



# The Knight's Shield



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

August 2013

*Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism*

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## **A word from: Grand Knight-Bruce Arnold**

The first thing I want to say as your new Grand Knight is thank you. Thank you for the support and confidence you have shown by electing me as your Grand Knight. It is a privilege and honor to serve this great council. I promise to do my best to lead this council as well as all those before me. I plan to bring some fresh ideas that will hopefully stimulate interest among our membership while continuing to fulfill the principals of our order.

I want to congratulate all of the incoming officers and directors. I am confident that you will all do your best to fulfill the duties of the office to which you have been elected. I also want to thank all of the outgoing officers and directors for all of their time, hard work, and dedication that they have given to this council. I especially want to thank our Past Grand Knight, Karl Sziisz, for his leadership over the last two years. Karl did a wonderful job of leading our council. He also did an outstanding job of building the relationship between our council, our church, and our pastor. Great job Karl.

It was said at the last state convention, "Men don't join our order just to pay dues and attend meetings." I couldn't agree more. You most likely joined the Knights of Columbus to become part of a Catholic men's fraternal organization that is dedicated to helping others. It would be wonderful to see my Brother Knights, that have not recently been active, come back and recommit to why you have joined this great organization. Remember, the first principal of our order is Charity. With additional participation, we could provide even more help and assistance to the needy people in our community.

We just finished our first of two Texas Hold'em fundraising events that were scheduled in July. For the July 17-20 event we made a nice profit of just over \$4,000 for our efforts. Our second July Texas Hold'em fundraiser starts on July 29th and ends on Aug. 1st. I will have those numbers available at our August meeting. Thanks to all those who volunteered their time during these events.

On June 20th and 21st many Brother Knights were in the gathering area of church supporting the collection of signatures for "No Taxes For Abortion Insurance." I understand that over 700 parishioners signed petitions to support this worthy cause. Thank you to all those who helped collect signatures. Also, on June 20th and 21st we scooped ice cream for the parish after the 4:00 and 11:30 masses. This ice cream social was our first and was well received by young and old alike. Thank you to Jeff McDonald for chairing this event and to everyone who helped.

Our council's annual family picnic will be held on Saturday, August 24th at 2:00 PM. This is a family event and children are also welcome. If you are planning on attending, please sign up at the August 12th meeting or contact Deputy Grand Knight, Dave Asaro at 586-263-1767 so we have a good idea on how much food to purchase. It would be great to see new faces this year, so come out and join us! Please see the flier that is in this newsletter for more information and directions.

At our next council meeting on August 12th, Brother Gerry Vento will be cooking fish and chip dinners. This will be a trial run should we decide to host Lenten fish fries next year. As always, the meal will be served at 6:30 PM and the meeting to follow at 7:30 PM.

Vivat Jesus,

*Bruce Arnold*

Grand Knight

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# Calendar of Events

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## August, 2013

August 1 Texas Hold'em @ the River Poker Room 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
August 8 First Degree ceremony at St. Isidore 7:00 p.m.  
August 12 General Membership Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.  
August 12 160th Anniversary of the birth of Father McGivney  
August 21 Fourth Degree Picnic @ 6:00 PM K of C Picnic Grounds  
August 22 Officers Meeting @ St. Paul of Tarsus 7:30 p.m.  
August 24 Council picnic, @ 2:00 p.m.

## September, 2013

September 8 Vocations golf outing @ 7:00 a.m.  
September 9 Council meeting 6:30 PM (First Degree @ 7:00 PM and free will offering meal after)  
September 14 District Corp. Communion, Officer Installation, & dinner @ St. John Vianney 5:00p.m.  
September 15 Corporate Communion @ 9:30 p.m.  
September 18 Fourth Degree meeting @7:30 p.m. (free will offering meal at 7:00 PM)  
September 21 4th Degree Fall Exemplification will be held at DeCarlo's Banquet and Convention Center located at 6015 East Ten Mile Road (E. of Mound Road), Warren 48091  
September 21 Set-up for Pancake Breakfast  
September 22 Newsletter deadline  
September 22 Pancake breakfast@ St. Paul of Tarsus 7:00 a.m.  
September 26 Officers meeting @ St. Paul of Tarsus 7:30 p.m.  
September 28 Vocations spaghetti dinner 5:30 p.m.

