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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

My brother Knights, as we begin the new fiscal year of Council 4362 it is once again my honor to be your elected Grand Knight for the New Year. I wish to thank all of the board and membership for making 2014 and 2015 a very successful year. We have achieved a great deal of success.

We need to grow as a council. Last year we had an increase of membership of 6 new members and I believe 4 transfers. That represented 22% of our goal. Our goal for this year is 27 new members. Out of 400+ members we should be able to surpass our goal. Please remember why you chose to be a Knight and share that thought with Catholic gentlemen you know. If you have any ideas please contact me so we can discuss.

Have a great summer, with family and friends, and stay safe.

God Bless! & Vivat Jesus. David Arbanas. [davidarbanas@att.net](mailto:davidarbanas@att.net)

## Putt-For-Life

The Brian Bush Memorial event benefiting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to be held on JULY 25 @ Loeschner's Village Green in Grandville, MI from 10 AM to 1 PM

For more info call 616-677-1033 or [www.puttforlife.com](http://www.puttforlife.com)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

BINGO 6:30

EVERY MONDAY - TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY  
JULY

- 1 - MEMBERS COUNCIL MEETING 7:30
- 14 - FOURTH DEGREE MEETING 7:30
- 21 - COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING 7:00
- 26 - K of C WHITECAPS FAMILY DAY  
FIFTH THIRD PARK 1:00
- 30 - BUILDING CORP MEETING 7:30

## AUGUST

- 5 - MEMBERS COUNCIL MEETING 7:30
- 11 - FOURTH DEGREE MEETING 7:30
- 18 - COUNCIL OFFICERS MEETING 7:00
- 27 - BUILDING CORP MEETING 7:30

FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE

OPEN M-F 5:00 TO 11:00

We have Texas HoldEms on July 20th thru 23rd, August 17th thru 20th, September 14th thru 17th and October 12th thru 15th. All times are 9:45am to 5:00pm. You can work the entire shift and get \$10.00 for lunch or from 9:45am to 1:30pm or 1:30 pm to 5:00pm. The location is at Spectrum Bowling Alley on Clyde Park. This is a great fund raiser for us and is very easy to do.

Please give me a call at 238-6564 if you could help.  
Ron Pelka

CHARITY UNITY FRATERNITY PATRIOTISM

**NEXT MEETINGS JULY 1 & AUGUST 5 @ 7:30**



**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

David J Farrow 1	Norbert B Moore 16
S.K. John M Hagen PGK 1	Davey L Morris 16
Richard F Baxter 3	Peter L Semashko 16
Norbert G Dishinger 3	Richard T Czarnopys 17
S.K. Thomas A Martin 4	Stanley A Mc Guire 17
Darrell E Schildroth 5	Ted M Cusack 18
Robert J Smigiel 5	S.K. Eugene N Wolf 20
James E Mc Dowell 6	James A Dinan 22
Stephen M Bloye 7	Phillip Di Cesare 24
S.K. Kenneth T Martin 8	Santiago Aguilar 25
S.K. Devin R Ortega-Furgeson 9	Jack A Hale 25
S.K. David J Rottiers 10	Phillip R Martin 25
James W Gallagher 11	S.K. Nicholas J Bravata 27
Jimmy F A Kenyon 12	Douglas M Ashbay 28
William L Stewart 12	Herbert L Early 28
James P Gill 13	Gerald J Smith 28
S.K. Paul Q Russo 14	Douglas D Benner 31
Michael J Ward 15	

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

David S Klein 1	Daniel R Orris Jr 16
David M Adamski 2	James D Bluhm 17
Paul R Arbanas 2	Thomas J Richer 17
Richard A Krzykwa 2	Dominic W Storto 17
Tom J Vlaming 2	Phillip D Nguyen 20
S.K. Ruben Liceraga 8	William V Rasch II 21
Brian Fojtik 11	Burton J Engstrom 22
Michael T Larabel 11	S.K. Ronald E Pelka 23
Steven L Kosten 14	James W Polmanteer 23
David R Schuel 14	Ryan P Shields 24
Mark E Vogl 14	Louis S Switlik 25
Gerald K Foster 15	William D Easto 27
Jack J Wisneski 15	Matthew J Krebill 27
Anthony W Kinzinger 16	Richard D O Donnell 27

