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Upcoming Events...

Please Note!

Thursday, May 13 Council business meeting, 7:30 p.m. in **Main Hall in the school building** (this time only).

Thursday, May 27, Social Meeting 7:30 p.m. Program to be Announced.



MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE

As has been the custom in our council, we will again sell bunches of beautiful flowers after all the Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday morning, May 8 and 9. Brother Knight Mike Cahill, chairman of the event, tells us there will be a variety of flowers to choose from. Remember brothers that your wife is the mother of your children.

Mike will appreciate some help in manning the tables in the front vestibule so sign up or call him at 847/537-6835 or mjcahill338@msn.com. All is for benefit of the Women's Center.

You, the members of this council...

*, Michael Bixler, Michael Brown, *, Robert Buehler, *, Vincent Caffarello, *, *, Carmelo Cea, George Colangelo, *, Patrick Cox, Colin Crowley, James Daly, *, *, Robert Delaney, Michael Delaney, Kenneth Dunlavy, Richard Evans, *, *, Davis Gray, *, Victor Grossi, Matthew Hahn, Thomas Hennessy, *, William Herman, *, *, *, Patrick Kindelin, Mike Kolassa, Robert Kovanda, Robert Krueger, *, *, David Kukral, Alfonso LaPelussa, Ronald Lewis, Liberto Lazo, *, Patrick Madigan, Stephen Maloney, John Marienthal, Bruce Martinelli, Eric Martinez, *, Michael McGrady, Rev. Michsel McMahan, Edward McNeela, Paul Michelson, Daniel Minaghan, *, *, Christopher Montalto, Paul Myer, *, *, *, Javier Olives, Louis Paolillo, Fabian Pereira, Bruce Peters., Rev. Andrew Plishka, Alfred Portillo, *, Victor Rossi, Tony Salpietro, Mark Sarlitto, *, Leonard Schiller, *, Roland Schwind, Wayne Sledz, Joseph Spiteri, Anthony Stencil, *, *, Mike Swanson, Robert Swanson, *, Ronald Tegler, *, *, Sam Ventralla, Douglas Vitale, Joseph Vitale, *, Daniel Waddell, *, *, *, George Whitting, *, Gregory Wrzezinski, *, *, *

*are invited to attend the next council meeting on
Thursday, May 13, 2010 and all council meetings to
experience the benefits of being a
Knight of Columbus.*

*Some time ago, you joined our council and we miss
having you take part in our activities. The meetings
provide an opportunity for you to make friends and help
the council grow. You can provide personal and
professional expertise as each man who is privileged to call
himself a Knight of Columbus has a personal talent, one
capacity in which he excels to a greater extent than his
fellowmen.*

*The May meeting will be held in the
Main Hall in the school building (this meeting only)
and will start at 7:30 p.m.*

We hope to see you there.

* each asterisk denotes an officer or an active member who frequently attends meetings and participates in council activities

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Prayers Needed...

As we close our business meeting, we gather to pray for our relatives, friends and others who may be helped. After the March meeting, we prayed for: Kim Kloes, Jamie Dunne, John O'Donnell, Diana Sarlitto, Mel Cea, Meinholtz Family, Mark Sarlitto, Fr. Reszel-Life Decisions, Diane Meyer and Sister Maria Paulina.

MARKET DAY BENEFIT

We are a little bit early but this is a reminder for marking your calendar to help at the AUGUST 13 Market Day distribution. Whereas there are quite a few brother knights (and some of their wives) help out each month, the August event is special because the profits that day will benefit our council. Please arrive about Noon at the Fr. Duffy Center gymnasium.

FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Our council is on the threshold of earning another Star Council Award. With that in mind, there will be a First Degree Exemplification held at the next council business meeting on May 13 at 7:30 p.m. We currently have three candidates that have qualified for membership but we are always looking for practicing catholic gentlemen to join our ranks. If you know a man who would make a good member, contact Don Bartelt, membership chairman at 847/438-7270 or donbartelt@earthlink.net.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The MAY COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE MAIN HALL AT THE USUAL TIME 7:30 P.M.



