



THE
COMPASS



JUNE 2010

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from the Grand Knight...

Brother Knights:

The 2009-2010 Fraternal year is coming to an end and I would like to thank my Brother Knights for the hard work, recommendations, and advice over the past 11 months. As the new officers begin the 2010-2011 fraternal year on July 1 I hope you give them the same support you have given me this past year and help to continue to spread the good deeds of the Knights of Columbus. I would like to thank the Past Grand Knights for the guidance on issues when I have asked. I would like to thank my fellow officers for the tireless efforts to make sure the Edward J. Kitts Council continues the tradition of being one of the top councils in the State of Tennessee. A special thank you to Deputy Grand Knight Tom Zavodny, for his support. The group of people I would like to thank the most is my family, my wonderful wife Senedra, who has been very supportive and understanding for this past year while I have been doing Knights work. Thank you Senedra. Also, I would like to thank my kids, Gary, II and Sydney, for understanding when I have to go to a Knights meeting or event.

Congratulations to the newly elected officers for Council 7170 for the fraternal year 2010-2011:

- Grand Knight – Tom Zavodny
- Deputy Grand Knight – Mark Nidzgorski
- Chancellor – David Zaleski
- Recorder – John McLean
- Financial Secretary – Tony Mulrooney (appointed)
- Treasurer – Frank Hess
- Lecturer – Bryan Watson (appointed)
- Advocate – Doug Grokulsky
- Warden – Jeff Braford
- Inside & Outside Guards – David Socbzak/Keith Winfield
- Trustee 1st Year – CJ Burti
- Trustee 2nd Year – Ike Davidson
- Trustee 3rd Year – Gary Tircuit

Please give the new Grand Knight and his officers your strong support.

Vivat Jesus,
Gary Tircuit
Gary Tircuit

2009 / 2010 COUNCIL OFFICERS

CHAPLAIN	FR. ELBERT CALLIS	373-6011
GRAND KNIGHT	GARY TIRCUIT	384-4344
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT	TOM ZAVODNY	652-9258
CHANCELLOR	ANDY DEUPREE	371-1888
RECORDER	JOHN MCLEAN	386-6104
FINANCIAL SEC. (APPT)	JOE ORSAK	382-1764
TREASURER	TONY MULROONEY	385-9583
LECTURER	BRYAN WATSON	347-0323
ADVOCATE	MARK NIDGORSKI	276-2021
WARDEN	DAVID WILLETT	388-4253
INSIDE GUARD	DAVID RODRIGUEZ	384-3650
OUTSIDE GUARD	DAVID SOBCZAK	937-1111
OUTSIDE GUARD	JOHN WOOD	385-8888
TRUSTEE 3RD YEAR	FRANK HESS	385-2126
TRUSTEE 2ND YEAR	CJ BURTI	384-7676
TRUSTEE 1ST YEAR	JOE DEGEORGE	387-1319

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

PROGRAM	TOM ZAVODNY	652-9258
CHURCH	CJ BURTI	384-7676
COMMUNITY	ED WISEMAN	486-1836
COUNCIL	ANDY DEUPREE	371-1888
FAMILY	IKE DAVIDSON	287-1319
PUBLIC RELATIONS	PAT CASEY	388-5526
YOUTH	EDDIE ROBINSON	517-6327
MEMBERSHIP	CJ BURTI	384-7676
PRO LIFE	JOHN VETTER	283-2760
SQUIRES	GARY TIRCUIT	384-4344
RETENTION	BOB MCCURDY	372-8447
WEBMASTER	CHUCK CHOW	289-8398
NEWSLETTER	BRYAN WATSON	347-0323
DEGREE TEAM	REX BROWN	382-4242

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 JUNE BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

JIM BOND
JOHN BROOKS
WILLIAM CARMICHAEL
PAT CASEY
LARRY CASINGHINO
BRUCE CINQUEGRANI

JAMES HAMMOND
NICHOLAS JACKSON
DENNIS JOHNSON
JON KNICKERBOCKER
DAMIAN KRAKOWSKI
DAVID LAWRENCE

ANTHONY LIBERTO
GEORGE MOORE
PATRICK MORRISON
THOMAS OLBERDING
LUIS PEREZ
JAMES ROUSSEAU

RON RYE
GARY TIRCUIT
JOHN VETTER
JEFFREY VILES
DON WHITTINGTON
KEITH WINFIELD



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our Knight of the Month!

Tim McCaffery

Congratulations to our Family of the Month!

The Michael Padilla Family

Thanks for all that you do for our council and church.

Congratulations to our Council Family of the Year, **Frank and Jeri Hess and Family**

Congratulations to our Knight of the Year! We appreciate all that you do.

Bryan Watson

Deputy Grand Knight Report

Congratulations to our new First Degree Knights inducted at the Social on May 20th, especially Andrew DeGeorge, our first Knight to join from the Columbian Squires!

