



Knights of Columbus

Council 11276

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Upcoming Events

March

- 25 2nd and 3rd Degree at St. Aloysius parish in Yoder
- 25 Day of Unborn Child.
- 29 125th Anniversary o the Knights of Columbus.

April

- 2 1st Degree at #451 Reed Road.
- 3 Business Meeting @ 7:30 PM in the basement of the Rectory.
- 15 Donuts after all masses.
- 17 Social meeting at 7:30 PM in the basement of the rectory.

May

- 1 Business Meeting @ 7:30 PM in the basement of the Rectory.
- 5 Hand in Hand day, more info to come.
- 6 Donuts after all masses.
- 9 1st Degree at #11353 St. Vencents.
- 11-12 Tootsie Roll Drive
- 15 Social meeting at 7:30 PM in the basement of the rectory.

June

- 10 Donuts after all masses.

New Members

Mark Desch
Brian Schumann

Transfers

John White

Please welcome these new members.

Our council now has over 150 members. A special thanks for those members who made our past membership drive's a success.

The spring membership blitz will be coming up.

Finance Update

Treasury Report

General fund-----	\$9,673.64
Christmas Fund-----	\$1,100.00
Trustees Fund-----	\$ 111.25
Shroud Fund-----	\$ 376.78

The Following Bills were read and referred:

50/50 Drawing	\$ 223.00
Stan Hobee	\$ 111.50
Youth Group	\$ 111.50
Valentines Dance	\$ 333.00
Ed Fox	\$2,852.00
New Council	\$ 10.00
Postage	\$ 37.95
Fish Fry	\$ 162.82
Postage	\$ 37.24
Shroud Expense	\$ 33.11
Truck Payment	\$ 200.00

Greetings Dear Brother Knights,

We just finished one of biggest fundraisers (Lenten Fish Fry) of 2007 and all of you should be proud of your efforts to make this another successful event. God blessed us with a 1600+ profit and enabled us to give the over \$500 to the St. E's youth groups. Most of the monies are designated in support of the Easy-G mission trip to West Virginia. Thanks again for all your support. I would like to also thank everyone that assisted and made the Valentines Dance a great success. The event was able to raise about \$330 and the Knights kicked in enough to be able to make a donation for \$500 to the Hope House. Great job everyone.

We are entering into one of the most exciting times of the history of the Knights of Columbus. The 125th anniversary of the Knights is March 29th. It is a celebration of a great Catholic Organization began by our founder Father Michael J. McGivney in 1882. I believe even he could not have realized what a great organization he was beginning: A world wide group of unified Catholic men that could stand up for God, our church, the down trodden and needy, and our fellow brother Knights and their families. We will be doing a post celebration with our priests after the Lenten season. So look for an upcoming announcement. Also I ask all of you to pray the rosary for Vocations on March 29th. Do it as a family! These are desperate times in our faith community. We need the spiritual leadership of our priests. So please spend at least 15- 30 minutes on March 29th praying for our priests and the young men that may have heard the calling, but have not taken that first step.

On Sunday, March 25th there are two very special things that I would like all of you to consider. Firstly, for those that are 1st degree members please consider attending the 2nd and 3rd degree ceremonies. The degrees will be held consecutively at St. Aloysius parish in Yoder. Event for attendee's starts at noon and ends around 5PM. The church and school is on Hwy 1 just a few miles south of I469 South. There is no cost for this degree! All we need you to do is contact Chris Keefer (625-6636) or myself (459-0800) to make a reservation. We need to give the hosts of this event a heads up so that they have enough food afterwards. Not only do you learn more about the Knights and our principles but you get free meal. I guarantee you will enjoy this afternoon and reaching full Knighthood. So give us a call.

Secondly, March 25th is also the Day of the Unborn; please consider praying the rosary on this day. Life is the Right Choice for all of us!

Lastly, I was just able to attend a 1st degree on March 14th and I had the privilege to welcome five new members to our council. If you run into these new brother Knights please give them a hardy welcome. (New Members: Mark Desch, Mike Durnell, Brian Schumann, Brook Schroeder, and Stephen Boretzky)

Hope to see you all at the next social meeting (March 20th) (Bring a friend) or the next Business meeting (April 3rd) at 7:30 PM in the Church Rectory Basement.

