

# Knights of Columbus

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#### **COUNCIL MEETING JULY 11, '13**

The next meeting of the Council will take place in the **Watson Room** located in the lower Church hall. The meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

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

Brother Knights,

I wanted to start by congratulating the newly sworn in officers of the Council and those that will be continuing in their role. Let's show them the same support and participation that has made our Council one of the best in the state of MO. I am looking forward to continuing to serve the Council in our goals for quality new members, successful activities, and our desire to work toward our four principles - Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. I am going to make a special plea that every member steps up and takes part in the solicitation for our upcoming golf

tournament. Jeff Grotegeers works so tirelessly for the Council and he needs our help. We must get sponsors, prizes, and participants. **PLEASE DO YOUR PART TO MAKE SURE THIS EVENT IS A SUCCESS.**

**Upcoming events to keep on your Calendar:**

- Savers of Life - July 13-14 after masses
- KofC Family Picnic
- Council Barbeque
- Golf Tournament

To change topics, The Supreme Court has put forth some very disappointing decisions in the last two years with Obamacare and now their ruling on same-sex marriage. For a supposed conservative court made up of 5 Catholics I am struggling to see how this could happen.

Whether we like these Supreme Court decisions, one of the responses included the following: "...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 continue to happen. I am going to end my last article with a few bible quotes as to help as we get frustrated with our government and our society.

*Seek Strength*

**1 Chronicles 16:11** - Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

*Strength Through Christ*

**Philippians 4:13** - I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

*Not Of Fear*

**2 Timothy 1:7** - For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

*Keep Doing Good*

**2 Thessalonians 3:13** - As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

**Galatians 6:9** - And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

*Hope*

**Romans 12:12** - Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

**Jeremiah 29:11** - For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

*Peace*

**Romans 8:6** - For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

*Patience*

**1 Thessalonians 5:14** - And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all.

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.

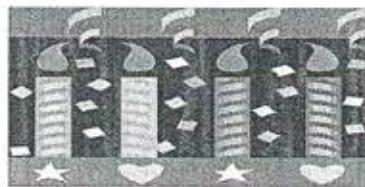
Sincerely,

*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  
Jo DiCampo  
Doris Beuttenmuller  
Joan Mengwasser

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.

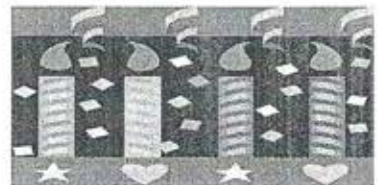
## ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS: JULY 21, '13

We will pray our rosary for Vocations on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</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  
Vince Bruns  
Lou Juranas  
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.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES:

First notices for membership dues have been sent out.

**If you have not paid your membership dues for the 2012 - 2013 Fraternal Year, please do so as soon as possible.**

Remember that you cannot attend a Council meeting without a current membership card.

It's your responsibility as a Knight to keep your membership within the Order current.

**PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES!**

## PRO-LIFE EVENT:

Our Knights of Columbus Council will be conducting their annual "Savers of Life" fundraiser after the weekend Masses of July 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will be donated to the Vitae Caring Foundation. They research and produce TV infomercials to encourage respect for human life, restore traditional values in our American culture, and reduce the number of abortions. Abortion rates drop in cities where the infomercials are seen. Please volunteer to work after one of the weekend Masses.

Thanks,  
Jim Melka  
Prolife Chair

## 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.

## FAMILY PICNIC:

Mark your calendars!

**Location:** Creve Coeur Park at the Greensfelder Memorial Shelter.

**Date:** Sunday, July 28, 2013. Starting at 12pm - until the food and drinks are gone.

**Cost:** \$12 per family or \$6 per individual.

Come enjoy a picnic with your fellow Knights and families. Invite someone you know that may be interested in joining the Knights of Columbus. Brats/Burgers/Hot Dogs/Baked Beans/and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We will have yard games to play and plenty of food to enjoy. Call or Email Chris Williams to make reservations or if you have any questions at 314-576-0878 or [cwilliams\\_123@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cwilliams_123@sbcglobal.net).

