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## From the Desk of the Grand Knight...

My Brother Knights,  
Vivat Jesus! I hope you  
all have a Happy  
Easter.

Talking with the  
newsletter editor, we  
decided to redo the  
format of the newsletter  
a little. All officers are  
listed on the front page;  
some of the members  
asked if we would list  
the officers. You have  
probably noticed that 4<sup>th</sup>

Degree meetings have  
been added to our  
calendar. Quite a few  
of the members of our  
Council have joined the  
4<sup>th</sup> degree so I have  
been asked to add their  
meetings to our  
calendar.

Fr. Bob asked the  
Knights to host the  
annual showing of the  
"Passion of the Christ"  
in church on Palm

Sunday night. It is  
another opportunity for  
us to be in front of the  
members of the parish.  
All we will be doing is  
greeting the people and  
showing the movie – no  
admission or  
concessions - just the  
movie. It is a good way  
to start Holy

## Upcoming Programs and Events

Program Director: S.K. Mike Beurer

We have some  
upcoming events. We  
need your help to make  
them a success. These  
dates are on your  
calendar so put the  
calendar in a prominent  
place (the refrigerator  
door) to remind you of  
the dates

**March 08 – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree  
Exemplification –  
Sterling Heights**

**March 09 – 6:00 PM 4<sup>th</sup>  
Degree Meeting –  
Msgr. Hunt**

**March 11 – 7:00 PM  
Officer's Meeting –  
Annex**

**March 14-16 – M.I.  
Tootsie Roll Drive**

**March 18 – Business  
Meeting after Mass –  
Activities Room**

**March 21 – 7:30 PM  
Start of Divine Mercy  
Novena – chapel**

**March 30 – 2:00 PM  
End of Divine Mercy  
Novena – (2:00-3:00  
PM Confessions;  
Mass at 3:00 PM)**

**April 11 – Bowling  
with the Knights –  
Oxford Lanes**

**April 13 – 8:30am -  
2:30 PM Blood Drive –  
Activities Room**

**April 17 – 7:00 PM  
Officer's Meeting –  
Annex**

**April 20 – 6:00 PM 4<sup>th</sup>  
Degree Meeting –  
Msgr. Hunt**

**April 24 – 7:30 PM  
Business Meeting –  
Activities Room**

Once again please  
remember that these  
events are only  
successful because of  
the support that each  
of you bring. Please  
volunteer.

## Knights of the Month

Worthy Lecturer: S.K. Joe Whalen

Taken from the Jan meeting  
Brother Knights:

Calm, Quiet confidence is the apparent trait shown by our Knight of the Month. Though calm in his demeanor he is always at the ready and confident in his choices and actions. I believe that this is a quality that can be traced back to his days as a Marine, where he was taught to stand strong and confident, proud, but not

prideful, self sufficient, but accepting of others help. He learned first hand about brotherhood which he carries on today in our council by being a leader and drawing in those who have yet to join, and standing by them on their journey through degree work. He faithfully attends and sometimes heads our holy hours and devotions. He works hard with our Worthy Grand Knight to keep our council

flourishing and to give comfort through prayer to those on our sick list. Still with all these quality traits he still can not finish a full dubja pivo because its, as he calls it, "swill", and he has a huge hang up with "touching the mustache" but he is a Worthy Deputy Grand Knight and a Most Worthy Knight of the Month.

And the Winner is...  
Tom Kramarz



## Family of the Month

Worthy Lecturer: S.K. Joe Whalen

Taken from the January meeting  
Brother Knights:

A distinguished gentleman is the best way to describe the Brother Knight who heads the household of our Family of the Month. This family has contributed much to our parish through the years and still continues to support and work to keep our Parish and this council the great families that they

are. His work in our council and her patience with his work in our council makes them a perfect team. And in my opinion they are the friendliest people you could ever meet. They are always warm and welcoming, kind, generous, affectionate and a perfect example of a loving family. We could not be luckier to have this family as part of our

brotherhood. Thank you George Plagens and your family for being the wonderful people that you are.

