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FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT

My Brother Knights,

I can hardly believe that it has been a whole year since I was given the honor of leading this council. They say that time flies when you are having fun but it seems as though we were being installed as officers just yesterday. This past year has brought me great joy. All of our events have been well attended and every time I have asked for your help, you have been there for your brothers and me. I would like to thank all of you who have participated this past year and I would like to challenge all of you who have not been active to follow the example of your brothers who have been active. I am not asking you to show up for all the events but just pick one or two projects and get involved.

Speaking on behalf of Wayne and myself, I would like to express our deep gratitude for allowing us to represent you at the State Convention. It is an amazing thing to see so many Catholic men and women at the Masses and the Living Rosary. It has been an enlightening experience for me personally to see the bigger picture of just how the Knights of Columbus functions and works throughout the State of Michigan.

It is always good to see so many of my Brother Knights at the Corporate Communion. It is a great opportunity to show the members of our parishes that we can gather together as a family to worship God and celebrate the gift of His Son. For those members I did not see, let me say this: I know we are Catholic and change is sometimes difficult. We have a certain day we like to attend Mass,

maybe a certain time and even some have a favorite pew. Maybe you need to expand your world, celebrate Mass with our Knights family ... you may find the pews are softer in another parish.

Congratulations need to go out to the new slate of officers. Without their help and participation your council would not function as well as it has in the past. These are men who have stepped up to the plate and will donate more time than most of us do not realize. Because of their hard work, we stand out from the other councils in our area and in the State. It feels good to talk to a brother Knight from the other side of the state and find out they know who we are. Thank you the hard work and efforts that make us look so good. Officers Training is coming up in June. We will be taught not only the duties of our office but things we can do to make the council run better. Our Council will be providing two of the instructors for this training and that should tell you something about the caliber of our Council.

Our second gas raffle of the year has begun and if you have not gotten your tickets yet, I would ask you to make arrangements to get them. At the last business meeting, I issued a challenge to everyone in the council to outsell our Worthy District Deputy Tom Ketchum this time. He has outsold every single member in each of our Gas Raffles and not just by a little. I would like to see one of you take up my challenge and “dethrone him” as it were. Tom has done an awesome job selling these tickets so it will not be an easy task, good luck to all of you in this endeavor.

Yours in Christ,

Garret A. Kelenske
Grand Knight





***JUNE
BIRTHDAYS***

JF Harris 11th
B Paul Emick 19th

***UPCOMING EVENTS*
MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**June 2nd ... 1st Degree Initiation Council # 706 to host
Registration 6:30 PM Start 7:00 PM**

June 6th 2nd Annul Memorial Mass for the Unborn
Muskegon Catholic Central 10:00 AM
Eucharistic Procession for Life and Benediction to follow
June 9th Clergy Appreciation Dinner 5:30 PM
Holy Family Center, 9669 Kraft Ave, Caledonia

**June 13th Officers Training 8:00 AM Registration
St. Mary's Council #11581 15164 Juniper Dr. Marne**

June 14th Feast of the Corpus Christi Mass
Procession 3:00 PM St Jean's to St. Michael's

**June 14th Family Social Night
Sacred Heart School Gymnasium 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

June 14th Flag Day

June 17th Regular Business Meeting 7:00 PM

June 21st Father's Day

June 23rd 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 PM
Council # 12985 to host at St. James in Montague

June 30th ... Annual Report of Round Table is due

June 30th ... Columbian Award Application is due

June 30th Quarterly Activities Report is due

**July 1st New Fraternal Year Begins
Per Capita Taxes due**

Report of Officers Form #185 due

Term of Office begins for 2009 – 2010 Officers

July 4th Independence Day

July 15th Regular Business Meeting 7:00 PM

July 28th 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 PM

Frs. Rudy & Clem Council # 13035 to host

**July 29th... Summer District Deputy's Meeting 7:00 PM
Holy Rosary Council # 13579 to host.**

*"Do not be conquered by evil but
conquer evil with good."*

Romans 12:21



COMMITTEE EVENTS

Membership Committee

	Total Membership 06/01/2009	YTD Change in Membership							
		Month to Date			Year to Date				
		Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%
MBR	5	5	0	0	5	0	0	100	
INS	3	3	0	0	3	0	0	100	

Membership Committee

Tuesday, June 2nd there will be a 1st Degree Initiation hosted by Council # 706. This council started out the year very strong, but has not brought in a new member during the last two 1st Degree Initiations. This will be our last chance this Fraternal Year to add new members.

Elections Committee

We offer thanks to those men who have given of themselves to serve as an officer of the Holy Rosary Council. A heartfelt "Thanks" goes to their families for their support of these men for their hard work and time they spent on the various committees or various projects for our community and our Church.

