



KNIGHT LIFE



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A Message from the Grand Knight . . .

Brothers,

Currently, we have many challenges in front of us as a council. We are still dealing with the pandemic and the associated problems with it, such as not holding many events for charity as compared to before. We are also in the process of selling the hall to St. Lawrence School and cleaning out the hall as well. We have many things to deal with right now. However, the thing is that this council just gets it done. I still remember the bottle drive we had last year. When our distributor backed out from helping us return the bottles, I saw just how incredible this council is. Many Brothers came forward and took on the challenge of returning the bottles without hesitation and beaming with council pride. It was awesome to witness that trailer dwindle down in returns to nothing. Brothers, we can overcome any challenge and we will not accept defeat.

I want to address the pandemic and how we move forward with our mission of charity, which is the first principle of the Order. As of right now, we don't have any events scheduled for charity as a council due to the pandemic and the sale of the hall. We are currently thinking about doing a Square Dance again at the picnic grounds. There is talk of doing another Casino Bus Trip in the fall as well. This is great. I have great faith in this council to come up with new and different things we can do to help others. Through the pandemic, this council has been alive and vibrant. We need to continue that enthusiasm and become stronger as we move into the next phase of this council.

On that note, our council resoundingly passed the resolution to sell the hall to the school. The building corp. thanks you for your vote. It was the right thing to do. Nonetheless, this will be a big challenge for us as we have had our own dedicated space for decades. However, times change and this is no different. There have been questions about how we operate without a hall. We will have a meeting space in the parish, in the school or the picnic grounds. Our big events will be held in the school gym or perhaps the picnic grounds. We are currently waiting on the school to do its final inspections of the hall. We don't have a concrete date of the hall being sold as of yet.

Change is hard. We all know this. Through the pandemic, KofC Council #2950 has been on point. We have found new ways to raise some money for charity such as the poinsettia sale and March Madness squares. Brothers, we have a fresh start with the pandemic hopefully winding down soon and the sale of the hall almost complete. These are uncertain times, but an exciting time for this council. I have no doubt we will rise to the new challenges in front of us. Remember the principle of our Second Degree – unity. We are greater in numbers than we are as individuals. Come to meetings. I will send

Out emails prior to the meeting to let you know where each meeting will be held. Come to events that we are able to hold. Meet new Brothers. This is fraternity, the third principle of our Order. This past year has been challenging on the Order, the council and our charities but rest assured with God, we can't be defeated as we move forward continuing the mission that our founder Fr. Michael J. McGivney set out for us.

Vivat Jesus!

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KNIGHT LIFE**

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Supreme Council Website for Career Opportunity –
<http://www.kofc.org/careers>

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR
APRIL 2021**

May 5, 2021 – Cinco de Mayo

May 9, 2021 – Mother's Day

May 13, 2021 – Council Meeting and Rosary – Main Hall – 7:30 – 9:00 pm.

May 17, 2021 – Tax Filing Day (Federal Taxes).

May 26 – 28, 2021 – KofC State Convention.

April 27, 2021 – Planning Meeting – Main Hall – 8:00 – 9:00 pm.

May 31, 2021 – Memorial Day



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Adopt A Highway

Brother Knights,

I hope you all are doing well. It's time to do our part for the community and help "spring clean" Mound Road. Our first cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, June 5th. Please meet at the Club Room Parking Lot at 8:30 am and we will form teams and go from there. I would like to thank all of you for your participation in years past and I hope you can continue to support this year.

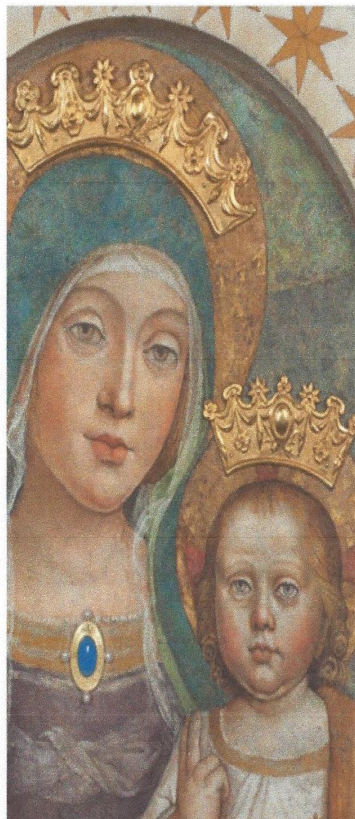
Thank you,

Tony Schoenherr

KnightLife Articles

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

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.
O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.
Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Under thy protection we seek refuge,

AD SPACE

An opportunity has opened up for you to place your ad in the monthly KnightLife paper.

I have room for a one column ad which would cost \$80.00 for the year. We can also break up the space into three separate business card ads at \$40.00 each. One other option would be to have one business card size ad and the other space equivalent to two business card size ads at a cost of \$60.00 per year.

