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The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District # 45

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From the Grand Knight's Desk:



In daily life it is not happiness that makes us grateful, but gratefulness that makes us happy....I hope and pray all of you and your families have had a wonderful Christmas season. It has been a very busy and productive December for our Council...

We started the month off with all hands on deck at our Christmas Tree lot. I would like to commend our Tree Lot Committee on the excellent job they did this year, upgrading the lighting, upgrading racks, better staffing, making it the experience excellent... etc. They gave their all and I want to thank them all for a job very well done.

We had our annual Knight before Christmas First Degree on the 17th. Prior to this Kevin Wright and team did an excellent job with Pulpit talks. We had 10 candidates this year with 5 of them joining our Council. Recruitment remains our biggest challenge this year and I hope we can count on your help. It is so rewarding to see new Knights at our functions. The new Knights are the future lifeblood of our Council. It is a great way for Catholic parents to show their children the joy of giving time, talent and treasure.

We had an exceptional Christmas party this year with many families coming out and enjoying the great food, fun festivities including Santa and Gift Exchange and fellowship. A great time was had by all. This is due to the efforts of our Chair Ken Prigge and his team. Special thanks to Sue Bongiovanni too. The very next day was our Christmas with Santa Breakfast. It was very well run and menu simplified. We had great attendance and quite a bit of money (around \$800.00) was raised for our charities.

We also took on a very ambitious project this month in the continuing renovations of McDonnell Hall. The kitchen was gutted, walls repaired, painted, new flooring and all cabinets removed and relocated. New stainless cabinets, drawers and tables were installed. All woodwork was cleaned, countertop removed and relocated. This is in anticipation of purchasing new appliances this month with your approval. We even had to shave the door. This by itself is a very ambitious project and entails way more than what you would think. Our worthy brother Knights worked their proverbial butts off. The results are truly worth their effort. However, this apparently was not ambitious enough. Brother Prigge convinced us to kick it up a notch! We also completely re-painted McDonnell Hall. The differences are subtle but we believe we really brightened up the hall. It looks very nice. We also painted the ceiling outside of kitchen and front hallway. Many Knight hours were put into this exceptional project which is now about 98% complete. Thank you to all the Knights who helped!

We will be working in the next few days on calculating the number of volunteer Knight hours we have done year to date. I believe it will be a really great number and I want each and every one of you to know your Parish Community is so tremendously grateful for all you do. From Father Pietr and all the Parish Staff, to all our wonderful ministries, I get the joyous privilege of hearing of their gratitude. Thanks, from your grateful Parish!

We have plans to accomplish a lot more in 2017 and I assure you I will do my best to push us forward. I truly am humbled and blessed to lead this Council..... Thanks to you all for all you do! I wish you and your families a very blessed and healthy, prosperous 2017. Happy New Year!

Vivat Jesus,
Scott

Great Reviews!
Breakfast with Santa



Thank you to all who helped or attended the Breakfast with Santa on December 18th. All your support made this a wonderful event. We had an excellent turnout despite the frigid cold and snow on the ground from the night before. It was a great event in terms of money raised for all the many charities that we support and bringing together our parish community. Santa stopped by for our event and the children loved having him there. Adam Smith and Bob Armstrong and his daughter did a great job with the Santa pictures and software to superimpose different backgrounds for parents to choose from. We'll be advertising this next year and plan to encourage people to use these pictures for their Christmas card photos. Special thanks to Joanne for her efforts before and at the event. Are we sure we can't have women Knights? Dean's Foods donated milk, chocolate milk, orange juice, and half & half to the event. Donations like these go a long way towards making for a profitable event for all the charities that we support. Jean-Denis de Beauvoir devoured 9 pancakes to take home the title as youth pancake eating champion. He won a \$25 gift card for his efforts. Hopefully, he felt like eating again Monday. The expense report is being finalized but the profit for the event is nearing \$800.



Charity Texas Hold'em
Poker Tournament

The next poker tournament is coming up. It will be Friday, January 20th. You may bring a friend ... consider this as a recruiting opportunity.

DO NOT blindly forward the tournament details to everyone you know or the general public! This is a PRIVATE charitable event and we must limit the number of players due to limited seating.

