



From the Grand Knights' desk....



Brother Knights,

We are continuing our effort this year to bring guest speakers into our monthly meetings. During our February 15 meeting, we are delighted to have Father Gallagher speak to us. At our March 21st meeting, we will have local author, Regis Schilken talk to us about his new novel "Tears of Deceit".

Speaking of reading, if you would like a couple of fascinating books this winter, may I suggest Parish Priest, the story of our founder, Michael McGivney? Also a must read, is Our Lady of Kibeho, the true story of the church-sanctioned apparitions of Mary in Rwanda.

We are excited that two seminarians are joining Fr. Joseph P. Newell, Council 11838. Adam Potter and Thomas Gramc will have received their 1st Degree on Friday January 27.

See the information in the newsletter in connection with the "Be Not Afraid" Membership Campaign. Who will be our first member to receive a Blessed John Paul II medallion?

I hope to see you at our meetings, the Living Rosary, or Ethnic Food Fair. See the newsletter for dates and times.

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Regular Meetings
February MEETING
February 15, 2012 7:30 in Small Hall
March MEETING
March 21, 2012 in Small Hall

OUR 2011-2012 SLATE OF OFFICERS

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| Grand Knight: | Terry Nicola |
| Deputy Grand Knight: | Drew Freeman |
| Financial Sec'y: | Joel Zygmunt |
| Chancellor | Ray Badzik , PGK |
| Warden | Rudy Cozad |
| Treasurer | Tom Way |
| Recording Sec'y | Steve Loehlein |
| Inside Guard | Sam Crooks |
| Outside Guard | Dan Utley |

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| Advocate | Brian Delaney |
| Chaplain | Fr. Ed Kunco |
| 3 Yr. Trustee | Jack Linnane |
| 2 Yr. Trustee | Vince Plocido |
| 1 Yr. Trustee | Bob Isler, PGK |

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| Sunday, Jan. 29 | Corporate Communion |
| Monday, Feb. 13 | Living Rosary |
| Wednesday, Feb. 15 | Monthly Meeting (Small Hall) |
| Thursday, Feb. 16 | Peeling Party |
| Friday, Feb. 17 | Hall Set Up |
| Saturday, Feb. 18 | Ethnic Food Festival |
| Sunday, Feb. 19 | Ethnic Food Festival |
| Wednesday, Feb. 29 | Fourth Degree (Small Hall) |
| Monday, Mar. 12 | Living Rosary |
| Wednesday, Mar. 21 | Monthly Meeting (Small Hall) |

Living Rosary

The Fr. Joseph P. Newell Knights of Columbus Council 11838 will offer the Living Rosary during the *Let Us Pray* evening prayer **Monday, Feb. 13** 7:00 pm, St. Ferdinand Church in the church in conjunction with Eucharist Adoration. The March Living Rosary will be held on March 12th at 7:00 pm.

Council Business

The annual dues statements will be send out in early January, 2012. Be looking for them.

The Council is using an "Expense Voucher Form". If you have bills to submit for reimbursement, use the Expense Voucher Form.

Supreme has new Form 100's. If you have a person interested in joining, call Terry Nicola or Tom Lander, Membership Chair for the correct Form 100. Do not use the old forms.

David J. Harris is on Active Military Duty. A Resolution is being prepared that whenever the Council has a member i\on Active Military status, that the Council would bear the cost of his dues until he returns.

Our picnic date has been selected as August 26th, if the grounds are available for that date.

If you are receiving the newsletters by mail but have access to the Internet, call Ron Huffman 724-772-2063 and let him know that you can read the newsletters online. This will save the Council postage.

Corporate Communion & Breakfast

All Knights and their families please mark your calendar and plan to attend the Corporate Communion at the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, Jan. 29. All Knights and their families sit together at this special Mass as a group to show our love of the Eucharist and unity with the Church and one another. Following the



Mass, the Knights and their families are invited to breakfast. Call Ray Badzik to sign up. 724-772-4454

“Be Not Afraid” Membership Campaign

The Knights of Columbus - Supreme Council is conducting the "Be Not Afraid!" Membership Campaign in honor of the beatification of Blessed John Paul II. To reward our Order’s recruiters and leaders for their hard work during the 2011-2012 “Be Not Afraid!” membership campaign, incentives are as follows:

- Recruit at least 1 new member per month and receive a Blessed John Paul II Medallion for that month.



- Recruit a minimum of 4 new members and receive a large specially struck Blessed John Paul II Medallion with a stand for display.
- When a council recruits a minimum of 6 new members during the “Be Not Afraid” Membership Campaign their Council Chaplain will receive a specially struck Blessed John Paul II Medallion with display stand.



- A New Member Degree Certificate has been developed to present to new members that have taken their First Degree in honor of the Beatification of Blessed John Paul II.

To qualify for these incentives, the recruiter must clearly complete Section Six of the Membership Document (#100) with his name and membership number.

