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Pete Wyzykowski

Message From Our Grand Knight

Spring...one of my favorite times. I am always ready for it to get here. The hope...the nice weather... shorts and no coats. . .

I'm sure I'm not the only one to be happy to see spring; but have you thought about why that is? Is it the hope for a better life---or for the opportunity to eat candy again after Lent? Is it the rebirth of our faith after the work we have done during Lent?

I have two thoughts for you this month. The first: to make a list of all the things **you** are thankful for:

- Spring breezes
- Grandkids
- Open windows
- Birds chirping
- Beautiful Flowers
- Robins and fishing worms
- Yard work
- Fellow Knights and friends

And to ask you to search for beauty, not just in the new spring growth, but in the things not as beautiful as well:

- Seeing hope in bare soil
- _____
- _____
- _____
- Finding a spark of happiness in sorrow
- _____
- _____
- _____

(This is the harder list for me)

As you know by now, my wife loves to read. She has told me about a recent article in Guidepost magazine entitled *Caring for Spring* by Sue Monk Kidd that says "God has placed a fragile, searching quality in each of us. . ." and that "If (we) look for beauty in unexpected places, (we) will surely find it."

So let's get going --- LOOK! --- God's beauty is everywhere!!

Fraternally,
Peter J. Wyzykowski, Grand Knight

April Birthdays

01	Richard Wanta
01	Thomas Landrigan
02	Shelby Douglas
03	Anthony Meffert
03	Reverend Maurice Tiell
04	Donald Mott
04	John Barnett
07	Jeffrey Poston
08	Jim Mullen
09	Reverend Ken Mikulcik
15	Robert Panchyshyn
18	Reverend Philip Waters
18	James Schaeffer
20	Charles "Matthew" Keyser
21	Ray Blankenship
21	Paul Schnoes
25	John Beeckler
25	Galen Smith Sr.
25	Richard Skinner
27	Daniel Klein
29	Scott Lewis

April Mass Readings

Sunday, April 5 (Palm Sunday)

First Reading	Isaiah 50:4-7
Second Reading	Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel	Mark 14:1--15:47

Thursday, April 9 (Holy Thursday)

First Reading	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
Second Reading	First Corinthians 11:23-26
Gospel	John 13:1-15

Friday, April 10 (Good Friday)*

First Reading	Isaiah 52:13--53:12
Second Reading	Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Gospel	John 18:1--19:42

Sunday, April 12

First Reading	Acts 10:34, 37-43
Second Reading	Colossians 3:1-4 or First Corinthians 5:6-8
Gospel	John 20:1-9

Sunday, April 19

First Reading	Acts 4:32-35
Second Reading	First John 5:1-6
Gospel	John 20:19-31

Sunday, April 26

First Reading	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Second Reading	First John 2:1-5
Gospel	Luke 24:35-48

* Day of Fast and Abstinence

April Anniversaries

01	Merile & Carol O'Bryan
01	Pat & Ruth Mysinger
08	Malcom & Janet Turley
10	James & Helen Bailey
11	Shelby & Joan Douglas
13	John & Kathy Villarreal
18	Calvin & Lois Oshefsky
18	Michael & Darlene Fuqua
23	Calvin & Carlene Witucki
25	Galen Sr. & Pat Smith
26	Jonathon & Renea Estes
27	Joseph & Melissa Meyer
29	Chris & Jennifer Vowels
30	Robert & Dolores Rudzinski

Important Dates

April 2009

03	First Friday
05	Palm Sunday
07	Officers Meeting
07	Charity Committee Meeting
12	Easter Sunday
14	Council Meeting
16	Fourth Degree
20	May Newsletter articles due
28	Columbus Club

May 2009

01	First Friday
05	Officers Meeting
05	Charity Committee Meeting
10	Mother's Day
12	Council Meeting
21	Fourth Degree
20	June Newsletter articles due
25	Memorial Day
26	Columbus Club

June 2009

02	Officers Meeting
02	Charity Committee Meeting
05	First Friday
09	Council Meeting
18	Fourth Degree
19	June Newsletter articles due
23	Columbus Club

Bingo is every Monday night at 5:00 p.m.

In Memorium

Michael "Mike" Osboe, 69, of Bowling Green died March 21, 2009 at Hospice of Southern Kentucky.

