

## THE LEADER

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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

As the month of August is coming to a close, God's beauty was sure present all summer long with great weather. Yes, the rains finally did come as we needed it but I always feel sorry for the farmers whose livelihood depends on the weather. We just complain because we have no rain but their income depends on the weather. Theirs is a bigger worry as we have underground irrigation. Our grass always come back green the next season if it dies.

Speaking of dying and not literally, John Veneklase our new district Deputy and member of our council wanted me to talk about getting back to church. Our church is not dead but our attendance as Catholics has dropped off since Covid. We may have withered like grass but we can come back greener than before. So, think about your commitment as a Catholic to the church and sprout new greens.

Jumping into the fall season as you can see by the other articles, we have a full slate of events happening for our council. The back-to-school breakfast at Saint John Vianney on September 11th is a great way to start off the fall and support SJV school. Come on out and support your council and SJV.

The biggest event we need your participation is for the Help Pregnancy Aid, Inc. fundraiser, held at our hall on Friday October 14th. With the help of West Michigan Ladies OAH, Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Knights of Columbus we are having this large fundraiser to help out with the HELPs Expanding Our Possibilities Capital Campaign. Their campaign is hoping to raise 1.3 million dollars to expand the Pregnancy Center to better assist the women who chose LIFE over Abortion. If you can't attend how about a donation towards the campaign? (see flyer)

Paula Veneklase, who runs the center, and a member of Saint John Vianney church is seeking our help in any way possible. Here is how YOU can help out that night. 1- Contribute an item or service, 2 - become an event sponsor with a donation if you can't attend or 3 - come on out and enjoy a fun filled evening with the Irish band from Detroit called the Blackthorn. You will be entertained by the band and enjoy a great meal. You can also enjoy some of your favorite Irish beverages too! Paula's husband John who is currently our District Deputy is spearheading this fantastic event. Hats off to both John and Paula for all their hard work for the HELP Pregnancy Aid. This event is truly what the Knights are all about and you can put your Faith in action for a worthy cause. Hope to see you there.

Then on November 19th we will be Celebrating our 65th year as a Council, by having a fun night out for our Council Family Members, more info on this will be in the next leader. School has begun for the kids, so say a prayer for all students returning this fall to have a safe year.

In closing, I have always told my students to get outdoors and enjoy all of the beauty that is present around you and has been created for you to enjoy. I spend many mornings outdoors hunting and every sunrise is always a blessing. It never gets old and I always appreciate God's beauty that is present. So, get outdoors for a walk and enjoy the sights and sounds of nature and pray the Rosary because God's presence is all around us at all times.

Dave Erdmans GK

Membership is the blood of our order, in order to survive we need new members with fresh ideas. I encourage ALL members young and old to look around and ask Catholic men to join our ranks. If you know of any gentlemen that might be interested, please let me know.

Dan Weibel, Membership Director, PGK Phone: 616-617-8848

### SEPTEMBER



### OCTOBER

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#### SEPTEMBER

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

Frank J Eves 09-01-1979 Kathleen Louis S Switlik 09-04-1971 Ann S.K. Henry J Swientoniowski 09-08-1967 Nancy Thomas J Nawrocki 09-09-1961 Barb Daniel B Pouba 09-09-1988 Susan Phillip J Hood 09-10-1949 Juanita S.K. Thomas J Vitalis 09-10-1982 Tammy S.K. James E Kenzie PGK 09-12-1959 Gloria Ronald B Strauss 09-15-1978 Linda Jack A Hale 09-19-1970 Diane David A Arbanas 09-21-2013 Cindy Gaspare J Dara 09-21-1991 Kathryn Jim Orlowski 09-21-1985 Lori Peter J Noto Jr 09-25-1976 Sandy Thomas G Heitz 09-26-1980 Pamela Thomas C Suidinski 09-27-1997 Theresa Michael A Bush 09-28-1968 Margie Timothy K Henning 09-29-1978 Idell

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S.K. Anthony M Arbanas 10-03-1998 Mary Lynn David M Lefere 10-04-1984 Kathryn Thomas E Gorman 10-10-1987 Constance Chad M Gross 10-11-2003 Melissa S.K. David B Erdmans 10-12-1985 Kathy S.K. David J Kozak PGK 10-12-1963 Clairice John D Lamothe 10-12-1991 Dawn S.K. John K Veneklase 10-16-1981 Paula S.K. Edward S Tusing PGK 10-18-1958 Susan Randy J Belliel 10-23-1976 Maureen Robert C Ringenberg 10-25-1975 Gloria Timothy L Jackson 10-26-1996 Lisa Arbanas

OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS

MAY GOD GRANT THEM

ETERNAL REST

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COUNCIL 4362 BINGO EVERY MONDAY

DOORS OPEN AT 4 BINGO AT 6

SEPT 7 COUNCIL MEETING 7:00

SEPT 11 BREAKFAST @ SJV after Morning Masses

SEPT 15 HELP FUNDRAISER @ Watermark CC

SEPT 29 BUILDING CORP MEETING 7:30

OCT 5 COUNCIL MEETING & EXEMPT 6:00

OCT 14 IRISH CONCERT & DINNER

OCT 27 BUILDING CORP MEETING 7:30
OCT 28 4TH DEGREE EXEMPT

NOV 19 COUNCIL 65TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY

FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE OPEN 5:00 - 10:00PM MONDAY - FRIDAY





Summer seems to be a little slower with people on vacation and enjoying the great summer weather. July was only 3 weeks as we had the 4th off but we still managed to give the council \$5000 dollars. August with 5 weeks offered us a chance to give more as well and \$8000 dollars for this month. I can't say enough about the Knights who are helping out with bingo. Leading the way is our most experienced worker with over 40 years working bingo is John Hagen. John Hagen is truly a remarkable guy and the bingo crew is so fortunate to have him on board each week. He may be small in size but his stature is huge. John, thanks for all you do for the Council and Bingo.

You are truly appreciated in many ways. God bless you! Denny Stolcenberg & Dave Erdmans Chairpersons Looking for a part time job that's fun? These are paid positions.

Call DaveErdmans 616-350-0757 for more info about joining our TEAM!

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Our Council continues to do very well financially thanks to Bingo. The last two months we have written checks in support of Our Lady of Sorrows, Holy Family Radio, Michigan State Council for Take 10, Fr. Samuel Omogo Foundation, Bishop Walkowiak Charities, Michigan State Council for Seminarian Tuition, Michigan Catholic Cross Country, SJV Music Education, and HELP Pregnancy Aid. Coming up we are having a breakfast at SJV on 9-11, Dinner for HELP Pregnancy Aid on Oct. 14th. Our 65th ANNIVERSARY PARTY on Nov. 19th and we will be sponsoring the "Keep Christ in Christmas" Billboards. Our goal is to have 40 billboards around the city reminding people the real reason we celebrate Christmas

Please get involved in our council. We continue to do great things.

Ron Pelka Treasurer

### FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

Brother Knights, Vivat Jesus

As Financial Secretary I've been asked to find other forms of payments for dues. Methods like Venmo, Apple Pay, Samsung Pay, (wallet) or Clover. If anyone can assist me that is familiar with these apps can you talk to me before dues time gets here in December, so we can have something in place. We don't have a credit card machine anymore, because ours doesn't support 5G. so a credit card is still an option or some version of a machine. Remember we need to keep the cost down on the bank charges. You can email me at tonyarbanas@att.net or 616-299-4879. Thank you

Your Financial Secretary Tony Arbanas

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A KNIGHT OR THE 4TH DEGREE

On October 5 before the Council Meeting at 6:00 We are having an Exempt. This is a short ceremony that highlights what your joining means to be a member of one of the largest organizations in the Catholic Church. Here is a link for more information

https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html

Then on October 28 an Exempt is being held for membership into the 4th Degree which is the Patriotic level of the Knights of Columbus

Contact any Officer listed in this Newsletter and ask them why should I become a Knight



## 2022 ANNUAL FALL FUNDRAISER



### BRING

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### PLEASE JOIN US!

Thursday, September 15, 2022 6:30 - 9:00 PM

> \$75.00 Per Person \$750.00 Table of Ten

Tickets not sold at door.

Please RSVP by

Friday, September 9th
Using the form below,
call us at
616-459-9139,
or online
at HelpPregnancy.org/events

### JEN FULWILER: KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Jen Fulwiler is a stand up comic, bestselling author, and mom to six kids. She has a passion for supporting moms and babies in difficult pregnancies, as she suffered from a medical condition that made her own pregnancies difficult and high risk. She has been featured on the Today Show, and her work has been written up in Newsweek, Fox News, Good Morning America, ABC News, as well as international outlets.



EMCEE
Mary Jo Thayer is the best-selling, award-winning author of the pro-life novel Close to the Soul, a public speaker, educator, mentor, wife, mom, and grandma.



