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Knights of Columbus

Saint James Council #10895

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- Grand Knight**.....Paul Ryba ..571-2889
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- Deputy Gr. Knight**.....Tom Hyde...699-5272
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- Vocations Director**.....Randy Grosse..498-3574
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Prayers are asked for the Following

Kathryn Derby, Frank Derby, Tom Smith, Dwayne Muff, Jean Christensen, Jerry Sund, Lee Wiegand, Shirley Arkfeld, Tim Ryan, Joe Furley, Charlotte Kenny, Jim Currie, Cindy Currie, Jerry Powell, Marvin Malvanski Fr. Tom McHugh, Leroy Loeffler, Maurice Mahoney, Donna Milenkovich, Marti Colv, Jane Payeur, Joan Siwa, Charles & Shirley Kurmel, Cletus Spieker, John Bradley, John Carl, Joan Carl, Fritz Hauck, Gail Weis, Tom Buelt, Becky Heller, Fr. Brown

Prayers are also asked for those serving in the military both at home and abroad.

Please pray for the repose of souls of our departed Brother Knights.



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Chaplain's Message

Brothers,

The Christmas season focuses our attention on Jesus Christ, eternally begotten of the Father, now born in time of the Virgin Mary. Mary's openness to God's grace made her the perfect vessel for God's Son to be born into our human family. This profound mystery of the Incarnation, God's becoming flesh with us, is central to the meaning of Christmas. Full of grace, Mary has inspired many throughout the ages to be faithful followers of Jesus and drawn to the eternal life of His Father.

May you and yours know God's grace calling us, like Mary, to let Jesus be born in our lives and in our world today.

Peace,

Fr. Richard

Grand Knight's Message

The Knights annual Christmas Party was a great success. There were approximately 120 people present. It was good to have so many families in attendance. Bob Herink supplied the entertainment. Nice job Bob. Santa was a biggest hit of the evening. Thank you Santa!! (Tom McDowell) Ted Thomsen provided the delicious meal. I would like to thank the ladies for all the wonderful desserts

There will be a Basketball Free-Throw Contest on Sunday, January 8th, at 1:00 PM at St. James Seton GYM. For information please call Mike Francl at 402 933-0505

The Marian Icon will be displayed at St. James Church near the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday, 29th through February 8th and then taken to St. Bernard's parish.

Please complete your Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Report and return to Mike Gallagher as soon as possible.

The first FISH FRY MEETING will be Wednesday, January 25, 8:30 PM after the Officers / Directors meeting. We will meet in the Parish Center.

There will be a Corporate Communion Mass Sunday, January 29th, at the 9:30 AM MASS. Please gather in the Narthex at 9:20 AM for the procession with the Priest and the Honor Guard. There will be reserve setting for the Knights and their families.

We are sad to report that Father James Brown, our past Knights of Columbus Chaplin, fell and shattered his left shoulder just before Thanksgiving. He had surgery in Los Angeles, California and is in a skilled nursing facility about 25 minutes from his Priory in Oxnard, Ca. For those wishing to send him a card, his address is Father James Brown, Mary Health of the Sick, A Skilled Nursing Facility, 2929 Theresa Drive, Newbury Park, CA 91320.

WISHING EVERYONE A BLESSED NEW YEAR.

Fraternally,

Paul Ryba

Grand Knight

Directors Reports

Health Services



Next Blood Drives are Feb. 22nd, May 23rd, at Saint James Parish
Contact Leo Rau 402.572.8349

Financial Secretary

Contact brother Mike Gallagher at 402.572.9411 of mikejgallagher@msn.com
Please submit all bills to Brother Mike at the beginning of the regular business meeting.
The calling list has been redone and will be updated as our membership changes using the council's database. Please let me know if a different number should be used than is listed, or you should not be included in the calling list, or if e-mail is best way of contacting you.



Public Relations

If you would like to contribute to the Council monthly news letter, I would do my best to get your artical published. I must have your artical no later than the 17th of the month for the following month's news
The artical should be sent to me at brkblkboss@cox.net or mailed to Steve Morford
4101 No 142nd Ave., Omaha NE 68164-5044. (402) 571.8131

Insurance Agent Message

'Right to Apply' helps widows in need

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state (provincial) laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications only from Knights of Columbus members. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife and your dependent, minor children.

The Order's Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a brother Knight's widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This "right to apply" is available only to the widows of insured members. If a member has not availed himself of our top-rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the Knight was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the lives of the member's minor children. This right can be exercised for up to one year following the Order's receipt of proof of the insured's death.

Know two things. First, I'll assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have. Second, I'll provide them my best professional advice and service to ensure that they continue to have adequate insurance protection.

As a professional agent and a brother Knight, I have no greater responsibility.

Call me – let's talk.

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A WORD FROM FINANCIAL SECRETARY MIKE GALLAGHER

THE SUBJECT OF DUES

Our \$25.00 annual membership dues were briefly discussed at recent meetings. The amount has been the same since the council was formed in 1992 while the basic costs of operating the council have increased significantly. The question is should the dues be increased and by how much.

The annual charges from Supreme Council and Nebraska State Council total \$15.25 for Regular members and \$13.25 for Honorary members. These costs include per capita, Supreme advertising (Columbia magazine), and the Culture of Life fund. In addition, there are many other operating costs, such as, postage, materials, and supplies, which total about \$12 to \$15 per member. The total is about \$28 or \$30 per member annually.

