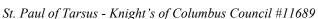


The Knight's Shield



June, 2015

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

Volume 20

A Word from Grand Knight Bruce Arnold

My Brother Knights, as we are about to close the end of another fraternal year, Council 11689 should be very proud of its 2014-2015 accomplishments. Significant events worth noting include: recruiting 13 new members into our council, hosting our districts officer installation and dinner, hosting our first ever Major Degree, and completing a very successful Baby Bottle Drive for Abigayle Ministries. This list would not be complete without also mentioning the other successful events within our council including: ice cream social, Tiger ballgame outing, corporate communions, pancake breakfasts, Adopt-A- Road clean ups, Fatima Rosary, Free Throw and Poster contest, Trunk or Treat, Coats for Kids, Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, clothing drives, Christmas and Easter ham and kielbasa fundraisers, casino trip, Vocations pasta dinner, Texas Hold'em fundraisers, Lenten fish fries, Easter egg hunt, and MI Drive.

Needless to say, the success of all of these events is due to the many, many good people behind them. Whether you were the chairperson, volunteered to help, or simply prayed for the success of an event, we say a big hearty THANK YOU !!!

I wish to thank our council for the financial stipend and allowing my wife and me to represent our Council on Mackinac Island for the annual state convention. The convention was another great experience, from the opening Mass on Thursday afternoon with the most Rev. Allen H. Vigneron, Archbishop of the Archdioceses of Detroit, as the presider, to the closing ode on Saturday morning.

We were presented with a pin for earning the Michigan Achievement Award. The convention also allows for many opportunities to chat with brother knights

from all over the state and share ideas with each other.

Congratulations to Brother Joe Marheineke for receiving the status of "Honorary Life Member." This distinction is given to Brother Knights who are at least 70 years old and have been a member in good standing for over 25 consecutive years.

Thank you to the 17 brother knights who showed up on Saturday, May 2nd to help with the Adopt-A-Road clean up. As has been said before ... "Many hands makes for light work." Because of this great turn out we were finished with the clean-up in an hour and 15 minutes. Nice work guys!

Thank you to all of the members who volunteered with helping God's special children at the Special Olympics, Macomb Spring Games, held at Macomb County Community College on Tuesday, May 5th. Brother Joe Phillips informed us that we will have the same opportunity again next year.

Past Grand Knight, Jerry Hund, will have his pick-up truck in the parking lot prior to the June general membership meeting. He will be accepting clothing donations for the St. Aloysius Outreach Center in Detroit. The donations received will help clothe the less fortunate in our community.

Vivat Jesus Bruce Arnold Grand Knight



New Prayer List Policy

Beginning with the July newsletter and the new fraternal year, beginning in July 2015, the entire prayer list will begin anew. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list please do so before the beginning of the monthly general membership meeting. Those added to the prayer list will remain on the list for two months and then be removed. If you would like to have the individual remain on the list and not be removed, please resubmit their name. This new policy will be reviewed at the general membership meeting in May and June.

This procedure will ensure that the prayer list remains current and eliminate the need to read the entire list of names each month, therefore shortening the meeting.

Special Olympics Follow-Up

I would like to give a big Thank You to Brother Hank Leflere and the boys from Cardinal Mooney High School for their help with the Macomb County Special Olympics Summer Games which were held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015, at Macomb Community College, South Campus. The rain held out, and we got the games in. Once again, we worked the Horseshoe Pits, and a great time was had by all.

If you have not had the opportunity to help out at any of these events, please consider to do so. There is no experience necessary, and I can guarantee that you will walk away feeling good and will be amazed to see what these special athletes can do.

We are already signed up for next year, and the tentative date is Tuesday, May 3, 2016. So mark your calendars...more information will follow as the time grows nearer.

Brother Joe Phillips

McRest

We are going to support St. John Anglican Church when they host the MCREST program the week of November 22–29, 2015.

The good folks at St. John will be looking for help in several different areas including: Drivers to shuttle their guests to Lakeside Mall and the Gratiot corridor, meals and meal preparation, security, laundry, overnight watch, and whatever else may come up.

We may also consider some financial help if approved by the council. This event is still in the early planning stages and more information will follow in the months to come.

Clothing Drive

At our June membership meeting we will be accepting donated clothes for the St. Aloysius Outreach Center located on Washington Blvd. in downtown Detroit.

