



Knights Times

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NOTES FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Many years ago, I heard a term that I shrugged off at the time, but woke up thinking about just the other day. I once asked an individual what religion they practiced. The response I received was that they were a 'retired' Catholic. I thought to myself, "What does that mean?" Once an individual retires from a particular position such as a doctor or lawyer, then they can no longer practice that position. If one refers to themselves as a retired Catholic, would it be safe to assume that they do not practice their faith according to how the Catholic Church dictates; i.e. regularly attending Holy Mass on Sunday's, receiving the Holy Eucharist, going to Confession and so forth? I have heard over the years, many Priests comment on how the church seems to be a bit more crowded during the Christmas and Lenten Season. During this Lenten Season, the church asks for all of us to fast, to pray and to give alms. As Knights of Columbus, during the Lenten Season; and beyond, let us all make a conscious effort pray for and to invite anyone that we might know that considers themselves as a 'retired' Catholic to Holy Mass on Sunday, Stations of the Cross on Friday, or even perhaps to a daily mass throughout the week. For some; or maybe even just one person, a simple invitation might be all that is needed.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that on Sunday, March 10th at 12:00 noon at our very own Council we are hosting a major degree. Please consider this an open invitation for anyone wishing to join our order and obtain the degrees of charity, unity and fraternity to do so. Also, for those of you who are members of the first degree, this is a great opportunity to obtain the 2nd and 3rd degrees at your local Council. Additionally, the very next weekend on March 16th is the Exemplification at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows for those of you who are wishing to advance to the fourth degree – the degree of Patriotism. Last year we had nine new members join the 4th degree and this year we are poised to surpass that mark. I pray that each of you reflect on this opportunity and if you are moved to do so please do not hesitate to inquire. Again, for some of you, a simple invitation may be all that is needed.

Nestled in between the two dates mentioned above is yet another opportunity to participate in a very special event. The Relevant Pregnancy Options Center – Celebration of Life Banquet is the evening of March 14th. This year's banquet is shaping up to be another huge success as Actress Shari Rigby (who portrayed the birth mother in the film OCTOBER BABY) will be the guest speaker. Table Hosts and guests are continuing to form. For more information, contact the Relevant Pregnancy Options Center.

May all of you experience the spiritual blessings of the Lenten Season and have a safe and Happy Easter – Alleluia!

Joe Wetmore
Chancellor

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

February's Family of the Month award goes to a Brother Knight, and his family for their continual service to the church, our council, and to our community. While our Brother Knight and his Lady both work full time jobs, they still manage to find time to volunteer at various events sponsored by the Highland Knights of Columbus, the community and St. Paul Church.



Our Brother Knight participates in the Kirchenfest, the chicken dinner, the Texas Holdem tournament and several other functions. He volunteers as a coach for various youth basketball and baseball teams and is also a Hospitality Minister at St. Paul Church. His Lady is a Lector at St. Paul and is an active participant in the Stewards of Hope International and the Relevant Pregnancy Options Center where she is the Table Hosts Chairman. She also participates in the Kirchenfest and other functions. Our Brother and his Lady recognize the importance of a Catholic education as they have a daughter who attends Mater Dei and a son attending St. Paul School. Both son and daughter are altar servers at St. Paul Church.

It is with great pleasure that we have selected **Tim, Jennifer, Samantha, and Lukas Whitten** as our February 2013 Family of the Month. Congratulations from Council 1580.

ATTENDANCE PRIZE

The name of Roland Harris was drawn at the last meeting. Had he been present he would have received \$110.00 for attendance at the meeting. Next month's prize will be \$120.00. 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 Scott Geest. The number was located in the Major Degree Announcement. 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.

MISSING TABLES

Brother Knights, please return 2 green tables that were borrowed from the hall about 2 months ago. Please drop them off at the hall during business hours.

SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

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

Our Brother participates in all areas of Knights of Columbus activities. He works the Sausage Dinner, Chicken Dinner, Madison County Fair Schweitzerfest, Kirchenfest and also participates at the Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Fund Raiser. He is also a full-time worker at the Highland Food Pantry. He is certainly a valuable asset to this fraternal organization.

It is with great pleasure that we have selected **Duane Gruenefelder** as our Senior Knight of the Month for February 2013. Congratulations from Council 1580.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

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

This Brother Knight has worked many hours over the years at the Kirchenfest, fish fry's, chicken dinner and the Madison County Fair. He is always ready to help anytime we call on him. He has four beautiful daughters that attend our St. Paul school.

It is with great appreciation that we have selected as our February Knight of the Month, **Virgil Wilke**. Congratulations from Council 1580.

OUR CONDOLENCES

To Brother Knight Richard Sanvi and especially his wife Connie on the loss of her mother, Mary Koster.

To Brother Knight Eugene Plocher and especially his wife Jane on the loss of her brother, John Korte.

To Delores Diesen, widow of deceased Brother Knight, Michael Diesen, on the loss of her brother, John Korte.

To Sir Knight Marion Bohnak and especially his wife Laverne, on the loss of her mother, Ella Pautler.

To Wilma Stack on the loss of her husband, James Stack.

To Brother Knight Dan Stack on the loss of his father, Brother Knight, James Stack.

To Brother Knight Robert Quade and especially his wife, Beverly on the loss of her father, Morris Seefeldt

To Sir Knight Robert Benda and especially his wife, Pamela on the loss of her father, Morris Seefeldt.

To Brother Knight Ray Schrage on the loss of his sister, Sister Mary Ann Schrage.



HATS OFF

To Brother Knight Duane Gruenenfelder for being selected as the Senior Knight of the Month
To Brother Knight Virgil Wilke for being selected Knight of the Month
To Brother Knight Tim, Jennifer, Samantha, and Lukas Whitten for being selected the Family of the Month
To the Sir Knights and their Ladies that planned, decorated and ensured that the 4th Degree Valentines Dinner went well
To Bob Douglas and all his helpers that did a great job on the Spelling Bee.
To the Fish Fry crews that are providing support during the Lent Fish fry's.



MEMO FROM FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Have you forgotten your dues payment? Please get your new 2013 card as soon as possible. Regular members are \$30.00 per year. 4th Degree dues are an additional \$8.00. Honorary Members pay \$10.00 per year. Honorary Life Members pay no dues.

Members can save the council money on postage if you pay dues before statements have to be sent. Members can drop payments off at hall or pay at meetings or send payments to me:

Martin Klostermann

90 Meadowlark Ln., Highland, IL 62249

Thank you for your understanding and support.

LADIES AUXILIARY

The March 5th meeting for the Ladies Auxiliary will be held at 6:00pm instead of 7:00pm with a guest speaker, Lorraine Senci, who is the Pastoral Assistant at St. Jerome in Troy. She will speak on making the most of our Lenten promises.

The lucky winner of the quilt at our January raffle was Denise Meridith; basket winners were Peyton Dermody, Marilyn Wick, Darlene Timmermann and Linda Marti.

Members are looking forward to participating in the Bowl for Charity in April as well as helping the Knights at the Annual Easter Egg Hunt in March.

Pie Providers March 2013

March 6th - Agnes Wellen

March 13th - Darlene Timmermann

March 20th - Mary Thole

March 27th - Joyce Tebbe

Pie Providers April 2013

April 3rd - Toni Stone

April 10th - Nanette Snyder

April 17th - Judy Shannon

April 24th - Joan Riffel

Hope to see you at one of our upcoming meetings held the 1st Tuesday of each month. Bring a friend!

BOWL FOR CHARITY

Highland Council 1580 is hosting the 20th Annual Springfield Bowl for Charity on Saturday and Sunday April 7th 2013 (April 6th if needed) at Hi-Top Bowl in Highland. Starting times for the event are 11:00 am and 2:00pm. All proceeds will go to Springfield Diocese for the Education of Seminarians.

