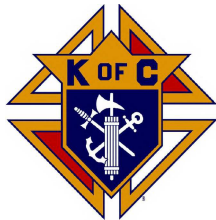


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE—GLENN WELLS, *Grand Knight*

As the new Grand Knight of Allouez Council 658, there are three important areas I wish to address this coming year.

First, Membership: JIM BEDNAR, State Secretary, said the State Council needs 65 members to be included in the Circle of Honor. Let's put our best efforts into procuring more members. We have 3 new members, one of which took his major degree in Milan. We have two who need to make first degree.

Second, Reinstatement of a First Degree Team: I think that it is very important that our Council to hold its own First Degree Ceremony.

Third, Attendance at the Regular Council Meetings: The Council meets at Farrell Hall on the second Thursday each month at 7:00 p.m. These meetings are important because we discuss upcoming events and need more input from members. The newsletter has a schedule of events on the blue sheet attached to it. JIM CASEY does an outstanding job keeping the membership informed of upcoming events.

This past year was very successful for Allouez Council 658. Under the direction of LOUIE ALONGI, the council was recognized at the State Convention in 6 different categories. Let us continue in this same positive manner for the year 2009-2010.

Thank you for your support. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

GLENN WELLS, Grand Knight, Allouez Council 658
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FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE – LOWELL GRAMLING, *Faithful Navigator*

Blessings & Greetings to all:

I want to thank all who came to the Annual Mass Social & Recognition dinner. I believe all had a good time and a great meal. A Mass with Fr. MIKE SCHAAB is always uplifting of both mind & spirit. After Mass a short business meeting was held. Unanimous vote was cast for the slate of officers. Also a unanimous vote was cast for candidate LEO FRETT and DON HENDRICKS.

My congratulations to our Knight of the Year, Sir Knight FRED LUCKENBILL, and our Family of the Year, Sir Knight TOM & DEBBIE MARXEN. I thank God for your friendship and all that you do.

Again it is my pleasure to tell you that Knight LEO FRETT will be attending the Exemplification at Springfield on June 27th.

For those of you who couldn't attend the Social, you missed a real patriotic evening. Your Flag Service team was the entertainment for the evening, followed by the singing of all the verses of the Star Spangled Banner. Speaking of the Flag Service team, they will be at the St. Mary's Monastery in Rock Island on June 25th.

A very special congratulation to JAMES CASEY for being named Illinois Knight of the Year. Our annual Steak Dinner with Loras Assembly is Tues., Aug. 18th. Details to follow.

Our next meeting is Thurs., Aug. 6th, place to be announced.

Cordially yours,

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

SALUTE TO THE ALLOUEZ COUNCIL AND JIM CASEY

(As submitted to the Rock Island Argus and The Catholic Post)

Rock Island's Allouez Council of the Knights of Columbus was recognized at the recent K of C State Convention receiving an almost unprecedented number of honors including The Illinois State Knight of the Year.

James M. Casey of Rock Island was named The Illinois State Knight of the Year. He was selected for this honor from the 71,000 members of the Knights of Columbus in Illinois and his recognition reflects his commitment to the Knights, his Church and the community. Mr. Casey, a 50 year member of the Knights, has held multiple offices in both the Allouez Council and the Father Bader Assembly including Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator, respectively. He continues his involvement in the work of the Knights by serving as a Trustee of the Allouez Council and Faithful Comptroller of the Assembly.

In addition to the offices he currently holds with the Knights, Mr. Casey serves St. Pius X Parish as an Extraordinary Minister, Parish Council Member, Chair of its Human Action Committee which organizes annual blood drives, helped organize the St. Vincent DePaul Society which operates one of the larger food pantries in the area, and helped lead the effort for the Parish to build a Habit Home. Mr. Casey is an expert on the annual "Tootsie Roll" drive as he was an organizing member of the drive in this area.

Mr. Casey has previously been honored as the Knight of the Year by the Allouez Council, Sir Knight of the Year by the Fr. Bader Assembly, Knight of Knights by the Knights of Columbus of the Peoria Diocese and he is a recipient of the Peoria Diocese's prestigious Pere Marquette award.

