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FOR THE FAMILY OF

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:30 PM

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***** COMING EVENTS *****

- Apr 2 Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am to 11:30 am at St. Pius
- Apr 4 Business meeting at 7:30 pm
- Apr 7 Lenten Fish Fry
- Apr 17 MCC meeting at 7:30 pm
- Apr 18 Staff meeting at 7:30 pm
- Apr 23 2nd and 3rd Degree at Council 909
- Apr 29 Wives Appreciation Dinner
- Apr 30 Corporate Communion at St. Joe's 9:00 am Mass
- Apr. 30 Highway Trash Pickup (Rain Date May 14)
- May 2 Business Meeting at 7:30 pm
- May 5 - 7 State Convention in Des Moines
- May 7 Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am to 11:30 am at St. Pius
- May 9 First Degree at 8:00 (Candidates at 7:30 pm)
- May 15 MCC Meeting at 7:30 pm
- May 16 Staff Meeting at 7:30 pm
- May 19 Fish Fry
- June 4 Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am to 11:30 am at St. Pius
- June 6 Business Meeting and 1st Degree at 7:00 pm (Candidates meet at 6:30 pm)
- June 19 MCC meeting at 7:30 pm
- June 20 Staff meeting at 7:30 pm
- July 2 Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am to 11:30 am at St. Pius
- July 11 Business meeting at 7:30 pm (NOTE DATE CHANGE)
- July 11 Summer Picnic and Installation of Officers
- July 17 MCC meeting at 7:30 pm
- July 18 Staff meeting at 7:30 pm
- July 30 Corporate Communion at St. Elizabeth
- Aug 17-20 People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive (Tootsie Roll Drive)

APRIL 4TH - BUSINESS MEETING
 7:15 PM Rosary
 7:30 PM Business meeting

ABBE CENTER DRIVERS [be at the Abbe Center by 8:30 AM]

Only one driver is scheduled. Find a replacement if you can't make it. *Chris Shimon (Phone 366-2707)*

Apr 2 Mark Barnd	May 7 Mark LeFevre
Apr 9 Frank Reynolds	May 14 Frank Reynolds
Apr 16 Mel Holubar	May 21 Bob Burns
Apr 23 Jay Kacena	May 28 Tim Gassmann
Apr 30 John Pacha	

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 -----APRIL 2ND BREAKFAST		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Scott Kullander (cook)	Jacob Weaver	Greg Van Gorp (cook)	Kurt Kremer
Fritz Geers	Don Klostermann	Chuck Dayton	Robert Lange
Dan Arndorfer	Don Leonhart	Frank Lochner	Dave Castelluccio
Greg Webster-Moore	John Fox	Steve Novey	Don Hatfield
Dennis Sullivan	Tony Narmi	Dave Christensen	David House
Bryan Stonerook	Darrell Stonerook	Clair Thayer	Matt Gent

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 -----MAY 7TH BREAKFAST		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
John Stapley (cook)	John Wendling	Ron Petersen (cook)	George Roushar
Steve Determan	Sean Dunkle	Jim Chaisson	Gene Parker
Pat Kappes	Scott Brumm	Chris Shimon	Ron Digmann
Bob Gruenloh	Eric Wink	Steve Sawyers	Chuck Luster
Mark Lukes	Gene Schmidt	Kevin Ballard	Jerry Moore
Robert Schmitt	Mark Zittergruen	Conrad Baumler	Jim McDonald

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 -----JUNE 4TH BREAKFAST		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Marcus Lawrence(cook)	Alan Hellman	Duane Beaudry(cook)	Dale Eichenberger
Gary Schmidt	Gene Kline	Eric Sorenson	Greg Botkin
Jeff Pitz	Jeff Puffer	James Berns	Jerry Miller
John Huber	John Schmidt	Jim Martin	Joe Spoden
Mike Strabala	Pat Dale	Larry Block	Mark Hamer
Paul Huber	Tom Conley	Ray Dufek	Tim Gassmann

