



Knights of Columbus

St. Jude Council 1043
112 E. Lexington Avenue
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Welcome New Members!

We would like to welcome the following new members who took their First Degree on February 23, 2009: Nicholas Hintz; Ryan Martin; Francisco Macias; Travis Mahoney; Salvadore Plaia; and Rico Iavagnilio. In addition, we welcome Zack Eppers who took his First Degree on March 1. Also, we would like to welcome Matthew Stackowicz and Richard Martinczak, who recently transferred to our Council.

News Summary By Joe Tinervia

- The slate of officers is being formed. Let an existing officer know if you are interested in obtaining an officer's position for this upcoming term. The proposed slate of officers will be read in April with elections taking place in May. Installation of new officers will be held in June.
- Scholarship applications are due May 7, and they can either be picked up at the Council or downloaded from the website: <http://koc1043.org/scholarship.aspx>
- Our Council hosted a 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification where 74 candidates received their degrees. Thirty-one of those candidates were from our Council.
- Remember that there is a weekly Fish Fry each Friday during Lent from 5-7 p.m. We could use additional help at these events, especially from 6:30-7:45 to help with the clean up.
- Our next all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner will be Wednesday, April 1 from 5-7 p.m. at the Council.
- The Winter Relief Fund has a \$537 balance. It has distributed funds to Brothers in need.
- The information about the Indiana Knights of Columbus State Convention in April is here: <http://www.indianakofc.org/state-convention-2009.html>
- I visited Brother Benny Wiercioch last Thursday at Hubbard Hill. He would enjoy seeing visitors. Just go to the main building and ask for Benny.
- The bus trip to Wrigley Field to watch a Cubs game is set for Friday, September 11, 2009. More details will follow about pricing and schedule.
- Dyngus Day, as always, is the Monday after Easter, April 13. Mark it on your calendar for some delicious Polish food at our Council. We can always use help at this event, which is our largest fund-raiser for the year.
- We collected \$96.75 for the seminarians at the last meeting.
- The Tootsie Roll drive is coming up in May. Benny has been the main person collecting funds in past years, personally collecting an average of 70% of the funds donated each year. We need several Brother Knights to volunteer to raise money to even come close to the levels of funds raised by Benny alone. Prior to our next meeting, please let me know if you are interested in participating in the Tootsie Roll drive at the churches as well as the stop light collection we do at the intersection of Johnson and Jackson.

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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

We have many activities coming up in the near future. Fish fries are in full swing for the Lenten season. Bring the family, the office, the neighbors, and everyone else you know down to the hall for good fish and better friendship. Dyngus Day is just around the corner and the club will need lots of help to make this the best year ever, so plan on helping or just coming down for food and fun the Monday after Easter. In addition, Tootsie Roll sales are on the May horizon.

As the year is coming to a close, it is time for us to elect new officers for the Knights and for the Columbian Club. If you would like more information, you can go to our website or the Knights website and find job descriptions. If you would like to run for an office, please let me know your intention as the list of candidates for the specific offices will be read at the April meeting.

Finally, please keep our Brothers who are sick or out of work in your prayers.

God Bless
Steve Riikonen

Rosary

The 312th consecutive Rosary will be said on April 3rd at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent's. It would be nice to see a lot more members and their families at this event. Please mark your calendar and make a special effort to be there during this Lenten season.

News Summary

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- Volunteers are needed to help do some spring cleaning in and around the Council on Saturday, March 28, at 8 a.m. It should only take a couple of hours and, of course, the more volunteers, the faster the work will be completed.
- There are several members who still need to pay their 2009 dues. They will be receiving another reminder notice soon.
- We still are in need of recruitment points to be used to obtain new officers' medals.
- The person whose name was drawn for the \$195 attendance jackpot was not at the meeting. Therefore, the money will carry over to next month when another name will be drawn at random.

No Fooling!
Remember the Spaghetti Dinner
April 1 from 5-7 p.m.



