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Council 2950**

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

Happy springtime everyone! I'd like to acknowledge the many great activities and events sponsored by our Council in April:

- April Breakfast
 - Thank you to everyone who cooked, helped, and attended our April breakfast.
- Family Movie Night
 - Thank you to Joe Lograsso for putting together this great family activity. Thanks to all who participated.
- Pro-Life Movie
 - Thanks again to our Pro-Life directors, Chris and Sharon, and to the Knights who attended.
- Euchre Party
 - Thanks to Dave, Rick, Chuck and Bob, and everyone else who participated and helped with the Euchre party fundraiser.
- Corporate Communion
 - Thank you to everyone who turned out for our 10:00 am Corporate Communion. It was great to see so many families in attendance. Special thanks to the St. John Neumann Color Corps.

Our degree team will conduct a first degree initiation on Thursday, May 14th at 7:00 pm. Please come out to support our candidates. That same Thursday night is also our first meeting of the month, where we will hold our annual May crowning event, so I hope many of you will turn out to pray the Rosary with us. And, as if that's not enough, we will also hold final nominations and elections for the next fraternal year. Thank you to all our current officers and those of you who are standing for office this next fraternal year.

As per Supreme directive, our Council is required to formalize an agreement between the Council and the Building Corporation. This process will begin at our Officer's meeting on August 27th, where our District Deputy will be one hand to pass along questions from the membership to the State Deputy. The details of this directive are laid out in the "Handbook for Councils Using Home Corporation Facilities." For anyone interested in viewing it, I have placed a link on our website: <http://uticekofcxc.com/HomeCorp>; otherwise, I will have a hard copy available for you to read at any of our Council meetings between now and then.

Our monthly breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 10th on Mother's Day. I hope many of you will treat your mom to breakfast or come out to lend a helping hand. We anticipate a big crowd; so, extra help is always needed and appreciated.

Our Wine Tasting fundraiser to benefit Holy Cross is on Friday, June 12th at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available now and priced at only \$30.00 per person.

Please consult our calendar for more events and activities. I wish everyone a happy Mother's Day. Please also have a great Memorial Day weekend; take some time to remember those who have died in the service of our country. If the holidays take you out of town, I wish you safe travels. Please pray for the Pope's prayer intentions for May.

- **Universal:** That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbors who suffer, especially the sick and the poor.
- **Evangelization:** That Mary's intercession may help Christians in secularized cultures be ready to proclaim Jesus.

Faternally,

Jason Meyers
Grand Knight
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FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of May we are honoring Jim Ososkie and his wife Ricci. They have lived on Sparrow Drive in Shelby Township for the past 14 years. They have been married for 21 people years or 147 dog years. They have two children – Kennedy who is 16 years old and Michael who is 14 years old (these are people years). They have no grandchildren, but they do have a dog named Maks.

The family belong to St. Lawrence Parish where they chair the Applefest, coach basketball, reffing instructional basketball, buying raffle tickets and picking the wrong raffle tickets.

Jim has worked for E.W. Smith for 25 years and Ricci has worked at AT & T for 25 years.

Jim joined the Robert Jones Council in Lincoln Park on 1986. The most memorable office held with the Knights of Columbus has been as the Personal Assistant to Joe Lograsso. He has also held the Chairmanships of the Pitch, Hit and Run along with the St. Pat's

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL
KNIGHT LIFE**

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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

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**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR
MAY AND JUNE**

May 4, 2015 – Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm **Attendance of Knights Corp Members is MANDATORY! This meeting is open to all Members.**

Nat 19, 2015 – Monthly breakfast for Mother’s Day from 8:30 am Until noon at the K of C Hall. Treat Mom to breakfast.

May 14, 2015 – First Meeting of the month in our Club Room at 8:00 pm. First degree initiation at 7:00 pm. We will also be holding our May crowning event. We will also be holding final nominations and elections for the next fraternal year.

May 28, 2015 – Officer’s Meeting, everyone is welcome at 8:00 pm in the Club Room.

May 30, 2015 – “Adopt A Highway” - Spring Clean Mount Road. Meet in the Club Room at 8:30 am to break up into teams.

June 12, 2015 – Wine Tasting fundraiser to benefit Holy Cross at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available at \$30.00 per person.

Fraternally,
Joe Manuszak
Council Activities Director

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 or a Happy Anniversary.



**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 12, 2015**. 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.

Tickets are \$30.00 per person and tables of eight (8) are available, if so desired and should be **reserved by June 5, 2015**. Please contact Joe Lograsso at (586) 566-8940 or lograsso@comcast.net for tickets or more information!

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus meets at the Knights Banquet Center at 44425 Utica Road, Utica, Mi 48317.

