

THE KNIGHTLYNEWS



TRENTON, MICHIGAN

APRIL 2008



From the Grand Knight

Palm Sunday week-end we had our mini M.I. Drive. Our Council holds the big M.I. Drive in the fall on Columbus Day week-end. During Palm Sunday week-end we collected only at the churches, after the masses. This year we collected just over \$2000. Congratulations to all who volunteered their time, in today's economy, I think we did a great job. I want to thank everyone who stood outside passing out Tootsie Rolls. A special thank-you to Brothers Jack Postestato, Dave Roussey, Herb Tarnowski, Ralph Grabowski, and Tom Kasper (the M.I. Chairman). These men coordinated the effort and made the Palm Sunday M.I. Drive a success.

COMING EVENTS:

ANNUAL DAY OF THE UNBORN ROSARY SERVICE: This year because of the Easter holiday, the Rosary Service will be held on **MAR. 31 AT 7PM** at Our Lady of the Woods in Woodhaven. The 4th Degree Color Corps will be there and we will also have a service honoring the Icon of Our Lady of Charity.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Our Council's next membership drive is scheduled for the week-end of **Mar. 29-30**, at Our Lady of the Woods, after all the masses. We need to have at least 3 men at each mass to talk to prospective Knights as they are leaving. If you can help call Richard Lambrix (the Membership Chairman) at 675-3732.

MAJOR DEGREE ON APR. 12TH: **Our Council is hosting** the next Major Degree on Apr. 12th. Check-in is at 8:30am, 1st Degree starts at **9am**, **2nd and 3rd** Degree should start at 11am. We need Brother Knights to come out and show their support for the men who will be joining our Order on that day.

PALLOTTINE FATHER'S FUND RAISER: The Pallottine Father's 43rd Annual Dinner Dance is on **Apr. 11th** at the **Grecian Center**, on Toledo-Dix Rd. The doors open at **6pm** with dinner at 7pm. Our Council has once again shown its support by purchasing a table. If you are interested in attending, contact Ed Raczkowski (the Financial Secretary) at 676-0660 for seat availability.

BOWLING FOR RIGHT-TO-LIFE: Our Council has sponsored a bowling squad for the fund raiser to support the local Right-to-Life center. We are bowling at Indian Lanes in Wyandotte from **2pm to 4pm on Apr. 13th**. We still need bowlers, if you are available, call George Patrick (the Pro-Life Chairman), at 676-1560.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS: We started taking nominations of officers for the year 2008/2009 at the meeting in March. We will **take nominations in April and May** and

vote at the meeting in May. A Council cannot be successful without the active participation of its members. Please come to the next meeting, APRIL 14TH rosary at 7:30pm, meeting at 8pm, and help decide who will lead YOUR Council through the next year.

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MARCH'S MEETING RE-CAP

- We approved a motion to purchase a table to the Pallottine Father's 43rd Annual Dinner Dance Fund Raiser for \$350.
- We approved a motion to be a "Steel Sponsor" for the Right-to-Life dinner/fund raiser at the Burton Manor for \$200.
- We took nominations for officers for the year 2008/2009

CORPORATE COMMUNION

MAY 18TH at Our Lady of the Woods (**OLOW**), in Woodhaven, the **8am mass**
WHEN WE ARE AT YOUR CHURCH, PLEASE PLAN ON PRAYING WITH US

**Fraternally,
Tom Jackson, Grand Knight**

BINGO BINGO BINGO

Every THURSDAY night, except holidays . . . A FUN TIME!!
STARTS at 6:00 p.m. 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.

Hearing nuns' confessions is like being stoned to death with popcorn.

[Fulton J. Sheen](#)

From the D.D. / Membership Director



Grow the Membership!

Don't Forget! There is a **Major Degree scheduled for Saturday April 12th at Msgr. Eppenbrock Council #3615 in Trenton** with the First Degree commencing at 9:00 A.M. and the Second Degree at 10:30 A. M. This would be great time to bring that friend or family member into the Order and get his name entered into the book to be presented to our Holy Father at the end of the month of April during his visit here in the U.S. **We need brother knights to attend the exemplification** to support the candidates as they take their degrees. If it has been awhile since you have witnessed the degrees please come to the hall on the twelfth of April.

