



The Knight's Shield



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

July, 2014

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

Volume 19

A Word from Grand Knight Bruce Arnold

Well, it looks like Summer is finally here! Not only do we start a new season on the calendar, we also start a new Fraternal year. I want to thank all of the officers and directors that served during the 2013-2014 Fraternal year and welcome the new officers and directors that will be serving for the year ahead. There are some new faces on the Board, and I especially want to welcome them. It is refreshing to have new personalities bringing new ideas to help keep our council moving forward.

When we look back on the previous year, it is rewarding to know that we accomplished so much. Along with the items we do year in and year out, this year we started several new events that hopefully will live on into the future. We held our first Ice Cream Social, increased the number of pancake breakfasts from two per year to four, held our first Vocations Pasta Dinner, co-hosted our first Trunk or Treat, instituted the Vocation Prayer Program with the statue of the Holy Family, hosted a district benefits night, started Lenten Fish Fries, and hosted Fr. Joe Hund's Silver Jubilee. In addition we created a *New Member Handbook* that was distributed to every member. What's more, we will be receiving the Michigan Achievement Award and Columbian Award from the State Council based on all of achievements.

Ted Czarny and I, along with our wives, represented our council at the annual state convention on Mackinac Island in late May. It was both an honor and a privilege to have done so. We thank the council for your confidence and support. During the convention, Walter Winkle was elected as our new State Advocate.

I want to thank Jerry Hund and the entire Hund family for all they did to make Fr. Joe Hund's Silver Jubilee Mass and reception such a success. The family spent many, many hours and a lot of their own money to ensure that this day would be special in every way for their brother. I know that Fr. Joe was very pleased with the results. Nice job, Hund family!

We recently completed another successful Texas Hold'em at the Big Beaver Tavern. Through all of the confusion with the state Gaming Control Board, we were able (just barely) to cover all of the shifts. We do need more help to run these events! Our next Texas Hold'em will be at The River in September. There will be sign-up sheets at both the July and August meetings. Please consider helping with our most profitable fundraiser.

On Sunday, June 22nd, we hosted our district corporate communion. It was well attended by our council. The service was followed by a pancake breakfast in the social hall. Thank you to Phil Kwasny for once again chairing the breakfast. Thank you to all who helped (set-up, purchased products, sold tickets, cooked, waited on tables, or cleaned up) with this event. Last, but certainly not least, thank you to all of the ladies who also helped make our breakfast so successful. In conjunction with the pancake breakfast we also hosted a raffle. A big thank you to Sail-Time Detroit for your very generous donation. The sailing trip on Lake St. Clair sounds like a wonderful way to spend a day or an evening relaxing and enjoying time on the lake.

Vivat Jesus,
Bruce Arnold
Bruce Arnold

Detroit Tigers Ball Game

Here are the final details of the Detroit Tiger ball-game: (Please note some changes)

Date: Saturday, August 16, 2014 Detroit Tigers vs Seattle Mariners

Time: 7:08 PM game time - depart from church by 5:30 PM

Transportation: Motor Coach (not a school bus)

Seats: Section 324 - Upper Deck Infield Box Seats

Cost: \$48.00 per person or \$95.00 per couple

Please plan on full payment at the Monday, July 14, 2014 meeting. If you cannot attend the July meeting you can mail your payment, by July 11, 2014, to:

Bruce Arnold		Dennis Kubczak
47420 American Way	or	15715 Zichi
Macomb, MI 48044		Clinton Township, MI 48038

This will be a joint venture between our council, the Men's Group, and the Men's Faith Sharing Group. Tickets will be on a first come first served basis with a limit of 54 seats available.

Motions Passed

At the June meeting the following motions were approved:

A motion was made to pay the bills by Chuck Lomasney and supported by George Loewen. Motion passed.

Our State Membership Motto for 2014:

Our Growth Starts With...

"One Member, Per Council, Per Month"

The Lighter Side



"Life is what happens while you are busy making other plans." - John Lennon

"If you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there." - Louis Carroll

Three boys were on the playground bragging about their dads. One boy said, "My dad scribbles a few words, calls it a song, and they pay him fifty bucks." The second boy said, "Oh yah. My dad scribbles a few words, calls it a poem, and they pay him a hundred bucks."

"That's nothin'," said the third kid. "My dad scribbles a few words, calls it a sermon, and it takes six people to collect all the money!"

Monthly Prayer Intention

Sports: That sports may always be occasions of human fraternity and growth.

Lay Missionaries: That the Holy Spirit may support the work of the laity who proclaim the gospel in the poorest countries.

