

STATE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

Father Roy Dentinger Council 16274



The Father Roy Dentinger Council 16274 named after Fr. D held its first business meeting in September. The council is unique in that it is named in honor of Father D. and also in that it has amongst its Charter members Archbishop Kurtz, state Deputy Frank Shay and State Chaplain Fr. Mario. The council has a great group of officers and some exciting plans. Since forming the council has grown by sixteen new members.

State Deputy visits local councils

The State Deputy has visited the following councils this month:

(photos on pages 17-19)

Council 12562 Louisville
 Council 1055 Paducah
 Council 16274 Louisville
 Council 15484 Calhoun
 Council 5071 Corbin
 Council 15931 Louisville

Council 10987 Fulton
 Council 14290 Owensboro
 Council 10988 Calvert City
 Council 1301 Dayton
 Council 6743 Clarkson
 Council 1418 Fancy Farm

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"In service to one, in service to all."

Calendar

2nd & 3rd degree	Oct. 24
4th Degree	Oct. 31
2nd & 3rd degree	Nov. 7
Mid-year meeting	Dec. 5-6

Local news

Our Brother, Bishop John Stowe was invited to be Congressman Andy Barr's guest for Pope Francis' address to a joint meeting of Congress.



The Knights of Columbus of Northern Kentucky raise funds for Catholic Charities Lifeline Project every year by holding a Golf Outing. The Lifeline Project assists pregnant mothers who need help.

Pictured here at the 7th annual event are: 1st row (l-r) Carl Biery, Bob Merkle, Wayne Brown, Kristi Kopp, Julie Baurle, Barb Kopp. 2nd row: Deacon Bill Theis, Golf Chairman Dennis Elix, Vicky Bauerle, Bill Kopp. Submitted by: Bill Theis



Lexington's #14130 @ Christ the King worked rain or shine during the parish Oktoberfest (Sep 11 & 12). With new and impressive council signs for its KettleCorn operation (175 hours) sold over \$4600 in kettlecorn. Additionally, a team of Knights manned all the grills for the 4th year (65 hours) to keep the masses well fed. Combined, 25 Knights plus some spouses and sons committed in the neighborhood of 240 hours of service for the cathedral's fund raiser.



Local news cont.



Council #14130 in Lexington was among many who participated in the Sept 12th Central KY Right to Life, WALK 4 LIFE.



Despite the dismal weather, about 20 cruisers came out for the Fall Cruise In at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Burlington on September 26th sponsored by Bishop Ackerman Council #5453.

Over \$160 was raised through concessions and donations.

This is slated to be given to St. John parish in Covington to help with restoration of their pipe organ. The parish has a goal to raise \$100,000 for the restoration project.



Local news cont.



Brother Steve Brooks (center) and his wife, Mary Catherine (right), were the Grand Marshals of the city of Walton's Old Fashion Days parade. The city celebrated its 175th anniversary this year. Brother Steve has been a member of the council since 1996 and is a member of Bishop Flaget Assembly #307. All Saints Parish in Walton is a council roundtable. Congratulations to both for their service to the community, our parishes and the council!



Attached is a picture of myself and the Volunteer Fire Chief, Les Piper of the Uniontown Volunteer Fire Department. Our council is donating \$2,400 to the UCVFD, this is the 40% of the net profit from our bingo that we earmarked for the fire department. Starting on Sept 1st we'll be donating the 40% to the John Paul II school.
Tom Musser GK 1367

Every quarter Bishop Mulloy Knights of Columbus #1301 from Dayton, KY purchase, prepare, and serve breakfast at the Henry Hosea Soup Kitchen in Newport. Pictured above: Paul Kremer, Tommy Messmer, Jack Dauer, Pat Tuemler, Jim Hamberg.

After serving breakfast, the council held a 1st degree exemplification.



Local news cont.



Council #14372 in Lexington staffed the grill and the beer truck for Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary's Fall Festival on October 9th and 10th. This is an annual event that raises money for the Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary Education Life Center. Along with fully staffing the grill and beer truck, council members and their families were spread out amongst the other areas as well.



KofC Councils #1290 Bardstown & #15979 Louisville joined together to move Father Bill Hammer into the Rectory and Parish Offices of his new assignment as Pastor of St Margaret Mary.

