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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE—LOUIE ALONGI, Grand Knight

On Sunday, March 15th, some of us Officers will be traveling to Galesburg for the State Regional Spelling Bee. Family and friends will be showing support for, and taking photos of, our Jordan student winners MACY HOSKINS (1st), BRAD TRIMBLE (2nd), and ISABELLE ANDERSON (3rd). Principal and Brother Knight MIKE DALY and his staff have been invited to join us and view the competition from surrounding southern area schools. In a note to Mr. DALY, on behalf of the Council, we related that we appreciate the Jordan support from him and his staff in our efforts to support Catholic education and our youth programs. Go Jordan! Go Knights!

The Knights and Hy-Vee R.I. will again be partnering for two Cookouts for Charity. The Knights will be grilling out on Saturday April 4th and the 18th from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. As in the past, the Knights will be given 25% of gross sales. FRED LUCKENBILL will be getting our P.R. information to the community asking for support. GLENN WELLS has volunteered to assemble a team of Knights to do the cooking and serving on the 4/18 date. We are now looking for someone to take on the 4/4 effort. Please call GLENN (912-4653) or me (235-6796) if you would consider leading the 4/4 cookout with your friends.

Our Membership Committee (GLENN WELLS, FOREST BELZER, FRED LUCKENBILL, AL MASSIE and I) is planning membership drives at our three Rock Island Parishes in April and May. We will be encouraging Catholic men to consider joining the Knights and also encourage those who are members to ASK a friend or relative to join the Order. If you believe in the importance of investing your time in friendship, the Church, and helping others, the Knights of Columbus is for you and your friend. The Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men, and their families, that derive a great sense of satisfaction from being able to develop lasting friendships with each other while helping the less fortunate. The Rock Island Knights, and the person you sponsor, could make a difference in our community. If you need help to sponsor a member, call any Council Officer. Please ASK a friend to join.

Our next Council meeting is on March 12th, 7:00 pm at Farrell Hall. If you have not been to a meeting in a while please consider a visit. Deacon RUSS will kick things off with one decade of the rosary and we will have a social afterward.

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

Good news! We have three candidates for the April 4th Exemplification in Dyersville, Iowa. They are TERRY HENSON and DANIEL HAERTJENS, both from the Council in Geneseo and VERN SHERBEYN from Fr. Betson Council in Moline. If you are interested in becoming a Fourth Degree member, the details are in this newsletter. Give a call to me or JIM CASEY.

I have sent in the application for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Rock Island on March 14, 2009. I won't know if we are accepted until March 6th. If we are, we will have to move fast to get it all together by the 14th. In any event, Honor Guard members should plan to be at the Mass at St. Mary's at 9:30 a.m.

I am planning our next meeting in Milan on April 2nd. I hope that we will be allowed to have our business meeting at the St. Ambrose Council Hall. Details will be announced by postcard prior to the meeting.

Remember that at our April business meeting, there will be the nomination of officers among other things. If you wish to be an officer of the Assembly, give FRED LUKENBILL a call.

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

ALLOUEZ LADIES AUXILIARY -JODY JOHNSON, President

There was no report sent in this month.

JUNE SAMUELSON, Publicity

Pro-Life Breakfast Raises More Than \$1,700 For Life!

The 29th Annual Sir Knight Larry Quane Memorial Pro-Life Breakfast netted more than \$1,700 to support two local pro-life charities. Two checks for \$865 were awarded on Tuesday, February 24th. One check went to the Women's Choice Center (WCC), a pro-life medical clinic directly across the street from Planned Parenthood. WCC offers free pregnancy testing and ultrasounds to those facing an unwanted pregnancy. The other check went to Quad City Right to Life, an organization that educates the public about legislation and political candidates impacting the fight against abortion.

The success of the breakfast is only possible through the hard work and dedication of its volunteers. This year's Pro-Life Breakfast committee included Chairman JEFF SCARPINATO and co-chairs MARK HOLLAND, KEVIN RAFFERTY, GLENN WELLS and TOM LAWRENCE. Behind the committee are many critical volunteers who have been pitching in for years.

