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THE RECITING OF THE ROSARY WILL BE AT 6:30PM IN THE CHURCH BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL MEETING: JANUARY 12, '12

The next meeting of the Council will take place in the **Watson Room** located in the lower Church hall.

The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

Brother Knights,

This time of year has always been a time for looking back on the past year, and more importantly, forward to the coming year. It's a time to reflect on the changes we want (or need) to make and to resolve to follow through on those changes.

In my reflections on the year just ended, the news was consumed by a world struggling with military conflicts, debt, religious persecution, political chaos, and potential economic collapse. In 2012 much of the news in the USA will be about an election year. We should all vow to not

passively stand by and let our religious beliefs and our liberties be trampled on as our current government tries to increase its power and control over every aspect of our lives. We need to ensure that our children read about how our noble nation, built upon the principles of hard work and sweat since its founding, did not fail to act in one of our greatest hours of need. Let us ensure we honor those who fought for the freedoms we enjoy...by being vigilant in the preservation of those freedoms and our inalienable rights.

On the opposite side of the spectrum, I saw through the Knights, our Council, and our Parish community a tremendous outpouring of support, both physically and financially, to serve those less fortunate, to protect those who cannot protect themselves, and to evangelize to those who are in need of God's grace.

I saw a Council who donated over 9,000 hours, almost doubling the hours donated in 2010. Of those hours, I was surprised to find that almost 50% of those hours were donated by less than 10 people. As

a result of many of those donated hours, our Council and our Parish produced incredible results. Although the actual number is not set in stone, tabulations indicate we raised over \$70K in support of Pro-Life causes. I am in awe of the results. We need to use that as a shining example of what we can do if we put our hearts, our minds, and our hands toward a worthwhile goal. It is amazing what we can accomplish through the Holy Spirit. Thank you all for making 2011 very memorable.

Looking forward, it is the ideal time to reflect on where we are with our relationship with God, our families, with our careers, and with the time we give to help those in need.

I am reminded of what I call the 20-5 talk I heard recently. It goes like this: Suppose you woke up tomorrow and received two phone calls. The first phone call tells you that you have inherited \$20 million, no strings attached. The second tells you that you have an incurable and terminal disease, and you have no more than 5 years to live. What would you do

differently, and, in particular, what would you stop/start doing? The focus is on how we allocate the most precious of all resources: **Time**.

As we look to the New Year, let us strive to give of the time we have so that we can be counted as one of God's good and faithful servants. You will be receiving a letter asking for your input and your involvement. We anticipate 2012 to be another busy year and we need all hands on deck. In the first two months we have Roses for Life, a Blood Drive, fish fries, Valentines Brunch, Coats for Kids, Essay and Free Throw contests, an informational night, beneficial retreats, and planning for many other activities. We need ALL of our Brother Knights involvement. Would you please give of your time, talent, and treasure?

I look forward to the coming year. It promises to be busy and extremely rewarding to those who get involved. I wish all of you the best in the New Year and I look forward to seeing each of you as we support the core principles of the Knights - charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

Fraternally yours,

David Goetz
Grand Knight

LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERS:

Greetings Ladies,

Happy New Year to you all !!

I hope you all had a beautiful Christmas with the Baby Jesus and family and friends. We certainly did.

The years seem to fly by so fast anymore - they (whoever they are) say that is a sign of age. How dare they !

Well, if you missed the Christmas brunch, you missed a good time. The room was, as usual, very pretty and the food delish. We all had a good time (ok, I speak for myself anyway) playing trivia and singing a few carols. Santa showed up early with some fun gifts. Try to be there next year - you'll love it.

Our donations to Wellston Center & Circle of Concern were delivered this month in time for the Christmas holidays. Marian presented the check at Wellston Center and Carol and myself brought the check to Circle of Concern. They gave us a little tour of their facilities. It was very informative. Needless to say, both groups were excited with the checks. Thanks to all of you for making them possible. Our next meeting - the Birthright Shower - will be on Thursday, Jan. 12 @ 7pm. Hope to see all of you there. Our 5th Sunday breakfast

will be coming up too on January 29. The Blood Drive will be on January 14th, so if you'd like to bake some cookies for us, you can bring them with you to the Jan. meeting & I will get them up there on the 14th. Thanks

TFT Life without God is like an unsharpened pencil -- it has no point

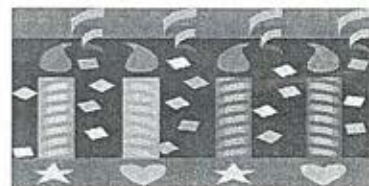
Have a great day --

Sincerely,
Bev Dunn
President

LADIES AUXILIARY BIRTHDAYS:

January

Doris Juranas



Happy Birthday to You!

