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

COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 14, '13

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,

The month of February and so far March has continued this year's opportunities for fellowship and to serve the Knights, the Parish, and the community. From meetings to the Bishop's Blast, the Catholic Men For Christ Conference, the CRHP Retreat, the Valentine's Brunch, the Fish Fries, the 4th Degree Exemplification, the continuing effort to re-energize the Knights of our Council, the plans for the next slate of officers, and all the behind the scenes planning for activities on the horizon. I am sure I forgot something but

needless to say we continue to stay busy with our focus on charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

We have some openings in the leadership positions for the coming year so please let me or Don Mueller know if you are interested in stepping up to help the Council.

Many of us are frustrated reading in the news about what the federal government and particularly the Obama Administration is doing to America. I would say I am amazed that there are so many who just don't see it but I am way past that point. As maddening as this is, it is only going to get worse unless WE stand up and do something about it. It is easy to get frustrated, talk to our friends and co-workers, read the endless stream of information on the internet, or listen to talk radio and yell back at some of the ill-informed people (my personal favorite). But are we doing all that we can? All that we should?

I find myself reading something I printed out last year about this time and taped to my wall... "The greatness of a man is not always defined by what that

he has done but by what he has the potential to do". The ability to act on behalf of others; The wisdom to learn from our actions; The courage to make right what is wrong. These things, among others, help define man and mankind. **The question isn't whether or not we can make a difference; the question is whether or not we are that person.** Our families, our Church, and our nation needs us!

I will follow with a few quotes from Ronald Reagan that still seem to be fitting:

- Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.
- Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of law under God is acknowledged.
- Government exists to protect us from each other. Where government has gone beyond its limits is

in deciding to protect us from ourselves.

- Let us be sure that those who come after will say of us in our time, that in our time we did everything that could be done. We finished the race; we kept them free; we kept the faith.

Let's continue to give of ourselves for the benefit of others and the benefit of our souls. Let's be part of the T.E.A.M. because (Together Everyone Achieves More).

Fraternally yours,

David Goetz
Grand Knight

LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERS:

Greetings Ladies,

On the 9th of February there was a nice turnout of Ladies and Knights for the Valentine's Dance at the Felice Coures. THANKS to everyone who helped make this a success.

The Ladies would like to thank the Knights for the Valentine's Day Brunch. A good time along with delicious food was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Chris and Tracy Williams for all their work.

As you read this we will have passed the half way mark. With only three more Fish Fries to go. The dessert table has had an abundance of delectable

treats. So thanks to everyone who has faithfully baked and dropped off their fabulous items. Keep up the good work (baking) for just a few more weeks. Also a special thanks to all the Ladies who give of their time to come up and help with all the condiments, along with the set up of the dessert table. Many hands make the work go faster. The date for our May dinner will be Thursday, May 9, 2013. So mark your calendar.

Dates to remember,
Felice Coures Dance – Saturday, March 9th.
Next Ladies Auxiliary meeting – Thursday, March 14th at 7pm.

Vocation Rosary after the 8:45 Mass on Sunday, March 17th.

A reminder for the Ladies Retreat on Tuesday, March 19th to Thursday, March 21st, at King's House Retreat Center in Belleville, Illinois. Any questions call Sue at 314-469-3613.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Easter.

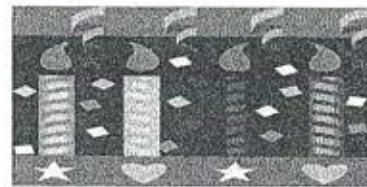
Sincerely,

Joan Mengwasser
President

LADIES AUXILIARY BIRTHDAYS:

March

Julie Bray
Joan Mengwasser
Bea Wolshock



Alice Rieger

Happy Birthday to You!

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Ladies Auxiliary Members:

Kay Villagran
Jo DiCampo
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.

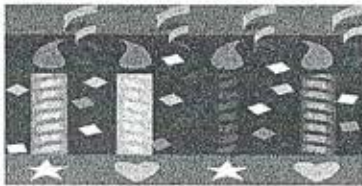
ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS: MARCH 17, '13

We will pray our rosary for Vocations on Sunday, March 17, 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:

March

Robert J. Chapin
Larry Hoepfner
Donald Mueller
Thomas Ortmann
Stephen Dickhut
Harry Dunn
Tony Hartke
Mark Faller



Gene Ronchetto
Gerald Burmeister
Raymond J. Fagin
Edwin Meyer
Matthew Bonini
Leonard Bodus

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.

