



ST. MALACHY KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Council 12540 Brownsburg Indiana

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Volume 1, 2004

New Officers Elected

The new Council Officers were elected at the June meeting and took office as of July 1, 2004. The Officers are:

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| CHAPLAIN - | Rev. Daniel Staublin |
| GRAND KNIGHT— | Dr. Lawrence Garetto |
| DEP GRAND KNIGHT | Michael Worden |
| CHANCELLOR - | Jeffrey Gaerke |
| RECORDER - | Jeffrey Trammell |
| TREASURER - | Daniel Skiba |
| ADVOCATE - | Leo Hellmann |
| WARDEN— | Daniel Murphy |
| INSIDE GUARD— | Mike Arnould |
| OUTSIDE GUARD - | Mark Meunier |
| LECTURER - | Phil Pursifull |
| TRUSTEE 1 YR. - | Paul Zielinski |
| TRUSTEE 2 YR. - | Ted Frankowski |
| TRUSTEE 3 YR. - | Tom Albert |

Financial Secretary- Charles Testerman
This office is appointed by the Supreme Knight

ANOTHER HUGE TOOTSIE ROLL SUCCESS !!!

Our Council held another very successful Tootsie Roll Drive under the awesome leadership of Brother John Mullen who along with his co-chairmen, Rich Mroz and Leo Hellmann, and many volunteers raised a total of \$7351.52 after expenses.

These funds will be divided between SPRED, Special Olympics and Sycamore Rehabilitative Services.

It was reported that 64 three hour shifts were covered in Brownsburg, Avon and Danville. 343 hours of time were given to this project. 84 Knights took part along with fellow parishioners, Scouts, SPRED volunteers and students.

Grand Knights Report

7/5/2005

Leadership and Followership...Which is the most important??

I believe that it's followership. Without this, there is no possibility of accomplishment. Followership itself is a form of leading. It is leading by example, modeling actions and behaviors that others will pick up on and run with. It is the lifeblood of any vibrant organization. By following and taking responsibility for doing it well we are demonstrating leadership. Followership is NOT blind allegiance. Rather it is a mindset that is "critical" in the sense of "critiquing"... evaluating pros and cons of actions or plans and giving advice, making your viewpoints known even if they seem to be contrary to that expressed by others. This is exceptionally important and is a means of leadership. Without the communication of your thoughts and ideas openly, we may miss some important consideration that could change the group's thinking process. Followership is not passive. It is a active engagement process that moves an organization forward and pushes it to not only meet goals that have been set, but to exceed them. All of us need to develop our followership, our council can only benefit from this as we grow. Please help me and our new officers and directors over the course of this next year by being leaders and followers in all that you do.

Lawrence P. Garetto, Ph.D.

NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to our new members during 2004. They are:

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| Mark Alexander | John Barker |
| Jim Beebe | Dave Kieback |
| Juan Lopez | Andoniah Mukona |
| John Reyes | Chris Rollett |
| Chris Wehrle | Russ St. Germain |
| Don Vera | Marty Allen |
| William E. Barnes | Jack Baughman |
| Michael Lazaro | Jeffery L. McConnell |
| Jeffery Miller | Benjamin Ward |

We are happy to welcome them to Council 12540. They have chosen well and we look forward to seeing them at meetings and functions of the Council.

SUPREME KNIGHTS THREE POINT PLAN FOR 2004-05

1. Help Catholic Men Live their Vocation
2. Serve the Parish and Pastor
3. Protect Catholic Families

CALENDAR of EVENTS

Aug., Sept., Oct.,

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| Aug. 2 | Business Mtg. HFR |
| 8 | Victory Field-Concessions |
| 15 | Victory Field-Concessions |
| 16 | Business Mtg. HFR |
| 18 | Seminarians Picnic |
| 21 | Steak Fry |
| 29 | Victory Field-Concessions |
| Sept. 4 | Corporate Communion |
| | 5:30 Mass |
| 6 | Business Mtg. HFR |
| 11 | McGivney Cup |
| 17 | Country Fair- Parking |
| 18 | Country Fair- Parking |
| 20 | Business Mtg. Social |
| | Following |
| Oct. 3 | Pancake Breakfast |
| 4 | Business Mtg. |
| 16 | Spaghetti Dinner-tentative date |
| 18 | Business Meeting-Social |
| | Following |
| 23 | Bonfire -tentative date |

DURING 2003 THE KNIGHTS REPORTED DONATIONS OF \$130 MILLION DOLLARS AND 61 MILLION HOURS OF SERVICE. THIS IS WHAT YOU CAN BE A PART OF IF YOU ARE A MEMBER. TALK WITH ANY MEMBER ABOUT JOINING. WE NEED YOU to do more

PLAINFIELD JUVENILE CORRECTION FACILITY MINISTRY

Recently I asked Mike McVey who has been working with the Plainfield Juvenile Correction Facility to give me some of the facts about this ministry so I could do an article for the Council Newsletter and News from the Pews. He wrote the following and I thought I could do no better so I am reprinting his reply.