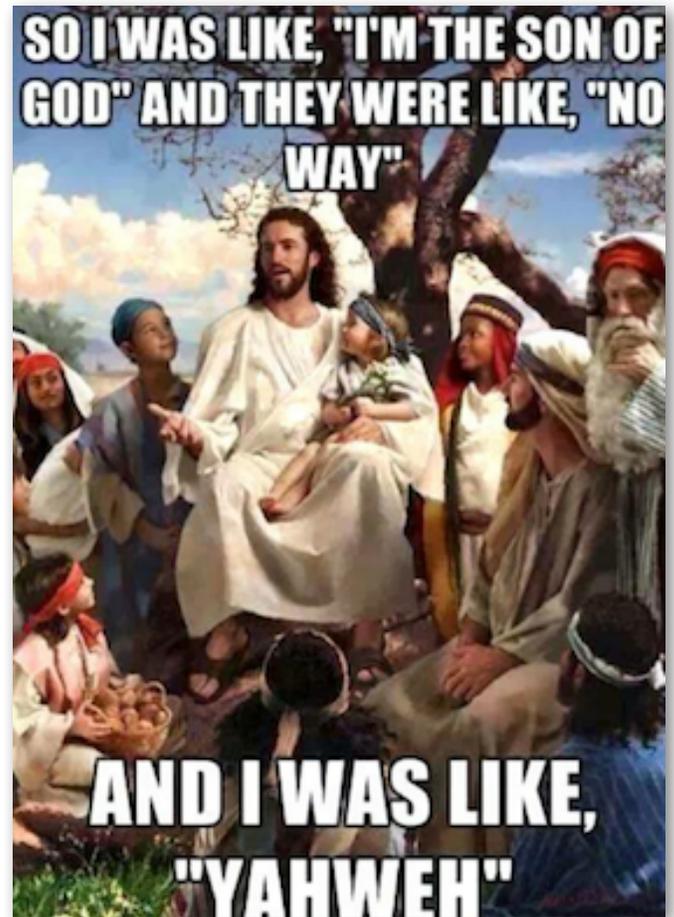


Awards

Council #12774 awarded the Family of the Month to the The Chris Morrow Family.



District Deputy Ed Quinn presented the Star Council Award to the Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary Council in Lexington at their business meeting on September 16th. Pictured above are District Deputy Ed Quinn and Grand Knight Jim Wharton.



Council #5453 awarded the Family of the Month to the The Dustin Reed Family. Brother Dustin joined the council in 2014 and currently serves as the Council Community Director as well as chairman of our donut trailer at St. Paul's Summer Festival. He is also active at our Bingo Fish Fry at IHM on the first Friday of each month. Dustin, along with his wife Shannon and daughter Reese, are active at St. Paul parish in Florence, where they are members.

Degrees



Bishop Ackerman council #5453 held a 1st degree on October 5th and brought in three new brother knights.



Mr. Chris Clements of Catholic Charities of Louisville <https://cclou.org> was the Guest Speaker following the 23 September #15979 Council Meeting. Catholic Charities, USA is the largest, private human services network in the United States, serving people of all religious, ethnic, social and economic backgrounds.

Chris noted that Louisville ranks 5th in Catholic Charities, USA in accepting and assimilating Refugees. Worldwide there were some 19 Million Refugees before the crises in Iraq and Syria recently added another 4 Million more. Mr. Clements, who signed a Form 100 application to join our Knights of Columbus that same evening, later met a family of ten (10) arriving from Africa at the Louisville Airport; each would carry only one small suitcase, a plastic bag with their immigration documents, and the clothes on their back.



Council 5453 welcomes Brother Song Hun Nam to the Order! Brother Song is the Music Minister at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Burlington. L to R: Brothers Song Nam, Rick Wells, Rick Bose, Don McMurray, Don Ward and Paul Rodgers.

Seminarian's Corner

My affiliation with the Knights of Columbus began years ago. I was just out of college and in the working world when one of the older knights from my parish approached me to join. Long story short, I joined and before too long, I was elected Grand Knight for my council. During that time, I was discerning a call to the priesthood but was sort of running from it. Though my council supported a couple of seminarians through the RSVP initiative, I was pretty sure that would never be me on the receiving end of a council's seminarian support; God wasn't so sure. He made many things happen in my life, and now, here I am—approaching (be it His will) ordination to the transitional diaconate in the Spring of 2016.

I would not be where I am today if not for the support of my brother knights—locally, statewide, nationally, and internationally! The prayers and support of so many make it possible for guys like me to discern the priesthood of Jesus Christ without having to be gravely concerned about financial matters. Several councils have supported me through the RSVP initiative—the most recent being St. Edward's Council #13196 in Cynthiana, Ky; I'm so grateful to them!

