



St. Isidore Council #7200 Knightly News

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GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

First, I have Great news for our council youth activities. Megan Verellen, daughter of Duane and Heidi, and granddaughter of Ron Verellen won the Division I Ages 8-11 state poster contest. State Youth Director Mike Hebert presented the award and a \$50 gift card to her at the April 14 business meeting. Congratulations Megan from council 7200!

I would like to thank all of the Knights and non-knights who volunteer MI drive on behalf of all of the mentally impaired men, women and children who don't have the chance to do it in person. We raised \$16,621.28 that will be used support many of their programs and activities. With all of the government cut-backs and loss of sponsorship some of these events would not take place if it were not for our donations. Way to go brother knights!

We also made a record amount of money on the fish fry this year. We served fewer dinners, but we were able to cut costs on purchasing our supplies. This cost savings made up this difference plus some. I would like to thank our current co-chairmen Bob Szachta & Ron Pewinski for making our fish fry's one of the best in the area. Next year, they will be handing over the reins to the capable hands of Tim McKeown to run our fish fries. Thanks Tim for stepping up to the plate to chair this event for our council. A special thank you goes out to all the brother knights and their wives who supported the fish fry these past 6 Fridays. It takes a dedicated group of volunteers to run one of our councils most successfully events. Lastly let us not forget to thank the ladies of the Altar Society, because without their help there would not have been those delicious cakes for dessert.

The Highway cleanup had a great turn this year. I was told by chairmen Keith Verellen that this was his largest turnout to date for this event. The knights keep giving their of the valuable time to worthy causes.

Congratulations to our newest members Chuck Wilt, Branden Bussa and Jeremy Blake. They went through the major degree at Father Solanus Casey council on April 10.

Congratulation Ron Verellen and Greg Sokol, they were winners of the 2 free tickets to the Founders Day golf outing. Make sure you attend the next meeting for a chance to win 1 of 2 tickets to the 25th Annual Guest House Golf Classic on Monday, June 13. The cash values of these tickets are \$225.00 each.

One of our brother knights and council sponsored seminarian Salvatore Palazzolo will become a Deacon May 21st at Sacred Heart at 10:00am. Please consider attending this mass to show your support.

We will be having a pancake breakfast on May 8 after all masses. All proceeds from this event will be split between Birth Right and the K of C Ultra Sound Machine Initiative. We also have Sunnybrook Poker Room booked for May 14, 15 and 16, details on this and other events are in the news letter. Please sign up for these event if your schedule permits.

We will be having nominations and voting for officers at our next business meeting May 12. Please share your time and talent with our council it's a experience that lasts a lifetime.

Fraternally Yours,
Patrick Lang
Grand Knight

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

May 2011

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
<u>1</u>	2	3	4	5	6	7
<u>8</u>	9	10	11	<u>12</u>	13	<u>14</u>
<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>
29	<u>30</u>	31				

5/1 Divine Mercy Sunday
 5/8 Mother's Day
 5/8 Pancake Breakfast for Right to Life after all masses
 5/12 Membership Meeting/Election of Officers @ 7:00 PM
 5/14 - 5/16 Sunnybrook Poker Room
 5/15 World Day of Prayer for Vocations
 5/26 **NO Officer's Meeting**
 5/26 -5/28 K of C State Convention
 5/30 Memorial Day

June 2011

6/5 Graduation Breakfast after 9:30 Mass @ St Isidore
 6/8 1st Degree 6:30 PM
 6/9 Membership Meeting 7:00 PM
 6/23 Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM
 6/24-26 St. Isidore Strawberry Festival

Membership Dues Raffle

Michael Catanzaro name was pulled from all the members who have paid their membership dues so far this year. The council will pay his membership dues for the 2012 fraternal year. Congratulations Michael!

Resolution

Resolution to take up to \$500 from the general fund for an high school scholarship essay contest.



OFFICERS

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COME to a Meeting!
You might WIN!
50/50 Raffle

Winner: Chuck Zablocki won \$73

Attendance Drawing

Chuck Zablocki won \$394.50

BIRTHDAYS
FOR MAY

WILLIAM	CALLIGAN	5/1
LARY	CAMPAU	5/3
PATRICK	ZIEMBA	5/4
WILLIAM	ZISKIE	5/4
THOMAS	ZWOLINSKI	5/5
ADAM	MONACELLI	5/6
ROY	KNIESTEADT	5/6
JOHN	CIARAMELLA JR	5/7
THOMAS	KOWALSKI	5/7
GIOVANNI	VITALE	5/8
BRIAN	CHADWICK	5/9
RALPH	THEISEN III	5/11
RONALD	BOKOCH	5/12
ARTHUR	WALSH	5/13
JOHN	GROSFIELD	5/13
CHARLES	BAKER	5/13
THOMAS	SROKA	5/15
DAVID	HULL	5/16
MICHAEL	MITCHELSON	5/19
MICHAEL	RUPPERT	5/20
JEROME	NADOLSKI	5/27
MARK	SMOGOR	5/28
JAMES	ZISKIE	5/29
TODD	GRZELEWSKI	5/31
AARON	VERELLEN	5/31

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The St. Isidore Knightly News is published monthly. If anyone has news or information on upcoming events, etc. please give a written copy to the Grand Knight. The deadline for publication is the 18th of the month (Anything received after that date will be held and included the following month). Thank you.



