



KNIGHT'S COUNCIL 11187

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Upcoming Events

June 2000

- 3 9:00 AM First Saturday Mass
10:00 AM Officers' Meeting
- 12 8:00 PM Business Meeting — **VOTE**
- 18 Father's Day
- 26 8:00 PM Social Meeting
- 30 Columbia Award Due #SP-7

July 2000

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New Newsletter Editor

Starting with the next newsletter, Brother Dick Petersen will take over as the Newsletter Editor. Dick's E-mail address is:

water2tret@aol.com

Please forward any newsletter stories to Dick — he deserves the support of the Council to make the newsletter relevant to the Council. Thanks for volunteering, Dick!

Dear Brother Knights...

By Fran Vendetta, Grand Knight

Our current fraternal year will end on June 30. We have had a great year of programs and many brother knights have made our events a great success. I want to personally thank everyone who has helped, participated and chaired our various functions. Remember, without each other's help, our council would not be as viable as it is.

During our next business meeting



on June 12, we will be conducting our election of officers for the 2000/2001 fraternal year. Please plan to attend this meeting and cast your vote. It is important that you participate during the voting process and show support for our brother knight candidates. Hope to see you all there at the next meeting. Mark your calendars now!

On Monday, May 15 our fifth 1st degree of our fraternal year was held. Congratulations to the 5 new Brother Knights that were initiated into our council on that evening: Brothers Jesse Garcia, George Kovar, Chris Young, Clarence Smithberger and Joseph Sobczyk. Please extend a friendly welcome to our new knights and their families.

I am pleased to announce that our Measure Up campaign was again a great success despite having to change the date twice. We raised over \$3000 for our efforts which 80% will be returned to us for distribution to the organizations that we choose to help that deal with our mentally retarded brothers and sisters. I would like to thank the co-chairs of this event, Brothers Alex Pokora and Mike Monnin, for organizing the event. A special thanks goes to



Brother George Williams who kindly filled in when the chairmen had other personal commitments and were unable to be at the actual event. Thanks George for stepping up to the challenge! It is greatly appreciated.

You have probably noticed that we have our K of C sign in place outside by the church mailboxes. It can be seen when entering the church driveway coming either way on 256. Brother Bob Mc Nicol and his son graciously installed our sign a couple weeks ago. Bob, thanks for taking the time to do this for your council. It is truly appreciated. I hope it wasn't too hot the day you had to dig holes!

At this time, I would like to thank Brother Joe Drignat for the stupendous job he has done on

our council newsletter the past 3 years. Joe has put a lot of effort into creating a newsletter that we can all be proud of. Please extend Joe a big thank you when you see him. It is well deserved! Congratulations to Brother Dick Petersen who has eagerly accepted the baton from Brother Joe. Brother Dick looks forward to continuing the tradition of a great newsletter. Please feel free to contribute articles or stories for our newsletter. I know Brother Petersen would welcome all information. Thanks Dick for taking over this important council function.

Our Financial Secretary, Brother Fred Barwick, will soon be completing his 3-year term in this capacity. Fred has been instrumental in being the liaison between Supreme Council and our council. All records and correspondence concerning council matters is the responsibility of this office. Let's all thank Dr. Barwick for his hard work and diligence over the last three years. I am pleased to announce that Brother Dave Shaver has stepped forward to accept the challenges of this position. He will be working closely with Fred over the next couple of months to learn the aspects of the job. Thanks Dave for offering your time and talent. I am sure you will do an excellent job!

My wife and I will be attending the K of C Ohio State convention during the Memorial Day weekend holiday. I hope everyone has a great holiday and en-

joys some good family activities. Best Wishes for a safe and entertaining weekend!

Just a reminder: The first Saturday mass of the month held at 9:00am is still sponsored by our council even though we have perpetual adoration in place. This mass is for our brotherhood and their families as well as for our Seton parishioners. Brother John Morrison has done a great job in organizing this mass and providing the coffee, juice and doughnuts after mass. It is a good time to socialize with other brother knights and their families after enjoying and sharing a prayerful moment together attending morning mass. I encourage everyone to take the time and plan to attend these masses several times throughout the year. Let's see if we can run Brother John out of doughnuts! Thanks John for your dedication to this ministry.

Brothers, continue to pray for our Brothers who are ill that they may be filled with God's blessings. Congratulations to all seniors, both college and high school, who will be graduating this summer. May the good Lord provide them his guidance as they venture into the world of uncertainty.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally Yours,

Fran A. Vendetta
Grand Knight

Knight Light: Birthdays

**CHANCELLOR
BUD JOOS
ANNOUNCES
THE FOLLOWING
BIRTHDAYS:**



MAY BIRTHDAYS

**DAVE CRIMINSKI
JOHN HAMILTON
JASON HEITMEYER
AL KLUCZYNSKI
RICK LARKIN
DAVE LAWLER
ANTHONY LONG
PAT O'LINN
HECTOR RAYMOND
RICHARD ROBERTS
EUGENE VENETTA **
HARRY VOLKOMMER
DAVE WALTON**

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

**TOM BLAIES
MARK BURNS
BILL BURTON
PAT CORCORAN
PAUL CURTIN
MARTIN DAVIES
JOE DRIGNAT **
MARK HOLROYD
REV. DENIS KIGOZI
CARL KIPP
GEORGE KOVAR III *
JOSEPH KRUGER
GEORGE LUST
RICHARD MACHINSKI
PAT MAHAN
DAVE MCVAY
JAMES C. MICHNOWICZ
MATTHEW POSEY
KARL SHUSTER
FRANK SOBOLEWSKI
GEORGE WILLIAMS**

**** A BIG MILESTONE**

Chancellor's Challenge

Who is non-viable?



