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Grand Knight's Report

By Scott Popp

My dear Brothers, and Families,

First let me say thank you to all of you who came out to the last business meeting, we had 46 Knights in attendance, I had sent out a reminder email, and had mentioned that we would be having a surprise guest speaker, and that I would be making chili! And I am not sure if it was the teasing of the guest speaker or the chili that brought you out (probably the chili Lol) but thanks for coming it was great to see you. I most certainly would like to thank Father Ervin Caliente, for being that speaker, and for his absolutely beautiful talk on Mercy! Father has had long history with this Council, and I can't say enough how special you are to us all, and what a great priest you



are, we are truly blessed to have you in the faith. I am hoping to have one more guest speaker before I step down as Grand Knight, hopefully in June, so mark your calendars. I hope that all of you had a wonderful Holy week, and most blessed Easter! Jesus has Risen from the dead, to save us all! Alleluia, Alleluia!! It is unfathomable to try and imagine what Jesus endured for us, we who at best can be called sinners, he has a love for us, that knows no limits, and no boundaries, and yet he knew we were worth it! Thank you Jesus, and we love you.

This past weekend we had the celebration of our St. Thomas, 2nd grade religious ed. Students making their first Holy Communion. I had the fortunate position to be teaching one of the R.E. classes this year, and was even more fortunate to be pre— >> **Go to Page 6**

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

By Bob Wyman

Be merciful, just as your Father is Merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven; give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back. – Luke 6:36-38

Happiness cannot be sought directly; it is a by-product of love and service. Service is a law of our being. With love in our heart, there is

always some service to other people. A life of power and joy and satisfaction is built on love and service. Persons who hate or are selfish are going against the law of their own being. They are cutting themselves off from God and other people. Little acts of love and encouragement, of service and help, ease the rough places of life and help make the path smooth. If we do these things, we will surely have our share of happiness. - Fr. Pat Umberger.

Pray that we may give our >> **Go To Page 2**

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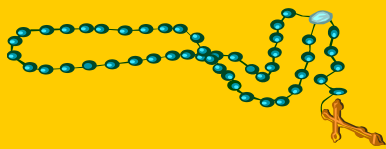
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Pray the Rosary as a Family and with your KofC Brothers

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share of love and service. Pray that we may not grow weary in our attempts to be righteous.



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KC 3880 Just Keeps Rolling Along!!!!

- Pads Dinner April 24, 2016
- Business Meeting May 3, 2016

- Grill Nights May 7, 2016
- Monthly Breakfast May 15, 2016
- Social Meeting May 17, 2016
- 5th Sunday Coffee & Sweet Rolls May 29, 2016

As you can see we are a very busy council, you can check for the upcoming events on our website <http://kofc3880.org/>

Yours in Christ,

Bob Wyman,
Deputy Grand Knight

Membership

By John R. Stefani, PGK, PFN

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY!...

GET THOSE Form 100 Applications on for the new member **YOU** are bringing into the Council at the May Social Meeting on May 17th. This is your last chance to bring in a new member in this current Fraternal Year. We managed to make **Star Council** for membership last year and it would be great to do it again this year. Why? So me and the Grand Knight get some more of those swell pins? Yeah right, we both have enough... BUT, look around and see all of the great new Brother Knights we have brought into 3880 in the last couple of years.

These are those YOUNG guys you see at all the events alongside us old timers who are jumping right in. And fitting in! And learning they are part of the world's greatest Catholic Men's Fraternal organization in the world. Many of them have gone on to take advantage of the **Knights of Columbus Insurance Program**. And when they did, they set up a lifetime of peace and security for their families. For many that is one of the big benefits of joining, a

word class Insurance program that is rated the highest possible. Maybe that's also a reason they are getting involved... that peace of mind that lets them breathe a little easier looking towards the future, then paying forward some of those benefits.

