

The Knights' Time

ST. ROBERT BELERMINE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLUE SPRINGS, MO St. Robert Bellarmine Knights of Columbus Council #14745

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The Grand Knight's Corner

My Brothers Knights:

Ruth & I just returned from a week's vacation in South Dakota making sure to see all the local attractions. As I tried to absorb all that we experienced, I realized two things:

- 1. That while as a nation we've made a lot of mistakes, but with time, we eventually try to make amends, and
- 2. We are a nation of great dreamers—dreamers of what can be, rather than what is!



You might not think so if you follow the current lunacy of our politics, but we have always been a people ready for the challenge of doing great things.

Let us remember that as we work this year to do "great things" for our Church and parish, our local community, the unborn, and our families. We have a lot planned for this fraternal year, please help up turn great dreams into great things!

For those of you that have not attended one of the Men's Ministry Prayer Breakfasts, I want to encourage you to attend the Saturday, September, 10th, breakfast. It starts at 8 a.m. in the Parish Hall. It's always an enjoyable meal followed by reflection on the weekend's Gospel. You are welcome, but do not have to stay, for the Men's Ministry short business meeting that follows. Pray on it—it's a good way to start your Saturday!

Fraternally yours and God Bless,

Ken Yunker, Grand Knight

Officers:

Ken Yunker - Grand Knight
Tom Webb - D. G. Knight
Eugene Mantzey - Chancellor
David Bruns - Warden
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Directors:

Tom Webb—Program Director Chris Mattix—Membership Director Ron Rey—Church Activities Dir. John McEntire—Prolife Activities Dir. Paul Gros—Youth Activities Dir. Wendell Vice—Community Acts Dir. Frank Hays—Family Activities Dir. Volunteer—Council Activities Dir.

Next Officer & Director Meeting

(1st Tuesday of each month)

Aug. 2nd, 7:30 p.m.

St. Robert's Parish Hall

Next Council

Meeting

July 13th,

St. Robert's Parish Hall

7:30 PM

Deputy Grand Knight & Program Director's Report

Dear brother Knights,

First of all, I want to thank you for your vote of confidence as your Deputy Grand Knight. I will do my best to serve you well. As you know my job is to fill in and back up our Grand Knight, Kenny Yunker. I will also oversee the Directors and assist them in their job.

I want to thank my Directors, Frank Hays, Wendell Vice, Paul Gros and Ron Rey for stepping up to help our organization to be, and stay a Star Council. We still need a Council Activities Director and because of our Youth Director's heavy travel schedule, Paul Gros is going to need a lot of help with our youth programs; please see Ken or myself to volunteer.

This is a list of KofC State activities. If you are interested in any of these, you can get in touch with me and I'll give you more details. They are requesting advance notice, up to 30 days:

- 1. Horseshoe Tournament ----Aug. 20&21-----Washington Mo.
- 2. (Sporting Clay/Trap Shoot-----Sept. 18-----Old Monroe Mo.
- 3. State Bowling Tournament-----Oct. 22&23---and Oct. 29&30----O'Fallon Mo.
- 4. Family Day at the Zou (Missouri football) Saturday Sept. 17 –game time TBA—\$ 25 per ticket.
- 5. State Family of the Month-----If you would like to nominate a KofC Family for this program, contact me for more info.

Lastly I want to thank these Knights that join me in volunteering for bingo, Brad Wood, David Lehning, David Bruns, Dan Sbisa, Ken Yunker, Chris Mattix, Paul Gros, Bruce Kerfeld, Henry Marsh, Matt Minx and Mike Meyer. If I left anybody out, let me know. Bingo supports over half of our budget needs. This is an on-going fund raiser, so we will need other members to rotate in. Since we do not know how long we will have this opportunity I would like to see a one year rotation.

Thank you, Tom Webb, D.G. Knight

Sunday Afternoon at the Heartland Theatre, Nov. 20th, 2 p.m.



Everyone wants the perfect prom night, but when the entertainment fails to show up to the 1958 Springfield High Prom, it is up to The Wonderettes to save the night!

The Wonderettes - Betty Jean, Cindy Lou, Missy, and Suzy - make the night sizzle with their huge voices and hits such as "It's My Party", "Alleghany Moon" and "Dream Lover."

Follow their wise-cracking antics from prom night to their ten-year reunion where we catch-up on their lives with fabulous songs such as "Respect," "You Don't Own Me," and "Son of a Preacher Man." The Marvelous Wonderettes is an unforgettable musical trip down memory lane for the whole family!

Sunday, November 20th—Chiefs aren't on till Monday, so what do you do on a non-Chiefs Sunday? How about an afternoon at the Heartland Theatre, at 2:00 p.m.?

Tickets are \$27 each provided we have a group of 10 or more. Please let me know if you are interested by **August 15th** so I can make an initial reservation. We would have to finalize our reservation by November 1st.