The bowling tournament is a 5-person men's and women's team event with a cost of \$20 per person open to all Knights of Columbus and Auxiliary members. However, the Council will pay \$10 per person for council members, so for \$10 you can enjoy a wonderful day of bowling. The entry fee includes three games of bowling, free beer and soda, and sandwiches for bowlers and spouses. Lane sponsor donations of \$25.00 or more from businesses and individuals are also welcome. If you want to enter a team or just one bowler or make a donation please contact Tracy Poehling at (618) 304-4214 for details and times available. Bowlers of all skill levels are welcome.

--- Get Your Teams Together ---

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March Birthdays

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| 1 - Diane (Glenn) Hoyt | 11 - Dean Grapperhaus | 19 - Debbie (Robert) Trost |
| 1 - Robert Luitjohan | 11 - Martin Klostermann | 19 - Randy Von Hatten |
| 1 - Linus Marti | 11 - Travis Wellen | 20 - Lori (Michael) Baumgartner |
| 1 - Myron Potthast | 11 - Connie (Raymond) Werner | 20 - Brent Knebel |
| 2 - James Chandarlis | 12 - Don McCall | 21 - Rick Frey |
| 2 - Debra (Alan) Drury | 12 - Gerald Rehkemper | 21 - Barbara (David) Kampwerth |
| 2 - Daniel Jacober | 12 - Margaret (Gerald) Steinkoenig | 21 - Jim Stukenberg |
| 2 - Justin Troxell | 13 - Harold Klaus | 22 - Justin Robitsch |
| 3 - Mark Frey | 13 - Kristen (Bradley) Koehnemann | 23 - Mike Dapkus |
| 3 - Donna (Jeff) Goesten Kors | 13 - Karen (Jerome) Kuhl | 23 - Julie (Severin) Emig |
| 3 - Dennis Higgins | 13 - Stanley Wessel | 23 - Chad Klostermann |
| 3 - Steven Kish | 14 - Todd Korte | 23 - David Melosi |
| 3 - Agnes (Vernell) Wellen | 14 - James Vidmar | 23 - Randy Riggs |
| 4 - Diane (Richard) Boeser | 14 - Lucy (Lee) Wellen | 24 - William Duncan |
| 4 - Mark Stephens | 15 - Matthew Dermody | 24 - Scott Stahlhut |
| 5 - Ryan Melosi | 15 - Jared Gilomen | 24 - Clarene (Hollie) Willmann |
| 5 - Paul West | 15 - Steven Kloss | 25 - Leonard Thole |
| 6 - Gary Gacevich | 15 - Randy Luitjohan | 25 - Douglas Thurnau |
| 6 - Rocco Gonzalez | 16 - Samuel Bagyo | 25 - Bobbi (Chad) Wernle |
| 6 - Connie (Brian) Ruffini | 16 - Susan (Kevin) Heim | 26 - Fran (Robert) Heiman |
| 6 - Steve Skaggs | 16 - Debra (Wayne) Keeven | 26 - Karin (Ronald) Zbinden |
| 7 - Crista (Phillip) Decker | 17 - Alan Drury | 27 - Eric Gubera |
| 7 - Linda (Paul) Dunker | 17 - Rev. Pat Jakel | 27 - Daniel Neier |
| 7 - Severin Emig | 17 - Raymond Korte | 28 - Theresa (Randy) Dickman |
| 7 - Nancy (Russell) Rieke Sr. | 17 - Jill (Bradley) Sauls | 28 - Troby (Edward) Gagen |
| 8 - James Campbell | 18 - Marie (Daniel) Grandame | 28 - Bradley Koehnemann |
| 8 - Ty Renko | 18 - Mary (James) Haberer | 28 - Michael Lengermann |
| 8 - Sue (William) Wilson | 18 - Thomas Hoffmann | 28 - Carol (Kenneth) Wieduwilt |
| 9 - Patti (Blake) Kohlbrecher | 18 - Robert Lemp | 29 - Tim Singler |
| 9 - Brian Ruffini | 18 - Jill (Anthony) Sinnock | 29 - Scott Wick |
| 9 - Mary (Kenneth) Rutz | 18 - Robert Vance | 30 - Vicky (Brian) Buehne |
| 9 - Pauline (Vincent) Thuenemann | 19 - Michael Gilomen | 30 - Rosemary (Neal) Rieke Jr. |
| 10 - Arthur Schulte | 19 - Howard Held | 31 - Robert Walter |
| 10 - Mike Wetzell | 19 - Terrance Moore | 31 - Jeremy Wildhaber |