Joe Lograsso

OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: Lillian Sparks, Louie Jonas, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kwiecien, Megan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Mark Schneider, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Stan Kups, Jerry Shekoski, Debbie Redding, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Linda Nardecchia, Rick Lametta, Sharon Dilloway, Nikki Davies, Ryan Foster, John Lorocca, Teresa Winkler, Larry Shekoski, Ed Durham, Della Mulka, Ron and Eva Wiegand, Robert Quaine, Barbara Bientek, Tom Brennan 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) 078-0579 or email us at: lanardecchia@prodigy.net. Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

Knights of Columbus 'BENEFITS NEWS'

Six Great Reasons To Have Insurance on Children:

1. **Protecting Insurability:** With a Guaranteed Purchase Option (GPO) rider attached, Knights of Columbus plans guarantee the child the opportunity to purchase more protection at various dates in their future **without having to prove insurability**. Our GPO rider allows children to increase their insurance up to seven times between the ages of 17 and 40, regardless of health. The GPO rider also enables them to get coverage with one of the top rated insurance companies in the world. They don't have to join the Knights or (in the case of a female) marry a Knight. They do it through your membership.
2. **Financial Protection:** When we lose a loved one, especially a child, the financial loss is often not just the cost of a funeral. It's not uncommon for parents to lose time from work to care for a dying child and to lose even more time after the child's death because of a bereavement period. Many companies limit bereavement periods to three days. Also, medical expenses incurred during an illness oftentimes cause financial stress. Beyond paying funeral costs, a policy on a child can help to supplement income while loved ones deal with this devastating loss.
3. **Lower Cost** The rates will never be any better than they are right now. Plus, if you consider the amount of coverage that your child will likely need given inflation, a juvenile policy could literally save them thousands of dollars.
4. **Encourages Saving:** Knights of Columbus plans offer terrific cash and dividend values to help supplement cost of future likely expenses, such as the purchase of a home or wedding. Plus, with more and more companies no longer offering pension programs, the cash values can help supplement the child's retirement.
5. **Qualifies for Orphan Benefit:** If the father is in good standing with his local council and at least one of the parent is insured with the Knights by a policy of at least \$5,000.00 permanent coverage (minimum coverage required may be higher for new plans) or \$150 annual

premium, each insured child would receive a monthly benefit of \$80 to age 19 (age 23 if they attend college) if both parents were to die.

6. **Creating a Legacy:** The plan is also in place to protect your child's future family – your grandkids!

Life Insurance for your child is truly a lasting gift, which they will look on later in life as one of their most cherished assets.

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

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In Christ,

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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

ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Brother Knights:

The snow is finally gone, spring is starting to show up, and it's time to do our part for the community and help "Spring Clean" Mount Road. Our first cleanup is scheduled for Saturday morning, May 30th. Please meet at the Club Room 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

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the month of May we are honoring Joe Lograsso. Joe and his family live on Kathleen in Macomb Township for the last 17 years. Joe and his wife Laura have been married for 25 years and have three children: Maria, Tony and Vincent.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Church. Joe and Laura are part of the Pre-Cana team, Laura participates in the Church choir and Joe belongs to the Men's fellowship group and is a volunteer with the Youth Ministry. Maria is a Cantor and Tony and Vincent are Eucharistic Ministers.

Joe works at General Dynamics Land Systems on the fire control system of the Abrams tank and has been there for 25 years. Laura is a Chemistry Professor and teaches at Macomb County Community College and has worked there for 15 years.

Joe joined the Council in 2003. He has held the position of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Membership Director, Youth Activities Director and Program Director. Joe has also co-chaired the St. Pat's Party and the Halloween Party.

In his spare time Joe enjoys music, concerts, photography, cooking, multimedia, and reading non-fiction.

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

FAMILY OF THE MONTH CONTINUED

promoter.

The family enjoys in their spare time attending games at Michigan State University, Regina, and at DeLaSalle. Jim enjoys sharing a beverage with Paul Burmeister. He also enjoys shopping at Weingartz and last but not least he enjoys discussing insurance with Jim Bokshan.

Congratulations Jim and Ricci for being chosen May Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.

SAVE THE DATES!!!

Adopt a Highway – Spring Clean Mound Road
Meet in the Club Room at 8:30 am to split up into teams
May 30, 2015

Wine Tasting Fundraiser to Benefit HolyCross Children's Services. Tickets are \$30.00 per Person.
Tables for Eight Available by June 5th. Please contact Joe Lograsso at
(586) 566-8940 or lograsso@comcast.net for tickets or more information.
June 12, 2015

SAVE THE DATES!!!

2015 MI DRIVE

Once again our annual MI Drive was a success thanks to the support of all of the people that came out in the cold inclement weather to volunteer their time

We appreciate the efforts of everyone that worked the streets, counted the money, supplied the food and snacks, and gave financial support. We also want to express our thanks to all of the ladies that came to help organize, collect, count, prepare and provide the food to all of us throughout the weekend.

It is through your ongoing commitment and dedication to this cause that we once again exceeded our expectations and managed to again surpass last year's total collections, with a total amount of \$35,351. We also thank the parishioners of St. Lawrence Parish and the children of St. Lawrence School for their generous donations that helped us achieve this goal.

We look forward to your continued commitment and support and look forward to working with all of you again on next year's drive.

Fraternally,

MI Co-Chairmen
Paul Burmeister
Joe Lograsso
George Weigand

Happy Memorial Day



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