Ken Yunker, kyunker@swbell.net 229-2587 (H) 510-9390 (C)

2011-2012 Dues Are Due

My Brother Knights:

We discussed and passed our operating budget for 2011-2012. This budget is partially based on receiving your dues payment in a timely manner. Also, if our Financial Secretary does not have to create and mail you one or more bills, you save your Council significant bill-creation & postage costs, not to mention our Financial Secretary's valuable time!

Our dues are \$30 per year with an additional voluntary requested donation of \$7.50 for the Religious Information Bureau (R.I.B.). This is sent directly to the State Council.

With all the charities asking for support, you might ask, "Why should I donate to the R.I.B.?" I'm glad you asked! In recent years, the Missouri Knights have spent over \$200,000.00 annually to spread the Word of God in our state. This State of Missouri Knights of Columbus program was originally set up to help non-Catholics inquire about the Catholic Church. It is now also available to Catholics who want to learn more about their faith. Many non-Catholics take the Home Study Course to learn about Catholicism prior to joining the Church through a parish CCD program. In addition, Catholics take the various courses to update their knowledge of Church teachings and the Bible. Besides utilizing print media, R.I.B. now offers courses and information via the World Wide Web which is currently averaging over 150 enrollments per week, which means our "State" program is going global!

Please mail your dues payment of \$30 as soon as possible and please consider adding the \$7.50 donation for the R.I.B. to:

Henry Marsh 63 C Street Lake Lotawana, MO 64086 Questions? 816-578-4774

As Grand Knight, I have a financial responsibility to our council. If you choose not to pay, then we will suspend your membership: it simply is not fair to those brothers that are paying. That being said, if you are having financial problems and need help paying your dues, please contact myself or Henry—our conversation will be kept confidential. It is not a matter of the money, but of fairness and responsibility!

Ken Yunker, Grand Knight

Membership Report

My Brothers,

Membership is the lifeblood of any organization. If you want to see this Council succeed then you need to take on the personal responsibility of increasing our membership. When was the last time you asked a fellow Catholic to join our Order? It only takes a few minutes of your time to invite him to think about joining a fellowship of Catholic Men focused on supporting our Church, our Families, our Community, and our Brotherhood. We are in the process of ordering some handout materials that will make the discussion easier, but bottom-line: you are the key to our Council's success!

IF NOT YOU, THEN WHO? IF NOT NOW, THEN WHEN?

Jeremy Radford, FIC, MDRT Field Agent (816) 769-0596 jeremy.radford@koc.org

"A WAY OF LIFE"

When was the last time your wife went shopping for the day and left you to mind the children? How would you handle this responsibility, day after day, plus having to work?

When I ask this question, I find that most of our members have closed their minds to this possibility. Unfortunately, it does happen. No man likes to place a monetary value on his spouse. However, money is the only thing that will give you a fighting chance to keep a semblance of a home for your kids should anything happen to your wife.

Many insurance men call it "wife insurance". I like to call it "a way of life" insurance.

Call me today for an appointment. I want to hear from you.



Council Activities Report

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Form 365 due	1	2 Officers' Meeting 7:30 p.m. Parish Center 1st Degree 7 p.m. O'Hara Council Hall	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Council Mtg 7:30 p.m. Parish Center	11	12	13 T-Bones Basebal Game 7:30 p.m.
14 - The Assumption of Mary Audit Report Due	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Coffee & Donuts 9 & 11 a.m. Mass	29	30	31	Report of Service Program Personnel (#365) – Due August 1 st . Semi-Annual Council Audit Report 1295 is due		

Important Dates Please Mark Your Calendar

Officer Meeting Sept 6, 7:30 p.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall

Men's Group Prayer Breakfast Sept. 10, 8 a.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall

KofC Council Family Picnic Sept. 10, 4-8 p.m. Henry Marsh's home 63 C Street Lake Lotawana, MO 64086

World Day of Prayer for Peace Sept. 11, Time - TBD St. Robert Bellarmine Church

> 1st Degree Sept. 13, 7 p.m. L.S. VFW Hall

Council Meeting Sept 14, 7:30 p.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall Blue Springs Fall Fun Fest Parade Sept 17, 8 a.m.

1st Degree Sept. 21, 7 p.m. St. Sabrina's Gym, Belton

Sunday Donuts Sept. 25, 9 am Mass Parish Picnic (KofC Cooking) 12:15 p.m.

Men's Group Prayer Breakfast Oct. 1, 8 a.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall

> Officer Meeting Oct 4, 7:30 p.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall

> > Tootsie Roll Drive Oct. 7-9

Council Meeting Oct 12, 7:30 p.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall

For the Good of the Order

We pray for

- ...all the unborn and especially the aborted.
- ...an increase in vocations.
- ...our brother Knights and their families that are ill or in distress.
- ...the families of all our fallen brothers.

Grand Knight

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