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Ladies Auxiliary Member:

Kay Villagran
Doris Beuttenmuller

Please keep them in your prayers.

BENEDICTION:

Join your fellow Knights for Benediction at 8:45p.m. preceded by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Sacred Heart Litany at 8:30p.m. every Wednesday at Incarnate Word Church.

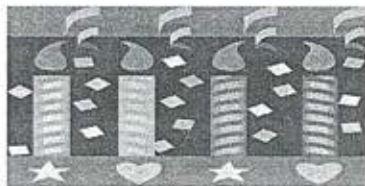
ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS: JANUARY 15, '12

We will pray our rosary for Vocations on Sunday, January 12th, after the 8:45a.m. Mass. All members are welcomed to spend an extra 15 minutes after Mass to recite the rosary, so please plan to join us.

KNIGHTS BIRTHDAYS:

January

Ignatius Schumacher
Douglas Walker
Charles Dignan
John Wolschock
James Petersen



Que Purnell
Anthony Koester
Joseph Kuhn

Happy Birthday to you all and may you have many more to come.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Father Timothy Vowels
Jay Conniff
Ron Szweda
Don Lenhardt
Irv Rieger
Vince Bruns
Lou Juranas
Dave Beckerjeck
Jack Hilboldt
Tom Gordon
Richard Rahubka
Earl Ikemeyer
Donald Mohrmann

Please pray for your brother Knights and may their illnesses and pains subside and may they get on the road to a speedy recovery very soon. May God be with you and guide you to a full recovery.

COMMUNION 5TH SUNDAY:

On Sunday, January 29th, all Council members and their spouses along with the Ladies Auxiliary are invited to gather at the 8:45a.m. Mass and celebrate Mass together.

The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a pot luck brunch after Mass in the lower church hall. So bring your favorite breakfast dish and share it with all in attendance. Bring your dish down to the lower church

hall before Mass so it can be kept warm.

The Council's Honor Guard will be present for the Mass so please plan on attending this Mass and the brunch afterwards. Come and enjoy some fellowship along with a great brunch.

BLOOD DRIVE:

The next blood drive will be held on Saturday, January 14th from 7:30am to 1:00pm in the lower church hall.

There is a need of volunteers to help sign up donors after all the Masses on the weekend of January 7th and 8th.

Please come by and help save a life. The life that you save might be yours!

If you can volunteer some time to help sign up donors and either setup or cleanup the day of the Blood Drive, call either Jeff Grotegeers at 636-394-9485 or Don Mueller at 314-439-9755.

ROSES FOR LIFE:

We will be offering miniature red roses that can be signed by all in the Church vestibule after Masses on January 14th and 15th.

We will also be accepting donations for the Archdiocesan Lifeline Coalition that supports local crisis pregnancy agencies, like Birthright and Our Lady's Inn.

Each volunteer should go back to the Church vestibule after Holy

Communion. One Knight should stand by the long table to tell people where to put their signed rose and where to put their donation. All others should stand at the Church exits with roses, pens, and clipboards in hand as people are leaving Mass.

Please volunteer for this activity after whichever Mass that you will attend during the weekend of January 14 & 15. A few minutes of your time after Mass can help those that need these crisis-pregnancy agencies.

Jim Melka,
Pro-Life Chairperson

2012 FISH FRIES:

The Council's annual Lenten Fish Fry for 2012 will begin on Friday, February 17, 2012 and will continue on all Fridays during Lent.

This is the Council's biggest fundraiser so we will need all members to volunteer some of your time to help make this another success as it has been in recent years.

The various committee chairpersons will be contacting the membership in the near future to ask you to volunteer some of your time for the Fish Fries. Please mark your calendars and plan other activities so that you will have some time to help out in this fundraiser.