VOCATIONS

Our council is supporting two seminarians. You can write to them at the addresses below:

Gary Mayer	Steve Garner
Saint Meinrad Seminary	St Paul Seminary
200 Hill Dr	2260 Summit Ave
Saint Meinrad IN 47577-1301	Saint Paul MN 55105-1010

HALL RESERVATIONS

Our hall now will cost \$500 for a Saturday function. But for members in good standing it still is only \$300. And if you are on a work crew you know we take care of the wedding party. *John Mercil 377-1664, KC Hall Rental*

EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN

We have the following equipment to loan out – **FREE**:

- Two Wheelchairs
- Four portable walkers
- Three sets of crutches

To borrow any of these items from our Council contact our Warden, John Pacha (phone 373-1762).

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

The annual Wives' Appreciation Dinner will be April 29th. We will meet at 6 p.m. for refreshments and eat at approximately 6:30. It will be a catered buffet style meal. Entrees will be roast beef and chicken in a raspberry sauce, cheesy potatoes, green bean almondine, 2 salads and dessert. This is the time of the year we show our appreciation for all the volunteer help during the past year. Please ask your wife to attend. You must R.S.V.P. so we can have an accurate count. Call Chuck Luster at 393-1862 or John Stapley at 377-9791 before April 8th. CALL NOW!

Sunday, April 23rd will be a 2nd and 3rd degree initiation at 909 Council downtown. I would like to encourage all 1st degree members to advance through these degrees. It will cost you no money, only your time. This is a very exciting time, and I am sure you will come home with a greater understanding of the Knights of Columbus. We will be calling most 1st degree members. Just show up at 12:30 at Council 909. If you have any 1st degree candidates to join, there will be a 1st degree at 11 a.m.

I recently started reading the book of Fr. Michael McGivney (Parish Priest). We all know Fr. McGivney started the Knights of Columbus which now has over 1.7 million members. This book goes back to what it was like to be a Catholic when he was a child and where he could go to school. Also what some of the things as a young priest stood for. The March 19th issue of the Witness has an article about Fr. McGivney's tremendous belief in the right to life. He would be a leader in the movement even today. Our council bought enough of the books for our priests, seminarians and high schools. I encourage all to read this book. We will have a sign up list for this book at this council. You can also buy this book for approximately \$17.

Xavier High School is having a blood drive on Holy Thursday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. To reserve a time slot call Ron Digmann at 378-6925 or Gail at 395-7236.

There are only a few more weekends for our Friday Fish Fries. We still have the lowest price and the best overall meal. Bring your friends along and give it a try. (No meal on Good Friday.)

Deputy Grand Knight John Stapley and I will be the delegates to the State Convention in Des Moines. If you plan to attend, let us know. You must make reservations for the banquet in advance. If you would like to join the 4th degree at the convention call Dave Albee at 377-7876 or myself for more details. You must wear a tux and the cost is \$75 which also pays for your banquet ticket.

Remember Christ died on the cross for us. Let us give him some quiet time of prayer during the Lenten season. May your family have a very Happy Easter.

Charles Luster, Grand Knight

BLOOD DRIVE

Date: Holy Thursday, April 13th, 2006
Time: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Where: Xavier High School

To reserve a time call one of the following:

Ron Digmann: 378-6925
Gail: 395-7236

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, May 7, is the 43rd Annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This day is an opportunity for all Knights to raise awareness of the need for youth to say yes to their vocations, especially if one is called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life. With the help of the Knights of Columbus, thousands will hear their calls as a result of our prayers and vocational materials. Some suggested activities:

- Recite regularly prayer for vocations at family meals. Sponsor a regular Mass for vocations. Pray for more holy vocations for the Church.
- Invite a seminarian or religious to dinner.

*Kenneth Bauer
Vocations Chairman*

HELP WITH KC BUILDING

We need some help to solve the problem of negative air pressure in the KC building when the kitchen exhaust fan is operating. We are also contemplating putting in an exhaust fan over the dish washer which adds to the problem. Anybody that has experience or know how in this area please contact Don Klosterman at 377-6775.