It is with great pleasure we introduce to you the duly elected officers for the 2009 – 2010 Fraternal Year. Please extend your congratulations to these gentlemen

Grand Knight	Garret A Kelenske
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FAMILY SOCIAL NIGHT

Sunday June 14th 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Sacred Heart School Gymnasium

Bring your family and a dish to pass





***KNIGHT OF
THE MONTH***

June David Gross

The Knight of the Month for June is David Gross. Dave was born and raised in East Grand Rapids. Dave attended St. Stephen's Elementary School and Grand Rapids Catholic Central High School. He graduated from the University of Michigan, majoring in Math and with a minor in Physics. Dave also has a Masters degree with high honors from Grand Valley State in Education and a minor in Physics.

Dave is the eldest of three children; he has both a brother and sister who are married. Immediately after graduation he accepted a job teaching math and physics at Catholic Central. He later served as a technology director for both Catholic Central and West Catholic, along with the Catholic secondary schools office.

Dave taught for eight years until he felt a spiritual calling. The call to the priesthood didn't come all of a sudden. Instead it was a sign here, a sign there, a gentle pull toward serving God and a church that's been present in his life since early childhood. He is now a seminarian at the University of St. Mary of the Lake / Mundelein Seminary. Dave will be ordained a transitional deacon at the Saint Andrew's Cathedral on June 6, 2009.

Dave stated, "One of the things that got me thinking about priesthood again was working with youth ministry," He recalled, "Going on retreats with the kids and just seeing their reaction to priests and to youth ministers – and seeing the joy it brought to them." He decided to spend a year discerning whether to stay with teaching or pursue priesthood. He also said he would often have "conversations with God" during the process.

Dave became a Knight of Columbus in June of 2008. He said this about becoming a Knight, "As a Knight, I have another group to draw strength from and to influence me in my life according to the Gospel. It is also nice to be able to talk with fellow seminarians or priests about the positive message and influence that the Knights have to offer toward vocations." This past April Dave became a 3rd Degree Knight of Columbus in the Major Degree hosted by our council

We are proud to name Dave Gross as our Knight of the Month. We look forward to supporting him spiritually and financially through our RSVP program.

**Do we have YOUR Current Address,
Telephone Number and E-mail Address?**

**If you have recently changed your address,
telephone number or e-mail address, please
contact the Financial Secretary so we can
update our records.**



***FAMILY OF
THE MONTH***

June Rich and Marlene Eller

Our family of the month for June is Rich and Marlene Eller. Rich explained that he and Marlene met in 2004, after a friend introduced them to each other. They were a part of a breakfast bible study group and found that they had many things in common, including daily mass and prayer. They had both been widowed from a previous marriage, Rich for 52 years. He expressed that "he didn't think that love would ever come his way again, until Marlene came along." They were married on "Decoration Day," May 2005, at Sacred Heart Church. Fr. Mark Bauer and Fr. Jim Wyse, our previous council chaplains, performed the ceremony.

Rich and Marlene are active members of St. Jean's Parish. Rich has exhibited the Knightly virtue of charity by serving others as minister of compassion to Brookhaven. He has also been known to pass the basket as an usher at the 9:30 AM Mass and he has been active as an altar server at St. Jeans.

Rich has served our council in many ways. He serves as our Lecturer and offers readings that are thought provoking, and spiritually uplifting to his Brother Knights. He has been active in many of our council activities including working on the Gleaners Food Trucks, painting Fr. Tom's bedroom at St. Jeans and manning our rosary/information table at many parish and community activities. Rich is also an active member of our Rosary Committee and helps with putting on the "Living Rosary" at schools around the area.

Rich said that Marlene has been very supportive in all his Knights activities. She and Rich have also enjoyed attending our family get-togethers at our council summer picnic and the annual Christmas dinner.

It is for these reasons that we thought it was important to honor Rich and Marlene as our family of the month. We pray that God will continue to bless them for all the faithful work they do at church and in the Holy Rosary Council.



RAFFLE

\$500.00 in CASH

Or

\$500.00 in GAS

\$5.00 per ticket

with a 300 ticket limit



See the Grand Knight for YOUR tickets

Right to Life Issues

In 2001, President George W. Bush adopted a policy against federal funding of the type of stem-cell research that requires the killing of human embryos. On March 9, 2009, President Barack Obama issued an order to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) that nullified this pro-life policy, and authorized NIH to conduct "human embryonic stem cell research, to the extent permitted by law."

Congressional Democratic leaders, whose party currently holds majority control of both houses of Congress, have indicated that they will soon move legislation that would authorize federal funding of stem cell research. If enacted, such a bill would enshrine the bad policy in law, preventing any future pro-life president from blocking funding for embryo-destructive research.

Congressional advocates of embryonic stem cell research have not yet revealed exactly what legislation they will advance. But National Right to Life Committee has warned that the anticipated bills will be broader than bills that President Bush vetoed in 2006 and 2007. Those vetoed bills authorized the use of so-called "leftover" embryos, created at in vitro fertilization clinics to help infertile couples. Now, however, key backers of embryonic stem cell research have signaled their desire to remove all barriers to federal funding of research that would use human embryos who would be created for the specific purpose of research -- including embryos created by human cloning.

