

THE KNIGHTLYNEWS



TRENTON, MICHIGAN

NOVEMBER 2007

From the Grand Knight:



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GREETINGS BROTHER KNIGHTS;

During the month of October, our Council held a Marian Prayer Service, an M.I. Drive, a Corporate Communion, a Membership Drive, and participated in a Life Chain, a Right-to-Life Dinner, and a District Fraternal Night. I would personally like to thank all those Brother Knights and their families whose participation in these events is what makes them a success.

M.I. DRIVE: This years' Drive showed us that no matter how prepared you think you are, in life, stuff happens. Despite a number of scheduling conflicts, this years' Drive raised more money than last year, over \$6000. Thanks to everyone who worked on the Drive for their patience and hard work. A special thanks to Tom Kasper, Herb & Carole Tarnowski, Ed & Nancy Raczkowski, Ralph Grabowski, and Jim Topper who did the tedious work at the Hall needed to make the Drive a success.

SPELLING BEE: On December 1st, 2007 we will hold our annual Spelling Bee. The 7th thru 9th graders will register at 8:45am and begin at 9:15am. The 4th thru 6th graders will register at 10:00am and begin at 10:30am. We will need help with registration and concessions. We will also need cookies to give to the contestants and their families. If you are available on Saturday Dec. 1st, please consider volunteering your time.

DESERT MEAL: This years' Desert Meal to raise money for vocations will be held on Tuesday Nov. 6th at 6:30pm at All Saints Council in Taylor, the cost for the meal is \$12.00 all profit will go to the seminarians that we sponsor on there pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Last year we were able to sponsor 8 seminarians. As in the past, our Council has purchased tickets to fill two tables. If you are interested in attending, contact Tom Jackson at 734-671-9412.

HCCS FUND RAISER: The fund raiser is set for Jan. 19, 2008 at All Saints Council, with tickets available for \$15 each. It will be set up like the Desert Meal. The next planning meeting is scheduled for Dec. 4 at 7pm at All Saints Council. Anyone interested in helping is invited to attend. Also, prepared baskets for the silent auction can be turned in at Hall, on Thursday nights, after Dec. 1st.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR HOLY CROSS CHILDREN SERVICES: We are collecting sweater shirts (hooded), and toiletry sets for girls, to be given as Christmas gifts for the kids at HCCS. Gifts should be wrapped and marked for size (large or x-large) or "girls" for toiletry sets. Our Worthy D.D. Rich Lambrix has to take them with him to the D.D.'s meeting in early December, so he has requested the gifts be turned in by the monthly meeting on November 12th.

FOUNDATION FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN: At October's meeting, a resolution was approved to donate up to 20% of the M.I. Drive money to this school in northern Wayne county that provides support to people with mental impairments. The school will be renamed in honor of our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, and will be managed by HCCS.

BLOOD DRIVE: We received a letter of thanks from the Red Cross for our blood drive in September that had 36 people register, with 25 people donating 33 units. Our goal was 28, so we were 5 units over, many thanks to everyone participated. A special thanks to Carole Tarnowski for her tomato/basil soup!

CHRISTMAS PARADE: The city of Trenton will be holding their Christmas parade on December 1st.

CORPORATE COMMUNION
FEBRUARY 9TH AT ST. VICTOR CHURCH IN GIBRALTAR AT 6PM MASS
MAY 18TH AT OUR LADY OF THE WOODS IN WOODHAVEN AT 8AM MASS
WHEN WE ARE AT YOUR CHURCH, PLEASE PLAN ON PRAYING WITH US

OCTOBER'S MEETING RE-CAP: At October's meeting:

