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NOTES FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this newsletter finds all of you well. From time to time, I take a few moments to utilize one of few applications that I am familiar with in my cell phone menu. It is my voice recorder. Recently, I have recorded a few notes containing some “old” words that now have “new” meanings.

One such word is viral. I used to associate viral as having something to do with a virus or the spreading of a virus. Now, most often it refers to some piece of information spreading like wildfire over the internet. Another term is meltdown. When this term was used in the past it referred to the core of a nuclear reactor being exposed and leaking radiation out into the environment. Today, it is used as a means of describing someone who has had a significant mental breakdown or episode. Recently, these two words and their new meanings came together in describing separate incidences involving key positions within the airline industry. Two major “meltdowns” were captured on cell phone video, and then subsequently released on the World Wide Web where they promptly went “viral.” By the way, “If you’re traveling 80 mph, how long does it take to go 80 miles?” Scary stuff, huh? I can’t believe what some people will do for attention. This brings me to yet another word with a new meaning – “Tweet.” A tweet is no longer the sweet sound of a bird chirping. This term now stands for a short message posted on Twitter – a micro blogging Web site. What is a micro blog? Is it the opposite of a macro blog? I guess I am not very well connected and have much to learn. Someday I will. I did just recently learn how to text with the aid of a little microphone button on my cell phone keypad. Without it I probably would not know how. I still have trouble with the new language - YKWIM?

Call me old fashioned but I can remember a day when you would write someone a letter or give them a call on a land line telephone, (you wouldn’t have to interrupt them trying to execute a left turn from Sportsman Rd. onto Rt. 143). These prior methods seemed to be a more personal, courteous, and safe means of communication. You did not have to know stenography to have a conversation. Also, I have yet to join Facebook. I can certainly see some advantages that are included in this social forum; however, I have seen many instances of abuse. I’m sure someday I’ll consider joining, but for now I have zero “likes,” zero “friends,” zero “bullying,” and almost zero “free time.” I barely have enough time to check my email. Well, back to work!

WORD OF THE MONTH – “RELEVANT”

This term jumped out at us back in March as many attended the Relevant Pregnancy Options Center fund raising banquet here at the Highland Council 1580. As members of the Knights of Columbus, we strongly believe and maintain that life begins from the moment of conception to natural death. It is very appropriate to the matter at hand that we show our support for their mission of providing much needed assistance to both expecting mothers and fathers. Even though the banquet was two months ago, let us keep in mind always the relevance of the work they do. Additionally, we were very blessed with the successful efforts of Larry Korte, Ray Korte and the members of the Vocations Committee. The annual Bishop’s Dinner fund raiser was held on March 25th and was able to meet its’ goals once again this year. This year twenty seminarians were recipients of the efforts of the committee’s hard work. Let’s all continue to focus on the vital role these seminarians will be fulfilling on their continued journey into the priesthood. Please keep in mind that our gifts to them need to be spiritual in nature as well. Consider taking the time to write each of them a short letter to express your appreciation of their hard work and commitments. As always, please keep the seminarians in your prayers. Thank you for all of your efforts in making this a truly relevant event as well.

Joe Wetmore
Chancellor

FROM THE EDITORS

Please send us your ideas, or articles by May 19th and it will appear in the June Newsletter. We will accept a disc or email if that is more convenient.

Please let us know if your email or postal address changes. We are charged for postage when your newsletter comes back to us.

If you use a cell phone as your primary phone service please let us know your number so we can update our records. Please call the hall at 654-9049 and advise your phone number.

If you have an email address please send an e-mail to our email address knights@highlandkc.org so we can add your address to our e-mail listing. You can reach our website at www.highlandkc.org.



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FAMILY OF THE MONTH

April's Family of the Month award goes to a Brother Knight, and his family for their continual service and support to the Church, our council, and to our community.



While keeping a demanding schedule at work, this Brother Knight devotes much of his free time with his Lady, his sons and daughter, to many hours of service. Most recently at a Friday Lenten Fish Fry, not only did his family members show up for volunteer work, but an additional army of support from some of his close friends were there as well.

This Brother Knight serves as a Lector at St. Paul parish and has also served as Chairman of the Pastoral Council. During the Lenten Season, he has participated in the presentation of Jesus' Passion, played a key role in the Tenebrae and is also active in the Cursillo movement. He is also very involved with the Kirchenfest, Rotary Club, Haiti Committee and other key roles as well. He and his Lady are Pre-Cana instructors providing passionate and crucial information to engaged couples. His Lady serves as a Eucharistic Minister, and also serves on the STYDEC committee and has been an instrumental part of its huge success! She is also very active in the Cursillo movement.

