



# Knights of Columbus

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



### Congratulations!

Congratulations to members who took their 2nd and 3rd degrees in Mishawaka on March 3. They include John Tierney, Rob Hoffer, David Calvillo, Jerry Smith III, Jeff Schmuhl, Richard Hastings, Shawn Kohn, Jesus Mujica, and Mike Damosky.

### News Summary By Joe Tinervia

- The defibrillator our Council purchased has been installed at St. Vincent's Church. Several Knights and their spouses attended the Red Cross CPR/AED course at our Council on March 8th.
- Please make a special effort to attend the 300th consecutive rosary, Friday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. It will be a special rosary, officiated by Fr. Phil DeVolder. The Color Guard will be in attendance in regalia as well.
- This year's Tootsie Roll Drive details are as follows:
  - Distribution at Palmer's Hardware on May 10 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
  - Stop light at the corner of Johnson and Lexington on May 17, 9-4 p.m.
  - Distribution at St. Thomas and St. Vincent's on May 17-18 after mass
  - Distribution at Wal-Mart—dates and times to be determined
  - Proceeds to go to ADEC
- St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage dinner will be in our lounge.
- A bus trip for a Cub's game is being planned. Date is TBD.
- A thank you note from Seminarian Jacob Meyers was read during the meeting. He wanted to share his contact information: Email: [jmeyer@pcj.edu](mailto:jmeyer@pcj.edu) Cell: 574-707-4121
- A thank you note was read from the Massa family.
- The council is selling \$1 and \$5 shamrocks to raise money for MDA.
- There will be a second and third degree exemplification on March 30 at Notre Dame.
- The next first degree hosted at our Council is April 21. Our Council currently has 365 members.
- 30 Knights were in attendance at March's council meeting, and we collected \$97.82 for the seminarian fund.
- Remember that our Council celebrates Dyngus Day the day after Easter. We'll be selling sausages, perogies, cabbage, pickled eggs, and noodles. This is our single biggest one-day fundraiser for our Council. Please make an effort to attend.
- The Council collected \$548 parking cars at St. Thomas during the girls' semi-state tournament at North Side Gym. After offering the proceeds to St. Thomas, the Council will follow Fr. Bill Sullivan's wishes for the proceeds to go to RETA and Indiana Right to Life.

### March 2008



### Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,  
As another month has passed, I thought that I would reflect on how our club is doing. Our membership continues to grow and, more importantly, our members are becoming more active. I encourage everyone to come to a meeting a get to know some of our newer members.

One benefit of increased activity by our members is that we are better able to successfully raise money for worthy charities. We met our goal of increasing donations by 10% last year and must continue to work toward increasing our donations in the future.

Our annual Tootsie Roll campaign is right around the corner, and I am asking every Knight to help out to make this the best event ever. Contact T.J. Repaich to sign up to work, or if you are not able to volunteer this time, to make a donation to the club. All proceeds help support ADEC.

Yours in Christ,  
Steve Riikonen

Calendar of Coming Events
March 21—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. at the hall
March 24—Dyngus Day
March 30—Pancake Breakfast 8 a.m.-12
April 2—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m.
April 4—300th Rosary at St. Vincent's
April 8—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.
April 18—Fish Fry 5-7 at the hall

### Dyngus Day March 24

Come and enjoy the fabulous food and support our biggest one-day fundraiser of the year.

### March Meeting

Members at the meeting on March 11 were as follows: Steve Riikonen, Joe Tinervia, Shane Blotkamp, T. J. Repaich, Jim Gallagher, Larry Scalise, Benny Wiercioch, Mike Froelich, Tom Jaskolka, Rob Hoffer, Kevin O'Connor, Matthew Casey, Shawn Kohn, Zach Jellison, Michael J. Reverman, Arturo Herrera, David Calvillo, Mitch Wirt, Jim Noffsinger, Rich Frye, Tom Wiley, Bernard Hartogh, Aaron Schade, Jesus Zagal, Jesus Mujica, Glen Meert, Steven Gonsoski, Adan Alvarez, Sean Asoera, and Fred Thomson.