FELICE CUORES:

**Next Dance - March 9,
2013**

HAWAIIAN LUAU

The Valentine dance on
February 9 was sponsored
by Incarnate Word.
We had 195 guests and 54
volunteers.

This was a record number
of volunteers thanks to
Incarnate Word!
Thank you so much!

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 6:00pm)
or clean up (at 9:30pm)

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

2013 FISH FRIES:

The Council's annual
Lenten Fish Fry for 2013
will begin on Friday,
February 8th and will
continue on all Fridays
during Lent thru March
22nd.

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.

COMMUNION 5TH SUNDAY:

Due to the 5th Sunday
falling on Easter Sunday,
there will not be a 5th
Sunday Communion Mass
or brunch.

Hope that everyone has an
enriched Holy Week and a
glorious Easter for HE has
risen.

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!

INSURANCE AGENT:

Our new Insurance Field Agent is James O'Connell. His contact information is 314-917-1940 or james.oconnell@kofc.org.

If you would like to meet with him other than at your home, you can make an appointment with him at the new KofC Insurance West County office.

The office will be located at 301 Sovereign Ct., Suite 106, Ballwin MO. 63011. (N.E. of Manchester & Weidman Roads)

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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Ballwin, Mo. 63021
or e-mail to:
gjgrote1@yahoo.com

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:

For the April 2013 newsletter, the deadline will be March 26, 2013.

BITS & PIECES:

Just before the funeral services, the undertaker came up to the very elderly widow and asked, 'How old was your husband?' '98,' she replied: 'Two years older than me'. 'So you're 96,' the undertaker commented. She responded, 'Hardly worth going home, is it?'

Reporters interviewing a 104-year-old woman: 'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked. She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes, I'm half blind, I can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, I take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. I have bouts with dementia. I have poor circulation; I hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. I can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. I have lost all my friends. But, thank God, I still have my driver's license.

An elderly woman decided to prepare her will and told her preacher she had two final requests. First, she wanted to be cremated, and second, she wanted her ashes scattered over Wal-Mart. 'Wal-Mart?' the preacher exclaimed. 'Why Wal-Mart?' 'Then I'll be sure my daughters visit me twice a week'

My memory's not as sharp as it used to be. Also, my

memory's not as sharp as it used to be.

Know how to prevent sagging? Just eat till the wrinkles fill out.

It's scary when you start making the same noises as your coffee maker.

These days about half the stuff in my shopping cart says, 'For fast relief.'

THE SENILITY

PRAYER: Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

- - - and as someone recently said to me:

"Don't worry about old age-- it doesn't last that long."

Subject: Parking in the snow

On a bitterly cold winter's morning a husband and wife in Missouri were listening to the radio during breakfast. They heard the announcer say, "We are going to have 8 to 10 inches of snow today. You must park your car on the even-numbered side of the street,

so the snow ploughs can get through. "So the good wife went out and moved her car as instructed. A week later while they are eating breakfast again, the radio announcer said, "We are expecting 10 to 12 inches of snow today. The Highway Department informs us that you must park your car on the odd-numbered side of the street this evening, so the snow ploughs can get through. "The good wife went out and moved her car again. A couple of weeks later, they were again having breakfast when the radio announcer says, "We are expecting 12 to 14 inches of snow today. You must park....." Just then, the power went off. The good wife was very upset, and with a worried look on her face she said, "I don't know what to do. Which side of the street do I need to park on so the snow ploughs can get through? "With all the love and understanding in his voice that men who are married to blondes always exhibit, the husband replied, "Why don't you just leave the car in the garage this time?"

Recording Secretary Meeting Notes
Of Thursday, February 14, 2013
Council #9981 Meeting

There was not a general Council meeting held in the month of February, so consequential there are no meeting notes listed for February 2013.

2012 - 2013 Council Officers

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Calendar of Events

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| <i>Reciting of the Rosary</i> | <i>Thursday, March 14th at 7:00PM</i> |
| <i>Council Meeting</i> | <i>Thursday, March 14th at 7:15PM</i> |
| <i>Prayer for Vocations</i> | <i>Sunday, March 17th after 8:45AM Mass</i> |
| <i>Deadline for the April '13 Newsletter</i> | <i>March 26th, 2013</i> |
| <i>Benediction</i> | <i>8:45PM Every Wednesday</i> |
| <i>Lenten Fish Fries</i> | <i>-7pm Every Friday thru March 22, 2013</i> |