Everyone in the Knights is asked to bring in a new member... it's just part of the deal. We have over 300 members in our Council, making us one of the largest in the State. It is why we get so much done, there are people pitching in with an hour or a lifetime working the breakfast or the Christmas Trees, or the Tootsie Roll Drive or one of the many dinners... or just being a good Brother and paying their dues on time, so the rest of us can be sure we generate money for those in need. The ones that God put on this green earth to goad us into doing works of Charity, to sharing... remember the story in the Bible where God talks about that stranger you help, that it may be Him?? Well, isn't the possibility of that happening be the crowning glory of a life of helping others? And maybe that person that you >> **Go To Page 5**

Cooking again!

Well, last month I was wondering about a pool on how the breakfasts would be doing in the coming months... April was getting back to being what we are now calling normal... which is to say, here they come!



While it wasn't a real barn-burner, and there were lulls in the action, as the crowds came in, we did have some decent periods of activity. What was missing was the in-betweeners we have gotten used to. These are the small groups that come between the normal mass ending periods which kept us in a constant state of action. Which is good. While it is nice to get a little bit of a breather, when you are going and going, the time fly's bye a lot faster... and some of us don't eat as much in the slow periods! Or stand around giving each other a little bit of flack just to kill time and keep everyone on their toes!

One thing we can always do is have fun, the trademark of a 3880 event. Of course, walking in and seeing a sign on the upper unit of the convection oven saying Not in Service is not the way to make my day. Apparently someone from the parish maintenance crew had service done on the unit and didn't think about letting me know in advance. So we had to make poor **Worthy Warden Pat Slowey** cook the pork sausage on a fork over a can of sterno... But he got it done, thanks, Pat! Okay, seriously, not that bad, but it does make us use other methods or get more creative. Some of it is not bad though. We started a couple of months ago going back to the regular hash browns, and doing them on the big flat top grill rather than in the oven. Gives them a much nicer golden finish on them, and does not require oven time. Just grill time. So we switch who is doing certain items as needed, and still get the orders out in quick time. We are pretty much using six menus each month now. A few of them are used much less, but they still

have their followers, and as long as we can provide choices, the people are happy. We have never been a pancake and sausage breakfast, or you can have your eggs any way you want as long as they are scrambled. The variety of dishes we offer still astound so many people, both customers and other Councils we talk with. It most certainly sets **3880** apart from the rest. So keep on coming you diners and you workers and we will keep it interesting... every time I go to a restaurant and order breakfast I think about "can we do this?" along with "Do we WANT to do this?" So who knows what the menus will look like next month... or the month after? The guys in the kitchen certainly don't, ask them! But hey, that goes with my pay grade.



Peace and see you next time!

Boy and Cub Scouts Saga

By Dan O'Connell

Sailors for a Night

The intrepid Cub Scout Pack 127 traveled Manitowoc, Wisconsin in early April to spend the night on the submarine USS Cobia which is anchored in the Manitowoc River next to the Wisconsin Maritime Museum. The Cobia is a GATO class submarine similar to the twenty eight submarines built in Manitowoc during World War II but it was actually built in the Electric Boat Company shipyard in Groton, Connecticut. The Cobia was named after the fish cobia, which is a delicious salt water game fish.

The scouts were piped up the gangway and proceeded to find their quarters in

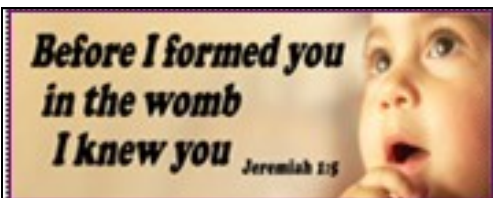
anticipation of a full ship's tour. They were taken into the bowels of the ship touring the engine room, torpedo rooms, officer's quarters and crew mess. The knowledgeable guides answered any questions the scouts had



and provided information of what life was really like on a submarine. The tour took some time but then it was time for the "crew" to bunk in for the night in the crews' quarters.

