



The Knights' Time

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The Grand Knight's Corner

My Brother Knights:

I hope everyone had a great summer as we near the end of it.

We had some good weather for both our golf tournament and Council picnic. Thank you Jim McCauley and Henry Marsh for your leadership role in those events. Thank you for all the brother Knights and wives that volunteered their precious time.

I also want to thank those of you that signed up to help at Bocce Ball. Even though the Special Olympics event was cancelled due to hot weather—it's the thought that counts!

Coming soon we will have our new UKnight web site. I'm excited that our council is going to have a public site on the internet. This may be very important for our future recruiting and fund raising opportunities. Just recently I talked to two men by email about joining the Knights. If that's what it takes, I'm all in. For a growing number of people this is their preferred method of communicating.

Speaking of membership, our ranks have grown from 30 to 51 in just five years. This last year we recruited 10 new members, including transfers. At 51 members, we are still considered a small council. State and Supreme have asked us to recruit one member per month. At this point we have not met this. Transfers do not count as new members. We as a council need to step this program up. David Bruns is our Membership Director. We will be sending out invitation cards to the parish members in October. If you want to be a part of this committee, please contact David at 229-5656 or dbrunskc@att.net.

The Knight of the month is **Jim McCauley**. Jim is a regular usher at the 11 am Mass and lectors as well. He also volunteers for various events throughout the year. He has been the main organizer of the St. Robert Golf Tournament for years. It's not a one day thing. He organizes the committee, sends letters to sponsors, and player teams early in the year. This last month was the largest donation to the food pantry. Thank you Jim for your hard work!

Notes: Please bring 10 lbs of candy to the September meeting for the BSFFF parade. If you cannot come to the meeting, please drop candy off in the kitchen marked KofC parade.

Please keep Fr. John's brother, and John Milosevich's mother in your prayers.

Peace be with you and thanks be to God,

Tommy
Grand Knight

2014 — 2015 Officers

Officers:

Tom Webb - Grand Knight
Fr. John Bolderson - Chaplain
John Milosevich- D. G. Knight
Frank Hays- Chancellor
David Bruns - Warden
Daniel Bales - Recorder
Mike Meyers - Treasurer
Chris Fox - I. Guard
James Dunkin - O. Guard
Wendell Vice - Financial Sec.
Henry Marsh - Advocate
Ron Rey - 3 Yr. Trustee
Ken Yunker - 2 Yr. Trustee
Don Portz - 1 Yr. Trustee

Directors:

John Milosevich—Program Director
David Bruns —Membership Dir.
Frank Hays—Church Activities Dir.
Frank Hays—Prolife Activities Dir.
*******—Youth Activities Dir.**
Bob Drake—Community Dir.
Chris Bamman—Family Activities Dir.
*******—Council Activities Dir.**
Shaun Horner—WebMaster

Officers & Directors

Meeting

Oct. 7th, 7:30 p.m.
(1st Tuesday)
St. Robert's Parish Hall

Next Council

Meeting

Sept 10th, (2nd Wed.)
St. Robert's Parish Hall
KofC Rosary - 7:00 PM
Business Mtg. - 7:30 PM
(Refreshments following the Meeting)

Fall Fun Fest Parade Saturday, September 13th

As in the past, our Knights will march in this year's Blue Springs Fall Fun Fest Parade. Even though not all of you will want to march, we still need your support.

There are a lot of children along the parade route and every one of them is expecting a piece of candy from the friendly Knight walking by—please help by bring 10lbs of singly rapped candy to the meeting this Wednesday and if you can not make the meeting, dropping by the parish and putting it in the kitchen marked “KofC Parade”.

If you would like to walk with your fellow Knights, please meet at slot 60 (the drive in front of the Freshman Center) at 9 to 9:15am on Saturday.

That Man Is You (TMIY) Is Coming to St. Roberts

Our Parish is bringing the nationally syndicated program, “That Man IS You!” to the men of our Parish beginning this September. Please consider signing up after one of the Masses.

This program is unlike anything else that you've experienced. It tackles real issues facing real men. It looks at the leadership role that has been entrusted to men and addresses the temptations and struggles men face in a culture that attacks authentic manhood. Finally, it helps formulate a plan that allows men to overcome obstacles in their lives.

The program will start on September 20th, in our Parish Center. We gather at 6:30am for a continental breakfast, coffee, juice, and some entertaining videos. You can expect to be on with the rest of your day at 8am.

Please contact Henry Marsh for additional information. Henry can be reached at: hmarshjr@gmail.com or 816-578-4774.

St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Re-Dedication Sunday, September 21st, 11am Mass

Bishop Finn is coming to our parish to re-dedicate the parish.

