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### GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

**As we moved from March to April and finish the Lenten and Easter festivities we move into a very important time in the future of our council. We move into the forming of our new Council Officers and Program Committees. We will need everyone's help to participate in these tasks. At the April Meeting we will elect an Officer Selection Committee with the Slate of Officers to be given at the May meeting and the election of Officers in June. We need all members' participation.**

**I would like to thank all current Officer's and Program Committees who have supported me in the last two years. I could not have done this without your great help and support.**

**RECRUITING UPDATE: We must continue to push new memberships with our council. Every member should ask at least 1 person to consider joining our council each month. We have 2 candidates scheduled to take the First Degree on April 7, 2016 at Bishop LeBlond Council 5067.**

**FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION UP DATE: On April 9, 2016 there is scheduled a Fourth Degree Exemplification in Kansas City. To date we have three members that will be attending. *I would encourage everyone eligible to consider this next step in the Knights.***

**COMING EVENTS:**

**TUESDAY APRIL 5, 2016 MEETING 7 PM PARISH CENTER bring canned goods for FOOD FOR FAMILIES OR CASH DONATIONS.**

**BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL: ALEX LUKE, JOSEPH F. MARMAUD, JOHN CATRON and DOUG HOLLAND.** Please wish these Brother Knights a Happy Birthday when you see them.

**2016 DUES ARE PAYABLE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2016.** Our annual dues are \$36.00 per year. Please mail your dues to Gordon Carmichael 3410 Seneca St., St. Joseph, MO 64507. Second Notices have been sent out. Help us save postage.

**FOOD FOR FAMILIES:** Please bring any canned goods or donations to our April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. I will then purchase food items for our house of bread to put with what canned goods I already have. THANK YOU to all of those who have already donated. Gordon Carmichael

**Knights Council 15126 and their family and friends are having a SPRING PARTY to celebrate the end of Lent and the beginning of Spring!** Many of our brother Knights have participated in the Discovering Christ series at church and also have worked five Friday Lenten Parish seafood dinners and are looking for a social break with our families. What better way to socialize than to watch "**The Boys of Spring**" (**World Champion Kansas City Royals**) in their home baseball opener with the New York Mets (a rematch of the World Series teams). **Bring your family and friends and meet us in the upper room (bar side) of the Ground Round Grill and Bar, 119 South 6th Street in St Joseph on Sunday evening April 3rd for some great food and**

**drink.** This professional baseball opening day game is the featured game of the day on ESPN TV and the first pitch is scheduled for 7:37 PM. We will be viewing the game on any/all of the three flat screen TV's in the room which has a combination of tables and chairs to accommodate about 75-80 people. Plan to eat and drink (*Dutch treat*) from the regular menu any time during the evening you desire. **No reservations are required! Come any time after 7:00 pm for dinner and then party as late as you want (*easiest way to enter is through the Edmond Street door and then up the stairs in the bar*).** Friends and family are all welcome and please especially consider bringing anyone who may be interested in joining our Knights of Columbus Council in the future. **Don't miss this chance to relax and socialize** at a "no mess and no fuss" party with our great Knights family and friends. **GO ROYALS!**

**VOLUNTEER HOURS:** A big thank you goes out to all the Knights of Council 15126 who worked so hard in February in the name of our Council. We compiled 295 volunteer hours for the month. This figure includes both group activities and the individual hours that we as a council gave.

Again at the end of March sheets to record individual volunteer hours for April will appear on your computer. I will have extra April sheets at the meeting on April 5th. Please bring your volunteer sheets for March to the Meeting. If you have a Volunteer sheet for February you can still get it to me. .

Again thank you for all the service you do for Saint Francis Xavier Church and School as well as in the community in general.

Brother Knight John Bitunjac

**BLOOD DRIVE:** Thank you to all those who attend the blood drive on March 14, 2016. 27 donors registered and 21 of those were able to donate. That was a great turnout. Mike Violett.

**MARK YOUR CALANDER: SATURDAY APRIL 9, 2016.** This is the date of the next **4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION** at the Kansas City Airport Hilton. Sir Knights are encouraged to attend to help support the candidates taking this degree.

**BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH:** Will the initiative change our councils?

The Domestic Church initiative was not designed to change councils; it was designed to help councils refocus on the Order's mission to strengthen families and revitalize parish communities. To do this, the council must prioritize family activities and support the needs of pastor. Knights should keep the pastor informed about all the resources their council can offer.

### **INSURANCE AGENT**

Our Insurance Agent is Alexander Murray. If you have insurance questions, need information please contact him at 660-582-2202 or email him at [alexander.murray@kofc.org](mailto:alexander.murray@kofc.org). If he calls please make it a point to see him. If you are not an insurance member you may easily become one. **Purchase an ANNUITY for as little as \$300.00. You can then let it grow.**

RECRUIT A NEWMEMBER

ATTEND A MEETING

VOLUNTEER TO SERVE A MASS ON THE THIRD  
SUNDAY OF THE MONTH