## 2013 GOLF TOURNAMENT:

**SAVE THE DATE!**

The Council's Annual Golf Tournament for 2013 will be held at Sunset Hills Golf Course on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013. 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.

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.**

## 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, Don Mueller at 314-439-9755.

## 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 2013 newsletter, the deadline will be July 22, 2013.

## BITS & PIECES:



The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is a holiday based upon our nation's history and fight for freedom, but how much do you really know about Independence Day? Test your knowledge with these fascinating 4<sup>th</sup> of July facts. Use this trivia to play a fun game at your cookout or have family member face off as a way to pass the time while waiting for the fireworks to begin.

**Celebrating Christmas in July?** Red, white and blue weren't always easily available colors, and paper

was a bit harder to come by as all, so in our country's early years, people used greenery as festive decorations. It started with George Washington and soldiers wore greenery in their caps.

**Would the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July be as much fun?**

"The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha in the History of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival," John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail on July 3, 1776. The Second Continental Congress made a decree for freedom on July 2, 1776. It did not adopt the Declaration of Independence until July 4, 1776.

**How about August 2<sup>nd</sup> for a patriotic holiday?**

The Declaration of Independence did not become official until August 2, 1776, when most delegates signed it.

**What is the estimated population of the colonies on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1776?**

2.5 million

**What is the estimated population of the U.S.A. today?**

316.2 million, according to the U.S. Census

**Which three Presidents died on July 4<sup>th</sup>?**

John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe. Adams, the second president, and Jefferson, the third president, both died on the same day in 1826.

**When did Congress declare the 4<sup>th</sup> of July a federal holiday?**

June 28, 1870.

**What country gained full independence from the United States on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1946?** The Philippines.

**What is the meaning behind the red, white and blue colors of the American flag?**

Red stands for hardiness and valor. White symbolizes purity and innocence. Blue represents vigilance, perseverance and justice.

**Which city hosts the nation's largest fireworks display?**

New York City. The Macy's Fourth of July will feature 1,800 shells a minute, for a total of more than 40,000 explosions during the 25 minute show, according to Newsday.

Recording Secretary Meeting Notes  
Of Thursday, June 13, 2013  
Council #9981 Meeting

Deputy Grand Knight, Don Mueller, called the meeting to order.

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

Roll Call of Officers:

Chaplain, Father James Sullivan	Present
Grand Knight, David Goetz	Excused
Deputy Grand Knight, Don Mueller	Present
Chancellor, Christopher Smith	Absent
Recorder, Kevin Stanley	Present
Treasurer, Jeff West	Present
Advocate, Barry Sullivan	Excused
Warden, Brian Lewis	Absent
Inside Guard, Ron Weiss	Present
Outside Guard, Denis Demeter	Present
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Trustee, Charlie Eifler	Present
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	Absent

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted and approved by the Council.

**Grand Knight's Report**

- Officer installation dinner scheduled for June 29<sup>th</sup> at 4 Seasons.
- A significant number of members have not paid their dues. Need help from the trustees in contacting members to determine their intent. Ted Juen sent a list to the trustees.
- Request for IW facilities for the year was submitted.
- Council will not make Star Council this year. Will need to resolve issue with membership.

**Membership Report** – Stan Mengwasser

- On July 3<sup>rd</sup> a Mass will be held at noon, Archbishop Carlson celebrating the Fortnight for Freedom at the Cathedral Basilica. Stan encouraged all to attend as it represents an urgent need. Archbishop Carlson is especially appealing to the Knights.
- Stan described the Chalice program – Wherein a chalice may be dedicated by a 4th Degree knight for a priest of their choice - typically a newly ordained priest.

**Treasurer's Report** – Jeff West

- Jeff provided balance & deposits for period ending May 31<sup>st</sup>.