Father John would love to have “his” Knights in attendance. Let's make Father proud as well as show the Bishop the St. Robert's KofC families by sitting together, (front center right) and wearing our KofC shirts.

St. Michaels Veterans Center

We had a great (but hot) Council family picnic on Saturday, August 23rd, on the St. Michael's grounds. The event allow us to share a meal with our veterans, some of their family members, and our families. The veterans were very appreciative and everyone had a great time.

Thanks to Bob Drake and Chris Fox for hauling their grills out and doing a great job of cooking—they cooked up over 70 hamburgers and 70 hot dogs

Membership

My Brother Knights:

Our goal for new members for this upcoming fraternal year is “One New Member per Month”. If we reach that goal that would bring in 12 new members and would meet our quota to once again attain “Double Star Council” status.

To help in this effort I am forming a Membership Committee and want to ask you to consider joining me in this effort. We have a great program that we want to share with our fellow Catholics and we have a great plan for doing it!

Please join me!

You can contact me at: dbrunskc@att.net or by phone at: 229-5656.

Dave Bruns,
Membership Director

BINGO Volunteers Needed!

My Brothers Knights,

We desperately need some of you to step up and donate 4 hours (a Sunday afternoon), every other month—6 times over a year. You ask, why should I? A great question deserving of an honest answer!

BINGO is our primary source of revenue. It allows us to do the charitable work we do. By assisting the Optimist Club run their Sunday BINGO games we earn between \$5,000 and \$6,000 each year. That's why you are not bombarded with selling raffle tickets, or working a Fall Fun Fest booth, or any of the other myriad of fund raisers that most organizations are forced to do to carry out their charitable projects.

Why the need now? Over the past 3 months, three of us that have been working the program for the last 4 years have had to give it up. Myself, because of my District Deputy position.

This is the easiest money we could ever earn (legally). You show up at 12:30 and you are out of there before 5:30pm on your assigned Sunday. You are usually working with at least one other Knight.

Please consider giving us one Sunday afternoon every-other month (6 times a year). For more information contact Matt Minx at: matt_minx@sprint.com or 944-7329.

Fraternally yours,
Ken Yunker,
District Deputy #55

What are you doing Wednesday mornings? The Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Eucharist Need Your Help!

Most Wednesdays you will find Brother James Dunkin and his wife leading a group of volunteers over to the Sisters Convent and Warehouse for a few hours of sorting, repairing, and packing “blue barrels”. The sisters have a ministry of collecting hundreds of thousands of pounds of items ranging from medical supplies to clothing and even bicycles. If it can be packed in an overseas shipping container, they will collect it, repair it, and ship it!

If you would like to be part of this mission, contact Brother James Dunkin at: dunkin@discoverynet.com or 229-9671.

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Warehouse Insights

A Sign of Faith - A Sign of Love - A Sign of Hope

What do all these pictures have in common?

BIG BLUE! BIG BIG BIG BLUE!

Yes, those Big Blue Barrels are popping up all over the world. They are in Tanzania, Brazil, Haiti, Uganda, Ghana, Mali, Gambia, Liberia, the Dominican Republic and everywhere the Franciscan Sisters Mission Warehouse sends supplies.

These barrels travel thousands of miles filled with clothing, sheets, blankets, hospital curtains and gowns, towels, cleaning supplies and other items needed in our mission areas. But their usefulness as a shipping container is minimal compared to their uses in the missions. Big Blue at the other end of the world gets filled with clean drinking water, rice, beans and other food products for storage and protection from insects, mice, rats and other animals that would appreciate a free meal at the expense of the men, women and children who have farmed the fields by hand. These families, hospitals, schools and orphanages depend on the stored food for nourishment in months beyond the growing season.

As important as all those things are to our third world brothers and sisters the greatest gifts bestowed upon them by BIG BLUE are:

A Sign of Faith

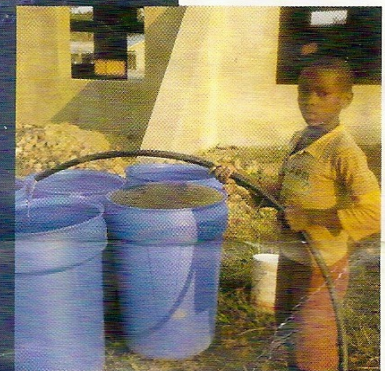
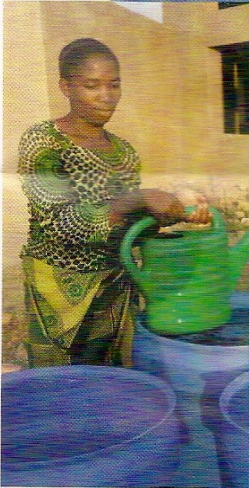
God has answered their prayers.
God heard them and is
Providing for their needs as He promised.
"Ask and you shall receive."

