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Grand Knight's Message

Greetings Brother Knights,

April is a busy time for us so let's get started. The weekend of April 3 -5 is that special time where people of goodwill don their aprons, grab their canisters and head out to help God's favorite children. It's important that the approved locations are covered at all times for our MI Drive. We only ask 1-2 hours of your time. If you are in the area, please step up and do your job. Phone Tom Kendziorski at 248-816-1900 to reserve your time or just stop by the Legion.

I want to be sure that the brothers who are active in our council have their 2009 membership card so they will be able to participate in all K of C

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Membership Meeting

Every 4th Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

New Members

Welcome and Congratulations!

Gary E. Booms

First Degree on January 29

2nd & 3rd Degrees on March 1

Dr. Edward Jelonek

Everett Meggitt

Frank Xavier O'Brien

David A. Olivier

First Degree on February 26

Knight of the Month

DGK Daniel Remeika

Chaplain's Corner



Rev. Lawrence Ventline

Officers 2008 - 2009

District Deputy	Richard Tschirhart
Grand Knight	Tom Kennedy
Deputy GK	Daniel Remeika
Chancellor	Robert Dyer
Financial Secretary	Mark Baker
Recorder	Mark J. Hornbacher
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Trustee 1 year	Jerry Scanlon
Trustee 2 yr	Mark H Hornbacher
Trustee 3 year	Tom Boal
Advocate	Tom Kendziorski
Inside Guard	Tom Siterlet
Outside Guards	Jim Hendy Don Cushing
Chaplain	Rev. Lawrence Ventline

Pope Benedict met with Retrouvaille (Rediscovery) recently, praising the peer ministry of married couples in saving their own and other marriages world wide. From "How to Save The Most Distressed Marriages" by Michael McManus:

Ten years ago Rita was so disgusted with Tony that she filed for divorce. Then she witnessed the impact her decision had on her daughters - who were devastated. About that time she heard of a weekend retreat called Retrouvaille. She and Tony attended the Christian peer ministry created to save marriages. "We did not know what to expect," she recently told couples and clergy in Macomb County, a Detroit suburb.

As the weekend unfolded, the presenting couples shared personal experiences about problems they

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activities outside of the friendly confines of our council. Please do not allow financial difficulties to stand in your way. Our council has a tradition of helping those brothers who help others. Contact me at 248-614-0001; FS Mark Baker and I will make the necessary arrangements. This offer is limited to "active" members.

I was just informed that the 2009 Knights of Columbus Council / District Soccer Challenge Competition will be held Saturday, April 25, 10:00 a.m. – noon at Shrine High School Field, 3500 West 13 Mile, Royal Oak. All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 years old are invited to attend. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. I have the necessary forms. You are also invited to come out and help. I did last year and had a lot of fun.

I have another special request for help at the St. Mary School Auction on Saturday evening, May 2nd at the Polish – American Club. We will participate again as bid watchers. This is a most rewarding and enjoyable project as dinner is provided as well as a night on "The Bishop" at the Legion. Call me to sign up. This should be a fun night.

Now to address a brother (or two) who is wasting his membership by contributing absolutely nothing and at the same time complains that there's not enough to do around the council. My above laundry list certainly flies in the face of such nonsense. My charge to all new members is to dive into the current activities as well as to implement projects of their own that we can support. The old adage still applies – lead, follow or get out of the way.

The Tigers are opening on Good Friday afternoon? I shall not support their efforts on that day.

May you have a Blessed Easter, peace and good health.

Vivat Jesus!

**Tom Kennedy
Grand Knight**

**Columbus Building
Association CY 2009**

- President** Ron O'Connor PGK
- Vice President** Mark Baker FS
- Recorder** Gary Schultz PGK
- Treasurer** Tom Kennedy GK
- Members** Tom Boal; Joe Bittner; Tony Bittner; Tom Kendziorski; Tom Siterlet; Robert Dyer; Mark H. Hornbacher; James Kiles; Dan Remeika, PGK,FDD
- Grand Knight** Tom Kennedy

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once had in their marriages, and how they were overcome." Tony added, "We found we were not alone in having a struggling marriage. We began to see hope. The couples were so honest and caring; it was good for all of us."

They not only saved their marriage, but were also inspired to become a presenting couple. "It was an opportunity to continue healing our own marriage, and to help save the marriages of other couples. Our personal struggle involved a great deal of forgiveness and love. We learned that love is a decision, and not a feeling," Rita asserted.

In the first ten years, volunteers called up the couples who attended and asked how they were doing. Eight out of ten were still together.

Across the country, more than 75,000 couples have attended. The weekend begins Friday night with couples glumly sitting with arms folded across their chests, as if to say, "I am here but I am not expecting anything." First, they hear presenting couples tell a story about the recovery of their marriage. They are walking parables of hope.