Additionally, I have been very blessed to have been awarded a Fr. Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship that helps defray the cost of my seminary education. With my diocese fully supporting the education and formation of 23 seminarians, the costs are very great; this scholarship goes a long way to help support me and my diocese, and I'm so thankful.

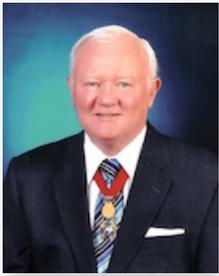
As is generally the norm, the Knights of Columbus don't receive the credit deserved for all of the great work the Order does. And to be sure—credit is not the reason Knights do what we do. But as we are people of faith, we know our credit is in Heaven and every good work we have done has been seen and will be rewarded by our Heavenly Father. But—I'm a knight... I've worked fish fries, parish events, and other benefits... I've been the recipient of many generosityes from the Knights. I know of the good that the Knights of Columbus do. Every man who calls himself a Knight should be proud to do so because he carries with him a legacy of support for the Church unparalleled by any other.

I will always be grateful to the Knights for many things—especially for helping make me the man I am today. Please pray for me and know of my prayers for you all!

Vivat Jesus,

Britton Hennessey (PGK)
Seminarian,
Diocese of Covington

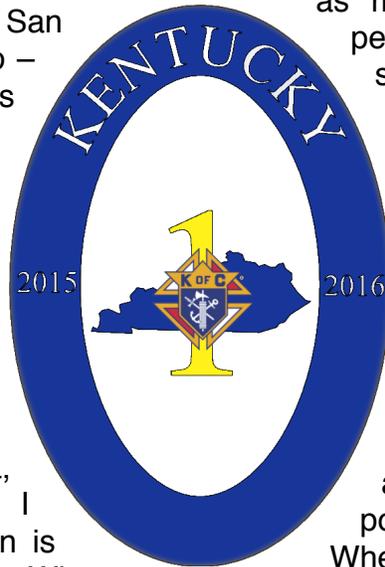
From State Deputy Frank Shay



Brothers – St. Juniper Serra founded missions all along the California coast and named them after Saints. Take a look at the California map and look at all the cities named San or Santa followed by a Spanish name. San Diego – St. Diego, Santa

Barbara – St. Barbara, Santa Clara – St. Clare, San Bernardino – St. Bernard, San Mateo – St. Matthew, San Francisco – St. Francis. All part of the 21 missions started by St. Serra. California has a very deep Catholic history as a result of Fr. Serra's work and the many who followed him. However, this has not been a good week in California for Catholicism or those of us interested in defending life.

The state of California has now made assisted suicide legal. They join Oregon, Washington, Montana, and Vermont in this assault on life. I am deeply troubled by this. When is pain the reason to kill someone? Who decides the level of pain? Do we execute soldiers on the battle field if they have been severely wounded, since they are clearly in pain? Is the level of pain different for different age groups or different races or religions; will the law be twisted into selective use? Who makes these decisions? Is the patient being pressured by family or insurance companies because of costs? As a senior citizen I know that people of my age live with pain all the time. It's part of the journey. I also know that my mother, who died in terrible pain, clung to life with everything she had. If I break my hip as we old folks are prone to do, is that sufficient for society to be rid of me? Seems



like a big jump in logic, but, in the past few years we have seen much bigger jumps. Roe VS Wade made abortion legal in the first trimester and that jumped to partial birth abortion. If I get Alzheimer's and I am a "financial burden on family" is that sufficient? This law says a person in pain and depression may choose to end their life. How does a person that depressed make a sound decision? Isn't that level of depression defined

as mental illness? How do we allow a person who is mentally impaired to make such decisions? How does a doctor who took an oath to "first do no harm" take part in this barbarity? In a few very short years our politicians went from Don't ask, Don't tell to redefining marriage and family. Our politicians are great at euphemisms – Choice instead of Abortion; Assisted Suicide or "End of Life with Dignity" instead of Murder. As Knights we must stand united against these practices and the politicians that vote for these atrocities.

Where will they take this assault on our beliefs? This law and similar ones in other states have opened many questions and provided only one answer – murder.

As October is the month of the Holy Rosary, let us turn to the rosary for help against the many assaults on life. The rosary fosters the graces of faith, hope, and charity. It contains the healing power of the most Holy Name of Jesus. Pray for our country and an end to abortion and euthanasia.