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Robert F & Judi Battle PGK 07-03-1965 (50)  
 S.K. Timothy C & Deborah Pelletier PGK 07-03-1982 (33)  
 Andrew R & Diane Ysasi 07-03-2004 (11)  
 Nelson F & Joyce Pelletier 07-04-1958 (57)  
 William D & Linda Kasul 07-05-1969 (46)  
 Richard D & Janet O Donnell 07-05-1958 (57)  
 Reyes & Josie Guillen 07-07-1979 (36)  
 S.K. Terrance M & Kathy Priest 07-10-1965 (50)  
 Stephen M & Lorraine Bloye 07-14-1962 (53)  
 Randy & Natalie Sluja 07-14-1991 (24)  
 Thomas F & June Gabourie 07-18-1953 (62)  
 Herbert A & Mary Neuman 07-18-1992 (23)  
 Jimmy F A & Marilyn Kenyon 07-19-1955 (60)  
 Anthony & Gertrude Trapani 07-20-1957 (58)  
 Norbert G & Valeria Dishinger 07-21-1973 (42)  
 S.K. Keith P & Marie Woodrum 07-22-1989 (26)  
 Norbert B & Janice Moore 07-26-2003 (12)  
 Steve & Lisa Luczak 07-27-1996 (19)  
 Brian J & Delores Gallagher 07-29-1967 (48)  
 Phillip R & Laura Martin 07-30-1983 (32)



Ernest L & Frances Gee 08-01-1959 (56)  
 Mark E & Linda Vogl 08-01-1981 (34)  
 William D & Margaret Easto 08-03-1979 (36)  
 Phillip & Delphine Di Cesare 08-04-1956 (59)  
 S.K. David & Kimberly Sheeran 08-05-1989 (26)  
 Jeffrey & Janice Martin 08-06-1992 (23)  
 William F & Patrica Simon 08-07-1982 (33)  
 David S & Shelly Klein 08-12-1989 (26)  
 Lawrence S & Judith Narlock 08-12-1961 (54)  
 Ronald R & Karen Narlock 08-16-1980 (35)  
 John B & Dee Tusing 08-17-1984 (31)  
 Lawrence C & Clara Miller 08-19-1955 (60)  
 Dan B & Judy Fitzgerald 08-21-1976 (39)  
 James E & Phyllis Mc Dowell 08-22-1964 (51)  
 Sam J & Carolyn Bravata 08-24-1968 (47)  
 S.K. Ronnie L & Eleanor Hage PGK 08-26-1972 (43)  
 S.K. David L & Shirley Patterson PGK 08-28-1987 (28)

**CORRECTIONS**  
 S.K. Tom L & Phyllis Buettner 06-17-67 (48)  
 S.K. Ronald & Betty Pelka 06-20-69 (46)

**OUR DEPARTED BROTHER**

Angel "Jim" Borges  
 MAY GOD GRANT HIM  
 ETERNAL REST





## FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

Brother Knights. As your Financial Secretary I am happy to report that some of the program's we support have rebates. Examples are the Program for Vocations, (Support of Seminarians). Every \$500.00 we donate we receive \$100.00 back from the Supreme. This past year we donated \$2000.00 for 4 young future priest of which we received \$400.00 back. Along that same thought our Food for Families, we donated \$500 and received \$100.

We are at the end of the fraternal year and am very happy to report the council is in very good shape because of our current group of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, just come to a meeting and get involved, the more we have the easier and less time it takes. Thanks for a great year and I am looking forward to working with you all in the next Fraternal Year.

Vivat Jesus, Your Financial Secretary Tony Arbanas



If you still haven't paid your dues PLEASE DO !

## GOOD NEIGHBOR BINGO

ON

JULY 6, 7, 8



We will be playing 'Good Neighbor Bingo' in July. The PERSON on the left & right, of a SINGLE game Winner, on ALL games, except the Progressive, and Clean Up will receive a \$25 Prize. Bring your friends and get in the fun. Doors open at 3:30 and Bingo starts at 6:30. We also have a full service bar that opens at 5:00 and Michigan Club Keno. We also have some surprises in August, so come on down and support us.

## GOLF INVITATIONAL REPORT

The Golf Committee is happy to report that this years outing was a GREAT success. We had 84 Players (21 Teams) participating. The weather was perfect and the course was in great shape with lots of food and drinks. Not all received awards but everyone was a "winner" in the fact that we ended up with a net \$1200 for our K of C Charity Programs. We thank all the players and hope you will join us next year. Please SAVE the date of JUNE 4, 2016.

Ruben Liceraga & Ralph Kibiloski



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## TIM'S TIDBITS

Tim Pelletier 616-261-4271



### Charity of the Month

At our June Council Meeting we had a Demonstration before the Meeting by the Wyoming Police Department Canine Unit. The Charity Committee decided that they would be our "Charity of the Month" for June. I would like to express our sincerest "Thanks" to our immediate Past Grand Knight and member of our Committee, Dennis Zvirzdis for making this recommendation at a previous meeting. It was a Great Demonstration and they do a Great Service. The committee has been together for a little over 2 years and have helped out many great charities and will continue to do so in the future. Pictures of this are posted on our FACEBOOK PAGE.