God Bless You and Your Families,
Chris Pozorski
Grand Knight

Reminders

KofC shirts and aprons are available for current and new members of our council. Contact Br. Chris Pozorski @ 260-459-0800 or lcpozorski@verizon.net to order. He will be able to give you a price and availability.

If you have anything you would like to include in the newsletter, please send it to rmccarty@verizon.net. Deadline is the Friday after the business meeting each month.

A Call to Brother Knights

During this wonderful season of Lent we are called to reflect upon our relationship with the Lord. Lent is a time of looking into one's heart and seeing how authentic our faith really is. It is a special time to reflect on the enormous love our Lord has for each of us. Spend some time observing a crucifix. The crucifix is a powerful reminder of the depth of God's love poured out to save us. What does he ask in return? He asks for our faithfulness and willingness to become disciples. He seeks our authentic love, our dedication and our willingness to follow his will.

Officers

Grand Knight- Chris Pozorski
 Chaplain – Fr. Tim
 Co Chaplin – Fr. Jim
 Co Chaplin – Fr. Bernard
 Co Chaplin – Fr. Dave
 Deputy Grand Knight- Marty Hochstetler
 Chancellor- Mike Lynch
 Recorder- Gary Jaeckle
 Warden- Greg Diss
 Treasurer- Gary Winters
 Trustee (1)- Alex Fiato
 Trustee (2)- Robbie McCarty
 Trustee (3)- Larry Wilson
 Advocate- Len Sieradski
 Inside Guard- John Trok
 Outside Guard- Chris Keefer

Comity Leads

Program Director - Marty Hochstetler
 260- 432-5187
 Church Director - Paul Habecker
 260-672-3742
 Pro Life Couple - Chris and Ellen Langford
 260-672-9063
 Council Director - Ken LeBlanc
 260-625-9035
 Family Director - Mike Cromp
 260-436-3516
 Youth Director – Robbie McCarty
 260-436-9342
 Membership Director – Chris Keefer
 260-625-6636
 Recruitment Committee-
 Craig Baker–260-396-2889
 Bob Hoppe – 260-432-5187
 Retention Chairman – Marty Hochstetler
 260- 432-5187

District Deputy – Tim Sorg
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 260-434-1526
 Financial Secretary – Chris Scheer

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<http://www.solanus.org/>

KofC State Web site:
<http://www.indianakofc.org/>

KofC Supreme WEB site:
<http://www.kofc.org/un/index.cfm>

Redeemer Radio Information
 WLYV, 1450-AM
<http://www.redeemerradio.com>

Brother Knights, we are called to serve the Lord through his Holy Church. There is much to do. We need to pray for those who do not yet know Jesus Christ. We are also called to put our faith into action by rolling up our sleeves and working to help the poor and needy. We are called to comfort the widow and be there for others in need. It is what the Knights of Columbus are all about. As we offer up our prayers this Lent, let us also remember to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our Holy Church needs new workers to carry on the work of the Church. May God bless each of you during this season of Lent. May we draw closer to his side and seek to carry out his will in our daily lives.

Fr. Jim Shafer, Pastor

Comity Reports:**Church—Br. Paul Habecker**

Jim Kitchens discussed the St. Vincent DePaul food pantry and the Knights volunteered to help out as needed.

The needs to assist Catholics in the Covington Meadows Nursing Home was also a topic of discussion. It was learned that there are 29 Catholics who could benefit from Rosary services, Bingo and conversations.

Youth - Br. Robbie McCarty

Thanks to all the knights that helped pass out the food bags last weekend.

ProLife - Br. Chris Langford

- 1.The proposal to buy flowers to be sold after mass and in front of the Statue of Mary.
- 2.Newsletter about the Right to Life group.
- 3.Extra Pancake dinner with proceeds given to Pro Life.
- 4.Give to the baby shower and the Hope Center.
- 5.Donate to the Allen County Right to Life collection for diapers.
- 6.Greg Diss talked about Project Gabriel a program to support women in trouble and handed out bumper stickers.

Membership - Br. Chris Keefer

The Knights of Columbus would like to wear their green shirts and bring up the gifts during church services. Father Jim concurred but wanted to make certain that they had received usher training before hand.

Please look at the list of comities to the left and if you see something that looks interesting please contact the lead person or the Program Director. Your help is greatly needed.