Quick Notes

If you move or have a change in phone number, please notify Financial Secretary, Ray Ignatowski at 586-946-0129.

Please visit our sick and shut-in Brothers. If you are unable to visit, please send a card with a note. It will be very much appreciated.

Ask Eligible Men to Join

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members. And more members equals more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights have increased visibility speaking or presenting during and after Masses and at special events. We must remember that we have a duty to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join and to bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. What if the only reason he hasn't joined is because no one has asked him yet?

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often a "selling point" to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members become Knights simply to be able to buy coverage to protect their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community, and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.

Michael Filliccia

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Knight of the Month and 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 May: **"Ken Krause."**
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 April: **"Ray Coughlin Family."**
In recognition of their out-standing service to the Council.

CORPORATE COMMUNION MASSES

Our next Corporate Communion Mass will be on September 14 at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Below are assignments for Accolytes and Lectors:

Lectors: Jeff Loeb & Tony Valentine
Accolytes: Gary Skarb & Gary Gozdzinski

We realize that when illness strikes, it may be difficult to attend our meetings. Please let any member know if another Brother Knight or his family should be added to our prayer list at each meeting.

To place articles in the newsletter contact:

Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942 or

spotknights11689@gmail.com

Articles for the August newsletter must be submitted by no later than **July 22, 2014.**

Calendar of Events

July 1		Start of the new fraternal year
July 4		Independence Day
July 14	7:30 PM	General membership meeting (Free will meal served at 6:30 PM)
July 22		Newsletter deadline
July 24	7:00 PM	Officers meeting
July 26	9:00 AM	1st Degree Ceremony at St. Clement of Rome (8:30 registration)
Aug. 2-3		Ice Cream Social following all Masses
Aug. 11	7:30 PM	General membership meeting (Free will meal served at 6:30 PM)
Aug. 16	7:08 PM	Detroit Tiger ball game – Leave from SPOT by 5:30 PM
Aug. 22		Newsletter deadline
Aug. 28	7:00 PM	Officers meeting

Vocations Golf Outing

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS:

It's time to sign up for the 23rd Annual Vocations Golf Outing.

When:	Sunday, September 14 Registration at 6:30 am with Continental Breakfast Tee-off at 7:30 am Lunch at the Turn Dinner at 1:30 pm in the Clubhouse
Where:	Sycamore Hills Country Club 48787 North Avenue Macomb, MI 48042 586-598-9500
Cost:	\$95 per golfer (Bishop-Priest-Seminarian-Deacon \$75 per golfer)

We have 8 teams reserved with a limit of 216 golfers (we have the whole course). Teams for our Council will be filled on a first come first served basis, and they fill up fast. You do not have to be a Brother Knight to golf in this outing and it is a Stag outing. Golfers of all abilities are welcome as it is a Best Ball format. Call me at 586-286-8497 to reserve your 4-man team. Please leave a message with the four names, team captain name and team captain phone number. If we have more than 8 teams, I will call and see if we can get some more slots. This is a great outing for a very worthy cause. We hope to see you there.
Joe Phillips (586-286-8497)

Vocation News

We instituted our vocations prayer program, but the start has been slow. We're looking for brother knights to sign up to take the Holy Family statue home from one of the Masses each week, and pray each day of that week for vocations.

Please sign up by completing the form that's in the Bulletin, or contact Jeff Gapczynski, Council Vocations Director, at 586-263-5942.

We Stand Strong on Ethical Ground

Some people believe that ethics in business is a contradiction in terms. They think that in order to be profitable, a company and its leaders must abandon morality and embrace the dark, greedy side that they see so often in the news and in movies.

At the Knights of Columbus, we know this isn't true. A business can be both ethical and successful. We are.

As a Catholic organization, we understand the value and importance of our core beliefs and the original mission of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. In fact, much of the strength and financial security we provide to members and their families can be attributed to our ethical, moral standards.

More than 96 percent of Knights who buy our life insurance keep it, year in and year out. The Order takes this commitment to our members very seriously. This means carefully planning when it comes time to invest. Our professional staff researches all transactions to insure that they fall in line with Catholic values. If a transaction makes them uncomfortable, they don't make it.

"We exclude any company engaged in activity that conflicts with Catholic moral teaching: companies directly involved in abortion, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of these, or pornography," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "There are many companies in the pharmaceutical and communications industries that would undoubtedly provide excellent returns for us, but which are not in our portfolio because they engage in research and development or programming in ways that violate the sanctity or dignity of human life."