Allouez Council was also recognized by the State Knights of Columbus for the Annual Memorial Day Field Mass at Calvary Cemetery. This activity was named the number one Family Activity of the year and is conducted through the joint efforts of the Allouez Council and the Calvary Cemetery management.

The Council was further recognized for its per capita collections in the annual MR/LD or "Tootsie Roll" drive, high per capita support of the Newman Fund which helps finance a Catholic presence on secular college and university campuses in the State and for the scrapbook chronicling the year's activities of the Allouez Council.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." – Preamble to the Declaration of Independence.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS AT FARRELL HALL ON JULY 9, 2009 AT 7 P.M.

GREEN POINT REPORT

Winners since our last report:

142 David Sunleaf	\$75
513 Kelly Lawrence	25
158 Jean Miletich	50
456 Robert M. Wells	25
590 Emil Dupont	25
924 Dave Ross	25
281 Robert DeClerck	50
286 John J. Moran	25
114 Gene Bleuer	25
197 John Marsho	25
242 Dave Edwards	50
367 Pat Kernan	25

Numbers drawn with no holders:
917, 680, 697, 154, 312, 600, 734, 639, 580,
243, 776, 349, 936, 836, 361, 210, 126, 804.

JIM WIELAND,
Green Point Chairman



LADIES JULY BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the nine ladies who are sharing a July birth month. Have a Happy Birthday!

JOAN GUISE	BEVERLY HARTWIG
KAREN HUGHES	FRAN JOHNSON
RAMONA LACKEY	DOLORES ROBINSON
MARGARET SAILER	BARBARA SEXTON
JEAN WOLTERS	



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the seven couples who will celebrate a July wedding anniversary.

JOSEPH & SHARON BURNS	7/12/1969
WILLIAM & PHYLLIS COOGAN	7/24/1965
JOSEPH & KATHLEEN GUSSE	7/01/2000
MARK & MELISSA HOLLAND	7/06/1985
ALFRED & MARY HUBER	7/01/1995
RON & BEVERLY LA SALLE	7/19/1958
LARRY & BETTY VANDEKERCKHOVE	7/20/1938

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.



JULY BIRTHDAYS

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

EDWARD AMONI	RICHARD BLACK
GENE BLEUER	WILLIAM BUCKLEY
WILLIAM COOGAN	DONALD DELEU
FRANK FORLINI III	CHARLES GERLEMAN
TERRY KLAUER	KEVIN KOSKI
JOSEPH LOPEZ, JR.	FRED LUCKENBILL
THOMAS MALONEY	EVERETT MANNING
EDWIN McCARTHY	GEORGE McDONIEL
STEVEN McMILLAN	TIMOTHY METZGER
DWIGHT MOSELY	FRANCIS MURRIN
DANIEL PETERSON	TIMOTHY PHILLIS
GABRIEL POSSIN	JOHN REAL, JR.
LARRY SENGER	BILL SOWARDS
DAVID SWEENEY	WAYNE VITTORI

JARED VOGELE GEORGE WHAN
GEORGE WILLIAMS RUSS WYKLE



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE DATE

Next month's newsletter is scheduled to go to the printer on July 28. Any articles that you wish to be in that month's Newsletter must be received at the home of JIM CASEY by July 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.



ST. PIUS X PARISH COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Coffee and Conversation, which is hosted by Allouez Council after the 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses at St. Pius X, is closed for the summer. We look forward to seeing you again at Farrell Hall on the first Sunday of September.

GENE FOWLER, Chairman



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:

Robert McDonald	Royal Oaks, Kewanee
Bob Barnett	Fort Armstrong
Bill Coogan	At home
Paul Coryn	At home
Larry Dodge	At home
Carl Heires	At home
Charles Hood	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.



NEWMAN CHARITY

Whether you wish to become a Century Donor or not, please remember that every contribution is important, just like each fiber 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.