VJ,
Frank Shay

From State Secretary Gabe Cabral

October has been a transition month in my life. The lawn grows slower, and gives me a break from mowing (and more time for fishing). The weather turns from hot & steamy to comfortably cool & crisp. The fall colors in the trees of Kentucky show the most visible transition. I always enjoy the weekends when a Knights of Columbus event gets me on the road. Here, I can enjoy God's "Nature Fireworks" display on every mountain and hillside.

As I rewind to of October 17 years ago, I remember those same vivid colors in the trees on my way to my 1st degree-where it all started. I wonder what my life would have been like if no one had ever asked me to join the Knights of Columbus, but I spend more time thinking of the many men, around us who have never been asked to join. OK, so this is sort of about membership-but just a little. It's more about rewards, opportunities, and potentially great Knights who are looking for a way to serve the Church and be a role model for their family. How could we let a potential member remain uninvited?

This is something we should all be trying to share with every Catholic man around us!

The last time I asked someone to consider joining, he found one or more reasons why they couldn't join, but that doesn't end for me or him. I'll ask again because I know what it could mean for this guy's life and his family. There are untold rewards in watching someone develop to be all he can be and it's just waiting for him and you both. So, get out there and share this with someone soon!

It's been said that "God will not be outdone in generosity" and as an involved Knight, I've had many blessings returned to me that I could never assign a dollar value to- including some breathtaking views of a few million yellow, orange, and fiery red colored leaves touched by God.

Gabe Cabral
State Secretary

From State Advocate Cameron Peck

Brothers,

At the regional meetings I spoke a lot about home corporations. There was a lot of information and only a little time. If you have any questions that did not get answered or if any new questions have come up please feel free to contact me. I am here to help.

Vivat Jesus,
Cameron Peck



From Membership Director Bill Hancock

Membership

Recruitment Strategies

Church Drive

A church recruitment drive is the easiest way for your Council to ask qualified Catholic men to join your Council. A successful church recruitment drive is dependent on careful planning and collaboration with your parish priest. A church recruitment drive is meant to compile a list of prospective members' contact information. It is imperative that your Council follows up with the prospective member within a few days and invites him and his family to learn more about the charitable activities your Council conducts in the parish and community. The steps for your Council to follow in conducting a church drive begins on page 14 of *Membership Recruitment and Retention Manual* catalog number 10237.

Council Open House

An open house provides an opportunity to introduce your Council to a broad range of prospective members at one event. The objective of the open house is to showcase your Council's charitable programs, social and fraternal activities, and membership benefits. Check the manual listed above for steps to conduct a successful open house. This 5 minute video is an excellent presentation to show at an open house. There is a link in the State website, kykofc.com, to take you to the Supreme website where it can be downloaded.



An Invitation

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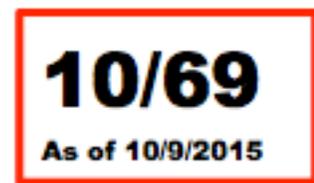
Team Recruiting

Recruiting in teams of two brings twice the enthusiasm and knowledge of your Council to the recruiting process. Steps for your Council to follow when conducting team recruiting is also contained in the manual listed above. The video, An Invitation, would also help sell the Knights of Columbus to a couple sitting around a dining room table.

Whatever strategies your Council uses make October the month to reach out to good catholic men to join the Order.

Compiled by:

Bill Hancock, PSD
Membership Director



From Program Director Kent Hoskins

Dear Brothers All:

This month I'd like to talk a little about the Knights of Columbus Insurance Program. Most of us realize that our Insurance not only provides financial protection for our families, but also allows the Order to generously fund various charities including natural disaster aid, both here at home and around the world, Special Olympics, religious vocations, and the Special Charities of Pope Francis.

With the very popular \$100 Special Annuity for New Brother Knights going the way of the dodo bird, it will be more difficult to achieve our insurance goals. To help reach these goals the State Deputy has put forth some added incentives:

1) Any Council hosting a Fraternal Benefits Night (FBN) before December 31, 2015 will receive 100 points toward the State Deputy Award. All you need to do to report this is to send me an email with the date of the FBN, the Insurance Representative present and the number of knights/guests in attendance.

2) Councils that host a Fraternal Benefits Night after January 1, 2016 but before March 31, 2016 will receive 50 points.