Two of our Brother Knight's sons are in college one of which has joined our Order. He has already begun service as a volunteer member of the Texas hold'em committee and regularly participates in Theology on Tap. He will be attending a week long service mission to our sister parish St. Charles Borromeo, located in Gonaives, Haiti. His younger son participates by serving as an altar boy at Sunday mass.

Our Brother Knight's daughter also has played a key role by demonstrating an above average spelling ability at the K of C Spelling Bee and by providing "Faith"-ful service by anchoring our applesauce and coleslaw station at the Fish Fry.

It is with great pleasure that we have selected **Brad, Angi, Adam, Jason, Nolan and Faith Scott** as our April 2012 Family of the Month.

Congratulations from Council 1580.

SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH AWARD

The Senior Knight of the month award goes to a Brother Knight, who regularly contributes his time, talents, and support to the Church, community, and our K of C Council.

This Brother Knight has worked many hours over the years at the fish fry's, sausage suppers, and bingo. He is a member of the 4th degree and in the Honor Guard. He is also a member of the Polish American War Veterans. When he is not busy chasing after his eleven grandkids, he can be found at the lake – fishing.

It is with great appreciation that we have selected as our April Senior Knight of The Month, **Marion Bohnak.**

Congratulations from Council 1580.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

We have selected, as April's Knight of the Month, a Brother Knight who continues to provide service and support to the Church, community, and our Knights of Columbus council.

You can find this Brother Knight providing his support in a variety of ways. This Knight can be found supporting the Lenten fish fries and working the food stand at the fair. He also participates in the Life Chain and Living Rosary. He works bingos. Recently he has stepped up in to a leadership role during Orville Landmann's absence. He always participates in the Tootsie Roll drive. He is currently the Vice President of the Columbus Club.

It is with great appreciation that we have selected **Lee Trame** as our Knight of the Month for April, 2012.

Congratulations from Council 1580.

OUR CONDOLENCES

To Brother Knight Vincent Jakel on the loss of his son, Brother Knight Keith Jakel.

To Brother Knight Clinton "Pete" and Lillian Kerin on the loss of her brother, Brother Knight Cletus Widmer.



MEMO FROM FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Brother Knights, Please pay your dues. There is extra time and expense involved in tracking individuals that do not pay their dues on time. If you are in need of assistance please contact me. Regular members are \$30.00 per year. 4th Degree dues are and additional \$8.00. Honorary Members pay \$10.00 per year. Honorary Life Members pay no dues.

Members can drop payments off at hall or pay at meetings or send payments to me:

Paul Musenbrock F.S.

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Thank you for your understanding and support.

HATS OFF

To Brother Knight **Marion Bohnak** for being selected as the Senior Knight of the Month

To Brother Knight **Lee Trame** for being selected Knight of the Month

To Brother Knight **Brad and the entire Scott family** for being selected Family of the Month

To Brother **Larry Widman and Paul Frey** for spending their time Frying Chicken for the Community

To all the Ladies and Brother Knights that planned and ran the Knights of Columbus Easter Egg Hunt

To all those that worked or supported our Lenten Fish Fry's

To the Charity Bowl Committee that was composed of **Tom Spengel, Tracy Poehling, Marty Wilson, and Jim Gutzler** for their great effort in raising money for Vocations

To the Charity Bowl Food Committee that was composed of **Debbie Poehling, Sue Wilson, Jim and Lori Gutzler, Gayle Thole, Judy Grider and Christy Wiegand** for providing great support for this wonderful activity

To **George Korte** for providing great computer support for the Charity Bowl.



BINGO KITCHEN HELP 10/31

The 5th Wednesday Bingo kitchen crew is seeking a replacement crew to cover us on Halloween 10/31 so we can take our children trick-or-treating. If you are willing to cover for us or willing to swap weeks we would be very appreciative. If you 4474778 have never worked the kitchen on Bingo and would be interested in learning the ropes, we can train you on August 29th if you let us know.

