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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE—LOUIE ALONGI, Grand Knight

About the time you receive this newsletter, our Knights will be “grilling for charity” at Hy-Vee Rock Island on Saturday, August 2nd. GLENN WELLS and DICK FRIEDEL are heading up this charity event and are asking all Knights and their families to support this cookout by stopping by (11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.) for a grilled item of your choice. Hy-Vee will be sharing 25% of the total sales with our Council and those proceeds will be donated to local charities.

Congratulations to President JODI JOHNSON and all the officers of our Allouez Ladies Auxiliary who were installed on July 10th with the Knights. Thanks to DD TONY SCOTT who did the installations of both organizations. TONY did a great job and JODI and I handled the set-up of the social afterward in fine style.

More Congratulations are in order: On behalf of the Rock Island Knights, Congratulations to Brother Knight MIKE DALY on being selected as Principal of Jordan Catholic School. We wish MIKE the best, including our prayers and support, as he guides Jordan. MIKE was a member of our Council but currently belongs to the Father Betson Council at his Christ the King parish.

Brother KEVIN RAFFERTY, PGK, has volunteered to develop a Council Brochure to assist with membership recruitment. The Rafferty Funeral Home will be the sponsor this effort, and we do appreciate not only KEVIN stepping forward to volunteer, but the Rafferty Funeral Home teaming-up with the Knights to showcase our Council.

Since Brother JOHN JUSTICE is starting to get into a semi-retirement mode because of his former FS position, I asked JOHN if he would consent to updating our Council By-Laws. I am happy to announce that I have appointed JOHN to that duty and he will be coordinating with the Council Officers to complete that task in a few months. My thanks go to JOHN for stepping up to do this past due activity.

The 39th Annual MR/LD Drive (tootsie roll) is schedule for September 19th and 20th. We have two Council goals: #1, Contact all members to work at least one two-hour shift and, #2, Collect \$10,000 gross (close each year but no cigar). Many of you know the MR/LD Drive is the reason I joined the Knights 30 years ago and have worked the event every year. I will again Chair this event with some very good Knights assisting to coordinate all activities. GLENN WELLS (our new Deputy G.K.) volunteers every year, and this year he will work “both sides” as a Location Manager and Location Volunteer. We will again try to get Alleman and Augie students to assist and the new Jordan Principal, and Brother Knight, MIKE DALY wants to see what Jordan can do to assist in this community event. If you have a “location and time” that works for you please call me (309) 235-6796, that will work for me!

Our next Council meeting is on August 14th and I hope you will be able to join us at 7:00 p.m. at Farrell Hall. I will be announcing the Knight of the Year, Senior Knight of the Year, and the Family of the Year. All selections will be honored at the Columbus Day Dinner/Recognition Evening at the VFW Hall on October 12th and will be mentioned in the September newsletter.

Keep the faith and give thanks for your blessings everyday.

LOUIE ALONGI, Grand Knight, Allouez Council 658
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FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE – LOWELL GRAMLING, Faithful Navigator

First and foremost, I want to thank Past Faithful Navigator, DAVID ROSS, for his leadership these past two years and for being my mentor. Thank you, DAVID!

Now I would like to introduce myself. I was asked to join the Knights of Columbus in 2000, at the encouragement of Sir Knights, JOHN SCHULTE, RICHARD MILLER and TOM MARXEN. I joined Father Betson Council 11977. In 2004 Sir Knight RICHARD MILLER asked TONY SCOTT, TOM MARXEN and me to join the 4th degree and we had our Exemplification in Rockford. I was the Faithful Captain for the past two years, and at our June meeting I was honored to become Faithful Navigator. The key phrase here is I was asked.

I live in rural Colona with my wife, DARLENE, of 47 years and we have three children and four grandchildren. After retiring from John Deere Harvester in 1986, I began my business, or what I call my hobby, which is playing in the dirt (for pay).

I invite all 4th degree members in Assembly 1922 to our Steak Fry on August 7th at 6:00 p.m. at Christ the King, Moline. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Call for a reservation at 309-794-1159 or 309-441-5145, before August 3rd.

