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To volunteer for any Committee, contact the Chairman.

We have an active schedule planned for the year, and all assistance will be greatly appreciated

Happy October Birthday to
Robert Bosi, Fr. Elbert Callis, John Cheek, Jack Conrad, Barry Cummins, Dennis Demarco, Mike Falanga, Frank Garavelli, Bill Gronostaj, Edgar Gumban, Bob Hunt, James Johnson, Mark McCurdy, Bill McLoughlin, Mark Midzgoriski, Casar Ospina, Fr. Robert Ponticello, George Rogers, John Schell, and Michael Skinner

Grand Knight's Log

Brothers,

I'm a little disappointed. For months now, I've been writing that we no longer will be mailing out our monthly newsletter. Time and again, I have asked you to send me your email address if you wish to keep receiving the Compass. I've said repeatedly that IF you don't have access to email I will gladly continue to see that you get the newsletter. To date, I have heard from only 2 brother knights who don't have email and so I will continue to mail the Compass to those 2 brothers. So, where are the rest of you?? You pay your dues...you ARE Knights of Columbus...you deserve to receive information about your council and it's activities. I want to continue to honor that right...but if I can't find you that will be difficult. This month this newsletter will ABSOLUTELY be the last one mailed out in bulk. Beginning with next month's newsletter you can view it at our website or I will email it to you if you contact me. Remember, this is YOUR council; it will be what YOU make it, and in order to make anything of it, you have to be informed...and involved. Please take a moment to shoot me an email or phone call.

We still desperately need help with the Dog Show. This is the annual event known as the Showcase of Dogs. We collect admission and parking fees from the visitors as they enter the show grounds. It is a major fundraiser for us and it is coming up very soon. Oct. 10-12 at the Ag-Center. We need help all 3 days, especially for the afternoon shifts as I have only filled 11 out of the required 54 shifts for the weekend.

Join us for our "Poker Night/Social Meeting" on October 16. We had our first one last week and although the attendance was low, we had fun and if it takes off, we will have prizes for winners in Oct. and Nov.

Finally, Brothers, as promised, we are planning some fun events and we'd like to ask you to make plans to attend. We are going to celebrate our 30th anniversary as a council on Nov. 14 with a dinner. We are also planning something special for the Council Christmas party in Dec. and there will be others. More info will be forthcoming. Again, this is your council...please come and join us.

VIVAT JESUS
Frank Hess

Prayer Requests

Standing Prayer List as of September 04, 2008

Paul DiBartolo, Vince Balla's father and sister, Abigail and Natalie Rivera, David Brooks, Dan Martini, Michael Skinner, Betty Bradley, Matthew McLean, Robert Spravati's family, Ed Kitts' family, Larry Schellman, Mary Bolkenbeck, Mary Friend's family, Benito Andreucceti, Michelle Kinsella, Christopher Zelle, Kalar Fultz, Larry Casinghino, and the U.S. Armed Forces and their families.

September, 2008 Additions

State Deputy Brother Bob Rounsefelk,
Father John Hourican,
Father Leonard Oglesby,
Father John Atkinson,
Laurie Diglietti

Brothers,

As summer begins to wind down and our thoughts tend toward football and raking leaves, our council is starting to get into the full swing of our fraternal year. There are several events coming up in the next month that we hope you will be able to attend or help on. Every Wednesday in October we will have our Rosary Soup and Salad. On October 4th Special Olympics is scheduled at CBHS. The weekend of October 10-12 the St. Jude Showcase of Dogs will take place. And finally, on October 19th is our next scheduled breakfast. As always, if you have any questions or program suggestions, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Vivat Jesus
Gary Tircuit

news & announcements

Soccer Challenge

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge was a big success this year. We held the Council and the District challenge all on the same day. St Ann's Council 7170 sponsored the event at our athletic field and St Francis and Germantown councils both participated.

Many thanks to all the Knights who helped especially Tim McCaffery, Tony Mulrooney, John Day, Joseph Meadows, David Rodriguez and Frank Hess.

We had twenty participants compete from the three councils and a lot of family and friends were there to cheer them on. Over a dozen Knights were there to keep things organized from St Francis and Germantown. Four athletes from our parish were named District champions of the 2008 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge and have earned the right to compete at the Regional Level.

From St. Ann's Council, Andrew Fink was the 10-year old boy's winner. Katie McCaffery won the 12-year old girl's champion along with Brian Fink winning for the 12-year old boys. Emily Rodriguez won the 13-year old girl's.

Each of these winners will compete in the regional competition in with an eye toward moving on to the state and international levels. Please join us in congratulating our kids who will be representing Council 7170 in the regional competition.

Eddie Robinson
Youth Programs



The month of October is dedicated to the Rosary. Each Wednesday night the rosary will begin at 7:00pm in St. Joachim Chapel followed by soup and salad in McGivney Hall.