Knight of the Month

Congratulations to **Tim Baranowski** for being named Knight of the Month for **April**

Our Knight of the month for April is Tim Baranowski. He has been with the council since April 2005. He has helped out on the Fish Fry and other council events. He typically can be found quietly working the dishwasher in the back of the kitchen. Please join me in congratulating Tim Baranowski for being selected as the Knight of the Month.

Family of the Month

Congratulations to the family of **Bob Szachta** for being named Family of the Month for **April**

Please join me in congratulating Bob Szachta for being selected as the Family of the Month for April. He has held many positions in the council including Grand Knight. He is currently co-chairman on the fish fry, but is now handing over one of our most successfully run events over to Tim McKeown. He and co-chairman Ron Pewinski have built our fish fry's into one of the best in the area. Bob's wife Joann is a big supporter of the fish fries handling ticket sales for the event. Bob and JoAnn always helping out with the Strawberry Festival. They have helped the parish and Knights in many capacities throughout the many years with St. Isidore Parish.

Shining Armor Award

Congratulations to **Todd Grzelewski** for winning the Shining Armor Award

In order for Todd to qualify for the "Shining Armor Award" he did the following during his first year of membership.

- Be involved in at least 3 Council Service programs
- Attend at least 3 Council business meetings
- Receive his second and third degrees
- Meet with our Councils insurance representative (purchase not mandatory)
- Recruit at least one new member

He did all of these activities and volunteered to be Right to Life co-chairmen. Way to go Todd!



**April Family of the Month
Bob Szachta**



**February Knight of the Month
Tom VanSlambrouck**



**Shining Armor Award
Todd Grzelewski**

Great Bowling



I'm proud to announce that our bowling team represented St. Isidore Council 7200 proudly in this year's Officer Tournament. We took first place in the scratch series with a total of (3146) and third place overall with handicap (3419) in the weekend tournament held at Shore Lanes on January 8th & 9th.

Team members included PGK Ralph Theisen III, PGK William Konvyka, Eric Racette, Michael Zannetti and captain PGK Robert Szachta.

PGK, Robert Szachta



Mentally Impaired Drive 2011

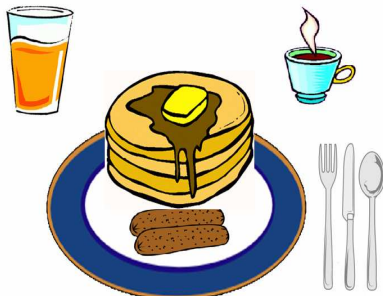
Brothers,

Thank you all for the hard work, fortitude and determination you all showed during our MI Drive. Our drive was a huge success! A well done to all of the brothers and their friends who contributed in any way to our MI Drive. We bettered last year's donations by approximately \$1,500. We were only \$200 shy of our 2009 record amount. We collected \$16,621.28. We were so close to breaking our record I know that if we had two more men we would have broken our 2009 record. You were the embodiment of Charity Unity and Fraternity. We may have been a little cold but I know we all had warm hearts. Thank you again for your efforts.

Greg Sokol
MI Chairman



PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOR RIGHT TO LIFE



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a pancake breakfast for Right to Life on **Sunday May 8th** after all masses. The menu includes: pancakes, sausage, apple sauce, milk, juice, and coffee. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids under 12. Kids under 5 are FREE!

To volunteer to help on this event contact Todd Grzelewski at Phone 586-566-7901 or email tsg663@aol.com.



Lenten Fish Dinners 2011 Thank You

Brother Knights,

PGK Ron Pewinski , Tim McKeown and I want to thank all of the Brother Knights who helped at this year's Friday Lenten Fish Dinners. Wherever you worked, your help and dedication made this event again one of the best ever! We served a total of 3195 dinners and made a record profit of \$12,225.00.

Also, we can't forget all the wives of our Brother Knights who worked in many areas or brought those delicious desserts for our guests and workers to enjoy. THANK YOU!

We again received many compliments about our dinners. Many of our guests came from neighboring parishes that had Lenten Fish Dinners, but several commented that ours was by far the best around. We offered excellent food, good service and exceptional value for the price.

