



The Knight's Shield



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

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Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

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A Word from Grand Knight Art Krygowski

This past year has been nothing short of remarkable. Through the hard work and dedication of the members, your officers and directors, our district and regional district deputies and a certain state officer or two, we as a council not only achieved but surpassed many of our goals. Your efforts made this Grand Knight's job both enjoyable and most fulfilling, and I am proud to be able to call all of you my Brothers.

To the Officers who will be completing their terms, I extend my sincerest thank you for the performance of your positions. It has been my pleasure to serve with each of you. To those who have been newly elected as an officer, I congratulate you and wish each of you well during the coming fraternal year. At our May general membership meeting, elections were held and the following Brothers were elected to serve as your officers for the coming year:

2017-2018 Officers

Grand Knight	Art Krygowski
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Hartel
Chancellor	Tom Grey
Recorder	Rob Tusset
Treasurer	Ray Coughlin
Advocate	Ken Krause
Warden	Tony Guido
Inside Guard	Joe Bono
Outside Guard	Gerry Vento
3 Yr Trustee	Dan Steele

The state convention is now a fond memory. On behalf of our Deputy Grand Knight Mike Hartel and his wife Karla, my wife Janice and myself we would like to thank all of our brother Knights for allowing us to represent 11689 at this great event. It was a chance to plan and demonstrate true fraternity. It was a great pleasure for me to be with so many Brother Knights. At our convention, we talked about developing "Active" or "Participating" Knights and

encouraging men not just to join and be counted, but to be involved and be leaders. More than 1,500 Knights came from across the state to participate in this year's convention. The Knights gathered in the Tea Garden, not only to offer their prayers for the deceased members of the organization, but also to physically represent the beads of a rosary. Members of the Knights of Columbus release balloons tied together in the shape of a rosary. The ceremony saw participants pack the tea garden, steps, and the walkway in front of Grand Hotel. Representatives from more than 420 councils met and voted on policies and addressed issues such as recruitment of new members. The convention also gives the Knights a chance to give awards and recognize their fellow brothers for their achievements

Congratulations to Jeff Gapczynski who received the Golden Knight award.

Fr. Enzo from St. Louis Center in Chelsea, MI. will be our guest at the June General Membership Meeting. We will be presenting him with a check from the proceeds from our May pancake breakfast.

The admission's degree is scheduled after June's General Membership Meeting. If you know of someone who would like to become a Knight, please contact George Loewen or myself to have the process started.

We have a Web-site under construction: **spot-knights.com**, and we need pictures to add to our site. Please send me any pictures you have taken at any event from the past years so we can grow our website, gk11689@mikofc.org.

Many people have been asking for the **Larger K of C lapel pins**. I have them available for purchase – the cost is **\$5.00 each**. Anyone interested can get one at the General Membership or Officers meetings.

Vivat Jesus
Art Krygowski
Grand Knight



The Lighter Side



A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on." The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now." The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."

Mr. and Mrs. Brown had two sons. One was named Mind Your Own Business & the other was named Trouble. One day the two boys decided to play hide and seek. Trouble hid while Mind Your Own Business counted to one hundred. Mind Your Own Business began looking for his brother behind garbage cans and bushes. Then he started looking in and under cars until a police man approached him and asked, "What are you doing?" "Playing a game," the boy replied. "What is your name?" the officer questioned. "Mind Your Own Business." Furious the policeman inquired, "Are you looking for trouble?!" The boy replied, "Why, yes."

Q: Can a kangaroo jump higher than the Empire State Building?

A: Of course. The Empire State Building can't jump.

Career Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus.

For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at 888-393-7539, or don.wesley@kofc.org

Men's Gathering with Bishop Hanchon and Peter Herbeck at St. Paul's

I encourage all Men of the Knights of Columbus to join us on this fantastic morning of June 10, 2017. There are 124 spaces available at the time of this writing so please sign up.

Register on-line:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mens-gathering-with-peter-herbeck-brothers-seeking-light-in-the-darkness-tickets-33258467973>

Please invite Friends.

June

Motions Passed

The following motions were approved at the May general membership meeting:

Motion was made by George Loewen and seconded by Joe Hopersberger to pay the bills; the motion passed without discussion.

Motion by Phil Kwasny and seconded by Jeff Gapczynski to approve the new application for Geno Pirrami, Frank sponsor. The motion passed without discussion.

Monthly Prayer Intention



National Leaders

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

E-Mail Communications



Brothers:

One of the methods we use to communicate various events for the Knights is an e-mail list. As coordinator for the list, I want to ask any of you that haven't been receiving these messages to send me an e-mail from your home account. This will give me the correct and current e-mail for you, and I will keep you on the list.

Fraternally,

George Loewen
gjl047@gmail.com

Thank You!!

Thank you to Ralph Pullis and all his helpers for another successful pancake breakfast last month. The proceeds are being donated to the St. Louis Center in Chelsea, MI

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.

Our State Membership Motto for 2017:

Our Growth Starts With...

