



KNIGHT LIFE



St. Lawrence Council 2950

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GRAND KNIGHT - A FEW WORDS FROM SCOTT....

Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

Happy July! Summer has arrived!

I would like to thank everyone for a great 2018-19 fraternal year!

I am proud to announce that we have met all of the criteria to achieve **STAR COUNCIL!** I expect to receive this award later this fall. I have to be honest; I did not have this in my plan for our council as I originally thought that the membership and insurance goals would not be possible. But with the help of all of you helping with new members, committing to insurance policies, working the new membership process ("Delta Drive") and continued support of all of our programs we were able to get the job done! Congratulations to everyone as this was truly a team effort!

We are also scheduled to receive the following awards:

- Public Relations "PR" Award – A first for our council!
- 2019 MI-Drive Program – For Most Money Collected \$38,647.97
- Columbian Award – Programs Completed
- Fr. McGivney Award – Membership Quota Reached
- Founders Award – Insurance Quota Reached

WE ARE MEN OF FAITH AND MEN OF ACTION!

Thank you all for that YOU, along with your FAMILIES do for our council!

MEMBERSHIP GOALS 2019-20

We have a goal of 29 new members (actually more due to upcoming suspensions). I already have the commitment from Gary Lusk for 40 new members for this new fraternal year. So, let's support him in this effort. Please take out that form 100 that I gave out at our last meeting and write down that prospects name on the form. This will motivate you to approach him....sometimes all you have to do is ask him to join. You know the reasons....remember when you joined?

Please get these forms from our new **Membership Director, Gary Lusk @MD2950@mikofc.org**. Keep up the great work for recruiting! It is up to all of us to help!

INSURANCE GOALS 2019-20

We have a goal of 10 new insurance members for the new fraternal year. Have you looked at your insurance needs lately? Do you have any questions regarding your current policies? Are you looking to get some additional coverage to further support our order?

Please contact our **Worthy Field Agent** to schedule an appointment.

Anthony Bliss

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HAVE YOU MISSED SOME MEETINGS?

Our meetings are the 2nd and last Thursday's of the month. The first meeting is our **council meeting** and the second meeting is our **planning meeting**. Both are open meetings and all membership is invited to attend. My goal is to have the meetings last no longer than an hour to be most effective. We continue to make changes to our content to save time each week, so if you have any suggestions to save time, I am always willing to listen and implement the changes. Keep up the great attendance!

COUNCIL OPEN POSITIONS...

As an assignment from our **Worthy District Deputy, Jason Meyers**, we are looking for a **Young Adult Director** at this time. This will have to be developed into a new role. Our order is looking for councils to reach out to young adults (age 18-40) to provide insight and interest with what the KofC has to offer.

YOUNG ADULT DIRECTOR – OPEN



THANK YOU NOTES!

- Thank you – All that helped at the June breakfast! Raised \$988.00
- Thank you – All that purchased insurance to get us to **STAR COUNCIL!**
- Thank you – Gary Lusk for a successful blood drive! Collected 31 units!
- Thank you – All that attended Corporate Communion!
- All that have paid their 2019 dues!
 - Consider +\$6 Sacred Heart Seminary Endowment
 - +\$10 Campaigns for Michigan Take 10 Charities
 - State Raffle – Goal is \$300,000 (More detail coming...)

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL
KNIGHT LIFE**

St. Lawrence Council 2950

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MEETINGS - 2nd and last Thursday of each month

OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Father Roman Pasieczny
District Deputy.....Jason Meyers
Grand Knight.....Scott A. Morgan
Deputy Grand Knight.....Francis V. Elwart
Warden.....Guy Anzell
Chancellor.....Harry Kuk
Trustee.....Dennis Seefried, Joe Lograsso, Kim Wiegand
Recorder.....Antonio Quagliato
Treasurer.....Don Heydens
Advocate.....James Bokshan
Financial Secretary.....Paul Burmeister
Lecturer.....Robert Walz
Inside Guard.....John Gasowski
Outside Guard.....Carlos Pertusi, Dan Lekki
Roundtable Coordinator.....Ed Braet

DIRECTORS

Program Director.....Joe Lograsso
Faith Director.....Paul Cone
Membership Director.....Gary Lusk
Church Activities Director.....Rick Lumetta
Health Service Director.....Gary Lusk
Public Relations Director.....Steven Salter
Youth Activities Director.....Joe Lograsso
Family Life Director.....Paul Cone
Community Activities Director.....Francis Elwart
Youth Activities Director.....Joseph Lograsso
Insurance Promotion.....Scott Morgan

