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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

Thanks to:

- Everyone who assisted with the October Knights breakfast.
- Everyone who assisted with the Octobeer evening. Joe Lograsso said that over \$5,000 was raised to benefit two families
- Everyone who assisted with the Boo Bash

In 1791, America's first Bishop, John Carroll, entrusted the country to the Blessed Mother. In 1846, the American Bishops reaffirmed that dedication, declaring Mary the Patroness of the United States under the title of the Immaculate Conception

The FocusOnLife benefit dinner at the San Marino was a great evening. Fr. Ben Luedtke was the first speaker and was very dynamic. The keynote speaker was Carol Tobias, president of the Right-To-Life committee. She feels confident Roe v Wade will be overturned within 5 – 10 years. She said that Michigan Outlawed abortion of the mid-19th century. So, if Roe v Wade is overturned, Michigan could become a battleground between Pro-Life and Pro-Choice opponents.

I visited Faith at Work, the Catholic store on Wattles and John R in Troy. There are many great books, cd's, religious items, etc. The store is run by Beth Collison, of Mary's Mantle. That organization is open to the charities we will support via the Wild Game Dinner, in February.

Here are the upcoming events:

Nov. 9 – Annual Memorial Mass at our Hall. Mass at 7:00 pm. Nov. 11 – Past Grand Knight's Ball – Scott Morgan chairing this event.

There will be no November or December breakfasts. The breakfasts will resume in January.

In November the Church celebrates some truly awesome Catholics/events:

- Nov. 1 All Saints Day Holy Day of Obligation for Western Rite. Greek Catholic Church celebrates it first Sunday after Pentecost
- 2. Nov. 2 All Souls Day for church penitent in Purgatory.
- 3. Nov. 9 Dedication of St. John Lateran, the cathedral church of Rome. Co-dedicated to St. John the Baptist and St. John the Apostle.

- 4. Nov. 11 St. Martin of Tours, France. Renounced his military career for service to the poor.
- 5. Nov. 12 St. Josaphat 17th century Polish/Ukrainian martyr. A victim due to Union of Brest, which brought Ruthenian Orthodox church into union with Rome.
- 6. Nov. 16 St. Margaret of Scotland 11th century gave birth to three kings of Scotland.
- 7. Nov. 17 St. Elizabeth of Kingdom of Hungary 13th century Princess of Hungary. Belonged to Third order of St. Francis. Died at age 24.
- 8. Nov. 21 Presentation of Mary to the temple. Her parents were Joachim and Anne and were childless. Upon receiving heavenly message that they would have a child, they presented her to the Temple in Jerusalem.
- Nov. 23 St. Clement 4th pope. Considered the first Apostolic Father of the Church. May have been consecrated by St. Peter.

Just a reminder, go to **NewAdvent.org** for a wonderful web site for all things Catholic.

Viva Jesus.

Steve Salter Grand Knight (586) 823-9518 Gk2950@mikofc.org

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of November we are honoring Brother Knight Greg DeFauw and his wife Melinda.. He and his wife have lived on Orchard Crest Street in Shelby Township for 13 years. Greg and Melinda have been married for 24 years.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish where Greg is an Usher and Melinda sings in the Choir.

Greg works at General Motors Customer Assistance Center and has worked there for four and one-half years. Melinda has worked for the Chrysler Tech Center Food Services for 19 years

Greg joined the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 2003 and he has held the offices of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Recorder.

In their spare time the family enjoys grilling, going on walks, and trips to Las Vegas.

Congratulations Greg and Melinds for being selected as the November Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.

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COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR NOVEMBER - JANUARY

November 1, 2017 - Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm. (This meeting is open to all members.) **Attendance of Knights Corp Members is MANDATORY.**

November 6, 2017 – *Lions Tailgate. See article for details.* **November 8, 2017 –** Military Holy Hour. St. Lawrence Church, 7:00 p.m.

November 9, 2017 - First meeting of the month. Annual Memorial Mass at our Hall. Mass is at 7:00 PM.

November 11, 2017 – Past Grand Knight's Ball. See attached Flyer.

November 18, 2017 – Beautification Mass for Fr. Solanus at Ford Field.

November 29 - December 2, 2017 - Texas Hold'em.

November 30, **2017** – 2nd Meeting of the month at our Hall at 8:00 Pm.