### Icon of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception

Thanks to all the Brother Knights and Ladies who came to St. Mary Magdalen Parish in May to Pray the Rosary while the Icon of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception was on display in the Chapel. It was a very rewarding and spiritual experience.

### Parade of Homes

My wife Deb and I would like to send a large "Thank You" to everyone who worked a shift or 2 at the Parade of Homes House in Grandville this Spring. I would like to thank Our Leader Editor, Joe for mentioning to me that I put an article in the May Leader about the Parade of Homes and mentioning about getting workers. It worked as One of our Brother Knights and his wife from previous years called me and worked 2 shifts. Thank You all. We should know later this summer how much money we will get.

### Annual State Convention

"Thanks" to our Worthy Grand Knight and to the Council for allowing me to be your delegate at the 115th Annual State Convention on Mackinac Island which occurred from May 21st through May 23rd, 2015. It was great to hear that the State of Columbianism is going well. The 3 Masses were very enriching to me, seeing all of Our Bishops what a great way to start each day of the Convention. It was also nice to meet some new friends and Brother Knights and their families.

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## Building Corp Report

Everything is going well at the Building Corporation. We have had some interest on the land but no firm offers. The land we are trying to sell is just the vacant land, we will keep our building and update it with some of the money from the sale. That is a ways down the road. Please keep in mind that the bar is open to the public and a real nice place to stop. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or any of the board .

Have a great 4th of July weekend.

Dennis Stolcenburg Building Corporation President

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## WEST MICHIGAN WHITECAPS FAMILY DAY

SUNDAY JULY 26, 2015  
1:00 PM

### WHITECAPS vs SOUTH BEND CUBS

TICKETS ARE \$11 EACH AND CAN BE ORDERED  
THROUGH YOUR GRAND KNIGHT BY JULY 10  
CALL DAVE ARBANAS @ 616-862-4347

10 % DISCOUNT COUPON WITH EACH TICKET FOR  
PURCHASE IN SOUVENIR SHOP



By the time you read this copy of the Leader, we will have completed our fiscal year which ends June 30th. Once again, this past year, many of our members have helped with Bingo, the M.I. Drive, the Texas HoldEms, Fish Fries, Raffle Tickets, Parade of Homes and the Golf Tournament. These activities continue to allow us to pay our bills and also donate money to many different charitable causes. The last two months, we have provided food and labor for breakfast at the Haven, donated money to the Kids Food Basket, Holy Cross Services, Wyoming Police K-9 Unit, K of C State Council Take Five Program, and a family that was denied insurance for their son who eventually passed away at 4 years old. We also were able to contribute \$5,000 to St. John Vianney School to help with their fund drive for much needed repairs. Thanks to those of you who volunteered for many of the above events, We also had a volunteer appreciation dinner combined with our Past Grand Knights Banquet. Next year looks like we will be able to do even more to help those in our community and beyond that need our assistance. To those of you that continue to devote your time, THANK YOU. If you have not volunteered this past year, please consider volunteering for one of the above events so that we all can continue to be proud of the good works that our council has done and will continue to do in the future. Ron Pelka Treasurer



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...to know, love and serve God

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June 12, 2015

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Wyoming, MI 49509

Dear Knights of Columbus:

On behalf of St. John Vianney Parish I would like to thank you for your donation check of \$5000. We will use the donation to help fund our capital campaign, Faith In Our Future.

Please save this letter for tax purposes - no goods or services have been, or will be, received in exchange for this gift.

Thanks again, and may the Lord continue to guide and teach you stewardship as a way of life, opening you to God's endless blessings and love!

Sincerely,

Rev Michael Alber  
Pastor  
St. John Vianney Parish

### The Search for Yield

Every day the financial media reports on what great lengths investors will go in search of yield. With bank rates at a fraction of a percent, many are buying stocks that pay dividends or investing in low grade corporate bonds or emerging markets.

While there is nothing wrong with this strategy for a portion of your portfolio, be sure to compare the risk with your Knights of Columbus annuity. Our current yield is 2.25%, with many members annuity paying even higher. We have no annual fees, ever. Interest is added daily. Your money is safe and grows tax deferred. There is no erosion of principal over time due to fees. No fine print. Its an amazing product that many of you have right in front of you.

Make sure you compare this to your current investment choices. As you know as you are planning for and enjoying retirement, it is wise to transition your money out of risk and into safety. With the Knights you can have safety and high yield.

Recently a member wanted to know the cash value of his life insurance policy so I stopped by his home. After visiting for a while it came out that his financial advisor was pressuring him to cash out that policy and deposit the funds with him.

