

# The Knights' Time

ST. ROBERT BELERMINE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLUE SPRINGS, MO

# The Grand Knight's Corner

My Brothers Knights:

On behalf of my fellow officers and myself, I want to thank you in advance for your support this upcoming fraternal year. As a fairly new council we have already accomplished much for our Parish, our community, and our Order; but there is always more to be done!

Take a minute to ask yourself what the Knights of Columbus means to you and why you joined? Support our church, fellowship, make a difference in our community, support our youth? Figuring that out will go a long way in showing you where your passion for service can best be fulfilled. The Knights provide multiple opportunities for you to put that passion into action!

The Officers and Directors met on June 28th to identify the key projects for this upcoming fraternal year and the operating budget necessary to accomplish our goals. We hope to have this available for you to discus, amend and approve at this month's meeting. Once approved, it will be our base plan of action, but also think of it as a "work in progress": we will continue to refine it over this upcoming fraternal year.

Please consider picking two or three projects and volunteer to help. You will feel great and our Council will accomplish all of its key goals for this upcoming year!

Fraternally yours and God Bless,

Ken Yunker Grand Knight

### WE NEED YOU!

A successful council is made up of many volunteers sharing the load so no small group of Brother Knights are over-burdened with "Knights stuff".

Our Council still needs Directors for three of our key areas: Family, Community, and Council. By volunteering you are NOT committing yourself to leading or even working all the projects that fall into your area. Your responsibility is to help plan those events and track the results so that an accurate report can be given to our membership. Please consider talking with Tom Webb, (847-6852), or Ken Yunker, (229-2587), about filling one of these positions. St. Robert Bellarmine Knights of Columbus Council #14745

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#### 2010 — 2011 Officers

#### **Officers:**

Ken Yunker - Grand Knight Tom Webb - D. G. Knight Eugene Mantzey - Chancellor David Bruns - Warden Dan Sbisa - Recorder Mike Meyers - Treasurer Brad Wood - I. Guard John Milosevich - I. Guard Frank Hays - O. Guard Henry Marsh - Financial Sec. Ed Newland - Advocate Juan Hinojosa - 3 Yr. Trustee John McEntire—2 Yr. Trustee Carol LaJaunie - 1 Yr. Trustee

#### **Directors:**

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

> Next Officer Meeting

(2nd Sunday because of the holiday)

July 10th, 10:15 a.m.

St. Robert's Rm. 124

Next Council Meeting July 13th, St. Robert Parish Hall 7:30 PM

# Your Council in Action in Support of the Joplin Relief Efforts

Several of our Council's Knights and their families donated goods and money to help the Joplin victims. In addition, several of our members traveled to Joplin to donate their time in distributing emergency goods as well as constructing a 50 foot wheel-chair access ramp for the new home of Catholic Charities, Joplin. Our Council was well represented by David Lehning (not pictured), the entire Frank Hays family (not all pictured), Juan Hinojosa and his grandson, Lars Smith, Tom Webb (not pictured), Chris Mattix (not pictured), and Ken Yunker and his son, Jason Yunker. The volunteer effort was over a two week period with different volunteers able to be there on differing days.

Our Council also voted at the June meeting to donate \$250 with the potential of an additional \$250 in July (to be determined after the officers complete the budget for the next fraternal year), to the Joplin Knights of Columbus Relief Fund being managed by our State Deputy.





## **Storage Cabinets**

The Parish Staff is so happy!

Our council now has a place to store our "stuff" - at least the items that will fit into a storage cabinet!

We now have two lockable cabinets.

By purchasing used cabinets we were able to save the council considerable money.

Other than not matching in color, they are in excellent condition.

Thanks to Don Portz, Tom Webb and Ken Yunker for finding, buying and delivering our new cabinets.



## 2011-2012 Dues Are Due

My Brother Knights:

We will discuss at our July business meeting 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 or 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.) which we send 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 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

If you have questions or if you need help paying your dues, please call Henry at: 816-578-4774.

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We have M, L & XL for \$ 7.00 and XXL for \$ 8.50.	Sunday Donuts Aug. 28, 9 & 11am Mass	<ul> <li>all the unborn and especially the aborted.</li> <li>an increase in vo-</li> </ul>
Contact Ken Yunker to re- serve your shirt.	Men's Group Prayer Breakfast Sept. 10, 8 a.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall	<ul> <li>cations.</li> <li>our brother</li> <li>Knights and their fami-</li> </ul>
We will also have them at the monthly meetings.	KofC Council Family Picnic Sept. 10, 4-8 p.m. Henry Marsh's home	lies that are ill or in dis- tress.
Ken Yunker 229-2587 or email:	63 C Street Lake Lotawana, MO 64086	the families of all our fallen brothers.
kyunker@swbell.net Important Dates Please Mark Your Calendar	Officer Meeting Sept 11, 10:15 a.m., Rm. 124 St. Robert Bellarmine Council Meeting	Grand Knight Kenny Yunker <u>kyunker@swbell.net</u>
Officers & Directors Planning Meeting June 28, 7 p.m.	Sept 14, 7:30 p.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall Blue Springs Fall Fun Fest Parade	<b>Financial Secretary</b> Henry Marsh <u>hmarshjr@embarqmail.cor</u>
St. Robert's Parish Hall Officer Meeting July 10, 10:15 a.m., Rm. 124 St. Robert Bellarmine	Sept 17, 8 a.m. Sunday Donuts Sept. 25, 9 am Mass Parish Picnic 12 noon	Newsletter Editor Kenny Yunker <u>kyunker@swbell.net</u>
Council Meeting July 13, 7:30 p.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall Sunday Donuts	Men's Group Prayer Breakfast Oct. 1, 8 a.m. St. Robert's Parish Hall	Insurance Field Rep Jeremy Radford (816) 769-0596 jeremy.radford @kofc.org
July 24, 9 & 11am Mass Officer Meeting	Officer Meeting Oct 2, 10:15 a.m., Rm. 124 St. Robert Bellarmine	
Aug 7, 10:15 a.m., Rm. 124	Tootsie Roll Drive	SUCCI DEPARTA