Recruitment of new members to the Order is a must, if the organization is to survive. I looked at the Form 100s submitted over the past couple of years and note that it is only a small percentage, less than 8% of current members, bringing new blood into the councils. When a man embraces the Order and follows its major principles Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism, he will become a better person and Catholic as a result. So ask that man you see regularly at Church. **All we do is in service to Our Lord and Savior** and I ask that you make an effort to recruit one man into the organization between now and June 1st to help us in our works. Recall some of what we do: protect the widow and orphan with our insurance program, help the Mentally Impaired with the MI Drive, support of seminarians through the RSVP program, Holy Cross Children's Services, promotion of the rosary and devotion to Our Blessed Virgin Mary, remember those that have gone before us with Memorial Masses, Rosary Chain and prayer services, and various other council activities for our families. Please be proud of who and what we are!

Remember in Prayer Adam Cardinal Maida family who lost his mother most recently, Most Rev. Robert Carlson's father Robert (Bob) Carlson who passed away March 5th, and also our State Advocate Michael Malinowski as he recovers from cancer, and all those on our sick and distressed list. PSD Robert (Bob) Stebler 1992-94 is recovering from a heart attack, please pray for his quick and speedy recovery.

Vivat Jesus,

**Rich Lambrix PGK, DD
Membership Dir.**



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH



The Knight of the Month for the March is Dennis O'Brien. Denny just recently joined our Council but he has been very active. He has helped with the monthly newsletter and he worked with the "floor crew" to strip and re-wax the Council hall's floor. During our spaghetti fund raiser in Feb., he worked tirelessly checking in our guests and collecting the money. He has also volunteered to be a part of our Council's 1st Degree Team.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH



The Family of the Month is Tom and Nancy Kasper. Tom takes an active part in our Council, serving as the Chancellor and also taking on the responsibility of M.I. Chairman. He and Nancy attend many of the Council's events. You can find them in attendance at everything from our formal dinners to our Eucher parties and picnics.



POPE JOHN PAUL II ASSEMBLY # 2942

4th Degree Assembly News



Nominations for Assembly Officers will take place at the April 2nd meeting followed by elections of Officers at the May 7th meeting. If you are interested in running for office please contact me at the number or email address listed below.

Our Spring 2008 Membership Drive went very well with 10 new Sir Knights joining our Assembly.

SK Rev. Fr. James Kean
 SK Justin Butkowski
 SK Steven Butkowski
 Sk Michael Fernandez
 SK Steve Isham
 SK David Jaskula
 SK Frank Jaskula
 SK David Roussey
 SK Salvatore DiStefano
 SK Douglas Van Why

Fr. John Farrell Council 7918
 All Saints Council 4872
 All Saints Council 4872
 All Saints Council 4872
 Msgr. Champion Council 2819
 Riverview Council 13980
 Riverview Council 13980
 Msgr. Eppenbrock Council 3615
 All Saints Council 4872
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Congratulations and welcome to these new members, as well as our recent transfers from Riverview, SK's Donald Smith, Mark Lauer, and Edward Wesolowicz. The entire Assembly would like to thank All Saints Council and Lounge for their sponsorship of our hospitality rooms. It is greatly appreciated. The fall Exemplification is scheduled for Saturday September 20th, 2008.

As always, I would like to remind everyone that our Assembly hosts Euchre every Monday night and Pinochle on the third Saturday of every month. Both start at 7PM sharp in the All Saints Lounge. Please support us by participating or volunteering to work at these events.

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.

GOD BLESS AMERICA
Bill Downing F.N. / PGK
313-291-6544
downing53@sbcglobal.net



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.

