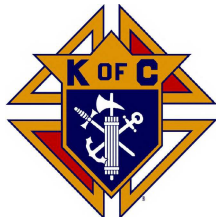


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE—LOUIE ALONGI, *Grand Knight*

Last weekend, our Council completed the 29th Annual Pro-Life Pancake Breakfast for the benefit in support of the Pro-Life efforts in the Quad-Cities. I know that over the years we would normally “clear” between \$1,500 - \$2,000. Just a guess of course, but the Knights have raised somewhere between \$45,000 - \$60,000 for Pro-Life. It does seem unbelievable! GEORGE BELOCK was the Administrator of the then Franciscan Medical Center and our first Chairperson. I was a 2nd term Grand Knight then and he and I agreed that our area needed an annual fundraiser to fight the new abortion forces. We almost agreed to have a chili supper each year, but pancakes sounded better! Most of you probably remember, we first held the event at Alleman, and then moved it to our Club, and now to our current Farrell Hall location. The past several years JEFF SCARPINATO has taken on the Chairmanship and has really put together a very organized fundraiser. JEFF will be the first to say that having TOM LAWRENCE and MARK HOLLAND co-chairing is really a big help! Many persons, including students and families, make this annual event a success each year. On behalf of the Officers and membership, thanks JEFF, we appreciate all your efforts.

A reminder: The Community Awards Night is scheduled for 2/24 and will be hosted this year by the Children's Therapy Center (1504 – 13th Avenue, Moline). The funds raised from the Pancake Breakfast and the tootsie roll drive will be presented to the various community organizations and they will give us a glimpse of how they plan on using the funds raised. GEORGE McDONIEL, the Director of the Children's Therapy Center, will give us a short overview of how his organization serves the community at the Center. I hope that many of you will be able to attend and help show support of the Knights to these fine organizations. The program will start at 7:00 pm with a coffee/cake social to follow.

A Membership Committee has been established and will be meeting soon to begin the planning process. GLENN WELLS, FOREST BELZER, FRED LUCKENBILL, AL MASSIE and myself will try to develop a plan to PAD (Planning---Activity---Degree) our membership rolls. We want to encourage our membership to “ASK” a Catholic friend/family member to join the Knights and help with our efforts to support the Church, Community, and Youth.

Our next Council meeting is February 12th, 7:00 pm at Farrell Hall. Deacon RUSS will start us off with one decade of the rosary and a social will follow the meeting. I hope you will be able to join us.

Keep the faith and give thanks for your blessings everyday.

LOUIE ALONGI, Grand Knight, Allouez Council 658
(309) 786-9625.

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE – LOWELL GRAMLING, *Faithful Navigator*

What a cold and snowy winter it has been. I thank God that He is in charge.

Our February meeting is Feb. 5, 2009 at Happy Joes, 925 South Oakwood Ave., Geneseo, IL. Dinner is off the menu at 6 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7 p.m.

I have asked Sir Knight FRED LUCKENBILL to head up the officer nominating committee again this year. If you presently hold an office, consider saying “yes” to doing it again. Or, if you are thinking about serving in an office, please let FRED know. The first reading of nominees will be at our April meeting and elections at the June meeting.

On the 16th & 17th of January, the Father Bader Honor Guard once more turned out to bid farewell to a faithful fourth degree member of 62 years, S.K. WILLIAM BERNBROCK. Nine Honor

Guard members were at the Chalice Ceremony on the 16th of January and seven Honor Guard members were present at the funeral the next day. The family was very appreciative.

No news yet about a Fourth Degree Exemplification.

At this time we don't have any flag service programs scheduled, but I invite all Honor Guard members to participate in the flag services. If you would like to be a part of the service, please contact RAY WELLS at 309-757-9975 or LOWELL GRAMLING at 309-441-5145.

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

ALLOUEZ LADIES AUXILIARY -JODY JOHNSON, President

Our next meeting will be February 19th at 7:00 in Farrell Hall. At this time, the entertainment is pending. Hope to see all of you there.

The January meeting which was to be the postponed Christmas Party was canceled in Jan. because of inclement weather. As you can see, after missing 2 meetings in a row, we don't have much news to report. I do hope everyone had a holy & healthy holiday season. Now as we start the New Year, may we all enjoy good health, happiness and companionship. See you on February 19th.

JUNE SAMUELSON, Publicity

Another Successful Pro-Life Breakfast!

After 29 years, the Sir Knight LARRY QUANE Memorial Pro-Life Breakfast has become a well-oiled machine. This year's event was held on Sunday, January 25th at Farrell Hall without a hitch. The crowd was smaller this year but the breakfast drew very generous attendees and sponsors. The "Sit Down" service continues to be a crowd pleaser and with many dedicated volunteers the morning flowed very well.

