



# KNIGHT LIFE



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## FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

### Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

Thanks to:

- Everyone who helped at the February breakfast.
- Everyone who helped with our February 17<sup>th</sup> Major Degree. This includes setting up the hall, participating as the degree team and Francis Elwart for supplying a luncheon.

Special thanks to our Membership Director Jim Adams.

Congratulations to our new Brother Knights:

1. Thomas Dapoz
2. Michael Topolewski

Congratulations to the Brother Knights who went through the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees:

1. Andrew Peklo
2. Michael Roth
3. Unh Huang
4. Martin Tapia
5. Mike Topolewski
6. Gary Topolewski
7. Thomas Dapoz

Thanks to everyone who helped out on our first Wild Game Dinner on February 10<sup>th</sup>. The idea was brought in by Francis Elwart, our Warden, about one year ago. Bob Walz took this under this wing and ran with it. He did a tremendous amount of work, as did Rob Murawski, Scott Morgan, and Paul Burmeister. Thanks also to committeemen John Gasowski and Jason Meyers. Jim Ososkie did a great job as our announcer. Thanks also to everyone who helped set up the hall, volunteered the night of, and broke down the hall for the next days' event.

The dinner generated about \$2,300 each, for four separate charities:

1. Challenger Baseball – They work with mentally challenged teens, teaching them to play baseball.
2. FAR – They work with autistic adults and kids.
3. Mary's Mantle – They work with young mothers who are in need of housing.
4. Mary's Children – They work with brain damaged people.

### Here are the upcoming events:

- **March 3** – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at DeCarlo's
- **March 4** – Knights monthly breakfast

In March, the Church celebrates the following events:

- **March 19** – St. Joseph the Worker – Patron of the Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, workers, travelers, immigrants, and a happy death.
- **March 25** – Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

***\*\*PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO JOIN US FOR OUR MEETINGS. EVERY ONE OF YOU IS IMPORTANT TO US\*\****

Just a reminder, go to [NewAdvent.org](http://NewAdvent.org) for a wonderful web site for all things Catholic.

Viva Jesus,

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## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of March we are honoring Brother Knight Harry Kuk and his wife Bernadette. They have lived at their address for 39 years. They have been married for 47 years. They have one daughter – Candace Kuk LaFerle (45 yrs old).

The family attends St. Lawrence Church where Harry and Bernadette are both ushers. Bernadette teaches EM. They are on the Worship Committee.

Harry is retired from his job.

Harry joined St. Lawrence Council in 1992. He has held the offices of Guard and Chancellor.

The family enjoys bowling, movies, sports, and casino trips in their spare time.

Congratulations Harry and Bernadette on being chosen March Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the month of March we are honoring Brother Knight Paul Burmeister. He and his wife Lisa have lived on Plum Grove in Macomb for 30 years. They have been married for 40 years and have two children – Christina and Rachel.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL  
KNIGHT LIFE**

St. Lawrence Council 2950

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Council Website: <http://www.uticakofc.com>

MEETINGS - 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Thursday of each month

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**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR  
MARCH – DECEMBER**

**March 3, 2018** – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at DeCarlo's.

**March 4, 2018** - Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**March 7, 2018** - Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm. (This meeting is open to all members.) **Attendance of Knights Corp Members is MANDATORY.**

**March 8, 2018** - First meeting of the month at our Hall at 8:00 pm.

**March 23, 24, 25, 2018 – TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE.**

**March 29, 2018** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the month at our Hall at 8:00 pm.

**April 8, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**May 13, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast (Bring All Mothers) at our Hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**June 17, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast (For All Fathers) at our Hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**July 15, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**August 19, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**September 16, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**October 14, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**November 11, 2018** – Knights Hall Breakfast at our hall from 8:30 – Noon.

**December 16, 2018** – Children's Christmas Party.

Faternally,  
Joe Manuszak  
Council Activities Director



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## IT'S TOOTSIE ROLL TIME AGAIN

It's that time of the year again, **Tootsie Roll** time, this year's dates are March 23rd, 24th, and 25th! We are once again looking for your support by either helping on the streets, store fronts or financially.

Every year it seems that we have to become more creative in our ways of collecting funds for this endeavor. Our street access has been limited at best to side roads in low traffic areas if allowed any access at all; unlike past years where we had visibility on higher traffic intersections and streets. That is why we once again sent out a mailing to all of our members asking them to solicit financial support from their friends and families.

We will have someone in the club room on all three days of this year's drive to dispense aprons, Tootsie Rolls, coordinate street or store assignments and availability. If you know your local store manager ask if they would allow someone to stand outside with a canister to collect; let us know and we will try to assign someone there.

It's through your support that we can once again make our drive a success and be able to provide the funds so desperately needed to the organizations that do so much for the physically and mentally impaired citizens in our communities.

Once again; thank you in advance for your support.

Your M.I. Drive Co-Chairmen,

Paul Burmeister, Joe Lograsso  
Dan Weingartz, George Wiegand

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH CONTINUED

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Church. Lisa teaches Catechism and they both chair the church Applefest.

Paul joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 1995. He has held the offices of Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and Building Corporation President. He has co-chaired the MI Drive.

Paul states that he doesn't do anything in his spare time because he doesn't have any.

Congratulations Paul for being chosen March Knight of the Month by your Brother Knights.

## NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

All articles for the KnightLife should be sent to my new email address which is – [lindanardeccchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardeccchia@gmail.com).

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL

If you need to be at our hall during school pick-up or drop-off times, please note the following information:

St. Lawrence School uses our Back lot and driveway (exit side) as a means of routing traffic before and after school.

The following are the approximate times that the school uses our lot. Parking behind the hall will **NOT** be available during these times.

**DROP OFF – 8:15 AM – 9:15 AM**

**PICK UP – 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

**\*\*MOST IMPORTANT** - please note that there are **NO LEFT TURNS** out of our parking lot during the afternoon pickup.

## OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: James Welch, Megan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Mary Ann Campbell, John Manuszak, Jeremy Yorke, Kenneth Mulka, Richard Bino, Ron Wiegand, Joshua Walz, Mike Hoste, Marion Lelito, Richard Wisniewski, Sharon Dillaway, Ed Campbell, Bonnie Attard, Marjorie Belvedere, Linda Picio, Griffen Davies, Ray Phillips, Olivia Kelly Tsvetkoff, Jerry Noonan, Chris Mueller, Crystal Gittens, Ray Phillips, Richard Bino, Richard Gitter, David Kennedy, Kelly Gill, Sharon Winkler, Don Heydens Jr., Barb Zientek, Tony Merpi, Julie Elwart, Dolan Gilbert, Linda Nardecchia, Kari Nardecchia, Norm Altz, Chuck Tollum, Mrs. Damarais, Maurice D'Hondt and MaryLu DeFauw.

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: [lindanardeccchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardeccchia@gmail.com). Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.



## KNIGHT'S BANQUET HALL UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Welcome Ernie's Catering! The Knights Corporation is pleased to welcome Ernie's Catering as our new banquet hall management team! Sam Backos, owner of Ernie's Mediterranean in Clinton Township, MI and his professional staff have many years of elegant banquet services experience! Let Ernie's plan your next event! Inquiries can be submitted via our website at [www.uticakofc.com](http://www.uticakofc.com), by emailing [salesernies@gmail.com](mailto:salesernies@gmail.com) or by calling (586) 739-9063.

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