Where:
840 Hackberry Lane
Algonquin, IL 60102

When:
Friday, January 20th
7:00pm - Sign-in
7:30pm sharp - Start

Email me at dave@frendreiss.com if you are playing, if you are bringing someone else (include their name) and if you are volunteering to help.

All profits will go to charity.

More details:

- \$30 buy-in for 1500 chips
- \$10 for 500 extra chips
- 50% of total buy-in to split between top 3-4 placers (depending on how many players) in the tournament
- Beer, Soda, & Chips included

Previous tournament history

June 2016 - Andre Manaois / Tom McCabe co-champions - \$200 raised for charity

Oct 2016 - Gerald Frost / Andre Manaois co-champions - \$460 raised for charity

Jan 2017 - Will this be you? Can anyone stop Andre?

If you have any questions, please call or email me dave@frendreiss.com .

Thanks,
Dave Frendreiss / Mark Minaglia / Rene Mendez
[847-809-6891](tel:847-809-6891)

Knight of the Month



CONGRATULATIONS to Mark Ostrowski and Dan Kotelba who were named Knight of the Month for November and December 2016 respectively.



New Member Social

The New Member Social is coming up again this month, January 28 at 6pm in McDonnell Hall. All new members from the previous year will be invited with their wives and children for a quick social and orientation. Please email Kevin Wright, our Membership Director, at KevinWarrenWright@gmail.com with any questions or if you want to help with this event. We always ask a few “experienced” Knights and their families to show up and provide conversation.

Knights Before Christmas

We gained 5 new Knights at our Knight Before Christmas 1st degree ceremony. Please welcome them when you see them.



Pictured are: Michael Biega, David Campbell, Neil Davis, James Kieras and Patrick Minaglia



McDonnell Hall Renovations

Brothers

I hope you have had a chance to see the work that has been completed on McDonnell Hall and the kitchen. The ceiling is now complete, and all the lights are working in the main hall. The sound system is in and we will soon be finalizing with a new projector, screen and Bluetooth controls for the audio/visual.

Progress in the kitchen continues with the walls and ceiling receiving two coats of paint, new LED lights that are bright enough to require sunglasses, and new stainless steel tables and commercial sink. We will soon be working to replace the flooring and the remainder of the cabinets and countertops.

It is now time to request the final phase of funding to complete the kitchen. We are asking for an additional \$12,000 to fund new appliances. These would include a new commercial refrigerator, freezer and a new gas range. Additionally these funds will also allow for deep fat fryers and an exhaust system.

Please feel free to come and see all the work that has been completed and as always we are looking for additional hands to help complete the project.

Christopher Hubbuch



4th Degree Activities

As we look forward to the upcoming year, we encourage all who are not yet 4th degree members to experience the 4th degree at the **February** or **May** exemplifications (see below for further details), they are worthwhile opportunities that you won't regret. And to you existing 4th degree members, we ask for your assistance encouraging

members to take the leap to the 4th degree. Go observe a 4th degree, for a refresher and reminder on the lessons taught in that degree. Take an active part (where you can) participating in 4th degree activities. There are NO location boundaries and there are affordable options for buying tuxedos and renting regalia.

Upcoming events and activities are as follows:

Saturday January 7th – Honor guard training Riverview Banquets 1117 N. Washington (Route 25) Batavia 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Open to ALL 4th degree members, please bring your sword, service baldric and chapeau, dress is casual no tuxedo or cape

Tuesday January 24th – meeting at St. Catherine of Siena in West Dundee, 7:30 p.m. This is a nice chance to network with your Knights of Columbus peers from around the area and learn about 4th degree activities as well as hear what some of the local councils are doing! This is also the due date for forms and monies for the February 4th degree exemplification.

Saturday February 18th – 4th degree exemplification, Sheraton Lisle Hotel 3000 Warrenville Road in Lisle, IL. Please refer to the next page in this newsletter for further details. Monies and forms are due prior to the January 24th Assembly meeting for candidates.