"One Member, Per Council, Per Month"

Protecting God's Children / Background Check

As has been mentioned numerous times at council meeting and in this newsletter, you must have taken the Protecting God's Children class and have submitted your name to the church offices to have a criminal background check done in order to volunteer at any K of C event that takes place on the church property.

St. Peter Parish, Mt. Clemens, MI
June 10, 2017 at 9:00 a,

St. Lawrence, Utica, MI
August 8, 2017 at 6:00 pm

Go to www.virtusonline.org to check for available classes and to register.

Corporate Communion Masses

Our Next Corporate Communion will be held on June 25, 2017, at the 7:45 a.m. Mass.

Lectors: Richard Okerjhelm
Jeffrey Loeb

Acolytes: Denny Kubczak
Gary Skarb

We hope you will join us to show the importance of family praying together.



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 : **Hank Leflere.**

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 May: **"George Loewen Family."** In recognition of their out-standing service to the Council.

VETS Returning Home

I have had several inquiries about giving large appliances like stoves, refrigerators and freezers to the Vets Returning Home program. When these vets leave, they typically move into apartments which already have these appliances. Therefore, the Vets Returning Home organization cannot use these kinds of appliances.

If you have furniture that you wish to donate, they will come to your house for pick-up. The direct number for pick-up is 586-285-6506. When you call they will establish a scheduled time and date for pick-up.

If you have any questions, please call me at 586-469-1997.

Thanks,

Phil Kwasny



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Do you know anyone whose life or career has drastically changed during these years of economic downturn? It’s very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty. Maybe there’s a possibility that you (or your spouse) could change employers, or even lose your job.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary. But only having “through work” insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family’s actual needs. In fact, a detailed needs analysis that evaluates your specific situation, will likely show that any employer-provided coverage falls short.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. At the very least, it will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I’ll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you’ll know exactly where you stand.

***Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.**

Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,
LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE

In Christ,

Richard J. Miller – *Knights of Columbus*
Supreme Council Insurance - Field Agent
Office: 586-610-1545
E-mail: Richard.Miller@KofC.org

Support for the Holy Land

At the request of the State Chaplain and with the Support of the State Council and following the direction of the Supreme Knight who asks the Knights of Columbus Councils to support Christians of the Middle East:

The State Chaplain is asking all Councils to make one emergency check of support as their basic project in support of Our Brothers and Sisters. These funds, which will receive receipts from the receiving agents will support the following initiatives:

- 1) St. Joseph Patriarchal School in Bethlehem: The upper school has no furnace, cooling or proper fire protection. The Sisters of St Joseph there ask our help in funding replacement furnaces and safety devices.
- 2) Summer Programs for the children, who in these months are caught in conflicts between protests, the Israeli protection forces and retaliation for violence. The parishes provide summer programs for the children at the churches. One specific initiative has a traveling troop from parish to parish to provide for them half days much like our own Vacation Bible School Programs.

These projects are time sensitive and I am asking Grand Knights to bring the support request to their councils immediately. Please send your checks, which should not exceed the amount that you are allowed to process that night from your Council funds.

There are two ways that you can handle your checks:

A. Make your check payable to the Michigan State Council Knights of Columbus, memo line "Holy Land Initiative:

B. If private donors such as companies etc. would like to make a donation to this initiative they can make the check payable to: Michigan Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. a 501C3, memo line "Holy Land Initiative"

Mail all checks to:

Michigan State Council
6025 Wall Street
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Vivat Jesus,
V. Rev. William J. Turner
State Chaplain

Calendar of Events

June 10	11:00 am	Regional Men's Gathering with Bishop Hanchon / Peter Herbeck
June 12	6:30 pm	General Membership Meeting
June 12		Admissions Degree after General Membership Meeting
June 24	11:00 am	Ultra Sound Machine Christening at Compassion Pregnancy Center
June 25	7:45 am	Corporate Communion Mass
June 22	7:00 pm	Officer's and Director's meeting
July 4		Independence Day



The 2017 Michigan Knights of Columbus Day at Comerica Park is scheduled for Saturday, August 12. The Tigers will play against the Central Division rivals, the Minnesota Twins. First pitch is at 6:10 pm.

This year, once again, we will have tickets in the baseline box seat area along the right field line and in the mezzanine area. The Lower Baseline Box Seats are \$46 each and the Mezzanine Seats are \$28. The price of the tickets to you are the same as the State Council pays the Tigers. Since there are no fireworks scheduled after the game, tickets are priced slightly less this year. We currently have 200 box seats and 200 mezzanine seats for sale to our brother Knights for this Saturday evening game.

Thanks,
Art

Happy Birthday!!



