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UPCOMING EVENTS

12/2/2013	Divine Chaplet and Rosary for Armed Services (Safety and Peace)	Holy Angel's Chapel at 2:00pm		
12/3/2013	Council Business Meeting	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm		
12/8/2013	St, Anne's Craft Fair Annual Poinsettia Sale	Connor Hall from 7:00am to 1:00pm		
12/12/2013	1st Degree or Team Practice	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm		
12/12/2013	Colonial Fundraiser for Knights of Columbus	Colonial at West Plaza in Aurora 4:00 pm until 10:00pm. Must present flyer or coupon for this promotion and proceeds will be donated.		
12/15/2013	Council Christmas Party	Connor Hall - 12:00pm to 5:00pm		
12/17/2013	Assembly Meeting Christmas Party	Riverview Banquets at 6:30pm		

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Principles of the Order

Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism



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The publication will be monthly for the Cardinal Bellarmine Council. The deadline for an article submission is:

24th of the Month.

Please send articles to:

admin@kofc4849.net

Grand Knight Line

Brother Knights and Families,

Upon joining the Knights of Columbus, every member learns that *CHARITY* is the top principle of the Order. Charity comes in various forms, from helping our brother Knights in time of need (emotional, physical, financial, etc.) to providing services to local organizations, to monetary contributions locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally.

This last form of charity (financial contributions) would be unattainable without some form of fundraising.

The last quarter of the year typically sees substantial charitable offerings as well as great efforts in fundraising. Please consider helping to increase the Council's ability to help others, by offering your talents in both fundraising and charitable service.

In December, we will be selling poinsettias' and "Keep Christ in Christmas" buttons, at the St Anne's Craft Faire on Sunday 8th. Following our fall membership drive, we will hold a First Degree on Thursday 12th, and before attending the First Degree stop by Colonial on Galena Blvd. for supper and support that event to provide support to Holy Angels School. The Christmas party is on Sunday 15th and in addition to "Stanta's" visit, this year we are planning to provide our record setting ID Drive donations to five separate organizations.

As you can see, there is much planned and your help is needed, please contact the designated Event Chairman to help with these endeavors.

It is because of your efforts that the Council is able to provide donations to several worthy causes. The hard work of our dedicated members makes our efforts successful and worthwhile. With that in mind, I ask you to please complete and return your Fraternal Surveys to Brother Matt Gilmore, documenting your worthwhile efforts helps to establish the status of our Order as a charitable organization.

Simply put, membership is our lifeblood. The benefits of increasing membership are twofold. We not only ensure our continued success as a Council, but we also enhance our ability to protect the interests of all members and their families. A strong and diverse membership helps us to serve as a better and more visible advocate of our Church and community.

Let us continue to seek what Father McGivney and the first Knights sought - "strength in solidarity, and security through unity of purpose and devotion to a holy cause: they vowed to be defenders of their country, their families and their faith.

In closing, may the Peace and Joy of this Christmas Season be with all of you and your families and May God Bless us all on our fraternal journey in Christ.

Merry Christmas!

Ty Simmons Grand Knight



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Deacon's Beacon

Brother Knights,

Following is a column written for our parish Sunday Bulletin, weekend of December 2nd – 3rd, 2006, using quotes from 1995, and still so very relevant. I hope you will agree as you read and reflect:

As we begin the Advent season, this season of anticipation, I share the following with you from the publisher of *The Word Among Us*, Joe Difato, in the Advent 1995 issue of that publication; certainly these thoughts are still relevant today:

"The Church invites us to join with her in this season to seek the Lord Jesus and invite Him once again to come into our hearts. If we pause to examine our hearts, we know that we too often yearn for the emptiness we find there to be filled. The challenge we face is to let it be filled with the Lord rather than with the things of the world.

We Christians often have divided hearts. Through baptism and faith, we have embraced Jesus and have committed ourselves to Him. **But unless we make a clear decision and a conscious effort every day** (my emphasis) to turn from sin and follow Jesus as His disciples, we can lose sight of Him and follow other gods instead. While this is often not a conscious decision on our part, **the flashiness of the world can attract us so that we lose our way** (my emphasis).