CIVIC AWARDS NIGHT

The 30th Annual civic Awards Night will take place on Sunday, July 26. Please call me (235-6796) to make reservations. The festivities honoring the Rock Island Firefighter and Police Officer of the Year start at 5:00 p.m. with a social hour and the dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Rock Island VFW Hall. You may make your reservations now and pay at the door.

LOUIE ALONGI, Chairman



DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

Vatican II emphasized the spirit instead of the letter of the law, so we are not obliged to attend Sunday Mass anymore.

To the point, there is no place in the documents of Vatican II or in the teachings of the Popes since then that even suggests this is true. Attending Mass on Sunday and Holy Days remains one of the precepts of the Church that we are bound to. The only exception would be a proportionate reason such as illness that would prevent attendance.

Why do we need this precept? We are creatures and, as creatures, we have a first duty to worship our Creator. We also have free will and, as so often is true, that is where the difficulties arise. Free will can be freely abused. All of the sins we commit arise from abuse of our free will. Because of our fallen nature and this tendency to abuse free will, many of us would skip Mass if attendance were not required. So this precept saves us from our own laziness.

Is this ideal? It is certainly not. Paul says in Romans 7:6, "But now we are released from the law, dead to what held us captive, so that we may serve in the newness of the spirit and not under the obsolete letter." If we read this out of context with the modern view of spirit versus letter, this seems like permission to do almost anything as long as it is moved by the spirit. Read in the context of Romans, it says something very different.

Paul is pointing out that although the letter of the law may be demanding, the spirit is even more so. Paul means the good Christian who is moved by the spirit will want to do what he is supposed to do out of love for God and not out of fear of punishment or blind obedience to the letter. Acting out of obedience to the law is not wrong but it is like going into confession

with imperfect contrition. This is sufficient motive for confession but it is not the ideal; perfect contrition is. Obedience to the spirit stemming from a well-formed conscience is the ideal. That allows us to live following the spirit of the law; or the purpose behind the letter of the law; in love of God and not because you are looking over your shoulder for the spiritual constable.

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

Have you ever heard the expression "lazy days of summer?" While the hot weather may encourage a slower paced life, in many ways summer can be the busiest time of the year. Especially for parents with school-aged children. And being busy, it's easy to forget about such things as reviewing your life insurance coverage.

The purpose of this column is to encourage you to meet with me, your Knights of Columbus agent, before the end of the summer. Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, I'll be happy to meet with you and make sure your coverage continues to meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. I'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

Call me to set up an appointment. When we meet, you'll discover that time spent with your Knights of Columbus agent is time well-spent. But, make the call today. Because summer is not only busy, it's also coming to an end.

I look forward to meeting with each of you.

MIKE MARTENS, (309) 737-2390



CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to the family of Brother JOHN MUSICK who passed away on Saturday, June 6, 2009, at his home. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Pius X Church, Rock Island, on Wednesday, June 10. Inurnment was at National Cemetery, Rock Island, with military honors.

JOHN was born in Lauriam, Michigan on September 16, 1913. He married BEA MRAZAK on September 13, 1942 in Rock Island. She preceded him in death.

He was a self-employed landscaper for 30 years. During World War II he served in the Army Air Force. Larry was a charter member of St. Pius X Church, Rock Island, and an Honorary Life member of Allouez Council 658.

He is survived by a son, MICHAEL, and a daughter, MARY BETH SCOTT, as well as a grandson and a sister.

We also offer our condolences to the family of Brother RICHARD VINCENT who died Thursday, June 18, 2009, at St. Anthony's Continuing Care Center, Rock Island. Services for Brother VINCENT were held on Tuesday, June 23, at St. Pius X Church. Burial was in Greenview Memorial Gardens, East Moline, where military rites were conducted by Milan American Legion Post 569/200 and the Rock Island VFW Post No.1303.

Brother VINCENT was born June 21, 1933, in Rock Island. He married BETHEL TAYLOR on September 9, 1956, in Rock Island.