Saturday March 11th – Color guard request for East Dundee St. Patrick’s Day parade

Saturday March 11th – Color guard request for Shamrock Shave St. Margaret Mary Algonquin, 6:30 p.m. start time, 6:00 p.m. SUT

Saturday April 22nd – Confirmation at St. Margaret Mary Algonquin, Bishop Malloy will be celebrating 10:00 a.m. Mass, 9:30 a.m. SUT

Saturday May 20th – 4th degree exemplification, Hilton Oak Brook Hills. Stay tuned for further details.

Monday May 22nd – Confirmation St. Charles Borromeo Hampshire, Bishop Malloy will be celebrating 5:00 p.m. Mass 4:30 p.m. SUT

Be on the lookout for emails on upcoming activities and be sure to visit the [Bishop O’Neill Assembly](#) website to check out upcoming activities, etc. In addition, please be sure to visit the [Fourth Degree Master’s](#) website for information on upcoming

exemplifications, etc. If you do not receive these emails, please let Mark Halper know.

Whether marching in a parade, participating in an honor guard for the Bishop, or serving as part of an honor guard at a fallen brother’s wake is truly a humbling and honored experience to participate in 4th degree activities.

As a reminder, there is NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY to participate in these honor or color guards. We know that not everyone has their own regalia, so if you are looking to participate in an activity but don’t have regalia reach out to a member who does.

Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you guys at upcoming events and activities. Any questions, etc. please contact Mark Halper at 773-771-1810 or mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net or Tim O’Neill at 847-494-5506 or timoplants@comcast.net



Knights of Columbus
Fourth Degree-Northern Illinois District of Marquette Province

Frank W. Rossi
 Master
 1547 S. 60th Ct. 2 Rear
 Cicero, IL 60804-1669

4th Degree Exemplification
Saturday February 18, 2017
Sheraton Hotel & Executive Conference Center
3000 Warrenville Road
Lisle, IL 60532

ASSEMBLY NO. _____ COUNCIL NO. _____

Worthy Master-Please make reservations for the following:

Candidate (Initiation Fee)	\$70.00 (includes Banquet Ticket)	\$ _____
Priests Only (Initiation Fee)	\$50.00 (includes Banquet Ticket)	\$ _____
Guest/ Sir Knight	\$45.00 (banquet)	\$ _____
Ladies (Banquet)	\$45.00	\$ _____
Ladies Luncheon	\$24.00	\$ _____

CHECK NUMBER _____ **Total Amount** **\$** _____

Name _____ **email address** _____
 (Please Print) (Please Print)

Address _____

City/ State/ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Ladies Name _____

Menu----- **STEAK & CHICKEN** _____
SALMON _____

(Please indicate Dinner choice with a number)

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CHECK, PAYABLE TO: FRANK W. ROSSI, MASTER

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS February 4, 2017
NO CANCELLATIONS AFTER February 4, 2017

Directors & Chairmen

Chancellor Report:

Vocations*	Dan Kotleba	(847) 854-1821
Sunday Rosary	Rob Beyer	(224) 333-0592
Vocational Raffle	Gene Gonzales	
Seminarian Support	Rick Orabutt	(224) 678-9260

Service Programs:

Membership*	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Degree Team*	Chris Gonzales	(847) 658-3871
Membership Promotions	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

Program Director – Chris Hubbuch

Church*	Warren Coler	(847) 854-8007
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Eucharistic Congress	Open	
Eucharistic Adoration	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Easter Eucharist	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Church/School Painting	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Bibles for RE	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Marytown Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Christmas Church Lights	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 778-4269
Parish Picnic	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Mass for Deceased Brothers	Dan Kotleba	(847) 854-1821
Bereavement	Deacon Don Miller	(847) 915-8474
St. Vincent DePaul	Dean Duley	(630) 669-4495
Youth Ministry Support	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Father's Day Mass	Warren Coler	(847) 854-8007

Community* Keith Einecker (847) 658-9714

Blood Drive	Scott Shepard	(847) 344-4312
Prison Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Wheelchair Program	Tim O'Neill	(847) 658-5149
Founders' Days	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Co-Chair	Wayne Reed	(847) 836-7305
Co-Chair	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Founders' Days Parade	Michael Kouvelis	
ID Drive (Tootsie Rolls)	John Frazier	(847) 910-5031
Pig Roast	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Nativity Set Construction	Ed Henning	(847) 658-8652
Nativity Magnets/Decals	Dan Limbach	(847) 854-4188
Co-Chair	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
Community Nativity Sets	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Wilson	(847) 612-0667
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364
Hospital Visitation	Deacon Don Miller	(847) 915-8474
Thanksgiving Baskets	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Parish Summer Festival	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Charity Softball	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001
Inkjet/toner recycling	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975

