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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

A new year begins and with that news, what are we going to do as Knights? First of all, I hope everyone had a blessed and great Christmas and a Happy New Year even with the winter storm. It was nice to see all the Keep Christ in Christmas billboards up and around town. Thanks once again to Tony Arbanas and our District Deputy John Veneklase for running this program. A new record this year with 40 billboards. Great job gentlemen.

As I was saying about Christmas, I hope the winter storm didn't affect your gathering as it did for our first try of our PGK party. We did have a 2nd attempt and still had a great crowd on Thanksgiving weekend. We gave out our new t-shirts to everyone. We do have a shirt for all members so stop on by at a meeting or contact another knight to get you your t-shirts. It was great seeing all the guys working the breakfast on December 18th at SJV wearing their Knights t-shirts. It looked very impressive with so many guys and their Knights shirt. We will be having another breakfast in February before Lent.

One of our pillars of being a Knight is service to others and that can come in many ways. I happen to be dropping off 60 boxes of spaghetti to Gods Kitchen that Jeremey Batche donated to us. So that got me thinking, can we write them a check which is so easy or can we perform a service and get ALL KNIGHTS involved in the collecting of can and dry goods for them. A lot more work but a much better result. A strong sense of pride is gained when we can gather together and help others out. It brings in Unity, Fraternity and Charity all together. Three of the pillars of our foundation as being Knights. We will be having this in February when there is a big need of goods for the homeless having dinner at God's Kitchen. More information will follow for our drive.

As the Christmas season is still going on for most people think it ends after December 25th, keep those who are in need in your thoughts and prayers. For this new year try to keep the needs of others first. What can we as Knights do to make the lives of others better. On the back of our new t-shirts it says, In Service to One, In Service to All, Council 4362 Since 1957. So, I challenge you as we have service events, please help out to those who are in need. We are Knights!!!!

*Thanks and God Bless. Vivat Jesus
David Erdmans Grand Knight*

PS: A 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree is happening on Wednesday January 4th at 6pm. Please arrive at 5:45pm. The degree at 6pm and is open to anyone wishing to watch the 45-minute ceremony. Our Monthly Meeting follows at 7pm. Come to the Meeting and receive your new Knights t-shirt if you didn't get one



NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS JANUARY 4 & FEBRUARY 1 @ 7:00 PM

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JANUARY



FEBRUARY

David A Arbanas 1
David C Dzierzyc 3
S.K. Lawrence F Carroll 6
Donald J Smith 6
William G Kozak 7
Michael E Baldini 8
Thomas A Barker 8
Terry M Bocian 10
Raymond J Narlock 11
Dennis M Shamblin 11

Earl E Johnson 13
Terry F Herman 15
Daniel L Heaven 17
Jim Orłowski 20
Lawrence S Narlock 23
Stephen J Martin 24
S.K. Anthony M Arbanas 26
Dan B Fitzgerald 29
Michael W Provost 29
Randy A Tennihill 29

S.K. Robert F Battle PGK 1
James M Krebill 1
Paul G France 2
Robert R Gable Sr 2
Leonard J Gill 3
Patrick E Murray 3
James L Stellard 9
S.K. Ted M Sander 10
Thomas E Gorman 12
John F Grygiel 14

Kip Chemjor 15
S.K. John K Veneklas 15
S.K. Gregory C Hildebrand 16
Robert C Ringenberg 18
Thomas G Heitz 22
S.K. Joseph M Lowe 22
S.K. Charles M Ake 24
Albert C Stone 25
S.K. James A Worth 27

JANUARY

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY

S.K. Ruben & Pamela Liceraga 01-04-1969 (54)
Thomas D & Katie Roberts 01-12-2002 (21)
Leonard J & Sandra Gill 01-18-1969 (54)
Joseph D Levan 01-30-1965 Lois



Thomas J & Janet Maguire 02-04-1967 (56)
David M & Mary Van Houten 02-06-1965 (58)
Jerry A & Debra Janssen 02-10-1990 (33)
S.K. Thomas R & Betty Walworth PGK 02-10-1979 (44)
John E Diane Mc Intyre 02-16-1991 (32)
S.K. Nicholas J & Linda Bravata 02-21-1970 (53)

