



The Knights' Time

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BLUE SPRINGS, MO

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Council #14745

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The Grand Knight's Corner

2012 — 2013 Officers

My Brothers Knights:

What a great start to our new fraternal year. Before we delve into the many projects we have slated for this coming year, a group of Knights, along with a couple of wives and children, enjoyed a relaxing evening of baseball. Last Saturday, we went out to the T-Bones game and had a great time. The weather was actually very pleasant, the game was good and the fireworks were superb! Check out our website for a few pictures.

This month we again have the opportunity to socialize with our brothers and their families at our annual Knights picnic. Hopefully your family can fit this into your schedule. The specifics are listed on page four of this newsletter. I hope to see you there.

Please make a special effort to attend our August 8th meeting. At the request of the Pictorial Directory committee, we will be taking a group picture for inclusion in the upcoming directory. Also we will begin discussing our September and October projects which are not that far off!

Are you ready to play some Trivia? No, not us (at least not til February)! The St. John's Council is having a Trivia Night on Saturday, Aug. 18th. They have been great supporters of ours, so if you're looking for an evening of Trivia before the summer ends, you might consider giving it a try. For more information you can call, Mark Schollmeyer at schollmeyer89@yahoo.com or 816 224-5565.

I am still in need of a Membership Director and a Community Activities Director. Please consider stepping up and joining our leadership team. I guarantee you that the work and time commitments are not that tough and the rewards of knowing how your efforts have helped others are great. Please give me a call to discuss.

God bless you and your family,

Kenny

Officers:

Ken Yunker - Grand Knight
Tom Webb - D. G. Knight
David Bruns - Chancellor
Chris Mattix - Warden
Dan Sbisa - Recorder
Mike Meyers - Treasurer
John Milosevich - I. Guard
Wayne Ratzburg - I. Guard
Richard Adriano - O. Guard
Wendell Vice - Financial Sec.
Henry Marsh - Advocate
Don Portz - 3 Yr. Trustee
Juan Hinojosa - 2 Yr. Trustee
John McEntire - 1 Yr. Trustee

Directors:

Tom Webb—Program Director
Volunteer Needed—Membership Dir.
Frank Hays—Church Activities Dir.
Frank Hays—Prolife Activities Dir.
Paul Gros—Youth Activities Dir.
Volunteer Needed—Community Dir.
Ron Rey—Family Acts. Dir.
George Smith—Council Activities Dir.

Next Officer & Director Meeting

August 7th, 7:30 p.m.

St. Robert's Parish Hall

Next Council Meeting

August 8th,

St. Robert's Parish Hall

7:30 PM

(Game Night & refreshments to follow the Meeting)

Membership Report

My Brother Knights:

Just One a Month!

Have you asked your Catholic friend to be a Knight yet? If not, why. There is a 1st Degree coming up on August 16th in Raytown, if you have a prospective member, please contact Tommy Webb or myself ASAP. We would need to get their application and discuss it at our upcoming August meeting.

Attention all 1st Degree members: We have a 2nd and 3rd Degree coming up on Sunday, August 19th, in Harrisonville. It should be the goal of every Knight to attain their 3rd Degree and receive full Knighthood in our Order. Please contact Tommy Webb or myself if you are available.

Just One a Month!

Financial Secretary's Report

My Brother Knights:

If you did not know, our "KofC fraternal year" begins on July 1, 2012, and will conclude on June 30, 2013. I am beginning to work on the 2012-13 Dues Notices which you will receive in the next few weeks. You will see a "bill" for the annual \$30 dues as well as an opportunity to make a voluntary contribution of \$7.50 to support our State KofC Religious Information Bureau (RIB). They need our continued help in this area.

Please be prompt in your payment to reduce the need for subsequent billings. That being said, as a Brotherhood, we do not want to put any undue financial burden on a member. If you are unable to send in your payment right now, please let me know---or our Grand Knight, Kenny Yunker---what works for you---and when you believe you will be able to send your payment. I'll put a note in your personal file. As always, these discussions and comments are held in the strictest of confidence. The open, and prompt, communication about this matter helps avoid the constant follow up emails and letters.

Fraternally yours,

Wendell Vice, Financial Secretary
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St. Robert Bellarmine Knights of Columbus Council 14745 Website

<http://kofccouncil14745.shutterfly.com/>

Have you visited our Website yet. Because it is a member-only site, the first time you go to the site you will be required to register and create a password. I encourage you to join. Over time this site will become a great place to build our Council's history, share information, photos, etc.

Now that the site is up and running, I am in need of a "Webmaster". Wont require a great deal of your time, and give you an opportunity to support your Council and Brother Knights.

Please give me a call to discuss.

Kenny Yunker
816 229-2587

Deputy Grand Knight's & Program Director's Report

My Brother Knights:

As you know, August has only one Council event, but at our August meeting we need to plan the September events.

(1) The Blue Springs Parade is on September 15, we need to decide on how much candy, the theme is 60's, do we want to have a float? How about an antique car, as we've done in the past? We need a Brother Knight to chair this event. This is an easy event for someone who has not chaired something in the past to get involved.

(2) The Parish Picnic is September 23, we will be grilling the meat and we will also be holding the K of C Soccer Challenge for our youth. We will need volunteers for both of these events, please plan on helping out.

Recently I took one of our new members to the Parkville Council for their first degree. I couldn't help but notice that most, if not all, of their members were wearing their name badges. I'd like to challenge each and everyone of us to wear their badge to all of our KofC events. I would also encourage you to wear your KofC shirt to events and to Mass. Be proud of who you are and show you are a contributor to this community.

If you do not have a KofC name badge, please contact Wendell Vice, our Financial Secretary and he will get you one ordered. You can talk to our Grand Knight at our next meeting about a shirt, we still have some left.

