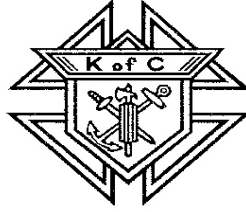




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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

I hope you are looking as forward to the warmer months as I am. Even with the scent of fresh flowers and barbequing, our council continues cruising forward with good activities and fraternity.

Don Heydens and I, along with our wives Barb and Laura, attended the 2014 Michigan State Council Convention on the island at the end of May. This is always an inspiring event and once again, our Council was recognized as raising the highest dollar amount for the M.I. Drive in the State of Michigan.

Unexpectedly, we also were recognized for having the most money raised per member in the council. Also, St. Lawrence Council earned the Michigan Achievent Award, based on support of Church, Community, Council, Family, Pro-Life and Youth Activities. Each of these awards is something we can all be proud of and thanks to everyone who helped at anytime throughout the year! I will give more details at our next general meeting.

June is filled with plenty of activities:

- June 12 - General Membership meeting
- June 13 - Wine Tasting Fundraiser for Holy Cross Children's Services
- June 15 - June breakfast and HDTV winner selected
- June 20 - Blood Drive
- June 26 - Open Meeting (7:00 pm)
- June 25-28 - Texas Holdem' Fundraiser

Please check out the calendar for details.

Our next General Meeting is June 12, and we will be holding elections for the Building Corporation afterwards. Positions are open to any 3rd Degree Knight. Please consider one of the positions.

I hope many of you can attend the Wine Tasting on June 13th. It is much appreciated if you'd let me know by June 5th if you will be attending.

As always, we will need help at the June Breakfast, which will be held on Father's Day, June 15, 2014.

The open meeting on June 26, 2014, to review the status of the Council and recognize our achievements. Please let me know by June 20th if you plan on attending as we need to prepare the food order.

Last month, our Council officer elections were held for the upcoming new fraternal year, which starts in July. I am happy to announce our new Grand Knight is Jason Meyers and our new Deputy Grand Knight is Steve Salter. A full announcement will be done at the June 26th meeting, but I want to thank everyone who was nominated and all of our council officers. We all look forward to forging ahead in the new year.

We hope you get involved with our events this summer. Please make some time to come out for at least one of the meetings or events, we'd love to see you!

Please feel free to call if you have any questions or comments!

In Brotherhood,

Joe Lograsso
Grand Knight
(586) 566-8940

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the Month of June we are honoring Jim Ososkie. He and his wife Ricci have lived on Sparrow Drive in Shelby Township for 14 years. They have been married for 20 years and they have two children Kennedy and Michael.

Jim and Ricci belong to St. Lawrence Church. They help out with Applefest, Parish Raffles, Alter Server and Coach.

Jim works at E.W. Smith Insurance and Ricci works for AT&T.

Jim joined Robert Jones Council in 1985. He is the Chairman of the Pitch, Hit and Run.

In his spare time Jim enjoys watching their daughter play volleyball and tennis and watching their son play football, basketball, and baseball. He also enjoys attending MSU games and spending time with their families in Caseville and Houghton Lake.

Congratulations Jim on being chosen Knight of the Month for June by your Brother Knights.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL
KNIGHT LIFE**

St. Lawrence Council 2950

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MEETINGS - 2nd and last Thursday of each month

OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Father Robert Fisher
State Advocate.....Antonio Vittorini
District Deputy.....David Kuptz
Grand Knight.....Joe Lograsso
Deputy Grand Knight.....Jason Meyers
Warden.....John Ternes
Chancellor.....Harry Kuk
Trustee.....Greg DeFauw, Jerry Mulka, Kim Wiegand
Recorder.....Kevin Manning
Treasurer.....Don Heydens
Advocate.....Tom Brennan
Financial Secretary.....Paul Burmeister
Lecturer.....Gary Lusk
Inside Guard.....Joe Manuszak
Outside Guard.....Jerry Birr, Paul Cone

