

# Knights of Columbus

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***THE RECITING OF THE ROSARY WILL BE AT 7:00PM IN THE  
WATSON ROOM BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETING***

#### **COUNCIL MEETING: JULY 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 7:15 p.m. after the rosary.**

#### **FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:**

Brother Knights,

To begin, thanks to all who participated in our successful Savers of Life drive and the family picnic in June. Thanks to all who have helped along the way, especially Gerry Hempstead who played a big role in Thrive purchasing the second mobile medical unit (MMU) in June. Lastly, I wanted to thank the members of the Council as it appears that with a last minute push we will make STAR Council again this year.

I wanted to give another reminder of the Officer Installation Dinner – July

15th at Four Seasons Country Club. A separate flyer was emailed and will be included in the newsletter. Let me know if you plan to attend by July 8<sup>th</sup>. The cost per person will be \$16. Also, don't forget the golf tournament in August.

With all that is going on in America, I have been thinking a lot about FAITH....Faith that everything will work out as we think and hope that it should. In **Hebrews 11:1** - ...faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. We must have faith but also we must pray and act.

I saw an article and read a story in the second book of Maccabees describes the martyrdom of the old scribe Eleazar. It occurred during the Hellenizing campaign of Antiochus Epiphanes. He forced the Jews "to forsake the laws of their fathers and cease to live by the laws of God." Eleazar was ordered on pain of death to eat pork. He refused.

The men in charge of the sacrifice, who had known him for a long time, took him aside and offered to spare him if he would just eat something that looked

like pork. "Such pretense is not worthy of our time of life," he said, "lest many of the young should suppose that Eleazar in his 90th year has gone over to an alien religion." And so they killed him.

This is a story about religious freedom, and it has two points. The first is that we should put our duty to obey God's laws above our obligation to the government. The second is that, apart from our own failure in forsaking God's laws, we do an additional wrong when our children are led to believe that what is happening is acceptable. Like Eleazar, we are being ordered by the government to do something we view as morally wrong. Like Eleazar, we are not concerned only about the uprightness of our own behavior. We are worried that we will do an additional wrong by leading our children to believe that the actions the government seeks to promote are acceptable. Our mission is to see that our younger generations grow in wisdom, age, and grace. We teach that virtues like honesty, charity, faith, and respect for life are not just ideas worth talking about,



but also ideals that must be lived. Compliance with the government's new regulations would make that a lesson in hypocrisy. Whether we like the recent Supreme Court decision it does state: "...Members of this Court are vested with the authority to interpret the law; we possess neither the expertise nor the prerogative to make policy judgments. Those decisions are entrusted to our Nation's elected leaders, who can be thrown out of office if the people disagree with them. It is not our job to protect the people from the consequences of their political choices...." Let's do what we can as Catholics and as Knights to make sure we don't compound the mistakes already made so that we can ensure this doesn't happen.

Fraternally yours,

David Goetz  
Grand Knight

## LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERS:

Greetings Ladies,

The Ladies Auxiliary is on a hiatus for the summer so there will not be a newsletter article concerning the Ladies Auxiliary until we reconvene in September. Ladies, have a wonderful summer and enjoy yourselves.

Sincerely,

Joan Mengwasser  
President

## LADIES AUXILIARY BIRTHDAYS:

### July

Mary Fleming  
Roxanne Shikany

*Happy Birthday to You!*

## KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Ladies Auxiliary Members:

Kay Villagran

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: JULY 15, '12

We will pray our rosary for Vocations on Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 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:

### July

Max Schwartz  
Barry Sullivan  
Stan Mengwasser  
David Kennedy



Bill Davis  
James Cripps  
Joseph Allison

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

## KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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



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 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY:**

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

After Mass, please join us in the lower church hall and enjoy some fellowship along with bagels, donuts, coffee and juice.

## **OFFICER INSTALLATION DINNER:**

The Installation Dinner will be held at the Four Seasons Country Club on Sunday, July 15, 2012 at 6:00 pm with a cash bar and dinner at 6:45pm. The cost will be \$16 per person. Checks should be made payable to Knights of Columbus #9981, and be mailed to David Goetz at 326 Conway Lake Dr., Creve Coeur Mo. 63141 or call at 314-205-1514. Please RSVP by Sunday, July 8, 2012.

## **2012 GOLF TOURNAMENT:**

**We are in a full swing mode for this year's golf tournament, trying to get players, prizes, sponsors and the like so that this will be a successful tournament.**

**WE NEED OF ALL YOUR HELP IN THESE MATTERS, SO DO WHAT YOU CAN TO SUPPORT THE GOLF TOURNAMENT. THE KIDS ARE COUNTING ON US FOR OUR HELP!**

The Council's Annual Golf Tournament for 2012 will be held at Sunset Hills Golf Course on Sunday, August 12th, 2012. Sunset Hills is located off Gravois Rd. on W. Watson Road which is approx. 1.5 mi. west of Hwy. 270.