Upcoming Exemplification is October 12, 2008 at Breese, IL. Cost for candidate is \$70.00. For more details contact me at 309-441-5145 after 7:00 p.m.

Question?????? To my Brother K.C.'s. Are you attending our Council and Assembly meetings? If not, why not! If the answer is yes, great! If the answer is no, email me at dlgram61@theinter.com, and tell us why not. Perhaps we can do something about it.

Again, I hope to see you all at the meetings.

LOWELL GRAMLING, Faithful Navigator, Father Edward J. Bader Assembly 1922

Editor's Note At the Father Bader Assembly Fourth Degree Summer Social on June 5, LOWELL GRAMLING and his wife, DARLENE, were named the Assembly's Family of the Year. I'm sure that modesty prevents the Faithful Navigator from mentioning this fact. Your newsletter editor, in the interest of printing all the news that is fit to print and lacking such modesty, must tell you that he was named the Sir Knight of the Year. Sir Knight BOB PULFORD received his Honorary Life Member Award from the Supreme Council.

“Wish not so much to live long as to live well.” —Benjamin Franklin

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS AT FARRELL HALL ON AUGUST 14, 2008 AT 7 P.M.

GREEN POINT REPORT

Winners since our last report:

673 Jim O'Donnell	\$25
157 Elaine Hogan	25
230 Larry Brandenburg	25
860 Pam Hopkins	50
673 Jim O'Donnell	25
755 Mary Chesser	25
914 Catherine Huggins	25
048 Janice Egger	50
617 Vince Klauer	25
518 Amy Mullane	25

Numbers drawn with no holders:

799, 447, 154, 014, 304, 621, 935, 283, 078, 474, 899, 966, 958, 362, 130, 392, 955, 094, 346, 758, 112.

JIM WIELAND,
Green Point Chairman



LADIES AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the fifteen ladies who are sharing an August birth month.

Have a Happy Birthday!

PHYLLIS COOGAN	DOROTHY GERLEMAN
CATHERINE HUGGINS	LINDA HUGGINS
ROSELLE JACKSON	RUTH KERNAN
PAMELA LANGSTON	LOIS LAVELL
MARILYN ROYAL	ARLYNE SHEIL
EDNA SOWARDS	MARY THORPE
EVE VALENTINE	JOSEPHINE WILSON
KATHLEEN WOHLERS	



SEPTEMBER WEDDING

ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the nine couples who will celebrate a September wedding anniversary.

JAMES & BEVERLY CASEY	9/04/1971
DALE & PEGGY JO DUSENBERRY	9/13/1980
GEORGE & CATHERINE HUGGINS	9/12/1959
LEO & HILDA KELLER	9/08/1947
EVERETT & NORMA MANNING	9/29/1956
MARK & SUSAN SCHAECHER	9/17/1988
RICHARD & JOAN SELLON	9/12/1959
WILLIAM & CAROLE TACEY	9/01/1951
RICHARD & BETHEL VINCENT	9/08/1956

We want to recognize all of our married couples but we can't if you don't tell us what this important date in your life is. Call F.S. TOM LAWRENCE (788-4642) so he can put it in our records.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Thirty-one Brother Knights are celebrating a birthday this month. May they live as long as they want and never want as long as they live!

PAT CUNNINGHAM, M.D.	ANDREW DENTON
JAMES DINNEEN	EMIL DUPONT
DALE DUSENBERRY	DAVID EMERICK, JR.
DAN FLYNN	GERALD FOX
STEVEN FRELS	THOMAS HERBERT
REV. T. HOCHSTETTER	KEVIN HUGHES
PAUL JOHNSON	JACK KETTERING
THOMAS KILBRIDE	THEODORE LADOWSKI
DAVID McDANIEL	GARY NOWAK
JULIUS PEARSON	RICHARD PHILLIS, M.D.
SIMON POSSIN	CLARENCE POWERS
MICHAEL PTACEK	FRANK RANDAZZO
FRANK SCHRADERA	JAMES STEWART

RUSSELL SWIM
RALPH VROMAN
PATRICK WEST

DANIEL VERSCHOORE
WILLIAM WARLOP



GRILLING FOR CHARITY

The Rock Island Knights will be "grilling for charity" at HY-VEE Rock Island on Saturday, August 2nd. Knights Glenn Wells and Dick Friedel, co-chairs of this charity event, are asking their fellow Knights and friends to support this cookout by stopping by sometime on Saturday, August 2nd (11:00 – 6:00) for a special grilled item. HY-VEE will be sharing 25% of the total income from the grilled sales to the Knights, and those proceeds will be donated to local charities. Thank you.