Be sure to watch for upcoming events:

1. Officers/Directors Meeting on Monday, May 31st, both incoming and outgoing officers and directors should attend.
2. Business Meeting on Thursday, June 3rd.
3. Columbian Squires Meeting on Thursday, June 10th.
4. Knight Out at the Redbirds on Friday, June 11th.
5. Social Meeting on Thursday, June 17th.
6. Officers/Directors Meeting on Monday, June 28th.
7. Business Meeting on Thursday, July 1st.

I want to take a minute to thank all my Brother Knights who pulled together all the successful events of the past year, both those who headed the committees and teams and those who contributed and participated.

We will be scheduling the new officer installation in the near future in conjunction with our new District Deputy, possibly including the installation of the new officers of the Saint Joachim Circle of the Columbian Squires.

Vivat Jesus!

Tom Zavodny

Tom Zavodny

COMMUNITY REPORT

With summer approaching, not a bad to reflect on the events we had this past fraternal year. Let's see...we had the breakfasts, the MR Drive, the soccer challenge, the Rosary/Soup and Sandwich, the Special Olympics, the Dog Show, the Trunk-r-Treat, corn toss, the Fayette Cares Turkey Drive, Breakfast w/Santa, Xmas pot luck, the free throw contest, the Mardi Gras Dinner, the Lenten Fish Dinners, the Block Party, the recently completed Bartlett Police/Firemen Honor Breakfast, and the clergy and ladies dinner. Some great events made great by all the Knights who participated and led the events. Yes, leaders, we need them and appreciate those who stepped up and lead the show. Must give a big THANKS to some Brothers like Carl Heinrich, Joe DeGeorge, Brad Bradley, Bryan Watson, Frank Hess, and Tony Mulrooney, who continue to give their leadership on many community projects. Without their planning and presence, many of

the projects would not happen or go smoothly. Pat Casey again worked hard behind the scenes for several months to ensure us a truly honorable event for honoring the service and sacrifice of our Police and Firemen backed up by a great breakfast crew who had to get going early in the morning to set the spread out in Madonna Hall.

I don't want to forget to thank all of the brother knights who volunteered, showed up, set up, cooked, served, cleaned up and also help build a bond between Knights. We had fun working together to get the projects up and done.

Vivat Jesus,

Gary Tircuit

Gary Tircuit

psalm 46:10



st. ann softball

Brothers,

St. Ann is fielding a slow pitch team that will play every Sunday (starting June 6) at Immanuel Lutheran (6319 Raleigh Lagrange Road). Come on out and join us! Please contact Doug Grokulsky for more information: 493-7836 or grokulskyd@gmail.com.

new knights!

Congratulations to our new knights who made their 1st degree at the May social meeting:

David Benevides Milton Chambley
Eric Cruciotti Andrew DeGeorge
Jonathan Demuth Robert Szczechura

We look forward to welcoming you into our council and helping you on the road to 4th degree!

DIVINE OFFICE & DIVINE MERCY

Brothers,

What better way to end a long work day? Come join St. Ann parishoners in the Chapel for 20 minutes every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 5:45 pm for evening prayer followed by a divine mercy chaplet with Adoration continuing til 10:00 p.m.

Life is Hard! Pray HARDER!

fishers of men

Brothers,

What better way to start a long work day? Come join the men of St. Ann in the Chapel every Wednesday morning at 6:00 a.m. for reflection, study, mass and fellowship. We are out by 7:30 a.m. SHARP! Bring a friend!

Life is Hard! Pray HARDER!

FREE COOKIES

Brothers,

The first brother knight to e-mail me the text to the 3 bible verses in this months newsletter will receive a FREE CASE of delicious Girl Scout Cookies. grokulskyd@hotmail.com.

Officers exempt.

psalm 23

fight for life

The great founder of Human Life International, Fr. Paul Marx, said time and time again: "When you sow contraception, you reap abortion." The vast majority of Americans just don't get the connection. The truth of his prophetic words continues to unfold before our eyes in the epidemic of promiscuity and the ongoing slaughter of the innocents through abortion. Some of the inherent blindness of this mentality was on display recently when the new Miss USA, a Catholic-school-educated Lebanese American named Rima Fakih, said that she thinks birth control should be paid for by insurance companies. Unfortunately, Miss Fakih is not unique in her opinion at all. She represents what I call the "default mentality" of our age, which believes that contraception is both a "medication" (as Miss Fakih said) and a legitimate part of "healthcare."

Now, in memory of Fr. Marx who did everything he could to stem the tide of contraception, HLI (Human Life International) is taking the extraordinary step of setting up an American affiliate known simply as HLI America. With affiliates and associates in over 100 countries, I have often been asked if HLI does any pro-life work in our own country. In answering this fair question I usually point to the hundreds of pro-life groups all around the country and the thousands of Pregnancy Care Centers and let people know that the bases are well-covered here, but not overseas. In fact, HLI literally is the pro-life movement in dozens of countries that would not have any organized opposition to the culture of death were it not for our presence.

However...

Very few pro-life groups in our country are dealing with the root cause of abortion, which is the Pernicious Pill and all other forms of contraception that have given the abortion industry its feeder system of contraceptive failures and the devaluing of women and children. "Sow contraception, reap abortion" is dead on. We might add that contraception also reaps infanticide of baby girls, male sexual irresponsibility, marital and family breakdown and a whole host of other evils that afflict our society today.

