	Sandra McKay	
Chris Gapczynski	Brian McLaughlin	(BK) "Brother Knight" (SK) "Sir Knight."
Jill Gapczynski	Delores Moquin	
GK Jerry Garrie	Monica Noch	
Beverly Gattari	Lacy Otterman	
Fr. Lou Grandpre	Antonina Pardo	
Sandy Grobbel	Marie Peever	
Fr. Gool Jr.	BK-James Petoskey	
Betty Gutkowski	Bob Pickett	
Michelle Gutkowski	Sister Ann Plum	
Paul Gutkowski	<u>Dave Randazzo</u>	

The Lighter Side!

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." - Dr. Seuss

"I've always believed that a lot of the trouble in the world would disappear if we were talking to each other instead of about each other." - Ronald Reagan

The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was very small. A little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale. Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human, that it was physically impossible. The little girl said, "When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah." The teacher asked the little girl, "What if Jonah didn't go to heaven?" The little girl replied, "Then you ask him."

Our State Membership Motto for 2013:

"One New Member, Per Council, Per Month."

Monthly Prayer Intentions for November:

Suffering Priest – That priests that experience difficulties may find comfort in their suffering, support in their doubt, and confirmation in their fidelity.

Important Websites:

K of C Supreme: www.kofc.org

K of C Michigan State Council: www.mikofc.org

Michigan District #1: www.michigandistrict1.com

St. Paul of Tarsus: www.spauloftarsus.com

Road Clean-Up!

We conducted our fall road clean up on Saturday, Oct 19. We worked hard for nearly 2 hours in a light rain. The recent brush/weed trimming of the road side uncovered plenty of trash.

We had 9 volunteers brave the elements. With the prior day phone call reminder put out to all members I was disappointed with the low turnout of helpers. **"A BIG, THANK YOU"** to:

Bruce Arnold
Ray Coughlin
Phil Kwasny
Ralph Pullis
Phil Bonnette

Dave Asaro
Mike Hartel
Joe Montranga
John Sweeney

Ray Coughlin
Road Clean Up Czar

Our Council newsletter is now available online at the
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish website,
www.stpauloftarsus.com.

Anyone who wishes to view our newsletter via the
Internet, instead of by snail mail, should contact
John Sweeney at (586) 215-8296 or at spot-
knights11689@gmail.com

Doing so would save our council a great deal of money
for printing and postage.

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Pro Life Couple – Sal and Joanne Ales	586-263-3483
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OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Knight of the Month & Family of the Month

The Knight of the Month is selected by the Board of Officers, as a Knight who exemplifies in his daily life the principles of Catholic Life, and is instrumental to the success of our Council, Church, and Community.

The Knight of the Month for September: **“Phil Kwasny.”**

In recognition of his exemplary service to the Council.

The Family of the Month is selected by the Board of Officers as a Family who exemplifies in the principles of Catholic Family Life, and who contribute to the success of our Council, Church, and Community.

The Family of the Month for September: **“The David Asaro Family.”**

In recognition of their out-standing service to the Council.

Birthday Wishes to:

Bruce Arnold	November 5th
Guiseppe Riera	November 11th
Leonard Sokolowski	November 11th
Connie Colosimo	November 17th
Leon Eggers	November 19th
George Mejaly	November 24th
Beverly Garrari	November 26th
Mike Kramer	November 27th
Patricia Labadie	November 28th
Carol Garavaglia	November 29th

Anniversary Wishes to:

Daniel & Catherine Finn	November 9th
Gino & Beverly Gattar	November 26th

“May God Grant to these couples many more years of
Health and Happiness!”

Congratulations from the Council.

If you'd like to see your birthday or anniversary posted, please send an email to :
John Sweeney at: spotknights11689@gmail.com

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Deputy Grand Knights Report

Many thanks, to all who helped at our last Texas Hold'em event! A special thanks to G.K. Bruce Arnold, Ralph Pullis, Ted Czarny, Mike Hartel and Hank Leflere who worked 2 shifts or more.

I hope that these Texas Hold'em events will continue next year, if they do we will need more help. As you know these events bring in a lot of funds for our council.

Thank you, again for your support.

We are planning a community, "Canned Food Drive" to help our pantry. We had dates set for November 16-17th but because of other church activities, we are looking into changing these dates to November 9-10th. We will need help, we will keep you posted.

At our last membership meeting (October 14th) officers from, the "St. John Neumann's Assembly # 0478" The Faithful Navigator S.K. Jerome Mulka along with S.K. Ron Kokesh and S.K. Leo Backes presented, Hank Lefler & John Russo with their fourth degree certificates honoring them as new 4th degree members. Help me in congratulating them.

God Bless You,

David Asaro

Deputy Grand Knight

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

I wish to thank everyone who helped to make the Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale a success.

I particularly wish thank Joann Sziisz for managing the Bake Sale, Pat Labadie for the great Michigan products basket, (Hank LeFlere won that !)Janet Valentine for taking care of the coffee, Carl Sziisz for conducting the raffles and the my hard working cooks in the kitchen, John Sweeney, Ken Grobbel and Jerry Vento who really kept up high volume food production. To all the servers, the ticket sellers, the table cleaners and everyone who helped set the room up a great big,

THANK YOU!!!

Phil Kwasny

Pancake Breakfast Chairman

Quick Notes

- If you move or have change phone numbers, notify Financial Secretary, Ray Ignatowski @ 586-946-0129.