In the end, the Knights of Columbus investment strategy is motivated by morality, not money. Yet, each year we remain profitable, increase our assets and stay dedicated to this vision that will keep the Order financially sound for generations to come.

"Faithful Catholics have choices when buying life

insurance," said the Supreme Knight. "But they know that at the Knights of Columbus their policy is supplied by an insurer that shares their moral and ethical values and is guided in all of its investment and sales practices by those values."

Contact me today to learn more about our products.

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Ice Cream Social

We are hosting another Ice Cream Social on August 2-3 after all the Masses. However, we need a council member willing to be the chairperson for this event. That person would assemble a small group of council members as workers (approximately 6 total) and the team would:

- Write an article or flier for the church bulletin, have announcements made after the Masses
- Run these announcements for two weeks prior to the event.
- Be sure to promote the event as a NO COST event, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.
- Purchase the ice cream (2 or 3 flavors and submit your receipts for reimbursement).
- On the weekend of the event, assemble and take down the tent and serve our guests.

This type of event is very important in strengthening the great relationship we have with our church. Because there is no cost for the parishioners to attend, it is a way for our council to give back to the very people who support us.

Taking charge of this Ice Cream Social is not a huge task, but if we don't get a chairperson to organize this event, it simply will not happen. Will someone please consider taking on this responsibility? If you would like to volunteer, you can let me know at the July meeting.

Happy Birthday!!



Bob Pastrick	July 2
Al Obrecht	July 3
Robert Tusset	July 4
Thomas Jarfas	July 5
Gerald Grzech	July 7
Fr. Joseph Hund	July 9
Jerry Hund	July 10
Tom Pardo	July 10
Richard Miller	July 11
Justin Cabe	July 12
Mary Russo	July 17
Joseph Mejaly	July 17
Henry Kwiatkowski	July 18
Carol Serafino	July 18
Jeff Daris	July 18
Henry Kwiatkowski	July 18
Phil Mularski	July 18
Kenneth Dombrowski	July 19
Leonard Gutkowski	July 20
Richard Emmers	July 20
Dominic Carraffelli	July 22
John Filipkowski	July 23
John Filipkowski	July 23
Rosemary Schulte	July 25
Joanne Sziisz	July 25
Michael Olejniczak	July 26
James Kaza	July 27
Del Di Falco	July 29
Paul DeMetsenere	July 29

If you'd like to see your birthday posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at spotknights11689@gmail.com, or call at (586) 263-5942.

Happy Anniversary!!



Jeff & Traci Czarny	July 5
John & Mary Russo	July 16
Jeff & Chris Gapczynski	July 20
Leon & Lorraine Eggers	July 22

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Please Remember our Beloved Deceased Brother Knights

Carl A. Owen	March 5, 1997
Frank C. Kave	October 3, 1998
Chester E. Raszkowski	August 8, 2000
Robert A. Post	August 1, 2001
Martin W. Rosenau	September 24, 2001
Julius T. Abraham	October 8, 2001
Clemente Truden	December 7, 2001
Walter F. Kawka	December 25, 2002
James P. Koss	May 4, 2003
Dominic Morello	March 12, 2005
John P. Banas	April 16, 2005
Catan W. Bernardo	June 13, 2006
Robert W. Majkowski	June 28, 2006
Alfonso Carvajal	March 11, 2007
Brian R. McGinnis	October 24, 2007
Arthur J. Hug	January 17, 2008
James Bischoff	February 11, 2008
Russell J. Licovoli	April 2, 2008
Donald Lynch	May 1, 2008
Joseph Anthonucci	November 18, 2008
John Billotti	May 20, 2009
Morris Demetsenare	July 9, 2009
Conrad Leder	September 5, 2009
Joseph T. Frontera	September 7, 2009
Gary Golec	April 4, 2010
Walter Baumgart	August 15, 2010
Robert Serafino	January 16, 2012
Guy Serafino	March 7, 2012
Thomas Saura	April 3, 2012
Frank Gaal	January 12, 2012
William Carron	July 8, 2012
Gregory Kropidlowski	May 11, 2014



Our Council newsletter is now available on-line on the St. Paul of Tarsus Parish website, www.stpauloftarsus.com. Anyone who wishes to receive their newsletter via the website, instead of by mail, should contact Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942. Doing so would save the Council a great deal of money for copying and postage.
Thanks for your support.

