





April, 2015 Hoffman-Schaumburg Council #6964



An Easter Prayer

 Dear Lord, Amazing is your love – A love that overcomes, endures and redeems. Astounding is your life – A life that sustains, heals and creates. Awesome is your hope – A hope that promises, restores and inspires. Absorbing is your truth – A truth that releases, changes and rebuilds.

We worship you, as we remember the moment when your love conquered. When out of the cave of sorrow, you arose to release forgiveness to the world.

Each time we encounter this resurrection day, we are again lifted to an eternal place. Our sin, brokenness and darkness fall away and your light and peace flood our lives. We thank you for this incredible celebration we call Easter. *Amen*.

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<u>Altar Servers Appreciation Party</u> – Thursday, April 23rd, 6:00 pm set-up, 6:30 pm pizza at the St. Hubert Ministry Center, we are recognizing the outstanding ministry of all our altar servers. Those from the Church of the Holy Spirit, St. Hubert, St. Matthew and St. Marcelline will be treated to a pizza party at the St. Hubert Ministry Center. Contact Larry Smith at 224-353-6640 to help him stage this recognition event. Parents are to call their respective parishes and register the names of their Altar Server child/children who will attend the pizza party. The last date to register is Monday, April 20th.

<u>CPR Training</u> - 12 people showed up last Thursday to receive or renew their CPR Training from the Schaumburg paramedics at the Hughes Center. Thanks to **PGK Bill Clark** for arranging this fine, informative and possibly life saving program. Great Job.

Knights of Columbus Membership Drives - Will be held;

Saturday, April 11th. 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM at Church of the Holy Spirit. Sunday, April 12th. 7:45 AM, 9:15 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:15 PM before and after masses. Saturday, April 25th. 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM. at St. Matthews Parish. Sunday, April 26th. 7:45 AM to 12:15 PM, at St. Matthews before and after all the masses. **SK Kevin Thomas** will head this membership drive and would appreciate your help at either or both churches.

Knights of Columbus - Are sponsoring a Coffee & Donuts at St. Matthews on Sunday April 19th. after the 7:45 and 9:15 masses only in the church's gathering area.

<u>Women at the well</u> - <u>Church of the Holy Spirit</u>, Tuesday, April 14, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Knights are requested to help serving a light meal at this well received event.

<u>4th Degree Exemplification</u> - Saturday April 18, 2015 at the Wyndham Glenview Suites, 1400 N. Milwaukee Ave, Glenview, IL 60025 If you haven't done so yet, please hurry and contact Deacon Larry Smith at 224-353-6640 for the information you will to attend the exemplification. The Host Assembly is Bishop Sheil #2330 under the leadership of Faithful Navigator James Posch.

Blood Drive - The results are in. There were 31 whole blood units and 7 ALYX (double red blood) donations totaling 45 units drawn. **The units collected on this drive will potentially save 135 lives!!** Thanks to all of those who gave unselfishly of themselves to help others. Their generosity will help our neighbors in need, including cancer patients, critically ill newborns, accident victims, and many more who have illnesses requiring blood products.

As Always, a special thanks to **PGK SK Vince Wroblewski** for coordinating this effort along with LifeSource, the Family and School Association, and the **Hoffman/Schaumburg Knights of Columbus.**



Jay Hattar

PGK Larry Arquilla

Yours Truly

Barbara Nies

On a quick note, **Jay Hattar** (pictured above), Donated Blood last Sunday (March 22nd.), at St. Huberts and then proceeded on to St John Brebeuf in Niles to take his 2nd. and 3rd. degrees along with **Craig Smith, Roger Blankenheim** and **Mike Naples.** The following Sunday, March 29th., **Michael Ortega** attained his 2nd. & 3rd. degrees. Congratulations to all these fine men as they have all now attained **Full Knighthood** in our council.

<u>Elite Stars</u> - If you remember, the Elite Stars are that wonderful group of athletes we support through our I.D. Drive and presented them with our "Big Check" a couple months back. Well I am happy to report in Patty Hermann's (Director) own words;

" It's official!!!! The Elite Stars are the 2015 National Cheer Champions!!! New banner, trophy & coats on the way. Love my team!!! We fought hard for what was right & in the end the Varsity brand knew it was the only thing to do.



The Elite Stars On their way to Myrtle Beach

Thanking Everyone Again!

<u>Golf Outing</u> - Coming June 15th. - Similar to last year's outing with Holy Family, supporting the Michael J. McGivney Center of Hope & Healing. Details following soon.

<u>State Convention</u> - April 24th. to April 26th. **The 117th. Annual Illinois State Convention** will be held at the Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel, 400 Park Blvd, Itasca, Illinois 60143. Room reservations are available. Be sure to Identify yourself as a Knight of Columbus for a special rate. Call 1-888-627-8510

Field Agents Report" by Pierre Zermatten , PGK, FIC, MDRT

April 15 (tax day) is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax savings vehicle. Or perhaps someone has tried to convince you to open an account, touting the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an annuity, but for a different reason. Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And, our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to an annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product that is designed to provide long-term security. How much security? How does retirement income that you cannot outlive — guaranteed — sound to you? Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. That guarantee — along with the fact that no one has ever lost money left in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember – absolute safety of principal) — really will provide you with peace of mind.

I am happy to talk with you to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance plans. I can be reached at 847-323-0914.



As always, I welcome any of your help putting together this newsletter. If you have any Knights of Columbus stories and or pictures that you would like to see in these letters, please forward them to me and I will do what I can. Much appreciated. SK John Vlnka.

With that said, Let's all Wish & Pray for PGK SK Eugene Niewiadomski's speedy recovery from eye surgery. Get better ASAP.

<u>Our Next Planning Meeting:</u> Thursday April 9th., 7:30 P.M. @ St. Matthew Hughes Center <u>Our Next Business Meeting</u>: Thursday, April 16th, 7:30 P.M. @ St. Matthew Hughes Center