### SPIRITUAL LEADER

Dcn. Jerry Roersma was ordained on February 11, 2006 by Bishop Walter Hurley and has been assigned to Holy Trinity Parish since. Dcn. Jerry was appointed director of Deacon Formation in May of 2020 by Bishop Walkowiak. He has been married to Susan Roersma for 41 years and they have three adult children and three grandchildren.

### REGISTER ON LINE AT www.HelpPregnancy.org/events

### Schedule

6:30 pm Doors Open 7:00 pm Dinner 8:15 pm Jen Fulwiler

8:45 pm Closing Remarks

### Location

Watermark Country Club North Lakeshore Ballroom 1600 Galbraith Ave SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546



☐ <b>YES,</b> I/we will be attending the HELP Pregnancy Aid 2022 Annual Fall Fundraiser.	NO, I will not be attending the HELP Pregnancy Aid 2022 Annual Fall Fundraiser.	
Please indicate total number of seats reserved:	I am enclosing a tax-deductible donation of \$ to assist your mission of supporting pregnant women and their babies. <b>Donations can be made through our</b> website www.HelpPregnancy.org.	
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City State Zip	City State Zip	
Email	Email	



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We have hosted a variety of events including the following:

WEDDINGS - FUNDRAISERS - TRADE SHOWS - RETIREMENT DINNERS - COMPANY PARTIES BRIDAL SHOWERS - ADULT BIRTHDAYS - FAMILY REUNIONS - CHRISTMAS PARTY

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

For more information contact Paul Arbanas 616-534-3089 or 616-885-2502

### FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE

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





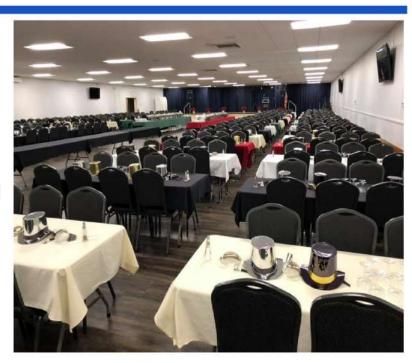
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PLEASE VISIT OUR SITE AT

WWW.KCBANQUETCENTER.COM

New pictures and all information regarding Facility Rental



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4362 - 5830 CLYDE PARK AVE S.W. WYOMING, MI 49509

St. John Vianney Catholic Church Back to School Breakfast at SJV Sunday September 11th



Come and join us for the Great Breakfast at Saint John Vianney after both 8:30 and 10:30 masses. Enjoy a delicious breakfast of eggs, pancakes, sausage, ham, fresh fruit, drink and dessert. As always, the SJV knights crew of dads will be cooking the breakfast for You. The council will be matching the profits and making a donation to the school for their needs. As in the past, the cost is a "goodwill donation" for your breakfast.

### Mark your calendar for Saturday November 19th

Why? Because we have not had a good social gathering, due to Covid, of our Great Knights and Spouses. What is the occasion? The 65th Anniversary of our Council 4362 and a good social event to have some fun. Drinks and Appetizers, created by our famous chef Paul Arbanas, are included in the price which is FREE!!!. So, mark the date and come on out for the party.

Times will come out in the November Leader.

If you're not a member this would be a good time to join

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PLEASE COME JOIN US
Public recitation of the Rosary
WHEN: 3rd Saturday of every month
9:30-10:00 AM

WHERE: Cathedral Square (plaza in front of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Grand Rapids, MI) WHO: Families welcome.

More info: https://www.buildingalegacy.org









### Kenneth Huard, FICF

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# West Michigan Ladies AOH and Knights of Columbus



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October 14, 2022 - Doors Open at 5:30pm

Dinner at 6:30pm

Concert at 7:30pm

Tickets go on sale August 15, 2022 \$40.00 per Person Includes Dinner & Concert

(Your Favorite Irish Beverages will be available at the Cash Bar)
Use Phone, E-mail or QR code for tickets
(616) 986-1314 | blackthornevening@gmail.com

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Donation includes name on signage at event, table signage, on stage signag	e, recognit	tion		
by speakers, name on each bid card and recognition on organization's socia	l media pa	ige.		
Bishop Haas' Boys (Namesake of #4362 Knights of Columbus Council)	\$ 1,0	000		
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by speakers, and recognition on organization's social media page.				
St Patrick's Followers (Isn't everyone Irish?)	\$ 5	500		
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recognition on organization's social media page.				
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Donation includes recognition and reserved table for eight guests.				
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Please make checks payable to "LAOH."				

Return this form to LAOH, 862 Purchase Dr NE Grand Rapids MI 49525

If you have any questions, please call 616-363-8257 or email doylejad44@gmail.com

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