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| 04-01 | William Hebert | 04-10 | Mario Amore |
| | Donald Malloy | | Nelson Roberts Sr. |
| 04-02 | Casto Jimenez | 04-11 | Ed Umin |
| 04-04 | Walter Reaume | 04-23 | Edmund Quirk |
| | Larry Vaught | 04-25 | Frank Gogola |
| 04-05 | David Howarth | | Nathan Neubecker |
| 04-06 | Charles Valiquette | 04-26 | Daniel Whaley |
| | Richard Lambrix | 04-27 | John Helmling, Jr. |
| 04-07 | John Zelasko | 04-29 | Rick Wykle |
| 04-09 | Kenneth LaForet, Sr. | | |
| | William Taurence | | |

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**.

Calling all Brothers in Christ! **Put Out into the Deep VI- MENS CONFERENCE**

The Archdiocese of Detroit is hosting their 6th annual Men's Conference at University of Detroit-Mercy Calihan Hall on Saturday April 12, 2008. **"Put Out Into The Deep VI"** is an all-day event and is the perfect renewal experience for men of all ages. This event is a wonderful way to connect with the faith we share and gain a deeper understanding of what makes us unique as followers of Christ. Doors open at 7:00pm. Welcome at 8:00am. Box lunch will be provided. Six dynamic speakers will offer their testimonies to the power of the Call of the Holy Spirit. A youth breakout session with Fr. Timothy Whalen will be available for those interested. Confessions will be available throughout the day. Eucharistic Celebration at 2:30pm; homilist Bishop Daniel Flores. Day ends at 4:00pm. If interested, please contact Bill Temple 675-0568.

Thoughts from your Insurance Agent

Buying life insurance is something that's easy to put off until tomorrow. And if your life is as busy as mine, tomorrow can easily become next week, next month, or even next year. I'd like to make a personal plea that you not make that mistake. Make an appointment to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus agent. I'll work with you to put a plan in place that will help your family when that help is most needed.

We all know someone whose health, instantly and seemingly out-of-the-blue, changes. You may think this can't happen to you. Think again. And keep in mind that no one will ring a bell warning you that your health is about to change. Medical technology has turned many diseases previously termed "death sentences" into very treatable conditions. What medical advances haven't changed, however, is that being diagnosed with one of these diseases will dramatically affect your ability to purchase life insurance coverage. Don't wait until it's too late. Call me today.

Your Knights of Columbus insurance program is second to none and represents a safety net for Catholic families that's unsurpassed, and we're proud of that. We're also concerned because there are more than 1 million Knights of Columbus members who have no life insurance with us. I suspect that, for many of those 1 million members, tomorrow has become next week, next month or next year. Don't be one of them. Don't wait for the bell to ring. It isn't going to.



25-March-2008 -- Catholic News Agency

Knight of Columbus Head Writes Guide for Changing Culture

CNA STAFF, Mar 25, 2008 (CNA).- A new book by the head of the Knights of Columbus explores the themes the Pope is likely to address in his April visit to the United States and provides a practical guide for Catholics to change the culture for the good.

The book "A Civilization of Love: What Every Catholic Can Do to Transform the World" was written by Carl Anderson, who since 2000 has been the Supreme Knight of the 1.7 million-member Knights of Columbus. Anderson is also a member of three pontifical councils, a consultant to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, and a trustee of the Catholic University of America. He was also one of the three delegates sent by President Bush to represent the United States at the opening Mass of Pope Benedict's pontificate in 2005.

"A Civilization of Love" applies Catholic values to prominent issues such as immigration, business ethics, globalization, abortion, and the role of the family.

"This book is about the power of faith to transform culture," said Anderson. "To truly be effective, cultural change must transcend politics and begin with the way that each of us lives out our faith each day."

The star of the movie "Bella," Eduardo Verastegui, has endorsed the book, calling it "one of those books I will refer back to for years." He said he loved the book's "common sense principle" that "living out our faith is the best road map to a society that we can be proud of."

Verastegui said that the book would help people live their life like Jose, his character in "Bella," who helped a woman and her child in need.

"If like me, you love this country, but want to make it even better, to contribute rather than complain, then this book may be the most important book you will read this year," he said.

The book is being released on March 25.

All author proceeds from the sale of the book will be donated to Knights of Columbus Charities.

