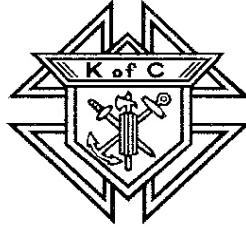




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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

Happy February Brother Knights! The first month of the year is already gone and we are gearing up for some great activities and events.

First, thanks to Dale and Karen Niedzwiecki and Leo Niedzwiecki for heading up the Seminarian's Party. As usual, a full house and a good showing from the seminary.

Also, thanks to our Pro-Life Co-Chair Susan Schudt for leading a small group from St. Lawrence on the March for Life in Washington D.C.

For the month of February, we have a lot of events that we hope you can all attend. This includes our Breakfast on February 3rd and our Super Bown Party, also on February 3rd. The following weekend we will be having our first annual Euchre Party on February 9th and then the mid-winter casino trip on February 10th thru 11th.

Please plan on coming to our last meeting on February 28th. Immediately following the meeting we will be having a local business open house sponsored by our Membership Committee.

Also, tickets and reservations are being sold for both the St. Pat's Day Party on March 16, 2013 and for the European Pheasant Hunt on April 7, 2013.

Lastly, please mark your calendar for Palm Sunday weekend, March 22nd thru 24th for our annual Tootsie Roll Drive. We can use everyone's help to continue making this worthy charity a true success!

Our next meetings for February are scheduled for February 14th and 28th. Please refer to the council activities report and related articles in this newsletter. As always any questions or suggestions feel free to contact me at Lograsso@comcast.net or (586) 566-8940.

Fraternally,

Joe Lograsso
Grand Knight

***** *SPECIAL NOTE*:*****

I will need all articles for the newsletter turned into me no later than February 28th because I will be having shoulder surgery March 1st. Thanks - Linda Nardecchia

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of February we are honoring the family of Harry Kuk and his wife Bernadette. They live on Waldo in Sterling Heights and have lived there for 34 years. They have been married for 41 years and have one daughter - Candace.

Both Harry and Bernadette are ushers at St. Lawrence Church. Bernadette is an EM Trainer and she is on the Worship Committee. She also enjoys quilting.

Harry is a retired Nurse and his wife is a retired ICE Monitor..

Harry joined St. Lawrence K of C in 2004. He has held the offices of both Outside and Inside Guard and Chancellor.

In their spare time they enjoy going to casinos. Harry loves casino trips. He also likes bowling and sports such as baseball, football and hockey.

Congratulations to Harry and Bernadette for being chosen Family of the Month for February by your Brother Knights.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the month of February we are honoring Father Bob Fisher who has resided at 44633 Utica Road in Utica for the past nine years. Father Bob has been an ordained Priest for over 20 years. He is the Pastor of St. Lawrence Parish.

Father Bob joined the Knights of Columbus in 1993 with St. Joan of Arc Council. He has held the position of Chaplain at the Lake Shore Council and now with the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus. He enjoys being outside, listening to music and cooking.

Congratulations Father Bob Fisher on being chosen the February Knight of the Month by your Brother Knights.

CURTIS CRUISERS

Ron Wiegand is taking up a collection for the Curtis Cruisers Snowmobile Run held during the Martin Luther King Weekend.

The funds collected will benefit the MR Drive. If you would like to donate please send your checks to:

Ron Wiegand
P. O. Box 517
Curtis, Michigan 49820

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KNIGHT LIFE**

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MEETINGS

2nd and last Thursday of each month

OFFICERS

Chaplain.....*Father Robert Fisher*
District Deputy.....*David Kuptz*
Grand Knight.....*Joe Lograsso*
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Warden.....*John Ternes*
Chancellor.....*Harry Kuk*
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Council Activities Director.....*Joe Manuszak*
Youth Activities Director.....*Joe Lograsso*
Family Life Director.....*Raymond Keller*
Community Activities Director.....*Ken Grunewald*

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Club Room.....*Ken Grunewald*
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Supreme Website Link - www.kofc.org

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR
FEBRUARY AND MARCH**

February 2, 2013 - Major Degree sponsored by St. Isidore. If you are currently a 1st degree Knight, the 2nd/3rd Degree ceremonies are being held back-to-back starting at 9:00 am. If interested please contact Joe Lograsso ahead of time.