Following is a list of volunteers who made the 2009 breakfast go off without a hitch: BOB PULFORD (Farrell Hall), JIM WIELAND (grill set-up & tear down), GREG VOGELE (provides crew to transport grills), Rock Island Noon Kiwanis Club (provides grill), TIM CORNELIS, DANI SCHROEDER, TORI SCARPINATO, JT SCARPINATO, COLLEEN RAFFERTY (1st Shift Servers), SCOTT SIMPSON, J. J. SANTILLIAN, EMILY HOOGERWERF, ALLIE DeROO, CAROLINE WILLIAMS, TEDDI McLAUGHLIN, MARY ADLFINGER, ANNA LETENDRE, RUTH KERNAN, JULIE LAWRENCE, NANCY ADLFINGER (2nd Shift Servers), JOE and JOYCE CARLIN (1st Shift Cashiers), BOB, SHARON, and ANDY STRUPP (2nd Shift Cashiers), EV MANNING (1st Shift Raffle Tickets), FRANK ADLFINGER, GENE DESAUNOY (2nd Shift Raffle Tickets), JIM WELLS, RAY WELLS, AL MASSIE (1st Shift Kitchen), PRESTON ZAWADA, DON HILLMAN, OLLIE PHELPS, LARRY VAN MEIGHAM (2nd Shift Kitchen). Accept our apologies if you volunteered but are not listed. Please contact JEFF SCARPINATO (jscarpinato@frontiernet.net) if you are interested in volunteering for the 2010 Pro-Life Breakfast.

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“Only Irish coffee provides in a single glass all four essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar, and fat.” - Alex Levine

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

GREEN POINT REPORT

Winners since our last report:

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| 408 Marcia Gallagher | \$50 |
| 251 Clarence Darrow | 25 |
| 158 Jean Miletich | 25 |
| 934 Grace Johnson | 25 |
| 750 John Justice | 25 |
| 524 Erin Luckenbill | 100 |
| 311 Marlene Friedel | 25 |
| 753 Dr. Robert Wells | 25 |
| 046 Emil Dupont | 50 |
| 119 Mary Coumas | 25 |
| 750 John Justice | 75 |
| 337 Jack Showalter | 25 |
| 187 Bill Boyle | 25 |
| 489 Dr. Clement Cunningham | 50 |

Numbers drawn with no holders:

904, 154, 714, 590, 444, 944, 896, 650, 450, 814, 811, 781, 499, 581.

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 MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the six ladies who are sharing a March birth month. Have a Happy Birthday!

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| PATRICIA GARBER | MARLENE FRIEDEL |
| GLORIA HUMMEL | JULIE LAWRENCE |
| NANCY LUCKENBILL | SUE MURPHY |

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the only couple whom we are aware of that will celebrate a March wedding anniversary.

JOHN & LYNN KUSTES 3/18/1978

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.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Twenty-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!

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| JOSEPH BURNS | JOHN CAMPBELL |
| BRIAN CASEY | JAMES CORYN |
| CLARENCE DARROW | JAMES DUGAN |
| RICHARD FRIEDEL | ANDREW GUZZO |
| DON HENDRICKS | LARRY HINZMAN |
| JOHN JUSTICE | VINCENT KLAUER |
| FRED KOPP | TERRY LENAGHAN |
| DANIEL LIEVENS | PATRICK LOOTENS |

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| MICHAEL MUSICK | REV. MIKE SCHAAB |
| REV. JOHN VAN WIEL | JOE SCHAECHER |
| JOHN SHOWLATER | |

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE DATE

Next month's newsletter is scheduled to go to the printer on March 26. Any articles that you wish to be in that month's Newsletter must be received at the home of JIM CASEY by March 25. 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:

Richard Vincent St. Anthony Cont. Care

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| 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 APPROVES BY-LAWS

REVISIONS

The Allouez Council's By-laws were revised when the members present at February 12, 2009, meeting approved with their majority vote to accept the changes set forth in the January Abstracts.