December 3, 2017 – First Level of the Spelling Bee competition At the St. Lawrence Social Hall at 12:30 pm.

December 17, 2017 – Children's Christmas Party at the Hall at 2:00 pm.

January 7, 2018 - Diocesan Spelling Bee.

* Please Note: There will be no November or December Breakfas.

Fraternally, Joe Manuszak Council Activities Director



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LIONS TAILGATE



Knights Tailgate!!!

Detroit Lions vs Green Bay 8 St. Lawrence K of C Club Room

St. Lawrence KofC #2950 members – please bring a friend for this event!

Refreshments & Food will be provided!

Enter at Club Room entrance at the back of the St. Lawrence K of C Hall.

For any questions, please contact
Francis Elwart (248)-722-4798, franciselwart@yahoo.com
Scott Morgan (566)-201-5738, smorgan905@gmail.com

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the month of November we are honoring Brother Knight Kevin Manning. He and his wife, Becky have lived on Sterritt north of Hall Road for ten years. Kevin and Becky have been married for 23 years and have four children: Gretchen Marie (38 yrs), Nathan (37 yrs), Adam (34 yrs) and Kaithlin Fae (24 yrs). They have six grandchildren: Caroline (7 yrs), Cecelia (6 yrs), Casey (10 mon), Bryson (8 yrs), Aleric (6 yrs), Gabe (4 days). The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish. Becky sings with the Choir while Kevin is an Usher.

Kevin is employed with Hellebuycks Power Company. Becky is an RN with Henry Ford Medical.

Kevin first joined the Knights of Columbus in 1979 with the Lapeer Council. He was reactivated in 2008 with St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus. He has held the offices of Membership Director and Recorder.

In their spare time Becky cares for any animal that smiles at her. Kevin took up walking/hiking this year to reactivate his golf game. Congratulations Kevin on being chosen Knight of the Month for November by your Brother Knights.



ST. LAWRENCE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPELLING BEE

Brother Knights and families, we are happy to announce the return of the K of C Spelling bee. The fun, challenging and great event is open to two competition levels: <u>Level 1 is 4th through 6th grades</u> and Level II is 7th through 9th grades. In the past, students from St. Lawrence have won the Diocesan and State Level Bees!

Please invite your children and grandchildren to participate!! Registration is now open! Please email Joe Lograsso (lograsso@comcast.net) to register. Please include the student's name and grade. The appropriate level word list will be emailed back to you. You can also email me if you have any questions.

The first level of competition is scheduled <u>Sunday, December 3, 2017</u> at the St. Lawrence Social Hall at <u>12:30 pm</u>. There will be one winner and three runner-ups for each level that will be allowed to move on to the Diocesan Spelling Bee on January 7, 2018.

We encourage anyone with any bit of interest to sign up for the spelling bee and come out and compete. The earlier you register, the more time you have to see the word list. Please don't wait.

Joe Lograsso

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

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



FUTURE TEXAS HOLD'EM DATES

November 29 – December 2, 2017 Wednesday – Thursday 7:00 pm – Close Friday – Saturday Noon – 6:30 pm

Please contact Don Heydens at dheydens@gmail.com for additional details and for volunteering your time.

ORDER K OF C BRANDED APPAREL



Members:

We have partnered with EA Graphics in Sterling Heights, MI to get our K of C branded apparel. We will be offering hats, fleeces, jackets and shirts at this time. If there are additional items that we should consider, please let us know!

The website will be open from November 1st thru December 1st for the next round of ordering. I will be picking up the previous placed orders on October 30th and will be distributing them in the Club Room at our next meeting. Please copy and paste the web site address listed below into your browser to start a new order:

http://www.eagraphics.com/koc/Stores/Page/1000092/Home

The website will be open only four (4) times throughout the year for ordering. We will advise as to future dates and length of time that the site will be open once the information becomes available from EA Graphics.

All orders that are placed will be picked up and/or delivered to our Hall for distribution at our regular Thursday meetings. This will allow you to save on the shipping costs.

Scott will set up a table for all incoming orders in the Club Room.

Thanks.