The Pro-Life Breakfast committee of JEFF SCARPINATO, MARK HOLLAND, KEVIN RAFFERTY, GLENN WELLS and TOM LAWRENCE relied on some of the same dedicated volunteers who have been involved for many years as well as some new faces, especially the Alleman students. SCARPINATO credits the sponsors for helping to make the event a successful fund-raiser. "We received \$200 from Wheelan-Pressly Funeral Home which covered the rental cost of Farrell Hall," said SCARPINATO.

The other sponsors donated to the raffle and they included: Van Hoe Funeral Home (\$100 cash); Rafferty Funeral Home (\$50 cash); DeRoo Funeral Home (\$25 cash); Deacon Russ and Pam Swim (2 - \$50 gift certificates to Johnny's Italian Steakhouse), Belgian Village (3-\$10 Gift Certificates); Pizza & Subs (\$25 Gift Certificate); Mills Chevrolet (2-Oil Changes); Colman's Florist (\$20 Gift Certificate); Saint Giuseppe's Pizza (5-\$10 Gift Cards); Mulkey's Restaurant (\$15 Gift Certificate); Religious Supply Store (\$10 Gift Certificate); and Country Style Ice Cream (2-\$5 Gift Cards). Please support our sponsors and thank them for their generosity. Proceeds from this year's event will go to the Women's Choice Center and Quad City Right to Life two leading pro-life organizations in the Quad Cities later in February.

A final financial report and a volunteer recognition report will appear in the next Abstract.

"The only man who never makes a mistake is the man who never does anything." Theodore Roosevelt

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS AT FARRELL HALL ON FEBRUARY 12, 2009 AT 7 P.M.

GREEN POINT REPORT

Winners since our last report:

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| 383 Dorothy Arnett | \$25 |
| 514 Greg Murphy | 75 |
| 331 Helen Egan | 25 |
| 542 Ray Wells | 100 |
| 627 Michael Lawrence | 25 |
| 665 Richard Requet, Jr. | 50 |
| 487 Dennis Pauley | 25 |
| 729 Molly Luckenbill | 25 |
| 383 Dorothy Arnett | 25 |
| 624 Dr. Robert Wells | 50 |
| 625 Ed Otten | 75 |
| 813 Pat Kukla | 25 |
| 114 Gene Bleuer | 25 |

Numbers drawn with no holders:

283, 468, 622, 115, 412, 764, 339, 754, 732, 794, 173, 378, 956, 072, 952, 443, 499, 543, 660, 593, 294.

Isn't it amazing how the same number can come up more than once in such a short time.

A big "Thank You!" to all the new players. Your support is appreciated. It is never too late to send your tickets in. A couple of our new players have already won.

JIM WIELAND,
Green Point Chairman

LADIES FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the twelve ladies who are sharing a February birth month. Have a Happy Birthday!

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| DOROTHY ARNETT | LORRAINE BROMLEY |
| MARY LOU BUCKROP | CONNIE CRAY |
| BEVERLY DAVIS | HILDA KELLER |
| CORRINE LENAGHAN | HYACINTH PRICE |
| PAT VERONDA | LOMA WEGERER |
| DR. BETTY WHITTED | MARY K. WIGGINS |

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the four couples who will celebrate a February wedding anniversary.

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| JOSEPH & JOYCE CARLIN | 2/23/1957 |
| JAMES & IRENE DUGAN | 2/14/1950 |
| JOSEPH & JOAN LOPEZ | 2/05/1955 |
| RUSSELL & PAM SWIM | 2/27/1971 |

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 or correct our records.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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

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| JOHN BROMLEY | PETER Di IULIO |
| DAVID EDWARDS | ANTHONY FORLINI |
| REV. F. GALLAGHER | ARNOLD GREEN |

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| GERARD HUISKAMP | GEORGE HUGGINS |
| ROBERT LAWRENCE | LOUIS MACK |
| JOHN MALONE | JOHN P. MORAN |
| JEROME O'LEARY | RON RAYMOND |
| VICTOR REYES | RUSSELL SCOTT |
| RICHARD SELLON | RICHARD TIPTON |
| BRIAN WEGERER | JOSEPH WIDDELL |

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE DATE

Next month's newsletter is scheduled to go to the printer on February 25. Any articles that you wish to be in that month's Newsletter must be received at the home of JIM CASEY by February 24. 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:

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| John Bromley | St. Anthony Cont. Care |
| Richard Vincent | St. Anthony Cont. Care |
| Paul Coryn | At home |
| Larry Dodge | At home |
| Carl Heires | At home |
| Charles Hood | At home |
| Robert McDonald | At home |
| Jack Michalski | At home |
| LaVance Moore | At home |
| Bob Pulford | At home |
| Don Stange | At home |
| Jim Toensing | At home |
| John Valentine | At home |

We pray, O God, that You look with pity on Your servants who suffer. Ease their pain and comfort their loneliness. Give them the grace to bear this cross patiently with You in Christian reparation. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

COUNCIL PROPOSES BY-LAWS REVISIONS

The Allouez Council's By-laws were last revised in 1987 when the Council had its own clubrooms. After 22 years and different circumstances, the Officers of the Council have proposed some changes that the Supreme Council has mandated and our current circumstances require. The changes are as follows:

Dues for insured members less than 26 years of age half that of regular dues (\$20) and the dues for an honorary member increases to \$10 from \$9.