It will be a 4 Man Scramble with a shotgun start time of 1:30pm.

We are in need of gift certificates, tickets to sports venues, golf related door prizes and auction items. We are also looking for company sponsorship and hole sponsors. Please ask your employer or if you are an employer, please consider sponsorship.

**We need all the Council membership's help and participation** in regards to the above.

## **INSURANCE:**

### **Field Agent Duties and Compensation**

With the end of the fraternal year many issues arise, (which I hope I handled), that members thought I was paid a salary by the Knights to handle.

Let me try to answer the questions:

1. Am I an insurance agent? Yes, I am licensed in the state of Missouri.

2. What do the Knights pay me to do?

Like a District Deputy, a Grand Knight or yourself, all my service to assist a council is volunteer. I am not paid to help or visit any member. I am not paid to handle Death claims or policy problems. I am not paid for any of my time to teach about the Knights. A field agent is not paid anything to service existing insurance members or their families.

I am only paid when I sell a new policy, (100% commission, self employed). I can only talk to Knights in my 4 Councils and cannot even write Insurance on my own family members in other Knights councils.

3. Yes, I sell Knights of Columbus Insurance and proud of it. I



have owned Insurance on myself and my children for many years and the Knights paid Death claims on my Father.

4. In 2011, the Knights Whole Life policies paid dividends over 7% and the next closest company in North America was only 6%. Our annuities pay 2.6% now and many earn 3 to 3.5%; which is at least 1% higher than 99% of companies in the US. We are one of the few companies still writing individual Long Term Care and one of the only companies never to raise a past policy premium. Not hard to sell! Normally worldwide from 50 to 60% of new members want to participate.
5. **Remember that all our profits go back to Knights, their families or the Charity. In 2011, insurance profits paid charities over \$300,000,000.**
6. I never want to bother anyone!! So if you do not want me or my assistant to call you please email me so I can note it in my home office records.

**Thank you for all your help as Knights; and if I can assist you, it will be my Honor** God Bless  
Deacon Mark Guilford  
314-807-6454  
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This should be a great tournament. Remember that all proceeds from the tournament will be distributed to **MAKE A WISH, Friends of Kids with Cancer and the Academy of St. Louis.**

### **FELICE CUORES:**

NEXT DANCE IN  
SEPTEMBER.....  
MORE LATER!

Questions? Suggestions?  
Comments?  
Contact: Bill or Jan Lukas  
636.537.9801,  
Gerry Villaire 636.391.1620  
or Ron Weiss 314.537.6352

### **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.

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## DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:

For the August 2012 newsletter, the deadline will be July 25th, 2012.

## BITS & PIECES:

### KIDS IN CHURCH

3-year-old Reese:  
'Our Father, Who does art  
in heaven,  
Harold is His name.  
Amen.'

A little boy was overheard  
praying:  
'Lord, if you can't make me  
a better boy, don't worry  
about it.  
I'm having a real good time

like I am.'

After the christening of his  
baby brother in church,  
Jason sobbed all the way  
home in the back seat of  
the car.

His father asked him three  
times what was wrong.  
Finally, the boy replied,  
'That preacher said he  
wanted us brought up in a  
Christian home, and I  
wanted to stay with you  
guys.'

One particular four-year-old  
prayed,  
'And forgive us our  
trash baskets as we forgive  
those who put trash in  
our baskets.'

A Sunday school teacher  
asked her children as they  
were on the way to church  
service,  
'And why is it necessary to  
be quiet in church?'  
One bright little girl replied,  
'Because people are  
sleeping.'

A mother was  
preparing pancakes for her  
sons, Evan 5, and Ryan 3.  
The boys began to  
argue over who would get  
the first pancake.  
Their mother saw  
the opportunity for a moral  
lesson.

'If Jesus were sitting here,  
He would say, 'Let my  
brother have the first  
pancake, I can wait.'  
Evan turned to his younger  
brother and said,  
Ryan, you be Jesus !'

A father was at the beach  
with his children  
when the four-year-old son  
ran up to him, grabbed his  
hand, and led him to the

shore where a seagull lay  
dead in the sand.

'Daddy, what happened to  
him?' the son asked.  
'He died and went to  
Heaven,' the Dad replied.  
The boy thought a moment  
and then said,  
'Did God throw him back  
down?'

A wife invited some people  
to dinner.  
At the table, she turned to  
their six-year-old  
daughter and said,  
'Would you like to say the  
blessing?'  
'I wouldn't know what to  
say,' the girl replied.  
'Just say what you hear  
Mommy say,' the wife  
answered.  
The daughter bowed her  
head and said,  
'Lord, why on earth did I  
invite all these people  
to dinner?'

Recording Secretary Meeting Notes  
Of Thursday, June 14, 2012  
Council #9981 Meeting

Deputy Grand Knight David Goetz called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM., following the recitation of the rosary by all in attendance.

Brian Lewis reported that all present were current Knights of Columbus cardholders.