The next morning they were up and at it to go through the Maritime Museum and see all of the artifacts from when submarines were built in Wisconsin and other information about World War II. You can take your own virtual tour of the USS Cobia by going to: <http://www.wisconsinmaritime.org/the-submarine-experience/uss-cobia/virtual-tour/> and see for yourself just how tight the quarters were and imagine being on the submarine for extended periods of >> **Go To Page 5**

some controversy to organ donation. For vital organs to be donated they must have blood and oxygen flowing through them at the time of they are collected from the donor. Well, if they have blood and oxygen flowing through them, has the donor officially died? To be declared dead one must have had cardiac arrest or be brain dead. To have a successful collection of vital organs after cardiac arrest, they must be collected between 90 and 120 seconds. Where the problem lies is, in many cases patients can be revived up to 5 minutes after cardiac arrest, depending on the setting, like at a hospital and such. If after the 5 minutes, which is the time limit for the life-affirming final determination of death, and the patient does die, thus making the retrieval of vital organs impossible. The collection of organs after



being declared brain dead is preferred by medical professionals. The reason is, when a patient is brain dead they are typically on a ventilator which is helping keep the heart beating, delivering oxygen to the vital organs. There is yet some controversy to this method, there are some reports of patients reviving on their own. This makes the confirmation of brain death, at times, extremely inaccurate. To alleviate this, medical professionals wait until cardiac arrest for the life-affirming final death determination. This would once again make the collection of vital organs impossible. The donation of non-vital organs is being considered the more heroic option. The reason is, because it does not raise any ethical issues about whether a person is dead or not. Are you an organ donor? Yes or no, our state has no record of your wish. It is recommended that if you are a

donor, notify your healthcare professional that to be in line with our beliefs, to only donate non-vital organs. In the event your wishes are not to, and they are not clear and concise, the State can claim "presumed consent to donate", causing the progression of organ donation. Also, if you choose not to donate, be sure to carry an Organ Donor Refusal Card which is available by emailing info@IllinoisRightToLife.org or by calling 312-422-9300. You can also specify your wishes on your Power of Attorney for Health Care. Or even discuss your wishes not to donate with your Primary Care Physician. Please pray for those, and the families of, that are on the donor waiting list. Pray for the donors, and the families of. Pray for the medical professionals who are forced to make the final decision of organ donation.

Thank you and God Bless.

Chris Krambeer

4th Degree Update

By PFN, PGK John Stefani

Bishop Boylan Assembly 198 attends St. Thomas the Apostle Confirmation on April 13th in full force!

This was the largest Honor Guard for Bishop David Malloy for a Confirmation we have held.



4th Degree Sir Knights from Council 3880 participating included

- PGK PFN John Stefani,

- Faithful Comptroller Daniel O'Connell, Jr.,

- Faithful Scribe, Greg Ives and

- PGK Steve Haugh

time without the light of day.

The Troop was a little less adventurous and had their lock in and assisted the Knights of Columbus with clean up of the St. Pat's Dinner at St. Thomas. They went bowling first and then enjoyed games, puzzles pizza and camaraderie as they spent the night downstairs. It is one of the few times electronic devices are allowed at scout functions.

April brings Grant Pilgrimage in Galeana, Illinois as the scouts from all over Blackhawk Area take over the town. Both the Pack and the Troop will be

attending the event and will be camping out Friday and Saturday night. All kinds of activities will take place on Saturday with live battle reenactments, trail hikes, bucket brigade, museum tours and a parade. Souvenirs galore will be available and patch trading will also be going on. There is also the special stop at the hot sauce shop.



All of these opportunities are made possible by our new Charter Organization, the Notre Dame Club of McHenry County and the continued support of Father McCormick Council #3880. We will continue the legacy of the Pack and Troop as we continue to build strong citizens of tomorrow with the three broad principles of Scouting: "Duty to God", "Duty to others" and "Duty to self". These are defined further in the Scout Oath and Law which each scout lives by.

Thank you for your support of Scouting.