March Anniversaries



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| 1 - Jeffrey & Angela Marie Smart | 13 - Phil & Diane Krydynski | 24 - Dale & Shirley Wellen |
| 2 - John & Lynn Todt | 14 - Daniel & Lu Ann Halloran | 24 - Michael & Mary Carroll |
| 2 - Donald & Tonie Speraneo | 20 - Gary & Tracy Frey | 24 - Denis & Shirley Bellm |
| 7 - Keith & Laurie Frank | 21 - Robert & Debbie Trost | 31 - Steven & Michelle Ficker |
| 13 - Anthony & Susi Tebbe | 23 - Vernell & Agnes Wellen | |

4TH DEGREE NEWS

ATTENTION 3RD DEGREE MEMBERS!!!

All members of the 3rd degree have the opportunity to advance to the 4th degree by attending the exemplification to be held March 16th at Our Lady of Snows Shrine in Belleville. A great opportunity with little travel involved. It is not too late to get your reservation in. If you need information or an application, just let me know. Ron Clarkin 618-444-1005 or ronclarkin@aol.com. All 4th degree members are encouraged to attend this exemplification as a show of support for our new Sir Knights. Let me know if you will be able to attend.



VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE

We celebrated Valentine Day with a dinner and dance on Saturday Feb 9th. The sit-down black tie affair was catered by Cygan-Delaney and they did an outstanding job. Music was provided by Mr Charles Luber. He kept the dance floor full all evening. Members of Edwardsville, Highland, Collinsville, Maryville, O'Fallon, Gillespie and Troy Assemblies were in attendance. All said they will be back and will bring others with them.

Thanks to the Honor Guard for their service at the Mass for the Bishop's Fundraiser. Your presence is always appreciated by the Bishop. I had many comments on how sharp everyone looked. Thanks again.

Ron Clarkin

Faithful Navigator.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MAJOR DEGREE ANNOUNCEMENT

Highland Council 1580 is holding a Major Degree on Sunday, March 10, 2013. If you know of any Catholic man, 18 years or older especially your college age sons and grandsons, who wishes to become closer to his family, strengthen his faith and give back to the community ask him to come join us. Candidates wishing to join at this time should be at the Highland KC Hall at 11:30 am.

Also, any First Degree Knights are encouraged to participate in the 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremonies. These are the next steps on your way to becoming fully vested in the Knights of Columbus. Current First Degree members should be at the KC hall by 12:45 pm. Please contact any one of your Brother Knights listed below with any questions.

Jerry Genteman
Grand Knight
(618) 791-3600

Kent Korte
Deputy Grand Knight
(618) 792-2542

David Gall
Membership
(618) 654-3110

Brent Knebel
Insurance
(618) 401-7354

PLAN FOR THIS TAX DAY AND INTO THE FUTURE

April 15 (tax day) is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax-savings vehicle. A secondary approach is to tout the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an annuity, but for a different reason.

Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to an annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product that is 1586247 designed to provide long-term security. How much security? How does retirement income that you cannot outlive — guaranteed — sound to you?

Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. That guarantee — along with the fact that no one has ever lost money left in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember — absolute safety of principal) — really will provide you with peace of mind.

I am happy to meet with you — at your convenience and in your home — to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance plans.

Brent Knebel, FICF

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Brent.Knebel@kofc.org

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