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Upcoming Meetings

Jan. 8	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall,	7:00 p.m.
	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00 p.m.

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LADIES JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to the 7 ladies who are sharing a birthday this month. Have a Happy Birthday!

PAT BIERMAN
ANGIE CONICELLA
FRANCES L. MARTIN
WALBURGA MCCLUNG
SHARON BURNS
PATRICIA KUKLA
GERALDINE MITCHELL

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the 2 couples who are celebrating a wedding anniversary this month. May they celebrate many more!

FRANCIS & NANCY ADLFINGER	**01-27-1962**
ACHIEL JR & MARIE DUPONT	**01-28-1961**

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. Tarre Kroft so he can put it in our records or correct our records.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

24 brother Knights are celebrating a birthday this month. May they live as long as they want and never want as long as they live!

JOHN DANAY
ARTHUR BANET
MICHAEL DOYLE
RAYMOND WELLS
CARLOS BARAJAS
TERRENCE HOBEN
REV. MR. PHILIP SAILER
ALAN MASSIE
DAVID CRAY
PAUL CARTON
MARK HUGGINS
CALEB ROE
JOHN MEENAN
JOHN JUSTICE
DAVID ELLIS
LOUIS ALONGI
MARC POSSIN
TERRANCE WIGGINS
ANDREW OLSON
REV THOMAS SZYDLIK
JEFFREY SCHAECHER
MARTIN HERMAN
CLARENCE MCGUINTY
JAMES MORAN

Seminarian, Newman, RSVP Activities Vital

I recently had an opportunity of dialogue with Skip Kinyon, State Deputy for the Illinois Knights of Columbus. Among the tidbits of information I learned was that the Knights through the Annual Newman drive provide over $1,000 to support Newman programming at our Augustana College. The mailing for this annual support drive should have arrived at every Knight's home during the past month. I urge your consideration for support of this activity. I am confident that many Knights have/had sons and daughters attending a non-Catholic college or university. We had three children studying where they had access to strong Newman programs and we credit those associations with two of our children now being Eucharistic Ministers and teaching religious education programs. We certainly urge support of the annual Newman Appeal and even our children have banded together to support an annual Century Donor contribution. If you have misplaced the Newman mailing, you may send a contribution of any size to Illinois State Council KofC Charities, Inc. Newman Fund, P.O. Box 681, Kankakee, Il 60901-0681.

In an email I had from Msgr. Paul Showalter he said he talked with Fr. Co encouraging him in his continued work at Augustana. Msgr. said his father used to run a filling station near Augustana and hired many of the Augustana College Seminarians. The story is that his father put more Lutherans through the Seminary than he did Catholics. Msgr. continued by saying that the Newman ministry is important to Bishop Jenky and has been an important source of recruitment for our vocation program.

The Knights' RSVP program encourages both financial and spiritual support for Seminarians. Allouez Council provides two Seminarians with $500 each to help them with certain expenses. This is in addition to the support they receive from the Vocations Support Raffle. The RSVP program also calls for spiritual support and I am confident they would enjoy hearing from individual Knights throughout the year. Cards and letters may be sent to the two Seminarians we sponsor: Adam Cesarick's address is Mt. St. Mary Seminary, 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, MD

21727. Adam will be ordained in the Spring of 2015. St. Pius X parishioner, James Hoogerwerf, is currently studying at St. Phillip Neri Seminary, Gricigliano, Italy but correspondence may be sent to his mother for forwarding. The address is Sandy Hoogerwerf, 9003 34th St. Ct. W., Rock Island, Il. You may contact me, Fred Luckenbill at 309-794-9085 or luckenbills@mchsi.com if more information would helpful.

CONDOLENCES

To the family of Brother Joseph Schaecher whose wife, Susan, passed away on December 17. A Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Pius X Church on Monday, December 22. May her soul rest in peace.