New copies of the By-Laws will be published and distributed to the members.

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:

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| AL KUKLA | \$100 |
| FRED LUCKENBILL | 100 |
| AMY, ANDY & BETH, THE LUCKENBILL KIDS | 100 |
| BOB PULFORD | 100 |
| GLENN WELLS | 100 |

DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

If two people marry and have no children, is their marriage valid?

To say 'yes' would imply that no one has a valid marriage until the first child is born. As we remember from our catechetical training, there are two things necessary for a valid marriage. First, the vows are exchanged with the full intent of each person to fulfill them and the marriage is consummated. Unless one of the spouses brings children to the marriage, all marriages begin without children but they are still valid.

Until they do conceive, each couple has no idea if God has the gift of children intended for their married life or not. There could be medical reasons for them to fail to have children. That would not invalidate the sanctity of their marriage vows.

There is one sense where the answer would be 'yes'. If a couple never has children because they never intended to be open to children, their marriage would be invalid. The invalidity would not come from the lack of children but because they did not meet the requirements for a sacramental marriage.

Marriage has two aspects; the unitive and the procreative. The unitive stems from Genesis 2:24 ("the two of them become one body"). The procreative is based on Genesis 1:28 ("be fertile and multiply"). In the sacrament of matrimony, the couple join themselves with the priest or deacon acting as the Church's chief witness. They join themselves through their consent to the promises asked of them in the marriage rite. This consent must include these two aspects for the marriage to be valid. Without this full consent, including openness to children, the consent is imperfect and no sacramental marriage results.

One further point, while large families are a great blessing from God, a large family is not necessary for a valid marriage either. Being open to the gift of life also means being responsible with this gift. The Church recognizes there may be grave reasons to postpone or avoid pregnancy. She approves of those methods to avoid pregnancy which respect the natural

cycle of a couple's fertility. Never is it licit to use contraception as a means to avoid pregnancy and such use is a grave evil and never morally right.

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

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the beneficiary originally designated to receive the proceeds from that policy needs to be updated. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since been married, that could be updated to reflect your spouse, and even your children.

Most people list a primary beneficiary – that person is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary – an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

I routinely call all of our policyholders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that I'll discuss during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

I look forward to meeting with each of you.

MIKE MARTENS, (309) 737-2390

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

The Council completed the competition for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw contest. There were over 400 children participating in the council event. The Council winners were as follows:

10 Year old Girls and Boys
HAYLEY DEWITTE*and
PEYTON TANGHE*

11 Year old Girls and Boys
MOLLY ETHINGTON and
MICHAEL SHAY

12 Year old Girls and Boys
MICHAELA HIRD and
DeJOUR McQUEEN

13 Year old Girls and Boys
BILLY JEAN FRANKS and
SAM LOOTENS

14 Year old Girls and Boys
KELSEY ETHINGTON and
JAMES JONES

These winners went on to compete at the District competition held on 15 February 2009 at Christ the King facilities in Moline.

At the District Free Throw contest at Christ the King in Moline, our Council had nine participants and eight of them won and will proceed on to the Regionals in Dixon, Illinois on March 1. DeJOUR McQUEEN and BILLY JEAN FRANKS do not advance nor do HAYLEY DEWITTE and PEYTON TANGHE who were later *disqualified for being only nine years old.

A good time was had by all contestants.

JACK MICHALSKI, PGK
Youth Director



REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

The Regional Spelling Bee will be held on Sunday, March 15, 2009 at 1pm at the Knights of Columbus Club in Galesburg, Illinois. They plan to start registration about 12:30.

We wish our Council representatives, MACY HOSKINS, BRAD TRIMBLE and ISABELLE ANDERSON, a very successful afternoon.