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## Please remember our deceased brothers in your prayers.

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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	

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## For the Good of the Order:

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

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Joann Ales	Betty Gutkowski	James Petoskey *
Frank Aiuto	Michelle Gutkowski	Bob Pickett
Lorraine Asaro	Paul Gutkowski	<u>Janet Pieske</u>
Mario Asaro	Robert Gutkowski	Sister Ann Plum
Jackie Backes	Bernard Hoste	Kathryn Ricard
<u>Rene Bealse</u>	Sharon Hoste	Joe Ricard *
Bruno Bellini	Tillie Hoste	Mary Ruggioli
<u>Kevin Bondra</u>	Tom Hug*	Veronica Salvatore
Phil Bonnette*	Tony Imbrigotta	<u>Alice Seid</u>
Ronald Borycki	<u>Geri Isleo</u>	Michael Sera
Ron Bousson	<u>Dan Jerzak</u>	Alice Serra
Michelle Boyd	<u>Arthur Kadliz</u>	Lorraine Serra
Francis Carnagi	Linda Koss	Pat Shankie
Lucille Carter	<u>Caroline Krmel</u>	<u>Joseph Sovanoce</u>
Patricia Carter	Pat Labadie	Norm Stephenson
Gail Clisby	Ralph Labadie *	William Stickney
Ralph Colosimo	David Latosz	Chuck Stork
Ruth Connell	Mark LeFlere	Mary Jane Sweeney
William Ditratani	<u>Amy La Perre</u>	Joesph Sweeney
<u>Sandi DeBruyne</u>	Fr. Todd Laverty	<u>Mildred Tarbuck</u>
<u>Charlene Deperro</u>	<u>Cecelia Lewinski</u>	<u>Steve Tiell</u>
Barbra Draybach	Ken Loewen	<u>Fr. Drew Tomasko</u>
Allan Dzwonkowski	Ron Lomasney	<u>Gail Vitale</u>
Sue Dzwonkowski	Tom Lomasney*	<u>June Vottlor</u>
Leon Eggers*	Ed Marcinkowski *	Megan Wiley
<u>Alice A. Ellis</u>	June Marheineke	Charlene Wojtaszek
Richard Emmers *	Lynn Maron	Dean Douglas Wojtaszek
Mark Eubanks	John Marotta *	David Wozniak
Jake Fix	Vincent McInnis *	
Dave Gadzinski	Brian McLaughlin	
Clarence Gajewski*	<u>George Meda</u>	
Art Gapczynaki	John Mero	
Chris Gapczynaki	Delores Moquin	
Jill Gapczynski	Monica Noch	
Bridget Garavaglia	<u>Un-Named (Special Intention)</u>	
Fr. Lou Grandpre	Antonina Pardo	
Sandy Grobbel	<u>Barb Petoskey</u>	

**NOTE:** Underlined names will be removed, next month unless we hear from you, an asterisk (\*) represents a: "Brother Knight."

## Two Quotes and a Joke!

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." - Albert Einstein

"When life gives you a hundred reasons to cry, show life that you have a thousand reasons to smile." - Unknown

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know!"

"Okay," said the father. "What does the Bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy..." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for **B**asic **I**nformation **B**efore **L**eaving **E**arth."

### Our State Membership Motto for 2013:

"One new member, per council, per month."

### Monthly Prayer Intentions for August:

"That parents and teachers may help the new generation to grow in upright conscience and life."