Membership

ask to become a Knight is at the lowest point of his life, and you come along and change it, you give him that lifeline that we all seem to need somewhere along the line... think about it... and go and recruit... just bring me one more in May. The life you save cold end up being your own.... Your spiritual life. See me for a

Form 100! PEACE.

I can be reached at: (815) 679-6596, or Membership@kofc3880.org

John



Knights of the Month Awards

Knights of the Months!!

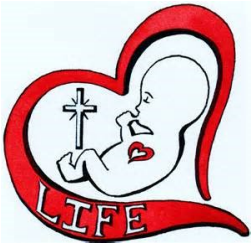
It's nice when a couple of the newer Brothers step forward to help out and keep on helping out! It is what makes Fr. McCormick Council 3880 special.

Thanks Brothers!

Pictured Left: Grand Knight, Scott Popp, presents Knight of the Month of February to Ed Riley.

Pictured Right: Grand Knight, Scott Popp, presents Knight of the Month of March to Jerry Lyons.





Greetings my Brother Knights, the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. One of the topics that I would like to cover is organ donation. According to the *Illinois Right to Life* website the definition to organ donation is, "the act of giving your organs to support the life of another person. Vital organs are organs such as lungs, heart, liver, pancreas, both kidneys etc. Non-vital organs are organs such as one kidney while living, or skin, bone, eye membranes etc. after deceased."

Pro-life is more than just all about abortion. It entails all aspects of life from

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Grand Knights Report

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sent at both 1st Holy Communion masses, and to see those young girls, and boys as they received the Eucharist for the 1st time was truly a special event, after their months of classes and ultimately years of preparing, to be a part of that here at St. Thomas, I am truly a very lucky, and blessed man. If you had a first communicant, I wish you congratulations and please know that I will continue to pray for them and you.

We also celebrated a few weeks ago our "high schoolers" making their confirmation, with Bishop Malloy, and

a record 23 Sir Knights in attendance. All of this coming on the heels of our new sisters, and brothers came into the faith at the Easter Vigil! I do hope and pray that our faith is growing like this across the world, but I will certainly say it seems like it is growing right here in our home town of Crystal Lake.

As you may have seen in a recent email the Council was/is looking for your suggestions for surplus funds disbursement. At the May business meeting the list of recipients will be made public, and published with the

amount distributed, thank you all for your suggestions. We are also looking as a Council to start some new traditions, we are working with St. Thomas school to distribute to the graduating class our K of C Rosary as a little gift to our graduates. Also on Sunday, May 15th we are looking to have a pizza and pop party for all of the altar servers (boy, and girl combined) in the community center (tentatively) if you are willing to assist our have any additional ideas please let us know.

God Bless you all, Scott

April Facebook Posts of our Active Council

Knights of Columbus Father McCormick Council 3880
added an event.
Yesterday at 10:46am · 🌐



APR 23 Pro-Life Rosary
Today 5:30 PM · St. Thomas the Apostle Chur...
★ Interested

Knights of Columbus Father McCormick Council 3880
shared Illinois Railway Museum's event.
Published by Rick Kendzior [?] · April 11 at 8:42pm · 🌐



MAY 13 Scout Day
May 13 - May 15 · Illinois Railway Museum · Uni...
196 people interested · 28 people going
★ Interested

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For the Good of the Order

Knights' May Birthdays:

- Brian S. Alexander
- Tom Brickey
- Michael Caliendo
- James Colvin
- Steven A. Crnkovich
- Kenneth Dumovich
- Gerald E. Fortier
- Paul J. Georgy
- Joe Hodorowicz
- Brian D. Mazurk
- Darin O'Brien
- Bruce Smith
- Philip L. Weyna
- John M. Zokal

Wives' May Birthdays:

- Peg Godfrey
- Lynda Ives
- Donna Maguire
- Rhonda Nissen
- Melissa Smith

- Debbie Starr
- Mary Statter
- Allison Townsend
- Becky Walker

May Anniversaries:

- James P. and Donna Gray
- Thomas P. and Lori Harold
- Chris and Angela Krambeer
- Richard B. and Darcy Mensik
- Robert L. and Ellene Schmidt
- Bruce and Melissa Smith
- Ernest and Florence Tennes
- Mark A. and Saundra Zehker
- John M. and Patricia Zokal

Good of the Order

Knight of the Month: Jerry Lyons

Family of the Month:

Notice: Please update your email addresses to receive the newsletter and

email blasts!! Use the email below.