- ✦ We approved the motion to set aside 15-20% of the M.I. drive money for the Michael J. McGivney School for Exceptional Children. We will also continue to support the Arch-Dioecese of Detroit Special Needs Program, Michigan Special Olympics, St. Louis Center, City of Trenton Special Needs Program, St. Timothy Church Special Needs Program, Penrickton Center for the Blind, Angel's Place, ARC Downriver, and St. Francis Camp on the Lake.
- ✦ We approved a motion to provide up to \$100 per year for our Council's Rosary Making Night (held on the last Monday of the Month)
- ✦ We approved the motion to buy two tables worth of tickets to the Desert Meal for \$196
- ✦ We approved the motion to buy 3 raffle tickets associated with the Pallotine Father's Dinner for \$25
- ✦ We approved the motion to donate \$50 to Guest House, (a rehabilitation center for the Clergy)
- ✦ We approved a motion to donate \$100 to Michigan Catholic Radio
- ✦ We approved the motion to spend \$625 to register our Council in the 2008 Michigan Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament. The money to repaid by the individual bowlers.

FRATERNALLY,
TOM JACKSON, GRAND KNIGHT

COMING EVENTS

Weekly Bingo. Every Thursday (except Holidays) From 6:00 to 9:15 p.m.

Tues Nov 6th- Desert Meal -6:30pm at All Saints Council in Taylor, the cost for the meal is \$12.00

Weds Nov 7th- 7:00p.m., - 4th Degree MTG, JPll Assembly, All Saints Council, Taylor

Sun Nov. 11th : 10:00 AM Mass Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Seminary

Mon. Nov. 12th, 8 p.m., Monthly Business Meeting - Proceeded by Rosary at 7:30 P.M.

Wed. Nov 14th , 7:00 PM - 1st Degree, All Saints Council in Taylor

Sat Dec 1st. - 8:30 a.m. Annual Spelling Bee - If you are available on Saturday Dec. 1st, please consider volunteering your time.

Sat Dec 1st. - CHRISTMAS PARADE: The city of Trenton will be holding their Christmas parade

Sun. Dec 2nd- Major Degree- Immaculate Conception Council located in Garden City with the 1st Degree scheduled to start at 11:00 AM and the 2nd Degree at 12:30 PM.

Tues. Dec. 4th - 7 PM HCCS Fund Raiser Planning Session at All Saints Council, Taylor

Mon. Dec 26th, 7 p.m., Mission Rosary Makers at Council Hall

A family event. Tools are provided. Call PGK Richard Lambrix at (734) 675-3732 for details.

Wed. Jan 19th - HCCS Fund Raiser

Trenton K. of C. Hall Rental

Call Tim Thivierge at (734) 379-2300 or (734) 675-3615 for information. References will be provided upon request. **Special discounts** are available to council members and their families.

K. of C. Baseball Caps and Shirts

Contact PGK Ed Raczkowski for baseball caps (\$5.00 each) or Brother Steve Reno for shirts (\$25 - \$30 each).

Knights of Columbus Insurance

If you have insurance questions, call agent Larry Katus @734-341-5626, or Dennis Palm at (313) 382-3431 Ext.116. You can also contact the K. of C. Insurance Customer Service Department at 1-800-380-9995, or Financial Secretary, PGK Ed Raczkowski.



BINGO BINGO BINGO

Every THURSDAY night, except holidays . . . A FUN TIME!!
STARTS at 6:00. Over by 9:30. - Doors open at 4:00 PM.
We are using paper books - \$6.00 per book - \$1.00 admission.
9 regular games, 3 specials and the door card game.

BIG \$\$ MONEY \$\$ BINGO – Statewide Game

ALSO available: - snacks, sandwiches and drinks.

Phone: 671-6066

We could use more PLAYERS & WORKERS

Council Web Site: <http://www.kofctrentonmi.org/> If you **Do Not have access** to the web please notify Chris Hurley @ **675-3732**, so we may continue to mail it out to you. It is the intention of the Council to move towards emailing the newsletter to the members thereby reducing the cost of postage for bulk mailing.