You can be sure that it was your commitment that made this event a huge success and we appreciate all your efforts.

Your new Chairman for next year will be Brother Knight Tim McKeown. Lets continue to give him our support.

PGK,
Robert Szachta
Chairman





K of C Officers Position Descriptions

Officers of the Council are nominated in April and nominated and elected in May. All officers must be active members and have already received their third degree. Below is a list of elected positions that need to be filled for the 2011-2012 Fraternal Year starting in July.

Grand Knight The grand knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and program directors, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn.

Deputy Grand Knight The deputy grand knight is second in command. He assists the grand knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the grand knight. Should the grand knight be absent from a council meeting, the deputy grand knight will preside. Traditionally the deputy grand knight takes on the Program Director roll in the Council and oversees the council calendar.

Chancellor The chancellor has a variety of responsibilities. Primarily, he assists the grand knight and the deputy grand knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in council activities. If the Chaplin is absent, he also leads the council in prayer.

Recorder The recorder is similar to a court reporter or a secretary. He is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the council and its correspondence. He records and presents membership meeting minutes.

Treasurer The treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining records of all council funds and accounts. He is responsible for depositing money into the council's accounts and provides a certificate of such monies to the grand knight. He is also responsible for payment of all expenses.

Advocate The advocate is the legal representative of the council and serves as the council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the council by-laws, the Order's Charter, Constitution and Laws, Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting, and Robert's Rules of Order.

Warden The warden is the 'watchdog' for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work.

Inside (1) & Outside Guards (2) The guards have similar responsibilities. They assist the warden with meeting room set-up, secure the doors prior to meetings, check membership cards, record attendance, and maintain the 50/50 raffle.

Board of Trustees (1 position may need to be filled) The board of trustees consists of three members elected by the council who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer, perform bi-annual audits and review the monthly bills. This role is typically filled by a past grand knight or other member with previous council leadership experience.

Save a life become an organ donor!

When you sign up on the Michigan Organ Donor Registry, you'll get a heart emblem for your license and your name will appear on the state's database.



Did you know?

- Each organ donor can save up to eight lives. Each tissue donor can improve the lives of up to 50 people.
- Nearly 10,000 Michigan patients have received a life-saving organ transplant in the last 10 years.
- Cornea transplants have been successful for over 100 years and organ transplants have worked for more than 50.
- On average, 17 Michigan patients receive an organ transplant each week.
- There is no age limit for donation.
- Donation doesn't cost the donor or the donor's family anything.
- Last year, 289 organ donors provided 786 organs to waiting recipients in Michigan. A record 1,067 people became tissue donors



No Other Financial Product Can Do What Whole Life Can

One of the many elements of permanent insurance – whole life for example – is the accumulation of cash values within the policy. While we never run around recommending that these values be withdrawn, or borrowed, the fact is they are available. When you borrow against the cash in the policy, you diminish the value of the policy until the borrowed funds are returned. But when I talk with members about the features of permanent life insurance, I certainly include this feature in the conversation.

When you pay your permanent life insurance premiums, the policy begins to accumulate a reserve – usually not until the policy is in force for a couple of years. The company sets aside this reserve, which gradually and over time grows, depending on the size of the policy and the premiums paid.

During the life of the policy – and your life – this cash value is always available to you. When we talk about it, I will help you determine how much is available, always keeping in mind that we want the policy to remain in force (so you should never take out 100% of the cash and cause the policy to lapse). I will then work with you to complete the necessary paperwork that would be forwarded to Supreme in New Haven where the request is processed promptly. I will also strongly suggest a repayment plan, so that, over time, you can restore the cash value to its full amount for two reasons: first, so that the policy returns to full value should death occur, and so that the cash is there for you again should the need arise.

This column is not usually used for lessons in how life insurance works, but this is a critical issue. With so many credit outlets tightening the reins, and money becoming harder to find, borrowing against a permanent life insurance policy can be an attractive option when a financial emergency occurs, permanent insurance can be the solution.

There are lots of features that distinguish permanent insurance from term insurance. The accumulation of cash value, which can be accessed and used in the event of an emergency quickly and painlessly, is just one. When I talk to you about the value of whole life, remember this: permanent, cash value, level premium life insurance is a unique product. I can think of no other financial product – none – that does what it can do, including helping your family out during a financial emergency.

Your future is my concern. Call me today for more information about the power of ensuring a secure future for those you love.

Ted Czarny F.I.C.F.
Knights of Columbus
Field Agent
586 286-6026

Council 7200 Highway Clean Up



On April 9, 2001 a small army of 21 volunteers representing the St. Isidore Knights of Columbus Council 7200 remove 69 bags of trash from two miles of the M-53 (Van Dyke) expressway.