DICK FRIEDEL
GLENN WELLS



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE DATE

Next month's newsletter is scheduled to go to the printer on August 28. Any articles that you wish to be in that month's Newsletter must be received at the home of JIM CASEY by August 27. You may email your article to jmc2800@mchsi.com or mail it to 2800 47th Street Court, Rock Island, IL 61201. Your article may be edited for content, to correct misspellings or to fit into the space available.



PRAY FOR US

MEMBERS SICK OR IN DISTRESS

We pray for our Brother Knights who are ill or otherwise incapacitated. We can only mention those of whom we are aware. Let us know if you wish to be included. Call F.S. TOM LAWRENCE (788-4642) to be added. We remember the following members in our prayers:

John Bromley	St. Anthony Cont. Care
Richard Vincent	St. Anthony Cont. Care
Paul Coryn	At home
Keith Grothusen	At home
Charles Hood	At home
Robert McDonald	Rockford
LaVance Moore	At home
Bob Pulford	At home
Don Stange	At home
Jim Toensing	At home
John Valentine	At home

COLUMBUS DAY DINNER

It's not too soon to mark your calendars for the 2008 Columbus Day Dinner October 12th (Sunday). I'm very pleased to announce that Brother Knight and Illinois Supreme Court Justice TOM KILBRIDE will be our Guest Speaker. This event will be held at Rock Island VFW on 9th Street. Social hour is at 5:00PM and dinner at 6:00. Menu and prices are yet to be determined. Stay tuned. Any questions, call me at 309/786/8759.

Best regards, DICK FRIEDEL



NEWMAN CHARITY

Don't forget to make that contribution to the State Newman Fund. This is not only a personal tax benefit but it also helps provide a Catholic presence on the campuses of colleges and universities in Illinois. Send your check to TOM LAWRENCE, 2521 35th Street, Rock Island, IL 61201. It's a win/win situation!



DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

Why is Membership in the Masons a Conflict with Membership in the Knights

Recently, I was asked if it was okay for a man to be a member of the Masons and of the Knights of Columbus; even if he was unaware of the true nature of Masonry. I had to respond that it is prohibited for a Knight to hold membership in the order of Freemasons. Unfortunately, there was insufficient time to discuss this in any detail.

Certainly one can resort to Mother Church for guidance. In the 1917 Code of Canon Law, Freemasonry was very specifically prohibited to Catholics. In the current version of Canon Law, there is no mention of Freemasonry as such and no specific censure of excommunication for Catholics who join Masonic lodges. However there is a provision for such a sanction in cases, to be identified locally, where an organization works against the Faith or the Church (Canon 1374). A note from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in 1983 referring to this Canon stated Masonic membership is a "grave sin."

Freemasonry has a long and murky history. There is considerable debate about when it specifically began. In the beginning, the public face of Freemasonry was very benign. In fact, one of the articles professed specifically mandated that a Mason had to believe in God, a life after this one, and be members in good standing of the national religion where the member resided. Since the mid-1700's, that is no longer required; only that a Mason observe the moral law as understood by popular society. In other words, they are full subscribers to relativism and modernism.

Further, most who have studied Masonry in some depth report that Anglo Freemasonry is broadly deistic and naturalistic in religious belief, while European Freemasonry has a markedly anticlerical and anti-Christian bent. Neither of these is in accordance with the dogmatic

teachings of Holy Mother Church to which we owe the obedience of faith.

Finally, Jesus tells us in Matthew 7 that we will know those who are false by their fruits. While there are certain characteristics of the Knights that are secret, the fruits we bring to the Church in terms of faithfulness and charity along with the living out of the Church's charitable work to the community are readily visible to all. In general, Masons do not evidence the same wide spread charity to the Church or community through their general membership, although there are Masons and Masonic lodges who are charitable and do some very good things.