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

- The report of receipts and disbursements was given for the period ending May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Trustee Report** – (Charlie Eifler, Stan Mengwasser)

- No report

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

**Pro-Life** – Given by Deputy Grand Knight, Don Mueller

- Savers of Life event was pushed out until July 13 & 14 to avoid conflicts with other collections.

**Third Sunday** – Larry Hoepfner

- Sunday 6/16 is vocation Rosary after the 8:45 am Mass.

**Evangelization** – Ted Juen

- Events: Sat 6/15, 7:30 am - 1pm at Rigali Center - Sharing good news of Jesus Christ with Family & Friends seminar for fallen away Catholics.
- Presentation by Dr. Ed Hogan - On the definition of Marriage was highly recommended. Email will be sent to knights.
- Catholic Men for Christ Conference is scheduled for February

**Community Director** – John Owens

- No report.

**Felice Coures** – Ron Weiss

- No report.

**Family Director** – Brian Lewis reported for Chris

- Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> is 5th Sunday Mass. All Council Members and Ladies Auxilliary are encouraged to attend.
- Family picnic will be Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. It is reported incorrectly in the bulletin. Exact time will be posted, but it will likely be from noon till 3pm. It will be in Greensfelder shelter at Creve Coeur Park.

**Youth Activities** – Chris Vaughn (not present)

- No report.

**Council Director** – Jeff Grotegeers

- Golf tournament Saturday, Aug 10<sup>th</sup> at Sunset Hills starting at 1:30pm.
- In need of volunteers for the Hole in One and Driving Carts. Will check on status of course as it is currently under water.

- Looking for volunteers for the Golf Committee.

#### **Church Director** — Steve Dickhut

- Update on Baby Bottle Brigade - Forwarded a check from our council to BBB. Holy infant has provided another \$5k from proceeds from sales of tax credits.
- Asking Jeff make out a check for \$6k to Thrive.
- Barbeque will be pushed back into late October. Trying to capitalize on what was done last year - Silver Knight Brigade (raising funds for veterans).
- Steve has asked Peter Nicastro to change where the donations go from the CD sales and maybe have them go for traumatic brain injury. One of the uses of this is to raise funds for service dogs for these veterans.

#### **Condolence Chairman** – Charlie Shikany

- Vince Bruns is about the same. Rich Rahubka is doing somewhat worse. Please keep them in your prayers.

#### **Decency in Media** – Jim Melka

- No report

#### **District Deputy's Report** – Peter Nicastro (not present)

- No report

#### **Chaplain's Report** – Father Sullivan

- Although there may be issues with fewer members, most important thing to remember is that you be glad that you are a Knight and do the best you can as a Knight.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- None.

#### **New Business**

- None

#### **Insurance Report** – Jim O'Connell

- Article in June magazine in Redbook. Jim put together a checklist of things to think about to be prepared for questions that arise from wives on that.

#### **Good of the Order**

- Deputy Grand Knight Don Mueller adjourned the meeting at approx. 7:50 p.m.



## 2013 - 2014 Council Officers

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Membership Director	Stan Mengwasser	314-469-1713	stan@bmmlpccpa.com
Evangelization Director	Ted Juen	314-205-1823	tedjuen@us.ibm.com

## District Deputy

Peter Nicastro      636-519-0335      nicastpj@yahoo.com

## Insurance Resource

Field Agent	James O'Connell	314-917-1940	james.oconnell@kofc.org
General Agent	Greg Rackers	636-625-8001	greg.rackers@kofc.org

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## Calendar of Events

<b><i>Council Meeting</i></b>	<b><i>Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM</i></b>
<b><i>Prayer for Vocations</i></b>	<b><i>Sunday, July 21st after 8:45AM Mass</i></b>
<b><i>Deadline for the August '13 Newsletter</i></b>	<b><i>July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013</i></b>
<b><i>Benediction</i></b>	<b><i>8:45PM Every Wednesday</i></b>
<b><i>Council Family Picnic</i></b>	<b><i>Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013</i></b>
<b><i>Golf Tournament</i></b>	<b><i>Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013</i></b>