The meeting dates are formalized to be the first Monday and the second Thursday of the month. The business meeting shall be the second Thursday. A quorum remains as 12.

The amount the Council is allowed to pay out without a vote of the members has been raised to \$200 from \$100. This does not include expenses that the Council regularly pays.

A Relief Fund is increased to \$1,000 (formerly \$100) to provide assistance to any brother reported to be in distress or in need of relief. A Relief Committee consisting of the Grand knight, Financial Secretary and Treasurer shall investigate the case to see if it is deserving of assistance. No single case can be paid more than \$300 (formerly \$25) without reference to and approval by the Council.

The former section "Building Fund" is deleted.

These changes will be voted on at the February meeting. A two-thirds vote of the members present is necessary for approval.



NEWMAN CHARITY

Whether you wish to become a Century Donor or not, please remember that every contribution is important, just like the fibers of the rope. Make your check payable to "Knights of Columbus" and mail it to the Financial Secretary, TOM LAWRENCE at 2521 35TH Street, Rock Island, IL 61201.

Our most recent Newman Charity contributors are:
January contributors were not available this month. January contributors will be shown with next month's names.



DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

When Should One Speak Up About a Priest, How, and to Whom?

This question was put in the question box a couple of months ago. Given the nature of the question and the situation in my own parish, I did not feel that I could objectively answer the question at that time. While my parish continues to deal with our situation, things have settled enough to allow me to respond in as objective a manner as possible.

This is a very serious question for a Knight to be asking. We learned as we entered the Knights that one of the core values of our order is full support and love for the ordained clergy of the Church. We

also know that the clergy are human and therefore are not all saints already. God willing, they are in the process of becoming saints like the rest of us. So for a Knight to ask this, unless it is only a 'curiosity' question, suggests a man in conflict over some situation.

Keeping our core value firmly in the center of our actions, I would strongly recommend the first step be a conversation with the priest letting him know what you are perceiving and how you are responding to it. Allow Father the opportunity to explain himself. There may well be other knowledge that we are not aware of until he has the chance to explain.

If this does not lead a resolution of the concern, the next step would be to contact the Vicar Forane. He is appointed by the Bishop to be his personal representative over a sub-division of the diocese. Our Vicar is Monsignor DALE WELLMAN, pastor of Sacred Heart parish in Moline. This is a serious step because this makes the issue visible to the Bishop. I would suggest considering talking with another priest that you trust and whose advice to you have found to be sound in the past before taking this step.

The local Vicar will lead you through the next steps of the process which may lead to an interview with the Bishop. If necessary, there are processes for appealing all the way to Rome but that would be a very serious issue.

When should these steps be taken? Generally, the types of issues where this might be considered would be erroneous teaching that does not reflect the teachings of Holy Mother Church and may lead to heresy, illicit practices in the Sacraments, and willful malfeasance with regard to the spiritual or material goods of the parish.

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.



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


ST. PIUS X PARISH COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Coffee and conversation will be hosted by Allouez Council on February 1 after the 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses at St. Pius X. We look forward to seeing you again at Farrell Hall on the first Sunday of the month.

GENE FOWLER, Chairman


SPELLING BEE

The Knights held their Council Spelling Bee last Sunday afternoon (1/25) with about 50 family members supporting the 9 participating Jordan students. The results and their teachers are as follows:
First Place Macy Hoskins Mrs. Hansen
Second Place Brad Trimble Mrs. Hansen
Third Place Isabelle Anderson Mrs. Barrett

Gift certificates (\$100, \$50, \$25) were presented to the above winners and their teacher. The students received Best Buy certificates and the teachers received Teacher Aide certificates (school supply store).

The Spelling Bee and presentations to all participants were conducted by ANDY and JENNIFER RICHMOND. ANDY is Superintendent and Principal at Eagle Ridge

2008-09 VOCATIONS RAFFLE WRAP UP

School in Carbon Cliff and JENNIFER is an ESL teacher at Williams Intermediate in Davenport. ANDY and JENNIFER are part of the Rock Island Knights of Columbus family. On behalf of the Officers and the membership want to express our thanks for taking charge, the fourth year in a row, of our Council Spelling Bee. The three Jordan students are invited to the State Regional Bee. The Regional Bee date and time will be announced soon. The past several years the Regional Bee took place in Galesburg. Congratulations to MACY, BRAD, and ISABELLE and we wish you the best at the Regional Bee.