And the winner is...  
George Plagens

## Michigan Tootsie Roll Drive

The Spring Michigan Tootsie Roll Drive will be Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. I have a couple of Brother Knights that want to sell on Friday. If you can sell on Friday, please contact John Cahillane at (313) 274-5198. If you can work

Saturday any time between 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM, contact Joe Whalen at (313) 587-8834 or Dave Zmudczynski at (734) 216-0080. Joan and Dave will probably be giving you a call. We will also be selling Tootsie Rolls after Mass on

Saturday and Sunday. Come over to the Men's Club Room and pick up a vest just before Mass lets out. It



## Membership

Membership Director: S.K. Mike Robinson

We should always be on the look out for new members. Maybe a neighbor or someone who sits near you in church every weekend just needs to be asked. An idea – ask his wife if he would like to join! Let's make our council grow. You are the one that can do that!

If you know someone in college or in the military, ask them if they would like to join the Knights of Columbus. Our council does not charge dues to full time college students or full time men in the military.

The Knights of Columbus has nothing less than a moral obligation to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every eligible Catholic man. To accomplish this, every dedicated brother Knights should be like an ambassador, to reach out to Catholic men and their families and invite them to become part of our Order.

As many of you know the Order is divided into different degrees. Each degrees is voluntary, however it is the goal of the order to elevate each member to the level of 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The degrees are as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Charity
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Unity
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Fraternity
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Patriotism (this degree is open to those Knights that have attained the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree and have remained a Knight for over a year.)

The only qualification to achieve the first degree is to be a practical Catholic man and be 18 years of age. Meeting this criterion makes you eligible for membership.

**Form #100  
Belongs in  
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## Sick and Deceased List

Please remember sick and recovering from our council and their family members especially, S.K. Rev. Robert LaCroix; B.K. Richard Chavez; B.K. Ted Bartek. B.K. Larry Farchione and his wife Beverly; Jack and Connie Gardner, father and mother of B.K. Jack Gardner; B.K. Bill Kubek; B.K. Bob Percha; B.K. Chuck Rocheleau.

If you know of a Brother Knight or member of his family who is need of our prayers, please contact the Grand Knight Tom Kramarz or Deputy Grand Knight Mike Robinson

## Dues are Due

**The bill for your 2008 dues was sent out. Please get them in. If you did not receive your statement let the Financial Secretary know.**

## Lenten Services and Divine Mercy Novena

The Knights are hosting a holy hour every Wednesday evening during Lent. The Holy Hour is from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. We will also host the Divine Mercy Novena again. This is from Good Friday through the Sunday after Easter

## Bowling with the Knights

Bowling with the Knights will be on Friday evening April 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a fundraiser to help us support our Seminarian. We will be bowling at Oxford Lanes. Registration will be at 9:30 PM

## Blood Drive

The Knights are sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM in the Activities Room. We will need some help manning the canteen, sitting at the registration table and helping the donors from the bed to the Canteen. If you could give up a pint please donate

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**1<sup>st</sup> Degree Staff**

At the Business Meeting held on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 a meeting of the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Staff was held. During this meeting it was decided that rehearsals will be conducted on Wednesdays beginning January 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM in the convent.

The Degree Staff is to

provide a knowledgeable group to facilitate the initiation of new members into the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. There are 5 speaking parts and 1 sound part that constitute a degree staffing team.

If interested in participating, please purpose of the contact our

G.K. Tom Kramarz, or attend the first rehearsal. The goal is to establish a dynamic group with multiple individuals experienced with various roles to ensure a full team at scheduled initiations.

*The Degree Team will  
be meeting on  
Wednesdays at 8:00  
Please see the Grand  
Knight for Date*

***About Our Organization...***

The Knights was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works.

Thanks to the efforts of Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven and some of his parishioners, the Connecticut state legislature on March 29, 1882, officially chartered the Knights of Columbus as a fraternal benefit society. The Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity.



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