2012 Tootsie Roll Schedule

Our Tootsie Roll dates have been set for June 23, July 21, August 11, September 8, October 20 and 27. Two dates were taken in October because they were both available. We may do one or both.

New Seminarian

We have a new Seminarian from St. Ferdinand's. His name is Thomas Gramc, and the Council has agreed to sponsor him in the RSVP Program.

Meeting Dates

The Council meetings have been normally held on the first and third Wednesday’s of the month. Beginning in November, the council will hold one regular monthly meeting in Small Hall on the 3rd Wednesday with the exception of December. Snacks and beverages are now provided at the meetings.

Additionally, officers will meet when necessary to conduct business, at a time and place to be determined.

Please plan on being at these meetings. GK Terry Nicola (724-453-0344) or DGK Drew Freeman (724-843-5370).

St. Ferdinand Ethnic Food Fair

The annual Ethnic Food Fair at St. Ferdinand’s is scheduled for the weekend of February 18-19, 2012. The Knights of Columbus have the Irish Booth again this year. There will be the usual “peeling party” at Ron & Fran’s house on **Thursday evening, February 16 at 7:00 pm**. Pizza and refreshments will be served. Bring your knife, cutting board, peeler and bandaids (if your cutting skills are rusty.) If you have any questions, please call Ron or Fran Huffman at 724-772-2063.

We are asking for donations of Irish Theme Lottery Tickets for the baskets that we raffle from the Food Fair booth. Please drop them off at Ron Hufman’s house by Thursday Feb. 16.

The hall set-up for the Food Fair is Friday Feb. 17 at 9:00 am. Anyone available to help with the set-up, please come.

Fourth Degree Meetings

The Fourth Degree meetings are:
 1-25-12..... Wildwood
 2-29-12(Ash Wed on 22nd)Cranberry

Insurance Field Agent

Different life stages, changing needs

Paying for college for your children may be one of your family’s current needs. You may be concerned about a comfortable, worry-free retirement. You may wonder if needing costly long-term care will deplete your hard-earned assets. You want to have something to leave for your wife, children or grandchildren. At some point you may have had all of these needs on your mind. Over time, these thoughts make way for others as your needs evolve, your finances change and you get older. What is important to you at age 20 may not be at 30, or 45, or 65. What is the best way to be prepared for these changes before they happen?



One of the easiest ways to be financially ready for changes that come with different life stages is to meet annually with your professional Knights of Columbus agent, and address the needs that his analysis uncovers. This can help you be ready to face the financial challenges and issues on the road ahead.

During that annual visit, I'll take the time to review your needs, goals and budget. I'll update all beneficiaries on your policies and be sure your coverage meets your needs. I'll recommend a program of life insurance, long-term care insurance and guaranteed income annuities that will help you rest easy at night. Whatever your needs, whatever your concerns, whatever your stage in life, I can help.

I'm at 412-269-9600 or gerald.rushman@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

Family of the Month



Steve & Denise Loehlein is our December Family of the Month. Steve and Denise have been active in working the various Council projects. Steve is the Council Recorder while balancing his responsibilities in the choir.

Web Sites

KofC at St. Ferdinand <http://www.stferd.org/Organizations/OKnightsofColumbus.htm>

Council Newsletter <http://www.pakofc.us/newsletters.htm>

REMEMBER in your prayers...

The following persons were remembered in our prayers during our recent meetings. Please include them in your daily prayers. If our

prayers have been answered, let us know so that we can joyfully remove their name from our prayer list.

CLERGY: Fr. Newell R.I.P.; Pope John Paul II R.I.P.; Pope Benedict XVI; Rev. Dan Langa, Fr. George, Rev. Kevin McKnight and Rev. Ken Odenski.

DECEASED MEMBERS: Paul Hein; Ted Jervis; Romeo Lupinacci; Corky Mashuda; Dave Mashuda; Earl Nudi; Bill O'Leary; Art Neel and William Purcell.

BROTHERS & RELATIVES: Andrew Haney, Ray Badzik's grandson; Betty, Rudy Cozad's sister; Lisa Schaney, Tom Way's step-daughter; and Evelyn Harris, Tom Way's mother-in-law, Lettie McHale, Phil's wife, Nancy Haney (Ray's daughter), and for baby Seymour (fellow knight's daughter from Steve's old Council in Ohio).

FRIENDS / INTENTIONS: Flo Pasquale, mother of Dave Pasquale. Those currently serving or those who served the country in the military.

.....Seminarians and Priests all around the world; for continued successful movement toward favorable laws in support of the pro-life movement; for the Nations leaders and all armed service personnel in their efforts toward a peaceful end to conflicts and wars. If you know of any member, relative or friend in need of prayer support and want them added to our list, contact the Grand Knight or Deputy Grand Knight.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

We would like to wish the following Brothers
A happy **February** birthday:

- George Scina 8-Feb
- Delmar Shaffer 9-Feb
- Steve Mihalacki 9-Feb
- John Visnick 10-Feb
- Bill Shaffer 24-Feb
- Steven Loehlein 28-Feb