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# **JANUARY 2014**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

1/6/2014	Divine Chaplet and Rosary for Armed Services (Safety and Peace)	Holy Angel's Chapel at 2:00pm	
1/7/2014	Council Business Meeting	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm	
1/9/2014	1st Degree or Team Practice	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm	
1/12/2014	Pancake Breakfast	Holy Angels - Connor Hall 7:00am to 1:00pm	
1/13/2014	Free Throw Contest	Holy Angels - Gymnasium at 2:30pm	
1/21/2014	Assembly Meeting	Riverview Banquets at 7:30pm	
1/22/2014	Rockford Chapter Meeting	St. Mary's Church, 220 E. Second St, Byron, IL 61010 at 7:30pm	
1/26/2014	Council Planning Meeting	Holy Angels - Food Pantry at 7:30pm	

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## JANUARY 2014

# **Principles of the Order**

Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism



# **Council Directors**

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24th of the Month.
Please send articles to:

admin@kofc4849.net

# Grand Knight Line

Brother Knights and Families,

This is my first message of the New Year and it is my hope that each of you enjoyed a holy and wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

Now that all of us are settling back into a more normal routine and perhaps still living up (or perhaps not) to the principles of the Order, it is time to think about our Council activities for the remainder of this Fraternal Year.

On January 12, we will hold our Pancake breakfast in Connor Hall and conduct the Basketball Free Throw contest at Holy Angels School on Monday, January 13. Coming up in February will be our spring member blitz, to coincide with Hospitality Sunday on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, followed on March 2 by the Major Degree and the Lenten Fish Fry's. The Mother's Day flower sale will be on May11, followed by our Pancake breakfast on May18. We will again conduct our Eyeglass Collection and Blood Drive and of course, we will continue to have the prayer service on the first Monday and our First Degree Exemplification or practice on the second Thursday, of each month.

These are all opportunities for you to get involved and to recruit new members, for our existing members to renew their membership and for each of us to concentrate on retaining current members. Frankly, this is our opportunity to increase and to sustain our membership ranks.

I know I have mentioned this in some of my previous messages but I think it always bears repeating. The lifeblood of the Council is to retain and renew existing members and to recruit new members. It is not easy, but it is that simple. To date, we have recruited over 172 members, but there remain many eligible men to recruit for membership. At every monthly meeting, the importance of membership to our Council and our programs is detailed and we learn how important our membership can be to the future of the Council. For us to receive maximum benefit from our continuing efforts we need to make recruiting a priority.

With additional members, there will continue to be new ideas and increased manpower to satisfy our goals of providing for those less fortunate in our community.

I am sure most of you have at one time or another gone to our website and it is my hope each of you finds our newsletter interesting and informative enough that you look forward to receiving it every month. For many of you, that is really the only exposure you may have to the Council. It is my hope you will have the interest and find the time to get more involved in what we are doing. The number one way to do that is to make plans to attend our monthly meetings and to participate in one of our many events.

This year is certainly no different we will have a number of opportunities for you and your family to make a difference while enjoying the fraternal benefits of membership. We always have a great time and I believe most who have taken the opportunity to participate look forward to attending repeatedly.

Another thing you can do is promote our Council within your circle of friends. Many of you know of a significant number of eligible men who may qualify for membership. Please pass the word and let me (or other council officers) know how we may be of service to you. As you all know, our dues are nominal at only \$30 per year, but I also know you must be receiving value for that \$30. To that end, we need your feedback on what we are doing right, what we are doing wrong, and of equal importance, what we should be doing to make your membership more valuable to you. If you have ideas, comments (pro & con) please let me know personally or feel free to contact me at my email address: <a href="ty\_simmons@comcast.net">ty\_simmons@comcast.net</a> In closing, I want to wish each member and his family a very blessed, healthy and Happy New Year!

Ty Simmons, Grand Knight

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# Deacon's Beacon

Dear Brother Knights, Following is a column written for our parish bulletin in January, 2006, and I hope you will agree, continues to be relevant:

Welcome to a New Year, the year 2006! And isn't this the time we take a look at what we've done and what yet needs to be done? It's that common time for making, or at least thinking, about resolutions for the New Year. I believe part of the reflection for Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> (the Feast Day of St. Stephen, the first martyr), in *The Word Among Us*, provides some helpful suggestion for us in this task and so it follows:

"During this time after Christmas, which can be anti-climactic, we tend to consider resolutions of how we will change in the New Year. Can we decide to stay close to the presence of God a little bit more next year? Can we resolve to spend time with him every day so that we will be open to His Spirit during whatever challenges or crises we may face? This may involve a decision to pray every day, but it also means inviting Jesus into our thoughts during the day. It means sharing with him the frustrations, guilt, and fears – as well as the joys and surprises – of the day. Like St. Stephen, the more we walk with Jesus in our everyday lives, the more powerfully we will experience him when we face a test."

Of course, none of us look forward to the "tests" that may come along, but most likely there will be some; hopefully they won't be too severe, and yet we seldom know what the future holds for us. Franciscan priest, Father Michael Scanlan, T.O.R., in his book, *Appointment With God*, begins the book by writing, "The most important thing in life is our relationship to God, and the most important means of nurturing that relationship is daily prayer." So, what better resolution could we possibly make than to spend some daily quiet time with our Lord, when, as Fr. Scanlan says, "the most important thing in life is our relationship to God?" Granted, this can be a tough resolution to implement in our busy lives but it's one that can pay huge (Eternal) dividends.

May the Holy Spirit lead us to make some daily quiet time with Him in this New Year; and may we experience God's grace and blessings in the days ahead.

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock."

Mt. 7: 24

**Deacon Tom Hawksworth** 

Visit the Word Among Us at:

www.wau.org



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# Membership News

# A New Year - A New Knight

As we begin the Third quarter of the fraternal year, we are at 33% of our recruiting goal. To date we have recruited 4 new members into our Council. That means we only need to recruit 8 additional members to achieve our goal. Now is the time to focus on our quest to repeat the STAR Council Award.

Your individual challenge as a Knight is to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every eligible Catholic man. How do we do that? As a dedicated Brother Knight, you and your families know the satisfaction you have received from being a member. Why not share that with your friends? Simply reach out to Catholic men and their families and invite them to become part of our Order.

For our newest Brothers... SHINING ARMOR AWARD

Your challenge as a First Degree Knight is to earn the "Shining Armor Award". To qualify for this award you must accomplish the following five goals in your first year as a Knight. We hope you achieve this award, as you will truly benefit from it and so will the rest of us... a stronger Knight makes the rest of us stronger!

To earn the award you must:

- 1. Work on three Council Service Programs
- 2. Attend at least three Council Business Meetings.
- 3. Receive your Second and Third Degrees
- 4. Meet with your Council's Insurance Representative.
- 5. Recruit at least one new member.

All of these goals must be completed within one year from the date that you made your First Degree.

Enjoy the Knights of Columbus! You made a great decision in joining us. Congratulations! We look forward to getting to know you better.

REMEMBER: EVERY ACTIVITY IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RECRUITMENT

# 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

1/19/2014 at 12:30pm

Council #14171 in Naperville, IL

1/19/2014 at 1:00pm

Council #650 in Addison, 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: <a href="https://www.illinoisknights.org">www.illinoisknights.org</a>

# 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, <u>fatciv@gmail.com</u> 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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If you need more space, use the reverse side.

Please send your replies, suggestions or questions to: sfrocush@msn.com Thank you for your interest.

Stan Rocush

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