

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 Bruce Arnold

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter and was able to spend some quality time with their family and friends.

Fr. Joe Hund will be celebrating his 25th anniversary as an ordained priest, at St. Paul of Tarsus, on Saturday, June 7th at the 4 o'clock Mass. Fr. Ron and Fr. Joe will be con-celebrating this silver jubilee Mass. There will be a reception following the Mass, in our social hall, for all of Fr. Joe's family and friends, along with our council members. We are proud to have Fr. Joe as one of our K of C council members. I encourage everyone in our council to partake in the special occasion.

Our Lenten fish fries are now behind us and what a success they were! As Grand Knight, I thought I needed to talk to our guests and ask them whether or not they were enjoying everything. By far, the overwhelming response was extremely positive. I heard many compliments, such as, "This is wonderful," "Long overdue," "Best fish fry I've been to," "Everything tastes great," and "We'll be back!" We should be very proud of the job we all did. Looking forward to next year, it would nice be to have a few more volunteers when taking on an event of this size.

At our April meeting, we held the first round of officer nominations for the 2014-2015 fraternal year (see list of nominations on Page 2). You can nominate someone else, or self nominate, at the May meeting. After all nominations are closed, the elections will take place. Please consider attending on May 12th to vote for the leadership of your council.

At our May 12th meeting, we will once again be

collecting your gently worn clothing for the St. Aloysius Outreach Center. Brother Jerry Hund will have his pick-up truck ready to accept your clothing donations prior to the start of our council meeting.

Legislation pending, we have a Texas Hold'em fundraiser scheduled for June 8-11 at Big Beaver Tavern in Rochester. There will be a sign-up sheet at the May meeting for anyone wishing to work this event that didn't sign up in April. This is easily our most profitable fundraiser, so please consider helping if you are able.

Vivat Jesus,

Bruce Arnold

Bruce Arnold

Resolution

A resolution to authorize no more than \$1,500.00 for the support of Fr. Joe Hund's silver jubilee Mass on June 7, 2014.



Happy Memorial Day—Remember those who gave their lives so we could live free.

Officer Nominations

The following Brother Knights were nominated for officer positions for the 2014-2015 fraternal year.

Grand Knight - Bruce Arnold

Deputy Grand Knight – Mike Hartel, Art Krygowski, Chuck Loewen

Chancellor - Ted Czarny

Recorder – Tony Guido, Mike Hartel

Treasurer – Ray Coughlin

Warden – Tony Guido, Gary Skarb, Gerry Vento

Advocate – Ken Krause

3 Year Trustee – Tom Gray, Phil Bonnette

Inside Guard – Joe Bono

Outside Guard – Tom Gray, Dennis Kubczak



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.

Motions Passed

At the March 27th officers meeting the following motions were made:

A motion was made by Ted Czarny and supported by Phil Kwasny to send St. Kieran Council \$100.00 to support their Rite To Life billboard campaign. Motion was passed.

A motion was made by Phil Kwasny and supported by Jerry Hund to change the date of the next pancake breakfast to June 22, 2014. Motion was passed.

A motion was made by Karl Sziisz and supported by Henry Leflere to purchase a chasuble and stole set to be given to Fr. Joe Hund at his silver jubilee on June 7, 2014. Motion was passed.

At the April 14th meeting the following motion was made:

A motion was made by Jeff Gapczynski and supported by Phil Kwasny to send \$200.00 to the State of Michigan to cover the cost of the June 8-11, 2014 Texas Hold'em license. Motion was passed.

Clothing Drive

At our May meeting we will be collecting clothing to be distributed among the homeless in Downtown Detroit. Unfortunately, the homeless now include women and children, and items that they can use will be most welcome.

St. Paul of Tarsus Knights and their families have always been most generous in their efforts in helping the needy, and it has been greatly appreciated by the less fortunate.

IF YOU SAW YOU
AS GOD SEES YOU
YOU WOULD SMILE A LOT
Jerry

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!!

A huge thank you to everyone (Brother Knights, spouses, and family members) that helped with the Lenten fish fries. Whether you were involved with the initial planning, ordering/purchasing, set up, selling tickets, cooking, serving, or clean up, if you helped in anyway, it was much appreciated!

