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In Service to All

Knights of Columbus

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SAINT CLEMENT OF ROME
COUNCIL #7018
(CHARTERED 1977)
343 SOUTH MAIN
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Pray the Rosary
for Peace

March/April 2011

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COUNCIL #7018 MONTHLY MEETINGS @ 7:00/PM, ON THE 3rd Thursday of each month

Food & Refreshments are always served afterwards.

Come in and get to know your fellow brother Knights!

OFFICERS MEETINGS: *All officers meetings are at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month!*

Brother Knights,

During the long winter months is a good time to become active in the council. We have many activities planned for the next few months. If you're tired of the cold and watching the snow fly, come out and join us.

I want to thank all the members whom participated in the McRest programs at both churches. Considerable amount of time is spent on this activity and the reward great. The Free Throw contest was again a success. Two of our competitors advanced to the Regional Competition. Ten youth participated in the poster contest; great looking posters, thank you Chairman Brian O'Curran. Brothers Dan Murphy and Tony Nardozi completed work on a surprise for Father Steve as a lighting and electrical remodel was performed to his office. Also our Country Breakfast on January 9th proved to be profitable with the funds designated for Charity. Speaking of Charity, our council donated \$250 to Special Olympics in the formation of a bowling team and also \$100 to Noah Costa, a student in Romeo whom needed funds for surgery.

The River, is our new location for Texas Holdem. Again, the event proved to be profitable however we need more members to become involved in this event. It is our most profitable fund raiser and requires a significant amount of manpower. The work is easy but requires a commitment. Please, if you have time to contribute to this fund raiser, contact Chairman Jim Smiszek. Our next Holdem event is in June.

Palm Sunday weekend is our MI Drive (Tootsie Roll) for the Mentally Impaired. The past couple of years, via Chairman Van Daele's leadership, we have been exceptionally fruitful with this event. Many local organizations are the recipients of our efforts. Please plan to assist us.

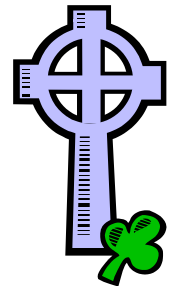
If you have not obtained 2nd or 3rd degree status, please consider obtaining the degrees. Contact Membership Director, Don Smith. During the month of April, we conduct nominations for Officer Positions. Please give some thought to running for a position or becoming a chairperson for an event. Several knights are chairpersons for numerous events and/or serve on various committees. It would be great, if we could give them a rest by spreading out the responsibilities. Again, please consider volunteering.

Due to activities at Sts. John and Paul on Holy Thursday, our meeting in April will be held at St. Clement, hence the next meeting to be held at Sts. John and Paul will be in June.

Vivat Jesus,
Grand Knight Mitch Lenczewski

Calendar of Events

- March 3 – Texas Holdem training at Pampa Lanes on Van Dyke near 14 mile
- March 5 – Exemplification at Crystal Gardens in Southgate
- March 6 – Country Breakfast at St. Clement after all Masses
- March 6th & 20th Weekends – Baby Shower Drive for needy Mothers
- March 13 – Country Breakfast at the Creek Center
- March 15 – Scholarship Applications Due
- March 17 – Council General Meeting at St. Clement at 7:00 pm
- March 18 – St. Patrick's Day party at the Creek Center on North Ave, north of 32 mile
- March 19 – Euchre Tournament at the Creek Center
- March 20 – District Corporate Communion at St. Isidore
- March 25th – 31st – North Macomb Vicariate Mission "Onward to the Kingdom"
- March 29 – Knights of Columbus Founder's Day – Vivat Jesus
- April 5 – Right to Life Auction at Vintage House in Utica
- April 10-12 Casino Bus Trip – Island Resort Casino near Manistique – Good Luck!
- April 15-17 – MI Tootsie Roll Drive – Let's pray for nice weather!
- April 21 - Council General Meeting at St. Clement at 7:00 pm
- May 1 – 1st Annual Bowling Fundraiser for the Agape Center Food Bank at Almont Hideaway Lanes
- May 8 – Mother's Day Country Breakfast – Moms eat free!
- May 14 – Singing Knights in Davison – A fantastic night of fun, just ask Jim Burns.
- May 19 – First Degree Ceremony at St. Clement – Let's make contacts now to get some new members!



We Need Volunteers



We could use help at our Country Breakfast on March 6th. Please consider working for a couple of hours at this event. This is another activity where we always need clean up help after noon. Remind your friends and families of the excellent food and large variety of items on the menu.