- Fr Thomas Euteneuer, President HLI

catholic family focus

Brothers,

What better way to bring Jesus into our family life than by gathering with other Catholic Families for an evening of prayer and fellowship followed by a great meal! There are several CFF groups at St. Ann, please contact Bryan Watson for more information

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knights in action

Brothers,

Allen Green and Jerri Hess send their heartfelt thanks to the Brother Knights who spent a hot 3 hours on the roof of the school recently cleaning up debris. As you may know, Allen is unable to engage in such activities at the moment and Joseph can't do it by himself. So we were asked to pinch hit for the maintenance staff and thanks to these guys, it wasn't bad duty. We joked a lot, tried to dust Bryan with a 40 lb. sack of dirt, and generally had fun. But we were pretty wilted by the time we finished. Thanks again to David Rodriguez, David Zeleski, Bryan Watson, Bob Hunt, CJ Burti and Doug Grokulsky.

VIVAT JESUS!

Frank Hess

Frank Hess

REDBIRDS & FIREWORKS



Brothers,

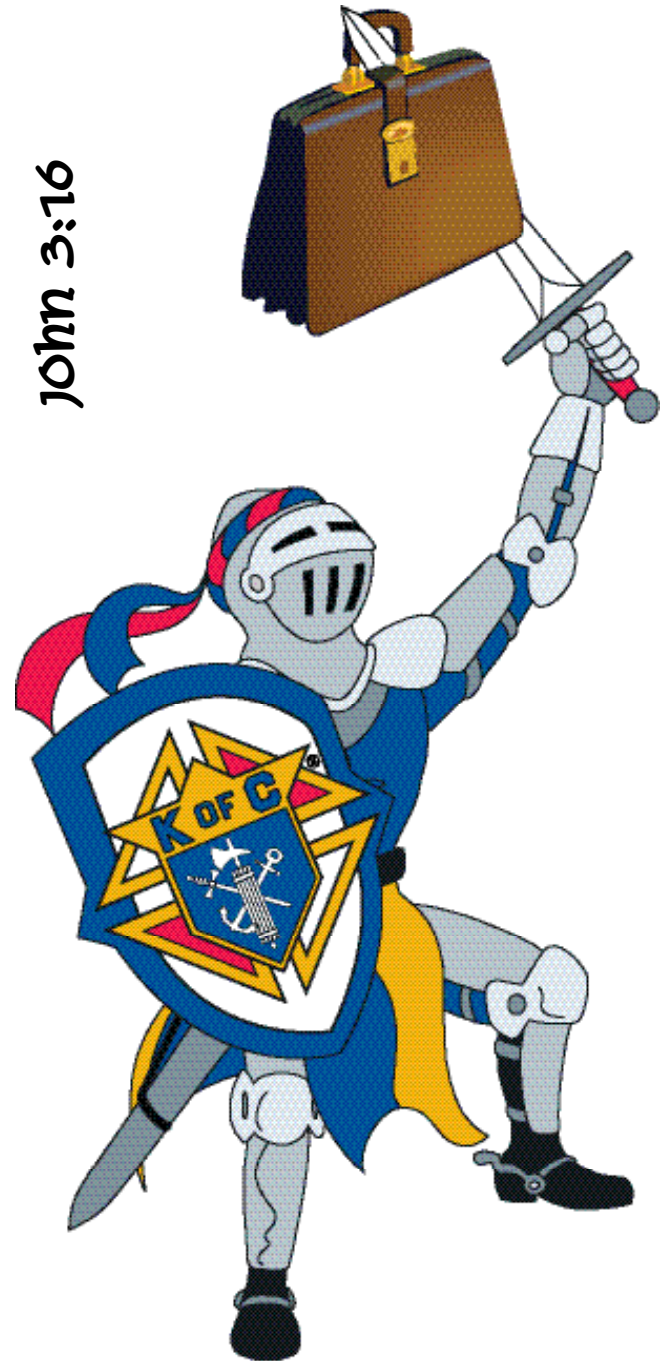
Great (but Limited) tickets are available for \$10 to the Redbirds Game, Friday, June 11@ 7:05 p.m. (with Fireworks show after). Purchase tickets online at www.kofc7170.com or contact Tony Mulrooney 901.240.3501.

Date/Time: Fri, Jun 11 2010 at 7:05 PM
 Home Team: Memphis Redbirds
 Opponent: Iowa Cubs
 Venue: AutoZone Park 2010
 Seats: Section 116 "Down the Third Base Line"
 Rows M,N,O,P

Tickets will go fast! Come on out and join the fun!

knights BUSINESS DIRECTORY initiative

John 3:16



Brothers,

Unemployed? Underemployed? Looking to hire? Want to bolster your business? Get a resume, business card or other information to Doug Grokulsky and/or e-mail him your core business/service(s) along with any contact information. We are all in this together! grokulskyd@hotmail.com or Cell 493-7836.