### Important Websites:

**K of C Supreme:** [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

**K of C Michigan State Council:** [www.mikofc.org](http://www.mikofc.org)

**Michigan District #1:** [www.michigandistrict1.com](http://www.michigandistrict1.com)

**St. Paul of Tarsus:** [www.spauloftarsus.com](http://www.spauloftarsus.com)

Our Council newsletter is now available online at the  
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish website,  
[www.stpauloftarsus.com](http://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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2 Year Trustee – Chuck Loewen	586-228-0475
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Lecturer – Jim Hubbard	586-286-1658

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Program Director – Henry Leflere	586-468-5122
Church Director – Angelo Garavaglia	586-412-3327
Community Director – George Loewen	586-731-5299
Council Director – Jeff Loeb	586-242-8990
Family Director – Mike Hartel	313-550-2004
Youth Director – Art Krygowski	586-469-2996
Membership Director – Tom Pardo	586-263-7285
Vocations Director – Jeff Gapeczynski	586-263-5942
Pro Life Couple – Sal and Joanne Ales	586-263-3483
Field Agent – Ron Superson	586-932-2025



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## 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 May: **“John Sweeney.”**

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: **“Joe Bono.”**

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

### Birthday Wishes to:

Ralph Labadie	Aug-3
Lucille Mejaly	Aug-3
Donald Bieschke	Aug-4
Angelo Garavaglia	Aug-8
Bill Giezyng	Aug-9
James Hubbard	Aug-13
August Oliveri	Aug-13
Charlene Wojtaszek	Aug-13
Kenneth Czarny	Aug-14
Jeffery Czarny	Aug-19
Catherine Bono	Aug-24
Joseph Marheineke	Aug-24
Sue Hund	Aug-25
Susan Valenti	Aug-26
Paul Ross	Aug-30

### Anniversary Wishes to:

Edmond & Joanne Nowak	Aug-1st
George & Patricia Loewen	Aug-2nd
Albert & Susan Valenti	Aug-12th
William & Sharon Gunkelman	Aug-13th
Ted & Sherri Czarny	Aug-16th
Guido & Jacqueline Farcassa	Aug-18th
Ken & Sandy Grobbel	Aug-27th

“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](mailto:spotknights11689@gmail.com)

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## **Deputy Grand Knights Report**

### **Vocations Golf Outing**

Vocations golf outing September 8th. All money is due no later the 13 th of August which is our next meeting, Any questions please call David Asaro @ 586 263 1767.

### **Fall Exemplification September 21, 2013**

The 2013, 4th Degree Fall Exemplification will be held once again at DeCarlo's Banquet and Convention Center located at 6015 East Ten Mile Road (E. of Mound Road), Warren 48091. The price for the candidate will be \$70.00; Priests are free. There will be a Ladies Program which is also free of charge. The cost of the dinner for wives and/or friends will remain the same at \$30.00 per person but the meal has been upgraded this year. Should the candidate choose to purchase a class photograph, which is optional, the cost is only \$6.00. All Sir Knights are encouraged to ask a 3rd Degree member from our Council to become a Sir Knight this coming Fall. The Class Honoree will be Fr. Tom Sullivan, District Friar.

To give our Candidates the best value for their money, the 2014 Spring Exemp will also be held at DeCarlo's. Research has been done and this is the most centralized location to for those traveling from all directions within the District.

Thank you  
*David Asaro*  
Deputy Grand Knight

### **Polish Army Veteran's Home**

While visiting the Home on July 11th, I was informed by the Manager that the Home will be closing by the end of July and that all efforts are being made to place the men in other locations. There will be no need to make any more donations of any sort.

If you have anything that you were going to donate, please give it to the ST Paul of Tarsus food pantry.

I wish to thank all of you who provided support with your donations

Phil Kwasny

### **Quick Notes**

- If you move or have change phone numbers, notify Financial Secretary, Ray Ignatowski @ 586-946-0129.
- Please visit our sick and shut in Brothers, if you are unable to visit, send a card with a note.