Since the last newsletter I had major surgery – a kidney removal to eliminate a cancer tumor. On the way to the pre-op surgery room I was thinking of being under an anesthetic. Of course I am well aware of the risks in any anesthetic. But I was not the least bit concerned about risks because general anesthetics are very safe. One safeguard is in the ability to monitor breathing. If for some reason the body cannot respond, procedures are in place to mitigate the problem. Without this ability open-heart surgery would not exist. If breathing stops and for some reason the body does not respond, the patient is declared "non-viable."

There are many accidents that occur every day that result in a person being non-viable, such as in the case of drowning. The supply of oxygen is shut off and if resuscitation does not follow soon the person is non-viable. I use oxygen for my illustration because the needs of the respiratory system are more immediate than the need for food and water.

As I awoke in the recovery room there was no need for the oxygen to be supplied from any other source than my own breathing, so I was again viable. And even though I would not have any food

for the next five days and very little fluids by mouth, there was the intravenous feeding of fluids and energy. I was being fed directly into my blood supply, which is the same as a baby is fed before it is born. As you know life can be



maintained for a long period of time without food, water, vitamins or minerals given orally. As long as the blood has all the necessary elements to carry on its functions of transporting oxygen, food and the wastes of metabolism that are to be discarded, we are viable.

I give this example to emphasize the subject of my challenge for this month: the phrase "non-viable fetus" that promoters of abortionists use. In their minds a "non-viable fetus" distinguishes a fetus from a baby. And in their minds this phrase justifies the time that an abortion can take place and be legal. If the fetus cannot live outside the womb then it is "non-viable." Let us look at this a little closer.

Medical advances allow younger and younger pre-mature babies to live and be viable on their own.

Doesn't this question the term "non-viable?" If medical advances continue, it follows that all

fetuses should be called babies!

For many years a fertilized embryo from one cow can be placed in a surrogate cow and the calf will grow and be delivered in a normal birth because it has all of its lifelines intact. This way many calves can be produced from the same mother cow. Otherwise, there would only be one calf a year from that special cow.

Using oxygen as the most critical lifeline you can see that any human born or unborn needs this lifeline. It makes no difference whether the mother is supplying oxygen to the umbilical cord, by an intra-tracheal tube in the operating room or by the oxygen in the atmosphere. We all will become "non-viable" if we lose that lifeline.

It makes no difference whether it is a drowning or an abortion. It has nothing to do with whether we are getting our oxygen supply from our lungs or it being supplied by the blood through the umbilical cord. It is the same for all normal unborn babies and us. We are viable if our lifelines are left intact.

The challenge: may we always contest the phrase "non-viable fetus" when used as legal reason to promote abortions.



Bud Joos
Chancellor

Duties of the Elected Officers — Last Chance!

I am printing the duties for each office so those who are interested will know what the offices are about. There will be no elections for the Board of Trustees because Hector Raymond and George Williams will remain on the board and the Past Grand Knight will be the Three Year Trustee.

DUTIES OF THE ELECTED OFFICERS

The **Grand Knight** shall: Preside over meetings; appoint committees, countersign orders drawn by the financial secretary for payment of money; countersign checks; read vouchers; read notices relative to the Fourth Degree; and perform other duties as the Order may impose; and act as Chaplain in the Chaplain's absence.

The **Deputy Grand Knight** shall: Preside in the absence of the Grand Knight and execute all duties of said Grand Knight.

The **Chancellor** shall: Assist the Grand Knight and the Deputy Grand Knight in the performance of their duties; is charged with the total participation of the membership in the activities of the council; shall exercise a special interest in new members and those members that are sick or in distress; and perform other duties as the Grand Knight directs.

The **Recorder** shall: Keep a true and accurate record of the doings of his council upon books ap-

proved by the Board of Directors and furnished by the Supreme Secretary at the expense of the council; conduct all correspondence of the council and perform all duties as the council may direct.

The **Treasurer** shall: Be the custodian of the funds; receive all monies from the Financial Secretary and give a written receipt for same, specifying the funds to which the same shall be credited; monies received shall be deposited by said Treasurer to the credit of the Council and obtain vouchers of said deposits and those vouchers delivered to the Grand Knight.

The **Lecturer** shall: Endeavor to devise means to entertain his council at meetings and perform duties as his council may direct.

The **Advocate** shall: Be the attorney of the council in case of a trial and investigation of any matter whatsoever of interest of the council.