For the Good of the Order

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

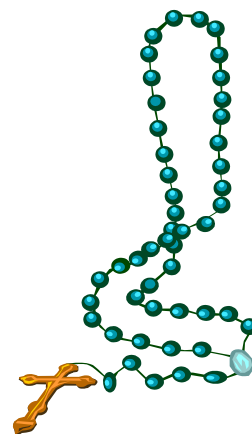


Joann Ales	Caroline Krmel
Frank Aiuto	Pat Labadie
Mario Asaro	SK-Ralph Labadie
Jackie Backes	Melissa Latosc
Norm Beaudin	Mark Leflere
Aric Bekaert	Jim Lizzico
Bruno Bellini	Ken Loewen
BK-Donald Bieschke	Tom Lomasney
Kevin Bondra	Sr. Genevieve Marheineke
Michelle Boyd	Lynn Maron
BK-Joe Burdzinski	BK-John Marotta
Ron Burke	BK-Vincent McInnis
Ben Candela	<u>Brian McLaughlin</u>
BK-Ray Coughlin	Dolores Moquin
Sherri Czarny	Jill Nelson
Gail Clisby	Mark Nelson
Michael Denomme	Monica Noch
Dan Drowski	Antonina Pardo
Allan Dzwonkowski	Marie Peever
Sue Dzwonkowski	Barbra Petoskey
SK-Leon Eggers	BK-James Petoskey
BK-Richard Emmers	Bob Pickett
Sam Filliccia	Sr. Ann Plum
Jake Fix	Sophie Praski
BK-Clarence Gajewski	Mary Ann Rable
Art Gapczynski	Kathryn Ricard
Chris Gapczynski	BK-Joe Ricard
Beverly Gattari	Don Ricksiedler
Fr. Lou Grandpre	Veronica Salvatore
Sandy Grobbel	Candice Schmidt
BK-Joseph Goddell	Michael Sera
Betty Gutkowski	Alice Serra
Robert Gutkowski	Levi Sparks
Karla Hartel	Chuck Stork
Bernard Hoste	Joseph R. Sweeney
Sharon Hoste	Mildred Tarbuck
Tillie Hoste	Megan Wiley
Pete Hubbard	Robert Williams
BK-Tom Hug	Charlene Wojtaszek
	Dean Douglas Wojtaszek
	David Wozniak
	Alana Zalac

NOTE: Underlined names will be removed next month, unless we hear from you.

(BK) "Brother Knight"

(SK) "Sir Knight"



**Officers of S.P.O.T.
K of C Council #11689
District #64**

District Deputy	Mike Mejia	586-948-3073
District Warden	Tom Weisner	248-761-2455
Grand Knight	Bruce Arnold	586-566-0628
Deputy Grand Knight	Art Krygowski	586-469-2996
Chancellor	Ted Czarny	586-286-6026
Financial	Ray Ignatowski	586-946-0129
Recorder	Mike Hartel	586-995-8564
Treasurer	Ray Coughlin	586-412-7178
Warden	Tony Guido	586-201-4409
Inside Guard	Joe Bono	586-263-4306
Outside	Gerry Vento	586-263-7333
1 Yr Trustee	Chuck Loewen	586-228-0475
2 Yr Trustee	PGK Karl Sziisz	586-286-5238
3 Yr Trustee	Tom Gray	586-468-2165
Advocate	Ken Krause	586-263-7115
Lecturer	Jim Hubbard	586-286-1658
Program	Henry Leflere	586-468-1595
Church	Angelo Garavaglia	586-412-3327
Community	George Loewen	586-731-5299
Council	Jeff Loeb	586-242-8990
Family	Mike Hartel	586-263-0544
Youth	Art Krygowski	586-469-2996
Membership	Tom Pardo	586-263-7285
Field Agent	Mike Filliccia	586-350-4440
Vocations Director	Jeff Gapczynski PCGK and FDD	586-236-5942
Pro-Life	Sal and Joanne Ales	263-3483

**Hats for Holy Cross
Childrens Services**



As we have done in prior years, we are again asking for ladies who are willing to crochet or knit hats for the children at Holy Cross Childrens Services. We are also being asked for scarves and mittens.

If you don't crochet or knit, you might like to donate yarn or even ready made hats, scarves and mittens/gloves. Whatever you are able to do is most appreciated by the kids. You can't believe how much something so simple can be to someone who has never received a gift in their life.

I'm starting this article a little earlier this year so you keep this important ministry at top of mind. You can use any pattern you desire. If you don't have a pattern, we can supply one. The only absolute is that you cannot make or donate all black hats as these are related to gang activities.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942.

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.stpauloftarsus.com

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