February 3, 2013 - Super Bowl party at the Hall. Cost - \$10 per person or \$20 per family. Beer, pop, chips, cheese, crackers provided. Please bring dish to pass. RSVP by January 31, 2013.

February 3, 2013 - We will be having breakfast at our hall from 8:30 am until noon. Please make a plan to join us.

February 4, 2013 - Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm. (**This meeting is open to all members**). **Attendance of Knights Corp members is MANDATORY!**

February 9, 2013 - First Annual Euchre Party. Please see article in this newsletter for details.

February 10 - 11, 2013 - Mid winter Casino bus trip. (**Please contact JoAnne Wiegand at (810) 798-0080 to make your reservation**).

February 14, 2013 - Our first membership meeting of the month 8:00 pm in the Club Room. **We will also be nominating delegates for this year's state convention at Mackinaw Island.**

February 28, 2013 - Officers and events planning meeting 8:00 pm in our Club Room.

March 3, 2013 - We will be having a Breakfast at our hall 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Please plan on joining us.

March 4, 2013 - Knights Corp Meeting - 7:30 pm in the Club Room. (**This meeting is open to all members**). **This meeting is mandatory for all Building Corporation Members.**

March 14, 2013 - Our first membership meeting of the month 8:00 pm in the Club Room.

March 16, 2013 - St. Patrick Day Dinner Party; 6:30 pm - 11:00 pm in our Hall. (**See related article in the newsletter**).

March 22, 23 and 24, 2013 - M.I. Weekend - Please plan on coming out to support our Council.

March 28, 2013 - Officers and events planning meeting 8:00 pm in our Club Room.

Fraternally,
Joe Manuszak
Council Activities Director

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

Happy Valentine's Day

OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: Lillian Sparks, Stan Pollum, Louie Jonas, Hedwiges Ternes, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kwiecien, Al Greb, Ray Keller, Meghan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Joey Caretti, Bonnie Attard, Eddie Everheart, Tony Bozaan, Marge Quaine, Leo Niedzwiecki, Jeffrey A. Wright, Ed Morrison, Coralie Cone, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Reynold Wolf, Beth Bock, Renee Jones, Jackie Risk, Jerry Mercer, Jane Van Hevel, Ray Grunewald, Tom Bard, Geri Rys, Dan Mullin, Marge Goeddeke, Gene Schwartz, Michelle Campbell, Don Sparks, Larry Maduri and MaryLu DeFauw.

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families: Harold P. Kaltz

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

SEMINARIAN DANCE AND RAFFLE 2013

A great time was had by all at our 2013 K of C Seminarian Dance. Thank you to the nearly 200 people who attended the event and who kept the dance floor full. All of us baby boomers could take a few dancing lessons from the "Greatest" generation.

Another "Thank you" goes to the nearly 20 Seminarians who attended the party and helped us draw the raffle winners.

Over 40 raffle prizes were obtained by my sisters, Ann and Judy and Dad "Leo" from different businesses all over Macomb County. "Great Job!!"

We had 13 Generous sponsors for the dance totaling \$1,400.00. Awesome!

State Rep. Ken Goike	Messina Trucking
Weingartz Supply	Tony Elaine Cavaliere
Jim & Carol Kaiser	Utica Antiques Market
Jim & Mary Sharp	Simone Construction
Wahls Tent	Mike and Sherry Berry
Larry Muraszewski	Dale & Karen Niedzwiecki
Allan & Diane Mulka	

Thank you to ALL who helped out with selling and buying of the progressive raffle tickets, to those who helped at the dance and the breakfast. Without all of the volunteers the dance and raffle would not have been a success.

The winners of the progressive raffle were:

Jollenane Wancour	Marie Brennan
Nathan Vallelunga	David Shevsky
Frank Sapanaaro	Sheri Zelek
Marcie	David Utykensia
Bob Ternes	Norb Woloszyk

And the \$500 winner was Marie Brennan

The dance along with the prize raffle and progressive raffle and sponsors raised \$6,752.00. This all goes to help us support our much needed and appreciated Seminarians.

Thank you.

Dale Niedzwiecki
Vocation Chairman



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FIRST ANNUAL EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

SAVE THE DATE!!!

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus will be holding their first annual Euchre Tournament on Saturday, February 9, 2013 at the Council hall. The doors will open at 5:30 pm.

The cost is \$20.00 per person which includes food, beer, wine, entry fee and prize money.