FELICE CUORES:

Next Dance will be
Saturday, January 14th

*****VOLUNTEERS ARE
WHAT
MAKE THESE DANCES
WORK*****

**2012
SCHEDULE
FEB 11, MAR 10,
APRIL 14, MAY 12**

Check the schedule, dances
are NOT always on the
second Saturday of the
month

As always dances are held at St Clare of Assisi School, 15642 Clayton Rd. in Ellisville. The dances begin at **7:00 pm** and end at **10:00 pm**.

Be sure to **sign in** for Council 9981 and **sign up** for a job. If you can only work a few hours come for set up (at 6:30pm) or clean up (at 9:45pm).

The Ladies Auxiliary is looking for someone to fill the place vacated by Jean Brow.

Any lady interested in being on the Board of Directors for Felice Cuores Contact Jean at 314.974.0415 or Bill Lukas at 636.537.9801

BASKETBALL FREE THROW:

The Council will be sponsoring the annual Incarnate Word youth basketball free throw contest on Wednesday, January 11th at 6:00pm in the Kent Center.

Volunteers are needed to help out with the free throw contest. So if you can help out, please call either Jeff Rosenthal at 314-439-0204, or Scott Sparks at 314-515-8593 or just come by. Your help is needed and let's show our support to the youth of the Parish.

Volunteers need to come by the Kent Center by 5:45pm.

YOUTH ESSAY & POSTER CONTESTS:

The Essay and Poster Contests are coming up in January. The students of Incarnate Word are currently working hard on their entries. Volunteers are needed (a total of 8 knights) to help judge the entries. Copies of the essays will be brought to our general meeting in January for the judges to take home to review. The judges will then meet on January 25th at 7:00 pm in the Watson room to select the winners of both the Essay and Poster Contests. Guidelines for both contests will be distributed to the judges at the January meeting.

Call Scott Sparks at 314-515-8593 if you would like to judge the essays.

VALENTINES SWEETHEART BRUNCH:

The annual Knights of Columbus Valentines Sweetheart Breakfast will be held on Sunday February 12th at 10:30 AM (following the 8:45am Mass). The event will take place at the Four Seasons Country Club in Chesterfield MO. The cost will be \$12.50 per adult and \$6.00 for children 11 and under. Call or Email Chris Williams at 314-576-0878 or cwilliams_123@sbcglobal.net for reservations.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

Please remember the following prayer whenever possible for the benefit of Church Vocations.

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters.

Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more

faithfully, always and everywhere.

With Mary, we ask this through Christ our Lord.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

If any Knight knows of a Brother Knight who is sick or if there was a death of a member, or in a member's immediate family, please contact Charles Shikany at 314-469-1512 to organize support.

The Knights are committed to assist any widow of a deceased Knight. If you know a widow of a Brother Knight or a member in need, please contact our Grand Knight, David Goetz at 314-740-5491.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:

You know a Catholic gentleman who would be a fine addition to our Council!!! **Have you invited him to join?** If not, please extend the invitation ----- if you have asked ----- please again invite him to join. You are providing an opportunity for entry into the finest Catholic Fraternity in the world. If you wish assistance, contact Stan Mengwasser, Membership Director.

EDITOR IN CHIEF:

Please help in assisting me in the publishing of this newsletter by providing me feedback on the newsletter and by submitting your monthly column as early as possible.

Any member of the Council can submit articles for the monthly newsletter. If you have an article to submit, please forward it to me by the deadline for newsletter articles.

Jeff Grotegeers
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DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:

For the February 2012 newsletter, the deadline will be January 23rd, 2012.

BITS & PIECES:

A New Year Prayer For the Elderly

God, grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway,
The good fortune to run into the ones that I do,
And the eyesight to tell the difference.

New Year's Day Prayer for One and All

Dear Lord

So far this year I've done well.

I haven't gossiped, I haven't lost my temper, I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or overindulgent. I'm very thankful for that. But in a few minutes, Lord, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on I'm probably going to need a lot more help.

Amen

A New Year's Wish

On New Year's Eve, Marilyn stood up in the local pub and said that it was time to get ready. At the stroke of midnight, she wanted every husband to be standing next to the one person who made his life worth living.

Well, it was kind of embarrassing. As the clock struck - the bartender was almost crushed to death

Lecture Tour with A Difference

On New Year's Eve, Daniel was in no shape to drive, so he sensibly left his van in the car park and walked home. As he was wobbling along, he was stopped by a policeman. 'What are you

doing out here at four o'clock in the morning?' asked the police officer.

'I'm on my way to a lecture,' answered Roger.