The need is great and so many are without shelter and are hungry. Our Council has for many years been very supportive of the St. Aloysius Center, giving a quarterly donation of money, and the generous clothing drives in the past. Your generosity fulfills four of the Corporate works of Mercy, shelter the homeless, feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, and clothe the naked.

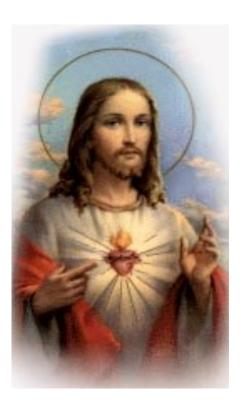
Please bring your unwanted clothes, men, women, and children's to our June meeting, June 8.

Thank You, Jerry

Prayer to the Sacred Heart

My God, I offer You all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus, for the intentions for which He pleads and offers Himself in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in thanksgiving for Your favors, in reparation for my sins, and in humble supplication for my temporal and eternal welfare, for the needs of our holy Mother the Church, for the conversion of sinners, and for the relief of the poor souls in purgatory.

Amen



Council Elections

The results from the annual elections, held at the May meeting are as follows:

Grand Knight — Bruce Arnold
Deputy Grand Knight – Art Krygowski
Chancellor – Ted Czarny
Recorder – Mike Hartel
Treasurer – Ray Coughlin
Warden – Tony Guido
Inside Guard – Joe Bono
Outside Guard – Jerry Vento
3 Year Trustee – Steve Kargenian
Advocate – Ken Krause

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.



Monthly Prayer Intention

Universal: Imigrants and Refugees

That immigrants and refugees may find welcome and respect in the countries to which they come.

Evangelization: Vocations

That the personal encounter with Jesus may arouse in many young people the desire to offer their own lives in priesthood or consecrated life.



Protecting God's Children

I know I have repeatedly discussed taking the Protecting God's Children class and the need for a background check. I cannot stress enough the importance of completing both of these. Yes, it is a requirement to work/volunteer for any event at church that may involve children. This mandate is set by the Archdiocese of Detroit as well as every other Archdiocese throughout the country.

Separate of the class, you will need to go to the church offices and tell them you want to have a background check. Spouses are also encouraged to complete these requirements.

This 3 hour class is very informative and a real eyeopener. Please take the class!

Here is list of upcoming classes in the area:

St. Kieran on Thursday, October 8th at 6 PM St. Paul of Tarsus on Saturday, October 17th at 10 AM

Go to virtusonline.org to register

Motions Passed

The following motions were made and approved at our April officers meeting:

Motion by Phil Kwasny supported by Henry Leflere to accept the applications of 2 new members – first reading

Motion by Phil Kwasny supported by Henry Leflere to donate \$100.00 to Forgotten Harvest

Motion by Phil Kwasny supported by Henry Leflere to donate \$50.00 to the National Center on Sexual Exploitation (formally Morality in the Media)

Motion by Phil Kwasny supported by Ted Czarny to donate \$100.00 to Gleaners Food Bank

Motion by Ray Coughlin supported by Tom Gray to donate \$250.00 to Michigan Special Olympics to send athlete/ athletes to California for the World Special Olympic Games

Motion by Ted Czarny supported by Phil Kwasny to donate \$500.00 to St. Paul of Tarsus to be added to the fish fry allocation

Motion by Phil Kwasny supported by Henry Leflere to accept the applications of 2 new members – second reading

Motion by Ray Coughlin supported by Ray Ignatowski to accept the proposed 2015 MI Drive allocation

Motion by Tom Gray supported by Mike Hartel to donate \$500.00 to St. Paul of Tarsus to be added to the fish fry allocation

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

Motion by Ralph Pullis supported by Henry Leflere to pay the bills

Motion by Ken Krause supported by Tom Ratusznik to donate \$100.00 to the Chippewa Valley High School all night party.

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: "Ralph Pullis."
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 May: "Tom Gray Family."

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

CORPORATE COMMUNION MASSES

Our next Corporate Communion Mass will be on June 14th at the 7:45 a.m. Mass.

Below are assignments for Accolytes and Lectors:

Lectors: Tony Valentine & George Loewen
Accolytes: Gary Skarb & Gary Gozozielsi

Our State Membership Motto for 2015:

Our Growth Starts With...

