



Knights of Columbus

St. Jude Council 1043
112 E. Lexington Avenue
Elkhart, In 46514



June 2007



Brother Knights,

Roster of Officers

Grand Knight- T. J. Repaich
Deputy Grand Knight- Gary Eber
Chaplain - Fr. Phil DeVolder
Chancellor - Dave Buzalski
Recorder - Joe Tinervia
Financial Secretary - Scott Chris
Treasurer- Larry Scalise
Lecturer -Benny Wiercioch
Advocate- Tom Pawlak
Warden-Tim Dougherty
Guard Inside- Steve Gonsoski
Guard Outside- Shane Blotcamp
1st Year Trustee- Dave Towner
2nd year Trustee- Sherman Hansen
3rd Year Trustee-James Gallagher

Meetings
Second
Tuesday
of Each
Month
7:00 p.m.

Calendar of Coming Events

- July 6—7:30 Rosary at St. Vincent's
- July 10—7:00 Council Meeting
- July 11—5:00-7:00 Spaghetti Dinner
- July 15—Annual Golf Outing
- July 29—8:00-12:00 Pancake Breakfast
- August 1—5:00-7:00 Spaghetti Dinner
- August 3—7:30 Rosary at St Vincent's

New Members

Welcome to the following new members who took the first degree on June 12th: Matthew Frye, Jacob Meyer, Luis Santiago, and Anthony Miller. Also welcome to Christopher Paciorkowski who transferred to our council.

Your paper was a little late getting to you last month. It was delivered to the printers the Monday morning after the meeting. Benny put it in the mail on Wednesday and it took until the following Tuesday for the mail to be delivered. Hopefully your paper will arrive in a more timely fashion this month.

News Highlights

By Joe Tinervia

The council website has been moved to a new location. You will now find it at www.koc1043.org
The old website (mysite.verizon.net/koc1043) will be available for the next few weeks. The new website has several advantages and new features. Be sure to check it out.

"It's No Balouny" Insurance Update

By Bob Baloun, K of C Field Agent

No doubt the signs of summer have had their effect on you. Getting outdoors is the obvious thing to do. We poke around in the garden, work on the lawn, attend ballgames, and dust off the gas grill. Beneath it all we sense that vacation time is near. This pleases everyone. It doesn't matter whether we are planning on elaborate vacations or if we will simply enjoy the company of our family at home—the feeling is the same. Vacations are fun.

If we've planned properly, chances are that some of our hard-earned dollars have been set aside for this occasion. We recognize that if we plan to spend money in the pursuit of enjoyment, the ordinary fixed expenses must still be paid. So we need a "vacation fund."

All this makes good sense. The soundness of the idea is obvious. Isn't it amazing that so many of us see the wisdom of planning for our vacations but fail to plan our long-range vacation—retirement? The government has thought about it and maybe your employer has as well. The only one left is you. It's time you thought about it. Find out how you can add to retirement programs in an amount sufficient to provide for you and your family. After all, retirement is the longest vacation you'll ever take. Call me today. I want to hear from you.

Robert Baloun, Insurance Agent
272-3304

I hope that this message finds you all doing well and in good health. This will be my last GK report since the new officers will begin their duties on July 1st. It has been an extreme pleasure to serve as Grand Knight and I will miss it greatly. I pray for your continued support of our new GK and officers. This council has seen great growth and there is still room to go. With everyone's help we can do great things. This past month we held a Red Cross blood drive and are planning another one. We also held another 1st degree and inducted new officers. Since we started our degree team, we have brought in 21 new members to the council. We also awarded scholarships and awards of merit to some Knights and high school seniors. Please read the rest of the news letter and check out our new website for more information on the previously stated items. God Bless

TJ

Congratulations to Our Award Winners!

- Merit award for membership director:
Zach Jellison
- Merit award for degree team captain:
Scott Chris
- Merit award for State Outstanding Catholic Youth nomination:
Justin Buenger
- Merit award for Web Site Creation:
Joe Tinervia
- KNIGHT OF THE YEAR:
Shane Blotkamp

We also awarded 6 scholarships to high school seniors

Certificate of Honor from Special Olympics:

Steve Gonsoski

We sponsored 4 athletes in Steve's honor.

Knights of Columbus

An on-line check of Wikipedia will give you the following information about our organization: "The **Order of the Knights of Columbus** is the world's largest [Catholic fraternal service](#) organization. Founded in the [United States](#) in [1882](#), it is named in honor of [Christopher Columbus](#)^[1] and dedicated to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. There are more than 1.7 million members in 14,000 councils, with nearly 200 councils on college campuses. Membership is limited to practical Catholic men aged 18 or older."