Bruno Bellini	June 1
Patricia Kwiatkowski	June 1
Larry Orzechowski	June 2
Alfred Ignatowski	June 3
James Lambertus	June 4
Renie Giezyng	June 5
Thomas Hakim	June 7
Claudia Arnold	June 17
James Grifka	June 19
Barb Csernai	June 21
Ronald Schuster	June 22
Joanne Nowak	June 24
James Daris	June 24
Neil Norat	June 25
Guy Infante	June 25
Mike Hartel	June 27
James Wallace	June 27
David White	June 28
Dietmar Eschbach	June 30
Anthony Pascaretti	June 30
Kristine Kramer	June 30

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!!



Henry & Patricia Kwiatkowski	June 3
John & Gina Moceri	June 3
Chuck & Carol Lomasney	June 14
Mike & Karla Hartel	June 18
Mike & Kristine Kramer	June 19
Chuck & Janet Loewen	June 19
Art & Janice Krygowski	June 23
Mike & Joan Lombardo	June 26
Joe & June Marheineke	June 28

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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. Raszowski	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
Vincent McInnes	August 16, 2014
Joseph Ricard	September 22, 2014
Albert Johnson	January 22, 2015
Joseph Godell	February 5, 2015
Raymond Dawson	February 25, 2015
Michael J. Francis	February 28, 2015
Donald Duff	July 30, 2015
Harold Patterson	October 20, 2015
William Galbraith	November 22, 2015
Donald Badowski	March 16, 2016
Fr. Louis Grandpre	February 20, 2016
John Marotta	March 26, 2016
Ralph Labadie	March 27, 2016
Reginald Topolewski	June 28, 2016
James Kaza	September 26, 2016
John Russo	March 15, 2017

For the Good of the Order

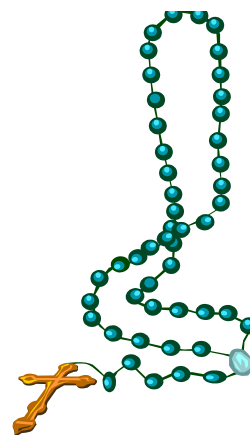
**Please keep the Knights, Relatives or Acquaintances of Knights
below in your prayers.**



Carol Alexander
Ashley??
Joyce Aufmuth
Melvin Aufmuth
Norm Bauden
Kevin Bondra
BK-Ralph Colosimo
Larry Connell
Sherri Czarny
Micheal Denomme
Mike DiGiovanni
James Diehl
Fr. Ron Essman
BK-Guido Fracassa
BK-Clarence Gajewski
SK-Angelo & Carol Garavaglia
Sandy Grobbel
Robert Gutkowski
BK-Mike Hoste
Barbara Hubbard
Sue HundAlan Johnson
Ken Kargenian
Felicia Krause
Caroline Krml
Ken Lomasney

Tom Lomasney
Jennifer Loewen
Mike Lombardo
Leanne Mackay
Jill Gapczynski-Nelson
Monica Noch
BK-Richard & Patricia Okerhjelm
Brother Scott Obrecht
Helen O'Shea
Vince Peraino
BK-Jim & Barbara Petoskey
Ed Rawan
Don Riekslander
Lisa Sapienza
Dan Skarb
Zachary Schevsky
Chip Storck
PGK-Karl & Joanne Sziisz
Mildred Tarbuck
BK-Matthew Thomas
Dick Tschirthart
Bob Williams
Lynn Williams
BK-Deacon Ed Wilson
VI Wilson
Liza Wilson

NOTE: BK = Brother Knight
SK = Sir Knight



**Officers of S.P.O.T.
K of C Council #11689
District #24**

District Deputy	Mike Mejia	586-948-3073
District Warden	Gary Kopp	586-873-6906
Grand Knight	Art Krygowski	586-298-8398
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Hartel	586-263-0544
Chancellor	Ted Czarny	586-286-6026
Financial	Ray Ignatowski	586-946-0129
Recorder	Rob Tusset	586-477-0232
Treasurer	Ray Coughlin	586-412-7178
Warden	Tony Guido	586-201-4409
Inside Guard	Joe Bono	586-822-6657
Outside	Gerry Vento	586-231-5777
1 Yr Trustee	Tom Gray	586-468-2165
2 Yr Trustee	Steve Kargenian	586-746-9073
3 Yr Trustee	PGK-Bruce Arnold	586-566-0628
Advocate	Ken Krause	586-263-7115
Lecturer	Jim Hubbard	586-286-1658
Program	Henry Leflere	586-468-5122
Church	Angelo Garavaglia	586-412-3327
Community	George Loewen	586-731-5299
Council	George Sakorafos	586-610-3576
Family	Richard Okerhjelm	586-996-2221
Youth	Art Krygowski	586-469-2996
Membership	George Loewen	586-731-5299
Field Agent	Richard Miller	586-610-1545
Vocations Director	Jeff Gapczynski PCGK and FDD	586-263-5942
Pro-Life Chairman	Sal Ales	586-263-3483



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 July newsletter must be submitted by no later than June 22, 2017.

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

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 regular mail, should contact Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942 or at spotknights11689@gmail.com. Doing so would save our Council a great deal of money for printing and postage.



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