This is often true during Advent, a time which anticipates the coming of Jesus. It is also a time the world knows as the "Holiday Season," a time which anticipates many things which have little or nothing to do with God. While the Church yearns for the coming of her Lord, the world yearns for parties, profits, and presents. With the right perspective and balance, these latter things can be good, but they are not so when they are sought to excess and in a way that forgets Jesus.

This Advent, let us ask the Holy Spirit to make Jesus ever more present to us and give us a desire to embrace the life He offers us. When Jesus is the center of our lives, it is much easier for us to have a perspective which puts everything else in the proper place in our lives.

Let us pray for one another this Advent, that we will allow the Lord to accomplish all He wants to do in our lives. May the prayer of our hearts be, "Come, Lord Jesus;" and may all of us respond with a sincere, "Amen!"

This truly is a special time! Let us ask the Holy Spirit to prepare us spiritually in order to more fully experience the Christ in Christmas this year. God bless you.

Lord, help me to experience You in a new and wonderful way during this Advent season; may I be open to all the "presents" you have for me."



Deacon Tom Hawksworth

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Membership News

A Message to Recruiters

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Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight Time and again, I have stressed that we have nothing less than a moral obligation to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every eligible Catholic man. To accomplish this, I am asking dedicated brother Knights like you to be ambassadors, to reach out to Catholic men and their families and invite them to become part of our Order.

Duties of a Proposer

The Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney founded our Order more than 120 years ago, and yet we have only just begun to realize our true potential. New members are essential to our success; the Order's *tomorrow* depends on our recruitment *today*!

We must be creative in our recruitment efforts, and I am pleased to promote an exciting web site feature that we hope will facilitate membership recruitment. Please visit the Why_Join? feature and see how it can help in your recruitment efforts. This multimedia presentation offers powerful testimonials from Knights like you about their experiences in the Order.

Please encourage prospective members and their families to visit the "Why Join?" feature at their convenience and in the comfort of their own homes. In so doing, they can see why being a Knight of Columbus truly is an experience of a lifetime.

Thank you in advance for your efforts to bring new members into our ranks. Working together, I am confident that the Knights of Columbus will continue to thrive as the preeminent lay Catholic organization in the world.

Degree

Are you a third degree member? If not, you can easily become one by taking your 2nd and 3rd degrees.

The next major degrees scheduled:

For more details, www.illinoisknights.org

12/8/2013 at 1:00pm

Council #12497 in St. Charles, IL

12/14/2013 at 12:00pm

Council #1687 in Chicago, IL

Training

KC Academy

Next scheduled date for our council is open if you are interested in Chairing or assisting with planning this event contact the GK or Program Director

Topics covered:

Knights Advocate Training
Council Officer Training
Financial Officer Training

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MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

THE CURSILLO WEEKEND?

During the three days of the Cursillo weekend from Thursday evening to Sunday evening, people from all walks of life grow close to one another. Religious and lay people form a living, working Christian community to gain a deep awareness of the treasures and responsibility of their faith. The goal of the Cursillo weekend is to give those who make it a new understanding of Jesus Christ, the basic Christian truths, and the desire to serve the church.

The Cursillo weekend is a blend of seriousness, light heartedness, spiritual exercises, talks and discussions. The teachings of Christ are discussed within an atmosphere of joy and song. There are meditations and talks by priests and laymen, and everyone making the Cursillo weekend is urged to participate by taking notes, discussing, and even by making drawings that illustrate major points.

The Cursillo weekend ends at the close of the three days. However, the whole point of the Cursillo movement is that ordinary people can steadily grow in the love and service of God and man for the rest of their lives. Christian growth is not easy, but the Cursillo weekend provides a framework for it, both during the three days and afterwards. In the Post-Cursillo, emphasis is on maintaining a vibrant and growing Christian community, thus springs the apostolic action required to make ours a better world to live in.