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Knight Life Editor.....Larry Nardecchia
Degree Master.....Don Heydens
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.....Joseph Lograsso, Daniel Weingartz
Vocations Chairman.....Dale Niedzwiecki
Holy Cross Children's Services Chairman.....Warren Sawdon
Eyes for the Needy.....Tom Mueller
Pro-Life.....Chris Gill (Sharon)
Picnic Grounds.....Dale Niedzwiecki
Retentions.....Ray Keller
Hall Manager (Main).....Phil Kupser
Hall Manager (Back).....Dennis Murray

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Supreme Website Link – www.kofc.org

Supreme Council Website for Career Opportunity –

<http://www.kofc.org/careers>

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR
JULY – February 2020**

July 1, 2019 – Knights Corp meeting – 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm – Club Room.

July 3, 2019 – Men's Fellowship Meeting – 6:00 – 7:30 pm – Club Room.

July 4, 2019 – **INDEPENDENCE DAY!**

July 8, 2019 – KofC Diocesan Meeting Detroit – 6:00 – 9:00 pm – St. Isidore Church.

July 11, 2019 – KofC Council Meeting and Monthly Rosary and Installation of Officers – Rosary – 7:30 pm – Meeting 8:00 -9:30 pm – Main Hall.

July 14, 2019 – KofC Monthly Breakfast – 8:00 am – 12:00 pm – Main Hall.

July 15, 2019 – KofC District Meeting – 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm – Club Room.

July 17, 2019 – Men's Fellowship Meeting – 6:00 am – 7:30 am – Club Room.

July 25, 2019 – KofC Planning Meeting and 1st Degree - 8:00 – 9:30 Pm – Main Hall.

October 13 & 14, 2019 – Fall Casino Bus Trip. See flyer for additional information.

February 8, 2020 – Wild Game Dinner – 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm – Main Hall.



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The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at (888) 393-7539, or don.wesley@kofc.org

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

We would like to wish all those people who are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries during the month of July a Happy Birthday or a Happy Anniversary.

KOFC 32950 – NEW FOOD FOR FAMILIES – CANNED GOODS DRIVE



- We have implemented a canned goods drive at all of our council meetings moving forward.
- All collections will go to St. Lawrence Parish to continually support their food pantry.
- We will have a bin in the club room for donations.
- Thank you to Jim Adams for getting the bin set up!

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The July Knight of the month is Walter Klatzke. He has lived in Sterling Heights on Lizabet for the past 21 years. He and his wife Patricia have been married for 19 years and have three children – Hannah (17), Philip (15) and Meta (13). Walter has three children from his first marriage – Crystal (36), Daniel (34) and Mathew (33). Their grandchildren are AJ, Bradon, Autumn, Jack and Andrew. The family attends church, works the Applefest and Knights of Columbus activities.

Walter is retired from his job and Patricia works as a pharmacist. . He joined St. Lawrence KofC in 2018.

In their spare time the family enjoys going up north for vacations and playing card and board games.

Congratulations Walter on being chosen Knight of the Month for July by your Brother Knights.

OUR SICK MEMBERS

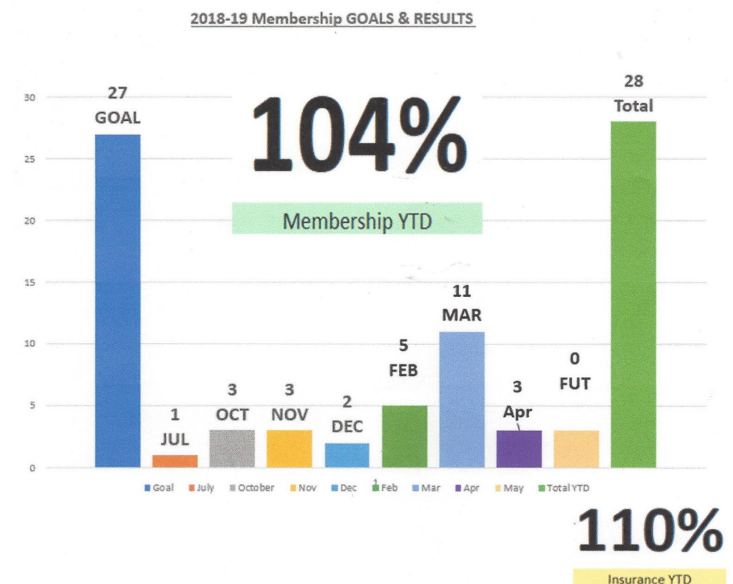
Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering:

