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CROW'S NEST

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ELECTIONS ARE HERE!

At the next meeting of the council, on June 11, we will elect officers for the coming fraternal year.

The nominations began at the May meeting and nominations will be accepted at June 11 meeting before the election is held. All third-degree Knights in good standing are eligible to run for council office. If you have a nomination to make, either on line at our website, <u>www.kofc5521.org</u>, or in person at the meeting, make sure first that the man you intend to nominate is eligible and willing to run for and serve in the office.

Many of the current officers have already agreed to run for another term, but don't let that deter you from making nominations. Even if the incumbent is running for re-election, additional nominations are welcome. Moreover, the offices of Chancellor, Inside Guard, and Outside Guard are currently vacant.

Nominations are being sought for the following offices, which will be filled by election at the June 11 meeting. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor immediate prior to balloting. Terms of office will begin July 1. All are for one-year terms, except for First-Year Trustee, who is elected for a three-year term.

Grand Knight Deputy Grand Knight Chancellor Recorder Treasurer Advocate Warden Inside Guard Outside Guard First-Year Trustee

Descriptions of the duties of officers can be found on pages 13-14 of the *Leadership Resources Handbook*, on the Knights of Columbus website at this link: http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/officers/officers.pdf.

The Chaplain and the Lecturer are appointed by the Grand Knight. The Financial Secretary is appointed by the Supreme Knight with the recommendation of the Grand Knight and Trustees.



2017-18 Officers

Chaplain Rev. S.K. Eric A. Zimmer, S.J. (574) 340-0687 **Grand Knight** S.K. Eric Van Meter (574) 904-9812 ericvm729@gmail.com **Deputy Grand Knight** S.K. Tim Bonadies (574) 252-5933 **Financial Secretary** S.K. George Adams, PGK gcadams@alumni.nd.edu (574) 273-1198 Chancellor Vacant Position Please Consider Recorder Douglas Gilman (574) 291-6408 Treasurer Cel Lopez (574) 291-4589 Advocate S.K. Bob Falcone (574) 400-0388 Warden Rob Diltz (574) 277-5384 **Inside Guard** Vacant Position Please consider **Outside Guard** Vacant position Please consider Lecturer Vacant position Please consider Trustees S.K. Mike Huszar, PGK (574) 250-1863 Ryan Grill, PGK (574) 387-1628 Kevin Thibodeau, PGK (574) 302-6595 K of C Insurance Field Agent S.K. Andrew Weiss (574) 274-6929 **District Deputy 11** S.K. Gil Martin (574) 276-5027 Editor S.K. George Adams, PGK (574) 273-1198

Membership and Degree News

At our admission degree on April 3, we initiated Brother **Robert Swick.** Welcome to Council 5521, Brother Bob!

Our next admission degree is scheduled for July 10. If you have a potential member to propose or sponsor, contact membership chairman John Burzynski at <u>jburzynski@gmail.com</u> so we can get the candidate scheduled for this exemplifications Candidates and sponsors should arrive by 6:30 p.m. Guests should arrive by 6:45 p.m.

Catholic Information Booth at the 4-H Fair

Do you have a few hours you can spend at the St. Joseph County 4-H fair? No, not walking around in the heat or doing any manual labor. I'm talking about sitting in the air conditioned exhibit hall simply keeping watch over Catholic literature supplied by the Legion of Mary and taking a tally of the number of people who may come by. Perhaps engage in some friendly conversation and share your Catholic faith. It really is that easy!

You also have free access to the fair—so come out, enjoy some great healthy carnival food, then take a shift in the air conditioned (did I say air conditioned?) exhibit hall until approximately 9 pm. This is also a great husband/wife activity! All fair dates are open and we are looking for volunteers. Dates are June 30 thru July 6. If you have a few hours to help out, please contact Brother Knight Rick Becker at (574) 807-7240 or email him at <u>rick.becker@bethelcollege.edu</u>. He can schedule you and arrange to get you your entrance pass(es).

Article deadline for August issue: July 15.

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Upcoming Events

Unless otherwise noted, all Council meetings, Admission (First) Degree exemplifications, Council planning meetings, and South Bend Francis Club meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Fish fries and spaghetti dinners are from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

June 1 – Fish Fry

June 3 – K of C Day at Four Winds Field

June 3, 10, 17, 24 – Host WNDU TV Mass

June 11 – Council Meeting – Election of Officers

June 14 – Flag Day

June 15 – Spaghetti Dinner

June 17 – Father's Day

June 18 – South Bend Francis Club Meeting

June 25 – Council Planning meeting

June 30 – Habitat for Humanity Build Mishawaka Festival of Beers

July 4 – Independence Day

July 6 – Fish Fry

July 9 – Council Meeting

July 10 – Admission (1st) Degree Exemplification

July 11 – K of C Golf Outing – Juday Creek G.C.

July 16 – South Bend Francis Club Meeting

July 20 – Spaghetti Dinner

July 23 – Council Planning meeting

August 3 – Fish Fry

August 6 – K of C SJV Chapter meeting

August 7 – Admission (1st) Degree Exemplification

August 12 – Father McGivney's birthday

August 13 – Council Meeting

August 15 – Assumption of Mary – Holy Day

August 20 – South Bend Francis Club meeting

August 27 – Council planning meeting

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Volunteer Corner

In June, **our council hosts the WNDU-TV Mass**. The dates are **June 3, 10, 17, and 24.** Volunteers should bring a half gallon of orange juice and a gallon of milk; doughnuts will be provided. Please arrive at the station by 10:15. You will be able to leave by 11:15. The next opportunity to volunteer for this is in November.

The council is helping with a **Habitat for Humanity** build on **Saturday, June 30**. Whether you can work all day, or only for a couple of hours, your help is welcome. This is one of the Corporal Works of Mercy: shelter the homeless. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact brother Knight Jim Kramer at kramer.james@comcast.net or by phone at 286-4151 (cell) or 291-6683 (home).

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Please pray for our deceased brother Knights.

Thomas A. Lesniak April 10, St. Jude

Ultrasound Initiative

Those Pro-Choice people who favor aborting babies in their mother's wombs have one very big enemy. There is something out there that will change the minds of 85% to 95% of the women who are contemplating abortion. There is a way that most of the abortions committed in this nation can be stopped. There is a way that we can help to eventually eliminate abortions completely. The identity of that powerful method is known as the Ultrasound machine.

This device enables a mother-to-be to actually SEE the life that is within her body in real time. She might see her baby move. She might see her baby kicking and not just feel those kicks. She might even be fortunate enough to see her baby sucking her thumb. After witnessing these miraculous events it becomes impossible to proceed with the plan to abort her baby. Only the coldest or most confused mothers-to-be can look upon these images and not feel a connection with her child.

The Vision of having an Ultrasound machine near every planned parenthood and every other organization that either performs or promotes abortion is certainly an ambitious one. If it were easy, every area that needs one would certainly have one.

We have initiated fund raising and are looking for Councils to accept the responsibility of raising their \$500 (or More). Is it easy? It doesn't matter; we must do this!

For more info: <u>http://www.indianakofc.org/programs/culture-of-life/ultrasound-initiative</u>