The Forest City, Iowa, native was born Dec. 9, 1939. He was a salesman, a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church, a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University and attended the University of Kentucky Law School. He was an Army veteran and a member of 4th Degree Knights of Columbus. He loved golf and was a member of Indian Hills Country Club. He was a great husband and dad. He was a son of the late Robert J. Osboe and Helen Jensen Osboe.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 2232 Smallhouse Road, Bowling Green, KY 42104. Online condolences may be made at www.jckirbyandson.com.

Survivors include his wife of 43 years, Sandy E. Osboe; two sons, Christian and Jason Osboe, both of Bowling Green; a daughter, Chele Gillon and her husband, Scott, of Glasgow; a brother, R.J. Osboe and his wife, Sharon, of Phoenix; an aunt, Bonnie Nichols of Parkersburg, West Virginia.; and several nieces and nephews.

Family of the Month

VIC AND MARTI BILLHARTZ

Vic and Marti are both from Illinois having moved to Bowling Green in 1981 with the Corvette plant. Now Vic is retired and Marti has been employed by Sears for the last 17 years.

Vic joined Bowling Green Council 1315 in 1988 and has worked hard since that time on numerous Council projects. He is a natural born leader and displays an extra strong mental and physical capacity on every assigned project to see that they are successfully completed.

Vic has served as both the outside guard and the inside guard for the 3rd degree. He is also a member of the 4th degree. He has worked on and participated in nearly every project that this Council has ever conceived including Bingo, Adopt a Highway, Blood Drives, Chicken Dinner for the Sanctity of Life (Marti also), Christmas Baskets, attended Corporate Communion (Marti also), Lenten Fish Fry's (Marti also), helped in the building and cleanup of our outdoor Pavilion, Tootsie Roll Drives, Family Picnics, helped cook for our Christmas Parties, Friday Night Socials, helped decorate the Hall for New Years Eve Parties (Marti also), and Sweetheart Dinner Dances, attends 4th Degree monthly meetings (Marti also), Flag Day Ceremonies and Funerals, Eucharistic Minister at Mass (Marti also), Eucharistic to the Sick, Usher, helped construct and paint our Nativity Scenes Project for the last several years, and has been Chairman of our NFL Sweepstakes Tickets for the last 4 years.

Vic and Marti have been members of Holy Spirit Parish since 1981. Marti is a member of Holy Spirit Parish Council. Vic has cooked at Holy Spirit Parish picnics for the last 6 years.

Vic and Marti were married at St. Augustine Church in Breeze, IL on February 4, 1969, over 40 years ago. They have 3 children: Nikki-38, Eric-37 and Carri-30, and 5 grandchildren.

Congratulations to the Family of the Month

Vic and Marti Billhartz



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March Membership Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2009 General Membership Meeting

Prior to the regular meeting Jan Lang Principal of St. Joseph school spoke to the members about the school and thanked us for our financial support. She indicated that the school is \$22,000 over budget in scholarships this year and asked that we consider providing support for the scholarship fund.

The regular meeting of the Knights of Columbus was called to order by Grand Knight Pete Wyzykowski at 7:10 p.m. There was an opening prayer, roll call of the officers and minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Grand Knight's Report

- Thank you letters were acknowledged.
- Holy Spirit thank you notes were passed out.
- A letter from the Supreme Secretary regarding the Culture of Life Fund was read.
- A letter from Supreme Knight Carl Anderson regarding a Food for Families program was read.
- The state convention will be held in Louisville on May 15, 16 and 17.
- Three of our members passed away last month, please keep them in your prayers.

Treasurer's Report - Bob Williams was absent so Jim Signorello gave the report.

Financial Secretary's Report - 321 members on February 28, 2009 61 members have outstanding dues Insurance Agent Dan Turnwald was introduced.

Chaplain's Report - Father Stan challenged us to support the school. Father Jerry thanked us for what we do.

Auditor's Report - All checks and vouchers have been approved.

Committee Reports

Family of the Month for March is Vic and Marty Billhartz.

Pro Life - Tom Parrott reported the Sanctity of Life Chicken Dinner took in \$2,442.75 expenses were \$835.93 and income was \$1,606.82. Members that worked on the event were thanked.

Community - Del Hayden reported that there will be a blood drive here at the hall tomorrow March 11th. There will also be an Adopt-a-Highway pickup on March 25th. Meet here at the hall at 8:00 that morning.

