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# Council #4188 Meetings

First Monday of every Month 7:00 PM Building Association 7:30 PM Officers Second Monday of every Month 7:30 PM General Council business,

open to all brothers. The 5th Sunday of any Month (4/year) Corporate Communion @ GA

Annual officers elections—June meeting

New Council website -> clawsonkofc.org

# **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

Dear Brother Knights:



The months of March and April have been busy! We would not be able to do the things we do without the help, support, participation and dedication of our members. Our Council can only be as strong as the volunteers we have, and it's important to recognize those who go that extra mile to provide exceptional service. With this in mind, I want to congratulate Don Rogowski and Greg Nadlicki for being named Knights of the Month for March and April. Don recently assumed the position of Treasurer of the weekly Bingo fundraiser and Greg, our new Webmaster, has done a great job recreating and maintaining our Council website. If you haven't had a chance to check it out yet, the new web address is: www.clawsonkofc.org.

Thanks, Brothers, for a job well done!

Just a few quick notes about March and April.....we held a successful MI Tootsie Roll Drive March 22 - 24, with proceeds going to help the mentally impaired. The Fish Fries, which are always a big hit, brought in a very respectable profit, which we've donated to the Oakland County Autism Society. Our Council hosted the April 7<sup>th</sup> Major Degree, which brought us three new members who earned all three degrees, and three members who had previously earned their first degree completed their second and third degrees. Please join me in congratulating and welcoming our newest Knights! We recently had a clean-up day at the hall and I want to extend a huge thank you to the following brothers for showing up to help: John Avery, John Napolitano, Don Rogowski, Phil North, Mike (and Julie) Poteracki, Tom Boucher, and myself. I also want to send a great big thank you to Jan Avery who made chili to feed the workers ~ it was excellent and very much appreciated!!!

I am so proud of the members of Council 4188 and I'm grateful for all the help you've given during these events. We do have one area where your help is especially needed at this time and I'd like to ask you to seriously consider taking on a new role within our Council. We need members to become active on the Building Association. The Treasure has stepped down and there is another opening for the Vice President position on the board. The Building Association meets once a month on the first Monday of the month (unless it is a holiday) at 7:00 pm.

Nominations for Council Officers will begin in May, and elections will take place at the June Regular Meeting. The service year for these positions begins in July. Self-nomination is accepted. If interested, please let me know which position you'd like to run for. I'm hoping to have a list of open positions at the May meeting.

Please pay attention to your e-mails so you don't miss important Council news!

We've gotten a lot done ~ let's keep the momentum going!!!

In Brotherhood, GK John R

# **BUILDING ASSOCIATION REPORT**

First, I would like to offer a HUGE thank you to Brother Ray Debold for his many years of service to the Building Association. Ray has devoted countless hours, weeks and years toward keeping the building finances in order, and he has finally decided that it is time to retire as Treasurer of the Building Association. Many of us have seen Ray's dedication and work ethic not only to the Building Association, but to Council functions and his family as well. Until a successor is chosen, I will assume Ray's Treasurer's duties, and will keep the books up to date. If any member, with financial and/or building management knowledge, has interest in the vacant Treasurer's position, please contact me.

Also, by the time you read this newsletter, several volunteers will have spent a Saturday doing some much-needed spring cleaning inside the building. Thank you to all of those who gave of their time. In the future, I will try to organize a day to clean and repaint the kitchen. It is long overdue and badly needed!

Finally, I will try to include more information in this section about the building so that all members of our council, who by definition are also members of the Building Association, are more informed about the state of this association.

John Avery, Building Association President

# **In Memorium**

Please pray for the souls of our departed brothers and the loved ones they left behind:

# In Prayers

Please keep our brothers and their families who are ill or otherwise in need, in your prayers.

Nicholas Reeser Ben Fairless

# Ever miss a council event?

Brothers, there are various lists that contain the contact information of our nearly 300 council members which are outdated, incomplete, and archaically manual. Checking, editing, and sorting through them by hand is nearly an impossible task. We are preparing to compile a new electronic filing system, and require your current contact information.

PLEASE send your name, full address, phone #, and most importantly your email address to <a href="mailto:rrzielin@gmail.com">rrzielin@gmail.com</a>, leave a note in the council mailbox, or call me directly at 248-435-5311. Also, please specify your preference for newsletter format delivery —> Email, paper postal mail, or both?

Currently, our Log newsletter is prepared and postal mailed every other month. We understand not all members have access to a computer so we will continue to mail them; however, please realize that some of the paper copy news can be up to 60 days old when you receive it. Please join our electronically based effort to help provide you with prompt and current council news which is either emailed or posted to our website on a regular basis. The more copies we can deliver electronically, the more savings for our council in printing, assembly and postal costs.

Remember - There are always extra copies of our newsletter in the council club room bar or it is posted on our website.

Thank You, Brother Rich

# Dave Parker's Insurance Corner

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I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades is because we remain steadfastly committed to the vision of Father Michael J. McGivney by providing life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights.

