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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 1 Pancake Breakfast Palm Sunday
- Apr 3 Business meeting 7:30 pm
- Apr 6 Good Friday – No Fish Fry
- Apr 8 Easter
- Apr 13-15 Iowa State K of C Convention - Sioux City
- Apr 15 Highway Clean-up 1:00 pm
- Apr 16 MCC 7:30 pm
- Apr 17 Staff meeting 7:30 pm
- Apr 20 Fish Fry
- Apr 22 Rain Date for Highway Clean-up
- May 1 Business meeting 7:30 pm First degree 7:00 pm
- May 6 Pancake Breakfast, St. Pius
- May 13 Wives' Appreciation Dinner
- May 15 Staff meeting 7:30 pm
- May 18 Fish Fry
- May 21 MCC 7:30 pm
- May 28 Corporate Communion, Memorial Mass, Mt. Calvary
- Jun 5 Business meeting 7:30 pm Election of Officers
- Jun 10 Pancake Breakfast, St. Pius
- Jun 18 MCC, 7:30 pm
- Jun 19 Staff Meeting 7:30 pm
- Jun 25 Family Picnic and Installation of Officers
- July 1 Pancake Breakfast
- July 3 Business Meeting 7:30 pm
- July 16 MCC 7:30 pm
- July 17 Staff Meeting 7:30 pm

**Deadline for the May issue of the
 Knight Light is:
 Friday, April 20, 2012.**

**Business Meeting
 Tuesday, April 3rd
 7:00 pm Rosary
 7:30 pm Business Meeting**

**BREAKFAST WORKERS PLEASE NOTE:
 If you have a conflict with your
 scheduled time, please find your own
 substitute and then notify Dan
 Callahan by email of the change.
 danpcallahan@aol.com**

<p align="center">----- 7:00 to 10:00 -----</p> <p align="center">April 1st Breakfast</p> <p>Albee, Dave (lead) Schrader, Steve (lead) Ickes, Jim (cook) Perra, Dan (cook) Barron, Mike Freemon, Steve Holubar, Mel Hunstad, Mike Jump, Mike (John) Bruckner, Juergen</p>	<p align="center">----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----</p> <p>Conrad, Dick (lead) Steger, Ted (lead) May, Chris Chmelicek, Mike Evers, Kevin Huber, John Huber, Paul Hurt, Glen Kuehnle, Mark Luster, Chuck</p>	<p>McDonald, Jim Mitchell, James Novey, Steve O'Rourke, David Ritchie, John Schaffer, Bill Schmidt, Ray Sorenson, Eric Waldron, Denny</p>
<p align="center">----- 7:00 to 10:00 -----</p> <p align="center">May 6th Breakfast</p> <p>Beke, Mike (lead) Satern, Tom (lead) Alt, Mike (cook) Stapley, John (cook) Dake, Del Davis, Rick Esker, Mike Freemon, Steve Guler, Wayne</p>	<p align="center">----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----</p> <p>Christensen, Jerry (lead) Powers, Steve (lead) Kueter, Dale (cook) Parent, Jim (cook) Christensen, Dave Dayton, Chuck Digmann, Ron Eichenberger, Dale Flaten, Glen</p>	<p>Gansemer, Nicholas Janda, Christopher Klima, Trevor Kuhn, Brenton Markham, Mike Null, Wayne Price, Ian Schmidt, Ray Van Gorp, Wayne</p>
<p align="center">----- 7:00 to 10:00 -----</p> <p align="center">June 10th Breakfast</p> <p>Callahan, Dan (lead) Conrad, Dick (lead) Conrad, Scott (cook) Ickes, Jim (cook) Bruckman, Robert Brumm, Scott Chaisson, Jim Ernst, Earl Fetzer, Jerry</p>	<p align="center">----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----</p> <p>Curtis, B.J. (lead) Schrader, Steve (lead) Casey, Bill (cook) Chizek, Don (cook) Pint, Dennis Blocklinger, Bob Bonlander, Roger Costello, Tim Digmann, Ron</p>	<p>Enneking, Dick Evers, Kevin Geers, Fritz Hamer, Mark Holm, Kevin Huber, John Huber, Paul Meyer, Chris Thayer, Clair</p>

VOCATIONS

Our council is sponsoring 2 seminarians, Mark Murphy and Jeff Dole. Their address is:
 Pontifical North American College
 00120 Vatican City State, Europe

Mark's email: mmurphy@pnac.org
 Jeff's email: jdole@pnac.org

Postage to Vatican City is \$1.05 for 1 oz

EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN: We have the following equipment to loan out: wheelchair, portable walker and crutches. Some of these items may already be loaned out so contact our Warden, Wayne Waters (Home: 373-0458 or Cell: 319-929-8665) to check for availability. When you are finished with item please call so it can be picked up for reuse.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Knights and Families,