3) If a Council hosts two (2) Fraternal Benefits Nights (one in this calendar year; one in the next) it will receive 150 points toward the State Deputy Award.

Fraternal Benefits Nights should be scheduled far enough in advance so that your Field Agent can work the date into his schedule and so that you can adequately promote the event through the Council Newsletter/Website, Parish Bulletin or even the Diocesan weekly. For more information on "How To Conduct a Fraternal Benefits Night", contact your Field Agent, the State General Agent or the KC Supreme Website at www.kofc.org.

I encourage each Council to take advantage of the Order's many valuable Insurance Products!

As always, if I can help or you would like me to attend one of your Council Business Meetings just let me know. My contact information is:

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From General Agent Darrell Swope

Protecting our families from financial ruin is not just a task for the oldest among us. Whether they are 18 or 81, all Knights should be thinking about how they can and should protect the ones they love.

Young Knights are different. Their needs are different. Their priorities are different. Their preferences are different. Their budgets are different.

That's why we've designed our young adult insurance program for Knights and their spouses, ages 18 to 29. The program maximizes flexibility, convenience and affordability to enable young brother Knights, and their spouses, to get the coverage they need. Through it, members can receive an annual renewable term life insurance policy that protect their families and their futures.

1. You've got debt.

Maybe you have student loans. Maybe you're paying off your car. Maybe you have some credit card debt.

Not all debts are forgiven when you die. Depending on the type of debt, the state you live in, and whether or not the loan is cosigned, your family could be responsible for that money. And, if you don't have any debt, what about funeral costs and final expenses?

2. You want to protect the ones you love.

You don't want your parents and your family to be saddled with your debt if something happens to you. So why not make sure they won't be? It's easy. It's affordable. It's what Knights do.

3. You're on a budget.

Young Adult Insurance is affordable. How affordable? Really affordable. The amount you pay is based on your age and medical history, but you could get \$25,000 of coverage, for as little as \$1 a week.

4. Your time is valuable.

Young Adult Insurance is quick and easy. It's an annual, renewable term insurance product, that

renews each year, up to age 70. It's designed with Knights ages 18 through 29 1/2 in mind, to maximize affordability and flexibility.

5. You're a Knight.

Our founder, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney started the Knights to protect Catholic families from financial devastation. We currently have over \$93 billion of insurance on our members and their families. They take comfort in the fact that there is no more highly rated life insurance company in North America.** Knights and their eligible family members throughout the United States and Canada trust us with this important task. It's what Knights do.

And, as a Knight, you've got a dedicated agent – a fellow brother Knight – to help you. Why not begin that relationship today?

6. You're Catholic.

There's an advantage to buying Catholic. You get the comfort of knowing that your money is going to an organization that performs tremendous works of charity, that stands resolutely behind the Church, and that conducts its business in an unapologetically Catholic way, with strict rules on ethics and investments.

7. You won't live forever.

Let's face it, you are going to die. Hopefully not soon, of course! But what if you do? What will happen to those you love? Would you protect them if you could?





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4th Degree News



Council 5453 congratulates our newest 4th Degree members who recently attended an exemplification in Ohio: Brothers Dustin Reed (left) and Terry Eibel (not pictured), Father Michael Norton (center) and Father Nick Rottman (not pictured). Brothers Eric Ritchie (right), Don Ward and Don McMurray were also present at the degree for support.

From District Master Gary Dykhuis

October Events; After a 33-day voyage, Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the New World in the Bahamas. He named the first land sighted as El Salvador, claiming it in the name of the Spanish Crown. Columbus was seeking a western sea route from Europe to Asia and believed he had found an island of the Indies. He thus called the first island natives he met, 'Indians.'

October 1962, the Second Vatican Council was opened in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome by Pope John XXIII. Sessions were held in four successive autumns from 1962-65. Vatican II resulted in sweeping changes to the Catholic Church including the use of English and local native languages in the Mass instead of Latin, and openness and cooperation with other religions and denominations.



October Birthdays: Please wish All Sir Knights with Birthdays a Happy Birthday.

Exemplification; October 31, 2015, Monsignor Albert Schmitt, LaGrange, will be the host Assembly. Registration and information has been sent out by e-mail and is on the Kentucky State Website. Due to the Future Farmers of America (FFA) National Convention this week-end, in Louisville, there are no Hotel room's available. This is a one day Exemplification, all on Saturday October 31st.

Vivat Jesus,

SK Gary Dykhuis,
Kentucky District Master