

Knight News

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Grand Knights Corner

IMPORTANT INFO!

If you know of other members of the council who might not be receiving this newsletter, please pass their email information along to Tony Sachse as well so we can add them to the mailing list.

Dues notices have been sent. Please return them as well as your fraternal activities survey back as soon as possible.

Grand Knight's Notes

My Brother Knights,

As Knights and as Catholic gentlemen, we hold the health of Pope Francis in our hearts and prayers and continue to pray for his recovery while also rejoicing in his release from the hospital.

We have entered the Lenten season and are called to reflect inward and ask ourselves, "Am I the person God created me to be? Am I fostering the growth of holiness in others or hindering it? -Father Dave Pleier" We each seek to be the person God has wanted us to be and through the Knights we are able to help reach these goals. I challenge you all to reflect on these goals for the remainder of Lent.

We are a council that values service above self. We continue to promote service to the community through the Sunday supper which saw 10 members and their spouses support 40 meals to those less fortunate. We also supported donations to the community as well.

We celebrated the induction of three new Knights to the council and had an e-member join our council as well. Thank you to Membership Director Jeff Thompson and those that assisted in our membership drive for their efforts. I ask you to welcome our newest brother Knights: **David Olsen**, **David Duvall**, and **James Tyeptanar** and e-member **Brad Yaggie** to our council. This puts us ever closer to our membership goal for Star Council of 9 members. We need just two more members to join by June 30th to hit this goal. If you know of a Catholic Gentleman who would be a good Knight of Columbus, please let myself or any of the leadership team know.

Vivat Jesus,

Jeff Sachse

Grand Knight, Council 1957

Faith

St. Peter the Fisherman Church is always **in need of volunteers** for various supporting roles for weekend masses. Please consider volunteering to help demonstrate that the Knights of Columbus can be counted on as the strong right arm of the Church. To volunteer, please contact the parish.



We continue to have a growing group after our monthly meeting that hangs around to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy following the business meeting. Additionally, if the meeting runs less than one hour this is used as the closing prayer for the meeting in support of our intentions for the meeting and those mentioned as part of the good of the order. It is truly uplifting to see the group of men praying for something more. The spirit of community and the power of our prayer is evident. I ask that more of our brothers consider joining.

Family

Congratulations the winners of our council's Knight of the Month and Family of the Month selections from this month's meeting.

March

Knight of the Month: Charles Blaszczyk

Family of the Month: Deacon Tom Tomaszewski and his wife Nancy

Please keep all of our members and their families in your prayers this month.

Community

Our council helped to host Sunday Supper March 16th. Thank you to Brother Knights: Stan Snyder, Marvin Krall, Jeff Thompson, Steve Bacalzo, Ed Vanderbloomen, Todd Gates, Tony Sachse as well as Ladies Noreen Vanderbloomen, Debby Gates and Sandy Abts for their support in serving Irish Stew, Garlic Bread and desserts to all those that attended. It was appreciated by all that attended

Our council along with the staff of LB Clarke also completed the Math and Spelling contests for grades 5-8. We had 53 entries to the spelling contest and 38 entries to the math contest. Awards were provided to our winners. We thank the staff of LB Clarke for their assistance in completing this program.

Life

Nothing to report this month.

Fourth Degree

We have an upcoming exemplification April 12th in Kenosha. Let us try to see 2-3 more Sir Knights to join and help us reach our Star Assembly goal this year. If you know of any interested 3rd degree Knights, please let FN Ed or FC Tony know.

Our end of year banquet is May 14th at Rita Supper Club (former Machuts) with cocktails at 5:00 and dinner to start around 6-6:30pm) if you are interested in attending the cost is \$25.00 per person. Please let FN Ed Vanderbloomen know (ednoreen@gmail.com)

FN Ed VanderBloomen reported that the ceremonial for the 4th degree has been revised and is now organized for public exposition like our Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. This upcoming exemplification will be conducted with the new format.

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