The member had become quite convinced that he was paying too much for too little and missing out on a big opportunity to invest in stocks. This is pretty common as some financial advisors are looking under every stone for funds to invest.

But it is my fiduciary duty to protect you, our members. A policy that was taken out long ago with another agent, has no financial benefit to me. Even if it did, it would be unethical to advise anyone to make investment decisions that were not in their best interest.

In the case of a mature policy with cash values, here are the important factors to consider:

Increase in cash value: it is very common for the increase in value to be double, triple, even quadruple the actual premium paid that year. No other investment can guarantee that.

Taxation: life insurance is never taxed unless you cash it out. You can borrow or let it get paid out as a death benefit one day to your loved ones and there will be ZERO taxes. Cash it out and you will pay on the interest earned. Often times this is a sizeable amount.

Safety: when the market tanks members risky assets go down with the market. Life insurance grows steadily and predictably and will never hurt you. It may not make you rich but it will provide safety, stability and strength when you need it most.

Value: the cash value is often a fraction of the value paid out as a claim. Flipping that over to stocks is overall a very poor investment choice. Fortunately our member saw through the sales approach of his financial advisor and decided to hang on to the policy. Which is not surprising when given the chance to explain the benefits of life insurance our members are very smart and make sound decisions.

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Please feel free to contact me.

Kurt Stauffer Field Agent Knights of Columbus 616-528-0090



# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY/PAST GRAND KNIGHTS BANQUET



Our 1st combination Volunteer Appreciation Party & Past Grand Knights Banquet was held on May 17 at Bishop Haas Banquet Center. Invitations were sent to those who gave up their time to volunteer for one of our fundraising charity events. There were 80 attendees and they were served a wonderful dinner buffet.

At this Banquet the above pictured people were awarded for their various participation in our Council. From left to right: Knight of the Year - Ronald Pelka, Family of the Year - Keith and Marie Woodrum, Knight for Patriotism - Thomas Walworth, Father Ted accepting for Knight for Charity - Paul Russo, Knight for Unity - Dennis Stolcenberg, Knight of Fraternity - Paul Arbanas



## BISHOP HAAS BANQUET CENTER

\$50 REWARD PROGRAM



We have 2 rooms available to fit your needs. The Grand Knight Room with seating for 500 people and The North Room for smaller occasions will hold 160. We offer the following for that special event.

COMPLETE CATERING SERVICE - FULL BAR SERVICE - DJ ALSO AVAILABLE

YOU CAN DECORATE TO YOUR OWN TASTE

Have a friend, relative or co worker looking for a facilities? We have hosted a variety of events including the following:

WEDDINGS - FUNDRAISERS - TRADE SHOWS - RETIREMENT DINNERS - COMPANY PARTIES

BRIDAL SHOWERS - ADULT BIRTHDAYS - FAMILY REUNIONS

We can customize your event to the way you want it. We also offer some SPECIAL Pricing Programs.

Here's the deal, as a Knights member if someone books a party because they used you as a reference you are entitled to a

CASH reward of up to \$50 Dollars. For more information contact Paul Arbanas 616-534-3089 or 616-885-2502

## FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE



DAILY HOURS

MONDAY -FRIDAY 5:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

DID YOU KNOW WE ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND CAN ACCOMMODATE UP TO 50 PEOPLE?

WHY NOT HAVE YOUR NEXT GET TOGETHER IN A COZY ATMOSPHERE WHERE PRICES FOR DRINKS ARE THE LOWEST IN TOWN. YOU CAN EVEN BRING IN YOUR OWN FOOD OR HAVE IT DELIVERED TO THE LOUNGE. WE HAVE A BIG SCREEN TV, MUSIC, AND A POOL TABLE. IF YOU HAVE A SPECIAL NEEDS OR ANY QUESTIONS CALL PAUL ARBANAS.

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## MAY CALENDAR RAFFLE RESULTS

Another successful Bishop Haas Calendar Raffle is officially in the books! This year, we raised a total of \$4,800 to be split between the Council and Building. We had a few notable multiple winners this year as well including John Tusing (x3) and Dick Stolcenberg (x2). Many of our loyal bingo players also won money once again this year!

Keith and I send out a heartfelt thank you to everyone involved in the selling of the raffle tickets.

A Special Thank You to Dan Urbanowski for his work in organizing things! Our council could not have the success we have had without the support of our members, friends, families, and bingo players. See you next spring for the May, 2016 Calendar Raffle

The list of winners: [www.facebook.com/kofc4362](http://www.facebook.com/kofc4362)  
Dan Weibel and Keith Lickley