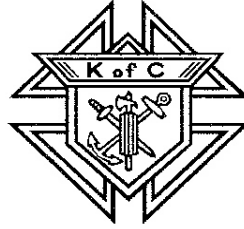




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## **FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT**

### **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 for heading up the Seminarian's Party. As usual, a full house and a good showing from the seminary made the event a good time for all. Also, thanks to everyone who attended or worked the January breakfast in support of the vocations scholarship fund. We had a great turnout.

For a second month in a row, we had a great group of volunteers work the Texas Hold'em fundraiser, to great success.

For the month of February, as you know, we have our Euchre Party and Superbowl party. The mid-winter casino trip is on February 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>.

Please plan on coming to our last meeting in February on the 27<sup>th</sup> where we will have the latest news of the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Corporate Communion at Old St. Mary's in Greektown and the St. Pat's Day Party on March 15<sup>th</sup>. There are a couple of tickets left for the party, so if you're thinking of coming out to this great party, let us know. The end of March culminates in the annual European Pheasant Hunt on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep an eye on your email as we will be scheduling screenings of the biographical movie on Pope Francis produced by the Knights of Columbus.

Our next meetings in February are scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:Lograsso@comcast.net) or (586) 566-8940.

Fraternally,  
Joe Lograsso  
Grand Knight

## **FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

For the month of February we are honoring Paul and Lisa Burmeister. They have lived on Plum Grove for 27 years.

Paul and Lisa have been married for 36 years. They have two daughters: Christina and Rachel.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish. Lisa is a Catechist and works the Applefest and McRest. Rachel is a Catechist. Paul is the Chairperson for Applefest.

Paul is an Account Executive for Heller Machine and Lisa is an Office Manager for Donato Landscaping.

Paul joined St. Lawrence Council in 1996. He has held the offices of Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and he is on the Building Corporation. He has also held the chairmanship for the Family Christmas Program.

In Lisa's spare time she likes to play golf, sews, going to the theater to see plays and gardening. Paul enjoys sports and going up north.

Congratulations Paul and Lisa 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 Joe Manuszak. He and his wife Lynn have lived in Sterling Heights for 18 years.

Joe and Lynn have been married for 32 years and have five children - Stephen, Lauren, Mary, Joe and Paul. They have three grandchildren: Noah, Elijah, JayCee and another boy due in March.

The family attends St. Lawrence and St. Louise Parish. Each of the children have been alter servers at St. Louise. Lynn trains and schedules the Altar Servers at St. Louise. Joe works part time doing counseling and marriage preparation at St. Louise and St. Lawrence. Their son, Joe, works part time at St. Lawrence working as a custodian/maintenance man.

Joe works full time at Coldmbiere Center in Clarkston as an administrator. He has partnered and created Ancona Counseling where several staff work at a number of parishes throughout Metro Detroit doing counseling and marriage prep which he does on a part time basis.

Joe joined the Knights of Columbus more than five years ago.

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**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR  
FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL, MAY AND  
JUNE**

**February 3, 2014** - Knights Corp, Meeting 7:30 pm (This meeting is open to all members). **Attendance of Knights Corp members is MANDATORY!**

**February 9-10, 2014** - Mid-Winter Casino trip. See attached flier for details.

**February 13, 2014** - Our first membership meeting of the month-8:00 pm in the Club Room. All welcome.

**February 27, 2014** - Second meeting of the month (Planning Meeting) 8:00 pm in our Club Room.

**March 2, 2014** - Corporate Communion at Old St. Mary's in Greektown.

**March 3, 2014** - Knights Corp, Meeting 7:30 pm (This meeting is open to all members). **Attendance of Knights Corp members is MANDATORY!**

**March 9, 2014** - Monthly Breakfast at our Hall from 8:30 - noon. Please plan on joining us.

**March 13, 2014** - Our first membership meeting of the month-8:00 pm in the Club Room. All welcome.

**March 15, 2014** - Annual St. Patrick's Day Party. Contact Joe Lograsso for tickets.

**March 27, 2014** - Second meeting of the month (Planning Meeting) 8:00 pm in our Club Room

**March 30, 2014** - European Pheasant Hunt. Contact Kim Wiegand.

**April 6, 2014** - Monthly Breakfast at our Hall from 8:30 - noon. Please plan on joining us.

**April 7, 2014** - Knights Corp, Meeting 7:30 pm (This meeting is open to all members). **Attendance of Knights Corp members is MANDATORY!**

