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Grand Knight's Report

Tim Hicklin

Dear Brothers,

**Praise be to Jesus Christ! He has lived! He has died!
He is Risen! He brings us eternal Life!**

April brings to the end of Lent then the Triduum where we mourn the loss of Jesus Christ and his Glorious Resurrection. I hope that each of us had a successful Lent where we reflect on what we can do better and what we have sacrificed for. The vigil Mass on Holy Saturday also brings us to the one year anniversary of Mike Fisher, Chris Olsen and others who became Knights and are celebrating their 1 year anniversary as Knights and Catholics. Thank you for being strong members of this council.

April is the start of the most important time of the year for the council. We started the next fraternal year with the trustees providing a strong slate of officers for the coming Fraternal Year which will start at our Business Meeting – July 1st. The election for this slate is to be held at the June Business meeting – June 3rd. Open nominations can be made from the floor. The slate of officers for the next Fraternal Year is included in this newsletter. Please read them if you are unaware of the group. Inductions will be held June 18th in the church with a light dessert to follow – after all this is our social meeting. All incoming officers and their wives are expected if at all possible. The ceremony is beautiful. Approximate start time is 7:00-7:30 PM.

Also, the next Grand Knight will be appointing the next Lecturer and Deputy Grand Knight along with the Grand Knight will appoint the Chairmen for the next year and that includes Directors for Council, Community, Church, Right-to-Life, Youth and Family. Plus, if desired and needed, both will work together to appoint Membership Director. If you have been approached already by anyone about becoming a chair person please let our future Grand Knight and Deputy discuss it with you, first. They need to make the final choices.

April also marks the end of this year's P.A.D.S. We plan on continue this for next season. Thank you, Steve Bright and John M. Orso for your efforts.

In July we are having a combined 60th Anniversary / Appreciation Dinner. Plans are in the works and we may be having it at either Golf Club



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2013-2014

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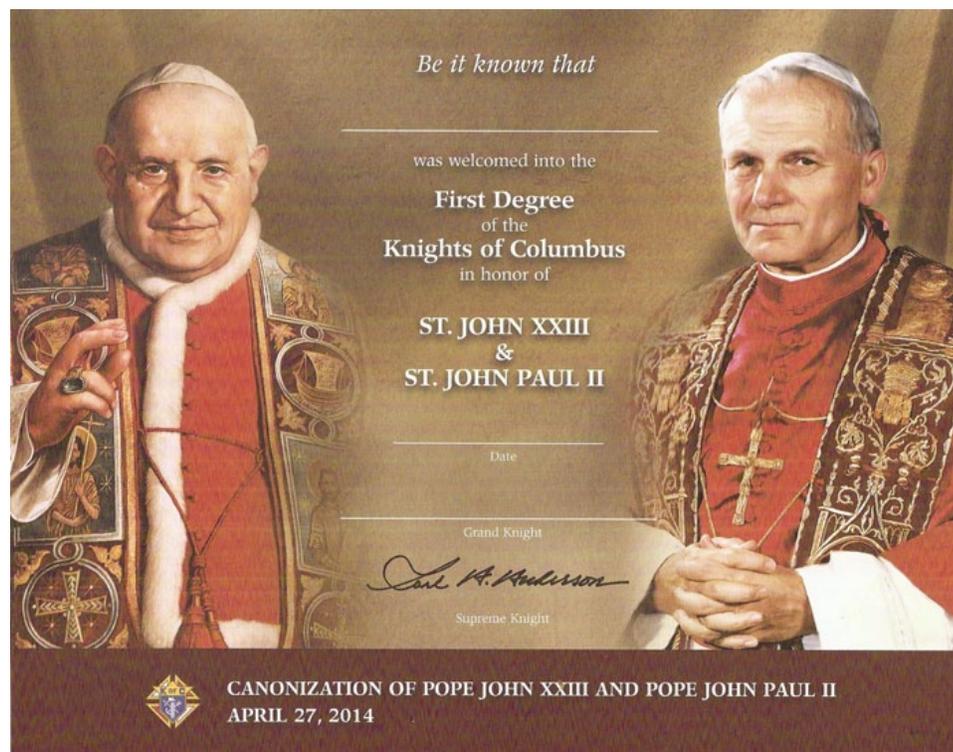
of Illinois or D'Andrea's. Those details will follow. The cost to council members and guests will be kept as low as possible. This should be a great event. DGK, Greg has had a special memorial pin designed and we are hoping to get the band from Kevin's St. Paddy's dinner. We also will have some dignitaries in attendance.

God Bless! And remember to Pray for all of our fellow knights and families, both living and deceased.