ST. PIUS X PARISH COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Coffee and conversation will be hosted by Allouez Council on March 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



REQUIESCAT IN PACE

We are sorry to have to report that our faithful Brother, JOHN L. BROMLEY, was called to his eternal reward on February 2, 2009. A Mass of Christian Burial was

celebrated on February 6 at St. Pius X Church in Rock Island. His inurnment was in the National Cemetery on Arsenal Island.

JOHN, a member of Allouez Council, was born February 24, 1922, in Laurel Springs, New Jersey. His achievements include the rank of Eagle Scout, World War II Navy veteran, Rock Island Postmaster, president of the Rock Island Noon Kiwanis Club and a Church Director for Allouez Council. He was a life-long Philadelphia Phillies fan and they finally came through for him.

He married his wife, LORRAINE, on August 18, 1945, in Long Beach, California. They were the parents of a son, JOHN (deceased) and daughters, CAROL, ELIZABETH and KATE.

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



FOURTH DEGREE

EXEMPLIFICATION DATE

On Saturday, April 4, 2009, the Knights of Columbus in Dyersville, Iowa will host an exemplification of the Fourth Degree. The fee will be \$70.00 (\$35.00 for Priests and Religious Brothers) payable to the Master of the Fourth Degree. Each candidate will receive a social baldric, 4th Degree lapel pin and one banquet ticket. Candidates are to wear a black tuxedo with black bow tie, white formal shirt with standard lay down collar and black socks and footwear. A dress uniform will be proper if in the active military, full time police officer or full time firefighting officer. Clergy may dress in their appropriate attire

Registration will open at 1:00 p.m.
Exemplification starts at 2:00 p.m.
Mass will be at 5:30 p.m.
Banquet is at 7:30 p.m.

If you would like to apply for membership into Father Edward J. Bader Assembly #1922, contact JIM CASEY by phone (794-1159) or by e-mail (jmc2800@mchsi.com) or LOWELL GRAMLING (309-441-5145) or dlgramling@mchsi.com.

The Fourth Degree is the Patriotic Degree of the Order.

| <u>SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS</u> | | |
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| <u>2009</u> | | |
| Mar. 1 | Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall | after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 Masses |
| 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. 15 p.m. | Illinois State Regional Spelling Bee, Galesburg, IL | 1:00 |
| Mar. 16 p.m. | First Degree, Fr. Betson Council, Christ the King, Mol. | 7:00 |
| Mar. 19 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| Apr. 2 p.m. | Father Bader Assembly Meeting, Officer Nominations | 7:00 |
| Apr. 4 p.m. | Fourth Degree Exemplification, Dyersville, IA | 1:00 |
| Apr. 4 p.m. | Allouez Council Charity Cookout, Hy-Vee, R. I. | 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 |
| Apr. 4 p.m. | Peoria Chapter Night of Knights, Pekin, IL | 5:00 |
| 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 |
| Apr. 18 p.m. | Allouez Council Charity Cookout, Hy-Vee, R. I. | 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 |
| Apr. 18 & 19 | Council Membership Drive, St. Mary's Parish, R.I. | |
| Apr. 26 | Council Membership Drive, Sacred Heart Parish, R.I. | |
| May 2 & 3 | Council Membership Drive, St. Pius X Parish, R.I. | |
| 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 | |
| May 14 p.m. | Allouez Council Holy Hour, St. Pius X Chapel | 5:00 |
| May 14 p.m. | Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |

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| May 17 noon | Major Degree, St. Ambrose, Milan | 12:00 |
| May 21 p.m. | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall | 7:00 |
| May 22 & 23 | K of C State Convention | |
| May 25 a.m. | K of C Memorial Day Field Mass, Calvary Cemetery | 9:00 |
| June 1 p.m. | Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall | 6:30 |
| June 4 p.m. | Father Bader Assembly Social, Officer Elections, Mass, 6:00 p.m. Dinner 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 | 6:00 |
| June 13 a.m. | Father Bader Assembly, Flag Disposal Ceremony, St. Pius X | 10:00 |
| June 14 | Flag Day | |
| June 18 | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall, Officer Elections | 7:00 p.m. |
| June 21 | Fathers Day | |