And of course we would like as many volunteers as possible to collect donations and pass out Tootsie Rolls during the MI Drive April 15-17. There are many spots available at intersections, participating stores, and government offices. Let's make sure we keep every location manned and have another fantastic fund raiser! We really need help on Friday, April 15 to cover for our members who are working that day. Please come to the March 17 Council meeting to sign up!



Mark Your Calendars!!!



May 1 – Almont Hideaway Lanes 1st Annual Bowling Fund Raiser for the Agape Center Food Bank – starts at 1:00 pm
\$15 for 3 Games including shoes and ball
We will also have Concessions and a Raffle

Hideaway Lanes in Almont has graciously opened up their facility and will split the bowling fees with our Council to help the Agape Center in their mission. We will also keep 100% of the proceeds from concession sales and the raffle profits. If you would like to volunteer for this activity, please call PGK Tony Nardozi 524-0904. This event plans to be a lot of fun with great future potential and you will get to know your Brother Knights better!

PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHER'S AND THEIR FAMILIES AND OUR FRIENDS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF OUR COUNCIL BROTHERS AND FAMILY OF OUR BROTHERS WHO ARE GRIEVING, ILL OR RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS OR SURGERY, ESPECIALLY: Don Smith, Don Spanske, Irene Jordan, Greta Rumph, Andrea Betka, George DeBruen Sr., Albert LaCluyse, Marcel's grandson Nick, Dorothy Van Houtte, Bob Anger, John Cassidy's father in law Jerry Smith and uncle Jim Cassidy, Otto Knittel, Charles Pillivant, Diane Masko, Paul Abromitis' father, Jim Kelly, Dawn Hribar, Dawn Kilanowski, Jim Smiszek's son Paul and step brother John Horvath, Dale Jenuwine's son, Bob Anger, Dave Kaiser, Dan Russell, Larry Rinke, Dick Agusti, Mitch Jabczenski, Gordon McBride, Lauren DiNio – grand daughter of Dick Podolski, Keven Sands' father, PGK Dale Matz, Howard Weiler, Matt Mets, Brother Francis Boulon and the Arizona Judge and Livonia Police Officer who were injured in the line of duty.

News from our Knight of Columbus Benefits Representative – Jim Parker

March, 2011

The Order's portfolio of top-rated products includes a variety of term and permanent plans that can be custom-tailored to meet the needs, goals and budget of every Catholic family. Among these is our Annual Renewable Term (ART) plan, which provides the maximum amount of insurance protection per premium dollar.

ART provides life insurance protection for a specific, temporary period of time. Many have likened it to "renting" life insurance protection. It is appropriate coverage when the life insurance need is temporary in nature, such as to provide mortgage protection or to cover a business loan.

Among the advantages, in addition to the economical premium, is that ART can be converted to a permanent plan of protection – with no additional underwriting required – at any time prior to age 65. In a sense, ART can be used to guarantee your insurability. If you need protection for your entire life, but the premiums for permanent insurance just aren't in the budget right now, purchasing an ART plan with the intent to convert might just be the way to go.

Who needs ART?

- Those who want to supplement permanent insurance protection
- Small business owners who want to cover the life of a key employee until retirement
- Those who need guaranteed coverage for life, but need time to budget additional premium dollars and want guaranteed conversion to a permanent plan of insurance.
- Anyone who needs life insurance for only a certain period.

I will be happy to meet with you at your convenience to discuss how Knights of Columbus ART life insurance, or any other of our top-rated portfolio of products, can help you meet your needs and goals.

April 2011

It seems like just yesterday...

Any parent reading this will quickly come up with countless ways to complete that last sentence. The point is – time flies, and tomorrow will (has!) arrive quicker than expected. Will you be ready?

If you meet annually with me, your professional Knights of Columbus agent, and address the needs that our analysis uncovers, the answer – at least financially – will be 'Yes.' During that annual visit, I'll take the time to review your needs, goals and budget. And I'll recommend a program of life insurance, long term care insurance and guaranteed income annuities that will help you rest easy at night.

Paying for college for your children may be one of your family's current needs. Or you may be concerned about a comfortable, worry-free retirement. Or about needing costly long term care that could deplete your hard-earned assets. Or about having something to leave for your children or grandchildren.

Whatever your needs, whatever your concerns, I can help.

I'm at 1-810-441-4988 or james.parker@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

Brothers, want to know how to get a new member? Just ask him!

Reminder: Golf Shirts are available at FAMS on 32 mile road – they have our emblem on file, so you just need to mention our Council name. Many colors and styles of shirts are available, we just ask that you wear the dark blue golf shirt when volunteering at a Council event.

Check out the Knights of Columbus websites – www.kofc.org and www.mikofc.org

The Michigan Columbian can now be found online at the State website as well as the District Deputy's report.
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