### Roster of Officers

Grand Knight: Steve Riikonen  
Chaplain: Fr. Bill Sullivan  
Deputy Grand Knight: Zach Jellison  
Chancellor: Joe Tinervia  
Financial Secretary: Scott Chris  
Treasurer: Larry Scalise  
Advocate: Tom Pawlak  
Recorder: Shane Blotkamp  
Lecturer: Benny Wiercioch  
Warden: Aaron Schade  
Inside Guard: Steve Gonsoski  
Outside Guard: Arturo Herrera  
Trustee: Sherm Hansen  
Trustee: Mick Towner  
Trustee: T.J. Repaich  
District Deputy: Dave Kozlowski

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

### news summary continued :

- The Fourth Degree meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at St. Mary's in Bristol.
- TJ is looking for nominations for the slate of officers to be elected in May.
- Our condolences go out to the family of Ernie Smith, who recently passed away.
- Kevin Kiefer's name was drawn for \$135 jackpot, but he was not present at the March meeting. Therefore, next month's attendance jackpot goes up to \$145. You need to be in attendance to collect the jackpot if your name is drawn.

-Joe Tinervia  
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### Dues

Once again, we ask that any members who have not paid their dues by now to please do so right away. Thanks.  
Scott



### Fish Fry

Be sure to come and join us for our Fish Fries. Serving is from 5-7 p.m. Adults: \$7; Children 6-12: \$3.50; under 6 are free.

### 300<sup>th</sup> Rosary

We look forward to seeing a record number of Brother Knights on the special occasion of our 300<sup>th</sup> consecutive (that's 25 years!) Holy Rosary on Friday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent's Church. We will have the 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knights there to assist us. It will be so nice to see you and your family at this event.  
Benny

### Condolences

Please remember in your prayers the family of Ernie Smith, a long-time member of our council, who passed away on February 26, 2008. He was a 55-year member and a member of the Fourth Degree.

## Birthdays for April

Date	Member	Saint
1	James W. Noffsinger	St. Venantius
2	David A. Jozwiak	St. Francis of Paola
4	Joseph Bozzoto	St. Casimir
7	William J. Nye	St. Perpetua
8	Ronald Schrock Sr.	St. John Of God
8	David J. Towner	St. Walter
10	Gary L. Covey	St. Michael
13	Steven M Revelli	St. Roderic
15	Robert A. Peterson	St. Louise
16	Benedict J. Brewers	St. Benedict Labre

Date	Member	Saint
16	Gordon Scott	St. Julian
17	Rob Hoffer	St. Patrick
18	Joseph S. Russo	St. Cyril
19	James P. Mauck, Jr.	St. Joseph
20	Steve Poirier	St. Victor
20	Luis Santiago	ST. Herbert
23	Robert J. Ferroli	St. George
24	Mitchell Wirt	St. Egbert
29	Eugene W. Hungate	St. Joseph of Arimathea

### Tootsie Roll Drive

Our annual Tootsie Roll drive for ADEC is approaching rapidly. It will be held on the weekends of May 10th and May 17th at a variety of locations, which are still being confirmed at this date. In addition, sales will be held after masses at both churches. Remember that all the money we raise is donated to ADEC. I will need a lot of help to complete this drive. It is not limited to Knights only; if your wife and children would like to help, bring them along. I will have release forms and sign up sheets at our meeting in April.

God Bless,  
TJ

### Council T-Shirts

Our council tee-shirts have arrived and are for sale for only \$10.00. What a great way to support our council and to promote it at the same time! To purchase one, contact TJ Repaich @320-7394 or stop by the lounge and pick one up. For only \$10, everyone should have one!

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

### 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, Ed Wenzel, Fred Thompson, Nick Russo, Fr. Phil DeVolder, Dick Dyer, Tony Szucs, John Kidder, Dave Rupert, Steve Poirier, Phil Stillson, Charlie Brown, Tim Daugherty, Fr. Wilson, Carson Bell, Bobby Kloska, Richard Delaney, Kevin O'Connor, and Bob Ferroli.

### Do You Rent Your Insurance or Own It?

If you own term insurance, you are, in effect, renting it for a period of time. Whole life or permanent insurance will be with you for your lifetime.

Whole life insurance calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may want to consider a permanent life insurance product—one with guaranteed cash values—that offers a limited period of premium payments.

Last year Knights of Columbus paid more in living benefits (dividends) than we did in death benefits. Many of our permanent certificate holders allow their dividends to pay for their insurance after a few short years.

The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life: Twenty-Pay Life; Life Paid Up at 65; and Single Premium Life.

For more information, contact TJ Repaich. (Office/FAX: 574-875-4213; Cell: 574-320-7394)