The **Warden** shall: Be present at all meetings and the opening of the same. He shall have charge of the council property and keep same in proper condition for meetings (except monies and account books); he shall instruct his guards in their duties.

The **Guards** shall: The **Inside Guard** shall attend the entrance to the council chamber, through the inner door; the **Outside Guard** through the entrance through the

outer door; and each shall perform other duties as may be imposed by the council.

The **Board of Trustees** shall: Consist of the Grand Knight and three members to be elected by the council. The Grand Knight shall be the chairman. At the first election of a new council there will be one to hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. Thereafter there will be one three year trustee to be elected. The Trustees shall have supervision of all the financial business of the council; shall audit all the accounts of the Financial Secretary and treasurer, and in January and July report thereon to their council, State Deputy, District Deputy and Supreme Council. They shall perform such other duties as their council or the District Deputy or the officers of the Order may direct. In our case the Two Year Trustee will become the **One Year Trustee**; the Three Year Trustee will become the **Two Year Trustee**, and the Past Grand Knight will become the **Three year Trustee** for the Year 2000-2001. Therefore there will be no elections for the Trustee positions this year.

Bud Joos



**It's your council — cast your vote
so your voice is heard**

Around The Council

New 3rd Degree Knights

Please congratulate Brothers Len Fatica, Greg Long, and Bob Ketchum for attaining the level of 3rd Degree!

Monday, May 29 — 6:30 PM
Mass and Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Monsignor Steve's Ordination.

Please see the photograph on this page for a look at these Knights in their regalia.

assist Seton Parish by taking pictures (with the digital camera we purchased) for the Seton Family Album.

Anyone interested in either of these two initiatives should E-mail Hector at hjr1951@aol.com or phone him at (614) 868-0322.

Clippers

June 9th is Knights of Columbus Night at Clipper Stadium. All Knights should plan on attending — you might as well use all those Clippers tickets!



Mentorship, Family Album

Brother Hector Raymond suggested that our Council start a Mentorship Program wherein experienced Knights would take new Knights under their wings. This would help the new Knights get acclimated a lot quicker.

Hector also suggested that we

Piano for Sale

Warren Meisner is selling a piano for \$50. He will donate the piano to a worthy charity. Please call Warren at 863-7982.



Thanks

A big thank you to Terry Leach, Paul Grubbs, and Dale Durthaler for manning the sign-in table during the Seton Parish Blood Drive on May 25, 2000.

All it took was a few calls and I had the staffing that I needed.

Thanks, Your fellow Knight,
Bud Joos



4th Degree Knights at the May 27th Confirmation. Left to right, Bo Glavin, David Core, John Hamilton, Charlie Giametta, Francis "Bud" Joos, Joe Drignat, Hector Raymond. The picture was taken by the new digital camera purchased for Seton Parish by our Council 11187.

Fourth Degree

The Council 11187 Fourth Degree Knights participated in two Seton



Parish events in May:

Saturday, May 27 — Confirmation at 5:00 PM Mass.

Year 2000-2001 Officer Nominations

The nominating committee has been looking for candidates to run for Council office positions. The following list shows the list of nominations currently on the table.

If you would like to run, please call someone on the nominating committee to put your name in for consideration:

- Joe Rossi (614)837-0084
- Bud Joos (614)837-7211
- Mike Welling (614)751-1303

The only requirement is you have to be a 3rd Degree Knight. To help you decide which office you would like to run for, please see page 4 for a listing of the offices and their duties.

It's not too late to put your name in — we need to have full participation from the entire council, and serving as an officer is part of your duty as a Knight of Columbus.

- Grand Knight ✓ Joe Rossi
- Deputy Grand Knight ✓ Bud Joos
- Chancellor ✓ Bo Glavin ~~11~~ 11
Dick Petersen ~~1~~ 1
- Recorder ✓ Mike Croyle
- Treasurer ✓ Mike Welling
- Advocate ✓ Dick Petersen
Bob Ketchum
- Warden ✓ Joe Drignat
BOB KETCHUM
- Inside Guard ✓ John Samborski
✓ Bob Ketchum
- Outside Guard ✓ John Siebert
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Around The Council

New Insurance Agent

Mark Mandel is the new regional insurance agent for our area. Mark stopped in to the May business meeting and gave the gathered Knights a talk about the Knights of Columbus Insurance programs.

Mark has been a Knights of Columbus insurance agent for 4 years. He started by pledging to do whatever he could to help our Council attain Star Council status. As you may know, Star Council is the highest award we can earn. It is made up of three parts: membership, activities, and insurance. Council 1187 has sufficient points in membership and activities, but is lacking in the number of insurance policies versus our goal.

The purpose of the Knights of Columbus Insurance Program is to support the family. It began as a way to help poor Knights afford insurance, and to provide for the families of the Knights.

Without the insurance program, nothing would happen in the Knights. Our dues and other contributions make up only about \$4 million out of the Knights budget of \$1.3 billion dollars. Insurance makes up the remainder.

Please call Mark at (614) 870-9166 to set up an appointment. A minimum policy is only \$50 per year, and would help us toward our insurance quota.