Next, they are asked to write to their spouse for ten minutes on a topic, such as "What do I have difficulty talking to you about? And how does that make me feel?" They then return to their motel rooms, read what each other has written, and talk. That part of what happens is

DATES TO REMEMBER

- APR 3-5 **PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND, FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY, MR/TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE.**
- APR 28 **TUESDAY, MEMBERSHIP MEETING, 7:30 PM; ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION CHARITY COMMITTEE AT 7:00 PM**
- APR 30 **THURSDAY, FIRST DEGREE, 7:00 PM SIGN IN; QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY COUNCIL 3830, BERKLEY**
- MAY 9 **SATURDAY, MAJOR DEGREE, 8:30 AM SIGN IN FOR FIRST DEGREE; 10:00 AM SIGN IN FOR MAJOR DEGREES. QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY COUNCIL 3830, BERKLEY**
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private. After talking for 10-15 minutes, they hear a knock on their door, as a signal it is time to hear another talk by the presenters.

By Sunday afternoon, most couples' arms are around each other, in the joy of a resurrected marriage! They return for six half-day sessions over the next couple of months, and get to know other Retrouvaille couples, who can be a strong network of encouragers. (To learn more from couples in your state, call 800-470-2230.)

Every church has couples who have been on the brink of divorce and stepped back. They need to be recruited, trained to tell their stories, and relish the resurrected marriages.

Michael J. McManus, syndicated columnist, "Ethics & Religion," President & Co-Chair Marriage Savers, www.marriagesavers.org, 301-469-5873.

**David Parker
K of C Insurance Agent**

As we move through 2009, take a good, hard look at the last year in review. It's been interesting, hasn't it? With the difficulties of the automotive, high tech, financial services, housing and pharmaceutical arenas, consumers face significant challenges when deciding how and where to safely place their money.

These economic trends hit us squarely in our financial solar plexus. As cash flows constrict, "typical consumers" may consider risky financial options. They may cancel their life insurance to get at their cash values, leaving their children unprotected should they die; or pull money out or their annuities even though it triggers a tax event or surrender penalty.

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 and an agent you can trust to provide for your family's future, you have found it with the Knights of Columbus and Dave Parker. Call me at 586-755-7594 to make an appointment so we can secure your family's future.

Rosary Chain Notification

Call Rosary Chain Captain **Jim Hendy** at 248-547-8018 when you hear of a member or spouse who is sick or has died. Also call to be added to the Rosary Chain to alert members.

Paul Richard Frye

Nov. 20, 1929 – Feb 22, 2009

Past Grand Knight 1972-1974

Albert Chodynietcki

Feb. 17, 1927 – March 9, 2009

Member since 4/15/1962

Please remember Paul, Albert and their families in your prayers.



MENTALLY IMPAIRED "TOOTSIE ROLL" DRIVE 2009

Palm Sunday weekend, Friday-Saturday-Sunday, April 3, 4, and 5.

Tom Kendziorski, M.I. Drive Chairman

I NEED YOUR HELP!

Greetings! I serve as the Council Chairman for the Mentally Impaired ("M.I.") Tootsie Roll Drive benefiting mental impaired children and adults.

This traditional community service project financially supports people with special needs. Unfortunately, the number of workers able to be on the streets and the designated storefronts during this annual 3-day event has dwindled. I need the help of everyone in Council #2569 to re-commit and solicit donations! We need all of our members to volunteer at least two hours of time.

The sites for solicitation are: Hollywood Market, Holiday Market (front and back doors), the U.S. Post

Office, the Farmer's Market (Saturday and Sunday only), St. Mary Church after each Mass, and the street corners 11 Mile and Main, 4th and Main, and 3rd and Main). We will once again have St. James Church, the Western Fruit and Meat Market in Ferndale this year (and perhaps too, the Sav-A-Lot Food Market). Seriously, there will also be plenty of opportunity for everyone who may just show up at up at our Council's location ready to work. The address is: **Royal Canadian Legion #84, 1005 E. Eleven Mile Rd., Royal Oak** (red building, north side of street, between Main Street and Campbell Road). Solicitation hours are available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Sign up for a particular time and place to help children and adults with special needs, fill out the sign up sheet below and mail it back to me, fax it to me, e-mail me, or call me at my work office by April 2, 2009:

The Arc of Oakland County
1641 W. Big Beaver Road
Troy, MI 48084-3501

E-mail me at The Arc office:
tfk@thearcoakland.org

Fax: 248-816-1906
Telephone: 248-816-1900

The "early bird" gets the good spots and times! ☺

Name: _____

Phone#: _____

Location preference: _____

Time/Date Preference: _____

THANK YOU!

**Happy
Easter**