Council* Tom Lambert (847) 354-5964

Downstate raffle	Domenic Perna	(847) 658-6975
Hammer Open*	Tom Walker	(630) 204-6139
Military Support	John Wolak	(224) 600-8604
Christmas Tree Lot	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Breakfast Team	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Co-Chair	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Fish Fry	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Sports Mania	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Recycle Program	Tim O'Neill	(847) 658-5149
Clay Pigeon Shoot	Jerry Ahler	(847) 658-1568
Men's Fall Retreat	Stuart Kuczynski	(847) 987-6391
Flag Football	Ed Henning	(847) 458-9077
Paintball	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Poker	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Adopt-A-Sailor	Open	

Family* Wayne Reed (847) 836-7305

Hayride & Bonfire	Rich O'Boyle	(847) 924-4186
Christmas Party	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
State Kamporee	Scott Nejman	(847) 687-2278
Co-Chair	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Family Picnic	Renee Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Feed My Starving Children	John Barrett	(847) 658-4688
Back to School Grilling	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001

Youth* Mike Barrett (847) 515-2369

Altar Server Appreciation	John Wolak	(224) 600-8604
Co-Chair	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Soccer Challenge	Matt Harman	(847) 323-6304
Drug Poster Contest	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Free Throw Contest	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279
Spelling Bee	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Scholarship Essay	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Cub, Boy, & Venture Scouts	Richard Orabutt	(224) 678-9260
Perfect Attendance	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
KCIC Poster Contest	Open	
Summer Basketball Camps	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279
Joseph Nava Bowl-a-thon	Gregg Parrish	(847) 854-4725

Culture of Life* George Jost (847) 658-8379

Pro-Life Mass	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Pro-Life Arms across USA	George Jost	(847) 658-8379

Charitable Contributions Tom Lambert (847) 354-5964

Standing Committees:

Public Relations*	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837
Newsletter*	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Email List*	Dan Limbach	(847) 854-4188
Social Media	Joe Bongiovanni	
Multimedia Show	Dan Limbach	(847) 854-4188
Anniversary Dinner	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Web Site*	Joe Bongiovanni	
Signage*	Patrick Colcernian	(847) 854-6051
Online Calendar	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

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Grand Knight*	Scott Nejman	(847) 687-2278
Deputy Grand Knight*	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Chaplain*	Fr. Peter Sarnicki	
Chancellor*	Dan Kotleba	(847) 854-1821
Warden*	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Financial Secretary*	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Advocate*	Tom Lambert	(847) 354-5964
Treasurer*	Greg Freund	(847) 907-0330
Recorder*	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Inside Guard*	Jerry Gard	(847) 854-7430
Outside Guard*	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Trustee 3 Year*	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Trustee 2 Year*	Dan Limbach	(847) 854-4188
Trustee 1 Year*	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001
Lecturer*	Stuart Kuczynski	(847) 987-6391
District Deputy*	Greg Schuring	(815) 388-5827
Field Agent*	Christopher Hamelly	(847) 757-5733

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*** Newsletter Submissions by 4th Sat of month ***

Please email your articles and photos(with comments) to:

Kevin Wright (KevinWarrenWright@gmail.com)

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Calendar of Events Council 11091 (See full calendar at *Calendar tab* -> KofC11091.org)

~ January 2017 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	2 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	3	4	5 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	6 Epiphany	7 Nativity Set Take- Down
8	9	10	11 Human Trafficking Awareness	12	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King	17	18	19 7:30p-8:30p Officers' Meeting	20 Inauguration Day 7p-10p Knights' Poker Tournament (840 Hackberry Ln, Algonquin, IL 60102, USA)	21
22 7a-1p Blood Drive (McDonnell Hall)	23	24 8p-9:30p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly)	25	26 Australia Day	27	28 Chinese New Year Knightly News DEADLINE for Articles 6p-7p New Knight Social in McDonnell Hall
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