Call Chris Chalfant at 618-882-4401

THE URGENCY OF BUYING LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE

There are very few people who do not have a "long term care experience" somewhere in their family – a loved one in a nursing home facility, or a family member being cared for at home because of advancing age, a disability or both. If you have heard of or undergone this situation, you know firsthand the catastrophic effects these events can have on a family, crossing all generations.

What you may not know about is the urgency of taking action. The ability to buy long-term care insurance is based on your health. Putting the decision off, "waiting until next year" or otherwise dragging your feet can be problematic. You never know when your health could change and make you ineligible for coverage. In addition, the required premium commitment increases every year with your age.

When you make the decision to talk about LTC, come right to the Knights of Columbus. In addition to providing life insurance and guaranteed annuities to our members and their families, we also have a very competitive long-term care product. Since entering this market in 2000, nearly 35,000 LTC policies have been sold to K of C members and their wives. While some companies in this line of business have had difficulty (or stopped selling the product altogether), our product continues to perform well with no premium increases on existing policies.

I can help you select the plan that's right for you and meets your budget. I can show you several different options – facility only coverage, home care, a combination of both. Let's talk today.

Brent Knebel, FIC

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ATTENDANCE PRIZE

The name of Robert Quade was drawn at the last meeting. Had he been present he would have received \$80.00 for attendance at the meeting. Next month's prize will be \$90.00. The prize increases by \$10.00 each month until another member is present and wins. Remember you must be present at the meeting to be able to win.

The membership number in the last newsletter belonged to Michael Kapilla. Had he been at the meeting and told the Grand Knight that it was his membership number in the newsletter, he would have won \$50.00.

Look for your membership number inserted in this month's Newsletter, show up at the next month's meeting and identify yourself to the Grand Knight that you are the holder of that membership number and win \$50.00.

A NOTE FROM AFRICA

Dear Fellow Knights,-

A Blessed Easter to all!

A belated thank you to

all of you for your assistance for the mission work here at Kyarusosi and St. Joseph Hill Senior School. We appreciate it very much. May Jesus bless all of you and your families at Easter. I sent an e-mail earlier, but it bounced. When I received your news letter by post, I got this address. I hope it gets to you.

Love and prayers, Fr. Dick



May Birthdays



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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 - Debbie (Steve) Baczewski | 9 - Jean (Thomas) Nolte | 19 - David Thole |
| 2 - Judy (Mark) Richter | 9 - John Todt | 19 - Scott Troxell |
| 2 - Joanne (Jeremy) Snyder | 10 - Robert Boyer | 20 - Ruth (Francis) Boeser |
| 3 - Margaret (William) Basler | 10 - Nelson Kapp | 20 - James Meridith |
| 3 - Kenneth Kampwerth | 10 - Carla (Richard) Tscherny | 20 - Gloria (Robert) Schwarz Sr |
| 4 - Eileen (Joseph) Luitjohan | 11 - John L. Gantner | 21 - David Forys |
| 4 - Jo Anne (Terry) Marks | 12 - Robert Daiber | 21 - Gary Graminski |
| 4 - Brad Obermark | 12 - Alfonso Urdaneta | 22 - Tammy (Scott) Troxell |
| 4 - Angie (Lee) Rinderer | 12 - Mark Wellen | 23 - George Marron Iii |
| 5 - Karen (Brian) Gnaedinger | 13 - Robert Fischer | 24 - Louise (Elmer) Emig |
| 5 - Debbie (Steven) Gruner | 13 - Marvin Grapperhaus | 24 - Vernon Eversgerd |
| 5 - Nancy (K. James) Kerin | 13 - Vincent Thuenemann | 24 - Shelly (Craig) Sands |
| 5 - Daniel Leitschuh | 14 - Robert Heimann | 24 - Laura (Kelly) Verfurth |
| 5 - Shirley (Carl) Rutz | 14 - Jay Korte | 24 - Richard Weiss |
| 6 - Maurice Frey | 15 - Robert Bowman | 25 - Timothy Conrad |
| 6 - Dorothy (James) Kampwerth | 15 - Bernard Goebel | 25 - Chris Frey |
| 6 - Lawrence Koch | 15 - Lorna (Roland) Harris | 25 - David Jacober |
| 6 - Joseph Wetmore | 15 - Jimmy Hays | 25 - Margie (Ronald) Kapp |
| 6 - David Zobrist | 15 - Philip Spies | 26 - Rev. Dave Schmidt |
| 7 - Carrie (Matt) Basler | 16 - Suzanne (David) Butler | 27 - Thomas Switzer |
| 7 - David Melosi | 16 - Mac Clayton | 27 - Tim Whitten |
| 8 - Tom Bruggemann | 16 - Eugene Plocher | 28 - Shirley (Denis) Bellm |
| 8 - Kathleen (Paul) Grapperhaus | 17 - Gary Deuser | 28 - Eleanor (Erwin) Fellhauer |
| 8 - Mark Shimer | 17 - Karen (Gary) Feldmann | 28 - Andrew Jansen |
| 8 - Michael Widman | 17 - James Wiegand | 28 - Jennifer (James) Schroer |
| 9 - Craig Athmer | 18 - John Keeven | 29 - Shirley (John) Cygan |
| 9 - David Bodinet | 18 - Rosemarie (Don) Tschannen Jr. | 29 - Valarie (Steve) Skaggs |
| 9 - Earl Duncan | 18 - Paul Warhover | 30 - Tracy Poehling |
| 9 - David Frank | 19 - Kathy (Darrell) Luitjohan | 31 - Jeff Toennies |
| 9 - Judy (Philip) Hereford | 19 - Patricia (Michael) Noe | |