The 2008 State bowling tournament is being held in Flint, MI. Representatives from our council will be bowling in the Officers tournament on January 12, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.. Our team is made up of brothers Steve Reno, Richard Denzel, Herb Tarnowski, Tom Jackson, and Tom Kasper. Our regular tournament weekend is scheduled for January 27 & 28, with singles and doubles set for Saturday and the team event on Sunday, the 28th. Please contact Steve Reno as soon as possible so he can get the entries in by the end of October if interested.

Attention Bowlers:

The bowling team is in need of one more bowler for weekend of January 26 & 27. If anyone has an average and can bowl, please call Steve Reno at 734-675-1749.

From the Membership Director:

Grow the Membership



There is a **1st Degree** scheduled for **Wednesday Nov. 14th at All Saints Council in Taylor** for 7:00 PM. And a **Major Degree** scheduled for **Sunday Dec. 2, 2007** at Immaculate Conception Council located in Garden City with the 1st Degree scheduled to start at 11:00 AM and the 2nd Degree at 12:30 PM. The candidates will need to be there a ½ hour early and please neatly dressed.

The council's goal of recruiting *(20) new members for the fiscal year is lagging, we have ONE new member.* We need everyone to pursue good Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks. We do so much for so many, but we could do much more with additional hands. I took the opportunity to look back at the admission records and it appears it is the same men doing the recruiting. Surely, we all associate with individuals that would be proud to be a Knight, if we just asked and explained what it is we do.

Get behind your leadership and make the effort to recruit someone by the December Major Degree.

God Bless,

Rich Lambrix PGK/DD
Membership Director

**Pass on "The Knightly News" to someone interested in the Knights of Columbus.
Have a Form #100 ready to sign him up!**

District Deputy News

Worthy Brother Knights,

The **Baby Bottle Campaign** for the RTL, which I will take with me to Kalamazoo in December, is at \$117.00. **“Thank You”** to all that have placed money in the baby bottle. The November meeting will be your last chance to participate. I will also pick up the sweatshirts for HCCS at that time. Charity is the 1st Principle of the Order and has been well demonstrated in this effort.

Consider attending the State wide **Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Seminary on Sunday Nov. 11th for the 10:00 AM Mass.** There is a breakfast afterward and you will have an opportunity to meet the seminarians. I have attended the past (3) years and it is a nice morning. Let your GK know by Nov. 5th.

The HCCS Fund Raiser to be held on Jan. 19, 2008 is shaping up well, however we could use a little more participation from our Brother Knights and families. We will need several people to help with selling 50/50 tickets, silent auction tickets, check-in, etc. **Please attend the next planning session at All Saints on Tuesday, Dec. 4th at 7 PM.**

For the HCCS Sweatshirt Drive you can purchase Christmas boxes that have holiday scenes on the box. It will save you from having to wrap the gift. It also is preferred as paper rips and tears in handling. Value City Dept Store in Taylor has them back in the Christmas display area. Pkg. of (4) is \$3.99 plus tax.

Make every day “Recruitment Day”.

Vivat Jesus,
Richard Lambrix DD
District #46



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH



The Knight of the Month for October is Tom Kasper. Besides being the Chancellor for our Council and a newly elected member of the Building Assoc., Tom also took on the daunting task of being the Chairman of our M.I. Drive. Because of Tom's patience and hard work, our Council was able to overcome a number of scheduling conflicts that arose during this years' Drive and raise more money than last years' Drive.



POPE JOHN PAUL II ASSEMBLY # 2942

4th Degree Assembly News

Congratulations to Assembly member Fr. Christopher Talbot on his appointment as Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi - St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Ray Township. He was installed by Bishop Earl Boyea.

On September 29th, several of our Officers attended a Memorial Mass and the Hennepin Provincial meeting in Sterling Heights. Former PGK and FN Jim Patterson and former DGK Mike Latosh were remembered at the Mass.

Congratulations to SK Dennis Downey and Lady Sylvia for celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on October 12th.

A special thank you to SK Frank Galley, for putting forth a great effort in using his woodworking skills to make an Assembly Officer Display and plaque for future Past Faithful Navigators.