'And who on earth, in their right mind, is going to give a lecture at this time on New Year's Eve?' enquired the constable sarcastically.

'My wife,' slurred Daniel grimly.

Ten Indications of a New Year Hangover

1. You get it into your head that chirping birds are the Devil's pets.

2. Trying to gain control of the situation, you continue to tell your room to "Stay still."

3. Looking at yourself in the mirror induces the same reaction as drinking a glass of fresh paint.

4. The bathroom reminds you of the fairground cry, "Step right up and give it a whirl!"

5. You'd rather chew tacks than be exposed to sunlight.

6. You set aside an entire afternoon to spend some quality time with your toilet.

7. You replace the traditional praying on your knees with the more feasible praying in a fetal position.

8. Your catch phrase is, "Never again."

9. You could purchase a new fridge on the proceeds from recycling the bottles around your bed.

10. Your new response to "Good morning," is "Be quiet!"

New Year's Day Quotes

New Year's Day: Now is the accepted time to make your regular annual good resolutions. Next week you can begin paving hell with them as usual.

Mark Twain

One resolution I have made, and try always to keep, is this: To rise above the little things.

John Burroughs

Good resolutions are simply checks that men draw on a bank where they have no account.

Oscar Wilde

Recording Secretary Meeting Notes
Of Thursday, December 15, 2011
Council #9981 Meeting

Deputy Grand Knight David Goetz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Ron Weiss reported that all present were current Knights of Columbus cardholders.

Roll Call of Officers:

Chaplain, Father James Sullivan	Excused
Grand Knight,	
Deputy Grand Knight, David Goetz	Present
Chancellor, Christopher Smith	Present
Recorder, Jerry Burrows	Present
Treasurer, Jeff West	Present
Advocate, Barry Sullivan	Present
Warden, Brian Lewis	Present
Inside Guard, Ron Weiss	Present
Outside Guard, Denis Demeter	Present
1 st Year Trustee, Len Bodus	Excused
2 nd Year Trustee, Stan Mengwasser	Present
3 rd Year Trustee, Scott Arbaugh	Present
Financial Secretary, Buz Peek	Present
Lecturer, Nicholas Zak	Excused
District Deputy, Bill Smith	Excused

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Grand Knight's Report – By Deputy Grand Knight, Dave Goetz

- Dave thanked everyone who attended the prayer service for the Our Lady of Guadalupe icon held prior to tonight's meeting. The service was conducted by Deacon Stallings and attended by approximately 25 knights.
- The Survey of Fraternal Activity is due by the end of the year. Dave needs our hours of service turned in as soon as possible. They must be turned in by the end of the year.
- The Christmas Brunch was held on December 11th, at Forest Hills Country Club. Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary and all who attended.
- The orientation meeting will be re-scheduled for late January or early February 2012.
- There will be a First Degree Ceremony held in February corresponding to our Council meeting on February 9th.
- The Degree Team for our Council is in desperate need of men to fill open positions. Anyone interested should contact Dave, Stan or Charlie Shikany.

Deputy Grand Knight – Dave Goetz

Membership Report – Stan Mengwasser

- One new form 100 was read and approved by the Council.
- Stan encouraged everyone to go the KofC.org website to research the information concerning 2nd, 3rd and 4th degrees.
- The 4th degree ceremony this year will be held on March 3rd, 2012, at the Airport Marriott.

Treasurer's Report – Jeff West

- The report of receipts and disbursements was given for the period ending November 30, 2011.

Financial Secretary's Report – Buz Peek

- The report of receipts and disbursements was given for the period ending November 30, 2011.
- We are having problems with the software for this year's invoices. They will be issued when the problem is resolved.

Trustee Report – (Len Bodus, Stan Mengwasser, Scott Arbaugh)

- No report.

Report of Directors and Committees — David Goetz

Pro-Life – Jim Melka

- No Report

Third Sunday for Vocations

- The next two Sundays will be December 18th and January 15th. All are encouraged to attend.

Evangelization – Ted Juen

- The Catholic Men for Christ conference is scheduled for February 4, 2012, at the newly renovated Peabody Opera House, (formerly the Kiel Opera House). All are encouraged to take advantage of the early bird pricing offer that ends December 19th.

Community Director – John Owens

- In John's absence, Dave asked everyone to please bring any children's coats for the Winter Coat drive which is underway currently.