For many, a Cursillo weekend is a new awakening to a deeper friendship with Christ.

WEEKEND INFORMATION

For those Cursillistas who would love to come back and serve on a Cursillo weekend the Rockford Diocese holds weekends twice a year, once in the fall and spring for both men and women.

All weekends are held at:

St. Mary's Parish Community Center 881 North Mongan Drive Oregon, Illinois 61061

Next Cursillo Dates: Spring 2014 - April 24th - 27th, Fall 2014 - October 23rd - 26th



That Man is You!

MEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



NEW SEMESTER - YEAR 5

In the Fall we'll look at the sorrowful and glorious Rosary mysteries, which will give us the opportunity to consider some of the most interesting characters of the Gospel.

LOCATION AND TIME - CONNOR HALL AT 6:30AM

Holy Angels in Connor Hall Saturdays at 6:30 am, ends just in time for 8:15 am Mass

Some topics include: Lectio Divina, Scripture and the Rosary

ADORATION AT HOLY ANGELS

Wednesdays starting after 8:00am Mass and ending before 8:00am Mass on Thursday morning. Check out the book outside the chapel for open times or join others in this most blessed opportunity.

Contact Flo Askew, Call 630-844-9370

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4th Degree - Marquette Assembly #0188

Meetings are held on the Third Tuesday of each month at Riverview Banquets, 1117 N Washington Ave, Batavia, IL Time: 7:30pm

Color Corp Training is held twice monthly

- 1) 1st session is the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Dining Hall at Marmion Academy 1000 Butterfield Road, Aurora
 - 2) 2nd session is preceding the monthly member meetings on the Third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm

Uniform and Supplies for Assembly

http://www.kofcsupplies.com

http://www.lynchkelly.com



Rockford Chapter

Meetings are held Quarterly in January, April, July and October on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Meetings are started with Mass.

Every year a celebration occurs to honor fellow Knights at the Hoffman House in Rockford called the Knights of the Roundtable Dinner.

Next years date is September 24th, Cocktails at 6:30 pm, Dinner at 7:30 pm Current Chapter Officers can be viewed at: www.illinoisknights.org

Support Vocations

COUNCIL APPAREL

Golf Polo Shirt (No Pocket) \$36
Pocket Polo Shirt \$36
Long Sleeve Shirt \$39
Screenprint T-Shirt \$9



Contact: Jim Brown, fatciv@gmail.com or 630-447-9765

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Squires Circle

Under the guidance of Christian Brother Barnabas McDonald (1865-1929), the first Columbian Squires circle was instituted in 1925. Membership in the Squires is for Catholic boys between the ages of 10 and 18. Squires' activities are many, varying from spiritual to active service for the Church and community. Each circle elects officer members from their own rank, teaching skills of leadership and responsibility.

Our Circle is now official #5658,

For more information contact: Stan Rocush, sfrocush@msn.com

Business Meeting

3rd Tuesday of the Month

Social Meeting

4th Friday of the Month



Family and Knights

Let's recognize our Brother Knights and their Families!

We have renewed our Knight of the Month/Year and Family of the Month/Year program.

We need your recommendation for the Knight and/or the family that has made significant contributions to the church, community, and/or council.

We need the names of the Knight, his wife and their children. We also need the children's ages, and the number of years he has been a Knight.

We will also need a short paragraph explaining why this Knight and/or family is being recommended for this honor.

We will need 11 nominees for Knight and Family.

Please send your suggestions or questions to:

sfrocush@msn.com

Thank you for your interest.

Stan Rocush, Family Director

Forms available online or ask an Officer.



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Date
Knight's Name
Wife's Name
Children's Names and Ages
Address
Number of years a Knight* *Check with the FS or GK if you don't know how long he's been a Knight.
Please attach a short paragraph explaining why this Knight and/or his family should be considered for this recognition, what have they done for the Knights, parish, and community.
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Please send your replies, suggestions or questions to: sfrocush@msn.com Thank you for your interest.

Stan Rocush

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