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Grand Knight Corner



With more and more members attending the monthly meetings we need to have some guidelines to make sure they don't last too long.

If you bring an idea to the meeting you need to also have a plan of action.

If you are recommending a fund raiser you need to have a plan of action.

We are always looking for fresh ideas to grow our Council but the meetings are designed to put plans in action not to figure out the plan.

This being said it has never been more important for our members to be involved. When you get a call for help please answer that call.

Everyone is busy most of the time and the time you give to the Knights is sometimes going to be a bit of a sacrifice but isn't that what the Knight's experience is all about?

If you are asking yourself what is he talking about? Please understand I appreciate any time that you are able to give but you must understand that all I want is a little more from each member so we can lessen the burden on every member. Which leads me to my last request, we need more members!!!!

Vivat Jesus,

Joe Hockhausen
Grand Knight

Ash Wednesday February 17th

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/2 - Monthly Membership Meeting
- 2/6 - Married Sweethearts Dinner/Dance
- 2/14 - Happy Valentines Day
- 2/14 - First Degree Ceremony
- 2/14 - Pancake Breakfast
- 2/17 - Ash Wednesday

CHANGE!!

Monthly Meeting Notice
Our council meets monthly every First Tuesday at 7:30PM in Room 16.

MEETING CHANGE

At our January meeting we discussed and decided to change our meeting dates from the **Third Tuesday** to the **First Tuesday**. Subsequently, we have to change meeting rooms... again. We will now be meeting in Room 16 in the basement (just across the hall from our old meeting room.

BITS AND PIECES

A SHORT HISTORY OF MEDICINE:

"Doctor, I have an ear ache."

2000 BC - "Here, eat this root."

1000 BC - "That root is heathen, say this prayer."

1850 AD - "That prayer is superstition, drink this potion."

1940 AD - "That potion is snake oil, swallow this pill."

1985 AD - "That pill is ineffective, take this antibiotic."

2000 AD - "That antibiotic is artificial. Here, eat this root!"

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An elderly woman had just returned to her home from an evening of religious service when she was startled by an intruder. As she caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables, she yelled, "Stop - Acts 2:38!" (..turn from your sin...) The burglar stopped dead in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done.

As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a scripture to you."

"Scripture?" replied the burglar, "She said she had an AXE and two 38's!"

### Acting Up In Church

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One Sunday in a Midwest City, a young child was "acting up" during the morning worship hour. The parents did their best to maintain some sense of order in the pew but were losing the battle.

Finally, the father picked the little fellow up and walked sternly up the aisle on his way out.

Just before reaching the safety of the foyer, the little one called loudly to the congregation,

"Pray for me! Pray for me!"

Financial Secretary News

I can hardly believe January has come and gone already. By the time you get this we will have completed our Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities for Supreme and much more.

A few changes have occurred regarding the council's funds. For many years the council has maintained 3 separate accounts at the bank: one for general funds, one for Right to Life, and one for the Seminarian Fund. When asked the question as to why we had 3 accounts, no one could really explain the need or purpose of having separate accounts. Therefore, it was decided at the January meeting to consolidate the accounts into one account which has been completed. The support of the Seminarians and Right to Life will be continued but will be accounted for under normal budgetary procedures with specific dollars earmarked to these two programs. If you have any questions please contact GK Joe Hockhausen, Don Schuldt, or myself.

In regards to payment of dues for 2010, I've been pleased with the response to date. However, as of this writing we still have 44 members yet to pay their 2010 dues. I'd appreciate your payment as soon as possible so you don't get caught up in my next notice which is the Knight Alert letter. This will be going out in mid-February. If you've paid your dues and have not received your new membership card please let me know ASAP.

An updated membership directory is now available for the exclusive use of Knights of this council. This is for internal use only and cannot be used for non-council activities. If you want a copy please let me know. The next update will probably be in June/July. Please review the information for any errors or omissions.

Fraternally,

Robert Sass
Financial Secretary

Happy Valentines Day!

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

Results from the local contest will be published in the March Newsletter after the District Competition.



Knights of Columbus Council 8844

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**Meeting Day
& Location
Change!!**

Fraternal Benefits Advisor News

Dear brother Knights and their families,

K of C Long Term Care Insurance has Bonus Benefits

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care insurance has provided the Knights of Columbus with an excellent opportunity to further serve members and their families. And, for our long-term care clients in the United States, a K of C Care policy brings added value.

That added value is in the form of a service called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network covers: home health care, personal emergency response systems, adult day care, assisted living, skilled nursing facilities and durable medical equipment.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus Long-Term Care Insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with your professional Knights of Columbus agent about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are many decisions to make in choosing a plan - benefit amounts and durations, a facility only plan or one that covers home health care, and the length of the "waiting period" before benefits kick-in are just a few of the items you'll need to consider.

Having a professionally trained agent - and a Brother Knight you can trust at that - to help you through the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your Knights of Columbus membership. Take advantage of it.

Fraternally,
Mark P DiSanto, FICF
Fraternal Benefits Advisor

First Degree Ceremony

When: Sunday, February 14th

Time: 9:00AM

Where: Theater

As of today, we have 4 candidates from our parish who will be attending. Fellow Knights are invited to attend and participate in this ceremony as observers.

Pancake Breakfast

WHEN: Sunday: February 14th

TIME: After all Masses

Team B is on deck to serve this time honored tradition.

**Congratulations New
Sir Knights!**

On Sunday, January 31st, Blessed Sacrament Council hosted the 4th Degree Exemplification for members in West River. We had a number of Knights from our own council reach their 4th Degree level. Watch for next months newsletter for the details.

LINKS OF INTEREST:

- www.kofc.org
- www.kofcsd.org
- www.kofc8844.org
- www.fathermccgivney.org
- www.rapidcitydiocese.org
- www.blessedsacramentchurch.org
- www.masstimes.org
- www.vatican.va

Thank You to all those who donated blood on our recent Blood Drive. Your support is greatly appreciated!

In Memoriam

Ed Artz

1927 - 2010

May his soul and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace.

SD KofC State Convention

April 23-25, 2010 ~ Huron, SD