There are about 150 regular members who pay \$25, a few Honorary who pay \$10, and a dozen or more others are exempted from the dues (Honorary Life, Disabled, Active Military, and Seminarian). The result is that about \$900 of council operating expenses are paid by income other than dues. Other income is about 97% from three fish fries and 3% from other sources. Our total annual income allows our Knights to do many programs and activities at St. James, supports others involved in programs that are part of our parish life, and also assists a variety of programs, activities and services related more widely to the work of our Church in Nebraska, the United States, and internationally. At some point we need to decide on continuing the current pattern of gradually shifting more council operating costs to fish fry income, reduce operating cost, cut programs, or raise the dues?

Doing more by email is one method of reducing costs. If possible, please receive your newsletter by email. Please send me your email address if you are not receiving the newsletter by email. Email also allows us to communicate more rapidly and frequently.

The Movie of the life of Father Michael McGivney

Contact Financial Secretary Mike Gallagher if you would like to borrow a DVD copy of the movie about the life of Father Michael McGivney and beginning of the Knights of Columbus.

Contact me at 402.572.9411 or e-mail MikeJGallager@msn.com



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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 General Business Meeting 7:30 PM	5	6	7
			1 st Degree Practice 6:30 PM			
8 Basket Ball Free Throw 1:00 PM 12:00 Show Up To WORK	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 M L King Day	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Officers/Directors Meeting 7:30 PM Fish Fry meeting 8:30 PM	26	27	28
29 Corporate Communion 9:30 Mass Donuts/ Coffee Receive The Marian Icon	30	31				



February 2012

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 1st Degree Exemplification 6:30 PM	2	3	4
			General Business Meeting 7:30 PM Fish Fry Meeting			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 St. Valentine's Day	15 Semi-Annual Audit Report #1295 Due	16	17	18
19	20 Presidents' Day	21 FAT TUESDAY Hope All Had a Great Mardi Gras	22 ASH Wednesday Washington's Birthday	23	24 St. James K of C Lenten Fish Fry In GYM 5:00 PM	25
26 Major Degree 1st-2 nd -3 rd 6192 Bellevue 10:30 AM	27	28	29 St James Blood Drive 1:00 to 6:00 PM Officers / Directors Meeting 7:30 PM			

Happy January Birthdays to our Brother Knight's

2nd Gary Kluthe, 4th Kenneth Post, 7th Adam Kucera, 12th Chad Dalrymple,
13th Steve Steinbruck, 15th Robert Heller, 17th George Grillo,
18th Steve Morford, 23rd Thomas Baker, Robert Becker,
24th Roger Reising, Terry Wood, 25th Corey Dejong, 26th Bradley Grage,
Charles Kurmel, 28th Rev Rapheal Walsh, John Spielman, Charles Moffitt, 29th
Thomas Forman, 30th Richard Dennis, 31st Mark Dorner



Who Needs a Saint James Knights Shirt and or Hat?

I would like someone other than me (Mike Gallagher) to take care getting embroidered St. James Council polo shirts, but at this time I'm taking orders. Let me know your size, etc., if you are interested in ordering a shirt. Choices are with or without a pocket, \$28 or \$29 respectively. Long sleeved shirts are \$32. Since they are cotton shirts, prices may increase without notice.

HATS ARE NOW BEING ORDERED

SO GET YOUR ORDERS INTO MIKE GALLAGHER

***Still looking for someone to take over ordering
WE are now ordering Hats***



Do you want to be a 4th Degree Knight

If you are a third degree knight and want to become a fourth degree knight please see Mike Gallagher or Steve Morford for information, questions and answers.



Dearly Departed Members of Council 10895

Robert McGonigle 09/24/95
Joseph Kessler 02/10/96
James Charvat 12/26/00
Donald Bunz 02/09/01
Eugene Petricek 07/06/02
Robert R. Gudenrath 10/20/02
Gerald Wessel 09/15/03
Thomas McGuire 02/20/04
Pete Sardo 03/07/04
Thomas A. Sinnott 07/16/04
Frank O. DeHart 02/28/05
Harold Ramsour 05/18/05
Vincent J. Ortman 08/14/05
Paul H. Catlin 09/18/05
James L. Kueny 02/15/06
John J. Manley 03/28/06
Jerry A. Thiel 10/26/06
Daniel M. Tuzzolino 06/18/07

Richard L. Birkel 11/21/07
Larry J. Carmody 12/21/07
Richard Christensen 07/12/08
Duane Beck 02/13/2009
Herman Busch 05/18/09
John Knox 08/17/09
Joseph P. LaFerla 12/06/2009
Marty Koscis 01/03/2010
Steve S Price 07/16/2010
Eugene A. Lenhart 11/20/2010
Eugene P. "Red" Barry 12/9/2010
Marvin L. Jablonski 01/19/2011
John Milenkovich 02/27/2011
William A. Volenec 05/26/2011
Jerome J. Coon 06/08/2011
Kenneth R. Bierman 06/26/2011

Masses For the Deceased Brother Knights Year 2012

Jan 29th 5:00, April 29th 7:30, July 29th 11:30, Sept 30th 11:30,
Dec 30th 9:30

***Grant them eternal rest O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls rest in peace.***

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Time to order Shirts and Hats
(Fish fry's start 24th Feb)

ORDER NOW

Form #100 Belongs in All of These Places

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER TODAY!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

How do I get on the e-mail list?

Just e-mail mikejgallagher@msn.com, and your name will be added to the e-mail list