A Sign of Love

To know you are loved and cared for is
the greatest gift one can receive.
This love is from half-way around the world,
from a brother whose face they do not know.

A Sign of Hope

To know someone cares
gives the courage to go on.
Life is possible



Tropical Pink	•	•	•	•
Hibiscus	•	•	•	•
Red	•	•	•	•
Burgundy	•	•	•	•
Maroon	•	•	•	•
Banana	•	•	•	•
Gold	•	•	•	•
Texas Orange	•	•	•	•
Orange	•	•	•	•
Light Stone	•	•	•	•
Stone	•	•	•	•
Coffee Bean	•	•	•	•
Light Blue	•	•	•	•
Ultramarine Blue	•	•	•	•
Maui Blue	•	•	•	•
Mediterranean Blue	•	•	•	•
Royal	•	•	•	•
Navy	•	•	•	•
Purple	•	•	•	•
Eggplant	•	•	•	•
Lime	•	•	•	•
Mint Green	•	•	•	•
Kelly Green	•	•	•	•
Court Green	•	•	•	•
Clover Green	•	•	•	•
Dark Green	•	•	•	•
Bark	•	•	•	•
Steel Grey	•	•	•	•
Cool Grey	•	•	•	•

My Brother Knights:

Thanks to Wendell Vice, we now have found a local company, R&R Buttons, that will provide our KofC "dress shirts". While the prices are only a couple of \$s less per shirt, we can get all sizes, many more color selections, we do not have to pay any shipping charges, and we keep our money in the community.

These polo shirts are a 35/65% blend of cotton and polyester. They come with our embroidered KofC emblem, Council Name, number and your first name. Wendell is wearing Royal Blue. While there are many colors to choose from, the larger sizes (above XL are the ones with 4 dots). To date we have members with, White, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, and Kelly Green.

The cost is \$27 for S, M, L, and XL. Us "portly" guys have to pay a little more- (\$29=2XL, \$30=3XL, \$31-4XL & \$32-5XL). Since these will be customized with your name, we will need your money upfront.

If you are interested, please let Wendell know the following information if you wish to place an order:

Your full Name: _____ (Ken Yunker)

Name you want embroidered on the shirt _____ (Ken, Kenny, nickname?)

Shirt size: _____ (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL)

Cost: _____ (\$27= S,M,L,XL, \$29=2XL, \$30=3XL, \$31-4XL & \$32-5XL).

Would you rather have long sleeves? Add \$6.00 to the cost.

Long Sleeve: Yes (Please circle if you want Long Sleeve)

The following information and check can be given or mailed to Wendell Vice.

Wendell's home address is:

Wendell Vice
8816 S Shrout Rd.
Grain Valley, MO 64029

If you have any questions, please contact Wendell via:
Email at wjvice99@comcast.net, or
By phone - 220-9327



P.S. shirts are also available in long sleeve - Talk to Wendell concerning the specifics.

SEPTEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day	2 Officers' Meeting, 7:30pm, Parish Center	3	4	5	6 Parish Picnic, 5pm, Parish Grounds Soccer Challenge
7 Rosary Before Mass 8:30 & 10:30am	8	9	10 Council Rosary, 7pm Council Mtg, 7:30pm, Parish Center (Candy for the parade)	11	12	13 BS Fall Fun Fest Parade, 9am
14 Rosary Before Mass 8:30 & 10:30am	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Rosary Before Mass 8:30 & 10:30am Parish Rededication 11am	22 Respect Life Mtg. 7pm St. John's in the Lalande Rm.	23	24	25	26	27
28 Rosary Before Mass 8:30 & 10:30am Parish Breakfast, 9 & 11am Masses	29	30				



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"BACK TO SCHOOL"

Is there anyone out there who has not noticed the absence of children on the streets during the day? No question about it, school has reopened. Never before has more emphasis been placed on school costs - and how to pay for them.

Sure, the Order has a scholarship program, and our "Matthews and Swift Educational Trust Fund" does answer particular needs. But most still must borrow money from the government or banks in order to finance a college education for their sons or daughters.

Wise members prepare for these expenses by planning for them in advance. I can tell you of a plan specifically designed with college cost in mind. It enables you to plan, in advance, for your child's college bills. It guarantees that if your child has the desire, the ambition, and the drive, he or she will also have the money. Moreover, it has a feature that no other financial institution can offer. If you die, the money you had planned to save will still be there.

Call me today to discuss these needs.

Fraternally yours,

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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.

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