



Father William P. O'Reilley Council #4967

APRIL 2015 NEWSLETTER

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:



Happy Spring Brother Knights!

I hope you all had a happy and blessed Easter! It has been a busy Spring so far for our council. We have just completed our 21st annual Fish Fries, and the early results show they may have been the most successful ones yet. Also, thanks to Brother Justin Beissel we had a very successful Ham Bingo.

On March 14th, we had our Spring Major Degrees. Please join me in welcoming father and son Gary and Ben Teachout to our council, along with David Hull, Dave Hutchinson, and Jim Scanlon. I am excited to have these men join our council and I think they will be excellent additions in support the great work we do! When you see one of these guys, please give them a

warm welcome to our council! A big thanks to John Lawless, Ben Rauen, Mark Maurer, and all of those who made the Spring Degrees successful!

The excitement is only going to continue. We will be having Spring Booya the weekend of April 19th, Tootsie Rolls the weekend of April 24th-26th, and Living Rosary May 4th in the Gathering Space!

This May will mark the 55th anniversary of our council. We will be celebrating this the evening of the Past Grand Knights Dinner in late May.

We will be displaying our original charter along with other historical council artifacts at the dinner. Watch for more details on the dinner soon, it will be the third or fourth week of May! Remember that our council needs Knights to step forward to be leaders. It is the inspiration and strength of our members that makes our council strong. Consider being a council officer.



>Welcome Ben and Gary Teachout to our Council. They are pictured with Deputy Grand Knight Tom Carlson (left) and Grand Knight Jeff Schmitt (right).

Our council is in need of a Deputy Grand Knight, a Chancellor, and a guard. Consider nominating yourself or someone you feel would be a good fit for these roles. Please let me or one of the Trustees know if you have any questions.

Lastly, one of our own council members said a reading at the Papal Easter Vigil. As many of you know, Brother Tom Schultzenberg, is on assignment with the University of Mary at the Vatican. Tom said a reading during the Vigil! I am proud to

say Tom is a member of our council and we have our own Papal connection. Congratulations Tom and nice job!
Vivat Jesus! Jeff



Our Mission Statement

Provide a means by which Catholic men could Support the Catholic Church. To Provide Financial Protection to protect their Families. To Engage in works of Charity to Benefit the less fortunate.



Calendar of Events

- Spring Booya will be the weekend of April 19th contact Dave Hull 651-773-5735 for details
- General Membership mtg., April 20th We may have a First Degree, and a short Lecturer segment about Today's Doubting Thomases – The Jesus Myth Theory.
- Tootsie Rolls weekend of April 24th and 26th for details call Frank Schultz 651-770-0749 or Dan Cykowski 651-770-9792
- Polar Charities McKnight Concessions stand 6-9 p.m Wednesdays during softball season beginning April 29, call Frank Schultz for details and volunteering 651-770-0749
- Living Rosary May 4th 6-9 p.m. in the Gathering Space of St. Peters Church, for more information call Nick John at 651-773-4992
- Past Grand Knight Dinner May 21 from 6-9 p.m. call Terry Thelen at 651-368-1699

2014-2015 Officers

Chaplain Fr. Deziel

Grand Knight - Jeff
Schmidt 368-1699

Deputy Grand
Knight-Tom
Carlson 770-5991

Recorder-Joe
Morrisette 770-5203

Advocate-Jim Hurt
777-5829

Inside Guard-Mark
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Lecturer-Vacant

Trustee Yr 3-Terry
Thelen 245-0030

Trustee Yr 2-Dennis
Reber 777-2383

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Warden-Ben Rauen
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9148

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Dale Robinson
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2636

Our Annual Fish Fries

Every Lenten Season we look forward to them but few of us know what is behind our Fish Fries. Planning starts early in January with our four co-chairs, Jim Roehrenbach, Terry Thelen, Frank and Henry Schultz getting together to choose a vendor to supply our fish. Although Mark, pictured here, would like you to think he caught and cleaned them all, the chairs chose Indianhead Food Service. Indianhead is a new vendor for us this year so we would like your feedback, (no pun intended) as to the quality of the fish you ate this season.



John Zakroczymski serves as our public relations person by getting the word out to various media outlets such as the parish bulletin, Catholic Spirit and Lilly publications. In addition flyers are made up and distributed by Frank about two weeks in advance to the local businesses. A brother Knight meets the vendor for delivery of the product the Wednesday before our Fish Fry while Terry and Jim visit Cub, Sam's Club or Cosco to gather supplies like plates, napkins, pop, etc. Mark Mauer and Ben Roehn set out signs around the church the day before each of our Fish Fries.



Chef Brother Mike Schultz

The day of a fish fries starts before 2 p.m. with Knights getting the kitchen ready while others set tables in the cafeteria. All told there can be up to thirty Brothers along with wives and Boy Scouts that help with each event by cooking, serving, collecting money, waiting tables, monitoring the line and cleaning dishes. We serve between 4 - 7:00 p.m. with cleanup duties lasting until 9 p.m. But there's more, the money needs to be reconciled and deposited by Mike Stahlmann and Al Worm plus the laundry needs to be done the next day by Frank, Henry or Terry.

We had a good year by serving over 1,600 people during four Fridays, bringing in around \$6,500 which is above our target goal and more than we made last year. So the next time you see one of the Brother Knights mentioned above thank them for their work or pat yourself on the back for all that you did to make this a successful, fun event. If you didn't get to one of the fries, you can help at the upcoming Booya, Tootsie Roll Drive, or Polar Charities this summer! Call Frank Schultz at 651-770-0749 for further details if interested in helping out.

Article submitted by Bill Stahlmann



THE BEST WAY TO PASS ON YOUR ASSETS BY GIFTING (Part 1)

My previous article generated a great deal of interest from folks, so I decided to do a more in depth series on this topic.

Most people realize they will be leaving assets to their children but they are really interested in learning the most effective way of doing so. Interestingly, life insurance may be your perfect answer. Yup! Life insurance! Now, do yourself a favor and spend a few moments reading the rest of this short article to learn why.

A Knights of Columbus "second-to-die" life insurance policy is one of the most valuable tools in your estate planning portfolio because of its "leveraging power." It pays on the last death (husband or wife) and significantly increases your legacy. Let's look at a few examples. Assumptions: A husband and wife in decent, but not perfect health, paying an annual premium of \$28,000 for only 10 years (\$280,000 total). This premium is based on 2015 IRS gifting regulations allowing husband and wife to each gift \$14,000 annually. Premiums are flexible: you can change the amount, how long you want to pay, and can even pay it in one lump sum!

Example 1. Husband and wife are age 60: \$280,000 total premiums over 10 years instantly creates a tax free benefit of over \$1,200,000 that is guaranteed never to lapse!

Example 2. Husband and wife are age 68: \$280,000 total premiums over 10 years instantly creates a tax free benefit of over \$725,000 that is guaranteed never to lapse!

Example 3. Husband and wife are age 75: \$280,000 total premiums over 10 years instantly creates a tax free benefit of over \$550,000 that is guaranteed never to lapse!

These are examples only. You may fund this as little or as much as you want. Your results will depend on your specific age and health. Give me a call and I will show you how this Knights of Columbus can be of great benefit to those you love. You have nothing to lose but a little of your time, and as always you will never be pressured to buy anything. I promise.

God bless,

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