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COUNCIL 4362 BINGO EVERY MONDAY

DOORS OPEN AT 4 BINGO AT 6

JANUARY 4 COUNCIL MEETING 7:00

JANUARY 20 MARCH FOR LIFE WASHINGTON, DC

JANUARY 21 ROSARY @ CATHEDRAL 9:30

JANUARY 26 BUILDING CORP MEETING 7:30

FEBRUARY 1 COUNCIL MEETING 7:00

FEBRUARY 18 ROSARY @ CATHEDRAL 9:30

FEBRUARY 22 ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 24 LOOKING FOR FISH FRY CHAIRMAN

FEBRUARY 23 BUILDING CORP MEETING 7:30

FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE

OPEN 5:00 - 10:00PM MONDAY - FRIDAY

WELCOME NEW KNIGHTS

PLEASE COME JOIN US

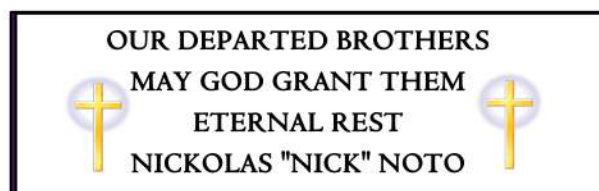
Public recitation of the Rosary WHEN: 3rd Saturday of every month 9:30-10:00 AM

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

WHO: Families welcome. More info: <https://www.buildingalegacy.org>

Knight of the Month

November Kevin McVoy - December Dan Weibel



PLEASE REPORT CORRECTIONS AND OMISSIONS TO THE EDITOR

We had a great month in November which we were able to raise 6000 dollars for the council. December is always a slow month because of Christmas and only 3 weeks plus we paid out a nice size progressive jackpot. The council was able to receive 2000 dollars. Joining the bingo team is Lori Wood, Dan Fitzgerald, and Ed Milanowski. We appreciate your time and service to the Knights



Denny Stolcenberg & Dave Erdmans Chairpersons

Looking for a part time job that's fun? These are paid positions.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Our Council continues to do well financially thanks primarily to Bingo. Bingo workers receive a small stipend. Some of the workers are members of St. Joseph the Worker Council and donate their pay to their council, which turns out to be a good fundraiser for them. Don Robinson also donates his pay to our Assembly. So as it turns out, our Bingo is helping more than just our council.

We currently are being faced with a dilemma. The Fish Fry has no one to be the chairman, no one has volunteered to be a store captain for the M.I. Drive and no one has volunteered to chair the Texas Hold 'Em for the Assembly. Please consider volunteering for these programs or they will be canceled. It would be a shame not to have these programs so that we can use them to support our charities.

Ron Pelka Treasurer



SJV Breakfast with Santa Claus on December 19th
THE BREAKFAST CREW



Thank you everyone who attended the breakfast at SJV. It was another huge success. I want to thank the men of SJV who are Knights for all their help. Dan Weibel. David Milanowski, Nick Andersen, Dan Bury, Paul Cooper, Tito Wermuth, John Stobierski, Jon Holm, Jim 'Hash Brown' Warmolts, Rock Poterack, Steve 'Santa Claus' Chawlek, Chris Carlson and Harry Werkema. Thanks to Missy Stobierski for an incredible display that she created for our Santa Claus. You are Awesome!! Thanks to Tony Arbanas and District Deputy John Veneklase for helping out as well. I greatly appreciate everyone who made the breakfast a success. We were able to donate \$1800 dollars to the school. Our 4 breakfasts this year generated \$7200 dollars for the school. Marge Wilson of the Donut Den made another \$600 dollars donation for the event. Thank you so much. We are looking to have another one in February. Hope to see you all there to support the Knights and SJV school.