Ultimately, membership in both of these organizations is like trying to stand with a foot on either side of a widening fault. At some point, one must choose one side or the other or fall in the chasm between them.

Feel free to drop me a question for this column. Questions may be dropped off on the head table at a Council Meeting or sent via email to rpswim@mchsi.com or phone 786-3097.



CONDOLENCES

It is our sad duty to report that our friend and Brother Knight KENNETH AGUE was called to his maker on July 12, 2008. KEN was an Honorary Life Member of Allouez Council. He was an active participant working bingo, pull-tabs for the K of C Hall and as a section leader for the annual MR/LD Drive.

Ken was born on September 30, 1921, in Rock Island. He married MARY HELEN BOONE on September 16, 1950, in Rock Island. She passed away on February 1, 2003. They are survived by a son, MICHAEL, and daughters, KATHERINE and CHRISTINE.

KEN was a World War II U. S. Army Air Corps veteran, attaining the rank of 2nd lieutenant. He also worked for 37 years for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, retiring in December of 1983.

KEN was a member of St. Pius X Church, the Telephone Pioneers of America and American Legion Post 246.

KEN was laid to rest in the National Cemetery on Arsenal Island

We also offer our condolences to Brother Knights AL DOYLE and

MICHAEL DOYLE on the death of their wife and mother, respectively, MARY SUE DOYLE. MARY SUE passed away on Tuesday, July 15, 2008, at Trinity Pathway Hospice in Bettendorf, Iowa.

MARY SUE was born on May 6, 1931, in Galesburg. She married ALBERT DOYLE on October 28, 1950, in Rock Island. They were the parents of a daughter, MOLLY, and two sons, MICHAEL and GREGORY.

MARY SUE was a member of St. Pius X Church. After the Mass of Christian burial at St. Pius X, an inurnment will be in Calvary Cemetery.

May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.



INSURANCE AGENT'S MESSAGE

Whole life insurance calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may want to consider a permanent life insurance product – one with guaranteed cash values – that offers a limited period of premium payments. The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life.

“Twenty Pay Life” is exactly as the name suggests – a permanent plan with premiums payable for only 20 years. After the premiums are paid for the 20 years, the plan is “paid up” and no more premiums are due. Unlike its term counterpart, however, the plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

Another such plan is our “Life Paid Up at 65.” You buy this permanent product and you only pay premiums to age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains very much in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It’s possible.

I have detailed information on all of these products. At your convenience, I’ll meet with you and your spouse to perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, to help

determine which of our many life insurance products is right for you and your family.

MIKE MARTENS

(309) 737-2390



KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

In the July 27 edition of the Argus/Dispatch there was a write-up about the history of Douglas Park in Rock Island. Honorary Life members BOB BARNETT and LaVANCE MOORE were featured in the article that contained an invitation to everyone who played at Douglas Park to attend a reunion at 4 p.m. Sat., August 2.

Brother BOB BARNETT was president of the city’s National League in the late 40’s. BOB was quoted as saying, “I practically lived in this ballpark when I was a kid.” Many of us could probably echo those words.

Brother LaVANCE MOORE played ball for Rock Island’s Sturdevant Dairy baseball team in the 1950’s. This team was nicknamed the half-and-half team because half of its members were white and half were black. This was unusual for those times. In the early ‘50s this team beat the dominant Hamm’s beer team with LaVANCE scoring the winning run.

What a great story! I’ll bet those two could give an enjoyable program recounting their experiences at Douglas Park.



WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

As you read throughout this newsletter, you come across references to Honorary and Honorary Life members. They refer to senior members of the Knights of Columbus who are so designated by the Supreme Council in New Haven.

To receive the designation, Honorary member, a person must have reached 65 years of age and been a member for a continuous 25 years. Such a designee pays a reduced dues fee of \$9.00 a year.

To receive the designation, Honorary Life member, a person must have reached 70 years of age and been a member for a continuous 25 years, or have been a member for a continuous 50 years. The only exceptions are priests who automatically receive this designation when they join. Those so designated are absolved of any dues.

Every year at the Columbus Day dinner these awards are presented.