He worked as a sales representative for Jaydon, Inc. of Rock Island, for over 20 years. He was a member of St. Pius X parish and Allouez Council. DICK was an avid gardener and was a volunteer gardener for Long View Park in Rock Island. He also did volunteer work for the Boy Scouts of America. Brother VINCENT was a U. S. Army veteran.

He is survived by his wife, BETHEL, and a son, MARK.

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

NEW MEMBER WELCOMED

Please welcome our newest member, Brother CLARENCE M. DARROW who became a Third Degree Knight on Sunday, May 17, 2009. He was proposed by his father, Sir Knight CLARENCE A. DARROW. MIKE, as he is called, is an attorney and a member of St. Pius X Church.

ALLOUEZ OFFICERS ELECTION

At the June 11 meeting the following nominees were elected to serve during the 2009/2010 fraternal year:

Grand Knight	GLENN WELLS
Deputy Grand Knight	Vacant
Chaplain	Rev. PETER ZORJAN
Asst Chaplain	Rev. Mr. RUSS SWIM
Chancellor	RICHARD FRIEDEL
Recorder	ANDREW OLSON
Treasurer	JIM WIELAND
Financial Secretary	TOM LAWRENCE
Lector	"RED" PEARSON
Advocate	LARRY HINZMAN
Warden	PAT SCHMID
Inside Guard	MIKE MCKINNEY
Outside Guard	TONY FORLINI
Trustee 1 Year	JIM CASEY
Trustee 2 Year	RAY WELLS
Trustee 3 Year	LOUIE ALONGI

Congratulations to everyone!

FATHER BADER ASSEMBLY OFFICER ELECTION

The following officer nominees for the 2009/2010 fraternal year were unanimously elected:

Faithful Navigator	LOWELL GRAMLING
Faithful Friar	REV. MIKE SCHAAB
Faithful Captain	JOHN MARSHO
Faithful Pilot	REGGIE WHITE
Faithful Comptroller	JIM CASEY
Faithful Scribe	JACK MICHALSKI
Faithful Purser	JOHN JUSTICE
Inner Sentinel	RICHARD MILLER
Outer Sentinel	JAMES HICKS
Trustee-3 Year	GEORGE HUGGINS
Trustee 2-Year	JIM WIELAND
Trustee-1 Year	LOUIE ALONGI

The election took place prior to the Awards Dinner at the June 4 Social Meeting at Farrell Hall. Congratulations to the incoming officers.

COLUMBUS DAY DINNER

It's not too soon to mark your calendars for the 2009 Columbus Day Awards Dinner on October 11. I'm very pleased to announce that Brother Sir Knight CLARENCE A. DARROW will be our Guest Speaker. This event will be held at the Rock Island VFW Hall on 9th street. A Social Hour is at 5:00 p.m. and Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Menu and prices are yet to be determined. Stay tuned. Any questions, call me at 309/786-8759.

Best regards, DICK FRIEDEL

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

2009

July 4	Independence Day, National Holiday, FLY YOUR FLAG	
July 6 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
July 16 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
July 26 p.m.	30 th Annual Civic Awards Night, VFW Hall, Rock Island	5:00
Aug. 3 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Aug. 6 p.m.	Father Bader Assembly, Business Meeting	7:00
Aug. 13 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Aug. 15	Feast of the Assumption	
Aug. 20 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Sept. 6 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
Sept. 7	Labor Day, National Holiday	
Sept. ? p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Sept. 10 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Sept 17 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Sept. 18, 19, 20 MR/LD Fund Drive for those with learning disabilities		
Oct. 1 p.m.	Father Bader Assembly, Business Meeting	7:00
Oct. 4 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
Oct. 5 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Oct. 8 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Oct. 11 p.m.	Annual Columbus Day Awards Dinner, VFW Hall	Recep. 5:00, Dinner 6:00
Oct. 15 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Nov. 1 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
Nov. 2 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Nov. ?	Deceased Members Memorial Mass	
Nov. 12 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00

Nov. 19 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Dec. 3	Father Bader Assembly, Winter Social, TBD	
Dec. 6 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
Dec. 7 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Dec. 10 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Dec. 17 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Dec. 25	Christmas	