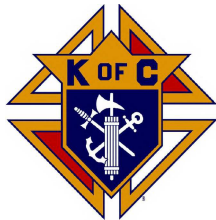


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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE—GLENN WELLS, *Grand Knight*

So far we have done an excellent job of recruitment. The Council has 7 new members with another 4 who are ready to take their degrees. On February 11, we will welcome 4 new members; two will come from other Councils. ANTHONY SCOTT wants us to keep the February date for the first degree as he plans on the other Councils in our area to hold first degrees in March and April. It's possible that sometime in May there will be a major degree in our area. Keep up the good work on recruitment. Remember new members strengthen our Council and bring in new ideas. There is a major degree in Rochelle, IL on February 21. We currently have two candidates who will make all three degrees.

April 10 is Night of Knights and we have two members from Allouez Council being recognized, JACK MICHALSKI and JULIUS "RED" PEARSON. We would like as many as possible of our Council to attend. This is a great honor for our brother knights and gives our Council well deserved recognition.

I am working on two fund raising projects. I hope all our knights will support these projects as they will increase our income for the charity work we do and support. The first will be ready in April or May. This is the Birdies for Charity at the John Deere Classic. The other is Community Day sponsored by Younkers Dept Store. This will be ready in the fall. We will hold our annual cookout at HY Vee in April.

The Supreme Council Knights of Columbus donated \$50,000.00 to the Haitian relief fund. Donations are being accepted at the Supreme Council's Charity Fund. Let's support the Supreme Council's efforts and keep the Haitians in our prayers.

GOD BLESS AMERICA! What Works.....Team Work

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

Warmest Greeting!

Our next meeting will be Feb. 4, 2010 at Farrell Hall, St. Pius, Rock Island, at 7:00 p.m. Our agenda among other things: handing out certificates to our six new members; form a new officer's nomination committee; report on the status of our hat program; Knights of Knights; St. Patrick's Day Parade, and any other business which maybe brought before the Assembly

Five Knights from the Illinois Quad Cities will be honored as Knights of Knights at Believers Together Center, Christ the King, Moline, on April 10th including Msgr. WELLMAN from St. Ambrose Council, DONNIE DOBBELARE from Leo Council, MIKE DALY from Fr. Betson Council and RED PEARSON and JACK MICHALSKI from Allouez. MIKE DALY, DONNIE DOBBELARE and JACK MICHALSKI are all Fourth Degree members. MIKE and JACK are from Fr. Bader and DONNIE belongs to the Davenport Assembly.

There are no flag programs scheduled.

May your heart be filled with the peace of the Lord!

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

ALLOUEZ LADIES AUXILIARY – MARGE SAILER, President

The January meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary was cancelled because of bad weather. The next scheduled meeting is February 18 at Farrell Hall.

JUNE SAMUELSON, publicity

ALLOUEZ KNIGHTS NAMED KNIGHTS OF KNIGHTS

JOHN "JACK" MICHALSKI and JULIUS "RED" PEARSON have been selected as Knights of Knights by the Peoria Diocese Chapter of the Knights of Columbus. The Chapter is comprised of the some 70 K of C Councils of the Diocese. This annual honor's program of the Chapter recognizes a select number of Knights from the participating Councils who have been nominated by their fellow Knights for their outstanding service to the Order, their Church, and Community and Charitable activities. Five of this year's Honorees are from the Illinois Quad Cities and include Msgr. DALE WELLMAN nominated by St. Ambrose Council; MICHAEL DALY of the Fr. Bill Betson Council, DONNIE DOBBELARE of the East Moline Leo Council and PEARSON and MICHALSKI of the Allouez Council.

MICHALSKI has served as Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Trustee of the Council, Faithful Scribe of the Fr. Bader Assembly and is a former District Deputy. He has successfully organized and run the Youth Programs of the Council. For the Community he has been involved in leadership roles with the TPA and active with the Viet Nam Veterans, VFW and the American Legion. MICHALSKI has been named Knight of the Month, Senior Knight of the Month and was the Council's Knight of the Year in 2008.

PEARSON is a 25 year member of the Knights and has served the Council as Lecturer for 5 years. He organized and ran a Veteran's Day Program designed to honor the living and deceased veteran's of the Council. He was a devoted bingo worker, a monthly Coffee and Conversation worker and is a MR/LD volunteer. He is a long time usher for St. Pius X Parish and a twelve year volunteer and Past President of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. PEARSON is a member of the American Legion where he serves as Chaplain and member of the Honor Guard. He has been a Senior Knight of the Month and Knight of the Year. The City of Rock Island selected PEARSON as their Citizen of the Year in 2008

The 2010 Night of Knights Program will be held at the Believers Together Center in Moline on Saturday, April 10th starting with Mass at 4:30 p.m. followed by a social, dinner and the Recognition Program. All Council members and their families and the general public are invited. Ticket information and other details can be obtained by contacting FRED LUCKENBILL, Chapter President at 794-9085.

