

The Shield and Anchor

Knights of Columbus Council 12387

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**In Service to
One, In
Service to All**

New Officers Elected

Led by new Grand Knight Kris Hodel, the new officers for the next year will be installed on July 1. Kris was the Deputy Grand Knight this past year and the architect and driver of the record breaking Tootsie Roll project that produced \$16,000 for Indiana Special Olympics. He will be joined by Deputy Grand Knight Larry Schulz, Chancellor Chuck Damler, Recorder Bob Bailey, Treasurer Tom Graham, Financial Secretary Dick Stadler, Advocate Dan Buba, Warden Walt Gillespie, Lector Kyle Riddle, Inside-Guard Tom Beck, Outside Guard Chet Brandon, 3-yr Trustee Ken Hall (past Grand Knight), 2-yr Trustee Justin Nevitt and 1-yr Trustee Tom Chevalier. There are some new Knights who have volunteered for leadership roles and the Council is fortunate to have their services for the next year. Kris is a sales guy so I think we can expect some new products and new ideas from Kris and the team.

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The Passing of Ray Janko

As we go to press, the sad news that Knight Ray Janko had gone to the Lord arrived. Ray was a friend to all of us and I (ye editor) will always remember him as the person who encouraged me when I joined the Council. He was a strong voice for the Gabriel Project and Right to Life. We will miss you Ray.

Council Finances in Good Shape

Council treasurers don't always get credit for the work that they do, but that changed for 12387 when Tom Graham was named Knight of the Year. Each month, Tom provides an in depth financial statement which is easy to read and acts as a guide to the Council leadership on matters of income and charitable contributions. When there is a question about funding a project, he is always ready to provide guidance from the CFO. Congrats Tom !!

Annual Parish Golf Outing

The Annual Parish Golf Outing sponsored by the KofC will be held on Monday, September 14 at the Plum Creek Golf Course. Last year's outing was rained out after 6 holes and if this June weather continues throughout the summer, umbrellas may be needed. Let's hope not. If we can escape the rain, get your foursome organized for this fun event.

Items of Interest/Things You Should Know

- +Did you see the KofC sign as you approached the parking lot?
- +The Baby Bottles for the Gabriel Project and Right to Life were promoted by Ray Janko. We need to revitalize this project and also promote the 40 Days for Life in the spring and fall.
- +TMIY will be coming back for the third season this fall. If you missed the first two seasons, you can still join us at 6:00AM on Friday mornings. It's good to get out of bed that early.
- +Scholarships-The Council awarded two Guerin High and two college scholarships recently. Made possible by the SCRIP income.
- +The Council has as many as 4 flags.
- +The Mother/Daughter Breakfast was a huge success. Good planning.
- Say a prayer for Denny Davis who is recovering from heart surgery
- +Watch the Family Room grow.

The KofC Fish Frys-Past, Present and Future

While this year may not have been the coldest year for the six Fish Frys, tell that to the Knights who fried the fish and those who served the customers who ordered from their cars. Despite the frightful weather, this years' Frys under the leadership of Dick Stadler, produced a net income of \$21,643. A portion of these monies goes to the Boy Scouts for their great help and part to the parish as a tithe.

Looking ahead presents quite a challenge for the new Council leadership. Construction of the Family Room building will cause a change in the location of the fryers. The Council needs to find a new chairman for this most important function since Dick Stadler is stepping down. Dick and the previous chair, Jim Bagnoli, have made the Frys a great event for the parish and they are truly called "Fun Frys" because the Knights who volunteer enjoy the fellowship gained by working together for a good cause. Stay tuned for more news.

Membership Grows

The current membership of the Council stands at 251. There are several new members who have stepped up to take an active role in the Council and the need for that participation grows every year as the original group that formed the Council advances in age. If you are a member and a silent one who has not been actively involved, please consider donating some of your time to help. We need you.

The New Statue of St Elizabeth Ann Seton

The beautiful new statue of St Elizabeth Ann Seton was made possible from funds generated by the Womens Club. Funding for the base of the statue was made possible by a donation from Council 12387. The Council is proud to have contributed in a small way by providing monies that were not budgeted and we are able to do so because our Fish Frys are so successful. See above.

Appeal For Help To Encourage Vocations

Recently, Chuck Damler sent a E-Mail to all members of the Council asking for help to form a committee to encourage vocations. The response was somewhat disappointing. Please reconsider. The rib dinner for the current seminarians on June 20 organized by Jim Spitznogle was a great success. A hearty congrats.



Fr Ted speaks at State Convention



The Base-From KofC Council 12387



The Placing of the Statue



Scott Cunningham, State Deputy, presents a gift to Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson and his wife at the State Convention



Tom Graham receives his award as Knight of the Year



Bud Carlin hands out carnations on Mothers Day



First Degree Team

Photos by Walt Gillespie



Crowd at Founders Day Dinner