A great job was done by our Color Corp members Tony Herk, Larry Vaught, and Cmd. Gary Patrick in presenting the Colors at K of C Tiger Night on September 22nd. Once again you have made us very proud.

One again I am asking for more once a month workers and weekly players for our Monday Night Euchre. Our Assembly is able to do many good things with the proceeds.

"GOD BLESS AMERICA"

Bill Downing F.N. / PGK

313-291-6544

downing53@sbcglobal.net

Our Assembly meets at 7 P. M. the first Wednesday of every month except July. Our meetings last about an hour and attire is business casual.

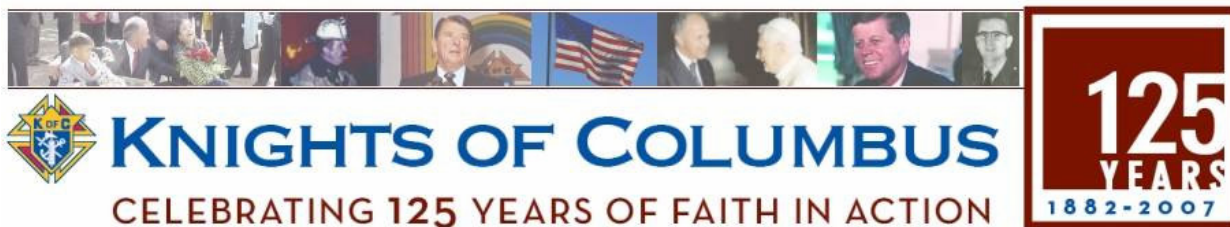


Happy Birthday!



Best wishes to the following Brother Knights! Give an old friend a call and congratulate him, or better yet, be a sport and take him to lunch.

11-01	Donald Daddario		John Meiers
	James Morton	11-18	Dan Menna
	Rev. Daniel Murphy	11-19	Kevin Cooney
	Brother Paul Comerzan	11-21	Raymond Slowik
11-02	Robert Taylor		Robert Breth
11-04	David Roussey	11-22	Richard Denzel
11-08	Robert Filip		David G. Lambrix
11-11	Andrew Barbey		Richard Teifer
11-12	Leonard Hopkins Jr.	11-25	William Jasman
	Ralph Subastian	11-27	Joseph Krach
11-13	Robert Kuzava	11-29	William De Paul



Council Officers for 2007/2008

Chaplain	Rev. Fr. Robert Shafer	676-5115	
Grand Knight	Thomas F. Jackson (Pamela)	671-9412	tfjack5063@yahoo.com
Dep. Grand Knight	Leonard Hopkins	675-1566	(cell-313-244-9097)
Financial Secretary	Edward Raczkowski PGK(Nancy)	676-0660	
Chancellor	Thomas J. Kasper (Nancy)	671-6984	tnkasper@wowway.com
Recorder	Stephen B. Reno (Lorrie)	675-1749	sbreno5@yahoo.com
Treasurer	Richard C. Denzel (Janet)	379-2425	denzel37@hotmail.com
Advocate	Richard J. Lambrix (Barbara)	675-3732	gkrich@wowway.com
Warden	Larry Vaught (Marlene)	671-1080	
Inside Guards	Jack Potestato	671-1905	
	Anthony R. Herk (Doreen)	675-5443	anthonyherkassociates@netzero.net
Outside Guard	Larry Mehrhof		
Trustees- One Yr	William O. Taurence (Cindy)	671-1523	
- Two Yr.	Ken Laforat	281-0148	mrfrog52@wowway.com
- Three Yr.	Chris Hurley	362-0157	Hurleyc@comcast.net
Bldg. Assoc. Pres.	Herbert J. Tarnowski (Carole)	675-1726	
Hall Caterer	Tim's Catering	675-3615 or 379-2300	
District Deputy	Richard J. Lambrix (Barbara)	675-3732	gkrich@wowway.com