We do have some conditions you must agree to. Your ad must not be in conflict with any of the ads presently on the back page. They must not be for any type of product that Supreme sells such as Life Insurance and annuities.

If interested, please call Linda Nardecchia (Newsletter typist) at (586) 978-0579 regarding ad placement. Remember also that light colors do not show up very good and they make terrible ads.

Larry Nardecchia
KnightLife Editor

OUR SICK MEMBERS

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

Joan Shekoski	Beverly Bebee	Jim Langeveld
Stan Singer	Tracey Vallelunga	Jeremy Yorke
Kenneth Mulka	Veronica German	Paula Bliss
Catherine Jujack	Linda Nardecchia	Derrick Orban
Suzanne Langeveld	Clara Mueller	Carol Poma
Carly Debiel	Kelly Gill	Bob Snow
Rick Montone	Wenzel Koch	Brian Mink
Addison Caldwell	Frank Singer	Griffin Davies
Sue Stepiniak	Paul Rybicki	Matt Gumbel
Jennifer Chandler	Rene Battani	Della Mulka
David Weigand	Gerald DeClerk	Ray Campbell
Megan Singer	Mike Hoste	Mary Quaine
Sandy Papuga	Ron Ternes	Vince Mallia
Ray Campbell	Jack Peake	Maria Gatt
Yousif Denha	Larry Campbell	Linda Braet
Marion Lelito	Stephanie Langeveld	Janet Buckner
David Deradoorian Jr.	Roger Mannette	Garth Wuchner
Paul Palka		

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. Any names that are underlined and typed in blue will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The December Knight of the Month belongs to Ken Grunewald. He and his wife Lynn have lived on Schoenherr in Washington for more than 39 years. Ken and Lynn have been married for 50+ years. They have one daughter Krystle and two grandchildren, Bryce and Khloe.

The family belongs to St. John and Paul Parish. Ken is an usher, money counter and CSA worker. Lynn is a former EME and she taught catechism for one year.

Ken is semi-retired from Hellebuyck's with 14 years of service. Lynn retired after 42 years with Chase Bank.

Ken joined St. Lawrence KofC in February of 1976. He has held the offices of grand knight, deputy grand knight and trustee. Chairmanships include membership, former hall manager and clubroom manager.

In their spare time the family enjoys spending time going up north, taking vacations and going on casino trips where they donate their money. Ken is part of the Brisket Bunch where he helps cook for most events. Lynn helps with the money counting for the M.I. Drive.

Congratulations Ken on being chosen Knight of the month for December by your Brother Knights.



Knights of Columbus "BENEFITS NEWS"
May is Disability Insurance Awareness Month

A Founding Notion: Protecting the Breadwinner's Income

While jobs may be safer in 2020, accidents, injuries, and illnesses that can impact your ability to work still happen. Most, in fact, do not happen on the jobsite or place of employment. Did you know that a 2011 study revealed that more than 95% of the long-term disability claims on file were not work related?

The Knights have always sought to protect members' families from the "loss" of a breadwinner. I'm sure you know all about Father McGivney's vision for our first, insurance program. But you may not know that Father McGivney also wanted to find a way to help members who couldn't work because of an illness. After all, the "loss" of the breadwinner does not have to mean that person's death. It can also mean the loss of the breadwinner's income.

Consider that loss for a moment. How would your family fare if a source of income suddenly stopped? Could a dual-income family manage on one income stream? What about young families with a working father and a mother who cares for the children? What if this income halted due to an accident or illness?

I've heard some people say they have coverage at work, but too many aren't sure what this coverage entails, how much income it would provide or for how long. Having this protection counts for something, certainly, but it isn't "yours"; it's provided by the company for which you work at their discretion. It could be eliminated tomorrow.

That's where a personally-owned disability income insurance product, like Income Armor, comes into play. It can offer valuable income replacement in the event of an injury or illness. If you have a job, you must know about this coverage.

I'd like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I'll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I'll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision.

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

**Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,
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In Christ,

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Knight of the Month

The April Knight of the Month belongs to John Gasowski. He and his wife Lee have lived on Loni Drive in Sterling Heights for 25 years. In November of 2021 they will celebrate their 26th wedding anniversary. They have one daughter Julie who is 17 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 on being chosen Knight of the month for April by your Brother Knights.

Happy Memorial Day

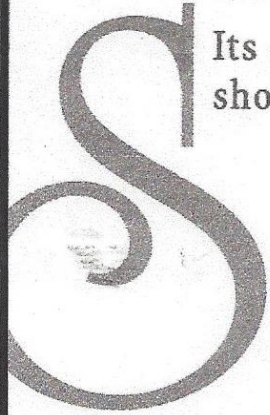
**"And I'm proud to be an American,
where at least I know I'm free.
And I won't forget the men who died,
Who gave that right to me."**

--- Lee Greenwood



Every life
is unique.

Its celebration
should be too.



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