The council started out by throwing a birthday party in July 2003. Due to the happy occasion with very sad undertones, I started going down one night a week to work with two boys that we met at the party. When two teens tell you they can have visitors but have had none in seven weeks, this floored me.

Attended the orientation session in Sept. '03, so between Jul. and Sept. I was flying solo. The class helped bring myself and Robin Echard on line. By Sept. the council had generated another soul to help. At that time we requested two more boys and Robin worked with them and we had four all together.

The status stayed much the same thru Christmas and into the New Year. By February, one of my boys was close to being released. After they have completed all the paperwork, school, prevention plans, etc. they go to a council of employees made up of security, counselors, mentors, etc. and the boy gives his case verbally. Anyone there with him, on his side of the table, can speak on his behalf. That is called pre-ARC. I believe that is Annual Release Committee but don't quote me.

Three or four weeks later they are scheduled for Release ARC. If all is still in order a release date is set.

At this time the PJCF (Plainfield Juvenile Correction Facility) is very short of community assistance. They need tutors, mentors, etc. for many boys do not have interaction with the outside world except for employees of the site. Some schooling is provided on a daily basis. From my observations, the main thing I feel the boys we have interacted with receive is Prayer and guidance. They need hugs all the time, someone to tell them they are loved, and an ear to hear them.

I currently have an eighteen and thirteen year old. The younger one, three weeks ago, did most of the talking that night. His story began at seven years of age. He has an abusive father and no one can figure out why he has been suspended from school multiple times in six years, has a sex offense on record, and theft in those short 13 yrs.?

If you are interested in helping with this ministry please contact Mike McVey.

VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

The time is fast approaching when we will again exercise our God given right to elect our national leaders. With that in mind we are reprinting a part of an article from the COLUMBIA magazine of July 2004.

At the Ballot Box
Is Catholic identity missing ?

By Russell Shaw

Catholics should not vote as Catholics if that means attempting to use the political process to impose some uniquely Catholic point of doctrine or Catholic self interest on the rest of the country. To take an exaggerated example for clarity's sake, no sane person would suggest that Catholics should seek an amendment to the Constitution recognizing the primacy of the Pope. But Catholics should vote as Catholics in the sense of voting as persons who hold a particular body of beliefs and values as part of their religious traditions. This should hold especially when what's at stake is some element of that tradition which both impacts on peoples' lives in common and is part of that shared patrimony called natural law. These are matters whose truth is—at least hypothetically— accessible to everyone.

The principal of the Fourth Degree of our Order is Patriotism. As such we encourage everyone to educate themselves on the candidates and vote as your conscience tells you to.

Financial Secretary Reports Record Membership Numbers

Financial Secretary reported at the July 19 meeting that we have surpassed the 200 mark in membership. We now have 203 members.

**When was the
Last time you
invited someone
To join the
Knights of Columbus ?**

Building Committee Update

Your building committee has been exploring the possibility of purchasing 10 acres of land for our council. The land is bordered by the new St. Malachy Church and School site on 1000E, north of 700N and is currently owned by the Archdiocese. We are seeking advice from professionals in zoning and land use options. Our intent is to have a council hall and this is the first step in our journey. We will keep our Brother Knights informed of our progress and will seek your approval as we go forth.

Fraternally yours,

Council 12540 Building Committee

Knights of Columbus Insurance: Keeping Our Promises

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Fifth Annual Seminarians Dinner

On August 18th our Council will host the fifth annual cookout for the seminarians of our Archdiocese. This annual event is a highlight of the seminarians year so we are told.

It begins with a prayer service in the Church which lasts about 20 minutes with the Council members and seminarians praying together. Everyone then goes outside to feast on the gourmet items prepared by the Council chefs and their spouses.

Following the meal is a time for games and sharing with the members and seminarians getting to know one another. The interest shown the seminarians during this event is very popular with the seminarians making St. Malachy a very desired parish to serve at upon their ordination.

Members are very much encouraged to attend this event to show we support our seminarians.



DO WE HAVE FUN OR NOT !!!!!!!

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5th Annual K of C Family Steak Fry Saturday August 21st

Bring the whole family to what promises to be a great evening of fun and fellowship for all. Follow your nose to the big tent behind Church; serving begins at 5:30. If you know of men who are considering joining the Knights, please invite them and their family as well. Back by popular demand will be kids games and two Moonwalks.