"One Member, Per Council, Per Month"

The Lighter Side



"For every minute you are angry you lose sixty seconds of happiness." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Take risks: If you win, you will be happy; if you lose, you will be wise." - Unknown

A pastor's wife was preparing pancakes for her young sons. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancakes. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait." The oldest boy turned to his younger brother and said, "You be Jesus."



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.

Calendar of Events

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June 8	7:30 PM	General membership meeting (6:30 PM free will offering meal)
June 14	7:45 AM	Corporate Communion
June 17	7:30 PM	First Degree Ceremony at St. Isidore (7:00 registration)
June 22		Newsletter deadline
June 22	7:00 PM	District planning meeting
June 24		Fr. John Kiselica's birthday
June 24-27		Texas Hold'em fundraiser at Big Beaver Tavern
June 25	7:00 PM	Officers meeting
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July 1		New Fraternal year begins
July 4		Independence Day
July 13	7:30 PM	General membership meeting (6:30 PM free will offering meal)
July 23	7:00 PM	Officers meeting



Happy Birthday!!



June 1
June 2
June 2
June 4
June 5
June 7
June 17
June 19
June 22
June 24
June 25
June 25
June 27
June 27
June 28
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!!



Mike & Karla Hartel	June 18
Chuck & Janet Loewen	June 19
Art & Janice Krygowski	June 23
Ken & Nancy Czarny	June 24

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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	
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	



For the Good of the Order

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



Joyce Aufmuth
Mel Aufmuth
Joann Ales
Jackie Backes
Leo Backes
BK-Don Badowski
Norm Beaudin
BK-Bruno Bellini
Brian Boggs
Caroline Boggs (baby)
Cressie Boggs
Kevin Bondra

Michelle Boyd
Gail Clisby
BK-Ralph Colosimo
Harold Culbert, III
Michael Denomme
BK-KenDombrowski
Allan Dzwonkowski
Sue Dzwonkowski
SK-Leon Eggers
BK-Richard Emmers

Barbara Fairhurst
Sam Filliccia
Jake Fix
Jim Furman
Dave Gadzinski
Art Gapczynski
Joseph Gapczynski
SK-Angelo Garavaglia
Carol Garavaglia

Beverly Gattari
Sandy Grobbel
Betty Gutkowski
Michelle Gutkowski
Robert Gutkowski
Bernard Hoste Sr.
Bernard Hoste Jr.
Judy Hoste
Sharon Hoste
Gerry Hoste
BK-Tom Hug

Linda Hughes

Edward Hund

Sue Hund
Eugene Kabala
Marie Kabala
Caroline Krmel
Anita Kubczak
Pat Labadie
SK-Ralph Labadie
Mark Leflere
Melissa Latosz
Jennifer Loewen
Carol Lomasney
Ron Lomasney
Tom Lomasney
BK-Ed Marcinkowski

Lynn Maron
BK-John Marotta
Peter Mashara
Brian McLaughlin
Lucille Mejaly
Peter Moceri
Shari Moceri
Dolores Moquin
Jill Nelson
Mark Nelson
Monica Noch

Nicholas Okerhjelm Antonina Pardo SK-William Parsus Marie Peever Barbra Petoskey BK-James Petoskey Joan Pfaff

Sr. Ann Plum

Sophie Praskie
Timothy Regal
Kathryn Ricard
Mary Lou Richards
Kevin Rowley
Veronica Salvatore
Michael Sera
Alice Serra
Alice Serra
Dorothy Sharbo
Brian Skarb

Joann Smail **Chuck Stork** Joseph Tenaglia Robert Komla Tette Sebalda Tette Mildred Trabuck **Brian Thorson** Dominic Ursini Sandra Ventimiglia Lindsay Whiteman Megan Wiley Lynn Williams Robert Williams Charlene Wojtaszek **BK-Robert Worden** David Wozniak Clarissa ??

Howard ??

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 #66

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	Gary Skarb	586-286-1040
Family	Mike Hartel	586-263-0544
Youth	Art Krygowski	586-469-2996
Membership	George Loewen	586-731-5299
Field Agent	Don M. Wesley	888-393-7539
Vocations Director	Jeff Gapczynski PCGK and FDD	586-263-5942
Pro-Life	Sal and Joanne Ales	586-263-3483
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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 20, 2015.

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.stpaulof tarsus.com

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

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