Thanks be to God,
Tom Webb, Deputy Grand Knight

State of Missouri Knights of Columbus Night at the Royals! Wednesday, September 5th, VS The Texas Rangers at 7:15 PM.

The tickets are excellent seats along the Right Field. Tickets are \$27, with \$12 being donated to the "Meet Life" Campaign. For those interested, there will be a pre-game Tail-Gate party consisting of a sandwich, a soft drink and chips for an additional \$5.

Send Tom an Email at: FS3430@AOL.COM or call him at: 816-254-8067 if you have additional questions.

If interested: Mail your contact and return mail address along with a check made out to "Knights of Columbus" for \$27 per ticket to:

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Sugar Creek, MO 64054

State of Missouri Knights of Columbus Family Day at the "ZOU"! Saturday, September 15th, VS Arizona State at 1:00 PM.

Family Day at the 'ZOU!' Nope, not a misspelled word! We have a block of tickets for a Mizzou game on September 15th, 2012. Mizzou will be playing Arizona State that day. Never been to a college game? Now is your chance, and right in the center of the state to be convenient to all! We have hints that one lucky person that day might even receive a football autographed by the Head Coach.

A tail gate party? Well, we are still working on that, and we will keep you advised. Please be aware that the pre-game time will not be set, and the tickets will not be mailed until mid August. So if you are interested, block the date and let your Grand Knight know so he can pass the information on to you as it becomes available.

State of Missouri Knights of Columbus Night at Sporting KC! Wednesday, October 25th, at 7:30 PM.

Brother Knights, Family Activities will be hosting a newly scheduled event, with the Sporting KC's. That is soccer in the Kansas City area, on Wednesday, October 24th, game time will be 7:30 pm. I know this is a week night, but the tickets are going fast, as this is very popular in the area. We took what we could get and thought we would try this. Tickets will be \$25.00. If everyone will please pass the word around, it would be very helpful. We need all interested parties to contact Chairman David Dillon at 660 886-2619 or email him at ddillon50@hotmail.com by September 20th.

Did you Know??

Did you know....

As a Knights of Columbus world organization we set new all-time records for charitable donations and volunteer service hours in 2011. Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson, released the results of our order's Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities at the recent supreme convention.

The results of the survey indicated that total charitable contributions reached more than **\$158** million – exceeding the previous year's total by approximately **\$3.4** million. Our volunteer service hours to charitable causes also grew to more than **70** million hours. It's notable to understand that not every council sends in their report indicating that these numbers are conservative.

One of the Supreme programs that our council has supported for the last two years and intends to support this year as well, is the Global Wheelchair Mission.

The Knights of Columbus and the Global Wheelchair Mission have teamed up to help bring wheelchairs to those who lack freedom of mobility. The Global Wheelchair Mission purchases wheelchairs in bulk and delivers them by sea containers around the world. They are distributed with the help of numerous non-governmental organizations, Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis Clubs, and now the Knights of Columbus.

In 2003, the Knights of Columbus began participating in the Global Wheelchair Mission and sponsored 2,000 wheelchairs to be distributed in Afghanistan. Since then, Knights in the U.S. and Canada have sponsored the distribution of more than 20,000 wheelchairs in Argentina, Colombia, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, Oman, Panama, the Philippines, Poland, the United States and Viet Nam.

For every donation of \$150 received by the Global Wheelchair Mission, it can deliver a brand new wheelchair which would cost over \$500 in a medical supply store. They are shipped by 100 to 280 wheelchair containers directly from the factory to the destination countries at no cost to the recipients.

This year will be the third wheelchair our council will donate to a person of need. Three doesn't sound like much - not until it is combined with all the other Knights of Columbus councils' donations and then we begin to recognize the charitable power of the world's largest Catholic men's fraternal organization!

So as Paul Harvey used to say - "So now you know, the rest of the story!"



St. Robert's Knights of Columbus Council 14745 Family Picnic **Saturday, August 25, 2012, 5pm to 9pm, eat at 6-6:30pm** **Henry Marsh's home, 63C St., Lake Lotawana**

Enter via Gate 2, at Lake Lotawana Rd., (East of 7 Highway on Colbern Road). Turn left at the real estate office, go to the yield sign, their house is on the lake side, and will be on your left (63C). Parking is limited so feel free to park in front of the real estate office.

The Council will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, ice tea, lemonade, and water. Feel free to bring an alternative beverage of your choice. Please bring a salad, casserole, or dessert to share and lawn chairs to sit in. Grills will be available if you bring your own choice of meat. Nina and Henry do not keep left-overs as there is only the two of them, so please take home any extra of what you bring.

Swimming is available off the dock, and there is a place to change if you want to swim. Sorry you can't wade in - too many rocks and there is no shore line.

Children are welcome, but Henry does not have enough personal floatation devices for everyone, so please make sure your children have adequate protection if you decide to let them go down to the lake. As Parents/Grandparents, you are responsible for monitoring their safety.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Report of Service Program Personnel (#365) - Due 8/1/12 Semi-Annual Council Audit Report (#1295) is due	1	2	3	4	
5	6	7 Officers' Meeting, 7:30pm, Parish Center 1st Degree, 8pm, O'Hara Council	8 Council Meeting, 7:30pm, Parish Center	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 1st Degree, 6:30pm, Raytown Council	17	18 Trivia Night 6506 St. John's Parish Center
19 2nd/3rd Degree, 1pm, Harrisonville	20	21	22	23	24	25 Council Picnic 5pm Henry Marsh's home
26 Coffee & Donuts, 9 & 11am Masses	27	28	29	30	31	



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"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 "way of life" insurance.

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

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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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