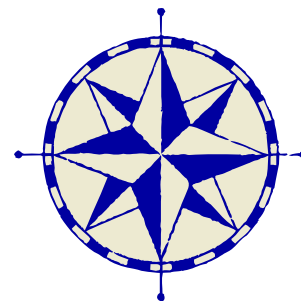
Volunteers are need to help make the soup. Please call Joe DeGeorge 483-8621.

30th Anniversary



Make plans with your wives or girlfriends for the upcoming celebration of the 30th Anniversary of our Council 7170. The date set for this celebration is Saturday, November 15, 2008.

Please mark your calendars for this auspicious occasion!!



COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- ◆ 10/1 - 7:00 Rosary Soup & Salad (Chapel)
- ◆ 10/2 - 7:00 Business Meeting
- ◆ 10/4 - Special Olympics @ CBHS
- ◆ 10/8 - 7:00 Rosary Soup & Salad (Chapel)
- ◆ 10/9 - 7:00 Squires Meeting
- ◆ 10/12 - 12 - Dog Show @ the Agricenter
- ◆ 10/11 - 9:00 am Public Square Rosary
- ◆ 10/15 - 7:00 Rosary Soup & Salad (Chapel)
- ◆ 10/16 - 7:00 Social Meeting - Poker Night
- ◆ 10/18 - 9:30 am - 2nd Degree
- ◆ 10/19 - Sunday Breakfast after mass
- ◆ 10/22 - 7:00 Rosary Soup & Salad (Chapel)
- ◆ 10/29 - 7:00 Rosary Soup & Salad (Chapel)
- ◆ 10/31 - Trunk -R- Treat in St. Ann parking lot

pro life



Robert Vasa, the Catholic bishop of the Oregon diocese of Baker, has written a letter to his diocesan newspaper clearly identifying the so-called "pro-choice" position among Catholics as a "heresy". For decades, many Catholics have argued that "primacy of conscience" allows them to dissent from basic Church teaching, including the right to life, and still consider themselves "good Catholics."

He said he does not seek to justify "vigilante theology," and that the word needs to be applied with care, "but we do need strong words to combat erroneous and fallacious teaching. There is a very strong word, which still exists in our Church, which most of us are too 'gentle' to use. The word is 'heresy.'"

To the many Catholics who publicly profess that one can be both a good Catholic and "pro-choice" on abortion, Vasa says, "The teaching of the Church in the area of life is clear and unequivocal. Human life must be respected and protected from conception to natural death. Those who maintain that any and all decisions about the disposition of pre-born human beings are exclusively the right of the mother or the parents, at least implicitly, reject the clear and consistent teaching of the Church." This rejection, he writes, is heresy, as defined in the Church's canon law.

Those Catholics who hold the "pro-choice" position, he writes, "reject the clear and consistent teaching of the Church."

Vasa blows away the usual claim that asserting the right to life or the sinfulness of homosexuality is 'intolerant.' Jesus, the bishop writes, was "meek and humble of heart," but not tolerant of sin. "I wonder if those who heard Jesus say, 'Whoever leads one of these little ones astray, it would be better if he had a millstone tied around his neck and be cast into the sea,' nodded approval and said, 'He is so tolerant and accepting.'"

He writes, "There is a point at which passive 'tolerance' allows misleading teachings to be spread and propagated, thus confusing or even misleading the faithful about the truths of the Church."

When challenged that he was putting himself at odds with his fellow bishops, he responded, "I answer to the Holy See, I don't answer to the USCCB (Conference of Catholic Bishops)."

Read Bishop Vasa's complete letter:
<http://sentinel.org/articles/2006-7/14481.html>

THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE BEING MAILED OUT !



In an effort to cut back on the rising costs of postage, printing, etc. Council 7170 will cease mailing out The Compass newsletter after the September edition. Starting with the October edition, The Compass will be posted on the website and emailed to all who have supplied an email address. **IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMAIL ACCESS, please contact Frank Hess and we'll make other arrangements.**

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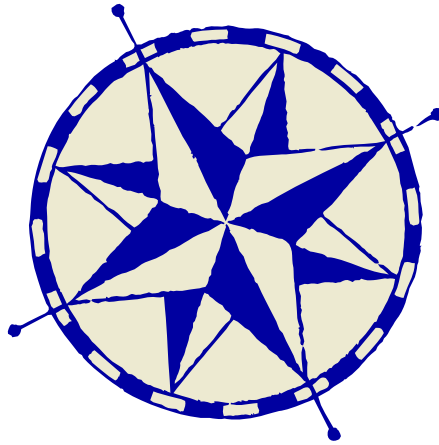
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**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING – Thursday, October 2 7:00 P.M. McGivney Hall
 Rosary, upstairs in St. Joachim Chapel, begins 6:15 P.M.**



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