SPRING HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

We will hold our Spring Highway Clean-Up on Sunday, April 30. We decided to change the date because of graduations, etc., falling on most Sundays in May.

We will meet at 1 p.m. at the KC Sign on Highway 13. The sign is at Burnett Station Road and goes to Bunker Hill Road.

With 10 to 15 workers it usually takes 1 to 1 1/2 hours to complete the pick up.

This is a family event so bring your wife and older children.

It's a good idea to wear gloves and old shoes. Refreshments will be served in the KC Hall after the clean-up is done. Please respond to this worthwhile community service project.

The rain date for the clean-up is Sunday, May 14th. Please call me at 447-9641 if you have any questions.

Larry Block

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

If you are not yet a "Knight of Columbus", please consider taking that step by attending the 2nd and 3rd degree on April 23 at Council 909 in Cedar Rapids. It is a worthwhile step.

As we approach the time to elect new officers for our Councils, offer your name or say yes when asked to be considered for a position. Input from all members only makes the Council better.

A few weeks ago I counted the Knights and non-Knights as they went to communion. In St. Patrick's Anamosa, there were more Knights. In addition, I know that almost all of the non-Knights have been asked more than once. Try it yourself. I wonder how many have never been asked. Offer someone the opportunity.

Roy Tangeman, District Deputy

TRAVEL ADVENTURE SERIES

Ballantyne Auditorium – Iowa Hall
Kirkwood Community College
2:00 pm

Sponsored by Discovery Living, Inc.

Tickets are available from the Spring House Restaurant, 3980 Center Point Road NE Cedar Rapids. Individual shows are \$6 each. For more information call 378-7470. This is a fund raising event for Discovery Living, Inc.

April 23 **Along the Continental Divide – High Mountain Adventure**, by Gale Worth.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Our next Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for April 2 from 7:30 to 11:30 AM at St. Pius Parish Hall. Please plan on joining us for great tasting Pancakes, Sausage and Eggs. Your support is essential if we are to keep our attendance numbers growing. All proceeds from the breakfasts help support Council 5390's charitable donations and efforts.

George Schulte

Pancake Breakfast Coordinator

FEBRUARY AWARDS

Knight of the Month -- Ralph Stanek

SHINING ARMOR AWARD

The shining Armor Award is an incentive program to encourage new members of the Knights of Columbus to get active and stay active in their Councils.

To qualify for the award, during their first year of membership, new Knights must get involved in at least three volunteer programs, attend three business meetings, receive their 2nd and 3rd Degrees, meet with their insurance agent and recruit at least one new member. Lapel pins and certificates of recognition will be given to those members who accomplish these goals.

HELP WANTED

We need your help! Some of the people who represent the Knights at the weddings want to move on to other things. We are asking anyone to help us by taking the time to volunteer to be on one of the teams or even better *Captain* it. We have immediate openings. Please contact Robert Lange (393-7256) for details.

INSURANCE SPRING CLEANING

We highly recommend updating or a "spring cleaning" of the insurance policies you own. Take them out, dust them off, and permit your Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent to share with you his expertise.

Perhaps changes in your family have taken place. Perhaps a new beneficiary has come along and should be added to your policy. Maybe you should be considering a change in your dividend option, which would add to the total protection afforded without increasing the contribution.

Finally, perhaps an increase in your income suggests a corresponding increase in your insurance portfolio so that it will keep pace with your economic worth to assure the well being of your loved ones.

Give your brother Knight a call today.

*John Cunningham, KC Insurance Agent
Phone: 365-0025*

INVITATION

Dave and Eileen Van Gorp are happy to announce the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. You are cordially invited to an open house to be held on Saturday, April 22, 2006 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the Council hall. No gifts, please. Your good wishes will be our greatest treasure. Cards may be sent to 1745 Valleyview Drive, Marion, IA 52302.