KNIGHTS SALUTE SCOUTING ON THEIR 100 ANNIVERSARY

2010 ushers in the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America and the Knights of Columbus salute the Scouts' character building programs. The official memorandum of mutual support states in part: "The Knights of Columbus and the Boy Scouts of America will work with each other to establish and nurture Scout units as an expression of community service and youth ministry of the Catholic Church."

Scouts, Scout Leaders and families and the Knights of Columbus will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Scouting on Scout Sunday, February 7th at the 9:00a.m. Mass at St. Pius followed by Coffee and Conversation in Farrell Hall. Stop in and congratulate the Cub and Boy Scouts on their Anniversary and thank the volunteer leaders who give so unselfishly of their time and talents.

FRED LUCKENBILL, St. Pius X, Chartered Org. Rep.

"Resolve to perform what you ought. Perform without fail what you resolve." --Benjamin Franklin

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS AT FARRELL HALL ON FEBRUARY 11, 2010 AT 7 P.M.

CHARITY FUNDS

R.I.H.S. Special Education Department will be the host for our Annual Charity Funds Distribution on February 23, 2010, 7:00 pm. The funds collected from our MR/LD (tootsie roll) Drive and the Sir Knight LARRY QUANE Pro-Life Pancake Breakfast will be distributed to the various organizations in attendance. All Knights and their families are invited to attend. A social with cake and refreshments will follow the program. The 25th avenue (next to the field house) door in the turn-a-around will be the entrance door. Please call me with any questions. I encourage all Officers, members and their families, to join this gathering and learn how and where these funds will be directed, and show support for the work that they do for our community.

LOUIE ALONGI,
2009 MR/LD Chairperson
786-9625



LADIES FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the thirteen 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 | JACQUELINE MEENAN |
| HYACINTH PRICE | PAT VERONDA |
| LOMA WEGERER | 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 | 02/23/1957 |
| DENNIS & PAMELA DE MAUGHT | 02/23/1980 |
| JOSEPH & JOAN LOPEZ | 02/05/1955 |
| RUSSELL & PAM SWIM | 02/27/1971 |

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

Nineteen 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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| PETER DI IULIO | DAVID EDWARDS |
| ANTHONY FORLINI | REV. F. GALLAGHER |
| ARNOLD GREEN | 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 | |



ST. PIUS X PARISH COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Coffee and Conversation will be 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, on February 7. We look forward to seeing you again at Farrell Hall on the first Sunday of February.

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:

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| Robert McDonald | Royal Oaks, Kewanee |
| Bob Barnett | Fort Armstrong |
| John Valentine | Hope Creek, E. Moline |
| Bill Coogan | At home |
| Paul Coryn | At home |
| Larry Dodge | At home |
| Carl Heires | At home |
| Charles Hood | At home |
| LaVance Moore | At home |
| Don Stange | At home |
| Jim Toensing | 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

If you wish to become a Newman Century Donor, 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 Illinois State Council or to the Council's Financial Secretary, TOM LAWRENCE at 2521 35TH Street, Rock Island, IL 61201.



DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

Can We Earn Salvation by Good Works ?

The idea of earning our way to heaven by good works alone is the heresy of Pelagianism. This heresy began with the fifth-century British monk Pelagius who, like the Stoics, believed that every good could be gotten through prayer except virtue. According to Pelagius, the gift of free will made it obligatory for the human person to make good use of prayer, and the person was responsible for his or her actions. He understood the person as a free and created but autonomous individual who can observe the law of God by mere human powers, with

no limits to the levels of sanctity that can be reached by unaided human powers. This was condemned in 418 by the Council of Carthage.

The true Biblical doctrine of justification says justification comes about by means of faith in Christ, and in a life of good works lived in response to God's invitation to believe. Faith without good works is not sufficient to merit justification, for good works show one's willingness to cooperate with the initiatives of grace.

Salvation comes solely through God's grace which justifies, sanctifies, and saves us. Paul tells us in Philippians 2:13, "God is the one who, for his good purpose, works in you both to desire and to work." Note this presupposes the faithful Christian does not just desire to be righteous, but is actively *working* toward it. James (2:17) reminds us "faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

Authentic, saving faith is always manifested in good works. And it is those good works which, when they become habitual, keep us from bad works; sins. Good works help keep us out of sin, which is to say they help to keep us in a state of grace, and contribute to our salvation. But initial justification still comes from faith, not from works.

Catholics who think they can qualify for heaven by praying a certain number of rosaries, attending a certain number of Masses, or doing lots of good works are mistaken. What makes us justified in God's sight is faith. If we have true faith, good works follow naturally and protect that faith.

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.

I look forward to meeting with each of you.