**April 10, 2014** - Our first membership meeting of the month-8:00 pm in the Club Room. All welcome.

**April 11-13, 2014** - Annual Tootsie Roll Drive

**April 24, 2014** - Second meeting of the month (Planning Meeting) 8:00 pm in our Club Room

**May 5, 2014** - Knights Corp, Meeting 7:30 pm (This meeting is open to all members). **Attendance of Knights Corp members is MANDATORY!**

**May 8, 2014** - Our first membership meeting of the month-8:00 pm in the Club Room. All welcome

**May 11, 2014** - Monthly Breakfast at our Hall from 8:30 - noon. Please plan on joining us.

**May 29, 2014** - Second meeting of the month (Planning Meeting) 8:00 pm in our Club Room

**June 13, 2014** - Save the Date - Evening of Wine Tasting

**June 15, 2014** - Monthly Breakfast at our Hall from 8:30 - noon. Please plan on joining us.

Fraternally,  
Joe Manuszak  
Council Activities Director

## THANK YOU

Sincere gratitude was projected from the many Seminarians who attended our annual dance on January 19, 2014. To some it reinforced their determination to continue the grueling process of becoming a much needed Priest.

There are many people to thank for the success of this year's fundraising. Firstly, to the many folks who sold and purchased tickets to our progressive raffle and the many parishioners who contribute to the fund monthly. Also, the brave people who came out on that **COLD** Sunday afternoon to enjoy the dance. To my Brother Knights who unselfishly donate their time and talent to prepare our monthly breakfasts. Especially the January one when all of the proceeds went directly to the Seminarian Fund. Lastly to my Dad, Leo, Ann, Judy, Marcy and my wife Karen and our children for all of their help.

A special "Thanks" goes to our \$100 Club Members, without them it all would not be possible. Last but not least to Fr. Bob, Fr. Sal and Monsignor John Hall who regularly attend the dance and support the Knights of Columbus in our endeavors. They are truly an inspiration to all of the Seminarians.

The total profit of the dance, breakfast and raffle came to \$7,926 which will go to the fund and will be distributed this Spring to the Seminarians.

Thank you.  
Dale Niedzwiecki  
Vocation Chairman

### Weekly \$100 Progressive Raffle Winners

Mary Ann Campbell	Amy Niedzwiecki
Warren Sawdon	Marion Wingate & Bob
Ray Keller	Lisa Rajnicek
Tom Wysocki	Jim Nardecchia
Maurice Van Hevel	Richard Kwiecien
\$500 Raffle Winner - Dick Duncan (Prize Donated Back)	

### \$100 Club Members

Allen & Diane Mulka	Jim & Mary Sharp
Charlie & Nan Jones	Mike & Sherry Berry
Simone Family	Tom & ?Carol Diel
Utica Antiques Market	The Oliver's
Tony & Diane Donadio	Larry Murazewski
Wahl Tents	Dan & Kris Weingartz
Dick Duncan	
In Memory of Edwin & Elizabeth Jarocha from Jim & Carol Kaiser	
In Memory of Stanley & Stella Witulski from Dave & Sharon Witulski	
In Memory of Edna Niedzweicki from Dale & Karen Niedzweicki Family	
In Memory of Fr. Burns from Tom Wysocki Family	

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH CONTINUED

He has held the office of Inside Guard, and is the Council Activities Director. He also oversaw the Share the Wealth Raffle.

The family enjoys attending many family gatherings, vacationing each summer with extended families on both sides, attending our children's sporting events for many years and being involved in their church activities.

Congratulations Joe on being chosen Knight of the Month for February by your Brother Knights.