The proceeds will go to the Knights of Columbus General Fund.

All are welcome. Please invite your friends and family. Contact Rick Similuk at (586) 243-3968 for additional information.

Please register by Wednesday, February 6, 2013.

Rick Similuk

ARE YOU READY?

Again we are approaching the Palm Sunday Weekend. Are You Ready?

This year, as in the past years, we are conducting the Mentally Impaired Tootsie Roll Weekend on March 22nd, 23rd and 24th.

We need **EVERYBODY'S** help to work the corners, stores, etc. Please sign up at any meeting or function by contacting any officer or chairman. It will make our job easier and creates less confusion on that weekend.

Ladies, we also need your help counting money, bringing in food items, or working the stores and corners. If you wish you can just drop by and say Hello.

Mark your calendar for March 22nd, 23rd, and 24th for this important weekend. With your help again we can be number one in the state.

See you soon.

Ron Wiegand
Chairperson M/I Drive



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Once again our children's Christmas party was well attended by kids, parents and grandparents. We want to thank Craig Wojtalewicz and his family for leading the sing along, the Campbell family for working the kitchen and piñatas, Lisa Burmeister for face painting and John Ternes and Norm Grifka for making all the popcorn. Also, a big thanks to all the members and their wives who helped set up, cook and serve hotdogs, pop and stayed to clean up afterwards. But most of all a special thanks to Santa and Paulette Sawdon as Santa's helper, who put a big smile on all the kids faces.

Fraternally,

Paulette and Warren Sawdon

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Tis the season of the Irish
And the wearin' o' the green.
We are looking for a reason to celebrate
We think you know what we mean!
A light heart lives longest
So the Irish say
An so we're having a party
To celebrate St. Patrick's Day

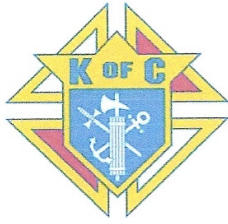
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St. Lawrence K of C Hall

TRIP TO FATHER SOLANUS CASEY CENTER

We are planning a trip to the Father Solanus Casey Center, at St. Bonaventure Church, on Mt. Elliot and Kercheval in Detroit, on Sunday, May 5, 2013. We will meet at the St. Lawrence parking lot across from the hall at 8:00 am. We will car pool at that time down to the center for the 9:00 am Mass. After Mass, we will have donuts and coffee followed by a tour of the Father Solanus Center. We should be done with the tour at around noon. On the way back to St. Lawrence we will stop for lunch at a restaurant, we will choose, depending on the amount of people going. You do not have to stop for lunch if you don't want to. The cost of this trip will be \$5.00 per person, plus chipping in for gas for the drivers. Please RSVP by February 28th to Jim Langeveld at (810) 499-9055 or email to jimlang122@gmail.com

Jim Langeveld



Knights of Columbus
St. Lawrence – Council 2950
European Pheasant Hunt



When: April 7th, 2013

Where: Rooster Ranch
 7480 Germania Rd.
 Ubly, MI 48475
 989-658-2332

Website: huntrr.com

Cost: \$250.00 per person

***** All proceeds go to the K of C charities *****

Agenda for the Day: 8 am to 4 pm

8 am – Meet at the clubhouse for a country breakfast

8:15 am – Clay target warm-up shoot

9 am – European Hunt Begins

1 pm – A super lunch is served (BBQ Beef rounds with all the trimmings)

2 pm – Walk up Hunt

All birds are cleaned, bagged, and distributed evenly per hunter

Come out and enjoy a day of hunting in the great outdoors! There will be food, raffles, and of course, Pheasants. To reserve your spot a \$50.00 check deposit payable to Kim Wiegand. Balance to be paid in full by March 15, 2013, or a credit card can be used for a one time payment of \$250.00, call for details (586-747-9613). Since there is limited space, first come first serve applies. Please mail your deposit to: Kim Wiegand, 8606 Messmore, Utica, MI 48317. **Valid small game license, hunter orange and safety glasses required.**

Cut the bottom half of this flyer off and hand it in with your \$50.00 deposit

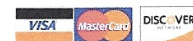
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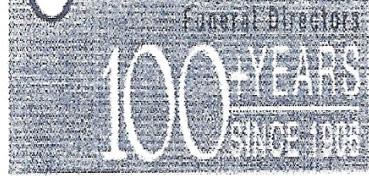
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