



KNIGHT KNOTES

April, 2017

Knights of Columbus
OLLH Council 11432
Harbor Beach, MI

Grand Knight Notes



Brother Knights,

The Knights of Columbus recorded its 16th consecutive year of growth in insurance sales in 2016, with \$8.54 billion in NEW life insurance sold – an increase of more than \$125 million over the previous year. K-of-C now has more than \$105 billion of life insurance in force, marking a \$50 billion increase in the last decade due to the record sales.

We had a rosary for Dennis Stacer on Monday, 27th at Ramsey Funeral Home. Our Council was well represented, & because Dennis was a 4th Degree, the Color Corp was there as well, & did a very fine job on his behalf.

The Michigan State Council Raffle drawing is this Saturday(4/22). Has everyone mailed in their tickets?

We have partnered w/the Lions Club to do another Euchre Tournament @ Smalley's this Saturday(4/22). This will be our 3rd year doing an additional tournament. Call Dean Kozfkay or Bob Swartz if you would like to play.

Carl Siemen reports the Bishop's 8-4-80 campaign is still coming in. If you would like to donate, give Carl a call. As a reminder, all Knights are encouraged to give \$8 a year for 4 years (total of \$32).

We are tracking monthly the individual member worksheet of our fraternal activities. Carl will have copies at our monthly meeting. We ask that you fill it out & return to him as soon as possible, or better yet do it before or after the meeting.

The next food distribution pick-up for Community Connections is May 2nd @10AM at the Harbor House. Call Pat Lapine if you would like to help.

Our spring Adopt-a-Highway is fast approaching. As soon as we get the green light from committee chairman Dan Bischer we will get at it. We need 6 Brother Knights to volunteer for this to go well.....and there is always a Smalley's Burger & a beverage of your choice at the conclusion.

At our June meeting we will be voting for the Officers for the next fraternal year. The election committee will list the names in the May newsletter. We will be voting for GK DGK

Chancellor Recorder Treasurer Advocate Warden IG OG & Trustees. If you would like to run for office, please call Carl Siemen.

The last Sunday of the month rosary is April 30th @8:00 AM for Edward Gehring
Coffee & Donuts are done for the season....we will start up again in October.

Officer's meeting at 6:30 in church basement
Attendance Drawing is \$110 – Doug Benke wasn't at the March meeting & missed out on \$100.

Fraternally,

John W. Howison, Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights

Re: Maritime Raffle Tickets

Last year our Council earned \$2586.00 with our Maritime Raffle Ticket sales. As a result we will be awarding five \$500 scholarships to deserving graduates of the 2017 class of Harbor Beach High School. That is a significant commitment to the youth of our community. As we begin this year's sales effort, our hopes are that we will be able to continue that same commitment for next year.

Tickets will be mailed in coming days and distributed at our April meeting. Our Council earns \$20 for each book sold and all the funds raised go to fund our scholarship program. No other Council funds are used for scholarships.

If you can move more than one book, please let me know and I will get you more. If each member moves one book, we will at least match what we earned last year.

Thank you for your continued support of our Council and for those not active as members; this is a way to get started.

Sincerely,

Bob Wruble 989-551-4670, 989-479-3623

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Calendar of Events

April 19, Monthly Meeting

April 30, Rosary @ 8:00am for Edward Gehring @ OLLH

Council Officers

Chaplain:

Father Bill Spencer

Grand Knight:

John Howison
(989)415-3250

Financial Secretary:

Carl E. Siemen
(989)479-6807

Insurance Field Agent:

James R. Swartz
(989)479-6101

District Deputy:

Carl Taus

State Deputy:

Kenneth B. Unterbrink

Deputy Grand Knight:

Dan Bischer

Chancellor

Marc Moreno

Recorder:

Paul C. Ginther

Treasurer:

Steve Schwab

Advocate:

Bob Sopczynski

Warden:

Steve Oglenski

Inside Guard:

Jerry Jewell

Outside Guard:

Earl Braun

Trustee for 3 Years:

Allen Messing

Trustee for 2 Years:

Carl Taus

Trustee for 1 Year:

Bob Wruble

Meeting Notes

Date: Wednesday March 15, 2017 TIME: 7:02pm

Warden Report on Membership: Earl Braun reported all have current membership cards

Prayer: John Howison

Pledge: John Howison

Roll Call of Officers: 11 officers present, 2 absent with notice, 2 absent

Reading of Minutes Motion to approve by Jerry Jewell, second Bob Sopczynski, motion carried

Admissions Committee: Reported by Bob Swartz

Members: Associate 76, Honorary Life 11, Insurance 82, Disability 2 Carl Taus moved to accept Fr George into KofC, Bob Swartz 2nd, motion approved.

Grand Knight Report: John Howison

Read thank you notes from: Thumb Industry, Cross Services, Harbor Beach High School Special Ed, Jim Lieby for Certificate of Appreciation.

Chaplain's Report : None

Treasurer's Report: Carl Sieman in place of Steve Schwab
Income: \$12,342.00
Expenses 3,584.01

Motion to accept report Dean Kozfkay 2nd by Earl Braun. Motion passed.

Financial Secretary's Report Carl Sieman reported on money

1. Reviewed bills paid
2. Bob Swartz stated that we would take \$4,765.30 from the building fund to pay Jake's Plumbing for new furnace for the rectory. This had already been approved.

Chancellor's Report Marc Moreno reported that a rosary would be said for Marv Kociba on March 26, 2017.

Service Program Report: Bob Wruble reported on spelling bee winners and donations made for their trip.

We have been receiving applications for KofC scholarships.

Maritime raffle tickets will be available from Bob with \$2 from sale of each ticket going to scholarship.