Scott Morgan Deputy Grand Knight (586) 201-5738

OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: Lillian Sparks, Megan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Mary Ann Campbell, John Manuszak, Jeremy Yorke, Kenneth Mulka, Stephanie Langeveld, Ron Wiegand, Joshua Walz, Mike Hoste, Marion Lelito, Richard Wisniewski, Sharon Dillaway, Ed Campbell, Bonnie Attard, Joseph Kone, Selma Lograsso, Linda Picio, Sharon Gill, Griffen Davies, Ray Phillips, Olivia Kelly Tsvetkoff, Sue Vittorini, Brett Matyunas, Coralie Kone, Crystal Gittens, Lisa Burmeister and MaryLu DeFauw.

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

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.

MILITARY HOLY HOUR RETURNS

St. Lawrence is bringing back the military holy hour which will take place at St. Lawrence Catholic Church at 7:00 pm on November 8, 2017.

Families may send pictures of military family members to the Parish Office. Pictures will be displayed in church and will be returned back to the families.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

"Moms and Dads" Good Boys and Girls, mark your calendar. Our Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 17, 2017 at 2:00 pm. There will be hot dogs, popcorn, pop, entertainment, piñatas, and a visit from Santa Claus with a surprise. Hope to see you there!! Also, it you can help setup, we need you. It would be appreciated if you could be there by 12:30 pm.

Thanks,

Warren and Paulette Sawdon and Santa's Elves

P.S. We will be collecting clean used coats for our Coat 'drive. It can be your way of making someone's Christmas a little warmer.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "BENEFITS NEWS" "LTC Is an Important Piece of the Puzzle"

NOVEMBER IS LONG TERM CARE AWARENESS MONTH

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection. While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me.

Remember, long-term care policies are underwritten based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.

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OCTOBEER FEST REPORT

Brother Knights and Families:

The Octobeer Fest was held October 6, 2017, and proved to be another fun event from our Council, and making it possible to help two St. Lawrence families at the same time.

We had 125 people at the hall for this fundraiser and all the guests were able to sample over 30 types of beer and consume 190 bratwursts and 120 pounds of perfectly prepared chicken wings!!

The event proved to be another team event, with help in many areas:

- Set-up Dennis Murray, Bob Lenzini, Rob Murawski, Jim Ososkie, Dave Swartz, Jason Meyers, Abby Weingartz, Even Similuk
- Cooking and Kitchen Ed Braet, Paul Burmeister, George Weigand, Kenny Gruneweld, Scott Morgan, Terry Donovan
- Bartenders Rob Murawski and Tom Burg
- Beer Pourers Kim Weigand, Sara and Brandon LaPrise, Jim Pratt, Greg and Melinda DeFauw, John Gasowski, Dan Weingartz, Dave and Joyce Swartz
- Raffle and 50/50 Ticket Sales Laurie Similuk, Kris Weingartz, Breana Mack and Abby Weingartz
- Prize Donations Dan and Mary Jo Mack and Dale and Diane Studnicka
- Ticket Pre-Sales Kris and Dan Weingartz, Don Heydens
- Promotion Scott Morgan, Warren Sawdon, Kris Weingartz, Andrew and Sandy Orlando
- Clean-up Everyone!!!

Thanks to Amori's Party Store and E & B Beer for help with all the beer.

We appreciate everyone that came out as guests, volunteered, donated items and spent time in ensuring a successful event. Thank You.

Joe Lograsso and Rick Similuk

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.

Knights of Columbus

St. Lawrence Council No. 2950 44425 Utica Road Utica, MI 48317



September 30, 2017

On behalf of St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Council #2950 and our Worthy Grand Knight, Steven Salter, I would like to extend an invitation to you and your spouse to join us at our annual Past Grand Knights Ball to be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at our Council Hall.

We will be honoring our Past Grand Knights, Brother Knights, Officers, Directors, Committee Chairman, and others who have been members our Council for 25 years or more. These men are dedicated and have continually contributed to our council to support our programs, which raise funds for charities that we continually support.

Cocktails will be served at 6:30pm, followed a short program. Dinner will be served at 8:00pm. We will have an evening of fellowship, music and dancing!

Tickets are available and will be priced at \$25.00 per person for this event. We wish to extend this invitation to all of our membership along with their family and friends to attend. If you would like to arrange group seating, buy additional tickets, or table reservations, please contact me in advance to reserve.

Ticket Sales & RSVP by November 3rd, 2017.

Fraternally,

Scott A. Morgan
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