Thank You for you time and effort!



Thoughts of the month: Our lives are not determined by what happens to us, but by how we react to what happens. Not by what life brings to us, but by the attitude we bring to life. A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thoughts, events and outcomes. It is a catalyst, a spark that creates extraordinary results.

FRAME GAME

Can you solve these word games? Think literally. Each communicates a famous person, place, or thing or saying. The answers are on the bottom of this page.

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Layman's 10 Commandments

- 1) Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.
- 2) So a Car's WINDSHIELD is so large & the Rear view Mirror is so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, Look Ahead and Move on.
- 3) Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes few seconds to burn, but it takes years to write.
- 4) All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong don't worry, they can't last long either.
- 5) Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!
- 6) Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, my child, it's just a bend, not the end!
- 7) When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
- 8) A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
- 9) When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
- 10) WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.



**Charity
Poker Room**



**We need 2 Knights per shift to staff the poker room on the following dates and times. Please contact Deputy Grand Knight Greg Sokol if you would like to volunteer and learn more about helping out.
email: gregsokol@att.net or phone 586-286-2933**

Location is:	Date	Time
Sunnybrook Golf and Bowl. 7191 E 17 Mile Road Sterling Heights , MI 48313	5/14/11 5/15/11 5/16/11	1:30 PM to 8:00PM & 8:00PM to 2:30 AM 1:30 PM to 8:00PM & 8:00PM to 2:30 AM 1:30 PM to 8:00PM & 8:00PM to 2:30 AM





Prayer List

Sick or In Distress:

Frank Alcini
 Anne-Marie Badke
 Diane Behm
 Mike Booms
 Bro. Francis Boyland
 Fr. Bricer
 Raymond Brohl
 Michael Bruck
 Anthony Bunagiar
 Stephen Budvowich
 Erica Carlson
 Bishop Patrick Cooney
 Bill Czernell
 David Devereaux
 Mary Fisher
 Mrs. Frontiera
 William Frontiera
 Gary Godrum
 Georgina Gavie
 June Gentner
 Marie Grabowski
 Felicia Graczyk
 Zigmund Graczyk
 Margurite Harms
 Maurice Hellebuyck
 Joe Hessell
 Jerry Hund
 Charlotte Jaworski
 John Jarzyna
 Maria Giallorati
 Evelyn and Glenn
 Jollimore
 Joseph Kaminski
 Kim Keller
 Mary Kish
 Gloria Kreminski
 Paul Kriovan
 Nicholas Leemhuis
 Kathy Leskoviansky
 Kim Lesnau
 Marge Loch
 Laura Nicewonder
 James Malczewski
 Fred Manczyk
 Tom Marsetti
 Michael Mitchelson
 Walter Morton
 Jim Mrenza
 Thomas Mundrick
 Robby Nunley
 Bob Palplansek
 Gene Parsons

Joe Pilat
 Carlotta Pilat
 Carole Polakowski
 Anthony Polakowski
 Dennis Pomaville
 Auxiliary Bishop
 Reese
 Sandy Rydel
 Lisa Romero
 Donald Seablom
 Christopher Slezak
 Walter Sokol
 Karen Spence
 Mike Stadler
 John Steveson
 Jolene Ureel
 Michelle Ureel
 Henry VanHoorne
 Carole Varga
 Vito Ventimiglia
 Gladys Verellen
 Linda Verellen
 Jo Ann Vick
 Jim Walsh
 Joseph & Madalina
 Wardzella
 Micki Walsh
 Harry Wujcik
 The Wujcik Family
 Leonard Ziskie

Deceased:

Beverly Belkowski	Michael Pilat
Ron Bellinger	Anthony Pilat
Jim Breen	Sarah Post
Raymond D'Addario	Harry Puma
Anthony Dilisio	Mona Ruppert
Leo Gapczynski	Edward Seefried
Tim Houck	Angie Slevinski
John Kind	Lorraine Steinetz
Dominik Kolpacki	Hellen Ureel
Fr. Richard Lewnau	Eugene Ureel Past
Martin Lyczynski	State Vocations Dir.
Fr. Jerry Machlik	Jim VanDamme
Richard Neman	Sally VanSlambrouck
Eleanor Pakizer	Barton Verellen
Jerry Pilat	Fr. Alexander Wytrowski



If any Brother Knight or family member is sick, in distress, or recently deceased, please contact the Grand Knight.

State Poster Contest Winner



From left to right: State Youth Director Mike Hebert, Council Youth Director Andy Galambush, Grand Knight Patrick Lang, Contest winner Megan Verellen

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General Meeting 2nd Thursday
Officer's Meeting 4th Thursday

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