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

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: Rob Hoffer
Recorder: Shane Blotkamp
Lecturer: Benny Wiercioch
Warden: Aaron Schade
Inside Guard: Mitch Wirt
Outside Guard: Arturo Herrera
Trustee: Shawn Kohn
Trustee: Mick Towner
Trustee: T.J. Repaich
District Deputy: Dave Kozlowski

March Meeting

Members at the meeting on March 10 were as follows: Scott Chris, Matthew Snyder, Joe Tinervia, Shane Blotkamp, Thomas Hutkins, Jim Gallagher, Jesus Zagal, Rick Frye, Matthew Frye, Shawn Kohn, Joseph Peterka, Mitch Nihart, Gordon Scott, Douglas Harris, Mitch Wirt, Dave Buzalski, Tim Johnson, John Tierney, Kevin Doroh, Jose Luis Rodriguez, David Calvillo, Dave Towner, Steve Riikonen, Andy Plaia, Justin Buenger, Lee Evers, Steve Gonsoski, Tom Pawlak, Brad Billings, Jim Donnell, Richard Scheve, Joe Eppers, Vern Miller, Sherm Hansen, Jim Noffsinger, Joe Stevens, Joel Munoz, Aaron Schade, Steve Revelli, Miguel Mendoza, Shawn Kohn, and Matt Casey.

Calendar of Coming Events

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| March 20—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| March 27—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| April 1—Spaghetti Dinner |
| April 3—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| April 3—Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30 p.m. |
| April 10—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| April 13—Dyngus Day |
| April 14—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| April 17—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |

All You Care to Eat Fish Fry

from 5-7 p.m.

\$7.50 Adults

\$5.50 Children 5-12

Under 5, free

Fish, Scalloped Potatoes, Slaw, Juice & Coffee

Fish Fry every Friday of Lent

Everyone welcome!!

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, Fr. Phil DeVolder, Harold Black, Fred Thomson, Mike Bozzacco, Shorty Murphy, Tom Farrell, Dick Delaney, Jim Linn, Deacon Reyes, Benny Wiercioch, Nick Russo, Herman Kruis, and Kevin O'Connor.

Birthdays for April

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | James W. Noffsinger | St. Albinus |
| 2 | David A. Jozwiak | St. Francis of Paola |
| 6 | Joseph Bozzoto | St. Casimir |
| 6 | Daniel Wozniak | St Colette |
| 7 | William J. Nye | St. Perpetua |
| 8 | David J. Towner | St. John |
| 10 | Gary L. Covey | St. Frances |
| 11 | Carlos Gomez | St. Eulogius |
| 13 | Steven M Revelli | St. Roderic |
| 15 | Robert A. Petersen | St. Louise |

| Date | Member | Saint |
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| 16 | Benedict J. Brewers | St. Benedict Labre |
| 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 |
| 24 | Mitchell Wirt | St. Egbert |
| 29 | Eugene W. Hungate | St. Joseph of Arimathea |
| 30 | Charles Girtin | St. Benjamin |

Congratulations New 2nd and 3rd Degree Members

We would like to congratulate the following members who took their 2nd and 3rd Degree at our Council on March 1, 2009:

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| Zach Eppers | Matt Pletcher | Doug Harris | Bill DeShone |
| Pietro DeMauro | Rico Iavagnilio | Vito Palumbo | Scott Shishman |
| Brain Turco | Ryan Martin | Rustom Dubash | Todd Nusbaum |
| Steve Revelli | Mike Froelich | Matt Yeakey | Salvadore Plaia |
| Richard Scheve | Jason Reed | Chuck Girtin | Nick Bayer |
| Justin Buenger | Richard Buenger | Steve Erwin | Dan Granzotto |
| Jim Mann | Sherman Poole | Aaron Shade | Francisco Macias |
| Dan Wierzbicki | Mike Brewers | Randy Brewers | |

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