Brother Knights...

I recently heard a radio spot inviting men to join the Knights of Columbus. Part of the message stated that the primary purpose of the Knights is to provide support for the members and their families through the insurance program. Hearing this struck me how very fundamentally this is a charitable program, which got me thinking that the first principle of the Knights: Charity. And as coincidence would have it, I just received a Charities report from the State Council. The report details goals and contributions by Council for five funds. They are: Newman Fund, MR/LD, Pro Life, General Assistance (GAF) and Vocations. We have met our goals for Newman and Vocations, we are a little short (\$548 out of \$7001) for MR/LD, and at zero contributions for Pro Life and GAF, totaling \$200 between them. The MR/LD fund is based on the Tootsie Roll drive, and it is what it is. But I would like to believe that we can in charity meet the other two goals. We have a membership of just over 100 Knights; and I ask that each of us donate just \$2.00 to cover these shortages. If you can't attend our next business or social meeting, you can give your contribution to one of the officers, you can leave it at the parish office, or you can mail it to me or to our Charity Committee chairman DGK Dennis Delaney.

I am at 1039 Whitehall Drive, Buffalo Grove and Dennis is at 505 Old McHenry Road, Wheeling. Thank you for your support of these very worthwhile programs, and may God bless you 100-fold.

Vivat Jesus
Dan Minarik, Grand Knight



Brother Knights:

All the Faithful are invited to attend the recitation of a **LIVING ROSARY** and crowning of Mary **Saturday, May 15** *Immediately after the 4:30 pm Mass in the grotto*

Join the members of Our Lady of the Grove Council No. 13448, Knights of Columbus for this beautiful prayer service.

Our Lady of the Grove Council with its name "Our Lady of the Grove" honors the Blessed Mother and we are blessed with her care and love for us. It is with this in mind that we ask that you and your immediate family all join together at the grotto on Saturday evening, May 15. Please also ask your other relatives and friends and neighbors to join us for this very happy occasion. The reciting of the rosary is not a very long drawn out affair so spare those few minutes to pray. It is the Saturday after Mother's Day so you will also be honoring your mother and our Blessed Mother.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY... MAY

Liberato Lazo	1
Joseph Spiteri	3
Don Wagner	3
George Whitting	15
John Marenthal	16
Ken Dunlavy	19

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The end of the fraternal year is approaching fast and it is important that we shall be led again by competent and knowledgeable leaders. The normal procedure is that a slate of officers is presented at the May business meeting and all members are so informed. The election is held at the June business meeting. At either of these two meetings, nominations can be made by the members attending which then are added to the ballot. Anyone who is interested in becoming an officer of the council should let his intentions be known to the grand knight or one of the trustees. If you are interested or have questions about the officer positions, contact Grand Knight Dan Minarik.

The installation of officers will be at the June social meeting and the new officers will begin their term on July 1. The terms are for one year.

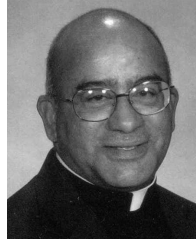
Being an officer of the council is a rewarding experience which many men find that it also helps them develop their personality and leadership ability.

Or...you may be interested in becoming a member of the First Degree Exemplification team. Is so, contact team captain P.G.K. Thad Steward of any of the team members.

ARE YOUR DUES PAID?

Dues are supposed to be paid as of January 1st so if you still haven't paid, please pay them and make Fred's job easier of balancing his books.

THANK YOU.



From Our Chaplain...

Dear Brother Knights...

The month of May begins with the feast for St. Joseph the Worker on May 1. We, as Knights of Columbus are dedicated to being "WORKERS" in the vineyard of the Lord and are guided by the four principles of the Order – "Charity, Unity, Fraternity" and "Patriotism".