LOUIE ALONGI, Grand Knight


REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Sir Knight WILLIAM

BERNBROCK passed away on January 13, 2009. His funeral Mass was on January 17, 2009, at Sacred Heart Church in Rock Island where his brother-in-law Msgr. AMBROSE CUNNINGHAM was pastor for many years. The Mass was celebrated by his brother, Rev. JOHN BERNBROCK.

A noted area architect, BILL was a Notre Dame University alumnus, class of 1935. He was a member of Allouez Council 658 for 62 years as well as a member of the Fourth Degree for 61 years. Father Bader Assembly honored him with a memorial contribution to the MSGR. AMBROSE CUNNINGHAM Scholarship Fund at Alleman High School.

May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace!


A NOTE FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

I’m sorry if I confused anyone but, to date, I have not sent out any second notices. To those who received a billing showing second notice, I was simply trying to use up old inventory rather than wasting them. I regret that I did not mention that fact when sending them out. Thanks to all who sent in their dues and please note that I am getting the membership cards out as fast as I can. Also, while most of the bills have gone out, I still have a few to send out. Rest assured that you will be getting them soon. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

TOM LAWRENCE
Financial Secretary



This year our raffle sales provided over \$850 to the Illinois State Council's Vocations Support Programs. In addition, money was raised for the Allouez Council, the Allouez Council Auxiliary and Fr. Edward J. Bader Assembly.

Prize winners:

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| \$10,000 | C.J. Riedel | St. Louis, MO |
| 2,500 | M. Borst | Chicago, IL |
| 1,000 | K. McCray | Mundelein, IL |
| 1,000 | Lois Lahner | Itasca, IL |
| 1,000 | R. Badyniak | Calumet, IL |
| 500 | Z. Koulo | South Holland, IL |
| 500 | F. Cvach | Lombard, IL |
| 250 | D. Morgan | Elburn, IL |
| 250 | E. Frobish | Morris, IL |
| 250 | A. Foley | Granville IL |
| 100 | Leroy Klein | LaMoille, IL |
| 100 | A. Pakeltis | Cresthill, IL |
| 100 | G. Heiman | Glenview, IL |
| 100 | I. Ude | South Holland, IL |
| 100 | Ken Long | Ottawa, IL |
| 100 | R. Schrage | Highland, IL |
| 100 | Rev. E. Albers | St. Louis, MO |
| 100 | J. VanRhein Jr | St. Louis, MO |
| 100 | B. Warnock | Libertyville, IL |
| 100 | K.C. Johnson | Chicago, IL |

Thanks to all who participated in the 2008-09 Raffle. Although this area did not have a cash prize winner, all participants are winners when supporting the men and women who are responding to God's vocation call.

FRED LUCKENBILL, Project Coordinator



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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

2009

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| Feb. 1 Masses | Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall | After 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 |
| Feb. 2 p.m. | Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall | 6:30 |
| Feb. 5 p.m. | Father Bader Assembly Meeting, Happy Joe's, Geneseo | 7:00 |
| Feb. 12 p.m. | Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| Feb. 15 | District Free Throw Contest, Christ the King | |
| Feb. 19 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| Feb. 24 p.m. | Charity Awards Night, Children's Therapy Center | 7:00 |
| Feb. 25 | Ash Wednesday, Start of Lent | |
| Mar. 1 Masses | Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall | After 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 |
| Mar. 2 p.m. | Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall | 6:30 |
| Mar. 12 p.m. | Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| Mar. 14 a.m. | St. Patrick's Day Mass and Parade, St. Mary's, Rock Island | 9:30 |
| Mar. 19 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| Apr. 2 p.m. | Father Bader Assembly Meeting, Officer Nominations | 7:00 |
| Apr. 5 Masses | Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall | After 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 |
| Apr. 6 p.m. | Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall | 6:30 |
| Apr. 12 | Easter Sunday, Christ is Risen | |
| Apr. 16 p.m. | Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| Apr. 16 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| May 3 Masses | Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall | After 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 |
| May 4 p.m. | Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall | 6:30 |
| May 10 | Mother's Day, Flowers for New Mothers, Trinity | |

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| May 14 p.m. | Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| May 21 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| June 1 p.m. | Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall | 6:30 |
| June 4 p.m. | Father Bader Assembly Social Meeting, Officer Elections | 7:00 |
| June 7 Masses | Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall | After 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 |
| June 11 p.m. | Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall, Officer Elections | 7:00 |
| June 13 | Father Bader Assembly, Flag Disposal Ceremony, St. Pius | |
| June 18 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall, Officer Elections | 7:00 |