VOCATIONS RAFFLE RESULTS

The 2014-15 Vocations Raffle is complete. We did not have a prize recipient from our Council this year, however the young men and women pursuing a religious vocation were the winners and will certainly appreciate our support. The combined efforts of Allouez Council, Allouez Council Ladies Auxiliary and members of the Fr. Bader Assembly enabled us to forward over $600 towards the State's Vocation's Support program. In addition these groups raised almost $1,000 for their vocation's and charitable work. 2014-15 Vocation's Raffle Winners were as follows:

$10,000	J. Chiapello	Minooka
2,500	R. Novack	Aurora
1,000	J. DeCook	
	sold by Fr. Betson Council, Moline	
1,000	R. Sansoni	Algonquin
1,000	Geniveve Lange	Glenview
1,000	D. Spealman	Sigel
500	Noreen Ziebold	Waterloo
500	J. Roemer	Itasca
500	E. Aguilar	Aurora
500	Beth Waslk	Chicago
200	St. Joseph Council	Manteno
200	Maria Murphy	Indian Creek
200	Patricia Jimenez	Westmont
200	M. Zuber	Olney
200	P. Tutt	Kankakee
100	Stephanie Barber	Rockford
100	B. Sorenson	Kankakee
100	A, Paketis	Crest Hill
100	J. Hernandez	Waukegan
100	R.Niersbach	Palatine

Total $20,000.

Thanks again for participating and remember, that if it were not for a Priest, there would not be any Knights of Columbus. Fred Luckenbill, Project Coordinator

BELL RINGING RESULTS

Thanks to the volunteer efforts of the below listed Rock Island Knights, the Salvation Army has just reported that on Thursday, 12/4/14, at Hy-Vee R.I., from 10:00 - 8:00pm, the Red Kettle had a "total of $423.67".....it was a bit chilly but thanks guys: Bob Lawrence, Mike McKinney, Red Pearson, Bob Spalding, Gary Nowak, Mike Roman, Kevin Houser, Paul Egan, Bob Brown, and Matt Smallwood.

Thanks to Fred Luckenbill for taking photos of all volunteers and some donors too! A great community project!!!

Louie Alongi
S.A. Red Kettle Chairperson - 2014

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. JEFF SCARPINATO (309-981-4003) to be added. We remember the following members in our prayers:

Joe Burns	At home
Samuel S. Collins	At home
Gene Fowler	At home
Gerry Fox	At home
Richard Friedel	At home
Mike (Don) Hindricks	At home
Charles Hood	At home
Leo Keller	
Vince Klauer	Avonlea, Milan
Louis Mack	
Robert McDonald	Champaign
Clifford Panther	At home
Victor Reyes	St. Anthony's
Phil Sailer	At home
Dick Yeager	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.

DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

Bodily Participation at Mass – Standing

After you make your preparation for Mass—whether kneeling or sitting in the pew—the bell rings, and you stand for Mass to begin. What does this gesture of standing mean?

According to theologian Romano Guardini, when you are sitting down and someone to whom you owe respect comes in and turns to speak to you, you stand up and remain standing so long as he is speaking and you are answering him. Why do we do this? When we stand up, it means that we are in possession of ourselves. Instead of sitting relaxed and at ease we take hold of ourselves; we stand, as it were, at attention, geared and ready for action. A man on his feet can come or go at once. He can take an order on the instant, or carry out an assignment the moment he is shown what is wanted.

The posture of standing, then, is a sign of respect, reverence before God. In addition, it means that we are to ready respond to Him. That

means “right away, always, and with joy.” We stand as Mass begins. We stand for the Gospel because we are aware of the Lord’s presence in a more intense way.

To stand was also the normal posture for Jewish prayer, and the posture characteristic of Christian prayer as well. In the catacombs of Santa Priscilla, there's a famous fresco—still visible after all these centuries—of a person in the orans position—standing, the garments falling in noble folds, with arms outstretched.

As many of you are aware, the posture of standing is a posture typical of the Easter season: standing is a sign of the Resurrection. In fact, the an-cient discipline of the East prohibits kneeling on Sundays and during the Easter season. That's good to know. But there's the same principle at work here as we saw when talking about the sign of the cross. To be aware of the liturgical traditions of other rites is always useful, but it does not mean that we should ignore the legitimate developments of our own tradition.