Thank you, Brother Ralph Pullis, for leading the Stations of the Cross on April 4th and to those who went to church that evening and represented our council.

Thank you to everyone that helped stuff more than 2000 Easter eggs and to everyone that helped with the annual Easter egg hunt.

Thank you to Jerry Hund for chairing the Easter ham and kielbasa sales. Also, thank you to the people who worked before and after the masses and with the delivery on Holy Thursday.

Thank you, Brother Joe Roehrig, for chairing the annual M I Drive. Also, thank you to all who came out to sell Tootsie Rolls and to count the money we raised. A special thank you to all of the ladies who were at church preparing and serving us food when we came in from our assigned locations.

Thank you to Dennis Kubczak and Henry Leflere who, at our last meeting, agreed to be the chairpersons for organizing a Detroit Tiger ball game outing and the Texas Hold'em fundraisers respectively.

Lastly, thank you to the gentlemen who went to Erie Elementary and picked up chairs that were used in the church social hall for the overflow on Easter Sunday morning.



The Lighter Side

"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." - Dr. Seuss

"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world." - Unknown

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun had made a note and posted it on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the line, at the other end of the table, was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."



Monthly Prayer Intention

Media: That the media may be instruments in the service of truth and peace

Mary's Guidance: That Mary, Star of Evangelization, may guide the Church in proclaiming Christ to all nations.

Our State Membership Motto for 2014:

Our Growth Starts With...

"One Member, Per Council, Per Month"

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 April: "Vito Guzzardo." 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: "Rich Miller Family."

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

We Want to Recognize Your Birthdays and Anniversaries

We would like to recognize all birthdays and anniversaries in the newsletter. A form has been attached to the newsletter for the past two months, but many of the members have neglected to return it.

Your special days deserve to be recognized. Please complete the attached form and return it to me as quickly as possible.

Thanks...

Chris Gapczynski

Newsletter Editor

Calendar of Events				
May 10	9:00 AM	First Degree Ceremony at St. John Vianney (8:30 registration)		
May 11		Mother's Day		
May 12	7:30 PM	General membership meeting (Free will meal served at 6:30 PM)		
May 17	8:00 AM	Deacon Marc sponsored fellowship breakfast		
May 22		Newsletter deadline		
May 22		*** No officers meeting ***		
May 22-24		State convention on Mackinac Island		
June 7	4:00 PM	Fr. Joe Hund Jubilee Mass – reception following Mass		
June 8 – 11		Texas Hold'em fundraiser at Big Beaver Tavern		
June 9	7:30 PM	General membership meeting (Free will meal served at 6:30 PM)		
June 11	7:30 PM	First Degree Ceremony at St. Isidore (7:00 registration)		
June 15		Father's Day		
June 21	5:00 PM	Pancake breakfast set up following 4PM Mass		
June 22	7:45 AM	District Corporate Communion		
June 22	8:30 AM	Pancake breakfast		
June 24		Fr. Kiselica's birthday		
June 26	7:00 PM	Officers meeting		
June 28	5:00 PM	Vocations pasta dinner		

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 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 June newsletter must be submitted by no later than May 16, 2014.

The Value of Membership Referrals

As a professional insurance agent, one of the things I appreciate most is when one of my brother Knight clients or his wife refers another member to me. This is a great endorsement of the service I provided. It tells me that they were so pleased with what I helped them accomplish that they want me to help others achieve the safe level of financial safety and security. When I meet with you, please pass along the names of those who might be able to benefit from the analysis that I provide.

Similarly, there is no stronger membership recruiting tool than the referral. How many of us know an eligible Catholic male who is not a member of the Knights of Columbus? Do you have Catholic family or friends, local or not, who have yet to join? Most likely, they've never been asked and don't know enough about the Order to seek out membership on their own.

If you have names of potential members, please pass them along to me or your Grand Knight. Let us know if we can use your name when we contact the gentlemen in question. It's always more effective to tell a candidate for membership that he was recommended by a current member, especially someone he knows. Don't worry if the candidate is outside the area I serve or beyond the district of the local councils, we can make sure we put these future members in touch with the right people in their communities.

New members are the lifeblood of the Order. All the good deeds done by the Order are driven by the members. Over the past decade, Knights have given more than \$1.475 billion to charity and provided in excess of 673 million hours of service. And our membership has merely scratched the surface in North America. Imagine the potential.