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

Here is link for more information: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

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FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE

MONDAY - FRIDAY 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm

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*If you have special needs or any questions
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ST JOHN VIANNEY AUCTION RESULTS

A big thanks to the Bishop Haas Council 4326 from the St. John Vianney Auction 2022 Co-Chairs, (SK) David & Ali Milanowski, for being a Gold Sponsor and donating a total of \$5,000 to the event! The auction was a sensational success in all ways, bringing over 160 people together at the KC Banquet Center for a tremendously fun and exciting event. Live auction and silent auction bids and support from our sponsors and donors from all around raised a record amount and netted over \$80,000 for SJV. That is an amazing amount of love from our SJV community for our students and their education in faith. The money will be used for the future implementation of the STEAM Lab for the school. STEAM is an educational discipline that aims to spark an interest and lifelong love of the arts and sciences in children from an early age. Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Math empowers SJV teachers to employ project-based learning that crosses each of the five disciplines and fosters an inclusive learning environment in which all students are able to engage and contribute. A large portion of the proceeds from this years auction will be used to establish SJVs STEAM lab, which will continue to evolve and grow our schools rich tradition of educating compassionate, knowledgeable students to follow the path of Jesus Christ.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

Brother Knights,

Dues are going out shortly by email. I ask you to check your junk mail. If you haven't received by January 20th, please contact me and I will send a paper copy. New members, Dues are \$48.00 for the year, there is a voluntary portion of \$14.00 that helps support our Order and other Charities. I encourage all to support the voluntary. My email is tonyarbanas@att.net and cell 616-299-4879 Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Tony Arbanas

OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE AGENT

Where did 2022 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Thanksgiving was last week. I hope you and your family have a blessed 2023! Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. It may not make sense at first, but I'm sure you have heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down. Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I would love to be the first you sit with. Let's schedule some time to meet, virtually or in-person, and I, as your professional Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent, will provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family's life insurance protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.

Doug Nurenberg, 989-292-1583 or douglas.nurenberg@kofc.org

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Past Grand Knight Party and Service Awards



Our first Past Grand Knight party was cancelled due to the weather. We rescheduled it for the next weekend but due to Thanksgiving some people were unable to attend. We still had a great crowd on hand and it was very nice honoring all the Past Grand Knights. It was great hearing Keith "Wolfman Jack" Woodrum playing the music. We passed out awards for service since we have not done it in 3 years due to Covid.

Knight of the Year for Charity - John Veneklase & David Erskine

Knight of the Year for Unity - Dan Weibel

Knight of the Year for Fraternity - Kevin McVoy

Years of Service Award - Dennis Stolcenberg

Knight of the Year - Tom Bearss

Knight of the Year - Tony Arbanas

Each of these gentlemen were well deserving of their award. They all displayed the virtue of their award and have made our council so much stronger by all of their time, talent and service to the Knights. Thank you so much

DISTRICT DEPUTYS THOUGHTS

My Brothers in Christ,

As we reflect back on this year especially at this time of preparation for the birth of our Lord we have much to be grateful for, and much to look forward to! Our Council with the Leadership of our Grand Knight Dave Erdmans, our officers and many volunteers have come together throughout the year to provide support for our Priests, Seminarians, Parishes, those in need, especially women and families in unplanned pregnancies and much much more. The Seven Corporal Works of Mercy are: Feed the Hungry, Give Drink to The Thirsty, Clothe the Naked, Shelter the Homeless, Visit the Sick, Visit the Imprisoned, Bury the Dead. This is who we are and what we do as Knights, through the many programs that we perform collectively and Individually. Exactly how Blessed Michael McGivney envisioned in 1878 when he formed The Knights.

This year we came together to change hearts and prayed for a good outcome for Proposal 3. It did not end how we wanted it to but we did all we could to defeat it. In defeat the battle is not over, we need to stay positive and continue to share the message that we as Catholics and Knights value all life and will defend it.

As you are thinking of your New Years' Resolutions consider making a resolution to participate in one of the many charitable works our Council has committed to doing. If you know of another need that you have experienced bring it to the council for consideration.

I wish you all a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year! Vivat Jesus!

Vivat Jesus! John Veneklase DD306

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