Bingo - last night went well. We still need more workers.

Fish Fry - the 1st week we sold 382 meals and deposited \$2,300. The second week we sold 494 meals and deposited \$2,800. We have had a good turn out of workers. Everyone that helped was thanked.

Chuck Glaser reported that there will be a round table of the parishes tomorrow, a penitential service and a meal. He also reported that the fish fry normally makes about 50% on the meals. The cat fish is the most expensive item. We need to watch the portion sizes.

District Deputy's Report - We have three drivers for the Soap Box Derby. The next 2nd and 3rd ceremony will be held in Frankfort.

4th Degree Report - Watch for an article in the Knightly News. Next week 4th degree will have a Vocations Dinner. If you are a member of 4th degree please try to attend.

Fun Night - There was Valentine dance for the handicapped recently and it went well. The next event will be in April.

Dan Turnwald Insurance Agent gave a presentation. He reported that The insurance program is in better financial condition than it was a year ago. A good way to donate to your parish would be to buy a life insurance policy and make the parish your beneficiary. They also have a church loan program.

Currently Knights of Columbus have \$70 billion in life insurance. They have programs that are paying dividends that are over 7%.

Old Business

There was a second reading motion to investigate the expansion of our building. The motion was seconded

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March Membership Meeting Minutes (Continued)

and results of a verbal vote could not be determined so a paper ballot was passed out. There were 21 yes votes and 29 no votes so the motion did not pass.

There was a motion to reinstate the membership of Joseph Reneer. It was 2nd and passed.

New Business

There was a first reading to donate \$325 which is half the hall rental for CASA.

It was reported that a \$200 donation to St Vincent DePaul was approved. The actual cost turned out to be \$147.

The cooks were thanked.

Matt Keyser reported that Gasper River is looking for people to volunteer some time to work at the camp. Call them if you can help.

Good of the Order

Please pray for the sick and distressed. Several cards were available for members to sign.

There was a closing prayer and the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

"Sanctity of Life Chicken Dinner" - Final Report

The final report on our "Sanctity of Life Chicken Dinner" of January 18, 2009, is as follows: net proceeds after expenses is \$1606.80. Barren River Right to Life, Pregnancy Support Center, and Rachel's Vineyard (a ministry of the Fathers of Mercy) each received a check for \$535.60.

On behalf of Barren River Right to Life, The Fathers of Mercy, and the Pregnancy Support Center, I want to thank the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring the Dinner every year. Proceeds will be used to save the lives of unborn babies through our prayers and actions, and through BRRL's educational outreach and sign program. The next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat given by the Fathers of Mercy for post abortive women and men is on Divine Mercy weekend - April 17 through April 19, 2009.

Fraternally,

Tom Parrott

Co-chairman for the Chicken Dinner and
President, Barren River Right to Life

A Neighbor's Helping Hand: Volunteerism and America's Economic Recovery

<http://kofc.org/un/eb/en/volunteers/neighbor.html>

With the philanthropic giving index down 22 percent, and the economic crisis affecting nonprofit organizations nationwide, Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, on Jan. 23 called for a summit of charitable and volunteer organizations to be held in New York City next month.

In a speech at Fairfield University, Anderson invited the nation's top charitable and volunteer organizations to attend a summit on Feb. 27 on volunteerism and the charitable response to the economic crisis.

The summit will be sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Fairfield University Center for Faith and Public Life.

Anderson encouraged charitable organizations to work together with the new administration to emphasize and create opportunities for volunteers, especially at a time when financial donations to charity are decreasing.

Speaking just days after the Jan. 19 National Day of Service, Mr. Anderson also called for Americans to take the spirit of that day forward and to make 2009 "the year of the volunteer."

"Government and charities must work together for the good of our country, and in difficult economic times, that means creating opportunities for Americans to give of their time and talent, as well as their treasure," said Anderson. "People may be unable to donate \$50 or \$100 dollars to charity, but everyone can certainly spend an extra hour a week – that's less than 10 minutes a day – doing something for the good of his or her neighbor."

Nondenominational Prayer Service

at Planned Parenthood in Nashville, Tennessee

Planned dates for 2009 are

March 7, May 2, July 4, September 4, and November 7.