Prayers for the sick have been requested for:

Brother Knights

Bernard Bonk	Steve Fleszar	Jim Forsythe
Ralph Grabowski	Richard Horvath	Ken Laforat
PGK Howard Lambrix	John Laub	Paul Mazur
Danny Menna	Joe Olson	Walt Reaume
Jose Tocis	Bill Truzcinski	John Walters

Wives

Martha Erdman	Dorothy Gawenda	Beverly Hasselbach,
Cheri Lee Kehoe	Hellen Miller	Theresa Olson
Susan Temple		

Relatives and Friends

Andrea Baker	Friend of Richard & Janet Denzel
Evan Banas	Grandson of the late Raul Robledo
Mike Chadwick	Friend of Larry Mehrhof
Bob Czaikowski	Brother in Law of Fred Faiman
Mike Denzel	Son of Richard
Lucille Durfee	Cousin of GK Richard Lambrix
Bart Dwenger	Usher at O.L.O.W.
Michelle Grabowski	Daughter in law of Ralph
Mary Jo Griswold	Sister of Tom Kasper
Xaiver Hattie (baby)	Grandson of Jim & Gloria Kraft
Linda Hudson	Daughter in Law of Bob Foldi
Colleen LaBell	Grandaughter of Gerry LaBelle
Chuck Lambrix	Nephew of Howard
Kathlene Lambrix	Mother of GK Richard Lambrix
Maria Lambrix	Aunt of DD Richard Lambrix
Ron Milligan	Brother in Law of George Patrick
Amelia Pack	Godmother to Tony Herk
Marie Pawlowski	Sister of Steve Fleszar
Mike Pepin	Friend of Dave Roussey
Lisa Pompa	Daughter of Jack Potestato
Robert Rahle	Uncle of GK Tom Jackson
Mary Jo Sullivan	Cousin of Barb Lambrix, wife of PGK Richard
Barbara VanDelin	Friend of Larry Vaught
Jackie LeBoff	Mother of Past State Chaplain Gerard Le Boeff

Military Personnel

Nicholas Benyo	In Iraq, Grandson of Roger Benyo
Daniel Watson	
Nicki Tocis	Daughter of Jose
Michael Howarth	Brother of Dave Howarth
Kyle Keeler	In Iraq, Friend of Larry Vaught
Peter Curran	Brother Knight from Sacred Heart Council

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.

From the Pro-Life Director....

On **April 3, 2008**, the Knights of Columbus will host an annual dinner to benefit the **Right to Life of Michigan Education Fund**. The special speaker for this event will be Bishop Robert J. Carlson. Bishop Carlson currently serves as the bishop of the diocese of Saginaw. During his time in ministry, Bishop Carlson has been an ardent advocate for the culture of life and has spoken out strongly against abortion. This event is being held at the **Burton Manor in Livonia with a 6:00 p.m. social hour and dinner at 7:00 p.m.** For more information about this event, please contact George Patrick at (734) 676-1560 for further details and tickets.

St. Mary-Rockwood School invites you to:

"Enjoy An Evening Out At Greektown Casino"

Mark your calendars for 2 opportunities of an exciting evening out!

First trip Friday March, 28th and the 2nd trip scheduled Saturday April 12th.

Cost:\$30.00/trip & includes bus ride, beverages & snacks on board, plus most importantly

"AN INCREASED \$20.00 CASINO VOUCHER"

Bus departs from St. Mary's parking lot @ 6PM. Reserve Now so not to miss out!!

For tickets & additional information please contact

Jeff@ 734-782-9113 or Craig @ 734-934-6952

You may also purchase tickets from school office 379-9285

Council Officers for 2007/2008

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Chancellor	Thomas J. Kasper (Nancy)	671-6984	tnkasper@wowway.com
Recorder	Stephen B. Reno (Lorrie)	675-1749	sbreno5@yahoo.com
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	Anthony R. Herk (Doreen)	675-5443	anthonyherkassociates@netzero.net
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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
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Hall Caterer	Tim's Catering	675-3615 or 379-2300	
District Deputy	Richard J. Lambrix (Barbara)	675-3732	gkrich@wowway.com

MSGR. JOHN EPPENBROCK COUNCIL #3615
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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.