That commitment is an essential core value of the Knights of Columbus, and our core values permeate all levels of our organization. These principles for marketing are summed up by our Golden Rule: "In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself."

Let's talk soon to discuss how our products can bring that peace of mind to you and your family.

To schedule a time to meet you can reach me at <a href="mailto:dave.parker@kofc.org">dave.parker@kofc.org</a> or 586-755-7594.

# **Major Degrees**

Thanks to everyone who came out to support the Major Degree held on Sunday, April 7, 2013, the day was a huge success, from set up, to tear down. There were a total of 35 candidates from various councils who received their 2nd and 3rd degrees, and of those, 13 were new members, receiving all 3 Degrees.

Congratulations to all. This is truly what being a Knight is all about. Unity and friendship working hand in hand to have a successful event. Thank you, again, to everyone who shared in this wonderful day.

GK John

# **Welcome Our New Fellow Knights**



Left to Right Russ Ortisi, Seth Paul, Tom Reed, Dale Pape, Randy Maddock and Paul Walby.

Congratulations to our new brother Knights: Randy Maddock, Dale Pape, and Tom Reed, on receiving all three of their degrees; and to Russ Ortisi, Seth Paul, and Paul Walby, on receiving their 2nd and 3rd Degrees.

# **Council ProLife News**

Join us to celebrate the closing of the abortion mill at 27549 Six Mile Road in Livonia. This event will be on site, Saturday, May 11th at 2:00 pm. Please come and meet nationally known pro-life activists followed by refreshments at Sacred Heart Byzantine Church.

On May 30, Thursday evening, see and hear Scott Klusendorf (CEO of Life Training Institute) at the MAUBC (Mother and Unborn Children) Spring Dinner. Scott's main goal is to teach young people how to defend LIFE in a secular culture. The dinner will be held at 6pm in the Farmington Hills Manor. Sponsor young students at \$25. Adults \$50.

On the following day, Scott will teach tactics on how to defend life. This free session will be presented at Our Lady of God Counsel Parish, 9 - 11 am Friday, May 31st and is open to all.

For more information call Joan or George Cooney at 248-288-6318.

# **Bits and Pieces**

- > Remember, August is the month of our Council Picnic!
- > Our new website is Awesome and getting better every month. Give it a look—> www.clawsonkofc.org.
- > USA has more gold bullion in its possession than any country in the World... by a considerable margin, but it's now mostly owned by other countries!
- > Homeland Security has ordered so much military equipment recently, many guns and ammunitions for the public are much more expensive and increasingly hard to find.
- >New light bulb science... New FIPEL light bulbs will be available next year. No hum or sharp color! They are not a environmental hazard as are the cooler temperature Chinese CFL screw bulbs. ...Popular Science
- > Jokes about German Sausage are the wurst!
- > The blended motor oils of Today hold their lubrication qualities at least 7500 miles. ... Motorcraft Spec.
- > The 4th of July is on Thursday this year.

# **Updates** /Details on current events



Our March 22-24 Council **Tootsie Roll Drive** for the Mentally Impaired. Thanks goes to our 25 Brothers who came out to help with the 3 day MI Drive. We raised a little over \$4,000, which will be donated to various charities. See our website for the list of our commended volunteers.



Our Breakfast Club continues to serve the 2nd Sunday mornings till Noon. Come out for Mother's Day Breakfast. Our Fish Fry Buffet Dinners were another huge success this season. They are complete for the season, and will once again greatly help the Autism Society.



A **Night on the Council** for K/C Brothers and their families is scheduled for June 1 (6 PM). Bring a dish and join in our council sponsored fun for members, new and old. Main dish food items will be provided.



YOU COULD Council Meeting Attendance-50/50 Drawings, (all members included). These following members lost money, by not being present: J Pachla, R Parzych, R Varto, K Cleary, and E Sanocki. Our next general meeting 5/14 drawing winner could win over \$125, if they are present!



Saturday 4/27- About 36 of our brothers and spouses attended the Guardian Angels "Children in Bloom" Auction / Dinner held at the Polish Cultural Center in Troy. All had a fun time at this well-organized event benefitting the GA Parish Education program.



The 15th Clawson, "Down on Main" Car Show is August 10

The 19th Woodward Dream Cruise is August 17.



First Day of Summer - Friday, June 21



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	Mon	Memorial Day Joseph Reitman B'Day 56yrs/srv	Robert Skubic B'Day 58yrs/srv 7 pm Building Assoc. 7:30 pm Officer's Mta	7:30 pm General Business Council Mtg	Stephen Pulis B'Day 4yrs/srv	24 John Slowik B'Day 40yrs/sry	7 pm Building Assoc. 7:30 pm Officer's Mtg
	Sun	26	2	9 William Zak B'Day_ 27yrs/srv	16 Father's Day	23	30 Paul Adamczyk B'Day 30yrs/srv 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Clawson Freedom Run



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