DIRECTORS

Program Director.....Ron Morrison
Membership Director.....Jim Bokshan
Church Activities Director.....Maurice Van Hevel
Council Activities Director.....Joe Manuszak
Youth Activities Director.....Joe Lograsso
Family Life Director.....Paul Cone
Community Activities Director.....Ken Grunewald

CHAIRMAN

Knight Life Editor.....Larry Nardecchia
Degree Master.....Don Heydens
Mentally Impaired Chairman.....Ron Wiegand
Vocations Chairman.....Dale Niedzwiecki
Boysville Chairman.....Warren Sawdon
Eyes for the Needy.....Maurice Van Hevel
Pro-Life.....Joe Schudt
Picnic Grounds.....Dale Niedzwiecki
Retention.....Ray Keller
Hall Manager.....
Club Room.....Ken Grunewald
Club Room Phone.....(586) 739-9063

ROSARY CHAIN

Maurice Van Hevel.....739-2157
Larry Shekoski.....731-3548

INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE

Dale Jacks.....(586) 419-0276

K OF C FACILITIES RENTAL INFORMATION

Hall.....739-9063
Picnic Grounds.....739-9063

State Website Link - www.mikofc.org
Supreme Website Link - www.kofc.org

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR
JUNE**

June 2, 2014 - Knights Corp Meeting - 7:30 pm in the Club Room. **(This meeting is open to all members) This meeting is mandatory for all Building Corp members.**

June 12, 2014 - Our first membership meeting of the month - 8:00 pm in our Hall. Building Corp election after the June general membership meeting. Positions are open to all 3rd Degree members.

June 13, 2014 - Save the Date - Evening of Wine Tasting at 7:00 pm, Fundraiser for Holy Cross Children's Services. Tickets are \$25 for sampling, hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Please contact Joe Lograsso by June 6th for reservations.

June 15, 2014 - We will be having breakfast at our Hall from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Talk Dad into bringing everyone. We will be picking the HDTV raffle winner.

June 18, 2014 - The 4th Degree Meeting - 7:30 pm in the Club Room.

June 20, 2014 - Blood Drive at the Hall from 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

June 25-28, 2014 - Texas Holdem' Fundraiser at Big Beaver Tavern. Please contact Don Heydens to sign up to help.

June 26, 2014 - Our second meeting of the month 7:00 pm in the main hall. This is an open meeting with a light dinner. Please let Joe Lograsso know if you plan on attending. Please bring a dessert to pass.

July 4, 2014 - INDEPENDENCE DAY

August 14, 2014 - Check Distribution at the picnic grounds at 7:00 pm. Please bring a dish to pass. This is an open meeting'

October 16, 2014 - October Fest Beer Sampling

October 25, 2014 - Halloween Party

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 June a Happy Birthday or a Happy Anniversary.

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.



Knights of Columbus Wine Tasting
To benefit HolyCross Children's Services

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus invite you to a great evening of Wine Tasting on **Friday, June 13, 2014**. This night will consist of over 30 Wines, Hors d'oeuvres and Desserts to be sampled from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm at the K of C Hall.

The proceeds from this wonderful event will go to HolyCross Children's Services. Br. Francis Boylan, C.S.C. is the HCCS Executive Director and will be on hand to describe the HCCS and answer any questions you may have.

Tickets are \$25.00 per person and tables of 8 are available, if so desired and should be **reserved by June 6, 2014**. Please contact Joe Lograsso at (586) 566-8940 or lograsso@comcast.net for tickets or more information.

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 Kwecien, Meghan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Bob Quaine Sr, Mark Schneider, Jeffrey A. Wright, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Reynold Wolf, Tony Boozan, Stan Kups, Jerry Shekoski, Debbie Redding, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Jim Wiegand, Frank Settecerri, Eugene Schwartz, Leo Niedzwiecki, Renee Jones and MaryLu DeFauw.

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families: Robert C. Wilczewski, Sr.

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.



2014 Youth Service Day – Monday July 28, 2014

Service – Food – Laser Tag – Fun – Prayer – Prizes

Brother Knights, this is a great opportunity for your children or grandchildren. This is our third summer in doing this service day and it is a great time. Please pass it on.