## 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

## 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, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kwiecien, Meghan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Bob Quaine Sr, Tony Bozaan., Jeffrey A. Wright, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Reynold Wolf, Jane Van Hevel, Mrs. Fisher, Bob Manuszak, Stan Kups, Jerry Shekoski, Debbie Redding, Linda Judnick, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Ron Wiegand, William Grindle, Susan Belcher Frank Settecerri, Mrs. Fisher, Ed and MaryAnn Campbell, Elizabeth Gitter, Leo Niedzwiecki, 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: [lanardecchia@prodigy.net](mailto:lanardecchia@prodigy.net). Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "BENEFITS NEWS"

### Insurance check-up for 2014

Can you believe it will soon be 2014? I hope that 2013 was a healthy, prosperous year for you and your family. It's said that time flies, and the older we get, the more that statement seems true. As we review the past year and prepare to welcome a new one, we wonder where the time goes.

If you're like most people, you've made some resolutions for 2014. If I may, I'd like to make two suggestions regarding your resolutions. First, write them down. A resolution is really a goal for the year and, until you commit a goal to writing, it's nothing more than a wish. Writing a resolution down is the first step towards achieving it. Whether your goal is to lose weight, contribute more time and money to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent. The "insurance check-up" that I'll provide (free of charge, by the way!) will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Because unlike many other products, you need more than money to obtain life insurance. You also need good health, and no one will ring a bell warning you when your health is about to change.

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### **ST. LAWRENCE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS K OF C HALL MANAGER**

Recently the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus has made changes to the manner of catering and management of the K of C Hall. With these changes, the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus is looking for a new hall manager.

If you are someone who has interest and experience in hall management, scheduling, setup, basic hall cleanliness and appearance, and promotion, you may be the right fit for the Knights of Columbus Hall. You will need to have a **flexible schedule** and **available evenings and weekends**.

If interested in hearing details about this position and its duties, please contact Jim at (810) 499-9055.

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## COUNCIL ACTIVITIES



Welcome to  
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Council #2950

Monthly Breakfasts  
March 9, 2014  
April 6, 2014  
May 11, 2014 (Mother's Day)  
June 15, 2014 (Father's Day)  
8:30 a.m. til Noon, \$6 Adults, \$3 Children 6 to 12,  
5 and Under FREE  
Proceeds Benefit K of C Charity and Buildings Funds

Raffle  
50" LED High Def Television  
Drawing June 15, 2014

St. Patty's Day Rockin' Party  
Saturday March 15, 2014  
6:30 p.m. to Midnight  
\$35 Includes Full Irish Dinner, Dessert,  
Refreshments, Prizes, Raffles  
Music by Mainstream Drive  
Proceeds Benefit K of C Charities

European Pheasant Hunt  
Sunday March 30, 2014  
The Rooster Ranch Ubyly, MI  
Check-in and Breakfast at 8 a.m.  
Breakfast and Lunch Included  
Proceeds Benefit K of C Charities

Tootsie Roll Drive  
benefitting the Mentally Impaired  
Weekend of April 11-13, 2014

Wine Tasting Evening  
Friday June 13, 2014  
7-9:30 p.m. with over 30 Wines  
Hors D'Oeuvres and Dessert  
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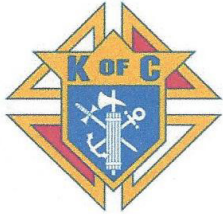
\* Packages based on the current offering - they are controlled by the casinos themselves and are subject to change at any time without notice.

**Advance Reservations Required**

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**European Pheasant Hunt**



**When:** MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2014

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

**Website:** huntrr.com

**Cost:** \$260.00 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

**OPTIONAL:**

- (2) Cabins available @ 30.00 per person (available for Saturday afternoon)
  - New this year: Worble Clay Shoot
- \*\*CALL FOR DETAILS\*\***

*\*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, 50-50, and of course, Pheasants. To reserve your spot a \$50.00 deposit (**check only**) payable to Kim Wiegand. Balance to be paid in full by March 14, 2014, or a credit card can be used for a one- time payment of \$260.00. **\*All credit card payments are processed through Rooster Ranch, please contact them with your card information.** Since there is limited space, first come first serve applies. **Please mail your deposit to: Kim Wiegand, 8606 Messmore, Utica, MI 48317, contact # (586-747-9613).** A 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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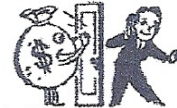
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