JEFF SCHAECHER, (309) 737-2390



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE DATE

Next month's newsletter is scheduled to go to the printer on February 23. Any articles that you wish to be in that month's Newsletter must be received at the home of JIM CASEY before February 22. 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.



DO YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS?

In order to improve our communications with our Brother Knights, Ladies and widows, we are trying to collect as many Email addresses of these persons as we can. If you would forward your Email address to us, we will include it as part of our confidential membership information. Having this information will facilitate contacting you and keeping you abreast of the latest news. This isn't the wave of the future, it is here and now. For example, the Supreme Council is developing a billing system that will enable the Financial Secretary to send dues bills over the internet. This improvement alone would save us hundreds of dollars in postage.

Please send your email address to kc658@mchsi.com or to Jmc2800@mchsi.com.



2009 VOCATION RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations are extended to Brother Knight, GARY HIRD, of Allouez Council who won the top prize of \$10,000 in the annual KofC Vocations Raffle. GARY's winnings are the first for any participant in the Illinois Quad Cities. Thanks are extended to all who participated including members and friends of Allouez Council, the Allouez Council's Ladies Auxiliary and members of the Fr. Bader Assembly. Over \$2,200 was raised for vocations and for the work of these three organizations. Raffle winners and amount won included:

- \$10,000 G. Hird, Rock Island
- \$ 2,500 F. Girse, Des Plaines
- \$ 1,000 H. Hunegan
- \$ 1,000 S. Amidei, Palatine
- \$ 1,000 D&D Glogowski, O'Fallon
- \$ 1,000 R. Duckworth, Peoria
- \$ 500 M. King, Addison
- \$ 500 G. Vos, Naperville
- \$ 500 C. Mennemeyer, Springfield
- \$ 500. K. Cassell, Decatur
- \$ 200. M. Moreno, Woodridge
- \$ 200. J. Mata, Rockford
- \$ 200. H. Lewand
- \$ 200. S. Sellon, Kewanee
- \$ 200. R. Smith,
- \$ 100. Msgr. D.W. McDonnell,

Freeport

- \$ 100. D. Petre, Peru
- \$ 100. M. Schmittgens, Park Forest
- \$ 100. M. Lee, St. Charles
- \$ 100. D&P Stump, Frisco, TX.

FRED LUCKENBILL, Project Coordinator



HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

To All Knights of Columbus:

In an effort to come to the aid of the people of Haiti, who are suffering a humanitarian catastrophe of huge proportions in the wake of Tuesday evening's 7.0 earthquake, the Knights of Columbus has today sent an immediate contribution of \$50,000 to Catholic Relief Services, and we invite Knights to make contributions through the Supreme Council so that we can maximize the impact of the funds raised, and document the amount donated in this tragedy by members of the Order.

Donations by individual Knights can be made on line, and this feature should be available on the Supreme Council website (www.kofc.org) by later this evening. Checks should be made out to Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. and mailed to 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510. Please write "Haiti Earthquake Relief" on the memo line of the

check.

Contributions will be used to provide assistance wherever it can have the most immediate impact, and where the need is greatest.

We ask all Knights and their families to also offer their prayers for the victims of this terrible disaster._



GREEN POINT REPORT

No report was received this month.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

2010

Feb. 1 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Feb. 4 p.m.	Father Bader Assembly, Business Meeting, St. Pius X Farrell Hall	7:00
Feb. 7 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
Feb. 11 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall, First Degree	7:00
Feb. 14	Valentine's Day	
Feb. 17	Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins	
Feb. 18 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Feb. 21	Regional Free Throw Contest, Christ the King, Moline	
Feb. 21 p.m.	Major Degree, Rochelle, IL	12:30
Feb. ??	Allouez Sponsored Catholic Schools Spelling Bee	
Feb. 23 p.m.	Charity Awards Night, Rock Island High School	7:00
Mar. 1 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
Mar. 7 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
Mar. 11 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Mar. 13 10:00 a.m.	St. Patrick's Day Mass and Parade, St. Mary, Rock Island	
Mar. 18 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
Mar. 28	Palm Sunday	
April 1 p.m.	Father Bader Assembly, Business Meeting, TBD, Officer Nominations	7:00
April 4	Easter Sunday	
April 5 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
April 8 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
April 10 p.m.	Night of Knights Recognition Dinner, Believers Together Center, Moline	6:00
April 11 Masses	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00
April 15 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
April 30, May 1 & 2	Illinois K of C Convention, Pere Marquette Hotel, Peoria	
May 1	Men's March, Peoria	

May 3 p.m.	Blood Drive, Farrell Hall	2:30 p.m. to 6:30
May 3 p.m.	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30
May 9	Mothers' Day	
May 13 p.m.	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
May 20 p.m.	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00
May 31	Memorial Day Field Mass, Calvary Cemetery	