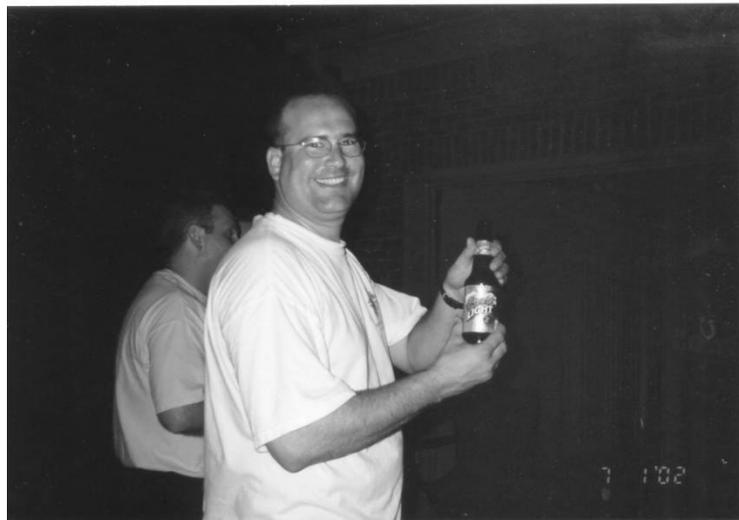
Menu:

Steak Dinner (\$10). Includes 8 oz Rib eye Steak, Baked Potato, Corn on the Cob, Dessert and Beverages.

Burger & Dog Dinner (\$5). Includes Hamburger or Hotdog, Potato Chips, Corn on the Cob, Desert and Beverages.

Please RSVP by Aug 15th to:

Jeff Gaerke – JeffGaerke@Earthlink.net or 852-2069
Leo Hellman - ULHellmann@cs.com or 272-2709

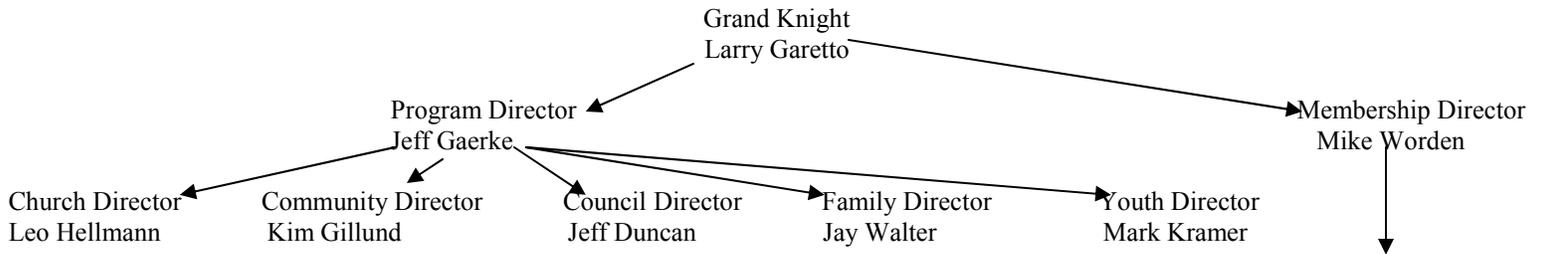


WE DID IT AGAIN !

Brother Mike Waters relaxes after another golf tournament.

Once again Mike has led the Council in a most successful and enjoyable golf tourney. Year after year Mike comes through in leading the Council in its largest fund raiser. Congratulations to Mike and his crew.

Knights of Columbus Council 12540 Program Map



Rosary Ring distributed to 8th graders

RSVP/ Support our Seminarians program

Vocations week

Ongoing offer to assist Priests

Clergy appreciation Gift

Coordinate monthly adoration

4th Degree Adoration

Work with Lecturer to identify Speakers.
Recognize Alter Servers

Parade 4th of July

Plainfield Boys Birthday party.

Keep Christ in Christmas Float.

Citrus Sale

Know it all in Noll Hall

Pro-Life Day of Unborn Child

Tootsie Roll Drive

Golf Outing

Morality in Media

American Legion

Transport Elderly to Mass

Food and Prep for Social Mtg.

Parking details

McGivney Cup Golf Outing

Spaghetti Dinner

Pancake Breakfast

Knight Bowl

Fish Fries

Building Committee

Beef n Boards

Marketing & News

Website

Family Social Outing—at changing of Officers

Corporate Communion

Family of the Month

Seminarian Cookout

Steak Fry

Bonfire/Hayride

Memorial Committee Mass

Family Christmas Party

Ladies Appreciation Event

Sporting Events e.g. Indy Ice etc

Interface with youth group

Free throw contest

8th Grade Scholarship

12th Grade Scholarship

Senior from St. Malachy Essay Contest

Teacher Appreciation Day

Plainfield Mentors

Adopt a Highway

Car Wash

Punt, Pass & Kick

Recruitment Team

1st Degree Team

Retention Team

New Member Mentorship

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