Felice Coures – Ron Weiss

- The next dance will be held on January 14th, at St. Claire's parish hall. The February Valentine's dance will be sponsored by our Council, so all are encouraged to come and help out.

Knights of Columbus Incarnate Word Council 9981



Membership (K)night

Who: Council 9981 Knights, Interested Men of the Parish and their wives are invited

What: Informational Membership (K)night



When: February 2, 2012 @ 7pm

Where: Incarnate Word Parish, School Cafeteria

Why: Come learn about the Knights of Columbus and the Ladies Auxiliary. Learn who we are, what we do, and spend a little social time with brother Knights and their wives. Existing members and men interested in joining the Knights of Columbus and their wives are welcome.

Food and drink will be provided.

Please contact Dave Goetz at
314-740-5491 or at dkgtz67@gmail.com
for more details or to sign up.



Family Director – Chris Williams

- A committee met on December 14th to discuss how to try and get more members involved in the Council's activities. They will meet again on January 2nd, 2012.
- The Valentine Brunch will be held on February 12th following 8:45 Mass, at Four Seasons.
- The next 5th Sunday breakfast will be held on January 29th.

Youth Activities – Scott Sparks

- Dave announced that the Essays and Posters are due on December 16th. Judges will be needed for the contest.
- The free-throw competition will be held on January 11th.

Council Director – Jeff Grotegeers

- The next blood drive will be on January 14th. We need donors!!
- The first Fish-Fry will be on February 17th and run through March 30th. The committee will meet next week to begin planning. Volunteers will be needed.
- The golf tournament is set for August 18th at Sunset Hills Golf Course.

Condolence Chairman – Charlie Shikany

- No report

Church Director – Steve Dickhut

- **IW Ultrasound Initiative:** Steve announced that the tax-credit availability may end up making more money for the BBB. Steve also announced that several other Councils are interested in doing the Baby Bottle campaign in their parish. Among those are Ascension and Sacred Heart. A resolution was read describing how our council will administer the BBB until the State boards are in place.
- Volunteers will be needed to help collect bottles on January 20th, in East St. Louis, prior to the Pro-Life trip to Washington, D.C.
- **Light House Media:** The CD's continue to "fly off the rack" at a rate of approximately 175-200 per month.

Decency in Media – Jim Melka

- No Report

Developmental Disabilities Drive – Andy Dyszlewski

- A total of \$10,000.00 has been collected for this year's drive.
- Andy announced that a Mass will be offered for Bill Bode in honor of the \$1000 contribution made by his wife.

District Deputy's Report – Bill Smith

No report

Chaplain's Report – Father Sullivan

No report.

New Business

- Tony Koester announced that we will begin having food and videos prior to our monthly meetings to provide more social and educational opportunities.
- The first reading of a resolution was read outlining the administration of the BBB.
- Nominations were opened for election of officers. Dave Goetz was unanimously elected to take over the Grand Knight position. Don Mueller was officially elected as the new Deputy Grand Knight.

Insurance – Deacon Mark Guilford

- Deacon Mark discussed how other councils are having the same problems we have with member participation. His parish will be doing an ice cream social to try to get more family involvement.

Good of the Order –

- Prayers were offered for our brother Knights who are sick.

Larry Hoepfner won the 50/50 raffle.
 - A resolution, (attached), was discussed, amended and read for the first time regarding the Pro-Life Baby Bottle Collections Disbursement. The resolution passed unanimously.
 - Dave Goetz closed the meeting with a prayer.
 - Dave Goetz adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m. The next meeting will be held on January 12th.
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2011 - 2012 Council Officers

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Calendar of Events

<i>Reciting of Rosary</i>	<i>Thursday, January 12th at 6:30PM</i>
<i>Council Meeting</i>	<i>Thursday, January 12th at 7:00PM</i>
<i>Prayer for Vocations</i>	<i>Sunday, January 15th after 8:45AM Mass</i>
<i>Deadline for the February '12 Newsletter</i>	<i>January 23, 2012</i>
<i>Benediction</i>	<i>8:45PM Every Wednesday</i>
<i>Blood Drive</i>	<i>Saturday, January 14th, 2012</i>
<i>Basketball Free Throw Contest</i>	<i>Wednesday, January 11th, 2012</i>
<i>Communion 5TH Sunday</i>	<i>Sunday, January 29th after 8:45AM Mass</i>