***Vivat Jesus,
Tim Hicklin,
Grand Knight
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***What new 1st Degree members receive upon
their 1st Degree between 4/27/14 and 6/30/14:***



CANONIZATION OF POPE JOHN XXIII AND POPE JOHN PAUL II
APRIL 27, 2014

Vivat Jesus Brother Knights,

Happy Easter to all of you and your families.

That Man is You: You may be aware of the Council's heavy involvement with the That Man is You (TMIY) program – a men's-only faith program that will start the Saturday after Labor Day. It will be held each Saturday morning, bright and early, running for 13 weeks in the Fall and 13 weeks after the New Year.

I'm excited about this program on a number of fronts. First, we are doing something that is evangelical for our Parishioners. We have that reputation out there as a great group of guys who cook, help out and do some very good service work. Yes, that's key to being a member of our Order, but there is more.

We are a Catholic Fraternal Society – the largest such in the world. We are dedicated to supporting the Church, both in prayer and evangelization – a call from St. John Paul II in his New Evangelization. To that end, we are becoming involved with programs and events that move us in the direction Msgr. Hermes has been taking our parish for years. We started by sponsoring St. Thomas' participation in the Great Lakes Catholic Men's Conference. We're taking a great leap forward with TMIY.

TMIY has been phenomenally successful where ever it has been held. It is currently in 400 parishes around the country. Closer to home, Brother Jerry Smith from Council 776 has organized a very successful TMIY program at St. Mary's in Woodstock. Sixty men arrive each Saturday for breakfast, video and small group sessions beginning at 6 a.m. and wrapping up by 7:30 a.m.

I figured that it was Jerry's hearty breakfast that brought in so many men. He's telling me it's the message – a message each of us as men need to hear. We have a great steering committee formed right now and we're just getting in the process of organizing the sessions. I have a strong promotional background so you will hear a lot about TMIY beginning in July.

This is a program open to all men of the parish. Please consider attending and bringing another parishioner along with you. Find out what brings men back time after time. I am really looking forward to TMIY and I hope you will be too! Need to know more? See the TMIY site at www.Paradisusdei.org or Google That Man is You.

Vivat Jesus,

Greg Ives

Deputy Grand Knight



It has been a tradition in Troop 127 that the mother of an Eagle scout is presented with the following poem as her son receives his Eagle. I thought I would share it with you as my son receives his Eagle.

The Eagle Scout a/k/a It's Only A Pin by S. Kurtz Hingley, 1930.

A fond Mother watches her boy where he stands, apart from his comrades tonight,
And see placed on his camp-battered tunic, a badge...An Eagle... the emblem of right.
It seems to her just a few short months have passed since he joined with the youngsters next door.
How proud he was then of his Tenderfoot pin as they told of the message it bore.

But the years have gone as he struggled along to learn what the Scout Law's about;
He practiced them daily, that Oath and that Law, until now - he is an Eagle Scout.
You may smile with your worldly wise wisdom at this and say, "Why it's only a pin."
But I tell you no honors he'll gain as a man Will mean quite as much to him.

The red, white and blue of the ribbon you see are symbols of honor and truth.
He has learned how to value these fine attributes In the glorious days of youth.
And the out-flinging wings of the Eagle that rests on the breast of this knight of today
Are the things which shall lift him above petty deeds, and guide him along the right way.

Yes, it's only a pin, just an Eagle Scout badge, but the heart that's beneath it is true,
And will throb to the last for the things that are good; a lesson for me... and for you.

First published in The Quaker City Scoutin 1930 as illustrated to the left. It was republished in 1931 in Scouting Magazine and again in 1955 in BSA's Troop Ceremonies pamphlet.

Thank you to Father McCormick Council for your support of Scouting and for the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts who have or will become an Eagle. You have helped not only them but their families, our country and the world be a better place.

Special Recruiting Opportunity

Rick Kendzior

As you all know, we are in need of new members to make our year-end goals. We have been given the opportunity by the Msgr. to recruit from the pulpit on Sunday June 1st! That means we will be recruiting YOU to get up in front of the congregation and tell them why you joined the Knights of Columbus. Even better, tell them why they should. More details at the May business meeting.

But don't stop there. I'm sure you know someone that you believe would make a good brother Knight. Approach him and ask him!! Keep a Form100 with you. After that we will be looking to hold a special first degree ceremony for our new members before the end of June. So if you recruit a new member, please be sure to come to the ceremony and be there for him. Again more details to follow at the May business meeting!