Like Saint Joseph, let us try to be faithful workers in God's Vineyard without looking for prestige, success and appreciation. Let us humbly place ourselves as God's instruments in and where the Lord calls is.

Let the four principles be our guide.

May is also the month of the Holy Rosary, a prayer dedicated to Mother Mary. While we repeatedly recite the Hail Mary, the focus is on the Life, Suffering and Glory of Jesus Christ. Let us not forget the Rosary, as we have experienced is a powerful prayer.

Let us pray the Rosary fervently this month particularly for His Holiness the Pope, the Hierarchy of the Catholic Church and all Leaders in general.

God Bless you and your families.

Father Denis Carneiro

UPDATE ABOUT THE YOUTH PROGRAMS

SPELLING BEE

We sent three contestants to the regional but only one, Tiffany Chun placed in the top 3. As such, she is going to the State finals at Chatham, Illinois. We are proud of all the contestants but especially Tiffany for reaching this far. More will be reported later.

FREE THROW CONTEST

They tried hard and scored well but unfortunately, not well enough to beat the competitors. Our thanks to those who participated and we hope they will try again next year.

POSTER CONTEST

We are still waiting for the final results. We previously announced that one poster was chosen for the national evaluation.

ESSAY CONTEST

Essay Chairman Rich Wemstrom reports that there were 28 essays turned in for this competition. Whereas they were all well written, the winning entry was submitted by Elizabeth Renger "The Calling of a Catholic: Responsibilities in a Free Society. She is an eight grade Student at St. Mary School taught by Mrs. M Burke.. She will receive a K of C certificate and a prize at School Awards Night.

The chairmen of these events should be commended for their leadership: P.G.K. Thad Steward, Mike Sarlitto, Mike McEvoy, and Richard Wemstrom. Thank you.



FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

Fourth Degree Exemplification

The Fourth Degree is the Patriotic Degree. Members have an option to serve in Honor Guards and wear regalia in these duties. Most of the council's sir knights belong to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly 2410. At the exemplification of the Fourth Degree on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort, three of our council members received the honors of the Fourth Degree: Grand Knight Dan Minarik, Don Junius and Richard Dawidowicz. Congratulations to the new Sir Knights!

The next Assembly meeting will be on Tuesday, May 18 at Holy Rosary Council Hall at 7:30 p.m. The slate of for new officers will be announced.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 8. The Assembly will hold a fun evening of Horse Racing (simulated) and live auction. Proceeds will benefit SALUTE, INC., a local charity that pursues meeting the financial, physical and emotional needs of our military service members, veterans and their families. ALL ARE WELCOME! Contact Mike Bryscan Faithful Navigator, 847/821-7650 or mbryscan@hotmail.com or Past Faithful Mike McMahon at 847/391-5073 for more information.



HOW TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY

"gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime...let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude, the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan."

General John Logan, General Order No. 11, 5, May 1868

The "Memorial" in Memorial Day has been ignored by too many of us who are beneficiaries of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. Often we do not observe the day as it should be, a day where we actively remember our ancestors, our family members, our loved ones, our neighbors and our friends who have given the ultimate sacrifice:

- * by visiting cemeteries and placing flags or flowers on the graves of our fallen heroes
- * by visiting memorials
- * by flying the U.S. Flag at half-staff until noon
- * by flying the "POW/MIA Flag" as well (section 1082 of the 1998 Defense Authorization Act.)
- * by participating in a "National Moment of Remembrance" at 3 P.M to pause and think upon the true meaning of the day, and for Taps to be played.
- * by renewing a pledge to aid the widows, widowers, and orphans of our fallen dead, and to aid the disabled veterans.

PATRIOTISM... our fourth principle!



If you do not own a Flag of the United States, BUY One and remember to fly it on these days :

ARMED FORCES DAY	May 15
MEMORIAL DAY	May 31
FLAG DAY	June 14



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