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| Joan Shekoski | Beverly Bebee | Jim Langeveld |
| Stan Singer | Tracey Vallelunga | Jeremy Yorke |
| Kenneth Mulka | Ron Wiegand | Joshua Walz |
| Nancy Campbell | Linda Nardecchia | Griffen Davies |
| Ray Phillips | Olivia Kelly Tsvetkoff | Clara Mueller |
| Bonnie Attard | Julie Gasowski | Joe Lograsso |
| Baby John Venterini | Edgar Lee Buckwor | Mark Mallia |
| Victor Gatt | Richard Gitter | Kelly Gill |
| Carol Poma | Joann Wiegand | Dolan Gilbert |
| Norm Altz | John Mohan | Kevin Popis |
| Robert Quaine Sr. | Roy Ansell | Paul Rybicki |
| Maureen Merpi | Francis Jerome | Matt Gumbel |
| Robert Quaine, Jr. | Jeanne Schoenjahn | Rene Battani |
| Robert Rogensee | Thomas Zarro | Maria Gatt |
| David Wiegand | Ken Gruenwald | Megan Singer |
| Theresa O'Connor | Ruth Thomas | Mike Hoste |
| Sandy Papuga | Leonard Sienkowski | Alma Ansell |
| Vincent Mallia | Heidi Higgings | Frank Singer |
| Leonard Sienkowski | Ethan Kammer | Ed Sheridan |
| MaryLu DeFauw | Giuseppe Randazzo | Jack Peake |
| Ken Von Zitwitt | Mary Horrie | Linda Braet |
| Bert Martin | Thomas Brennan | Allen Rooks |
| Jackie Hohnstrieter | Thomas Daneron | Finley Monroe |
| Janette Buckwor | Larry Campbell | Joe Bauer |
| Yousif Denha | Brandon Fuller | |
| Jennifer Chandler | | |

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families:

If you know of anyone who should be on the list please call us at (586) 978-0579 or email us at: lindanardecchia@gmail.com. Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

2018-19 MEMBERSHIP GOALS AND RESULTS



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The July Family of the Month belongs to John Gasowski and his wife Lee. They have lived on Loni Drive in Sterling Heights for 23 years. In November of 2019 they will celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary. They have one daughter Julie who is 15 years old.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish where John is an usher and Lee plays the drums, is Director UBS, wedding coordinator, funeral lunches, catechism volunteer, and Eucharistic Minister. Julie lectures, plays guitar at mass, KofC youth leadership and youth group.

John has worked the last eight years in the automotive industry while Lee has worked the last four years as CEO for Empowerment Opportunities.

John joined St. Lawrence KofC in 2014. He has held the office of guard.

In their spare time the family enjoys spending time camping, going to the movies, fishing and sporting events.

Congratulations John and Lee on being chosen Family of the month for July by your Brother Knights.

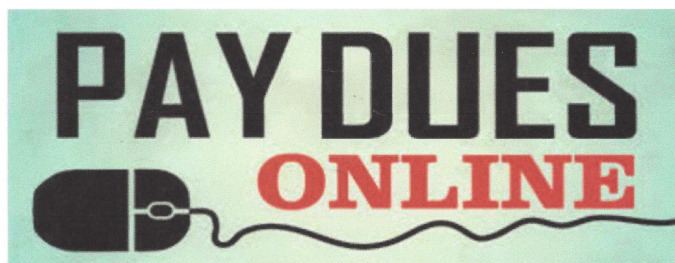


All articles for the KnightLife should be sent to my new email address which is – lindanardecchia@gmail.com.

Scott Morgan will now be using the following email address: gk2950@mikofc.org instead of Steve Salter. Joe Lograsso will be using the following email address: pd2950@mikofc.org

PAY DUES ONLINE

- Electronic Payments Coming Soon . . .
- We will advise at our next council meeting



Knights of Columbus “BENEFITS NEWS”

Knights of Columbus “BENEFITS NEWS” UPDATE YOUR BENEFICIARIES

Update Your Beneficiaries. Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take, for example, the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it may very well be that the person you originally selected as the beneficiary is no longer the person you would want to receive the policy proceeds. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since married, your policies should be updated to reflect your spouse as beneficiary. Maybe you've had children, who are not named on the policies.