All are invited to Mass at 8:00 a.m. at Fathers of Mercy new chapel in South Union. Caravan or take I-65 South through downtown Nashville, taking the W-40/I-65 South highway split. Then take Exit 208, which is Charlotte Avenue. Make a right turn and go about six blocks to D.B. Todd Avenue. Planned Parenthood of Middle and Eastern Tennessee is the second building on the right.

Our long term goal is to shut down Planned Parenthood through our prayers, sacrifice and public witness. However, we do need many more prayer warriors to join us. Five Planned Parenthoods all over the country have been driven out of business this past year because of prayer.

Please join us as we pray to end the holocaust of abortion on demand.

4th Degree News

The 4th Degree Slate of Officers for July 2009-2010 has been assembled:

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| • Faithful Navigator.....William Liscomb | • Admiral Robert Graham |
| • Captain.....Paul McGavick | • Trustee -1 Year. James Bailey |
| • Pilot.....Allen Freeland | • Trustee -2 Year. John Knepler |
| • ComptrollerDavid Chandler | • Trustee -3 Year. Gabriel Cabrall |
| • Scribe.....Robert Jernejcic | • Friar Rev. Brian Johnson
(By Appointment) |
| • PurserWilliam Siebold | |
| • SentinelsKenneth Baushke
John Muller | |

Nomination Committee:

James Bailey, Chairman

Robert Lastufka, Co-Chairman

Nominations will be read at the regular meeting, May 21, 2009.

Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the election to be held at the regular meeting, June 18, 2009 during the picnic at the Frs. Of Mercy.

Election Procedure:

Each office & nominees' name shall be read followed by "Are there any other nominations" three times. If there are other nominations, the Sentinels and Nomination Committee Co-Chairman shall pass out ballots for voting. They will also tally the votes and report the results to the Chairman.

If there are no other nominees, the Chairman shall ask the recorder to cast one unanimous vote for the single nominee.

This procedure will be followed for each office with exception of Fr. Brian Johnson, who has accepted the reappointment as the Faithful Friar.

The Chalice Ceremony will be held at the regular meeting April 16, 2009. During this ceremony, chalices will be blessed and dedicated to John Becker, William Metzger and Francis Tully. A check will be also be presented to Mrs. Stephanie West in memory of Dr. Harold West. This check will be used for a chalice for Holy Spirit Parkside Church.

Insurance News

One of Five in North America to Receive Highest Ratings

Knights of Columbus Insurance provides stability amidst economic difficulties. For more than 126 years, the Knights of Columbus has offered its members financial stability through conservative portfolios of life insurance, long-term care insurance and annuity products. Since its founding in 1882, the Order's primary mission has been to protect families against the financial ruin caused by the death of a family's provider.

According to a 2008 Standard & Poor's rating report, "The Knights of Columbus insurance program has a stable outlook. Its capitalization is expected to remain extremely strong, and liquidity is expected to remain extremely strong."

The Knights also received an A.M. Best Company rating of A++ (Superior) for the 33rd consecutive year. The Knights of Columbus is one of only five insurance providers in North America to receive the highest ratings from both Standard & Poor's and A.M. Best, as well as certification from the Insurance Marketplace Standards Association (IMSA) for ethical business practices.

For consumers, best practices include doing your research and working with those you trust. If you want a stable and secure insurance company to provide for your family's future, you have found it with the Knights of Columbus.

If you would like to rollover 401K's or IRA's you may have with another company, to the Knights of Columbus, please contact your local field agent, or my office at 859-331-0249.

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HELP WANTED

The BINGO Program is in desperate need of Occasional Substitute Workers. 100% of our Charity comes from BINGO and we need your help. If you are able to work 2 or 3 times a year on an EMERGENCY basis please drop me an email or give me a call. This is an important request and do ask that you give us a hand. Thanks and God Bless.

Pete Buser, Pete1040@bellsouth.net, 270-202-5087

A CALL TO ACTION!!

Are any of us Knights doing anything more important on the first Saturday of every other month than praying to save the life of an innocent child?

Go with us one time and invite a friend to attend 8AM Mass at the Fathers of Mercy beautiful Chapel at South Union, then on to the killing mill in Nashville to pray for the closure of the abortion mill.

What could be more important than praying together for one hour to prevent the murder of an unborn child who cannot protect itself? The Lord will hold us accountable one day and what will your excuse be when he asks you this question?

Tony Meffert



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