Roll Call of Officers:

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

**Grand Knight's Report** – Dave Goetz

- Congratulations were given to Stan Mengwasser for being elected as the Worthy Faithful Navigator of the St. Louis Assembly 565.
- Dave has received initial approval from Father Vowels to pray the Rosary for Religious Independence after the 8:45 Mass on the first Sunday of each month.
- The officer's installation banquet will be held at Four Seasons on July 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a cash bar open at 6:00 p.m., with dinner at 7:00. Please R.S.V.P. by July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The Baby Bottle Brigade and the Meet Life campaigns have received much publicity lately. Dave thanked all who have helped to make this so successful.
- Dave encouraged all members to help make the golf tournament better than last year. Please make an effort to find sponsors and play in the tournament. If you can't play, come out and volunteer to help or bring your wife and come to the dinner.

**Membership Report** – Stan Mengwasser

- Stan announced that there will be several First Degree ceremonies available this summer and a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree ceremony at Holy Infant on July 29<sup>th</sup>. We have fulfilled our insurance quota, but need two more new members for our membership quota.



**Treasurer's Report** – Jeff West

- No report.

**Financial Secretary's Report** – Ted Juen

- No report.

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

- No report.

**Deputy Grand Knight — Don Mueller**  
**Report of Directors and Committees**

**Pro-Life** – Jim Melka

- The Savers of Life campaign will be held after the Masses on June 16-17.  
A volunteers list was passed around for signing up. This is for the Vitae Foundation and no flower packets will be distributed this year.

**Third Sunday** – Larry Hoephner

- June 17<sup>th</sup> will be the date of the next 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Rosary. All are encouraged to attend.
- Larry handed out 83 Altar Award certificates to the school children on behalf of the Knights.

**Evangelization** – Ted Juen

- The men were reminded that the special introductory price of \$30 has been extended to June 30<sup>th</sup> for the 2013 men's conference. The rate will increase to \$35 on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Community Director** – John Owens

- No report.

**Felice Coures** – Ron Weiss

- There will be no dances held during the summer. They will start again in September.

**Family Director** – Chris Williams

- The Family picnic will be held on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at the same location as last year. The cost will be \$6 for individuals and \$12 for families.

**Youth Activities** – Scott Sparks

- Dave announced that a \$250 donation was given to the Youth department for the Christpower Youth Workcamp dinner.
- A replacement is still needed for the Youth Director position.

**Council Director** – Jeff Grotegeers

- The golf tournament date is being changed to August 12<sup>th</sup> at Sunset Hills golf course. Packets are available and all are encouraged to seek sponsorship.
- The DD Drive has chosen October 5-7 this year, so mark your calendars!!
- The Parish Picnic this year will be held on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Condolence Chairman** – Charlie Shikany

- Charlie announced that we have three or four members in nursing homes that need our prayers.
- Charlie announced that Jeff West's father-in-law passed away, Barry Sullivan is still recovering, and Eric Bergmann had surgery on his foot.

**Church Director** — Steve Dickhut

- IW Ultrasound Initiative: Steve thanked everyone for their help in obtaining the Culture of Life award at the State Convention.
- BBQ Planning: The date for this year's BBQ is set for September 6-8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Patriotic event added to the BBQ this year. **We desperately need men to do the cooking this year.** We have October 25-27 available if we get rained out.

**Decency in Media** – Jim Melka

- No Report

**Developmental Disabilities Drive** – Andy Dyszlewski

- No report.

**District Deputy's Report** – Bill Smith

- Bill announced that he is moving on to the Membership area and will be replaced by Peter Nicastro.

**Chaplain's Report** – Father Sullivan

- Father Sullivan emphasized the importance of prayer and encouraged all of us to attend Mass on June 15<sup>th</sup> in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

**Unfinished Business** –

- None.

**New Business**

- None.

**Insurance Report** – Deacon Mark Guilford

- No report



**Good of the Order –**

- Prayers were offered for our brother Knights who are sick.
- Larry Hoepfner won the 50/50 raffle.
- Father Sullivan closed the meeting with a prayer.
- Dave Goetz adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m. The next meeting will be held on July 12<sup>th</sup>.

## 2011 - 2012 Council Officers

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Bill Smith                      314-439-9893                      DD54@mokofc.org

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## **Calendar of Events**

<b><i>Reciting of Rosary</i></b>	<b><i>Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM</i></b>
<b><i>Council Meeting</i></b>	<b><i>Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:15PM</i></b>
<b><i>Prayer for Vocations</i></b>	<b><i>Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup> after 8:45AM Mass</i></b>
<b><i>Deadline for the August '12 Newsletter</i></b>	<b><i>July 25, 2012</i></b>
<b><i>Benediction</i></b>	<b><i>8:45PM Every Wednesday</i></b>
<b><i>Officer Installation Dinner</i></b>	<b><i>Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012</i></b>
<b><i>Communion 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday</i></b>	<b><i>Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012</i></b>
<b><i>Golf Tournament</i></b>	<b><i>Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012</i></b>