Unfinished Business:

Leonard Emming reported on the KofC breakfast
Dean Kozfkay reported on the euchre tournament which made about \$1,655. Dean stated he could run another tournament on April 22 and we may partner with the Lions. Dean would like to look into getting our own P.A system.

Old Business:**New Business:**

Carl Sieman may look into purchasing plaque for Family and Knight of the Year from Thumb Office Supply.
John Howison stated that Pat Murdock will be receiving the Bishop Murphy award in Saginaw, motion by Bob Wruble

support by Darrell Connell to donate \$150 for her expenses. Motion passed.

Steve Oglenski moved to purchase mop bucket for school cafeteria, support by Emmett Trudeau

Dan Bischer read request from Christian Services requesting start up money. Marc Moreno motioned to give Christian Services \$400. 2nd by Bob Sopczynski, motion carried.

Steve Oglenski asked about possibility of a parish picnic
Fr Bill is one of the few priests who serves as Chaplin of KofC.
Bob Swartz suggested the parish have a good bye for him.

Field Agent Report: N/A

District Deputy Report: Carl Taus

Problem of getting new members is state wide
Anyone interested in major degree contact Carl. There will be one held in St. Clair and Carl is going.
We need to elect delegates to state convention
Election committee needs to get a list of candidates for next years officers

Good of the Order:

Certificate of Appreciation Patricia Murdock

Knight of the Month: Larry Kroswek

Family of the Month: Rodney & Stephanie Mazure

Prayer List: Fr. Bill, Leonard Goniewicha, Derek Pfaff, Al Messing, "Pic" DeFrain, Rick Bredow, Dennis Stacer and Garry Rose

Closing Prayer: John Howison

Prayer for Deceased Members: Dan Bischer

Prayer for Vocations: N/A

Shirt Drawing: John Howison (had one), Dave Wallman and Dennis Puvalowski

50/50 Drawing: Franco Aguilera **Amount:** \$13.00

Earl Braun **Amount:** \$10.00

Attendance Drawing: Doug Banky (not present)

Amount: \$100

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:10 PM





The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council marked the 135th anniversary of the founding of the Order at a Mass on March 29 in St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn. The church is the site where Father Michael J. McGivney first gathered a group of Catholic men from the parish with the goal of providing for families of deceased breadwinners. March 29 marks the day when the organization received approval of its charter from the state of Connecticut in 1882.

"There is something timeless about people who are holy, because their lives speak to each new generation. Such is the case with Father McGivney," Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore said in his homily. "Father McGivney's priestly holiness is timeless and is just as relevant for us today as it was when he ministered to the people in this very church."

The supreme chaplain continued that like Pope Francis' example of charity today, Father McGivney was a man of mercy and charity. Concelebrating with the archbishop were Msgr. J. Peter Cullen, Connecticut state chaplain; Dominican Father Jonathan D. Kalisch, director of Chaplains and Spiritual Development and prior of St. Mary's Dominican Community; Dominican Father John Paul Walker, pastor of St. Mary's Parish; Father Joseph A. Marcello, pastor of St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Trumbull and priest-secretary emeritus to the supreme chaplain; and Dominican Father Marek Domeradzki of Poland. Father Louis Bianco was the master of ceremonies.

Attending the Mass were relatives of Venerable Michael J. McGivney and Knights from Connecticut. John Walshe, great-grandnephew of Father McGivney, and Kay Walshe, were the gift bearers for the Mass. Brian V. Caulfield, vice-postulator for the cause for the canonization of Father McGivney, served as the lector.

After Mass, Archbishop Lori led supreme officers and their wives to the sarcophagus of Father McGivney located in the rear of the church, where they recited the Prayer for Canonization along with the congregation. The prayer was written in 2008, when the Vatican recognized the heroic virtue of Father McGivney and declared him a venerable Servant of God. A miracle attributed to his intercession is needed for him to advance to beatification.

Hear our prayer for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need . "

PRAYER LIST: Fr. Bill, Leonard Goniewicha, Derek Pfaff, Al Messing, "Pic" DeFrain, Rick Bredow, Dennis Stacer and Garry Rose



Membership Anniversary this Month:

Name	Anniv. Date	Yrs Service
Leonard De Frain	4/1/41	76
Ronald Volmering	4/1/64	23
Gerald Dolsen	4/1/67	32
Darrell Connell	4/1/68	30
Emmett Trudeau	4/1/70	15
Randy Lemanski	4/1/76	23
Gordon Wolschleger	4/1/86	10
James Kucharczyk	4/1/92	25
Brian Gunn	4/20/95	22
Frank Lorkowski	4/20/95	22
Timothy O Neil	4/20/95	22
Dennis O Neil	4/17/97	20
Dean Kozfkay	4/19/98	19
Kim Klaska	4/1/01	16
Juan Carlos De La Sotta	4/20/05	12
Russell Lemanski	4/20/05	12
Stephen Schwab	4/16/08	9
Daniel Oglenski	4/10/11	6
Rodney Mazure	4/14/13	4

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K of C Yearly Dues are PAST due, PLEASE REMIT ASAP, Thanks

Service Program Personnel
 Program Director: James Kucharczyk
 Church Director: Marcelino Moreno
 Vocations Chairman: David Booms
 Community Director: Gary Booms
 Pro-Life Chair couple: Gary & Joann Wolschleger
 Health Services: Darrell Connell
 Council Director: Gerald Schroeder
 Public Relations: Steve Schwab
 Family Director: Pat Lapine
 Youth Director: Bob Wruble & Darryl Connell
 Membership Director: Carl Taus
 Recruitment Com. No. 1: Gary Booms
 Recruitment Comm. No. 2: James Swartz
 Recruitment Comm. No. 3: Daniel Bischer
 Retention Chairman: Carl Siemen
 Insurance Promotion: James Swartz
 Lecturer: Fred Lorkowski

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