The National Right to Life Committee has strongly criticized President Obama for authorizing federal funding of research that destroys human embryos, and is also strongly opposed to any such legislation that would enshrine such a policy in federal law or which would pave the way for human cloning.

(This article was copied in it's entirety from an article posted on the Michigan Right to life website. The original article can be found by going to the website www.rtl.org)

Please go to the following link to send US Senators Levin and Stebanow and your US Representative an e-mail voicing your opposition towards this bill. You need to type the entire line as it is printed with no spaces.

<http://www.capwiz.com/nrlc/issues/alert/?alertid=12900506&type=CO>

You CAN'T be BOTH a Practicing Catholic AND Pro-Abortion!



NEWS FROM THE 4th DEGREE



The Bishop Frederic Baraga Assembly is proud to announce the officers for the Fraternal Year of 2009 – 2010. Please take a moment to congratulate these men and offer your prayers for them as they lead the assembly the next fraternal year.

Faithful Navigator	J.R. Savoie PGK
Faithful Captain	Garret Kelenske GK
Faithful Admiral	James Burke GK
Faithful Pilot	Brian Nolan
Faithful Comptroller	Larry Kolker PGK, FDD
Faithful Scribe	Michael Lewis PGK
Faithful Purser	Henri (Dick) Perri GK
Faithful Inner Sentinel	Jacob Paszkowski
Faithful Outer Sentinel	Michael Olivier
Faithful Trustee 1yr	Raymond Reinhold PGK
Faithful Trustee 2yr	George Bennett PFN
Faithful Trustee 3yr	Thomas Helferich

The Bishop Frederic Baraga Assembly #474
More than 50 Years of Serving God and Country
1957 – 2007

IS IT TIME FOR AN INSURANCE REVIEW?

Our Beginnings; A Sanctuary

In the late 19th century, North America was experiencing an influx of people from all over the world. Many were relegated to living in unsanitary conditions and performing hazardous jobs for poor pay. Such was the life for Catholics, and the untimely death of the family breadwinner often devastated a family. Since the very beginning of our organization, we have been there for our membership and even though the times have changed the loss of you would be devastating to your family.

Ownership Benefits

Because we're a Fraternal Benefit Society, we have no stockholders. Our owners are our members. We return our good fortune in the form of dividends to our policyholders.

Your Commitment to your family

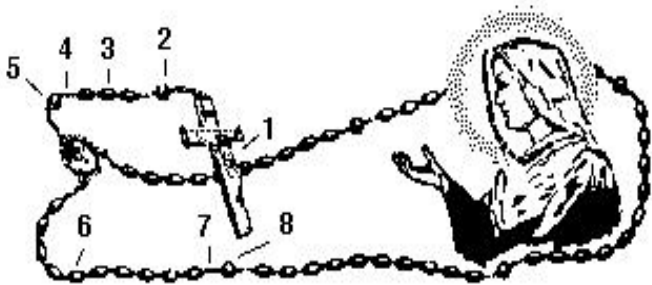
Have you fulfilled your commitment to your family and made sure they will be provided for in your absence? And when was the last time you reviewed your policies to make sure the coverage will meet their future needs? Isn't it time to call **Joe Tackx** for a review?



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How to Pray the Rosary

1. Make the **Sign of the Cross** and say the "Apostles' Creed."
2. Say the "Our Father."
3. Say three "Hail Marys."
4. Say the "Glory be to the Father."
5. Announce the First Mystery; then say the "Our Father."
6. Say ten "Hail Marys," while meditating on the Mystery.
7. Say the "Glory be to the Father."
8. Announce the Second Mystery; then say the "Our Father." Repeat 6 and 7 and continue with Third, Fourth and Fifth Mysteries in the same manner.



After the Rosary:

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. O GOD, whose only begotten Son, by His life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech Thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

After each decade say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy."

As suggested by the Pope John Paul II the **Joyful** mysteries are said on Monday and Saturday, the **Luminous** on Thursday, the **Sorrowful** on Tuesday and Friday, and the **Glorious** on Wednesday and Sunday (with this exception: Sundays of Christmas season - The Joyful; Sundays of Lent - Sorrowful)

The Joyful Mysteries:

1. **THE ANNUNCIATION**
2. **THE VISITATION**
3. **THE NATIVITY**
4. **THE PRESENTATION**
5. **THE FINDING OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE**

The Sorrowful Mysteries:

1. **THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN**
2. **THE SCOURGING AT THE PILLAR**
3. **THE CROWNING WITH THORNS**
4. **THE CARRYING OF THE CROSS**
5. **THE CRUCIFIXION**

The Glorious Mysteries:

1. **THE RESURRECTION**
2. **THE ASCENSION**
3. **THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**
4. **THE ASSUMPTION**
5. **THE CORONATION**

The Luminous Mysteries:

1. **THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
2. **THE WEDDING OF CANA**
3. **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM**
4. **THE TRANSFIGURATION**
5. **THE INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST**

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