May Anniversaries



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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 - Brent & Whitney Sandberg | 11 - Vincent & Pauline Thuenemann | 21 - Frank & Susan Zuccarelli |
| 1 - Walter & Mary Jane Orlet | 12 - John & Jennifer Keeven | 21 - Brent & Heather Korte |
| 1 - Chris & Jamie Chalfant | 13 - Vernon & Barbara Rakers | 23 - Franklin & Jo Ann Eilerman |
| 2 - Wilbert & Rose Mersinger | 13 - Jacob & Heather Gutzler | 23 - Ronald & Rose Clarkin |
| 3 - Marcus & Melissa Whelchel | 14 - Robert & Mitzi Plocher | 25 - Larry & Kay Keilbach |
| 3 - Nelson & Marilyn Kapp | 15 - Mark & Laurie Shimer | 25 - Robert & Susan Bowman |
| 3 - Steve & Becky Ribbing | 15 - David & Marcy Gonzalez | 27 - Alan & Debra Drury |
| 4 - Phillip & Crista Decker | 16 - Thomas & Sandy Giger | 27 - Jay & Renae Korte |
| 4 - Steven & Debora Korte | 17 - Paul & Dolores Talleur | 28 - Lee & Lucy Wellen |
| 4 - Brad & Rozann Steinkoenig | 17 - Jeff & Donna Goestenkors | 29 - Jeff & Brenda Jacober |
| 5 - Paul & Mary Frey | 18 - John & Kathleen Ward | 30 - Max & Marilyn Rudolph |
| 5 - Dale & Susanna Rommerskirchen | 18 - John & Barbara Barr | 31 - Steven & Debbie Gruner |
| 6 - Denis & Mary Thole | 19 - William & Monette Augustin | |
| 10 - Lenny & Amanda Rakers | 20 - Michael & Pamela Hartweg | |

NEWS FROM THE 4TH DEGREE

If you have regalia and are no longer able to serve in the Honor Guard, please consider passing on your regalia to a new brother Sir Knight who might be in need of regalia. If you would like to donate or sell your regalia please contact me at 618-444-1005.

REGALIA

We have already ordered regalia for a few of the Sir Knights. We will be placing and additional orders for regalia, so anyone who is in need of regalia items just let me know so that we can include your items with the order.

HONOR GUARD ACTIVITY

Due to the addition of new Sir Knights into the Honor Guard, and the fact that we have been asked to serve as Honor Guard for Deacon Edgar's first mass at St Paul, we will be having an orientation and refresher session on Tuesday May 15th at 7:30pm at the hall. This meeting is open to all Sir Knights who are currently in the Honor Guard and those who would like to join the Honor Guard. Please bring your sword and baldric if you have them.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The Fourth Degree is the Patriotic Arm of the Knights of Columbus. It is our duty, as Catholic men, to protect our country and the principles on which this great country was founded. Right now those principles are being threatened and we must stand with our Bishops to defend our Religious Liberty. They cannot do it all, we as lay leaders must step up and defend our rights.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty published a statement regarding this attack on our liberty. The statement is too lengthy for me to include here, but I would challenge each and every member to read this statement. Too many times many of us have been complacent and thought the "other guy" can do it. Well, now is the time for you to be the "other guy".