If we have missed anyone's birthday, anniversary, or a special congratulations please email:

THicklin@aol.com,

Call (815) 455-2765

or send a note to:

Tim Hicklin

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Read the Bible and Pray the Rosary.

Remember and pray for our troops in this hopeful new year.



Fifth Sunday Reminder

Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori!

Sunday, May 29, 2016, is the next memorial mass of the 2016 calendar year. Please plan on joining us for 9:00 AM Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. We had a great turnout at the last mass in October, and we need to keep it growing!

All Knights and their FAMILIES are invited to attend. The entire

right center section of pews as you face the altar will be reserved for our council. Our council banner will be on the altar and we will be presenting the gifts in our cross formation. An impressive sight to all who attend!

As always, we will be providing coffee and doughnuts in the community center after mass. Check the refrigerator reminder cards that were mailed to you at the beginning of the year.

P.A.D.S.

By Steve Bright



All dinners take place at Bethany Lutheran Church - 76 West Crystal Lake Avenue.

4. Large pots etc. In community room may be used.
5. Meal should be taken to PADS dinner site by 6:30p.m. They have facilities to keep food warm.
6. Meals are served by PADS site personnel. Knights volunteers may assist as needed.

Listed below is the PADS dinner schedule for 2010-2010. A brief outline of organizing procedures follows. We are in need of volunteers who would be interested in preparing a meal. If you can help out or have further questions, please contact our PADS coordinator.

- Steve Bright (815) 459-6999—brightones@live.com or
- John Orso (815) 477-1048—johoro@aol.com

PROCEDURES

1. PADS coordinator contacts site Manager regarding menu and determines the quantity of food needed for dinner.
2. KC meal provider purchases groceries needed. Turn in all grocery receipts to Financial Secretary for reimbursement.
3. Kitchen in parish community room MUST be utilized for meal preparation. Contact PADS coordinator to arrange the use of this facility.

2015-2016 Schedule

Dates	Volunteers
4/24/2011	Vince and Kathy Esposito

Council Calendar

May 2016

5/3 Business Meeting
 Reading of Officer nominations
 5/7 Grill Night
 5/17 First Degree (Tentative)
 Social Meeting
 5/22 Monthly Breakfast
 5/29 5th Sunday Memorial Mass
 5/30 Memorial Day

June 2016

6/4 Food Pantry and Grill Knight
 6/7 Business Meeting and Election of
 2015-2016 Officers
 6/12 Monthly Breakfast
 6/21 7:30 PM—Officer Installation
 8:30 PM—Social Meeting

July 2016

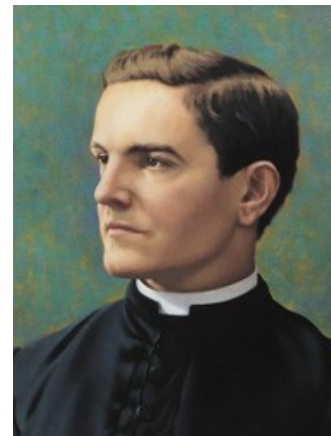
7/4 Independence Day
 7/5 Business Meeting
 7/11 Breakfast
 7/19 Social Meeting
 7/31 5th Sunday Memorial Mass

Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your

servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, bless our parish, our Knights of Columbus Council and lady's Auxiliary.

Amen.



KNIGHT LIFE

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2016—Year of Mercy



Make the Right Choice!
Live and Vote Pro-Life.
Life is not Your Choice. It's Your Responsibility!