With the nice weather, we should take advantage of this situation and prepare for our annual Memorial Day Mass. Let us add to our outstanding cemetery gates at Mt Calvary with something that is labor intensive, but of a very spiritual nature. The Sisters' burial markers are in need of some repair. Of the 300 metal crosses, 50 of them need some repair. Let us show our respect to the religious women who have given their lives for the sake of our Church by this work of mercy. They have acted like Christ in being examples for all of us and now it is our chance to show that love of Christ in return. Please phone me with a Saturday in April you are willing to work. We will have shifts from 9 to 12 and from 12 to 3 for the four Saturdays. Bring wire brushes (big ones), extension cords (50'), paint brushes, paint thinner and any powered wire disk or grinder tool. We will try to use POR-15. Call me if you would like to volunteer or lead a shift.

Bridgehaven, formerly Aid to Women, is sponsoring Abby Johnson author of "unPlanned" for the annual banquet Thursday, May 10. She is also speaking at Hotel Kirkwood, Friday, May 11. At the Kirkwood event we would like to have some Knight volunteers as ushers. Please call me to volunteer for this opportunity or to attend the banquet.

And just when you thought I had the shortest Grand Knight Message ever...

We have a way that you can participate in the State Convention this year. Below is a request from State Deputy Mike Laake. We would like to bring many sheets of signatures representing our Council, our Churches and our local community. We will collect signatures at our meeting. I would like leaders from each church to come forward to get more signatures. Any church meeting or civic meeting you attend is fair game to get on the agenda for signatures. The ultimate would be to obtain permission for a sign up after Masses. If you receive the Knight Light by email, you will have the signature sheet. If not call me and I will send one to you. Please have signatures to me by April 13th for the State Convention.

Thanks for your volunteerism!

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RENEWED CALL TO ACTION TO SUPPORT RESPECT FOR RIGHTS OF CONSCIENCE ACT

On March 1st, the United States Senate voted 51-48 to table the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act as amended to the Transportation appropriations bill sponsored by United States Senator Roy Blunt (R-MO). Bishop William E.Lori, Supreme Chaplain, who is also chair of the bishops' Ad Hoc Committee on Religious Liberty, responded in a brief press release statement, "We will not rest until the protection of conscience rights is restored and the First Amendment is returned to its place of respect in the Bill of Rights."

The simple fact is that the Obama administration is compelling religious people and institutions who are employers to purchase a health insurance contract that

provides abortion-inducing drugs, contraception, and sterilization. This is a grave violation of religious freedom and cannot stand.

Therefore, I ask that all Brother Knights and people of faith and conscience freely exercise their First Amendment right "to petition the Government for a redress of grievances." To assist this call to action, attached is a petition form.

So, simply collect signatures and return all petition forms, *even if each is not totally full*. Return by **April 14, 2012** at the Iowa Knights of Columbus Convention or via mail using the address located on the bottom of each petition form. I will then forward them on our behalf to Members of Congress.

I humbly thank you for taking this courageous stand and may God continue to bless us all.

VIVAT JESUS!

Michael P. Laake, State Deputy

Knight of the Month: Jim McCarthy of St Elizabeth Ann Seton is the March Knight of the Month. Jim is no longer with us as he died just short of his 83rd birthday on January 11. But the Brotherhood of the Knights does not end with this life! Jim was a faithful attendee at the Knights meetings. His son in law, Dan Perra attended with him. In fact, Jim had his tux all ready to become a 4th Degree. He was waiting for Dan to become a 3rd degree so they could do the 4th together. Jim was very active in his Plano, Texas, council. He and Mary, his wife of 60 years, came to Cedar Rapids three and a half years ago, with the onset of Jim's Alzheimer's. Jim was as active in our council as his health permitted. He helped collect for the Birthright Rose Drive, the PID Tootsie Roll drive and he and Mary attended Fish Fries and Breakfasts. His funeral was in Plano January 18, where many Knights attended his original parish of St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish down there. We continue to pray for him and him for us.

Family of the Month: Philip and Ashley Hoffert of St. Pius X Parish are the March Family of the Month.

Philip came to Cedar Rapids from Grand Forks in June of 2010 for work at Rockwell Collins. He is originally from Rugby, North Dakota. Philip and Ashley were married in January of 2011. Philip's Father and Grandfather were involved in the Knights of Columbus which is one of the reasons he joined our council. He signed up at the January St. Pius X Parish expo. Philip has worked Fish Fries from September to the present. Ashley has helped with him as well. Ashley helps at St. Pius by providing cookies for various gatherings, such as funerals, when called on. Their parish involvement has recently included both Marriage Preparation classes as well as Natural Family Planning classes offered at St. Pius X. In this they follow Pope Paul VI's Encyclical Humanae Vitae. Ashley works at United Fire and Casualty.