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections will be held for the 2014-2015 Fraternal Year at June's Business meeting 6/3/14:

Nominations are:

Grand Knight	Greg Ives
Deputy Grand Knight	Bob Wyman
Chancellor	Mike Kebr
Recorder	Mike Bradley
Financial Secretary	Steve Haugh (<i>No vote, appointed by Supreme</i>)
Treasurer	Bob Kosin
Advocate	Glenn Labello
Warden	Pat Slowey
Lecturer	<i>Appointed by Grand Knight</i>
Inside Guard	Kevin Scanlan
Outside Guard	Pete Harren
Three year Trustee	Tim Hicklin
Two Year Trustee	Marty Zopp (<i>No vote required</i>)
One Year Trustee	Vince Esposito (<i>No vote required</i>)
Delegate	<i>Grand Knight</i>
Delegate	<i>Immediate Past Grand Knight Tim Hicklin</i>
Alternate to the GK	<i>Deputy Grand Knight</i>
Alternate to the Delegate	<i>PGK, Marty Zopp</i>

April Council Awards:



It would seem that Spring abounds with traditions from graduations, weddings and Easter. If you were in the Sanctuary of St. Thomas on Holy Saturday, you would have seen decorated baskets of food set out along the steps of the altar. This is the Easter tradition of the Polish culture as Świąconka or The Blessing of the Basket. No one basket has the same food, prepared the same way and truth be told it need not be only Polish cuisine. All to see brought forward for a blessing wrapped in white linen is sausage, ham, boiled eggs, breads, cakes, sculptured butter cakes and more of the blessing upon us for Easter dinner. But amidst all this are the family, friends and parishioners exchanging stories, advice of this or that for another Blessed Easter. The real wonder is the young children seeing the uncovered baskets with their contents displayed for a brief moment for a blessing from the Monsignor. We are reminded by the words of the Monsignor of the value of Lent and the importance of fasting as to be practiced prior to Easter. Here is tradition and one that brings us closer to the blessings of Easter.



Sometimes it's good to remember. Do we ever stop and consider what a moment of grace it is when the Lord blesses us with a Pope? He has given us tremendous ones during our lifetime.



Tribune file photo by Walter Kale

1976 In August, before becoming pope, then-Cardinal Wojtyla meets with then-Mayor Richard J. Daley.

Time To Refresh!

But bet this is not what you thought with the heading... as most of you know I travel for work, making me a true Road Warrior. Not the only one in this Council there are quite a few of us. Part of being in the road so much means eating out a lot. We get to experience the good, the bad and unfortunately, the truly ugly when it comes restaurants and their faire.. But then once in a while we find something really good, or noteworthy at least. I had one of those recently on a trip west, and as soon as I saw it on the menu, had to share it with my fellow Brothers! BEER SHAKES!

Seriously, so here are two of the recipes on the menu.

Blue Moon Beer Shake Creamy soft serve (or maybe just semi-melted vanilla ice cream) whipped with Blue Moon Belgian White beer, Cointreau Orange Liqueur and orange juice.

Irish Beer Shake blend Guinness Draught, Jamison Irish Whiskey and chocolate ice cream.

Enjoy!

John Stefani

The Good Of The Order

Knights Birthdays

Brian S. Alexander
Tom Brickey
Michael Caliendo
Steven A. Crnkovich
Gerald E. Fortier
Paul J. Georgy
Joe Hodorowicz
Brian D. Mazurk
Kenneth J. Olsen
Bruce Smith
Philip L. Weyna
John M. Zokal

Anniversaries

Gerald & Kathy Breuss
James P. & Donna Gray
Thomas P. & Lori Harold
Chris & Angela Krambeer
Richard & Darcy Mensik
Robert & Ellene Schmidt
Bruce & Melissa Smith
Ernest & Florence Tennes
Mark & Sandra Zehker
John M. & Patricia Zokal

Wives Birthdays

Kathy Breuss
Peg Godfrey
Lynda Ives
Donna Maguire
Rhonda Nissen
Melissa Smith
Debbie Starr
Mary Statter
Allison Townsend
Becky Walker

Prayer List

Roma Zopp
Tom Nemcek
Peg Cichon
Fr. Thomas Saucier, OP
Chuck Prank
John Jagouinski
Jim Mueller
Nicole Nagendram
Military Deaths
DD, Chuck Gbarek
Irv Kemp



*Did you know we
have Rosary Repair?*

*It's available each week
at the Sunday Breakfast!*

Council Calendar

May

5/6 Business Meeting
5/11 Mother's Day
5/18 Breakfast
5/20 Social Meeting
5/26 Memorial Day

June

6/3 Business Meeting
Officer Elections
6/8 Breakfast
6/15 Father's Day
6/17 Installation and
Dinner
6/29 5th Sunday

July

7/1 Business Meeting
7/4 Independence Day
7/11 Appreciation / 60th
Anniversary Dinner
(tentative)
7/15 Social Meeting
7/20 Breakfast



*Pray the Rosary as a Family
and with your KofC Brothers*



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