*Receive a complete <u>Family Needs Analysis</u> at my expense.

Ask about our <u>GUARANTEED</u> LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES, LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE

In Christ,

Don M. Wesley, FICF – Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Insurance - General Agent

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7539)

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Thanks from the MI Drive Kitchen

A big thank you to all of the ladies who provided soups, sloppy joes, desserts, etc. for the kitchen of the MI Drive. We kept all of our volunteers well fed because of your generosity. Thank you...we couldn't do it without you!

Sheryl Ignatowski Kitchen Chair Person



Happy Birthday!!



Kathryn Ricard	May 2
Mike Wojtaszek	May 4
Donald Rybski	May 9
Joe Roehrig	May 11
Helen Candela	May 12
Ken Krause	May 13
Owen Dueweke	May 14
John Sweeney	May 14
Charles LeMoine	May 15
Marlene Kropidlowski	May 16
Mary Ann Topolewski	May 17
June Marheineke	May 18
Bill Gunkelman	May 18

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!!



Joe & Karen Hopersberger	May 7
John & Chris Sweeney	May 11
George & Ellen Francis	May 13
Giovan & Helen Candela	May 15
Ken & Chris Krause	May 25

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CORPORATE COMMUNION MASSES

Our next Corporate Communion Mass will be on June 22 at the 7:45 a.m. Mass.

Below are assignments for Accolytes and Lectors:

Lectors: Jeff Loeb & George Loewen
Accolytes: Gary Skarb & Gary Gozdzielski



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
William Carron	



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.

Frank Gaal

For the Good of the Order

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



Joann AlesCaroline KrmelWilliam StickneyFrank AiutoGreg KropidlowskiChuck StorkMario AsaroPat LabadieJoseph R. Sweeney

Jackie Backes

Norm Beaudin

Aric Bekaert

Mark Leflere

Joseph R. Sweeney

Mildred Tarbuck

Mildred Tarbuck

Troy Vestrand

Megan Wiley

Bruno Bellini Ken Loewen Charlene Wojtaszek
BK-Donald Bieschke Patricia Loewen Dean Douglas Wojtaszek

Kevin BondraCarol LomasneyDavid WozniakMichelle BoydTom LomasneyAlana Zalac

BK-Joe Burdzinski Sr. Genevieve Marheineke

Ron Burke Lynn Maron
Lorri Coughlin BK-John Marotta
BK-Ray Coughlin BK-Vincent McInnis
Sherri Czarny Brian McLaughlin

Gail Clisby SK-George Mejaly removed next month,
Allan Dzwonkowski Dolores Moquin from you.

Jill Nelson

SK-Leon Eggers Mark Nelson

BK-Richard Emmers Monica Noch

Jake Fix Antonina Pardo

BK Glarence Gajewski Marie Peever
Art Gapczynski Barbra Petoskey
Chris Gapczynski BK-James Petoskey

Sue Dzwonkowski

Beverly Gattari Joan Pfaff Fr. Lou Grandpre **Bob Pickett** Sandy Grobbel Sr. Ann Plum **BK-Joseph Goddell** Sophie Praski Betty Gutkowski **Becky Pullis** Michelle Gutkowski Mary Ann Rable Paul Gutkowski Kathryn Ricard Robert Gutkowski **BK-Joe Ricard Bernard Hoste** Don Ricksiedler **Gerry Hoste** Veronica Salvatore **Sharon Hoste Candice Schmidt** Tillie Hoste Michael Sera Pete Hubbard Alice Serra Patti Smith **BK-Tom Hug**

NOTE: <u>Underlined names</u> will be removed next month, unless we hear

(BK) "Brother Knight" (SK) "Sir Knight"



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

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Warden	Tony Guido	586-201-4409
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Outside	Tom Gray	586-468-2165
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Trustee	Chuck Loewen	586-228-0475
Trustee	PGK Karl Sziisz	586-286-5238
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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

God Bless America
Land that I Love
Stand Beside Her
And Guide Her
Through the Night
With a Light From Above

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St Paul of Tarsus Knights of Columbus Council 11689 Member Information

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Member Name:				
Wife's Name:				
Member's Birthday:				
Wife's Birthday:				
Anniversary:				
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