When you stand at Mass, don’t slouch over, don’t fidget. Stand up straight and be still. “Be still and know that I am God”, as the Psalm says. Practice standing up straight without unnecessary fidgeting about. It’s not easy! But it’s a way that we can honor Our Lord.

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 Deacon Russ Swim, Assistant Chaplain, rpswim@mchsi.com, phone 786-3097.

INSURANCE AGENT’S MESSAGE

Ask Eligible Men to Join?

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members. And more members equals more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder’s Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights have increased visibility speaking or presenting during and after Masses and at special events. We must remember that we have a duty to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often “forget” to ask men to join and to bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. What if the only reason he hasn’t joined is because no one has asked him yet?

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don’t forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often a “selling point” to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members become Knights simply to be able to buy coverage to protect their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community, and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.

JEFF SCHAECHER, (309) 793-4218
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DON’T FORGET NEWMAN

Your Newman Contribution supports a Catholic presence on our non-catholic Colleges and Universities. Give what you can afford. Checks should be made payable to Illinois State Council KofC Charities, Inc., this makes them tax deductible, and checks should be sent to Illinois State Council KofC Charities Inc., P.O. Box 681, Kankakee, Il. 60901-0681. If you need another form, contact JACK SWAN, FRED LUCKENBILL OR JIM CASEY.

OUR FUTURE FUND REPORT

The 3 digit game is a great way to contribute to your council’s future fund and have a chance to win money every day. For $10 every 4 months ($30 for the full year), you have a chance to win $25 every weekday and at least $50 on weekends!

The Winners Since Our Last Newsletter Are:

$25 – Andy Luckenbill $25 – Stan Bance
$25 – James O’Donnell $50 – David Crayen
$100 – Tarre Kroft

Congratulations to all of our winners!

New Year, New Game, New Changes:

Notices have been mailed to all participating members. A change has been made for this year. We are able to offer a discount to those who participate in the annual club. Thank you to those who pay annually!

More Players Means Winners:

I have mailed invitations to play to all of our members that are current in dues. If anyone asks you about it, please share any information you know or have them contact me. I will be glad to answer any questions.

We appreciate all of your support and good luck for the rest of the series!

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PHOTOS ON THE WEB

No photos received to share.
http://kofc658.org/site/photos/

Email photos to AndrewJ.Olson@yahoo.com

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

2015

Jan. 1	New Year's Day	
Jan. 4	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00 a.m. & 9 a.m. Masses
Jan. 5	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 8	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall, Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Jan. 18	Pro-Life Breakfast, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Feb. 1	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00 a.m. & 9 a.m. Masses
Feb. 2	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 12	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall, Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 5	Father Bader Assembly Business Meeting	TBA
Feb. 18	Ash Wednesday, Lent begins	
Mar. 1	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00 a.m. & 9 a.m. Masses
Mar. 2	Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	6:30 p.m.
Mar. 5	Father Bader Assembly Business Meeting	TBA
Mar. 12	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall, Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Mar. 3	Community Awards Night, Christ the King	TBA
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day	
Apr. 2	Father Bader Assembly Business Meeting	TBA
Apr. 5	Easter Sunday	
Apr. 6	St. Pius X Blood Draw, Farrell Hall Allouez Council Officers' Meeting, Farrell Hall	2:00 to 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Apr. 9	Allouez Council 658 Meeting, Farrell Hall, Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Farrell Hall	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Apr. 11	Italian-American Society Authentic Italian Dinner, Farrell Hall	4:00 -7:00 p.m.
May. 3	Coffee & Conversation, Farrell Hall	after 7:00 a.m. & 9 a.m. Masses
May. 7	Father Bader Assembly Business Meeting	TBA
Jun. 14	Civic Awards Night, Holiday Inn, Rock Island	5:00 social, 6:00 Dinner

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