If you need a copy of the statement, contact me and I will get you a copy.

This is 'an urgent prayer for religious liberty' that the Bishops included in the statement and I would ask that each of you pray it daily. Prayer works miracles.

*Almighty God, Father of all nations,
For freedom you have set us free in Christ Jesus (Gal 5:1).
We praise and bless you for the gift of religious liberty,
The foundation of human rights, justice, and the common good,
Grant to our leaders the wisdom to protect and promote our liberties;
By your grace may we have the courage to defend them, for ourselves and for all
those who live in the blessed land.
We ask this through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, our patroness,
And in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Ron Clarkin
Faithful Navigator

LADIES AUXILIARY

Submitted by: Kaye Plocher

The Ladies Auxiliary's April Lady of the Month was awarded to Jan Abbott. She was recognized as helping with nearly every project the Auxiliary has. She recently co-chaired the annual Easter Egg Hunt. She and her daughters were a tremendous help cleaning up after the Indoor Garage Sale. Jan is an active member of St. Paul Parish and a staunch supporter of St. Paul School.

It is with gratitude and thanks for all she has done that Jan Abbott was given this award.

MONTHLY MEETING

The Auxiliary meeting is held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the KC Hall. Any lady interested in supporting the Knights of Columbus is welcome to join. Check us out!

PIE PROVIDIERS FOR MAY

Pate Korte---May 2, 2012	Melinda Korte---May 9, 2012
Mary Ann Korte---May 16, 2012	Marilyn Korte---May 23, 2012
JoAnn Korte---May 30, 2012	

MAY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Ladies Auxillary 	2 Bingo 7:30PM Gene Bruggemann Ralph Bruggemann Jim & Dorothy Kampwerth Bartenders Kenny Klaus	3 Euchre 7:30PM Columbus Club Executive Meeting 7:00PM Council Officer's Meeting 8:00PM	4 IL State Convention Lombard, IL	5 IL State Convention Lombard, IL Private Party
6 IL State Convention Lombard, IL	7 4th Degree Meeting  7:30 PM	8 Council Meeting  7:30 PM	9 Bingo 7:30PM Cy & Delores Weis Herbert & Shirley Weis Frances Luijohan Jim Kampwerth & K. Klaus	10 Euchre 7:30PM	11	12 Private Party
13 Mother's Day	14 Boy Scout Meeting 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	15 Squires 8:00 PM----->	16 Bingo 7:30PM Butch & Aggie Wellen Marion Bohnak, Andy Anderson Bartenders Kenny Klaus	17 Euchre 7:30PM	18	19 Private Party
20	21 Knight Time Singers Legacy Place of Highland 7:00PM	22	23 Bingo 7:30PM Leon Luber Tom Ahlmeyer Tony Tebbe Bartender: Gary Graminski & Kenny Klaus	24 Euchre 7:30PM	25	26
27 Pentecost Sunday	28 Memorial Day Boy Scout Meeting 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	29	30 Bingo 7:30PM Chris & Jamie Chalfant Mike Carroll, Jim Meridith Bartenders Gary Graminski & Kenny Klaus	31 Euchre 7:30PM St. Joseph Card Party		
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Trinity Sunday	4 4th Degree Meeting  7:30 PM	5 Ladies Auxillary  7:00 PM	6 Bingo 7:30PM Larry & Ethel Korte Herb & Dot Durbin Bartenders L. Landmann & Kenny Klaus	7 Euchre 7:30PM Columbus Club Executive Meeting 7:00PM Council Officer's Meeting 8:00PM	8 Private Party	9 Private Party
10 Corpus Christi	11	12 Council Meeting  7:30 PM	13 Bingo 7:30PM Ken Wieduwilt Tim Korte Henry & Linda Jaeger Bartenders J. Kampwerth & K. Klaus	14 Flag Day Euchre 7:30PM Local 840 Mtg	15	16 Private Party
17 Father's Day	18	19 Squires 8:00 PM----->	20 Bingo 7:30PM Leon Luber, Chris Gall Lowell Wellen Kaye Plocher Bartender Ken Klaus	21 Euchre 7:30PM	22	23 Private Party
24 Private Party	25	26	27 Bingo 7:30PM Ray & Pat Korte Tom Spengel & Mary Ann Korte Gary Graminski & Kenny Klaus	28 Euchre 7:30PM	29	30 Private Party
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