Most people list a primary beneficiary, who is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary, an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

I routinely call all of my policy holders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – that is, the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that I'll discuss during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

I look forward to meeting with each of you to discuss your family's needs.

**Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.*

**Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,
LONG-TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE**

Just a reminder that Jakub Shonka is my Administrative Assistant. The #1 role of an Admin is to assist the Field Agent in fulfilling his primary obligation, which is to meet with all members of their assigned Councils on a regular basis, so he'll be contacting each of you.

In Christ,

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As a reminder, please visit some of the following for Catholic related content: <http://www.newadvent.org/> <http://www.aod.org/> <http://vatican.com/>

Viva Jesus!
Scott

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WILD GAME DINNER

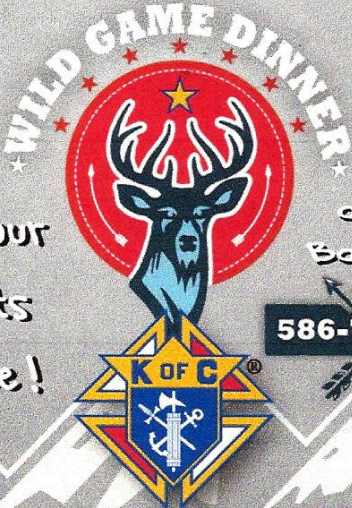
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FALL CASINO BUS TRIP

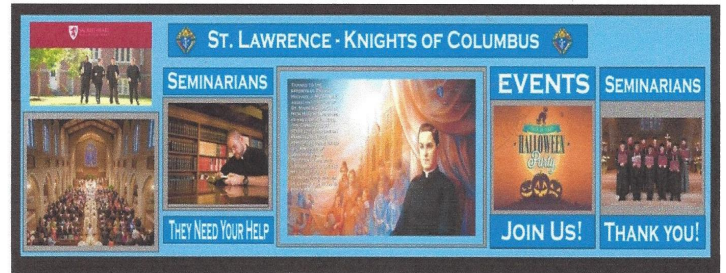
Please see the flyer in this publication of the KnightLife for the fall casino bus trip. We are trying to fill two (2) busses, so please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to spend some quality time with us on this overnight venture and help us raise funds for the MI Drive as well.

This will be a Sunday – Monday trip and we will be visiting three (3) casinos: Kewadin St. Ignace on the way up, spending the night at Bay Mills, and stopping at Odawa in Petoskey on the return. The cost is \$125.00 per person based on double occupancy with up to \$45.00 back in Casino Packages; also the beverages are free while gaming at Bay Mills Casino.

Once again Thanks in advance for your continued support.

George Wiegand, PGK
Casino Trip Coordinator

KOFC #2950 – NEW SEMINARIAN BOARD – COMING SOON . . .



Thank you to **Rob Murawski, Dale and Karen Niedzwiecki** for working on this project! Our **Worthy Chaplain Fr. Roman Pasieczny** has approved for this to be displayed in the gathering space at St. Lawrence Parish! It will be updated on a regular basis and will help exhibit and promote the support that is provided to those who are called to the priesthood. The funds collected are distributed via checks to the Seminarians directly. This is reported out via our RSVP Program forms to Supreme Council on an annual basis.



On July 4th we celebrate our independence from Britain. We became a new, united, free and independent states.

October 13-14, 2019

The Knights of Columbus

\$125 Per Person St. Lawrence Council
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Sunday - Monday

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on the way home



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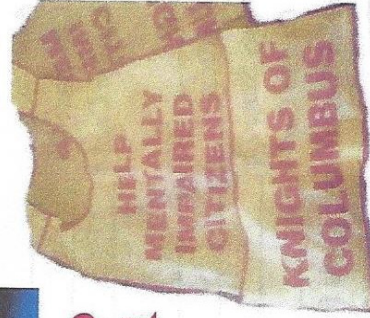
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October 13-14, 2019

Trip Itinerary

Sunday: (please note - times are approximate, and subject to change)

7:00 am

rear of the Utica K of C Hall

Stop for Breakfast - Pinconning McDonalds

St Ignace Kewadin Casino -

\$10 Slot play

Load bus for Bay Mills

Bay Mills Casino Escort will get room keys

\$15 Free play \$10 Meal Credit

5:30 pm

Monday:

10:45am-11am Load bus and depart

Odawa Casino Petoskey

\$5 slot play per person plus \$5 per 100 bonus points

3:45-4pm

Load bus and depart Odawa

Stretch stop Pinconning McDonalds

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