Another great day returns as you are invited to participate once again in a day of service, prayer and fun. We will again venture out locally to serve those in need.

The day will start with Mass and then our teams will move out to the St. Vincent de Paul Store, Rising Stars Academy and to Senior Centers.

United in our Faith, you will be challenged to go beyond your normal day and put on the face, hands and mouth of Christ! Last year, 60 people accepted the challenge and had a great day. We would like to make this year's day as much fun! This is also a great way to earn your service hours for Confirmation or High School!

The day includes a continental breakfast, lunch, pizza dinner, laser tag, and a program at the end of the day. The cost is \$25.00 per youth and includes your t-shirt for the day. We check in at 7:30 am and finish around 6:30 pm.

This event is for those entering 7th - 12th grades and also includes leadership opportunities. We are in need of parents to chaperone, drive, and help set up for meals. Please make sure to have attended a Protecting God's Children session to chaperone.

Registration is now open. For any questions, please contact Joe Lograsso at Lograsso@comcast.net or call Deann at (586) 731-5072 in the St. Lawrence CRE Office for registration.

BLOOD DRIVE

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Blood Drive on Friday, June 20, 2014 at our Hall from 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Please call Kaitlyn at (586) 854-1778 or go to redcross.org and use code stlawrenceutica to set up an appointment to save lives.

This is a scholarship drive. Please support our students. Blood is especially needed this time of year, so please schedule your donation today!

Gary Lusk
Blood Drive Coordinator



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FAMILY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The St. Lawrence Christian Service Ministry with the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus are planning a series of service opportunities available especially for families. Bringing together families from the St. Lawrence Parish to unite in projects strengthens our sense of ministering to those in need and allows us to further realize the Holy Spirit in our lives.

The first project scheduled is:

St. Vincent de Paul Store (Utica, MI) - Saturday, June 21, 2014
All participants need to be 12 years or older
Times available are 9:30 am to noon or 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
There are 20 spots available for each time slot

Please call your friends to come with you as a small group of families to make this a great example of the joy of our Christian faith. Brother Knights, this is a great opportunity for you to have a family event with your children or grandchildren. Please consider this signing up for this event and making it successful

For more information and SVdP permission slips, please contact Joe Lograsso at (586) 566-8940 or email at Lograsso@comcast.net

Joe Lograsso

SAVE THE DATE Summer Mission Service Day Monday July 28, 2014

For the third year in a row, we have a great day for 6th - 12th Graders. We start with Mass, go to service sites in the morning and afternoon, laser tag, pizza dinner and a fun program to review the day. Day includes bagels and juice, lunch, dinner and a t-shirt.

SAVE THE DATES !!!

Friday, October 10, 2014 - October Fest

Saturday, October 25, 2014 - Halloween Party

SAVE THE DATES !!!

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at (888) 393-7539, or don.wesley@kofc.org.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of June we are honoring the family of Norman and Wanda Grifka.

. They live on Copper Creek Drive in Washington for the last two years. Prior to moving they lived in Macomb County for the last 55 years.

They have been married for 57 wonderful years and have four children - Paula Ann, Janet Marie and twin boys John Norman and Don Richard. They also have six grandchildren (three boys and three girls) whose ages range from 6 - 21 years..

They belong to St. John Vianney. Parish activities include helping out in the kitchen for Lenten Fish dinners, helping count the Sunday collections, and Wanda sews the babies Baptismal Garments.

Norm worked for 43 years for Chrysler Defense and General Dynamics and has been retired for 22 years...

Norm joined the Knights of Columbus at St. Louis the King Council in Detroit many years ago.

In their spare time they enjoy spending their free time at their summer home in Caseville, taking their pontoon boat on the lake for fishing and relaxing. They also enjoy going with their friends on weekend casino bus trips. They also enjoy playing either euchre or pinochle.

Congratulations to Norm and Wanda for being chosen Family of the Month for June by your Brother Knights.