From the Editor:

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

"If I don't get it, I can't edit." For material to be published, please contact Brother Bill Temple by the **18th of the month**, via phone (734) 675-0568 or E-Mail **templew@comcast.net**.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH



The Family of the Month for October is Ed and Nancy Raczkowski. Ed is Financial Secretary for our Council, and runs the kitchen during Bingo, and he and Nancy are tireless workers for our Council. During October's M.I. Drive, Ed and Nancy worked from morning to night counting money, running errands and doing whatever was needed to make the Drive a success. Also, this newsletter would not arrive each month without their help with the mailing.

The Starfish

There was a young man walking down a deserted beach just before dawn. In the distance he saw a frail old man. As he approached the old man, he saw him picking up stranded starfish and throwing them back into the water. He asked, "old man, why do you spend so much energy doing what seems to be a waste of time?"

The old man explained that the stranded starfish would die if left in the morning sun.

"But there must be thousands of beaches with millions of starfish!" exclaimed the young man. "How can you make any difference?"

The old man looked down at the small starfish in his hand and as he threw it to the safety of the sea, he said, "I make a difference to this one".

As I read this story I instantly applied it to the way in which we treat and interact with each other. If we treat each other with a modicum of charity that the old man showed the starfish, we are truly doing the work of Christ. If we apply this story to the work we do as Knights, we are making the "difference" to those we are helping with our charity.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers for the sick have been requested for:

Brother Knights

Bernard Bonk
PGK Howard Lambrix
Bill Truczinski

Steve Fleszar
Paul Mazur
John Walters

Jim Forsythe
Walt Reaume
Nelson Roberts

Dave Howarth
Jose Tocis

Wives

Martha Erdman
Gerry LaBell

Dorothy Gawenda
Hellen Miller

Beverly Hasselbach,
Theresa Olson

Relatives and Friends

Evan Banas
Glenna Bommer
Mike Denzel
Lucille Durfee
Bart Dwenger
Michelle Grabowski
Xaiver Hattie (baby)
Colleen LaBell
Chuck Lambrix
Kathlene Lambrix
Ron Milligan
Amelia Pack
Marie Pawlowski
Mike Pepin
Lisa Pompa
Denise Riley
Mary Jo Sullivan
Joyce Turner

Grandson of the late Raul Robledo
Friend of Lorrie and Steve Reno
Son of Richard
Cousin of GK Richard Lambrix
Usher at O.L.O.W.
Daughter in law of Ralph
Grandson of Jim & Gloria Kraft
Grandaughter of Gerry LaBelle
Nephew of Howard
Mother of GK Richard Lambrix
Brother in Law of George Patrick
Godmother to Tony Herk
Sister of Steve Fleszar
Friend of Dave Roussey
Daughter of Jack Potestato
Relative of Bob
Cousin of Barb Lambrix, wife of DD/PGK Richard
Niece of Larry Vaught

Military Personnel

Nicholas Benyo
Daniel Watson
Nicki Tocis

In Iraq, Grandson of Roger Benyo

Daughter of Jose

**Please contact our recorder, Brother Steve Reno (734-675-1749), to request prayers for the sick or deceased.
If there are any names to be removed, please contact Steve.**

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Celebrate Faith Family Fraternity

MISSION STATEMENT of Council No. 3615, Trenton Michigan

Adopted April 10, 2006

The Msgr. John Eppenbrock Council of the Knights of Columbus is a local fraternal service organization of Catholic men dedicated:

- to nurture and protect our families and family life,
- to live and share our Catholic faith,
- to aid the needy in our council and in our community with deeds of Christian service and charity, and
- to provide educational, religious, civic, social and athletic programs, thereby promoting a spirit of unity, friendship and brotherhood.

Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother and our founder Fr. Michael McGivney, we ask the Holy Spirit to empower, strengthen, and guide us in this mission, and to lead us to life everlasting.