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

I will be traveling during the Months of April and May. Marge Grawe will be editing the *Knight Light* while I am gone. Please send your bulletin inputs to her for the May and June issues of the *Knight Light*.

HIGHWAY CLEAN UP

The Highway Cleanup will be April 15th with the rain date April 22nd. I need 12 volunteers to complete this Sunday afternoon task.

Starting at 1:00pm we will meet at 5390 Hall. It will take 2 hours, to clean this 1 ½ mile stretch on hwy 13 north of the hall. With this being a family event, grab a pair of gloves, put on some old shoes and be prepared to walk the ditches. Refreshments will follow back at the hall. Thank you. Sign up by calling me at 319-329-8665

Warden Wayne Waters

WORKING THE IOWA FOOTBALL GAMES

Dear fellow Knights:

I have spoken to the Whelan Event Services, the company that took over the security at the Iowa Football games from per mar. They are offering us the chance to work the Iowa Football games at \$7.50 per hour. On top of that, if we can take 20 or more people to every home game, they will guarantee us that we will get to work in the press boxes for every game for the whole season. Plus, every worker will get fitted with a blue blazer coat provided by the Whelan company. So anybody that is interested please contact me right away so I can get a list to the company. Thank you.

Kasey Keleher

Phone: 563-542-7999

Email: kc4thdegree@yahoo.com

FISH FRIES

Thanks go out to all who worked during the Pre-Lenten and Lenten Fish Fries the past seven weeks. Sixty workers were needed each Friday, and in addition, up to 20 knights and ladies came in on Thursdays to prepare food and set up the hall. A special thanks to Dave and Eileen Van Gorp for their countless hours of behind the scene preparation and running this highly successful community service.

We served an average of some 500 paying adults each week plus children and, of course, all the workers. Most of the profits from the Fish Fries will be going to our three parishes and other charitable causes.

Fish Fries are scheduled for April 20th and May 18th. If you would like to assist at one, please call me (377-2391) or email dickmakinster@mchsi.com

Dick Makinster

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Let's pray that we are blessed with a lot of visitors in town for the day. Palm Sunday is usually a busy time at church so we are planning on a big breakfast crowd. If you are scheduled to work we'll see you there. Bring the family & your out-of-town visitors for a good breakfast.

Frank Stull

GET THE KNIGHT LIGHT BY EMAIL

Would you like to receive the council bulletin, *The Knight Light*, by email? It saves the council postage and printing costs. Send your request via email to:

bulletineditor@kofc5390.org

MEMBERSHIP

Brothers, keep your eyes open for new members. When you recruit one new member you will receive two free Fish Fry tickets from our Council. You will also receive a limited edition K of C Belt Buckle, a Blessed John Paul II Medallion from Supreme and an entry into a State drawing for three TVs. Membership is very important so ask that other man you see at Mass to be a member of our Council.

Gerald Fetzer, Membership Director

COUNCIL SUPPORTS

ST. TIMOTHY SCHOOL - NIGERIA

Members at the February meeting approved sending \$500.00 to support St. Timothy School in Ukwulu, Nigeria. St. Timothy is a school supported and run by The Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

For several years, Sister of Mercy (Cedar Rapids), Sr. Mary Julia Kepros has worked with IHM Sr. Maria Regina Mgbakor on various projects at the school. Their current project involves digging a new well and procuring a generator to provide clean drinking water to the school. The generator, estimated to cost upwards of \$1,000.00 is important as the well is located some distance from the school. The Knights' support will go directly towards this project.

During this season of Lent, knights might consider this for additional almsgiving. You may send contributions towards this well project, student support (tuition, books, uniforms, etc.), teacher support (salary, supplies), or the school building. Make out checks to *The Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary* and mail to the address below. The Sisters of the IHM are a 501(c)3 organization.

Sr. Regina Mgbakor
20 Marshall Street #2T
Irvington, NJ 07111

Ken Bauer

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

My Brother Knights: the excitement is building for the coming State Convention which will be held in Sioux City on April 13th-15th. All delegates should be prepared for a great weekend with some great speakers and plenty of food for everyone. We will be electing new officers at the state level during the Convention. It is also a good time to start thinking about the election of new officers for your own council. The list of nominations should be publicized in your May bulletin and voted upon at the June Meeting.

Keep up the good work of recruiting new members. I just went to two 1st Degrees this past week and was happy to meet the new members who will make excellent Brother Knights. Enjoy this great springtime weather. God be with you.

Gerald Fetzer, District Deputy



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