"In the 2005 fraternal year the Order gave [US\\$136 million](#) directly to charity and performed over 63.2 million man hours of voluntary service. For their support for the Church and local communities, as well as for their philanthropic efforts, the Order is often referred to as the "strong right arm of the Church". The Order's insurance program has more than \$60 [billion](#) of life insurance policies in force and holds the highest insurance ratings given by [A.M. Best](#), [Standard & Poor's](#), and the Insurance Marketplace Standards Association."

June Meeting

Members at the meeting on June 12 were as follows: Steve Riikonen, Steve Gonsoski, Jim Gallagher, T J Repaich, Larry Scalise, Joe Eppers, Matthew Casey, Zach Jellison, Dave Towner, Al Arko, Dave Kozlowski, Joe Tinervia, Steve Spretnjak, Jeff Schmuhl, Mike Froelich, Chris Johnson, Andres Bahena, Jesus Zagal, Scott Chris, Arturo Herrera, Shane Blotkamp, Matt Pletcher, Luis Santiago, Aaron Schade, Fred Thomson, Jacob Meyer, Rich Chakan, Tony Miller, Tom Gorski, Dick Buenger, Mel Taylor, and Jesus Mujica.

Rosary

We will be having our 291st consecutive Holy Rosary on Friday, July 6th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent's Church. If you haven't attended, give it a try. We pray for our sick and hospitalized and our Brother Knights. It's a great tribute to those who need our prayers.

Benny

Birthdays for July

Date	Member	Saint		Date	Member	Saint
1	Wilfred L. Bueter	St. Juniper Serra		19	Steven A. Gonsoski	St. Justa
1	John E. Calvert	St. Gall		20	Thomas K. O'Hara	St. Elias
1	Irvin L. Kloska	St. Arnulf		21	Edward V. Wenzel	St. Victor
2	Nick R. Fortino	St. Bernardo		22	Michael A. Keller	St. Philip Evans
4	Sherman Poole	St. Ulric		22	William J. Swaller	St. Mary Magdalen
4	Matthew J. Snyder	St. Anthony		24	Peter A. Letherman	St. Boris
6	James E. Smith	St. Merryn		26	Edward J. Bollero, Sr.	St. Bartholomea
7	Craig S. Lochmandy	St. Pantaenus		26	Craig M. Gonsoski	St. Joachim
8	Kevin Doroh	St. Kilian		26	Mitchell Nihart	St. Simeon
8	Gayle H. Flamion	St. Adrian		27	Beuford H. Lee	St. Theobald of Mary
12	Frederick J. Thomson	St. Jason		30	Adan Alvarez	St. Abdon
13	Eugene R. Damalas	St. Silas		30	Timothy M. O Bryant	St. Ursus
13	Richard Walag	St. Henry		30	Earl J. Ottman, Sr.	St. Peter Chrysologus
15	Leonard Antonelli	St. Boniventure		31	Donald L. Peterson	St. Democratus
15	Ralph F. Miller	St. Swihun		31	James M. Slater	St. Helen of Skovde
15	Bryan Simmons	St. Vladimir of Kiev		31	Joe Tinervia	St. Justin De Jacobis
18	William M. Wain	St. Bruno				

K of C Golf

The annual K of C Vincent B. Terlep Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, July 15, 2007, at Raber's Golf Course. The cost of \$40 will include green fees, cart and lunch. Juniors under 18 will cost \$25. A sign up sheet will be posted at the Columbian Club on June 5th. Please pay your entry fee when you sign up for a tee time (7:30 a.m. to 9:04 a.m.) Help is needed in the kitchen and with getting prize donations. Steve Spretnjak and Don Quinn, Chairmen

In Our Prayers

Brothers who are in need of our prayers are remembered at the meetings. We would like you to also remember them in your prayers. They include: Ken Fisher, Bud Koons, Dick Hess, Jim Linn, Ed Vahala, Tom Farrell, Bill Arko, Ed Wenzel John Thompson, Nick Russo, Fr. Phil DeVolder, Charlie Brown, Dick Dyer, Tony Szucs, John Kidder, Dave Rupert, Steve Poirier, Ed Parr, Phil Stillson, Charles Ornduff, Jeff Schmuhl, Tim Dougherty, Fr. Wilson Corzo, Harold Black, Benny Wiercioch and Bob Ferroli.

Website

If you will check the website, it should be obvious that Joe has put in many hours in developing the website for our council. You can find information about our council, the officers, activities, the calendar, and links to other sites. Thanks, Joe, for all of your hard work!

Check the web
<http://www.koc1043.org>

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